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**JONES SAYS HE PUT THE \$20,000 IN SAFE IN HON. J. B. M. BAXTER'S OFFICE**

Also, After Recess, Kings M. P. P. Testifies That Tennant Paid \$10,000 on the \$20,000 Note But "Squealed Like a Stuck Pig"

The Valley Railway inquiry was continued in the County Court chambers this morning before Commissioner John M. Stevens and carried the \$20,000 business another stage. According to Geo. B. Jones, M. L. A. of Apohaqui, Thos. Bell was not in when he went to give him the money and so he left it in Hon. J. B. M. Baxter's office.

Jones was questioned closely as to the \$20,000 promissory note and finally, after a recess, he declared that W. B. Tennant paid \$10,000 and the balance was now under discount in a bank here. He declared that Tennant did not pay the \$10,000 with good grace, and he added that he (Jones) had no intention of paying the balance without a showdown.

The first witness called was George B. Jones of Apohaqui. In answer to Mr. Hughes' query he said that he knew nothing of the contract or tenders for the Valley Railway beyond what he read in the press. He said that one day Luther B. Smith asked him, in the Victoria Hotel here, if he knew of any man with money and experience who would be willing to enter a company for taking over part of the Valley Railway work, and he suggested F. E. Fenwick of Millstream.

Mr. Jones said that he had absolutely no interest in the company. "I remember receiving \$30,000 from W. B. Tennant for the general election," he said. "I went to Thomas Bell's office. He was not in. I then left the money in J. B. M. Baxter's office. I later told Mr. Bell that I had left a parcel for him in Baxter's office. This money was for general campaign funds."

"There were several clerks in Baxter's office," he said, "and I placed the money in the safe myself. Mr. Tennant told me some time before this that there would be \$20,000 needed for the campaign and that he would have to float a note. I signed the note; some others were to go on it."

Mr. Jones said that he knew nothing of any money received by Mr. Tennant. In answer to a query, he said, "I did not think that \$20,000 would be enough for the province. I do not know whether my committee in Kings county signed any or not. I suppose so."

Q—Have you paid any part of the note?  
A—I haven't any counsel here; would you hold that question?  
Q—Has W. B. Tennant paid any?  
A—I don't know.  
Q—What is the note for now?  
A—\$10,000.  
Q—Who paid the first \$10,000?  
A—I will leave that question until I have counsel.

Q—Did you expect to have to pay anything on the note?  
A—Well, I did, unless the others paid it. I have never seen the original note with the other names on it, and I don't know who the others are.  
Q—How many renewals have there been?  
A—Three or four.  
Q—Did Mr. Tennant intimate to you that he was the only person who signed the note?  
A—He did on the renewal, and I said that did not think fair. I really do not know for a fact whether or not there were others on the note.

Q—Where did you sign the notes?  
A—At home. Mr. Tennant mailed them to me. I always destroyed any correspondence I received.  
Q—Are you in the habit of filing political correspondence?  
A—Yes.  
Q—Then why did you destroy this?  
A—It was a trifle unusual.  
Q—You would acquire awfully if you had to pay the note, wouldn't you?  
A—I think I would kick a bit.

Q—Wouldn't you think Mr. Tennant the man to pay it?  
A—Yes, I might.  
Q—Did you take any part in the Westmorland county election?  
A—None whatever.  
Q—To Mr. Hughes—  
"I think the first renewal on the note was for \$15,000, and was then reduced to \$10,000. There have been no renewals lately. Anything else I wish to stand over until I have counsel."

To the Commissioner—"I would not want to discuss whether it was good or bad business to sign a note without making any agreement."  
To Hon. W. P. Jones—  
"After the first renewal I refused to sign the note, unless some of the others went on with me, which they evidently had not done. Mr. Tennant said that the election was over and it was hard to get them to sign up."  
A—I don't know.  
Q—Was there any?  
A—I don't know.  
Q—Didn't you ask?  
A—Did you know Mr. Lindsay?  
A—Only to speak to. I never talked business with him.

The commissioner here adjourned until Mr. Jones' counsel could arrive.  
At 12:30 Mr. Jones returned after having been advised by counsel and the hearing of his testimony was continued as follows—  
Q—Have you paid any part of this note?  
A—No.  
Q—Have you paid anything toward it?  
A—No.  
Q—Who paid the \$10,000?  
A—Mr. Tennant. He presented very hard and squealed like a stuck pig. I told him that, according to the facts brought out by the Valley Railway inquiry, he could well afford to. I told him I certainly would not. The \$10,000 is now under discount in St. John. There was nothing said as to my paying it by a check. It is not my intention to pay it without a showdown.

Hon. W. P. Jones—"Don't you think that he might have got that \$20,000 spoken of for the payment of the note?"  
A—I don't know anything about it. The commission then adjourned until 2:30 this afternoon.

**WAR SCENE ON CALENDAR.**  
The "Times" is in receipt of a very pretty calendar from the Confederation Life Association. The picture represents four convalescent soldiers sitting on a bench by the wayside. With the soldiers is seated a nursing sister.

**WINS MILITARY MEDAL**

**Bombardier Charles Ingraham Has Distinguished Himself in The Great War**

Mrs. William Ingraham of 38 Summer street, has received a letter from her son, Bombardier Charles Ingraham, stating that he has won the Military Medal. He did not say just what he did in order to win this reward, but it is evident that he distinguished himself.

He is twenty-three years old and prior to going overseas was employed with G. E. Blake, plumbers, German street. Bombardier Ingraham went over seas as a member of Major Magee's battery and has been with that unit through many heavy engagements on the western front.

**CITY CONTRIBUTION TO HALIFAX TO BE A TOTAL OF \$50,000**

A meeting of the local Halifax relief committee was held in Mayor Hayes' office this morning. It was decided that St. John's contribution towards Halifax relief should be \$50,000, this sum to include the amount already expended for clothing, building material, etc., which was forwarded to the stricken city soon after the catastrophe. The committee recommended that the common council assess for the amount necessary to make up this appropriation.

Mayor Hayes is in receipt of \$18.27 from Miss Beattie A. Estabrooks of Upper Gungahway, the proceeds of a concert and Christmas tree which was held recently in aid of Halifax sufferers.

**CLOSING OF RETREAT FOR MEN IN CATHEDRAL**

A very large number of men who have been making the retreat conducted in the Cathedral by Rev. Father Healey, Dominican, of New York, triumphed through the snow drifts in the face of last night's blizzard to attend the closing exercises.

After recitation of the mass, Father Healey delivered a very powerful exhortation to the men to persevere in the good life they had resumed. He urged three things, loyalty to the Catholic church, loyalty to mass and Holy Communion and avoidance of the occasions of sin. It was a striking sermon, full of useful counsel and with eloquent pictures of the bad and the good ways of living. Much of what he said was drawn from the Sermon on the Mount.

After the service, Father Healey gave the Pope's blessing to all who made the retreat. He congratulated the men on their participation in the exercises and spoke also of the strong encouragement given by Bishop LeBlanc, assisted by Rev. C. P. Carleton of Peterborough, and Rev. Wm. Duke of the Cathedral. The bishop also gave his blessing.

The retreat has been most successful, more than 1,500 men going to confession and Holy Communion. Father Healey is to be in Florida on next Sunday to open a retreat there.

During the retreat Father Healey strongly commended the Y. M. C. I. to the men of the city.

**SOLDIER ABSENTEES BEFORE MAGISTRATE**

Four absentees under the old voluntary system were before Magistrate Ritchie in the police court this morning, and, at the recommendation of the military authorities, let go on suspended sentence in order to be placed with fighting units. Three of them were with the old 16th and one with the Amherst Home Guard.

The latter's aged father fell sick while he was in khaki and he got leave to visit home on the farm. His father died and with no one left to look after the place, except his mother, aged sixty odd years, and his wife and little child, the soldier thought himself justified in re-remaining home. "Besides," he said in the court this morning, "I never could learn the drill, try as I might. There wasn't any use of my staying in the guard."

Several others had good excuses and the magistrate let them all go on suspended sentences.

**THE LATE MRS. HASTINGS**

Mrs. Mary Lane Hastings, whose death was announced yesterday, was older than was stated. On next Tuesday, her birthday, she would have been eighty-nine years old.

**Ambassador Resigns**  
Buenos Aires, Jan. 4.—Confirmation of the report that Dr. Romulo Naoz, Argentine ambassador to the United States, has resigned, was received here last evening.

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