

THURSDAY, JUNE 8, 1899.

FURTHER ADJOURNED.

The Investigation at Shedden—The Defendant Bole Did not Appear—His Bail Estreated.

The investigation into the charges preferred against Duncan Bole arising out of the recent bye election was resumed at Shedden on Tuesday before J. C. Schleihau, J. P. The magistrate ascended the bench at 11 a.m. The learned counsel, County Crown Attorney Donahue, T. W. Crothers, I. F. Hellmuth, L. F. Heyd and Andrew Grant, were sitting at the tables laden with legal documents, while a few spectators were in the hall when Constable Kirkpatrick opened the court. But the defendant, Duncan Bole, was not present, and the investigation could not proceed without him.

A calm demeanor had overcome the legal gentlemen engaged in the case since the adjournment two weeks ago. The pipe of peace was smoked, and there was an entire absence of the cross firing of the former sitting.

Duncan Bole not answering to his name Mr. Donahue said that he expected the defence would know the whereabouts of Bole. He had served Col. Clark with a summons on June 3 and expected him to be present.

Mr. Heyd enquired of the magistrate if he held court at Shedden a week ago. His Worship replied that it was held at Bismarck, when Bole was remanded till June 6 at Shedden by Squire Hill. He (Mr. Schleihau) was in Ottawa at the time, but commissioned Squire Hill to act in his stead.

Mr. Heyd said he had not heard of that sitting nor received any notification of it.

The magistrate replied that this was the understanding when the court met at Shedden.

Mr. Donahue—"You have carried out the contract to the letter, as I understand it."

The constable again called for Duncan Bole to come forward and save his recognizances, and failing, the formality of estreating the recognizances of the sureties was proceeded with.

Mr. Donahue argued that in view of the fact that the accused was not present it would be useless to proceed with the case. He asked, therefore, for an adjournment for eight days to Bismarck, and to continue adjourning until other instructions were received.

The Magistrate—"If the bail is estreated the sooner the case is ended the better."

Mr. Heyd—"Bring it to a head at once."

The County Crown Attorney again advised the adjourning of the case for fear that the accused might be detained through illness or other reasonable cause.

Mr. Hellmuth said that the magistrate had no power to adjourn the case without the presence of the prisoner. There was no provision in the criminal code for such a course.

Mr. Heyd—"Drop the case."

Mr. Hellmuth—"No, we will not drop it."

Mr. Hellmuth further contended that the proper course to pursue was for the issuing of a fresh warrant, as the present proceedings were ended.

After further discussion the magistrate adjourned the case until Tuesday at West Lorne.

M. C. R. NEGLIGENT

In Not Having Watchman at Crossing—Verdict of Coroner's Jury.

The jury in connection with the coroner's inquest to enquire into the accident at West Lorne, when John P. Johnston and his son, John Johnston, were killed at the M.C.R. crossing, returned a verdict on Wednesday evening as follows:

That the deceased met their death while driving across the M.C.R. railway track on the Graham road, having been struck by train No. 55 which was passing through the village at a high rate of speed.

The jury are of the opinion that the deceased neither saw nor heard the aforesaid train until it was too late to stop and avoid the accident.

The railroad is so obscured from view to travellers going either north or south that it is impossible to see a west bound train until the person approaching is dangerously near the crossing.

The jury have learned by the evidence and have personal knowledge that several other like fatal accidents have occurred within the last few years at the aforesaid crossing of which the aforesaid M.C.R. Co. have had full knowledge.

They having had such knowledge of previous accidents and with a view to preventing recurrence of the same and to lesson the danger to travellers and employees on their trains, it was clearly the duty of the aforesaid M.C.R. to have placed on the aforesaid crossing, a permanent watchman, which action on their part would undoubtedly have prevented the late accident, and consequent death of the deceased persons.

That having refused or neglected to take the necessary steps to ensure greater safety to the residents of the locality and to passengers and employees on their trains, the aforesaid M.C.R. Co. have shown a criminal disregard for the safety of human life.

That the jury are of the opinion, in view of the foregoing facts, that the aforesaid M.C.R. Co. are largely responsible for the death of the deceased.

That in the event of the aforesaid M.C.R. Co. hereafter refusing or neglecting to place a permanent watchman on

the aforesaid crossing, we deem it the duty of the Council of the Township of Aldborough, in which the aforesaid crossing lies, to petition the Parliament of Canada, now in session, to pass such legislation as will compel all railway companies to safeguard like dangerous crossings, if such legislation does not already exist.

Dated at West Lorne this 31st day of May, 1899.

(Signed) DR. DORLAND, Cor ner.
THOS. MONTAGUE, Foreman,
and the eleven other jurymen.

THE GRAND TRUNK STRIKE.

Trackmen Have Returned to Work and Will Submit the Matter to Arbitration.

Montreal, June 4.—The end of the G.T.R. trackmen's strike on Saturday night was most unexpected, as in view of the statements given out by the officials it was expected that the men would continue to hold out. But wiser counsels prevailed, and when the men learned from Messrs. Taylor and Powell, who had come from Ottawa to see if some arrangements could not be effected, and learning that Mr. Hays was willing to take them back, they accepted, and on Monday the system will be manned by the old hands. When the decision was reached Chairman Pole sent word out to all the men who had struck that they could return to their old places, and that further negotiations would be conducted through two members of Parliament, who would be acceptable to them. Messrs. Taylor and Powell afterwards returned to Ottawa.

LATER.—Owing to some disagreement between the employees and the company about reinstating some of the strikers, the men were called out again after a few hours work and the strike is still on.

Removed the Trees.

The spruce trees on the property of the Commercial House, West Lorne, which obstructed the view of the M.C.R. track, were cut down on Tuesday by the section men. Mr. Wright, the owner, it is stated, received \$5 for each of the trees.

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OIL NOTES.

The Elginfield Oil Company have finished their No. 12 well on the Smith and Backus farms and are moving to No. 13. No. 12 gives the best showing of any in the field.

H. Hollingshead is moving to Thompson's farm to finish a group of five he purposes putting on this lease.

The Standard Co. have given notice that they will start in ten days for a group on the Backus farm, immediately west of the Elginfield property, and there is hardly any question as to their success, as this property has been tested.

We understand there is a company being formed in Detroit to operate a portion of the Crane farm.

The oil field suffered slightly from Tuesday's storm. The frame derrick and pumping rig on the Crane farm was blown down and J. E. Austin's drilling rig moved from its bearings but only slightly damaged. The wind caused F. W. Smith's corn crib to turn a complete somersault, completely destroying it, but Mr. Smith, being presented with a ten-barrel well the day previous has lost no sleep over the mishap.

Death of Mr. John McMillan.

His many friends will deeply regret the death of Mr. John McMillan, a well known resident of West Lorne, which occurred on Saturday evening. The deceased was taken ill a week previous with hemorrhage of the lungs, which was the cause of his death. He was born in the village in which he resided thirty-two years ago. For several years he was manager of the Argyle House and afterwards employed as traveller for McKay & Co., cigar manufacturers, London, and thus was well known throughout Western Ontario. The deceased was a member of the A.F. & A.M., Sons of Scotland, I.O.F. and Travellers' Association and carried an insurance in these orders of \$8,000. His mother and one brother, Duncan, survive him. The funeral took place on Monday to the Wardville cemetery and was largely attended, being conducted with Masonic honors.

The Quarter Sessions.

The Elgin June sessions commence at St. Thomas Tuesday next before Judge Hughes. The criminal cases are: Queen vs. Finch, false pretences; Queen vs. W. Powers, assaulting M. Zavitz; Queen vs. Dr. Mothersill, fraud; Queen vs. Hibbard, theft; Queen vs. Faulds, gross indecency.

Several civil cases will also be heard, among the number being McNabb vs. Walker, to recover \$105 alleged to be due for a horse. D. J. Donahue for plaintiff, J. A. Robinson for defendant. Ostrander vs. McPhail, an action to recover \$189 for the maintenance of an illegitimate child.

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