

CHILD WAS IN NO DANGER

*And Charge of Desertion Was
Consequently Dismissed.*

*Gravelle and Zaas Case From
Dundas in Court Again.*

*Charge of Assault Against John
Mephram Was Dropped.*

This morning before Judge Snider Ida Mary Gravelle and Mary Gravelle, charged with deserting a child, and thereby exposing it in such a way as might permanently injure it, elected to be tried by a judge without a jury, and the trial was proceeded with. Both pleaded not guilty. After all the evidence had been heard his honor acquitted them on the ground that the child had not been exposed in such a way as would endanger its health. The first witness, Rose Zaas, said the child was taken to her place by Mrs. Gravelle and had been left there. It was placed on a veranda, but nobody went near it. "Had you ever heard that the child was your son's?" asked George S. Kerr, counsel for the prisoners. "No, not that one," she responded. "Wasn't there a suit about the first child?" "No." "The second one?" "Yes." "How many children were there?" "Two." "Well, it couldn't have been the second then, as it was only seven days old." "Yes."

"You would have taken care of it if it had been in danger, though?" "Yes."

Peter Zaas, son of the previous witness and who was accused by Ida Mary Gravelle with being the father of her two children, said he was home on the night the child had been taken to their place, and left there. He heard Mrs. Gravelle tell his mother to look after the child, but his mother had answered she wouldn't have anything to do with such trash. He went for Chief Twiss to see what could be done in the matter.

"Your mother knew you were arrested some time ago and went in jail and later tried in connection with the first child?" "She didn't."

"After the trial?" "She knew then."

"She just swore she didn't," remarked his honor. "You talked about it at home, didn't you?" asked Mr. Kerr.

"No-o-o," faltered the witness. "If you are telling the truth there's no need to get so excited about it," remarked his honor.

His honor said the only question to be decided was whether the child was in danger or not, or whether it was actually placed in charge of the Zaas couple.

Mr. Kerr said he could show that the parents knew all about it, and that the father of the young man had made a proposition to the girl to live in Hamilton until after the birth of the child, when further arrangements could be made to care for it.

Ida Mary Gravelle, the mother of the child, said Edmund Zaas, father of the young man, had made the proposition to her that she live in Hamilton with a friend of his until some other arrangements could be made.

"How old are you?" asked Mr. Kerr. "I'll be twenty-one next March."

"Didn't the young man promise to marry you at the time of the last trial if you would let the case drop," asked Mr. Kerr.

"Yes," responded the witness as she stepped down from the witness box.

His honor in giving judgment said it had been clearly established that the child was not in danger and there was no doubt about the young man's conduct, and that he had promised to marry her. The young man ought to be forced to do something.

TWO BURNED.

Missouri Congressman and Grandson Lose Their Lives.

Perished in a Fire That Destroyed Their Residence.

Kansas City, Mo., Nov. 23.—Representative David A. DeArmond, one of the oldest Democratic members of Congress, and his grandson, Waddle, aged six, were burned to death in a fire that destroyed the DeArmond home in Butler, Mo., early today. The other members of the family escaped and it is believed none was hurt. Neither the body of Congressman DeArmond nor that of his grandson has been recovered, but bones believed to be those of the Congressman were found by searchers this morning.

Other occupants of the house at the time of the fire who escaped were Mrs. DeArmond, James DeArmond, aged 35, a son of the Congressman, and a daughter, aged 35.

The fire started at 3 o'clock this morning.

The home of Congressman DeArmond was situated across the street from that of his son, James DeArmond. James started to rush into the burning home of his father, in an attempt to save the latter, but he was restrained by the younger members of the DeArmond family and neighbors.

The cause of the fire is unknown.

EIGHT ARE OUT FOR BOARD OF CONTROL,

But There Is a Death of Alderman Candidates—The Power Question.

There is sure to be a lot of new blood in next year's council, for no less than eight of the present aldermen are out for re-elections. They are Aldermen Allan, Peregrine, Cooper, Gardner, Juttan, Lees, Wright and Sweeney. The office of alderman does not seem to be very popular compared with the Board of Control, and while fully a score of candidates will run for controllers there is a dearth of aldermanic material.

It can almost be stated authoritatively now that T. J. Stewart will oppose Mayor McLaren. Before leaving for Ottawa the member for West Hamilton promised the Hydro people that if the power contract was submitted to the people again, making the power question the issue, he would be in the field. That the power contract will be referred to the people is as good as settled. It is said that the following aldermen will support the course: Allan, Applegarth, Clark, Crerar, Farmer, Forth, Gardner, Guy, Milne, Peregrine, Hobson, Ryan, Sweeney.

The Hydro people say their campaign will be under way the minute the council vote to refer the matter to the people. A slate of controllers and aldermen will be framed, and the stormy petrel from West Hamilton will be depended upon to lead in a spectacular fight. The Hydro people have been busy enlisting some of the Labor leaders to appear with them on the platform.

Ald Lees was acting Mayor to-day. The amount of money the ratepayers will be asked to vote next January now totals \$350,000, made up as follows: Good roads, \$200,000; new police sta-

tions, \$50,000; new registry office \$25,000; west end sewage disposal plant, \$75,000.

The city officials were informed that the heavy rain yesterday flooded the cellars of a number of houses on the mountain top, back from the mountain brow. The new sewerage system when completed, will prevent such conditions.

To-night the Sewers Committee will make a recommendation to the Council about the new west end sewer, and sewage disposal works. A by-law will be submitted to the people, asking for authority to issue debentures to the amount of about \$75,000. Tenders for new sewers will be opened.

Building permits were issued to-day to Henry McCann, for a brick house on Wilson street, between West avenue and Victoria avenue for Miss H. McCann, to cost \$1,200, and to M. Webb, for a brick house on MacNab street, between Murray and Stuart, for J. W. Fernihough, to cost \$1,600; also two brick houses on Strachan street, between Mary street, and Ferguson avenue, for W. W. Main, to cost \$2,000.

The County Judge yesterday confirmed the sewer assessment on Arthur and Imperial streets, in the annex, against which about a dozen ratepayers appealed.

Dr. Roberts, Medical Health Officer, who has been in the old country since September, studying public health work, will be home, the middle of next month.

The Fire and Water Committee will have another bunch of applications from the new annex for water mains to deal with to-morrow night.

Liberals to Meet To-Night

*Annual Meeting of the Club an
Important Event.*

At a meeting of the new Executive Committee of the Liberal Association last evening the offices of secretary and treasurer were filled by the re-election of W. T. Evans as secretary and William Dixon as treasurer. The executive also approved of the proposition of the Liberal Club to assume the management of the club rooms, etc.

This latter proposition will be the chief business for the annual meeting of the club, to be held this evening. A full turnout of the members is looked for, as the step is one of much importance, and opens a new field of activity for the young Liberals of the city. The club rooms are the best equipped and best managed of their sort, and the associations are all good. The addition of a strong literary branch and the holding of regular debates and public addresses during the coming winter will be a strong feature of the season's work.

The election of officers is also set for to-night.

The Man in Overalls

Get your ad. in the Christmas Times.

Liberal Club meeting this evening. If a member go up.

I hope the creeks are all filled.

Don't crowd the police; you might get run in.

It is just possible that we were all a little too high strung on the football business.

While T. J. Stewart appears to be using a lot of valuable time butting in to city affairs, he seems to have no time to spare on the new canal project or the revetment wall.

Have the Daughters of the Empire anything to spring upon us for the good of the order about Christmas?

You can bet, however, that if Toronto would lose by it, she would never vote in favor of woman suffrage.

Another thing that wet rain did was to flush the sewers.

Every time I read of a fatal automobile accident I thank my stars that I never ride in one.

Like the New York Goulds, the Tory chairman of ward No. 5 has the goods. That's what the heelsers are after.

Inventor Edison should hurry up with his invention to extract the heat from the coal without the necessity of mining it. It might save many future Cherry mine disasters.

But does Mrs. Pankhurst believe in womanhood suffrage?

This wet weather bodes no good to the Christmas turkey crop. The gobblers can't stand wet feet.

How is the choir getting along with the Christmas music. Does it need any new music?

I am looking in the Toronto News every day to see it prove by figures that cannot lie that the British Liberal party cannot hope to win in the coming elections.

King Edward's hands-across-the-sea cablegram to Sir Wilfrid, congratulating him on his birthday anniversary, was just what I expected. The King is a great jollier.

Ald. Wright is running for controllership. That's about as good a way of dropping out of sight as any other.

The Christmas Times should be taken advantage of by the merchants and others who wish to do a big Christmas business. The holiday number will circulate largely among the people who have lots of money to spend upon Christmas presents, and they will look in it for the ads. of the merchants before doing their shopping. Get your ad. in.

A Toronto judge has decided that a cigar is a drug. Take your medicine. Smoke up!

Just For a Christmas Present.

Some fine silver-mounted walking canes, in all the popular wood and lacquer styles, are offered at peak's cigar store. You can select a nice stick at the headquarters, 107 King street east.

REMEMBER THURSDAY EVENING.

The laymen of the Church of England cordially invite all, including ladies, to the meeting in Association Hall. Young men are particularly requested to be present, as Mr. P. W. Allen, the Traveling Secretary of the Association, will be most interesting, having just returned from the Northwest. The opportunity of hearing Mr. Allen should not be missed. Rev. Dr. White, Bishop-elect of Honan, China, will also give a practical address.

NOTHING IN CASE AGAINST PROTICH.

*Evidence Showed That He Simply Charged
For the Work He Did.*



BUDIMIR PROTICH,
Acquitted of charge of conspiracy in
the Police Court this morning.

The case of conspiracy preferred against Budimir Protich was dismissed in Police Court this morning, on the ground that there was no evidence at all to support the charge.

Crown Attorney Washington said there was "not a tittle of evidence."

Mr. T. J. Farmer, J. P., who tried the case, said there was no evidence of Protich conspiring against Strausberg.

While the case was being heard Magistrate Jelfs left the court room, as he was subpoenaed to appear as a witness, but he was not called. He afterwards said that if the defence had challenged the prosecution to go on with the case it would have fallen through, in view of the fact that the original affidavit that Bluenstein swore out was missing. In spite of the diligent search made by every sleuth on the force, the whereabouts of this document continues to be a mystery. Chief Smith assumes that it must have been blown out by the wind when the window was up, but there are innumerable theories and conjectures being passed around. The ultimate result will probably be an official investigation to find out the real cause of its strange disappearance.

M. J. O'Reilly, K. C., was counsel for Protich this morning, and fired such a volley of questions at Strausberg that elicited the information that exploded the charge.

Frank Bluenstein, 120 Rebecca street, said he worked at Grabton's clothing factory, Dundas, and prior to Nov. 8 Strausberg had bothered him for money and asked him all kinds of names in the endeavor to get money. Bluenstein said he called at No. 3 Police Station on Sunday night, Nov. 6, to lay a charge of extortion against Strausberg, but the deskman there said it would be too late

that night to get a warrant, but if the complaint were to call the next morning, he could get a warrant against Strausberg.

Witness then said he thought of Protich and went to him and stated that Strausberg had threatened and wanted to get money from him, and complaint said he told Protich he wanted to.

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HIS SPEECH RESTORED.

*Two Hours In Police Cells Cured
One Hugh Scott*

*And This Morning He Was Sent
to Central Prison.*

*Robert Walker Stole Bracelet to
Give to Sweetheart.*

"Twill be the merry month of May when Hugh Scott is free again. He was sent to jail for six months this morning for vagrancy. Last night, when Constables Cameron and Barrett arrested Scott he was soliciting alms from passers-by and storekeepers. On his person was found a piece of blue paper, with the words "I'm deaf and dumb; please help."

When taken to the City Hall there were doubts about him being a bona fide mute, but shouts and tests innumerable were tried and he remained the same imperturbable mute. P. C. Barrett dropped several ingots of brass near Scott's feet, but no sound of speech was heard. However, down he went to the cells on King William street. Two hours' incarceration restored Scott's speech, for he laughed and jeered at the officers' credulity.

A credulous public had subscribed liberally to a fund for his benefit. Sergt. Pirch said last Friday the prisoner called at his house, soliciting alms, and the sergeant said he had an idea Scott was a fake of the first water.

Magistrate Jelfs asked Scott where he came from.

"Scotland, sir."

"How long have you been out here?"

"Three years."

"What year did you come here?"

"I don't know."

"I'm sorry I can't send you back," said the Magistrate, but I'll give you a taste every time you try this game, said his worship.

Robert Walker, 119 Jackson street east, a youth who looked half demented, pleaded guilty to stealing a gold filled bracelet from Maggie Nevills, and to-morrow he will come up for sentence. In the meantime he will sit for a photographer for the exclusive benefit of the police who intimate that his picture may be useful for future reference. Walker stole the bracelet from the house of Maggie Nevills, took it to a jeweler, had it replated and presented it to his sweetheart. Diligence on the part of P. C.'s Cameron and Barrett, landed Walker behind the bars as the thief.

Thomas Brown, Main street west, was up for wilful damage, he broke a window in William Warwick's house. He was allowed to go on condition that he pays for the window and court costs. He also received a reprimand from the bench and some subsequent good advice.

William Johnston, Crown Point, got two months in jail for stealing a set of harness belonging to Harry Field, of Crown Point.

Thomas Richards, the "peeper" was discharged. He was up on Saturday for being disorderly and remanded to test his sanity. A friend appeared who offered to help him keep straight.

Charles Shaver, 425 Cannon street east, neglected to send his girl to school. He paid \$2 for his neglect.

The Myers and Wood theft case will be heard on Thursday.

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*So Able He Could Well Be British
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*The Brain of a Genius, Yet Only a
Burglar.*

London, Nov. 23.—A notorious criminal, Charles Williams, who was declared by a specialist to have the brain of a cabinet minister, was sentenced to 18 months' hard labor at the Middlesex Sessions Thursday for receiving stolen property.

Williams, who is 64 years of age, first came under the notice of the police in 1867—42 years ago—and in the interval has undergone a term of 20 years' penal servitude.

"He is so clever and intelligent," said Dr. Albert Wilson, the brain specialist, some years ago, after examining Williams, "that he might well have been Prime Minister, or a Cabinet Minister. So daring and desperate a criminal was he that the home office gave orders that he was never to be dealt with single-handed, two policemen, heavily armed, being always commissioned for the purpose."

The crime for which Williams was sentenced to imprisonment, was committed in 1881. Williams determined to rob Lady Harberton's mansion in Kensington, which was guarded with so many burglar alarms that three other burglars had given up the task.

Attired in evening dress Williams went to the rear of the house, made a risky climb to the roof, and then clambered into a small chamber containing the battery which operated the burglar alarms. He put these out of order, then cleared the dressing rooms of the most valuable jewels he could find.

Lighting a cigar he walked leisurely out of the front door. Lady Harberton's maid, returning late, met him on the doorstep. "You are late," said Williams to her; "they are just going to bed." The maid gave the alarm, however, and Williams took to his heels. After throwing off a policeman who grappled with him, he saw a postman approaching. Drawing a revolver he brought him down, wounding him seriously, but not fatally. He shot at and wounded two other people slightly, but escaped for the time being. In the following month he was arrested and sentenced by Sir Henry Hawkins.

When found guilty of the offence for which he was sentenced on Thursday, Williams said: "For the first time in all my career of crime I have been found guilty when I am not guilty."

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Wentworth's representative in Parliament, whose address at the Canadian Club banquet in Boston last night is attracting attention.

IN UNION IS STRENGTH.

At a meeting of the Citizens' Campaign Committee and Women's Christian Temperance Union, held this afternoon in Central Chambers, 37 James street south, it was decided to unite their efforts in connection with the coming campaign.

Apples For Christmas.

Apple orders for European delivery must be received not later than Nov. 30 to assure delivery before Christmas. Nothing more acceptable to friends living in the old land than a box of Canada's choicest apples. We sell them all charges paid to any address in Great Britain. Canadian and American orders must be received not later than Dec. 20.—Bain & Adams.

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