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SEEK NESBITT, LINDSAY, WISHART AMOUNT NAMED IS $300,000

Charged With Helping to Wreck the Farmers' Bank—Sharp Criticism of Police For Failing to Make Arrests.

[Canada Press.]

Toronto, Jan. 18.—Either Toronto will miss forever the presence of Dr. William Beattie Nesbitt, William J. Lindsay and George Wishart, charged with helping to wreck the Farmers' Bank of Canada, or those three men will answer to charges of conspiring to steal an amount approaching $300,000, in the Toronto police court. Conspiracy is not an indictable offence, and should they wish to remain out of Canada for the rest of their lives it is possible that they will never have to face their accusers, the crown, the bank, and W. R. Travers, ex-manager of the bank. Wishart cannot be deported from his own country, and he is a prominent New York broker; there has been no case where a wealthy man has been deported from the United States, so that the others would seem safe enough.

Lindsay's Part.

Lindsay was the chief "stock seller" for Travers for about three years. He sold the Farmers' Bank stock on the commission plan, and at the present time there is an action entered by his lawyer against the bank for $10,000, and against Mr. Travers for $2,000, amounts alleged to be due him.

Charges against Wishart, it is understood, grew out of the division of the stock of the Keeley mine, which the crown contends is a fraudulent transaction. Wishart is said to be holding 20,000 shares of the Keeley mine stock. That Wishart was in the city the day Travers pleaded guilty is alleged. Travers' white face is said to have caused him to take the first train out, where, the police would like to know.

FOREMAN FOUND BUNDLE OF SNAKES

Unique Experience of Mr. J. W. Eyre On the G. T. R. in South London.

THIRTEEN IN A BUNCH

Tangled Mass of Reptiles Was Unravelled, and a Specimen Three Feet Long Brought to the Market.

While walking along the Grand Trunk tracks near the Wharncliffe road subway, Mr. J. W. Eyre, a foreman of the Grand Trunk, discovered a large bundle of snakes. Mr. Eyre had to rub his eyes before he could beneve that it was not some horrible vision. However, a close investigation revealed the fact that there were thirteen snakes of various sizes, all curled up together, and although they were not dead, they seemed to be in a sort of stupor.

Mr. Eyre untangled the bundle and counted the snakes, and selecting the largest, brought it into the city. The reptile was on exhibition on the market this morning, and attracted much attention. It measures a little over three feet in length, and is an inch and a half in diameter. It is evidently a garter snake, and a good deal of discussion has arisen as to how the snakes came to be on the track.

The most logical solution is that they dropped off some passing freight car, where they likely huddled on a siding when the cold weather began. In the winter months snakes will sometimes be discovered rolled up in bundles, such as Mr. Eyre found. It is the intention of Mr. Eyre to preserve the snake in alcohol. Anybody else desiring to do the same, will likely find, after a little searching in the vicinity of the Wharncliffe subway, the remainder of the original thirteen.

OTTAWA SUFFRAGETTES OUT AFTER BALLOTS

City Clerk Tells Them That Their Husband's Vote is Sufficient.

[Canada Press.]

Ottawa, Jan. 18.—A deputation from the Ottawa Equal Suffrage Association held up the city clerk and assessment commissioner this morning, asking why the names of married women were not included in the voters' lists for public school trustees. They claim that married women, separate as to property, and paying rates to the public schools, should be allowed the ballot. The clerk informed the ladies that in his opinion their husband's vote was sufficient, and as far as he was concerned there would be no change. The ladies departed, vowing that they would secure their rights through application to the courts.

CAPITAL THREATENED WITH FEVER SCOURGE

Fifty Cases of Typhoid Reported Within Few Hours.

[Canada Press.]

Ottawa, Jan. 18. — A serious epidemic of typhoid fever threatens the city of Ottawa. Within the past forty-eight hours over fifty cases of fever have been reported to the medical health officer, who has called an emergency meeting of the board of health to deal with the danger. The lowness of the water in the Ottawa River, the source of supply, is the cause attributed, and a treatment of the water with hypo-chloride will be immediately inaugurated.

THREE FOUND DEAD IN SUBMARINE

[Canada Press Dispatch.]

Kiel, Germany, Jan. 18.—The work of raising the German submarine "U 3," which sank to the bottom of the Carbory, was completed early today. The three men who had remained in the vessel during the night were found dead in the tower. The commander was one of the three.

SUPREME TEST FOR THE STRIKERS

Judge Barron Is Hearing the Cases of the Local Men This Afternoon.

A POPULAR ARBITRATOR

Company and the Men Appear Well Pleased With the Judge—Many Cases To Be Heard.

Judge Barron, of Stratford, commenced his inquiry into the cases of the Grand Trunk men who have not yet been reinstated, at the Tecumseh House, this afternoon at 1 o'clock.

Only the cases of the London men are up this afternon; each case is being heard individually.

Each man is allowed to tell his story, and any charges that the G. T. R. officials have to make against him have to be made in his presence, and he is given every opportunity to explain or refute them.

In case witnesses are required on either side to establish absolutely the proof or denial of any statements made, both sides are allowed to produce them.

"No counsel will represent either the men or the company," the judge told The Advertiser, "as it would make the work interminable. I am simply going to get at the facts and present them to Mr. Hays for his judgment."

Judge Barron is trying to make arrangements for hearing as many cases as possible in London.

Centralize the Hearing.

"There are two cases to go into at Goderich," he told The Advertiser. "If I can't get the men down here I must go there, but I would like to centralize the matter as much as possible and save time. I have to leave for Montreal tomorrow evening to take up the arbitration of the matter of the wages for the operators and stationmasters of the Intercolonial."

Judge Barron expects to go into between 20 and 30 cases before he leaves London. Of these, seven are from this city, and the rest from the immediate vicinity.

The men who are stating their cases before the judge are convinced that no better man could have been secured to look into the matter.

The judge, on his side, is pleased with the men.

"In the hearing at Stratford," he said, "both sides were absolutely fair. The men are very frank about everything."

A WILD NIGHT AT FORT WILLIAM DOCKS

Foreigner Punches His Sweetheart and Stabbing Affray Follows.

[Canada Press.]

Fort William, Jan. 18.—The coal dock section of this city was a lively spot last night, the police making five arrests among the foreigners living there. The first almost serious event was the stabbing of Mike Paritski in the abdomen by Bill Ryaduk. The results was an ugly flesh wound. Three other participants at the festivities where the stabbing occurred are detained by the police for breaking windows. Mike Roceznik became angry at his inamorata and punched her in the face. Police court proceedings are promised.

LINDSAY IN THE WEST SAYS WINNIPEG WIRE

Man Wanted in Farmers' Bank Case Guest at Winnipeg Hotel.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Winnipeg, Jan. 18.—W. D. Lindsay, who has been staying at the Royal Alexandra for the past week, and left yesterday for parts unknown, is confidentially supposed here to be the man wanted in Toronto in connection with the Farmers' Bank case. He was known as a promoter interested in some western brick industry.

AN $800 BLAZE ON RICHMOND ST.

Overheated Stove Set Fire to Store of a Fruit Dealer This Morning.

FIREMEN DID GOOD WORK

Store Suffered to Extent of $500, While Loss on Stock Will Total About $300.

The firemen had a run to the corner of Maple and Richmond streets about 10:30 this morning, when a fruit store at 501 Richmond street, kept by S. Hager, an Italian fruit dealer, was badly damaged by fire.

The fire strted from an over-heated stove, and extended to a wooden partition which separated the store from the living quarters. The only occupant of the place at the time was an Italian woman, who rushed out into the street and gave the alarm.

When the firemen arrived the fire had gained such headway that the flames had burst through the glass windows in the front of the building, and were rapidly burning up the contents.

Two lines were laid, and in a short time the blaze was confined to the rear of the building, and was later extinguished.

The store is owned by T. H. McCallum, of Exeter, and is damaged to the extent of $500 or more. The stock of fruit and candies owned by Mr. Hager is completely destroyed, and his loss will amount to about $300.

It looked for a while as though the fire would be a costly one, but the good work of the brigade prevented its spread.

MAN ELECTROCUTED IN HIS BATHROOM

C. P. R. Dining Car Conductor Meets Death in a Strange Way.

[Canada Press.]

Winnipeg, Jan. 18.—Harry Medwell, a dining-car conductor on the C. P. R., was found dead in the bathroom of his boarding-house, 365 Graham avenue today, and it is supposed that he was electrocuted by a defectively wired light. Coroner Inglis has ordered an inquest, and instructed the city electrician to investigate the wiring at the house.

NEW PARISH OF ST. MARTIN'S

Church Will Be Erected in South London at Corner of Cathcart and Duchess.

FIRST SERVICE HELD

Church Will Be Ready for Worship in the Fall—Work Is To Be Rushed.

The first service in the new Roman Catholic parish of St. Martin's, South London, was held last Sunday morning in St. Martin's school, and the building was crowded to the doors

Father Laurendeau, who will have charge of the parish, conducted the service, and preached a special sermon.

It is announced that as soon as possible in the spring the work of erecting a fine new church will be commenced.

The new edifice will be a very handsome one, and the plans for it will be prepared shortly.

It will be built at the corner of Duchess avenue and Cathcart street, adjoining St. Martin's school, and will be ready for occupation in the fall.

In the meantime services will be held every Sunday in the school house, and will be in charge of Father Laurendeau.

THE WEATHER

Tomorrow—Milder.

FORECASTS.

Toronto, Jan. 18—8 a.m.

Southerly to southwest winds; fine; a little higher temperature today and on Thursday

TEMPERATURES.

Stations.	Max.	Min.	Weather.
Victoria	46	36	Rain
Calgary	38	—12	Cloudy
Winnipeg	8	4	Fair
Port Arthur	10	—4	Clear
Parry Sound	8	—8	Snow
Toronto	22	10	Snow
Ottawa	2	—16	Clear
Montreal	—2	—8	Fair
Quebec	—10	—18	Fair
Father Point	—12	—16	Clear

Minus (—) means below zero.

WEATHER NOTES.

Moderately cold weather prevails this morning in Manitoba and over the Great Lakes.

Elsewhere it is very cold, except in British Columbia, where rain is falling along the coast

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER.

The weather yesterday was generally fine and very cold over the greater part of Ontario and in Quebec and the Maritime Provinces. Higher temperatures were reported from the southern portions of the Western Provinces, but in more northern localities it continued quie cold.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: London, 13—24; Dawson, 44 below—42 below; Vancouver, 40—46; Calgary, 2 below—32; Edmonton, 18 below—6 below; Swift Current, 8 below—34; Qu'Appelle, 8 below—14; Winnipeg, 22 below—8; Port Arthur, 12 below—2; Parry Sound, 16 below—8; Toronto, 7—23; Ottawa, 12 below—2; Montreal, 10 below—2 below; Quebec, 20 below—10 below; St. John, 14 below—8 below; Halifax, 8 below—2.

TODAY'S PROBS.

The East—Moderate northwesterly and westerly winds; fine and very cold.

Lake Superior—Fair; a little higher temperature.

Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta—Generally fair and cold.

LEAP FROM FLAMING CABOOSE LANDS SAFE IN A SNOWBANK

[Canada Press.]

Portage La Prairie, Man., Jan. 18.—Conductor Howe and Brakemen John Alexander and Frank Moore, of the C. P. R., are in the hospital here, though not seriously hurt. The cause of the trouble was the explosion of a lamp when the train was five miles west of this city. Owing possibly to the expansion from the heat they were unable to open the door, the car being filled with fumes and on fire. They finally broke the window and leaped out. The train was going at a fast rate, but the depth of the snow saved them from serious injury. The fire secured a good hold on the car before it was noticed from the engine, but it was soon gotten under control. The men are suffering from severe burns.

CHURCHILL SAYS HE DIDN'T BOSS

Home Secretary a Witness at Inquest Over Desperadoes.

JUSTIFIABLE HOMICIDE

Jury Suggests More Stringent Measures in Dealing With Aliens.

[Canadian Press Cable.]

London, Jan. 18.—The inquest on the death of the two desperadoes who perished in their Sidney street home, while resisting the police and military, was concluded today. The verdict of the jury was that the man known as "Josef" was shot to death, the victim of justifiable homicide, and that his companion, known as "Fritz," died of suffocation.

The jury added a rider declaring that the fact that such an extraordinary occurrence was possible, should lead to the framing of more stringent measures for dealing with criminal aliens arriving in this country.

Churchill a Witness.

Home Secretary Churchill appeared in the witness box with the idea of refuting some of the stories of his assumption of the office of commander-in-chief of the forces engaged in the battle.

He declared that the troops were on the spot before he had heard that a fight was in progress. He denied that he overrode and directed the police, who, he said, had an absolutely free hand. He thought that the action of the police in restraining the firemen from attacking the flames after the house had been fired was humane and perfectly justifiable under the circumstances.

LONDON ELECTRIC WITHDRAW OFFER

Company Desire To Be Free to Accept Offers From Other Sources.

GAUNTLET THROWN DOWN

Negotiations Between the City and the Company Are Now at an End—City May Put It Up to the Legislature.

The London Electric Company have notified the city that the offers made some time ago for the sale of their plant have been withdrawn.

The reasons given are that the company desire to be left free to accept other offers that may be made for their franchise and plant.

The communication further states that the company are still willing to talk business with the city.

No definite information could be obtained regarding other companies who are supposed to be negotiating with the London Electric for their franchise.

It is stated that some of the radial companies may soon be in London with Niagara power, and that they will distribute the energy throughout the city through the London Electric Company.

Mr. Hunt Ill.

Mr. C. B. Hunt, the manager, was not at his office today, being confined to the house with a very severe cold.

It was rumored today that the city council would put the whole question up to the Legislature.

The communication will bring the matter before the city council again, and as the city of London bill is not yet ready, the offers could be inserted in that document, and the Legislature asked to empower the city to take the plant at the price agreed upon.

This would simply have the effect of putting it up to the Legislature, and compelling that body to show their hands in regard to it.

What It Means.

"It simply means that the London Electric Company have withdrawn their offer," declared Mayor Beattie. "That is all that I see in it."

"I think the company realize as we do that the offer of $100,000 would not carry with the people," said Chairman Pocock, of the water commission. "It looks as if all negotiations are over. I do not think there is anything in the story that the offers may be incorporated in the city of London bill."

DR. ROSS' APPEAL DISMISSED WITH COSTS

Judgment Given in Toronto in the Famous Smallpox Case.

A dispatch from Toronto to The Advertiser states that the appeal which Dr. Ross, of London Township, entered in the case of Ross vs. London Township, was dismissed.

The action was brought by Dr. Ross to recover $2,200, which he claimed was due him for 23 weeks's attendance on smallpox cases, which he alleged was done at the request of the defendants, and as medical health officer. He was non-suited and then entered an appeal.

This was heard yesterday and was dismissed with costs.

PLAN IS SAID TO BE TOO COSTLY

One of the Reasons Why the Water Commissioners Object to Mr. Van Cleve.

WATER AND NIAGARA LIST

Officials Who Are Required to Run the City's Business, According to Head Engineer's Ideas.

The plan for the reorganization of the engineering staff of the electrical and waterworks department, as presented to the water commissioners by Mr. Van Cleve, was one of the causes for the break between the engineer and the commissioners.

A copy of this plan has been secured by The Advertiser, and is given below. The commission say it is too elaborate and that, if adopted, the salaries would eat up the revenue from Niagara power and the sale of water.

Mr. Van Cleve begins by putting the mayor as the head of all civic government, and then follow the water commissioners and the council as governing bodies.

Then come the different officials, as follows, for Niagara power and water:

Head Engineer.
Manager Sales Department.
Power Solicitor.
Meterman.
Clerk.
Assistant Electrical Engineer.
Chief Operators.
Assistants.
Laboratory Assistant.
Storekeeper.
Superintendent of Construction.
Foreman of Linemen.
Linemen.
Groundmen.
Troubleman.
Superintendent of Waterworks.
Street Foreman.
Laborers.
Chief Engineer Springbank.
Engineers.
Firemen.
Caretaker of Reservoir.
Park Foreman for Springbank.
Assistant Foreman.
Gardeners' Laborers.
Park Laborers.
Stenographer
Clerk.

Mr. Dark's Position.

It will be seen there that no place whatever has been found for Manager Dark. He was engaged as general manager, but in Mr. Van Cleve's plan he would be either power solicitor or manager of sales department.

It will be noticed also that no rearrangement was made of the city engineer's department. It is understood that a plan similar to that submitted to the water commissioners was prepared for the council, and would have been considered shortly had not the difficulty arisen over the duties of Mr. Van Cleve and Mr. Dark.

The scheme as outlined would mean the employment of about thirty men in places of responsibility and a consequent increase in the wage of each man engaged.

Too Expensive.

It was objected to on the ground of expense in the first instance.

"The plan was too elaborate for us," said one of the commissioners. "We would have too many in authority."

COMMITTEE TO FRAME HOME RULE MEASURE

And a Commission to Investigate Irish Finances.

[Canada Press Dispatch.]

Dublin, Ireland, Jan. 18.—Today's Independent, says that the Government will appoint a commission to investigate Irish finances, with a view to establishing home rule, and will appoint a committee of the cabinet to frame a home rule measure.

Lord Courtney of Penwith has written to Thomas Sexton, chairman of the Freeman's Journal Company, saying that the time has come to recognize the facts of the matter and prepare for home rule. The writer, though rated as a Liberal, has been a Unionist in Irish matters, and heretofore opposed to home rule. In his letter he describes himself as a Unionist. He proposes a plan to insure the representation of all elements in the assembly by dividing the country between two or three constituencies, each electing five members, and a group of constituencies each returning three members.

HEAR H. H. MILLER, M.P.

Will Speak at Hyman Hall on Friday Night.

Mr. H. H. Miller, M. P., of Hanover, will be the speaker at the Liberal Club meeting in Hyman Hall on Friday evening. He is a strong debater, and will be certain to interest those fortunate enough to attend the meeting.

All are invited to be present.

A HARD PASSAGE.

Halifax, N. S., Jan. 18.—Royal Line steamer Royal Edward arrived at noon from Bristol, bringing the English mails. The captain reports that he did not see sun, moon, or stars, from the time he left Bristol. Encountered head gales all the way over. Hardest passages he ever experienced. Coldest weather was 8 below zero.

PLEADED GUILTY TO TWO WIVES

Edwin John Moore Wedded in England, Married a London Lady.

REMANDED TILL TUESDAY

Second Marriage Was Performed by the Late Canon Dann, of St. Paul's Cathedral.

Edwin John Moore, aged 38, bookkeeper at W. J. Reid's crockery house, and residing at 945 Colborne street, was placed under arrest early this morning by Detective Robert Egelton on a charge of bigamy.

Moore appeared in the police court this morning, and before Deputy Magistrate Graydon pleaded guilty and was remanded until Tuesday next for sentence.

On July 24, 1908, Moore was married at St. Paul's Cathedral by the late Canon Dann to Miss Ethel Alvina Porter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Porter, of Ann street.

Some months ago, it is stated, a letter from England to Moore fell into the hands of the girl's mother, and led her to believe that he had a wife living in England.

She communicated with Crown Attorney McKillop, who in turn took the matter up with the Attorney-General's department.

It was then learned that in 1895 Moore was married to Miss Agnes E. Atkins, at Brighton, England, and that he has a boy and girl living with her in England now. For some time past Mrs. Porter has refused to allow her daughter to live with Moore. She has one child, and is caring for it.

Moore took his arrest quite coolly.

"I have been expecting it any time," he told Detective Egelton. "I will plead guilty."

He did so in court, and elected to be tried by Deputy Magistrate Graydon.

Moore appeared to feel his position today, however, and looked quite worried about the matter.

A SUNDAY SERVICE FOR WINNIPEG CARS

Will Also Run All Night and May Be Compelled to Build Tunnel.

[Canada Press Dispatch.]

Winnipeg, Jan. 18.—The city council will proceed to pass a bylaw requiring the Winnipeg Electric Railway Company to operate an all-night service and a full service on Sundays. It is also proposed to build a tunnel route across town to relieve the congestion of traffic on Central city lines.

EIGHT DEGREES BELOW ZERO LAST NIGHT

Mercury Took a Tumble Down the Bulb—Plumbers Were Busy.

The mercury at the local observatory went down to eight degrees below zero last night. At 8 o'clock this morning it was still seven and a half below, and many a citizen came down to find the water pipes in his home frozen.

Then followed the usual hurry calls to the plumber, who was quite the busiest man in town today. The change to colder weather is, however, generally welcomed, particularly by businessmen, who complained bitterly of the effects the unseasonable, wet rainy weather of last week was having on trade.

Grocers state that the cold snap will mean another rise in the price of eggs, as the hens refuse to lay when it is very cold. The mild spell last week brought prices down a little bit, grocers said today, but they will go right up again, as their supplies are limited.

Skating rink men rejoiced at the change, as it enables them to get their ice in the best of shape, and besides brings out a splendid crowd of skaters. Tobogganing parties promise to become very popular this winter, and dealers report that there has been a good demand for tobogans lately.

A BLOODY REVENGE.

Hazelton, Pan., Jan. 18. — Avenging jocular taunts hurled at him by a crowd of young Italians in a saloon at Freeland last night, Ignatz Siechlo, another Italian, left the place in a rage and when his tormentors departed for their homes he fired from ambush upon them, killing two. When arrested Siechlo had a big revolver and thirty-six cartridges in his pockets

COLLINGWOOD ANXIOUS.

Collingwood, Jan. 18. — There is much speculation here as to the effect the steamship merger, by which the inland lines will absorb the Northern Navigation Company, will have on the town. Many are of the opinion that it will mean the ultimate removal of the headquarters of the fleet to Midland.

MADAME ROYAL DEAD.

Montreal, Que., Jan. 17.—Madame Joseph Royal, widow of the late Hon. Joseph Royal, former governor of the Northwest Territories, and Premier of Manitoba, died suddenly at the Deaf and Dumb Institute here this morning, aged 76.

JUDGE M'MAHON DIED THIS MORNING

Former Londoner and One of the Ornaments of Bench in Canada.

PRACTICED LAW HERE

Counsel for the Defence in the Donnelly Case—Sentenced Birchall to Death in 1890.

Hon. Justice MacMahon, judge of the court of common pleas, formerly of this city, died at his residence, 185 Beverly street, Toronto, this morning at 2 o'clock, after an illness of some months. The end came with great suddenness, and was due to an attack of heart failure.

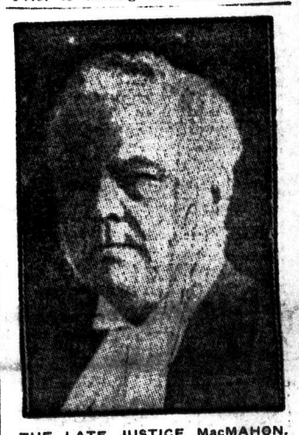
The late Justice MacMahon was widely known in London. He came here in 1870, when quite a young man, and commenced the practice of law on Talbot street. The firm was known as MacMahon & Gibbons, Sir George Gibbons, then a young man, being junior partner.

Later, the partnership was enlarged, and the firm was known as MacMahon, Gibbons & McNabb. Still later the personnel was further changed, Mr. Gibbons withdrawing, and the firm was known as MacMahon, Boultbee, Dickson & Jeffrey.

When the firm dissolved in 1882, Justice MacMahon went to Winnipeg, and later removed to Toronto, where he lived until his death. For years Judge MacMahon resided on the southwest corner of Dufferin and Park avenues.

In Newspaper Work.

Prior to coming to London, Justice



THE LATE JUSTICE MacMAHON.

MacMahon was in Brantford, engaged in newspaper work. He wrote editorials during the campaign in which John Sandfield Macdonald, Premier of Ontario, was defeated. He also took the stump against Mr. Macdonald, and a great deal of the credit for the victory was given Mr. MacMahon.

Coming to this city, he soon built up a very large practice. The firm of MacMahon, Gibbons & McNabb had the largest commercial practice in the Dominion at that time.

Mr. MacMahon was an active Liberal, and soon made his influence felt in local politics. In 1872, two years after coming to London, he accepted the Liberal nomination, and ran against Sir John Carling, then at the height of his power.

The campaign was a notable one, but Justice MacMahon was defeated.

Later, in 1878, he ran as a Liberal in Kent County, but was again defeated.

An Ardent Irishman.

While in the city he was known as an enthusiastic Irishman, and took a deep interest in the Irish Benevolent Society.

In fact the late Col. Shanly, Benjamin Cronyn, Archbishop Walsh, Henry D. Long and Justice MacMahon were the leading spirits in the organization of this society.

Col. Shanly was the first president, and Justice MacMahon was the second. He presided over the society in 1878, and was afterwards made a life member. Even after leaving this city he manifested a great interest in the work of the I. B. S. of London.

A Famous Lawyer.

The most famous case with which he was engaged was the defence of the murder, on Feb. 4, 1880, of the Donnelly family in Biddulph. This case attracted a great interest during the trial.

With him was associated Sir William Ralph Meredith. Justice MacMahon addressed the jury on that occasion, and old-timers who heard him declare the address to have been one of the finest ever made to a jury, and the supreme effort of Justice MacMahon's life.

In 1882, he went to Winnipeg staying but a short time. He then went to Toronto. In 1887 he was elevated to the bench, and had occupied that position ever since.

The Birchall Trial.

The most famous case with which he was connected in this district was the trial of Reginald Birchall, at Woodstock, in 1890. Reporters for several New York papers were present, and they commented most favorably on the dignified, impartial way in which his lordship presided.

Since his elevation he was offered a position on the supreme court at Ottawa, but declined, as he did not wish to leave Toronto.

"He was a very fine type of man, and made an excellent judge," declared Mr. T. H. Purdom, K. C. "His dignified manner and his fairness made it a pleasure to have a case before him. The bar has lost one of its most distinguished ornaments in his death."

The Life Story.

The late Hon. Hugh MacMahon was a son of the late Hugh MacMahon, public land surveyor, a native of Cootehill, County Cavan, Ireland, who came to Canada in 1819. The late Judge MacMahon was born in Guelph, Ont., on March 6, 1836. The family belonged originally to Monaghan, and

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