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CALLAGHAN FAMILY'S AWFUL PLIGHT AS A SEQUEL TO THE CONVICTION

Senate Reading Room Ottawa SENATE PO

Distracted Woman and [illegible] the Keenest Agony Because of Humiliation [illegible] Wife's Despairing Plea for Justice.

WAS HE JAILED FOR THEFT OR BECAUSE HE TOLD TALES?

There is a picture of distress in a suburban home of Toronto that no Yuletide festival can veil. It is the abode of the family of W. H. Callaghan. A frantic woman and four children have been plunged into a condition of hopeless misery that is painfully pathetic. To the wife's mental agony has been added hunger for herself and her two babies and little girls during the past few hours. This is the moving sequel of the conviction secured against the husband and father.

Yuletide Vision for a Father.

Callaghan got 60 days in jail. Judge Winchester was more merciful to the prisoner than to other members of this family. If Crown Attorney Dewart and others who conducted the prosecution with such ferocity had families, helpless children and a delicate wife, just as susceptible of abject torture as Callaghan's, this spectre of the Callaghan innocents might hover near their family circles during the festivities of the approaching holidays. Here is the picture for them to contemplate, as viewed yesterday by a World reporter:

Children Cold and Hungry.

Mrs. Callaghan had just sold the carpet from beneath the feet of her little ones to provide a little coal and sufficient food to prevent the members of the family from perishing. They are utterly destitute. She is trying to determine whether she shall send the two babies to the Home for the Friendless, find a place for the two older children to work for their living and do something of the kind herself. This was the suggestion of a deputy sheriff, who was at the house earlier in the day, after discerning the hopelessness of their situation. It was with something akin to brutality that the observation was made. A hospital and a nurse is what the frantic woman requires, or will soon require.

In the Callaghan Home.

The family have just moved into 768 St. Clarence-avenue. The door was opened for the visitor by a 14-year-old girl. There was no warm gust from within. The house was the temperature of an ice plant. The child silently nodded when asked if her mother was in. Her crushed attitude was painful, but it was a very part of the surroundings. Her eyes were red, and the lines where the tears scalded their way down her cheeks were plain. She was not crying. Later, one of the little girls explained that "Mamma cried for so many nights there were no tears left."

A girl of 15 sat near a table. A 7-year-old sister leaned her head on her arms, and a toddler of 3 scrambled across the room, swinging a cat by the neck. A family council had evidently been interrupted. All looked the grief they felt. The only ray of sunshine was the prattling baby, unconscious of the blight that had settled over the home. This was the heart-rending spectacle in the Callaghan residence.

Overwhelmed by the Calamity.

The mother does not appear to wholly understand the extent of the calamity. She appears overwhelmed by the tribulations of the family. She spoke frequently of a vague hope that somehow her husband would escape the two months' term. She is a woman of refinement, and her children show the marks of refined attention.

"I just can't understand it; this surely is not the law, much less mercy", and Mrs. Callaghan sobbed anew. The children, seeing their mother shed tears, and expecting additional trouble, wailed in unison. A scene expressive of more sincere woe could not be imagined.

Honest Life of 20 Years Blasted.

"Yes, I am quite bewildered," the distracted woman continued. "It came so sudden, and our grief is almost as deep as if papa was dead. For 20 years we have lived happily in Toronto. All this time papa has been a good husband and a kind father. The children worship him. Oh, he has been so misrepresented, and things have gone so bad that I just don't know what to do.

"I knew he was in some kind of politics. Mr. Crossin was here with him several times, and we heard them talking about the affidavit. Why we were not put in the witness-box I can't understand. We never dreamed papa was about to be branded as a thief. Does his 20 years of blameless business life in Toronto count for nothing? It is inconceivable; why one would think from the way detectives and policemen and deputy sheriffs have been rushed to our home, searching hither and thither for papa, that he was a desperate criminal. It would be ridiculous, if it were not all so terrible to us. Yes, tho he had lived an honorable life for at least 20 years, to my personal knowledge, and was never even accused of breaking his word in a business transaction. THE FIRST THING THE POLICE DID WHEN THE WARRANT WAS SERVED WAS TO TAKE HIM, HANDCUFFED LIKE A FELON, AND MEASURE HIM, STRIPPED, PHOTOGRAPH HIM AND PLACE HIS PICTURE IN THE ROGUES' GALLERY ALONG WITH FELONS.

Is This British Justice?

"In God's name, is this British justice? Papa told me to be careful and not make the police more bitter, but I am frantic with the disgrace. Our children can't go to school now, without the neighboring children telling them their father is a criminal, and in jail with thieves—a thief. How can our children hold up their heads again? For 20 years we have taken so much pleasure in our church, and brought our children up there. Now they have such harrowing times when they go out of the house. They must even stop going to Sunday school.

"WHAT WOULD HAVE HAPPENED IF MR. CALLAGHAN HAD BEEN ACQUITTED OF THIS CHARGE? HE HAD ALREADY BEEN PHOTOGRAPHED AND MEASURED AND HIS PICTURE PUT AMONG THE ROGUES, EVEN WHEN HE HAD MERELY BEEN CHARGED WITH THEFT, WHEN THE LAW, THEY TOLD ME STILL SUPPOSED HIM TO BE AN INNOCENT MAN. Nobody can tell me anything; it just seems to be so, and that is all.

Good Names Count Some Times.

"Judge Denison is said to be a very severe judge, and yet I see frequent cases in the paper where Magistrate Denison suspended sentence on this or that thief, because it was his first offence; because his character had previously been spotless. Then, in heaven's name, was the father of these little children, who has lived here for a quarter of a century an honest man, not entitled to the consideration frequently accorded pickpockets? If the Police Department took it for granted he was a thief, and photographed him for the rogues' gallery before he was even tried, we ought not to be surprised that no mercy was shown when he was convicted.

Said Break Up the Home.

"A deputy sheriff came up here and said he came from the jail; that Mr. Callaghan sent him. He said I had better send the two babies to the orphanage and put the other two girls out to work; to break up our home; that I couldn't keep the house up any longer. The thought is terrifying. My husband begged me not to give way when he went to jail; that it was for but 60 days—60 days! That is like a thousand years to us. I sold our carpet to-day, and bought a dollar's worth of coal. The woman who bought it is also poor, and could not pay all due, but we can live until Monday. And then——. I suppose the deputy sheriff was right, but I don't believe my husband sent him.

Still Confidence in Callaghan.

"But everybody doesn't think he is a thief. We, I and the babies, don't. A man good and honest for 20 years, to turn thief for a miserable pittance! My husband was offered a fine position by the Wixeman Piano Manufacturing Company of Memphis, Tenn., and the manager still thinks he is honest. He knows of this case, and wrote only yesterday, saying he would hold the position open as long as necessary; that he knew Mr. Callaghan was honest. It is better that we go there, too, for they will not know how we have been disgraced.

"Of course the two older girls know, but the 7-year-old and the baby, thank God, don't know. They think papa will be home Christmas, and play Santa Claus like he always does. I tell the 7-year-old that he is traveling.

When It Was Different.

"I can remember some 21 years ago, when Toronto people were not saying such harsh things about W. H. Callaghan. It was the summer of 1881. There was an excursion boat leaving the foot of Yonge-street. Suddenly a plank gave way, and several young women were thrown into the water. I was one of them. As I was drowning a man sprang in. At the risk of his life he saved me. He helped save another girl at the same time. That was W. H. Callaghan, who is now branded as a thief. I had never seen him before. That was our introduction, and that is just how brave and good he has always been."

The grief-stricken woman was almost beside herself. She was choking with emotion. A more helpless, hopeless picture of misery could not be framed in fiction.

Was Callaghan's crime that of theft or of daring to publish the affidavit criticizing the government?

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CALLED TO ST. THOMAS.

Montreal, Dec. 17.—(Special.)—Rev. Dr. Griffith of Douglas Methodist Church received this morning a unanimous invitation to accept the pastorate of the First Methodist Church in St. Thomas, Ont., the appointment to take effect in June, 1905.

Eat the good food Lime Chips, a large package, ten cents.

GOING TO SYDNEY.

Montreal, Dec. 18.—(Special.)—To concentrate all the operations of the company the head offices of the Dominion Iron and Steel Company will at once be removed from Montreal to Sydney. The meetings of the board will, however, be held in this city. This was the statement made to-day by Mr. J. H. Plummer in making his first announcement as president of the steel company.

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NOMINATIONS FRIDAY.

West Lambton—James Clancey, Conservative.

Russell—J. E. Askwith, Conservative.

North Wellington—Thomas Martin, Liberal.

'TWAS A TRYING AUDIENCE SO RESTLESS—STRATTON

Much Less Enthusiastic and Pliable Than the One Gamey Addressed.

Beachburg, Dec. 18.—(Special.)—"It was a trying audience. It was so restless," is Mr. Stratton's opinion of the reception given him here by an audience, very much smaller and very much les enthusiastic and pliable than the one that greeted Mr. Gamey on Tuesday night last. As a Liberal said to The World: "Gamey has enthused the people around here." It was hard to judge the effect of Mr. Stratton's words on the 225 souls present, for, with the possible exception of twice, no appalause was given without being first started by A. G. Mackay, M.L.A., who should be called the promoter of applause for his party. But once during the meeting did the audience evince generous agreement with Mr. Stratton. They came to hear his defence against Gamey's charges, but he tired them out before coming to it, and could not awaken them again. Several persons went out before he had finished, and less than one-third of the audience gave him applause when he had finished. He was frequently interrupted by questions. He spoke well, tho without the convincing manner of Gamey.

Beachburg is nominally Liberal, but Gamey has made big changes. Tonight's meeting is the best possible reason why Mr. Stratton does not meet Gamey, and the best sign that Gamey is a big factor in the campaign.

Dr. Forbes invited any opposition speaker to appear, and to speak 40 minutes. Peter White, jr., spoke for himself, and did not propose to create a disturbance similar to the one created by Dr. Mackay, at the Gamey meeting, but since the invitation had been made, he would occupy about five minutes. This was greeted with counter-cheers for Gamey and Stratton pretty evenly divided. For a few seconds the meeting was made uproarious by the rivals in the audience.

Candidate Hale spoke briefly, but in a manly, straightforward manner. He was encouraged by his canvass so far. The actual time consumed by Mr. Hale was three minutes. When he sat down, several voices asked, "What about the railway?" Silence greeted this.

Asked for a Fair Hearing.

Peter White, jr., spoke of Mr. Stratton as the man whom Gamey had charged with bribery, and asked the audience, in fairness, to give him a hearing. It remained to be shown whether Mr. Stratton was able to refute Gamey's charges successfully. (Cheers.) Mr. White believed that the Ross government, of which Mr. Stratton was a member, deserved to be defeated. (Sharp applause.) He appealed that it was proper to give Mr. Stratton a fair hearing, but it was decidedly improper to have Dr. Mackay call Mr. Gamey "A fugitive from justice." He recalled that Dr. Mackay had once got an appointment with a string to the registrarship of Renfrew. When Hon. Mr. Latchford was seeking for a constituency, Bob Campbell, M.L.A., gave up his seat, and took the registrarship from Dr. Mackay. This annoyed the doctor very much, and he had declared he would oppose Premier Ross, unless some satisfactory arrangement was made.

Mr. Stratton was asked if Dr. MacKay's appointment had a string to it, but replied: "It was before my time." This was laughed at.

Mr. White said that the only way the government tried to disprove the Gamey charges was to abuse the accusers.

A voice—"That's so."

He raised applause by saying that he had heard that money would soon be seen in the riding, but for him he was fishing for Ned this time. He concluded by saying that Premier Ross had given the riding a chance to be represented and "the electors will soon give it to him." (Robust cheers.)

Questions for MacKay.

A. G. MacKay, M.L.A., made a good impression. His statement that the loss of North Renfrew would be sincere or not. He was interrupted in the midst of an eloquent period by another question regarding "the new railway," and the chairman appealed for order. He recalled that Robert Birmingham had recommended Freeborn to Nat Boyd in Manitoba as "a good man for us in North Bruce." He had been in Renfrew four months; no doubt he had a gang along. "Any oil?" asked an auditor.

Stratton Defends His Work.

Mr. Stratton was appauded in rising. He explained the various branches of work in his department, which he called one of the most difficult to administer in the province. No Minister had done

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NO RIGHT TO WAGE WAR ON A FRIENDLY NATION

Senator Morgan's Resolution on Roosevelt's Hasty Action in Panama.

Washington, Dec. 18.—In the senate to-day Senator Morgan introduced a resolution declaring that the President has no right to wage war against any foreign power without the consent of Congress, when such country is at peace with the United States; that the provision of the canal treaty between the United States and Panama guaranteeing the independence of the Republic of Panama is in effect a declaration of war with Colombia; that the intervention of the United States in preventing Colombia from suppressing the secession of Panama is contrary to the law of neutrality and the law of nations.

The important features of the resolution are:

That neither the President or the Senate has the treaty making power of the United States, nor has the lawful power to wage or declare war against any foreign power without the consent of Congress.

That a state of war exists between Colombia and an organization in the Colombia Department of Panama that claims to have accomplished the secession of Panama from Colombia and to have established its independence.

The President of the United States, having entered into treaty relations with persons who claim to have seceded from Colombia, with a stipulation which is, in effect, a declaration of war with Colombia, is not within the limits of any power conferred upon the President by act of Congress or the constitution, or by the law of nations.

That the President has no lawful right or power, without the consent of Congress, and under the conditions that exist in Panama, to use the military and naval forces of the United States to prevent Colombia from enforcing her claim to the proper exercises of her sovereignty and to execute her laws in the Department of Panama.

The resolution of the Senate and House of Representatives in 1889 is repeated. The sense of this is that the government of the United States looks with serious concern and disapproval upon any connection of any European government with the construction and control of any ship canal across the Isthmus.

COLOMBIA WILL FIGHT.

Paris, Dec. 18.—The "United Colombian Committee" here gave out a statement to-day saying that Colombia would, first, seek thru a commission to induce the United States to recognize Colombia's rights under the treaty of 1846; second, if the commission fails, Colombia will ask for the submission of the question to The Hague Arbitration Court; third, if its submission to The Hague Court is refused, Colombia wil go to war and rely on the Latin Republics to come to her aid.

NOT COURT DANGER.

Mobile, Ala., Dec. 18.—Dr. C. F. S. Caracristi, a promoter of concessions in the Gulf of Darien, says that the proposed visit of certain American investors to that country has been called off because of the receipts of letters from a high Colombian official, saying: "Under present conditions Americans should not court danger in Colombia." The expedition was to have sailed this week.

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South York Conservatives, Eglinton, 2.30.

Meeting re sanitariums, St. Andrew's Hall, 8 p.m.

Philips Thompson addresses Socialist League, Forum Hall, 8 p.m.

Princess, "A Country Girl," 2 and 8 p.m.

Grand, "Sweet Clover," 2 and 8 p.m.

Majestic, "Driven From Home," 2 and 8 p.m.

Shea's, vaudeville, 2 and 8 p.m.

Star, burlesque, 2 and 8 p.m.

RATIFIED TREATY WITH CHINA.

Yankees Believe It the Best That Can Be Negotiated.

(Washington, Dec. 18.—The United States Senate, in executive session today, ratified the treaty "for the extension of the commercial relations" between the United States and China, then removed the injunction of secrecy. No opposition was manifested by any Senator to the treaty, tho Mr. Nelson (Republican, Minnesota) criticized the convention as making insufficient provision for the trade of the United States. He said it indicated that the hand of Russia had been showed against the United States, making it impossible for the United States to receive the concessions needed in the way of open ports. He warned the Senate that we may yet have trouble with Russia over the Manchurian question.

The attitude of Mr. Nelson was upheld in speeches by a number of other Senators, altho it was arranged at the same time that this treaty is an entirely wedge to American trade, and that it was the best that China was able to do under Russian duress.

REVOLUTION IMMINENT.

Enemies of President of Honduras Want to Oust Him.

Mobile, Ala., Dec. 18.—Advices received here by steamer indicate that another revolution is imminent in Honduras and that it is expected to take place soon after the first of the year. It is expected to be fostered by ex-President Sierra with the purpose of ousting President Bonilla. On his retirement from the executive chair of Honduras, President Sierra named Senor Arrias for president, and he was given the position. Then Bonilla organized a revolution and overthrew Arrias, who is now an exile and in prison.

SLEPT TWENTY-FOUR DAYS.

Medical Profession Puzzled by Infant's Long Slumber.

New York, Dec. 18.—After having slept for 24 days, the 9-weeks-old daughter of Mrs. Louis Slatof of Third-avenue awakened to-day.

The sleeping of this infant has proved a mystery to the medical profession. The sleep was natural, respiration being regular and the pulse strong during the long period of unconsciousness.

The child is fat and apparently healthy, and the attending physician said that she is as well as if she had only taken an ordinary sleep.

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Broadview Boys' Institute Skating Rink, open to-night.

GAS COMPANY WINS.

Windsor, Dec. 18.—Magistrate Bartlett this morning heard the case of Government Gas Inspector A. F. Nash v. The Windsor Gas Co., and handed down a decision in favor of the latter, saddling the government with costs.

Xmas Presents—Photo Frames, Framed Pictures. Gedges, 431 Spadina. 36

PUNISHED, THO INNOCENT.

Kingston, Dec. 18.—John Mitchell, who served eight months in Kingston Penitentiary for a crime he did not commit, has just been released by order of the Minister of Justice.

NIECE'S BLOW WAS FATAL VICTIM LINGERED A MONTH

Fanny McGarvey Slew Patrick Upton to Save Him From Horrible Torment.

Strathroy, Dec. 18.—Patrick Upton, who was frightfully injured by an axe in the hands of his niece, Fanny McGarvey here on Nov. 6 last, died this morning. The end was never in doubt by the attending physicians, altho the vitality of the man astounded them, and his case will go on record in medical circles. Three wounds were inflicted upon his head, all between three and four inches deep, and his brain has been exposed for more than a month.

The trial of Miss McGarvey, which has been frequently postponed in anticipation of a change in Upton's condition will be brought on at once.

Miss McGarvey had been keeping house for Upton, who was single, for the past nineteen years, and it is said that at times she was subject to spells of mental aberration. According to her own statement, she attempted the life of Upton in order to save him from some horrible torment, which had appeared to her in a vision. This is also borne out by members of the family, who claim that she has been slightly demented for a number of years. Upon drove to Strathroy from his home seven miles from town, on the afternoon of Nov. 7, and called at the McGarvey residence, where he partook of supper with the family.

At the conclusion of the meal the party sat around the kitchen fire in social conversation. Mr. and Mrs. Edward McGarvey, their three children, Miss Fanny Appleton and Miss Fanny McGarvey were in the room. McGarvey was lying on a lounge to the right of Upton, who was sitting in a chair before the fire. Misses Appleton and McGarvey were seated at the left and slightly to the rear of him. During the conversation, the accused, without a moment's warning or the least provocation, arose and producing a shorthandled axe from beneath her cape, approached Upton before her purpose was grasped by those present, and taking the weapon in both hands, brought it down with terrific force upon his head, inflicting a wound from which his brains oozed out. Upton fell across his chair, and received two more heavy blows before his assailant could be overpowered.

An inquest was opened at Strathroy this afternoon, when the following jury was sworn in: George Lamotte, James Wright, J. D. Meekison, H. N. Evely, R. Fretwell, A. Stevenson, R. J. Avery, L. R. Smith, S. McCandles, J. A. Norton, Sam Keyser, Joseph Tull, H. Mitchell, Robert Thompson and E. J. Malone, all of Strathroy.

Fannie McGarvey will be taken to Strathroy Monday for the preliminary trial.

The funeral of the deceased will take place Sunday morning at 10.30 o'clock.

OLDEST MASON DEAD.

Belleville, Dec. 18.—Donald Urquhart of this city is dead at the age of 83. He was the oldest Free Mason in this city, and possibly in Canada, having joined Napanee Lodge 57 years ago.

SUDDEN CALL.

Kingston, Dec. 18.—The sudden death took place at midnight of John Murray, Rideau-street, aged seventy years. He was around yesterday the same as usual, and retired last night apparently in his accustomed health. About midnight he was attacked by heart failure and quickly passed away.

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KING TO VISIT IRELAND.

Dublin, Dec. 18.—The Evening Herald to-day announced on good authority that King Edward and Queen Alexandra will visit Ireland during the Punchestown racing week, and attend the races. They will not travel in state.

Smoker's Presents—Box of Cigars $1.75, worth $2.50. Alive Bollard, cigar manufacturer.

ROSS PLANS R. R. GAMEY'S ARREST ON A SERIOUS PERSONAL CHARGE

Influence of Manitoulin Man in North Renfrew Fight Said to Be Motive for Spectacular Move—Alleged Charge Has No Relation to Game of Politics.

GOVERNMENT FEARS OUTCOME OF THE PENDING BY-ELECTION.

Fear, amounting almost to a positive belief that North Renfrew will elect the opposition candidate has caused the Ross government to consider a spectacular move. This is nothing less than the arrest of R. R. Gamey on a serious personal charge not related to politics.

Within the past twenty-four hours the advisability of arresting Gamey has been the subject of keen discussion among certain members of the Ross government and some who enjoy their confidence. The situation is regarded as desperate. Gamey, the shrewdest friends of the government declare, has materially strengthened the opposition candidate. Every day he is piling up the odds against Lorne Hale and to discredit Gamey by a spectacular shake is a policy which strongly appeals to the Ross government.

Trumped Up Charge.

There is no reason to believe that the charge which is to be made the pretext for Gamey's arrest is well founded. For a long time there have been whisperings in quarters hostile to Gamey calculated to desparage his private character. If there had been anything in these rumors the probability is that the law would long ago have been set in motion to bring out the facts and if possible secure a conviction. Hatred of Gamey has been deep and violent. It is inconceivable that with reasonable ground for believing Gamey to be guilty the Ross government would have delayed the prosecution a single day.

The charge which is to be laid against Mr. Gamey looks very much like a trumped up one. But the situation in North Renfrew is desperate, and desperate methods must be employed to relieve it. If Gamey can be made to figure in a sensational arrest, the government thinks the result will be disastrous to the Conservative party in North Renfrew. Wild efforts are being made to identify Gamey with the leadership of the provincial Conservative party. The Ross government's newspaper organs and its pricipal platform orators have been playing this game for some days. Having thus exalted Gamey the scheme now is to bring him down in a sensational anti-climax, and, if possible, damage Conservative chances in North Renfrew.

May Arrest Gamey To-Day.

The arrest may be made to-day.

Prosecution will follow, but whether the prosecution succeeds or fails is a matter of minor importance. The object of the arrest is designed to thoroly discredit the Man from Manitoulin. The minions of the Ross government believe, however, that they can effectively prosecute R. R. Gamey. The Callaghan triumph is still fresh in their minds. It has spurred them on to greater achievements. If the Crown, by its unlimited powers to challenge jurors, can bring Gamey, as it did Callaghan, to trial before a jury of Liberal partisans, absolute innocence would have a por chance against such formidable odds.

The arrest, not the prosecution, is at present the uppermost purpose in the minds of certain of the Ross government's faithful attorneys. It is a bold, an audacious and perhaps a despicable move, but it is no time to weigh conscious scruples, when a constituency which means life or death to the Ross government seems to be going the way of the opposition.

This plan to arrest Gamey comes as the first substantial acknowledgment that the government is fearful of the result of the by-election. That the government and its friends in North Renfrew are uneasy is well known, but that the situation is so desperate as to necessitate the arrest of R. R. Gamey, on a trumped-up charge is a new revelation of the government's weakness.

No matter how innocent Gamey may be of the charges which it is proposed to lay against him, he cannot contemplate arrest and prosecution with any degree of assurance. It has been demonstrated that the government can bring its political enemies to trail on a criminal charge before its political friends. Gamey must take his chances of going into the partisan clutches that dealt with W. H. Callaghan. It is not a hopeful outlook.

The arrest of Mr. Gamey at this stage of the North Renfrew by-election will be a sad confession. It will be asekd why, if Gamey has violated the Criminal Act, he was not arrested when the alleged facts first became known to the parties that now propose to use them? To this query there is but one answer. The government appreciates the peril in which it stands in North Renfrew; it realizes that R. R. Gamey is a power in the contest, and it is willing to spring any sensation that is likely to turn the odds in its favor.

MADE MONEY TOO FAST.

Boston Police Run in Gang of Expert Counterfeiters.

Boston, Dec. 18.—Following close after the great raid on counterfeits at Revere, two weeks ago, the United States Secret Service agents arrested in Boston to-day Fred L. Wilson and Edward D. Wiggin who, they says, are as dangerous a pair of counterfeiters as the United States government has had to deal with for a long time. Unlike the men arrested at Revere, Wilson and Wiggin are not expert engravers, their work being wholly of a photographic nature. The counterfeit money alleged to have been made by them was so exact an imitation of the government paper that it was readily accepted as genuine by most of the banks thru which it passed. The counterfeit bills already issued are on bankse in Boston and other Massachusetts places, and are in denominations of $5, $10 and $20.

According to government officers the genuine notes were fastened to a board and photographed. The counterfeit notes were enlargements made from the negative and were printed on a fine quality of bond paper, which had been treated with a sensitized photographic solution. The color work and the imitation of the silk threads found in genuine paper money were done with colored pencils. The counterfeit notes were perfect reproductions of the originals, with the exception that the color could be washed off.

FOUND DEAD ON THE ICE.

Aged Inmate of House of Providence Succumbs to the Cold.

Yesterday afternoon some boys found the body of a man lying on the ice on the Don River, about 50 feet from the Eastern-avenue bridge.

The remains were subsequently identified as those of Hugh Calgey. Deceased was an inmate of the House of Providence. He left that institution, and it is supposed that he wandered until tired and laid down and died. There were no marks of violence on the body.

He was 65 years of age. The body was taken to the morgue.

SWINDLED UNCLE SAM.

Wealthy Real Estate Operator Arrested at 'Frisco.

Wahington, Dec. 18.—John A. Benson, a wealthy San Francisco real estate operator, charged by the United States Interior Department with being the head of the alleged land frauds, extending over a dozen Western state an dterritories, was arrested here to-day, charged with bribery, as he was preparing to leave for New York.

Mr. Benson is the senior member of the real estate firm of Benson & Hyde of San Francisco, and, it is asserted, has defrauded the government out of at least 100,000 acres by various schemes, since the passage of the Forest Reserve Act in 1897.

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DEATHS.

RHUBOTHAM—Suddenly, at the residence of her son-in-law, Thomas R. Jones (of the Toronto Fire Department), 101 Alexander-street, on Friday, Dec. 18, 1903, Ellen, relict of the late Richard Rhubotham.

Funeral Monday, Dec. 21, at 2.30 p.m., to the Necropolis.

THOMPSON—On Thursday, Dec. 17, Emily Jane Thompson, in her 83rd year, daughter of the late William Thompson of London, England.

Funeral from her late residence, 293 George-street, at 3 p.m., Saturday, 19th.

DRIVING THRU ICE PACK.

Hutchinson Makes Good Progress on Record Trip to Buffalo.

Kingsville, Dec. 18.—The steamer Hutchinson, aided by the powerful ferries Promise and Pleasure, were having a hard struggle in the ice to-day and it seemed for some time as if the expedition would fail to force its way thru to open water, but about noon the wind shifted to the eastward. The effect was soon apparent in the loosening of the pack, which had been jammed down into Pelee passage by a week's northwest winds.

During a great part of the day the boats did not make more than a mile an hour, but after reaching a point directly south of this harbor they went along at fair speed thru Pelee Passage and at 5 o'clock only their smoke could be seen.

The lake east of Point Pelee is reported entirely clear of ice and the Hutchinson will, it is thought, have nothing to obstruct her run to Buffalo. The ferry boats will probably run back into the ice-field and lie until morning.

WILL TAKE THE OATH.

Bombay, Dec. 18.—Gen Delarey made a speech to the Boer prisoners at Admadnager to-day and succeeded in persuading all but ten of them to sign the oath of allegiance to Great Britain. Gen. Delarey spoke for five hours.

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SLEET OR RAIN.

Meteorological Office, Toronto, Dec. 18.—(8 p.m.)—Very cold weather still prevails from Eastern Ontario to the Maritime Provinces, whilst elsewhere in Canada it is comparatively mild. An inch of snow fell to-day in Cape Breton Island, but otherwise fair weather has been general in Canada. Sluce last night a disturbance has developed over the Western States and is moving towards the lake region.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson, 2 below—4; Victoria, 38—44; Kamloops, 28—30; Calgary, 8—26; Qu'Appelle, 16—28; Winnipeg, 14—20; Port Arthur, 10—20; Parry Sound, zero—22; Toronto, 8—24; Ottawa, 2 below—10; Montreal, zero—6; Quebec, 10 below—2; Halifax, 2—12.

Probabilities.

Lower Lakes—Strong east and south winds; milder; light sleet or rain to-night.

Georgian Bay—Strong easterly winds; sleet or snow to-night.

Ottawa and Upper St. Lawrence—Southeasterly winds; fair, becoming milder.

Lower St. Lawrence and Gulf—Fair and cold.

Maritime—Strong northwesterly winds; fair and cold.

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