

England on the tolls question. The agent recently told callers he had discussed the matter formally with the British Ambassador here, Sir Cecil Spring-Rice. He believed the obligation on the part of the United States to exempt the clause was one of the United States government should realize without outside force or pressure.

Administration leaders in both the House and Senate have assured the agent that with the delivery of a message by him showing that national circumstances had arisen since the measure was last debated, the agent's suggestion for repeal would be met with prompt action.

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Local News

Grand View Improvement

The Grand View Improvement Society meets to-morrow night.

Board of Works To-night

The board of works meets to-night in the council chamber of the city hall.

Echo Place Improvement Society

The Echo Place Improvement Society meets to-night in Mohawk Park school, when a number of important matters will be discussed.

Building Permit Issued

A building permit has been issued to Messrs. Simmons and Reeve for the erection of a brick cottage on Burton street, at a cost of \$900.

Fraternal Committee To-morrow

The fraternal society committee of the old home week celebration will be held to-morrow night in the Temple building, when plans for a fraternal society day will be discussed.

Name Omitted

Through an error in reporting the concert given by the Echo Place Improvement Society last Tuesday night the name of Mr. A. Fitness was omitted from the social committee. Mr. Fitness was one of the hardest workers in arranging the program.

Purchased Some Cattle

Chief William Smith, Alex. Bumhery and Harry Martin returned yesterday from a sale of registered stock at Guelph. There they purchased two high grade pedigree bulls for the Six Nations Reserve, one a Durham and the other a Polled-Angus. They also purpose buying a Holstein bull when a first class animal can be located.

Acknowledged

The managers of the Widows' Home gratefully acknowledge the following donations: Mr. D. D. Taylor, painting a bedroom and hall, \$24.70; Whitaker Baking Co., honey cakes, etc. weekly; Mrs. P. Kreismann, 2 jars and journals; Messrs. Smith and Foulds, Livingston and Wilkinson, Minter, Heyd, Burns and Hartley, meat weekly.

Paris Lost Game

In the second game of the Consolation series played at the Alert rink at Hamilton the Centennials took the Paris intermediates into camp to the tune of 11 to 2. The Paris seven were at no time in the hunt, and it was just a question of how many goals the locals would run up before the full time whistle blew. Code and Palmer were best for Hamilton.

Cannery's Annual Meeting

At the annual meeting of the Dominion Canneries, Limited, this morning, profits of \$466,000 for the year were announced. This was divided amongst interest on bonds, seven per cent. dividend on the preferred, and six per cent. dividend on the consolidated stock, after which a surplus of \$99,000 was added to the reserve, which has now reached \$602,000. The number of directors was reduced from eleven to nine. T. E. Owens and G. P. Grant resigning. The following were re-elected directors: F. R. Lalor, M.P., Dunnville; D. Marshall, M. P., W. P. Innis, Simcoe; H. W. Richardson, Kingston; J. Nairn, Hamilton; T. M. Dunn, Stratford; S. Nesbitt, M.P.P., Brighton; A. H. B. McKenzie, Montreal, and R. L. Innis, Hamilton. A busy year is anticipated by the directors.

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Store Open Until 9 o'clock

Two of Our Many Specials for TO-NIGHT

Men's Box Kip Blucher Cut Lace Boots, regular \$2.50, Wednesday evening **\$1.48**

Women's Dongola Lace Boots, regular \$1.35, Wednesday evening **\$1.00**

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"LIED TO SAVE HIS NECK" DECLARES FRED CAUDWELL

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Mr. Caudwell's Story.

There is Caudwell's story as told to a reporter for The Daily News: "I met the Ellis family at the Obiway Hotel, Point Aux Barques, Georgian Bay, last September," he said. "They were stopping at the hotel and they were assigned to seats at the table at which I dined. This was the only place that I met any of the Ellis family at any time, unless it was to remark the time of day while they were on the porch together."

"It was my vacation time, and I spent fourteen days at the resort and Mr. and Mrs. Ellis and their seven year old daughter were there about seven of the fourteen days that I was there. I never spent ten minutes in their company, outside of the time at meals. Ellis often carried on quite a conversation at the table, and told me of his losses in the harness business because of the introduction of the automobile into service. He was very nervous at all times."

"Mrs. Ellis seemed an older woman than those with whom I associated. She seemed more motherly than anyone at the hotel. She was devoted to her daughter, and I do not believe that I ever saw her any place that the little girl was not on her arm, with her fondling her and playing with her or telling her stories, or singing to her. Mrs. Ellis seemed very happy in the love of her children, and if one let her, she would talk for hours about the little one at home. Once at the table, she said: 'I am afraid I bore you, Mr. Caudwell, with my talk about the little one at home, because you are a young man and don't seem to be interested in those things.'"

"The Ellis' never joined in the parties of the guests at the hotel. They seemed to want to stay by themselves. They would go out together in a row boat fishing, taking the little girl with them and would spend the whole day, after which they would retire early and never take part in the whist games in the hotel parlor in the evening."

"All Mrs. Ellis seemed to worry about was the health of her husband and the comfort of her children. She did not seem to care anything about anything else that happened. The couple—or rather the three would go for walks together always alone, and the entering of my name into this case is an outrage, although it has not hurt me among my friends who have known me for years and have since expressed their confidence in me. When a man lives in a town like Brantford for 15 years and has been in business for 12 years, the inhabitants pretty nearly know what his character and habits are. My friends have stood with me in this matter and they feel as I do that this man Ellis is trying to sacrifice the reputation of his wife, and my reputation in the hope of saving his own neck from the gallows, for the cowardly act which he committed."

"I sincerely believe that it was Ellis and not Mrs. Ellis that sent the telegram to me. I think that he planned to kill his wife for some other reason and thought this would be the best defence that could be made. It is very apparent that he handled the telegram, for it is not logical to believe that if his wife were to file a telegram of that kind that she would leave any trace of it where her husband could find it and follow her to break out his revenge."

"I thought the telegram that I received was from Mr. Ellis when I got it, for I did not remember his initials as it was signed 'E. H. Ellis.' I ignored the telegram entirely because I was not anxious to have anything to do with the Ellis family."

"The first I knew of my name having been connected with the case was when Chief of Police Slemin of the

Brantford Police Department called and informed me that I was implicated in a murder case. About the same time a friend of mine called me up and asked me if I had seen the papers. He told me I was mixed up in a murder case and I told him to stop his joking."

"Chief Slemin satisfied himself that I was not out of Brantford and wired the Chicago authorities to that effect. 'I was never in Cincinnati or Chicago in my life, although Ellis told me that when I got to Cincinnati to come and visit him and his family. I told him I thought I would never get to Cincinnati. Mrs. Ellis never gave me any invitation of this kind, and she was a woman that I never would have taken for one who would give anyone an invitation of this kind, unless it was prompted by her husband. 'Ellis never gave any intimation of his jealousy and it is the last thing that ever entered my head. I cannot understand why he picked me out of the hundred guests at that hotel unless it was because I sat at the same table with them.'"

Their room at the hotel was on the second floor, while mine was on the third floor and there was no reason for any feeling because of the closeness of the rooms."

"Ellis did not drink much while he was up there, although he told me that he had been a heavy drinker in his day."

"I often waited until they had left the table to avoid their company and I kept away from Ellis outside because of his appearance. He had eruptions on his neck and face, which made me believe he was not in my station in life, and I kept away from him and his."

"Ellis impressed me as an inferior man, who was afraid of himself because of his nervousness and he also felt the cast of his appearance."

"I was not out of Brantford from the time I returned from my vacation until Christmas day."

"It seems to me to be an awful situation when a man becomes so devoid of humanity and feeling for himself that he will cast into the discard the reputation of a woman like this. She seemed to me to be as pure and self-respecting as any woman I ever saw. She was motherhood itself—sweet-tempered, loving, realizing the responsibility of what motherhood meant, careful of her offspring, cheerful in her suffering—for I believe she suffered because of her husband's condition. She seemed to be a woman who felt that she had made her row and she intended to hoe it, regardless of what the world thought, or what it did to prevent her doing so."

"This attempt to blast her character, in my opinion, is a carefully-laid plot, because if nothing else would keep her from sending that telegram, it would be the love that she showed for her two children, and the love that I saw she held for the one that she had with her."

"I don't think that the courts of the United States will be fooled by this man. I would have gone to Chicago to testify if I felt that I could do that woman's name any good, but I feel that by making my statement to the public, and expressing the same words as I would give as a witness, I can do as much as I could by neglecting my business to go to Chicago."

"If there is no more reason for the killing of Mrs. Ellis than her relations with me, her spirit must be hovering over the court-room, swallowing bitterly the attacks upon her name which are being made unjustly by a man who apparently was a coward from the start."

Fred G. Caudwell is a man 35 years of age, although his appearance is that he has not lived that many years in experience, for he does not show the years like a man who has lived that long in the larger city. He is an unmarried man and he works at 120 Darling street, where he has lived for several years. His home is in Reading, England, where his parents live, and he was educated at Caversham Hall, Windsor, England. He came to the Dominion at the age of 17 years, and was a cricket, boxing and football expert at college. He is a tall, medium-built, athletic chap, with a pompadour of black hair, a handsome face, and his dress is that of the modest sartorial expert. His dress follows closely the business he is in. He seems to have learned to dress from his experience in his business. He has been engaged in the business here for 12 years, originally as Caudwell & Company, until he took in his partner. His sincerity and the flash of his eye as he refers to Ellis' bringing his name into the case does not bid very well for that man who is on trial for his life in Chicago."

He read with interest the transcript of the evidence taken in Judge Petit's court yesterday, and then unburdened himself of any part he might have had in besmirching the name of the murdered woman. Townsfolk look upon him as one of their foremost citizens, and as he walks along the street in his town he is greeted by persons by the score. He is a man that a woman could fall in love with, but he also is a man that could hold off the attention of anyone whom he did not choose to associate with. Such is the case of the

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A Copy of Paul Poiret's latest creation, Navy Crepe de Chene, made with puff all around skirt, waist blouse effect, vest of shadow lace, finished with crushed girdle with one long tab and tassel.....\$25

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alleged telegram sent by Mrs. Ellis to Caudwell.

Strong Words by Attorney.

CHICAGO, March 4.—"A vile coward, who killed his wife and made his children motherless, and then attempted to blacken her character to save his wretched life." As Prosecutor Malato uttered these words of denunciation of William Cheney Ellis in his opening argument to the jury to-day, Ellis, on trial for the murder of his wife, swayed in his chair and had to be supported.

"Look!" exclaimed Malato. "Ellis gets a glass of water and has some one to lift him up, but he gave his wife no water while she lay shot four times and with her throat gashed. If he receives the death penalty at your hands he will have a chance to make his peace with the Almighty. He gave his wife none."

Malato also attacked Frederick Caudwell of Brantford, Ontario, alleged by Ellis to be "the man in the case."

Jury Retires.

A Courier special this afternoon says: The jury retired shortly before noon. The instructions gave these possible forms of verdict.

Guilty with the death penalty. Guilty of murder with imprisonment for life.

Guilty of murder with imprisonment for not less than fourteen years. That the act was committed while Ellis was insane and that he still is sane.

That the act was committed while Ellis was insane and that he still is sane. "Not guilty."

FORUNE FOR HACKETT

Aunt Leaves Actor an Estate of \$1,500,000.

NEW YORK, March 5.—A fortune of \$1,500,000 has been left to James K. Hackett, actor, from the estate of his aunt, Mrs. Minnie Hackett Trowbridge, who bequeathed him

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dially in life and made no attempt to conceal her bitter feeling.

Hackett was Mrs. Trowbridge's nearest blood relative, and though she had nieces of whom she was very fond, she had no intercourse with them in the last years of her life. Her will left her money to her husband. He is dead, and the million, and a half goes to Hackett automatically.

FIERCE RIOT AT LABORITE RALLY

Militants Started Battle in Which Hair Was Pulled and Faces Scratched.

LONDON, March 5.—Militant suffragettes last night gave further proof that their bitterest animosity is reserved for the Labor party, the only political party which has espoused their cause. As soon as J. Ramsay MacDonald, chairman of the Labor party began speaking at a Labor party rally in Memorial Hall, suffragettes in all parts of the chamber added to a number of male supporters started to howl him down.

Women ushers had been engaged to deal with women interruptors of the meeting and male to take care of masculine disturbers, but as "bouncers" for their own sex the women proved failures, and the men had to take over their duties. For nearly an hour a fierce struggle raged in the hall. There were frequent fire fights between men, while women grabbed one another by the hair and scratched faces and tore clothing. Windows were smashed and chairs broken during the disorder.

Eventually the police were summoned to restore order and Mr. MacDonald got a chance to finish his speech. In concluding he said that if the vote could be gained for women by turning out the government the Labor party would assist them. The worst enemy to the women's cause, he declared, were the militant suffragettes, of whose methods the people in the hall had just had a striking illustration.

RAS SAID HE COULD CURE LAME HOSS—POLICE NEWS

Israel Himel Charged With Cruelty in Case This Morning

A wanderer from Palestine named Israel Himel found his way into the City Police Court this morning in answer to a summons charging him with cruelty to a horse. He pleaded that he had done with the animal and had handed it over to Ras Clouse, who said that he could cure it. He brought the animal in from Woodstock and knowing it was lame, proceeded to discard it with characteristic caution. To this end he took the lame horse to Ras, who thereupon accepted all responsibility with regard to the condition of the horse. P. C. Borthwick discovered the animal there and it was too weak to rise to its feet and several men had to assist it. Dr. Cutcliffe testified as to the condition of the nag and corroborated the P. C.'s evidence. Ras Clouse would not have the responsibility palmed upon him as the Hebrew attempted and said the horse was still the property of Israel, although it was in his stable. He had not as alleged by the defendant, undertaken to pay all fines which might be inflicted in case the animal was discovered. Found guilty. Israel has got to pay the fine of \$10 and costs, \$11.85 in all or suffer incarceration for 10 days.

Geo. Anpleybrook of Burford who disputes the right of proprietorship of the grain elevator in that town, was charged with malicious damage. There is a legal angle involved in his case and some documents to be signed and filed. In view of this the case was adjourned until Monday.

Again Abraham Cohen should have turned up to answer for non-support, but did not do so and his charge stands over.

Summonses are to be sent out to all workmen concerned in the charges

Will Represent City's Interests

Mayor Spence received a message to-day from Mr. W. F. Cockshutt, M.P., and Mr. J. H. Fisher, M.P., stating that they would be present when the deputations of gas company representatives waited upon Hon. Mr. Nantel to-day at Ottawa, when concessions will be asked in regard to the distribution of sulphur gas throughout Western Ontario. Both Messrs. Cockshutt and Fisher stated that they would be ready to define the attitude of Brantford and Paris in regard to the matter.

of mutilation of trees on Brant Ave., and about a dozen men are likely to answer this morning.

\$50,000 Additional For Shackleton

LONDON, March 5.—The British Government has added \$50,000 more to the official grants for the expense of Sir Ernest Shackleton's Antarctic expedition.

Making Repairs

Superintendent J. C. Waller is giving the best he can to alleviate the damage done to the trees on Brant Avenue, by the hydro gang.

Two German spies arrested last month are being tried in the Bow Street Court in London.

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