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BLACKMAIL FORCED
RICH MAN TO SUICIDE

Blackmailers First Extorted \$70,000 From Him.

Conspiracy Discovered—R. M. Ballantine Was Kept Under Threat of Exposure and Imprisonment.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—A sensational statement is promulgated today by Attorney Carl Fischer-Hansen, giving the inside facts as to how Robert B. Ballantine, of the wealthy family of New Jersey brewers, who committed suicide Saturday night, was blackmailed out of securities, cash and notes amounting to \$70,000 by a conspiracy. Mr. Fischer-Hansen communicated with the Ballantine family yesterday and strongly advised them that he be permitted to give the newspapers the details of the conspiracy. "I had an intimate acquaintance with Mr. Ballantine for 14 years," said Mr. Fischer-Hansen, "both as his legal adviser and as a personal friend. He visited my office last Friday and unfolded to me the nature of the charges made against him. He told me how under threats of exposure and even imprisonment he had been mulcted to the extent of \$70,000. It was one of the most wonderful stories I have ever heard."

SUSSEX MAYOR'S DAUGHTER
WEDDED THIS AFTERNOON.

Miss Elizabeth McKay Married to Ottawa Man in Trinity Church—Guests Present From St. John.

(Special to the Star.)
SUSSEX, N. B., Dec. 14.—Trinity church was the scene of a fashionable wedding at two o'clock this afternoon when Violet Ellen, eldest daughter of Mayor W. B. McKay, was married to Charles Patrick Clarke, of Ottawa, travelling for the Thomas Davis Manufacturing Co., Ltd., Montreal. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Scoville Neale, rector of Trinity church. As the bride party entered the church "The Voice That Breathed Over Eden" was sung by the choir. The bride, who was given away by her father, was attended by her sister Grace, as bridesmaid and by her cousin Miss Doris Spooner, of Hampton, as flower girl. LeBaron Dixon, of Moncton, supported the groom.

The bride wore a gown of white crepe de chine over tulle and silk with veil of pink and orange blossoms and carried a shower bouquet of lilies of the valley. The bridesmaid's dress was of pink silk with hat of white milane and pink roses and her bouquet of pink carnations. The bride's going away dress was royal blue broadcloth with hat to match and she wore a handsome set of mink furs the gift of her father.

The groom's gift to the bride was a sunburst of pearls and to the bridesmaid a gold enamel brooch with turquoise and pearl setting. After the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents, Church avenue. Mr. and Mrs. Clark left by the C. P. R. on a trip to Ottawa, Montreal and Toronto after which they will take up their residence in Halifax, N. S.

The bride received many beautiful presents in cut glass, French china and sterling silver. The gift of her mother was a pearl necklace. Guests were present from Ottawa, Moncton, St. John and Halifax. Miss Grace McKay this evening gives a large dance in honor of the guests.

The New Brunswick Southern Railway management are getting ready to keep the line between St. Stephen and West St. John open this winter. A much heavier engine than those owned by the company has been leased from the C. P. R. and should be at West St. John tomorrow. Two new snow plows have been built by the company, and with new bridges and about \$60,000 repairs to the road bed, the N. B. S. should give the required service this winter.

Ex-Ald. Geo. H. Waring and Mrs. Waring celebrated the 35th anniversary of their wedding yesterday and last evening there was a family reunion at which the sons and daughters presented the parents with a handsome sideboard.

Miss Laura Wilson, who has been spending the past three weeks in town left on Saturday for St. John where she will spend a few days before proceeding to her future home in Seattle, Washington.—Sackville Tribune.

The big schooner Gypsum Queen, Capt. Kerr, bound from Parroboro for Rockland with coal sailed this afternoon having been in port for a harbor.

Another watch theft has been reported to the police. This time the watch was stolen from a Mill street boarding house from one of the boarders.

WEST INDIA LINER
HAD ROUGH TRIP.

Bridges, Doors and Life Boats Smashed by Seas.

She Experienced Terrible Weather Especially on Sunday Last When the Damage Was Done.

The West India liner Caribbea, Capt. Saunders, arrived in port this morning from Demerara, British West Indies and Bermuda, with mails, five passengers and 200 tons of cargo. The passengers are: John Pine, from Trinidad; J. L. DeWolfe, from Barbadoes, Mr. and Mrs. Sharp from Antigua, and Mr. Bates from Bermuda. The steamer left Bermuda on Saturday afternoon last with 2,000 tons of cargo for St. John and Halifax. The steamer had a rough voyage, and being deeply loaded the heavy seas caused considerable damage. The heaviest weather was experienced on Sunday and Monday. For these two days heavy gales from the southeast, east and northeast were encountered, and were accompanied by a heavy sea and force rain squalls.

On Sunday the seas broke over the port forward part of the ship. One tremendous wave broke over the ship and tons of water crashed on to the deck carrying everything movable with it. The port side of the upper and lower bridges was smashed, the stout iron stanchions being bent and twisted and torn from their deck fastenings. The bridge ladder was also carried away from its fastenings. A couple of doors in the deckhouse were broken and one of the port lifeboats was lifted from its cradle and was badly broken as it landed crashing on top of the engine-room skylights. The bridge ladder, etc., were severely lashed down but there was no further damage done.

The ship arrived at Partridge Island at ten o'clock last night and was docked at the Pettibill wharf about ten o'clock this morning.

After discharging four hundred tons of cargo here, the steamer will proceed to Halifax with the remaining 1,600 tons of cargo.

BURGERS DISGUISED AS
TELEPHONE INSPECTORS.

Have Been Operating Around New York and Have Stolen \$30,000 Worth of Property.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Two men arrested in Elizabeth, N. J., accused of trying to rob a house in the guise of telephone inspectors, have been operating since last spring all around New York and have stolen valuable to the sum of \$30,000, according to the confession which the police report has been made by the prisoners. When arrested they described themselves as Lawrence Brown, 20 years old, and Ed. Wilson, 22 years old, both of New York. According to the prisoners' alleged statements they visited the home of A. J. McGuire, in Albany, in October, and got plunder amounting to \$5,000. In Boston they went to the home of Admiral Bowles and carried off a box containing valuable deeds to property and a gold chain. They pawned the chain for \$5,000 and expressed back to the admiral the box with its contents. The prisoners were in Elizabeth yesterday from New York, Philadelphia, Washington, Bridgeport, Albany and New York, and all say they are satisfied that the prisoners are the offenders for whom search has been made by the police of several states.

FREDERICTON DESERTER
GIVES HIMSELF UP.

Policeman Greer was surprised this morning when a man accosted him on the street and asked to be placed under arrest on the charge of being a deserter from the Royal Canadian Regiment. His request was granted and he was taken to the central station.

He said his name was Alexander Robertson, aged 28 years. Last April he enlisted in No. 4 Company R. C. R. in Halifax and was sent to Fredericton to join the company. He remained in Fredericton eight or nine weeks as a private and deserted coming to St. John. Here he procured work on the water works extension with Messrs. Mooney and has had employment there all summer until this morning when he came into the city for the purpose of giving himself up. Whether it is a case of desertion or whether it is a warm barracks for the winter or a guilty conscience was not stated to the police.

The colonel of the regiment at Halifax has been notified and Robertson is held at the central station.

ST. JOHN MEN WILL TENDER.

(Special to the Star.)
FREDERICTON, N. B., Dec. 14.—Patrick Mooney, Geo. E. Wilson and Robert Maxwell, of St. John, are in the city today. They are here looking over the plans and specifications for the proposed work.

The case against Dr. Preston will be resumed tomorrow morning, and it is thought the preliminary hearing may finish by tomorrow afternoon. Solicitor General Jones will arrive tonight.

RUSSIAN BELIEF INCREASES
THAT PREMIER WITTE'S LOST.

Telegraph Strike Still Continues—Fire and Slaughter in the Baltic Provinces—Rumors of a Dictatorship.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 13.—(Morning), via Ryskykunen, Dec. 14.—The government is making little headway in crushing the telegraph strike. The wires of the few lines over which service had been temporarily restored are constantly cut and not a single wire is left working out of St. Petersburg today.

News comes from the Baltic provinces today to the effect that many of the German landlords who have not fled are establishing a network of small forts and are standing a regular siege. There has been much killing and burning. Inhabitants of the Baltic provinces who are now residing in St. Petersburg were immensely gratified at the publication yesterday of the imperial ukase promising local self-government, which they say the abandonment of the Russian constitution in 1867 to destroy the unity of the old provinces of Lithuania. The ukase practically insures the restoration of the status quo, creating a deliberative assembly for the solution of the burning questions of reform of the peasant conditions, the institution of the local self-government and schools and a governor general as the office extended before 1867. The papers generally regard the ukase as opening the door to decentralization and as the end of the policy under which the bureaucracy absorbed all the power and stifled the ambitions of the border people.

The cabinet has decided to prosecute in court all violations of the new press law. The first prosecution will be that of the editor of the Nasha Shina for printing the resolution of the post and telegraph employees of St. Petersburg of December 12.

The new committee of the Postal Telegraph Union has decided to continue the strike until the strikers' demands are completely satisfied. The Official Messenger today announced that the new election law which has been drafted will immediately be laid before the emperor.

U. S. OFFICER SHARPLY CRITICIZES
AMERICAN MILITARY SYSTEM.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Praising the military organization under a monarch as a model system and holding up to sharp criticism the American army and its democratic methods, Lieut. Col. James S. Pettit, 5th U. S. Infantry, delivered a radical and startling address yesterday before the military service institution of the United States on Government Island, says the Associated Press. That a man who is still an active officer of the army should be permitted to have such severe ideas on the discipline and system of which he is a part was discussed widely during his speech. Pettit has a reputation as a writer on military affairs, and because of this efficiency he has been assigned to supervise the training of the militia in the district of Columbia.

WORK PROGRESSING WELL
ON CENTRAL RAILWAY.

Gilmour Brown arrived in the city this morning from Fredericton where his firm has tendered for the new sewerage system. Mr. Brown leaves this evening for Norton.

Mr. Brown says that 75 men are still at work but after the new year he expects that he can finish the work before contract time, the 1st of October.

Men are now at work on Ward Creek and Salmon River bridge. On the Norton bridge, the north span will be completed and the north span will be finished this year. During the winter the work will also be done on the small draw, Cold Creek and Cumberland Bay bridges so that in the spring, the firm can go on with the ballast.

SERVICE WATER PIPE
RUN THROUGH SEWER.

A gang of city employees are at work laying a water pipe along the north side of King Square, and the job when completed will be a novel one as far as St. John is concerned. There was considerable talk about the matter when it came before the water and sewerage board and considerable difference of opinion as to how the work should be done. The pipe is connected with the high service, and is in addition to the regular main. The aldermen that have up-to-date ideas carried their point, and this is accounted for the unique feature of the case. The pipe, which is a four inch, is being run through the sewer pipe. While this is new to St. John it has been frequently done in large cities and has been found to work well.

HACKENSCHMIDT DEFEATED.

DES MOINES, Ia., Dec. 14.—Farmer Burns last night defeated Charles Hackenschmidt in a mixed style match. Burns won the first and the third falls at catch-as-catch-can. Hackenschmidt defeated Burns last week.

TOP LATE 'AR CLASSIFICATION

WANTED—Situation as Drug Clerk with two years experience. Best of references. Address W. V. care of Star Office.

HARD COAL MINERS
MEETING TODAY.

Strike Question Will Be Settled in Few Days.

Union Will Demand Recognition, 8 Hour Day and More Pay—Operators Asked to Confer.

SHAMOKIN, Pa., Dec. 14.—The anthracite coal miners' convention began its sessions here today. About seven hundred delegates were present when John Mitchell, president of the United Mine Workers of America, called the convention to order.

This convention is regarded as more important than any held since Mitchell came into the hard coal field in 1903. The miners' leaders plan through the convention to request a conference of the operators. This will be made in the form of a resolution and the following demands, it is said, will be made if the conference is granted:

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LIBERALS HAVE WON
IN SASKATCHEWAN.

They Have Thirteen Seats Out of Twenty Five.

While Three More Are Yet to Be Heard From—Majority Will Be a Very Small One.

(Special to the Star.)
WINNIPEG, Dec. 14.—Later returns from Saskatchewan elections indicate a victory for Premier Scott by a small majority.

The latest figures show thirteen Liberals and nine Conservatives elected and three seats in doubt. Every minister is elected. The Liberal constituencies are: Battleford, Batoche, Humboldt, Lumsden, Moose Jaw district, Qu'Appelle, North Prince Albert City, Rosberry, Regina South, Rosetown, Salt Coats, Saskatoon, Yorkton. Conservative: Groulx, Maple Creek, Moose Jaw City, Moosemin, Qu'Appelle South, Regina City, Souris, Whitehead, Woleseley. Doubtful: Cunningham, Kinistino, Prince Albert district. (See also page 2.)

HARRIMAN WILL DEFEND
HIMSELF AGAINST RYAN.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Edward H. Harriman yesterday wrote to the Legislative Insurance Investigating Committee asking that he be given an opportunity to go on the stand to testify regarding his attempt as described by Thomas F. Ryan to share Ryan's holdings in the Equitable Life Assurance Society. The committee replied that his request would be granted, and Mr. Harriman may testify today.

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