

WAS SUICIDE.

Enquiry into Cause of Harry Robertson's Death.

Jury Decided That He Drank Carbolic Acid While Under the Influence of Liqueur.

The inquiry into the cause of the death of Harry Robertson was concluded Saturday night before Coroner Perryman. The jury found that Robertson came to his death by drinking carbolic acid while under the influence of liqueur.

Frank Comeau, boiler maker, was the first witness. Said he had known deceased a few years. Deceased occasionally took a drink. Witness was in company with Mr. Robertson on Thursday morning about 9 o'clock. They met at Ryan's corner, King Square. They went to Edgecombe's, where Robertson wished to pay some money. After that they went to Doherty's bar-room and had a drink of straight ale. Later they went to Mr. Harding's and each had another drink of ale. The deceased met Mr. Schofield a little later and had a talk with him. He understood deceased was to work for Mr. Schofield. They met another fellow and the three went to a bar-room and had another drink. They went then to the Calvin Austin and then came back to Mr. Powers' where they purchased a flask of Scotch whiskey. The flask lasted about ten minutes. Then they came up Charlotte street. They went into McLaughlin's bar-room. Here they met a Mr. White and a Mr. Hunter. They each had two drinks here. White left there, and the other three of them came out and went to Harry Dolan's, where they had another drink. Hunter left there and he and Harry went down Waterloo street. Harry left him a while and then came back and then went to Harry's home. He had known Harry some time. He never heard him say he intended to take his life. He had heard it rumored. He saw deceased in hospital later.

William Hunter was next called. He said he was in company on Thursday last with J. H. Robertson. He met him in McLaughlin's bar-room. He had known Robertson intimately. They met some other fellows in the bar-room. When Robertson was coming out he said "Billy I'm going to die tonight. I'm going to drink laudanum." Robertson had only been out of employment about two months. When they got on the sidewalk White left and they went to Harry Dolan's. Witness left there and never saw Robertson alive afterward.

Dr. Grant was the next witness. He said he was surprised to find in the hospital, Harry Robertson had been taken there on Thursday last. He was not perfectly satisfied at the time as to what caused his death. Witness produced papers found on deceased. There was a mark on his lower lip about the size of a five cent piece. It was not noticed till after death.

Frank E. Porter, a drug clerk in the employ of Geo. E. Price, was next called. On Wednesday last a man came in frothing at the mouth, and staggering. He said, "Give me something." He thought he smelt carbolic acid. Witness asked Mr. Key if he smelt carbolic acid. Mr. Key said he didn't. Witness went to the telephone. While he was gone the man fell. He gave the man some lime water, and then some whiskey. He sent a young lady for a doctor. Dr. Emery came, and a few moments Dr. McDonald. The man was soon removed from the store, after they injected something into his arm.

Joseph Ryan, 13 years old, was next called. He lived on Brussels street. He remembered finding a bottle of carbolic acid last Thursday. The bottle was about half full. Mr. Moore's name was on the bottle. He went back to Kelly's yard, where he had found the bottle, with Captain Jenkins. When the label and pieces of broken bottle were produced by Capt. Jenkins witness identified them. John H. Lynch, a drug clerk in employ of Geo. A. Moore, was next called. He was in the store on Wednesday last. He had often bought drugs from him. Robertson presented a prescription for pills. Witness produced box in which pills had been placed. This box had been filled three times previously. Pills contained a large amount of opium. At same time Mr. Robertson bought 2-1/2 ounces of carbolic acid. He got no prescription for this drug. Witness said carbolic acid was allowed to be sold under certain regulations. One ounce of carbolic acid would be fatal. Witness sold 12 pills. The prescription called for 6. One grain would probably be fatal. The original prescription he thought was for another member of family of deceased.

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NO RADICAL CHANGE CHEATED GALICIAN.

Will Result From the Zemstvo Congress.

This is the Opinion of Prominent Russian Statesman—Russia's Future Depends on the War.

ST. PETERSBURG, Nov. 27.—One of the most commanding figures and far-seeing statesmen of the empire, whose opinion is of the highest value, but who has declined to permit the use of his name, in conversation with the Associated Press today expressed the distinct conviction that nothing in the nature of a radical change in the existing order of things would result from the Zemstvo congress.

In his opinion everything depends upon the war. "The war," the statesman said, "is a big interrogation point for Russia. Her future at home and abroad is involved in the issue. The internal situation is very complicated. The action of the Zemstvo representatives is a symptom of the disease from which Russia suffers, but these few men have not necessarily made a correct diagnosis or offered the true remedy. There is in no sense the verdict of the people, but only the opinion of a class. The real representatives of the Russian people are the four-fifths of the population, who would probably prefer a programme quite as repugnant to the Zemstvoists as to the supporters of the present programme. The men who assembled here last week do not propose true representative government. They would really substitute the role of class autocracy for imperial autocracy. The Russian peasant, who represents four-fifths of the population, with his inborn sense of devotion to the emperor, would doubtless prefer the latter to the former. Were I a minister and working for the good of the country I should prefer to obey the mandates of the emperor to those of a bogus parliament professing to speak by authority of the people. If Zemstvo-elected representatives should sit in the council of the empire, they would be equally as spurious as representatives of the people. Neither the country nor the people are prepared for true representative government. Anarchy would take the place of government and the empire would crumble to pieces. So far as the programme of the Zemstvoists is concerned, I am sure neither the emperor nor the people believe in it, prefer that they do not mean that liberalism is to end. The policy represented by Von Plehve, in my opinion, can never return. Prince Sviatopolk-Mirsky is a courageous, sincere man and stands for a broad and liberal policy, but a constitution now is out of the question. I will not discuss what may occur in the future, but I repeat everything depends on the war.

"His outcome will determine whether there will be a crisis and its character. Japan, I believe, would now welcome peace and so would Russia, since I can see how it is possible for them to come to terms. Therefore the war must go on. When it ends an answer to all these questions will come."

CHATHAM DEATH. Clarke McCulley Had Been in Winnipeg But Came Home to Die. CHATHAM, N. B., Nov. 27.—The death of Clarke McCulley, oldest son of S. U. McCulley, occurred at the residence of his parents here on Saturday night. The deceased had been in the employ of the C. P. R. at Winnipeg as rating clerk in the freight office and had obtained three months' leave of absence on account of falling health. His father went about a month ago to accompany him home and arrived here just two weeks ago, the invalid having stood the fatigue of the journey very well. The funeral will probably take place on Tuesday afternoon.

DR. TOWNSEND DEAD. Was Manager of Canadian Bank of Commerce at Parrsboro. PARRSBORO, N. S., Nov. 26.—Dr. Alexander Stewart Townsend, manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, died in his residence this afternoon, aged 82 years. Dr. Townsend was a son of the late Canon Townsend, for many years rector of Amherst and was a brother of Judge Townsend of Parrsboro. He had been connected with the business of the town. He has been in his usual health until last Thursday, when he had an apoplectic seizure, which terminated in his death. He leaves a widow, two sons, both in the Northwest, and daughter, wife of Cecil Parsons of London. His funeral will take place at Amherst on Monday.

MONEY FOUND. AUBURN, Cal., Nov. 28.—The money amounting to \$6,000, of which the Placer County Bank was robbed last May, has been found in a cow shed on Weber Place. The money was buried in an old five-pound lard can. Adolph Weber, who is under arrest on the charge of murdering his parents, brother and sister, has been formally charged with having also held up the bank.

PERCE, Que., Nov. 28.—Nomination for Gaspe for the house of commons took place today. Dr. L. J. Lemieux, brother of the solicitor general, was elected by acclamation.

AT THE CAPITAL.

The Liberal Machine Was Worked in the West.

And Every Possible Dodge Was Used to Steal Votes.

FREDERICTON, Nov. 28.—Hon. A. G. Blair came in on the noon train from Ottawa today and will remain in the city until tomorrow. Mr. Blair is looking well and travelled as an ordinary passenger. He is on his way to Halifax and stopped off here for a short time. Mr. Blair has been visiting in Fredericton since Mr. Blair has nothing to say regarding past events.

Nellie May Atkinson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Atkinson, died at the home of her parents this morning, Brunswick street, after an illness of only three days. She was in her eleventh year. The funeral takes place tomorrow afternoon, with services at St. Ann's church, Rev. Canon Roberts officiating.

The death took place yesterday of Miss Gertrude Grammen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Grammen of Kingsley. She was 28 years old and had been a sufferer from diabetes for some months. The deceased young lady was for some time employed at the home of her parents, Regent street, here and had many friends, who will regret to hear of her death.

ILLEGAL BALLOT BOXES Used in North Riding of Cape Breton. HALIFAX, N. S., Nov. 28.—A political sensation has developed in connection with the recent federal election in the north riding of Cape Breton where John McCormack, conservative, and D. D. MacKenzie, liberal, were candidates. It appears that the ballot box used at the polling booth at Grand Narrows was illegal. Should the count be thrown out, McCormack will be elected the member for the riding. The illegality of the box arises from its having no slot as the law provides and from the fact that the lid had to be left partly open in order to have ballots deposited. The cover of the box was arranged so that half of it opened on hinges while the other half was intact. To provide against any one putting ballots in except the returning officer, the lid was closed down save the small aperture which was held open with a small piece of stick. This arrangement was agreed upon by agents of the respective candidates, though agents for McCormack excepted to the legality of the box. MacKenzie carried the district by 73 of a majority and was declared elected member for the riding by 64 majority. A meeting of the executive of the conservative association is called for tomorrow evening to consider the matter and decide upon a course of action.

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FAVOR UNION.

One Hundred and Fifty Churches Have Reported.

All Are Favorable and Dr. Gates Expects to Hear From Others Before the End of the Year.

Rev. Dr. Gates, chairman of the Baptist committee on union, states that he has received responses from one hundred and fifty churches, all of which were favorable. The number previously reported was ninety-four, two of which were from Prince Edward Island, fifty-two from Nova Scotia. The churches that have been heard from since that time are as follows:

- PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND. Clyde River, North River. NOVA SCOTIA. First Halifax, Acadia Mines, DeBert River, Lake George, New Ross, Milton, Yarmouth Co., Caledonia, Sand Point, Glace Bay, Boyleson, Westport, Westport, First Truro, Bridgetown, Cheongin, Westport, Hebron, Zion (Truro), Middleton, Onslow West, Emmanuel (Truro), Hampton, Sackville, Kentville, Shelburne, First Ragged Islands, New and Seal Harbor, Grand Mira. NEW BRUNSWICK. Second Harvey, Lutz Mountain, First Grand Lake, Second Palls, St. George, Greenwich Hill, Second Grand Lake, First Johnston, Harcourt, Second Cambridge, Lower Cambridge, Mauderville, Second Sheffield, Second Salisbury, Pollet River, Forest Glen, Floreenville, Greer Settlement, Second Johnston, Cardwell, Hopswell, Windsor, Aberdeen.

Dr. Gates expects that the majority of the churches will have reported by the end of the year. There have not as yet been any unfavorable replies, and Dr. Gates does not anticipate that there will be any.

TRouble ALREADY Between Senator Choquette and Premier Parent of Quebec. MONTREAL, Nov. 28.—A battle royal is now on between Senator Choquette, who recently retired from the bench and accepted a seat in the senate in order to become Sir Wilfrid Laurier's chief lieutenant in Quebec district, and Premier Parent. The trouble arose out of Parent's extending his support to Dauteuil, independent candidate in Charlois, while Choquette was in the county stumping in favor of Dr. Simette, liberal nominee. Choquette remonstrated and Parent refused him satisfaction. The result is that this morning's Chronicle contains a long letter signed by Senator Choquette, in which he bitterly arraigns Parent, saying: "With these full facts before them, I think the public, and especially the English-speaking public, will see that besides being a traitor to his friends, Mr. Parent is further capable of falsifying the truth in order to trying like a coward to tarnish the character and reputation of men who

ever have done for him more than he ever deserved." When legislature meets there will assuredly be a hot time, as Choquette is supported by a large number of members of that body.

E. BYRON WINSLOW Was Buried at Fredericton Yesterday. FREDERICTON, Nov. 27.—The funeral of the late E. Byron Winslow took place at 2 o'clock this afternoon. It was one of the largest seen in many years. The chief mourners numbered about fifty and included besides the sons and brother of the deceased, relatives and intimate friends. The pallbearers were Chief Justice Tuck, Judges Barker and McLeod, A. F. Street, A. C. Fairweather and James S. Neill. The local baristers in a body behind the mourners. The procession proceeded from the house to the cathedral, where the impressive funeral services of the Church of England were conducted by Dean Partridge and Canon Roberts. The former also took the services at the grave. The floral tributes were eloquent and numerous and were conveyed in a large hearse. They contained among others a handsome design presented by the baristers of Fredericton. At the evening services at the cathedral Dean Partridge referred in his sermon to the deceased, speaking in beautiful terms of the community's and church's loss.

How a Man up the Line Got Ahead of the Law. CALAIS, Me., Nov. 26.—The shipping of deer from New Brunswick is prohibited by law, but a C. P. R. man found a means of evading the law and incidentally lining his pockets with gold. He procured from the surveyor general of New Brunswick a permit to ship one deer to a friend in the states, but he didn't stop at that, after deer passing through Vanceboro from the province without an owner anywhere in evidence. Chief Warden Geo. W. Ross became suspicious of the affair and concluded that there was something wrong about the whole business. He started an investigation to satisfy himself that the deer came from the province, which resulted Thursday in the exposure of the man and in a lively overhauling of the interested parties at McAdam Junction. The deer were purchased by the railroad man at a point on his run, were conveyed to the improved cars, they were expressed to Boston. Evidently the express agent at McAdam was not of a suspicious turn of mind, for the fact that one man was making regular shipments of deer did not appear to him as a thing worthy of mention; at least when questioned on Thursday by the irate officials he stated that he thought the railroad man had a right to export the permit to ship all the game which passed through his office. It is stated that fully forty deer were exported and sold under the permit issued for one deer, and the chances are that if Warden Ross had not taken the matter up, half the deer in eastern New Brunswick would have found their way into Boston by the end of the season. The promoter of this enterprise purchased the deer for six cents a pound, and sold them readily at 12 cents a pound, which left him a handsome profit on each carcass shipped.

PROFESSOR ROBERTSON TAKES NEW POSITION AT END OF DECEMBER. OTTAWA, Nov. 28.—Prof. James W. Robertson, who has resigned his office as commissioner of dairying and agriculture in Canada, permit returned from the maritime provinces, where he has been since his withdrawal from office was made public. Prof. Robertson goes on January 1st to accept the position of chief of Sir William Macdonald's new College of Agriculture. The Canadian Club of Ottawa secured Prof. Robertson for an address tonight, when he explained the scheme which he proposes carrying out in the new college. The subject of this address was "What is being done for the betterment of national life by the Macdonald funds, for the improvement of education." Sir William Macdonald's endowment is five million dollars.

STORES DISAPPEARED. MOSCOW, Nov. 28.—People arriving from the far east tell a remarkable tale of the mysterious disappearance from the trunk line of 350 carloads of stores and warm clothing belonging to private consignees and officers.

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