

The Congo Must Reform Says the British Govt.

Grey Declares That Irresponsible Rule Will Have to Cease.

London, May 16.—In winding up the animated but resultless debate on the Congo question in the House of Commons yesterday, Sir Edward Grey, the former secretary, said that those interested in the matter would naturally wait to see what the conditions of the plan of annexation proposed by the Belgian Parliament was to be, and that pending this information, he was reluctant to set forth definitely what would be considered satisfactory to the British Government. For this reason, the speaker continued, Belgium should be allowed to act in the matter without interference or pressure from the outside. The British Government must wait a reasonable time, but it could not wait indefinitely. In case of a breakdown and the passing of the Congo State into other hands, the Government would share with the other powers in the resultant responsibility.

There must, however, be a change in the system of governing the Congo, Sir Edward declared, it being impossible for the state to continue under its present irresponsible rule.

Other Powers Lukewarm.

The Government always had been willing to take part in a conference of the treaty powers, and the Government of the United States had expressed its willingness to approach the question from the same point of view, but two powers by themselves were not enough to form a conference. The late British Government had issued invitations to a conference which had not met with affirmative answers. Sir Edward said he was afraid that in the past two or three years, conferences in general had not increased in popularity, and he would not like to repeat this invitation until he had some assurance from other powers besides the United States that the question would become an international one.

In the course of the discussion, Sir Charles W. Dilke, Advanced Radical, and other members of the House expressed the belief that a conference between the United States, Great Britain, Germany and France might result in forcing Belgium to take some action.

BOSS ABE RUEF PLEADS GUILTY

San Francisco's Arch-Grafter Gives Up Fight Against Reformers.

San Francisco, May 15.—Abraham Ruef, acknowledged advisor of Mayor Schmitz, and once the recognized dictator of municipal affairs in San Francisco, pleaded guilty today to the charge of extortion in Judge Dunne's department of the supreme court.

Sentence will be pronounced on him two weeks hence.

After a conference with his four attorneys in Judge Dunne's private chambers this afternoon and after they had withdrawn from his case because of his resolve to change the plea and avoid his trial, Ruef to the utter astonishment of the prosecution, arose in court and announced in a dramatic address that after long and earnest consideration he had determined to withdraw his plea of not guilty and enter a plea of guilty. He then asked that the jury be dismissed and the trial abandoned.

Ruef read his statement from a manuscript which he had prepared in the presence of his attorneys a few moments before Judge Dunne's chambers opened. He showed by his voice, by his expression, by his gesture, attitude and by the tears that again and again flowed down his cheeks, the great emotion and utter humiliation that he suffered.

He declares that his sole move in accusing himself in open court was to save the lives of those who are nearest and dearest to him, his aged father and mother, his maiden sister and a niece.

"I shall not say at the present moment that Mayor Schmitz is guilty of the charges that have been brought against him or that he is innocent," said Ruef.

STEAMERS ARRIVED.

From	Reported at
Devonian	Boston
Merion	Quebec
Coronia	Liverpool
Patricia	Plymouth
Kronland	Dover
Kaiser Wilhelm	Bremen
Der Grosse	Genoa
Virginia	New York
Ormanian	New York
Glenora Head	London
Siellian	London
Englishman	London
Montrose	London
Victorian	London

WOMAN WON FIRST TIME; LOST LATER

Saved Cattle From Pound, But Was Fined Afterward for Using Abusive Language.

What appeared to be an old family feud was aired in the county magistrate's court this morning before Squire Glass, when Mrs. George Rawlings appeared in answer to a charge of assault and using abusive language preferred by Mr. George Meacham, a neighbor. Both parties are of London Township.

According to the evidence presented, Mrs. Rawlings' cows, 11 in number, have been pastured for some time along the road leading by the two homes, and were herded by a little colored boy named Harry Anderson. A few days ago three of the animals started to enter one of Meacham's fields, and although the boy tried to prevent them from doing so, they managed to get their front feet over the line at an unfenced point, whereupon Meacham rushed out, and assisted by a neighbor named Pitt, assumed control of the animals, and started to drive them to the pound.

THE WEST BURIES ALARMIST RUMORS

Estimated That Forty Per Cent of the Wheat Has Been Sown.

Winnipeg, May 15.—Reliable reports from leading wheat-raising districts of Manitoba and Saskatchewan show that excellent progress is being made with seeding operations. Actual statistics are not available, and the only information is based on the estimates of those who are more or less familiar with crop conditions.

A leading grain authority from Saskatchewan asserts that by this evening 45 to 50 per cent of the wheat is sown. In certain parts of Manitoba and in the older districts of Saskatchewan the percentage is even larger, but in the newer settlements progress has been less rapid. Grain authorities calculate that at least 5 per cent of the seeding can be done in one day, and at that rate the whole sowing should be finished in eleven days from now at the latest.

The weather yesterday and today has been magnificent all through the west, and the farmers are jubilant at having the opportunity to carry on their important labor.

Alarming stories which have been circulated in Toronto, Chicago, Berlin and other distant points regarding the prospective loss to grain-growers have no confirmation here, but it can afford to be. Oldtimers say that an average grain which has come from the west is being vigorously rushed, and the impression is that in the average cause for any alarm; indeed, the feeling here tonight is rather one of buoyancy. On the contrary, advice from the west indicates that only 50 per cent of the crop is in there, and the shortage will be at least 25 per cent.

THE SAUNBY CASE

Judge Finkle To Take Up Question of Damage May 22.

The Saunby case will come before Judge Finkle on May 22, when the question of damages will be again taken up.

The plaintiff is attempting to show that he sustained damages to the extent of \$3,400 a year for ten years, or \$34,000 in all.

Engineer Chipman, of Toronto, was preparing an expert report on the question of damages.

EUROPEAN WHEAT CROP

Entire Spring Growth May Be Lost in Several Russian Provinces.

Odesa, May 16.—The European wheat situation is regarded by competent grain merchants here as being most unfavorable. The prices at present are the highest the experts on the Bourse can remember to have been quoted in Russia for decades past. The provinces of Bessarabia, Poltava, Kherson and Podolia, are gravely affected. Seven-fifths per cent of the winter crops have been damaged by the cold weather and dry spring. Owing to the sudden rise in temperature a fortnight ago, the entire spring crops will be lost unless rain falls within a week, in which case possibly 85 per cent of the spring crop will be repaid.

NOTED ENGINEER DEAD.

Detroit, Mich., May 16.—Daniel Farland Henry, one of Detroit's oldest citizens and a consulting engineer of wide reputation, was found dead last night in the rooms he occupied for nearly thirty years. He had evidently died during Monday morning without a struggle, with a newspaper in his hand and his glasses still resting on his nose. Mr. Henry, who was 74 years of age, and a bachelor, was the originator of the plan to build a canal between Lakes St. Clair and Erie, through Kent County, Ontario, but was unable to secure sufficient backing to make the scheme a success.

MR. SOMERVILLE IS TO ACCEPT

Understood He Will Go to Manufacturers' Life—Major Cronyn Probable Successor.

Mr. George A. Somerville, manager of the Huron and Erie Loan Company, is in Toronto again today conferring with the directors of the Manufacturers' Life in reference to his assuming the general management of that company.

It is generally understood here that Mr. Somerville will accept the Toronto position, and that he will assume his new duties at an early date.

There is already some speculation regarding his probable successor as manager of the Huron and Erie and the Canada Trust Company.

It was stated today that Major Hume Cronyn, of Toronto, will in all likelihood be chosen for the vacancy. Major Cronyn was for several years connected with the Huron and Erie in the capacity of solicitor, but moved to Toronto quite recently to engage in the brokerage business. He was second in command in the Seventh Regiment, and has a host of friends in London who will be delighted to hear of his return to the city.

MANITOBA AND LORD'S DAY

Government Says Certain Clauses Are Not Likely To Be Enforced.

Winnipeg, Man., May 15.—A deputa- tion consisting of over a hundred restaurant keepers, hotel men, retail- ers, fruit men and others, waited upon the Government this morning and asked that certain clauses of the Lord's Day act be not enforced, as it was in the best interests of the general public. The Government promised the deputa- tion every consideration possible, and intimated that after the decisions handed out at Toronto and Hamilton recently it would not be likely that re- strictive measures would be enforced in Manitoba.

DROWNED IN A VAT

Tragic Fate of an Employee of Walker Distillery.

Windsor, May 15.—The dead body of William Kenney was found today in one of the big fermenting vats in the Walker distillery at Walkerville. Ken- ney and his foreman, Wm. Chittum, had been cleaning a mash tub near the fermenting vat, and was during the foreman's absence that Kenney fell in and was drowned. When Chittum returned he saw a broom in the vat, and on investigation found it was clutched by Kenney's hand. When the latter was pulled out his life was extinct. A jury was summoned and will view the remains. The deceased formerly lived in Toledo, and is survived by a widow and one child.

WOULD GO TO THE HAGUE

The Advanced Irish Nationalists Demand Arbitration.

Dublin, May 16.—The executive committee of the Sein Fein Society, representing advanced Irish nationalism, considers Mr. Birrell's Irish bill to be an insult to Ireland, and wants the Nationalist members of Parliament to withdraw from the House and demand a settlement of the "international dispute between Ireland and England" by The Hague arbitration court. It is also suggested that the programme published today by the organ of the Nationalist party be placed in the form of a resolution to be adopted by the executive committee of the Irish National Council. In it, the Irishmen "who have attended the British Parliament for the past 21 years to support the British Liberals," are invited to return to Dublin, "and devise measures for the material betterment of Ireland, securing international recognition, and support of Ireland's political rights, as the first step towards which she should claim representation at the coming peace conference, and a settlement of the international dispute between Ireland and England by the international court of arbitration."

SUE FARMER FOR \$2,600

Struthers & Co. Bring an Action in the Non-Jury Court.

Two additional cases have been entered for the non-jury assizes which opened in this city on Monday morning. They are: Struthers v. Dawson—R. C. Struthers & Co. sue Alex. Dawson, an Essex farmer, for \$2,600 and interest, alleged to have been loaned to him. Gibbons, Harper & Gibbons for plaintiffs; G. S. Goodeve, for defendant.

Gray v. Jackson—John Gray brings action to recover \$500, and have set aside the will of the late Annie Fraser, Sutherland, Lenning & Cleary for plaintiffs; J. M. McEvoy for defendant.

RAISING THE WHITTAKER.

Amherstburg, May 15.—Capt. Baker, at work on the sunken steamer Whittaker, says it will be Sunday before the boat is raised. Some of the corn has run out of the hold, and into the way of the divers. Capt. Sinclair, acting for the underwriters, has sold the cargo of 80,000 bushels of corn to the Brantford Starch Company, of Brantford, Ont.

ROBBED OF SAMPLES WOULD NOT PROSECUTE

London Traveler Relieved of Them by a Hotel Porter at Windsor.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Windsor, May 16.—A. H. Moran, traveler for Struthers & Co., wholesale, of London, had a quantity of his samples stolen from the British-American Hotel by C. Camp, one of the porters, yesterday afternoon. When Camp appeared before the magistrate this morning, Moran declined to prosecute, but the proprietors of the hotel did, and Camp was found guilty. He will be sentenced next Thursday.

LICENSE LAWS WELL ENFORCED

Temperance League Says "Better Than in Any Other Place"— Pledge-Signing Campaign.

The second annual meeting of the London Temperance League was held last evening in Somerset Hall, with the president, Rev. D. S. Hamilton, in the chair. Among the other members in attendance were Messrs. J. H. Bow- man, ex-Ald. Wyatt, H. H. Wallace, Wm. Scarrow, W. H. Wortman, John M. Gunn, H. K. McDermid, Wm. Sel- lery, Rev. W. H. A. Claris, Hubert Aspland, T. B. Escott, C. Q. Morrow, and D. A. McDermid, secretary. The annual report of the secretary was very exhaustive, covering in detail the work of the league during the past year. It referred to the success- ful effort made in June last to prevent the illegal sale of liquor in the camp, also to the fact that the league had been upheld by the militia author- ities at Ottawa. "The end, however, is not yet," was the concluding clause of the report relating to the camp.

The report further stated that the license laws in London are better enforced than in any other place in the Dominion. Conviction of violations of the laws would have been impossible but for the hearty co-operation of the police department, the local license in- spector and the commissioners. The inspector, Mr. Paine, had been indefatigable in his efforts, and had never failed to act in any case brought to his notice.

Other matters referred to in the report were the cocaine investigation, which has revealed some very sad cases among boys in the city; the or- ganization of temperance leagues in the Sunday schools, and the increase in the number of pool and billiard rooms. In concluding the report stated that it would not be complete with- out a reference to the work of the po- lice magistrate, Mr. Love, whose judg- ments have commended themselves to all.

The report of the treasurer, Prof. Bowman, showed receipts of \$1,307 67, with expenditures about the same.

Regiment Abolishes Canteens. Mr. McDermid was instructed to secure all information possible regard- ing the pool rooms of the city, and re- port to the executive. He will also write the commanding officer of the Twenty-eighth (Perth) Regiment com- plimenting him on the regulation adop- ted by his regiment to discontinue the regimental canteen at camp and also to have no liquors in the officers' mess.

Pledge-Signing Campaign. A pledge-signing campaign is to be carried on in the city during the fall months, and with this end in view the executive committee of the league was authorized to secure a suitable man to take charge of it.

The league will co-operate with the W. C. T. U. and the Royal Templars in holding a joint picnic at Springbank on July 9. A picnic was held at the river park last year, and it was such a success that it was the feeling that the outing should again be held this year.

A resolution was adopted expressing regret at the death of Mr. George P. Marter, president of the Ontario branch of the Dominion Alliance. The officers chosen for the ensuing twelve months are: President—Rev. D. S. Hamilton. Vice-presidents—Ex-Ald. Wyatt and H. H. Wallace. Treasurer—Prof. Bowman. Secretary—D. A. McDermid. Auditors—H. H. Wallace and Wm. Scarrow.

THE WEATHER

TOMORROW—SHOWERY.

FORECASTS. Today—Fresh southerly to westerly winds; mostly fair and comparatively cool; a few showers at night. Friday—A few scattered showers, but fair, with about the same tempera- ture.

TEMPERATURES. Stations. 8 a.m. Min. Weather. Calgary..... 44 40 Fair. Winnipeg..... 44 40 Fair. Port Arthur..... 44 40 Cloudy. Perry Sound..... 46 40 Clear. Toronto..... 48 44 Fair. Ottawa..... 50 50 Fair. Montreal..... 50 50 Rain. Quebec..... 50 50 Rain. Father Point..... 52 40 Cloudy. The first column in the above table re- cords the temperature at 8 o'clock this morning, and the second column records the minimum temperatures during the 24 hours previous.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the local observatory for the 24 hours ended at 8 p.m. Wednesday were: Highest, 67°; lowest, 54.5° above.

WEATHER NOTES.

Rain has been general Ontario and over Western Quebec, and a few local showers have occurred in the Western Provinces. Windlight recording a rainfall of a quarter of an inch.

CITY TO GET INCREASED GRANT FOR USE OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Another Thousand Dollars a Year From Government Under New Normal Arrangement.

There is a probability that the Lon- don Board of Education will secure a considerable sum from the Govern- ment for the use of the public schools for the training of Normal students.

Hon. Dr. Pyne, upon the occasion of his visit to this city yesterday, met Chairman Fitzgerald and several mem- bers of the board of education, for the purpose of discussing the situation.

Before the meeting in the office of Secre- tary McElhanna and considered the matter.

At the present time the board draws the sum of \$1,500 annually from Gov- ernment for allowing the students of the Normal School to handle classes in Simcoe street school.

It is proposed, however, to abolish the county model schools and to double the classes at the Normal, and in such a case Simcoe street school will be un- able to accommodate all the students. Consequently, it will be necessary to secure another school or two in which such students may be trained.

It is understood that yesterday af- ternoon Dr. Pyne told the local educa- tionists that they could meet Prin- cipal Merchant, of the Normal School, and arrange the matter themselves, or they could sign the contract which he left in Chairman Fitzgerald's hands, the board to be paid for the use of the schools pro rata, based on the contract the Government now has with the local board for the use of Simcoe street school.

This contract will be considered at the next meeting of the board of edu- cation. It is said the city stands to draw another \$1,000 a year from the Govern- ment, as the result of the change. As stated in yesterday's Advertiser, there is to be no enlargement of the Normal School building, but the classes are to be practically doubled.

As soon as the arrangements have been completed, the model school at Aberdeen school will be abolished.

NO FAITH IN KOMOKA SCHEME; CHIPMAN SAYS WATER NOT THERE

Toronto Engineer's Figures Do Not Agree With Supt. Moore's of the Waterworks.

It is understood that Engineer Chip- man, who was in London a couple of days in connection with the Saunby suit for damages against the water commission, has no great faith in the Komoka scheme, which has been once before the people, and will be sub- mitted to a vote again when the ex- pression of opinion will be taken by mail.

Mr. Chipman left last night for To- ronto, but before he took his departure he is said to have made the statement that he does not believe there is suffi- cient water at Komoka to warrant the city spending any great amount of money on the project.

In 1903 Mr. Chipman made a report on the water problem of London, in which he made the following state- ment: "In my opinion, it is not probable that a greater supply can be ob- tained from the springs, than the measured flow given, or a total of about 400,000 gallons per day from the springs between Byron and Kil- worth, and less than 1,000,000 gal- lons per day from all the springs above Komoka."

Stands by Report. Mr. Chipman says he is still pre- pared to stand by this report.

Mr. Chipman is also in favor of the installation of meters, which, with the cutting off of spring water supplies to liveries, laundries, etc., will mean that the present spring water supply will be sufficient for London for the next five years. He appears to be still in favor of the high-pressure scheme.

Mr. Chipman is credited with the statement that even if the city goes to Komoka for water, it will have to filter it, as he does not think the sup- ply there will be found to be pure.

Commissioner Saunders, when seen by The Advertiser, said that he has complete faith in the quantity and purity of the water obtainable be- tween Kilworth and Komoka.

If it is taken into the pipes in the same manner as the present supply, he could see no reason for filtering it.

Disagrees With Chipman. Mr. Saunders also stated that while he did not care to discuss an unofficial statement credited to Mr. Chipman, he felt that it was only fair to point out that so far as he is aware, Mr. Chip- man has never investigated the sup- ply between Kilworth and Komoka. His investigations ceased at Kilworth.

Mr. Moore, superintendent of the waterworks department, is the only man who has actually measured the flow of the Komoka springs, and he says that there are not less than 2,250,000 gallons available down between Kilworth and Komoka.

"A man might as well tell me that a bank building is not on the north- east corner of Dundas and Richmond streets," said Mr. Saunders, "as to tell me that there is not the amount of water we claim there is at Komoka. The water is there."

CONGER VERY ILL.

Pasadena, May 16.—Edwin Conger, former minister to China, and recent- ly resigned ambassador to Mexico, is critically ill at his home here.

BIG GODERICH PLANT A PREY TO FLAMES

Star Roller Mills Destroyed, Entailing \$15,000 Loss.

Goderich, May 16.—About 1 o'clock this morning fire broke out in the Star roller mills, owned by N. Dietrich & Son. The fire was not discovered for some time, and before the firemen could get there the whole building was one mass of flames. A strong west- wind was blowing the flames over the river bank, where the mill is situated. Had the wind been in any other di- rection nothing could have saved the surrounding dwellings. Two Grand Trunk cars on a siding were badly damaged, but the firemen succeeded in saving them from total destruction. The plant, valued at \$15,000, is totally destroyed, but is fully covered by in- surance. The fire started in the base- ment, but origin is unknown.

MOROCCO GIVES IN

Decides To Accede to All of the Demands of France.

Paris, May 16.—The Sultan of Mo- rocco has decided to comply entirely with France's demands for reparation as the result of the murder of Dr. Mauchamp, according to a letter from Fez, which has been handed to M. Regnault, the French minister at Tan- ger, by Abdelkrim Ben Sliman, the Moroccan foreign minister. M. Reg- nault immediately telegraphed the news to Foreign Minister Pichon, who communicated the facts to the cabinet at a meeting held this morning. The ministers decided to accept the full text of the full note as to whether it is sat- isfactory. In any case the occupation of Oudja will continue until an absolute settlement has been reached.

MAY HAVE TO RESIGN FOR MARRYING COREY

Minister Who Tied the Knot in Trouble With Congregation.

New York, May 16.—The trustees of the Bushwick Avenue Congregational Church, Brooklyn, the pastor of which, Rev. Dr. John L. Clark, recently officiated at the marriage of William E. Corey, president of the United States Corporation, and Mabelle E. Gilman, after a meeting last night, announced that another meeting will be held to- night at which some action regarding the matter will be taken. The meeting last night was behind closed doors. One of the participants, according to a published statement to- day, said that Pastor Clark had placed his resignation at the disposal of the board of trustees.

MUCH TO DO YET RE FALLS POWER

Signing of Contracts Next Week an Impossibility, Says Mayor.

"There will be no signing of con- tracts for Niagara power, next week," said Mayor Judd to The Advertiser today. "Before the contracts are signed there is very much to consider."

"First, the council must decide whether it will distribute the power in London itself or make an agreement with a company to do the distributing for the city."

"If it is decided to have the munici- pality distribute the power, then it will be necessary to take a vote of the people on the question of the issuing of debentures for the building of a dis- tributing station, and the erection of poles and wires to carry the power to the people."

"If it is decided to make an agree- ment with a power company to do the distributing, it will not be necessary to issue debentures. All the city will have to do will be to sign the con- tract."

Continuing, his worship stated that he has been in conversation with Hon. Adam Beck and had these points made quite clear to him.

At the meeting of the Western On- tario Municipalities' Niagara Power Union, which will be held in Toronto on Tuesday, the contract with the hydro-electric commission will be sim- ply taken up and discussed. If they are found to be satisfactory, they will be approved by the meeting, but each municipality interested will sign for itself, and the signatures will not be attached to the documents, the mayor says, unless the councils have thor- oughly gone into the matter.

The city's lighting contract with the London Electric Company does not expire until 1908, but the mayor does not think Niagara power will be in London before that time.

BIG WAREHOUSE SOLD

Shuttleworth Building on Clarence Street Acquired by W. J. Reid & Co.

An important deal was completed to- day, by which Messrs. W. J. Reid & Co. secured the warehouse of Mr. John R. Shuttleworth, situated on the east side of Clarence street, between Dun- das and King streets.

The building is four stories and basement, of brick and stone, and was erected two or three years ago.

Mr. Shuttleworth is to build a large warehouse on the south side of Dun- das street, adjoining the First Con- gregational Church. Work has already been commenced, and it will be rushed with all possible speed.

Reid & Co. get possession of the Clarence street warehouse about the 1st of July.

GOVT. MOVES IN MONTREAL STRIKE

Disputes Act To Be Explained to the Men by the Labor Department.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, May 16.—Hon. Rodolphe Le- mieux, minister of labor, who returned from Montreal last evening, has sent F. A. Ackland, the secretary of the de- partment of labor, to Montreal to ex- plain the provisions of the labor dis- putes act to the longshoremen. It seems perfectly clear that they come under the bill. Mr. Lemieux wants the men to thoroughly understand their posi- tion, so that they may avoid becom- ing liable to severe penalties. The minister hopes that the men will sub- mit their case to the conciliation board, so that they may not lose the sympathy of the public. If they are not satisfied with the result then it will be open for them to pursue whatever course they may deem prudent. Mr. Ackland will explain these matters to the men and endeavor to bring both sides together.

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THE TERRAPIN SCALE

Enemy of the Peach Trees Discovered in Many of the States.

Washington, May 16.—From every state east of the Mississippi River, and from Missouri, Arkansas, Louisiana, Texas, Minnesota, and the Provinces of Ontario, the terrapin scale, the enemy of peach and other trees, has been reported to the department of agricul- ture. Specimens of the pest from all that territory have been received. The department in a circular has called attention to the terrapin scale, in con- sequence of its wide range of food plants, including both wild and culti- vated trees, as a dangerous pest, "which may be controlled, but never eradicated." Small, parasitic, four- winged flies are the greatest benefactors in the control of this insect, and a kerosene emulsion has proven an ef- fective remedy. The Government ex- perimenters show the use of sulphur, so effective with the San Jose scale, and the peach leaf curl, is worthless for the terrapin scale.

HORSE THIEF SENT TO PENITENTIARY

Richard Evans Gets Two Years and Four Months for Two Offenses.

Richard Evans, the self-confessed thief of two horses belonging to Thos. Stoddard, of West Nissouri, was this morning sentenced to two years and four months in Kingston Penitentiary by Judge Elliott.

Mr. Edmund Meredith, K.C., ap- peared on behalf of the prisoner, and made a plea for leniency. Mr. Meredith called the attention of the court to the fact that Evans had never before been convicted, and that in cases of this kind the majority of judges today believed that a light sentence for a first-offender was more apt to meet the ends of justice and bring about a reformation of the prisoner than was a severe punishment.

"It is Evans' wife and children who will suffer," said Mr. Meredith in con- clusion; "and Mrs. Evans joins me in a plea for clemency."

In reply, his honor said in part: "I can see no extenuating circumstances in connection with this case. And in so far as the wife and children are concerned, the prisoner should have thought of the consequences of his crimes before committing them. It is extremely unfortunate that the wives and innocent children of criminals must suffer more than the offenders themselves, but such is generally the case. I am going to impose what most people will consider a very light sen- tence, and I hope that when the pris- oner comes out of the prison cell he will make every endeavor to become an honorable citizen, and try to undo as far as possible the injuries he has inflicted upon his wife and little chil- dren."

When asked if he had anything to say on his own behalf, Evans simply said, "I am sorry for what I have done."