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SEPPIL ON THE STAND; TELLS OF HIS WANDERINGS

First He Heard of the Murder Was a Few Minutes Before He Was Arrested—Counsel Will Address Jury Today.

ANDOVER, N. B., Mar. 5.—The cross-examination of Aroska was continued this morning but did not succeed in making his evidence any clearer. He was calm and self-possessed during the examination. At the conclusion of the examination Mr. Elliott called Leon Sippil. It was with great difficulty that the interpreter was able to interpret his evidence at all, as he speaks a sort of Italian. His story as far as it was possible to gather, ran as follows: "I belong to the Province of Naples in Italy. I came to Canada four months ago. I have been working for Sandy Murray for forty days. He said that he did not remember Dec. 18, but later said he was in camp and stayed all night there. He got his time 'Friday' and left camp early Saturday morning without waiting for breakfast. He then went to camp. He was completely with Tony to get his time, changed from here they went to an Italian camp and left their luggage, and asked them there to be his ride, but he didn't want it, so they went on to Peter Gibson's camp at 'Matter Rock.' They stayed here a while and then they met a man who asked them to buy the gun, but Sippil did not want it. They sold it to him. They arrived at camp about five o'clock. The next morning he got up and started packing. Peter Rock for the man. He suggested to all the Italian camps on the way, and spent the night in one of them. When he started on Monday he found that he had lost the trail so he went back to the Amiel Johnson camp. There was an old man here and he said, 'What do you do here?' This was a man called 'White.' While he was sitting his machine, Foster came in and arrested him. He said he knew the man, on Monday because the Italian books he had on were very thin. Practically nothing was shown in the cross-examination although Sippil became somewhat confused. At times he would look forward making many gestures, while all the while the muscles of his face were twitching convulsively. During the cross-examination Sippil said the rifle produced on court was not his but much like it. He was smaller and had a crack in the stock. The other gun, he said, was larger and had a crack in the stock. On concluding his evidence he said he wished to ask Mr. Parnsary if he said he saw him on Sunday or not. The solicitor general asked to have Harry Kennedy and Fred McKinnon recalled in rebuttal to prove that prisoners could not possibly have gone to the Amiel Johnson camp without being seen by them. Mr. Elliott objected on the ground that this was not rebuttal evidence, that it should have been given before and that it would be used only to confirm and strengthen the case for the prosecution. His Honor sustained the objection. The court was adjourned until two this afternoon, when Mr. Elliott will address the jury. (Continued on Page 7.)

UNITED MINE WORKERS COMPLETE ORGANIZATION

Convention at Sydney Closed Last Night—Officers Will be Paid for Their Services—Representative for Conciliation Board.

SYDNEY, N. S., March 5.—The convention of the United Mine Workers of America, which has been in session here for the past three days, concluded its work last evening and adjourned. The afternoon session was a very busy one and was taken up with the approval of the constitution of the district union. H. Donnell presided as chairman of the convention. The election of district officers, which took up the greater part of the evening, resulted as follows: District president—Daniel McDougall, Glace Bay. Vice-president—J. B. Moss, Spring Hill, N. S. Sec.-Treas.—J. E. McLaughlin, Sydney Mines. Executive board—Messrs. Michael O. Handley, Glace Bay; Jas. Dawson, River Roberts, N. S.; David Nelson, Glace Bay; Joseph Balshaw, Sydney Mines; Wm. Wilkins, Springhill. Auditors—Oliver Madden, Dominion No. 12; Stiles Vance, Chignecto, N. S.; Michael Mullins, New Aberdeen, C. B. Considerable discussion took place in regard to salaries of officials. The convention decided that the salary of the president of the district union would be placed at \$80 per month and expenses additional. The salary of the vice-president, members of the executive board and other district officers be paid \$35.00 per day while actively engaged in services of the district union. The convention decided that the election of district officers be held annually on the second Tuesday in March. The present board to arrange the election of permanent officers, as the officers elected today are temporarily. The district officers of the organization to be elected annually will be nominated and elected by referendum vote of the members of the local of the U. M. W. A. At the close of the business Mr. Donnell administered the oath of office to the newly elected officers, and later in inducing the president into the chair addressed the officers and congratulated them on their election to the organization and its members. President McDougall, Vice-President Moss and the other officers briefly addressed the convention, thanking them for the honor conferred upon them in electing them to such responsible positions in the union. The convention unanimously passed votes of thanks to Messrs. Donnell and Patterson for their work in conducting the convention, and later in inducing the president into the chair addressed the officers and congratulated them on their election to the organization and its members. President McDougall was authorized by the convention to represent the U. M. W. A. at the conciliation board should a board be granted by the government.

RAILWAYS REDUCING NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES TAIT'S FIRST DAY AS PRESIDENT

Some Hundreds Dismissed by the Grand Trunk. Settles Down to Business Like an Old Hand

C. P. R. Will Adopt Similar Policy of Retrenchment—Rapid Growth of a Western Town. Storm-Beaten Crews Weeding Their Way Homeward From Washington After the Chilling Festivities.

WASHINGTON, March 5.—William H. Taft took his place at his desk in the executive office building as president of the United States at precisely 9.30 o'clock this morning. Just as he entered the office from the residence of the entire cabinet of the executive branch of the government, the Hon. Frederick W. Carpenter to be secretary to the president, of William J. Loeb to be collector of the port of New York was transmitted to the senate today by the president. The White House grounds were besieged by a mob of town callers early today. Creeping about at a snail's pace, heavily laden trains today slowly bore the inaugural crowds from the capital and the crippled telegraphic facilities, which made it impossible to operate trains last night within less than from six to twelve hours of schedule time, were somewhat improved, but still were far from normal. The thousands who flocked to the ceremonies seemingly attempted to leave the city at one time. Immense crowds flocked to the Union station, and military and civic organizations vied with one another in their display as they departed or waited to depart. All through the day the crowds at the station was aroused now and then by some enthusiastic organization marching round and round through the vast concourse in the station, with a band in the lead. One organization had three bands leading it, alternating with each other in furnishing music.

LIQUOR LEGISLATION IN PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

Prohibition Province Will Pass a Bill Licensing the Sale of Booze—Anti Owners Busy Again

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I., Mar. 5.—The Provincial Temperance Alliance passed a resolution yesterday requesting the Legislature to pass a resolution requesting the Dominion Government to enact such a measure as will prohibit the importation of liquor into this Province except by the appointed vendors, all liquors to be labelled on the outside of the package, also that the local legislature pass advanced legislation to prevent the taking of orders for liquor within this Province. There is considerable agitation at present over a bill now before the Legislature taxing non-resident and resident agents who take orders for liquors \$200. Under the commercial travellers tax bill only non-resident soliciting agents for liquor were taxed and since that bill was repealed a special bill to retain the tax on these agents was also added. Some prohibitionists object to the bill claiming that it introduces the obnoxious principle of license. There is now before the Legislature a resolution suggesting the appointment of a commission after the pattern of the Scotch Fishery Board to take steps to preserve, increase and develop the Island fisheries which are among the most valuable on the continent. A delegation of automobile owners are waiting on the Government today asking for the repeal of the Anti-Auto Law.

ROOSEVELT PREPARING FOR THE AFRICAN TRIP

Details of the Expedition Will be Worked Out on the Voyage.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 5.—Final preparations are now being made by the Smithsonian Institution for the scientific expedition to Africa to be headed by Ex-President Roosevelt. The work of preparing and packing the college apparatus is now well advanced having been carefully superintended by Major Edgar A. Mearns, the man who is to manage the expedition for the four hundred in the locomotive workshops here, was officially stated today to be part of a general scheme of retrenchment which is being brought into effect wherever practicable. Where it is possible to cut down the working staffs without injury to the service, this would be done and it is not impossible that men will be laid off at New York and at the creek and elsewhere on the system. The C. P. R. is also following a policy of strict retrenchment, but there is no reduction of the staffs at any of the shops here or elsewhere and there is no such intention. The growth of the west is shown in the town of Wainwright. A year ago it was not even on the map. Today it is a parliamentary constituency. It is in Alberta 600 miles from Winnipeg, and is named after the fourth Vice-President of the Grand Trunk.

CONFESSES TO THE MURDER OF HIS MOTHER

HOLLAND, Mich., March 5.—Eaton Baldwin confessed today to the prosecuting attorney that he killed his aged mother, who yesterday was found dead in her farm house, two miles from Saugatuck. He said that he was afraid she would charge him with having burned their barn, and therefore he killed her with a hatchet while she was asleep. When they land from the steamer Admiral at Bombay, they will be ready to start out ready for the work before them with a clear idea of what will be done.

GOING BACK TO THE RAMP THEORY IN THE KINRADE MURDER AT HAMILTON

Police Fail to Find Much of a Doubtful Nature in the Story Told by the Dead Girl's Sister—Nothing New Likely to Come Out at Inquest.

HAMILTON, Ont., March 5.—Hamilton today is returning to the robbery theory as a solution of the Kinrade mystery. Despite the improbability of the story that an unknown and desperate man entered a home where two young girls were alone, asked for food and was about to get it, asked for money and was about to have it handed to him without opposition, deliberately murdered one of the younger women, and the one from whom he had the least to fear, being several unnecessary shots into her body, despite the inconsistencies in the story told by Florence Kinrade, the only witness to the tragedy, there are many who believe that the killing was done by a mere housebreaker whose only motive was robbery.

The bloody encounter between Constable Henry Smith and Citizen James Henery with a burglar last night, in which both the police officer and the man who tried to assist him were badly wounded, while the burglar got away, has served to bring the popular mind back to the belief that Florence Kinrade may be telling the absolute truth when she says an unknown man murdered her sister. People are beginning to place her statements together, and allowing for discrepancies due to an overwrought mind, to see more than an element of truth in them. The complete failure of the police authorities at work on the case to establish either a motive other than robbery or to suggest a perpetrator of the crime other than a burglar have contributed their share to bringing about a change in public opinion. But if the public mind is gradually adjusting itself to the robbery theory it cannot be said that the authorities are any the more inclined to that view. They are still keeping a close eye on the person named Kinrade, who is said to be fast emerging from the hysterical mental collapse which followed her first interrogation by the officers. The Kinrade family is still living at the Arlington Hotel in Toronto, and now return here in time for the Wednesday, when it is expected they will return here in time for the adjourned inquest. An officer of the crown is stopping at the hotel, keeping a close watch upon every movement of the family. In Hamilton the quest of the authorities has been concentrated these last two days upon two points; one attempt to establish the story that Florence left her home on the afternoon of the murder at 3.35 o'clock, while the police were looking for the murderer, the other was an attempt to establish the story that Kinrade girl fired, bare-headed and screaming, from her home at 3.35 o'clock and ran to the home of Mrs. Hickey across the street.

Mrs. Hickey has made a statement that the girl entered her home by the back door and remained in the kitchen while she called out her alarm of the murder. Mrs. Hickey was upstairs at the time, and says she does not know how long the girl was in the kitchen before she heard the screams. Mrs. Hickey says no time was lost by her in getting down stairs and screaming the police. Mrs. Hickey has been suggested that Florence may have fainted after she reached the Hickey home, if the mother's story is true, and that she lost time in alarming Mrs. Hickey.

The theory that time was lost in giving the alarm is built upon the supposition that Motorman Stone is not mistaken when he says he saw the Kinrade girl firing, bare-headed and screaming, from her home at 3.35 o'clock and run to the home of Mrs. Hickey across the street. Mrs. Hickey has made a statement that the girl entered her home by the back door and remained in the kitchen while she called out her alarm of the murder. Mrs. Hickey was upstairs at the time, and says she does not know how long the girl was in the kitchen before she heard the screams. Mrs. Hickey says no time was lost by her in getting down stairs and screaming the police. Mrs. Hickey has been suggested that Florence may have fainted after she reached the Hickey home, if the mother's story is true, and that she lost time in alarming Mrs. Hickey.

J. F. VANBUSKIRK BUYS THE WARK RESIDENCE

Thos. Hayes Fined for Selling Liquor—Capital Carriers Back From North Shore Trip.

FREDERICTON, N. B., March 5.—It is stated today that J. F. Vanbuskirk has purchased the handsome residential property of the late Senator Wark—corner of York and Brunswick streets, and after making extensive repairs and improvements will occupy it with his family. Thos. Hayes, of St. Mary's, was convicted in the police court today of first offence under the Scott Act, and fined \$20. Aid Jewett has imported a thoroughbred stallion from Ontario, weighing 2,000 pounds. Fred P. Hatt, the well known currier, is to marry April 26th to Miss Ethel McLachley at her home in Weldon, Albert County. The Fredericton currier returned today from their northern trip. They were defeated at Campbellton by 15 points, and won at Chatham by 3 points. Both games were in the McCaffery trophy series. The funeral of the late Mrs. Geo. Fraser this afternoon, was largely attended. Services were conducted by Rev. Willard MacDonald, and among the mourners was Jas. E. Fraser, son of deceased, who arrived last night from New York.

ST. JOHN MEN ARRANGE BOXING BOUT AT MONCTON

Aif. Lynch vs. Groulx—Snow Storm Blocks the I. C. R.

MONCTON, N. B., March 5.—William Campbell and John Powers, of St. John, completed arrangements here today for a fight on Friday evening next, between Aif Lynch, a Quebec featherweight, now of St. John, and Groulx, the well known Lewiston, Maine, lightweight. Jack Powers will referee. The Maritime express from Montreal, which arrived here at 10.30 this morning, is being held at Lyle's account of the storm. The Maritime express which left here on Wednesday night being stalled in the snow a short distance east of that place. The storm is reported very severe between St. Flavie and Montreal, and all trains are badly delayed.

PENSION SCHEME PROVING COSTLY

Estimates of Cost of Giving Relief to British Poor Exceeded by 30 Per Cent.

LONDON, March 4.—In Parliament yesterday a member pointed out that the original estimates of the cost of the old age pension measure are exceeded by eighty per cent., while others criticized the working of the law on various grounds and also suggested that the enormous number of old age pension claims made in Ireland was the subject of a keen debate, in which the Chancellor of the Exchequer, David Lloyd-George, and A. J. Balfour joined. The total number of pensioners is seventy-two years of age and over in Ireland, according to official statistics, is 138,000. Of these 22,000 are in receipt of poor relief, and are thereby disqualified, leaving 116,000 eligible for pensions. The actual number of pensions granted, however, has been 17,000. Mr. Lloyd-George admitted that the Government had miscalculated the amount required for pensions, because, said he, "the popularity of the bill had exceeded our most sanguine expectations." The tales of poverty in Ireland he added, were positively horrifying, and it was a disgrace to any country that human beings should be allowed to live under such conditions. Mr. Balfour slyly suggested that it was not the herculean poor the Chancellor of the Exchequer so pathetically described, who would defraud the state, and the Irish Nationalists members pressed for information respecting the alleged fraudulent claims made in Ireland. Mr. Lloyd-George, however, refused to give details for the present, and asked Sir Frederick Hanbury, who said the machinery of the act had broken down, to restrain his impatience for six weeks. "I cannot tell you now," said he, "but you will find I will get the money for this alleviation of the misery of the poor from people who are well able to pay."

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