

LIFE PRISONER
TURNS OUT TO
BE A CANADIAN

Bludso's Remarkable
Career in Crime

MURDER AND ROBBERY

Rounded Up by Police After
Shooting Man on St.

John Express

CONCORD, N. H., Mar. 15.—Clearing up the mystery which has surrounded the state prisoner here for two years ago and accompanying the confession by a revelation of a life of crime which has completed desperate deeds from one side of the continent to the other and from Canada to Texas, John Doe, sentenced for life for the killing of Giuseppe Gulanti at Newmarket Junction, in 1906, during an attempt to escape after the robbery of the Lady Carrier shoe factory in Dorcy, has disclosed to Warden Scott that his real name is James Bludso, and that he was born in Sarnia, Ont., thirty-three years ago.

Safe Cracked

On February 10, 1906, the safe at the Lady Carrier shoe factory in Dorcy was blown. The payroll usually deposited in the office, was not in the safe at the time, however, and the burglars secured little money. They were traced to the station and found to have taken the St. John express at night for Boston. The conductor of the train was notified to arrest the men. At Newmarket Junction he found two suspicious characters in the smoking car and ordered them to surrender. Both drew guns and fired. Giuseppe Gulanti, an innocent laborer, was hit and killed, while the burglars jumped from the train. They were captured after a wild chase. Joseph Gould was sentenced to serve thirty years, and his companion, who would give no name, was sentenced under the name of John Doe, to serve a life sentence.

Recently Doe has evinced a willingness to talk to the warden and during his talks has confessed to scores of crimes, many of which Warden Scott has investigated and found to be true. Bludso's own story is that he was born in Sarnia, Ont., 33 years ago, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bludso. His parents died or deserted him when he was fourteen years old and from that time he took up the life of the street. He early gained the nickname of "Canada Bob," and his first companion in crime was "Canada Bob."

The first job to which "Canada Bob" confessed, and which has been authenticated, was the wrecking of the bank at Lancaster, Ont., on April 28, 1905. His companions at the time were "Canada Bob," "Chi," Eddy, "Liverpool or Pool Tom," "Fiasco Yellow" and "Six Foot Tom." The latter was returned, but finally escaped and "Chi" Eddy was killed.

The gang next made headquarters at Milwaukee, Wis., and while looking about for a "safe" break, Bludso's companions broke with him and he went to W.H. Rose, Mich., where with "Pool Tom" a bank was entered and "Pool Tom" was killed, on October 13, 1905.

A new crowd was formed and the bank at Farmham, Que., was broken into and the men got away with the loot. Warden Scott states that Bludso has confessed many other crimes to him, but as he had not had the opportunity of verifying the other stories he will not give them out at the present time.

CITY OF HALIFAX
LOSES ITS SUIT

HALIFAX, March 15.—The city of Halifax must pay the full amount of the Neptune Water Meter Company's bill and costs of the action brought by the company. This is at least the effect of the decision handed down by Judge Lawrence today. His lordship has decided that the fourteen hundred meters stored on the Plant line which are the property of the city and that the city must pay for the whole 2,100 contracted for. The company's bill is \$18,865 and the expenses of the suit will amount to eight or nine hundred dollars more.

TRAGEDY OF THE FAMOUS
GREAT WALL OF CHINA

English Explorer Relates Interesting Facts
About Mysterious Land.

LONDON, March 15.—William Edgar Gell has reached London on his way to America after exploring the Chinese wall from the sea to the farthest west end. He intends to write a description of the wall and tell the story of how and by whom it was built. "China seems to be the most interesting and most important country in the world yet undeveloped," said Mr. Gell. "The Chinese have great historical records, the people are already awakening. They are among the smartest and most progressive of peoples, and are becoming a tremendous military power, and troops are being systematically trained in the villages everywhere. China has 80,000,000 people and 60,000,000 could go to war, leaving 20,000,000 to cultivate the soil. "The Chinese have great historical and imperial traditions and the time is coming when they will command the most serious attention of the world. Physically the country is surpassingly rich in picturesque valleys and fertile mountains, while the stupendous rivers cut out an enormous commerce. The modern spirit is crystallizing in all directions. "Within an eight-day's mule journey of Tibet I found young men playing football and baseball. Within five days of Tibet I found an American engineer constructing a great steel truss bridge over the Yellow river. While one of the cableways was being sunk a drought ensued and the people became excited, asserting that the salmon had caught and was holding the dragon's tail. The American hurried away to the viceroys, who was modern in his ideas. The latter said: "You go on with the work and I will look after the dragon's tail. The work then proceeded under a strong military guard. Through the city of Lanchow in the northwestern provinces I found there an American built modern bridge. "The mountain mule is the most remarkable beast in China. It goes up mountains 10,000 to 14,000 feet high like a goat. When the ascent becomes so steep that the rider cannot keep to the saddle, he simply slides off behind, seizes the mule's tail and goes straight along. The mule does not mind it a bit. The Chinese like the mule so much that they sometimes have him done in gold. I found a district where a gold mule disappeared simultaneously with the disappearance of a wealthy tourist, and it is asserted that the district has never had any luck since. "The American missionaries are doing great work in all parts of China. Some of them are among the most scholarly and powerful men that represent America in any capacity abroad."

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ALL SIGNS POINT TO THE
RETURN OF GOOD TIMES

Trade Figures Tell the Story—Increase in
Imports—First One Recorded
in Fourteen Months.

OTTAWA, Mar. 15.—The figures of Canada's trade for February tell the same story of returning good times as that told by the increased government revenues for the month. The total imports entered for home consumption were \$21,195,890, an increase of \$1,185,614 as compared with February of last year. This is the first large increase in imports for over fourteen months. The total exports of domestic products for the month were \$14,253,101, as compared with \$14,029,210 for the corresponding month of last year. The grand total of Canadian trade for the month, including coal and bullion, was \$35,454,991, an increase of \$1,614,729. For the eleven months of the fiscal year, which ends with this month, imports of merchandise entered for consumption have totalled \$254,372,419, a decrease of \$67,815,871. Domestic exports have totalled \$221,306,610, a decrease of \$4,811,871.

SCORES OF INDIANS DYING

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From Satan's Intrigues.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., March 15.—The authorities are looking for a man who tried to break up a prayer meeting in the Methodist church at Poughkeepsie, a hamlet, by appearing before the meeting disguised as the devil. There were seventeen persons at prayer, and a worshipper was asking that the congregation be protected from the intrigues of Satan, when footsteps were heard in the vestibule. Then the door opened and the vision stopped, thumping on the floor with a pitchfork. The intruder wore a black mask, a pair of horns, a long black cape, from beneath which the end of a long tail was visible. A man arose from his knees to grapple with the stranger, but "Satan" fled into a snowstorm. There is complete mystery as to the identity of the masked visitor.

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JOHNNIE, 17, LOYAL
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RAPS SOCIETY
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Gamble at Will, Says
Mr. Magee

MORAL REFORM

Subject of Discussion in
Queen Square Church—
Three Great Evils

In Queen Square church last night the Rev. H. B. Magee, field secretary of the Moral Reform Council of the Methodist Church in Canada, talked interestingly of the progress of the movement. He emphasized most strongly the great need of a more vigorous policy of social reform and exposed its immediate prosecution as the most important factor in the development of Canada's national life. Mr. Magee spoke more particularly of the three evils which he believed were chiefly inimical to the country's welfare. These were intemperance, gambling and prostitution. Speaking of intemperance, Mr. Magee stated that it was sadly and gravely the most formidable curse to be met with in its elimination, however, was merely a matter of time. The British house of peers, or of peers as it was sometimes called, had decided to throw out the licensing act, but the great house of the nation's brain and brawn was not done with temperance legislation and the day would come as surely as the sun rises and sets when the liquor traffic would be banished from the civilized world. Gambling the reverend gentleman regarded as a vice second only in its effect to that of intemperance. The effort of Gov. Hughes of New York in stamping out the evil merited general appreciation, but the whole people must first become imbued with the magnitude and influence of the vice before lasting reforms may be attempted. It was an inconceivable difficulty of understanding to know that street urinals may be arrested and imprisoned for shooting craps, while no citizen society folk play this role unmolested by any law upon the statute books of Canada and influence of the vice before lasting reforms may be attempted.

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FAITHFUL WHALE-MOTHER.

Was Deceived to Desert Its Calf and
Met Death.

A telegram from Anacortes, Wash., to the Seattle Post-Intelligencer, under date of July 25, tells the story of a mother whale's love for her dead calf. The calf, says the dispatch, was killed in a salmon trap near San Juan Island Saturday, when, after a few less feet from the salmon, the big finback rolled over on its side and plunged to the bottom. The mother whale, a finback whale about ten feet long entered the trap belonging to the White Crest Cannery Co. of Anacortes, and was seen to break through the trap gear and follow the calf's body as it lay on the beach. She was seen to follow the calf's body as it lay on the beach. She was seen to follow the calf's body as it lay on the beach. She was seen to follow the calf's body as it lay on the beach.

THOUSANDS CHEER THE
VETERAN PEDESTRIAN

Edward Payson Weston Starts on His Trip
Across the Continent—Especially by
Millia and Pollo.

NEW YORK, March 15.—Edward Payson Weston, the veteran walker, started from the New York post office building at 4:30 o'clock this afternoon on a 4,300 mile walk to San Francisco. Weston is 71 years of age. Postmaster Morgan started him off and instructed to the old "ped" a message of greeting to the Postmaster in San Francisco. A crowd of several thousand persons gathered in City Hall Park and cheered Weston as he started forth. He was escorted by a detachment of 20 men from Company B of the Seventh Regiment, headed by a band. The soldiers had a hard time keeping up with the fast gait of the grizzled old walker, but they stuck to it from the post office to Seventy Second St. Relays of mounted police met Weston at various points along the route up town and escorted him to the City Hall where the Yonkers police performed a similar service. Weston expects to walk to Tarrytown tonight, a distance of thirty miles, and stop there until morning. Dressed in a heavy dark blue jacket, blue trousers and leggings and carrying a light walking stick, he was lively as a boy at the start and eager for the trip. The schedule Weston has mapped out will take him through Troy, Buffalo and Pittsburgh in the time of Chicago Saturday, April 17. He expects to reach the Pacific Coast July 8.

TAFT'S MESSAGE HELD UP
BY INSURGENT VICTORY

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 15.—Doubt was expressed at the White House today whether President Taft's tariff message would be sent to Congress tomorrow, even if ready. The chaotic conditions in the house due to the victory of the insurgents and Democrats, may continue for several days. In that event the house will be in no shape to receive communications from the White House. As a rule these communications are promptly referred to appropriate committees. Until the committees are provided for and are ready for business it is considered probable that President Taft will withhold his message.

GOING HIM ONE BETTER.

An American was telling a Frenchman of the wonders of the forty-eight story skyscraper in New York. "You should see our new hotel in the Rue de Republique," said the Frenchman. "Why, what is there peculiar about it?" "The two top stories are on hinges, so that they can be lowered to let the moon go by," said Mike.

NO NEED TO SEE IT.

"Annie, where's papa?" "He's upstairs, asleep." "Where you upstairs, dear?" "No, ma." "Then how do you know he's asleep?" "I heard him doing it. He's sleeping out loud."

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