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WAS THIS INGERSOLL MAN MURDERED? FIVE OF THAT TOWN ARE UNDER ARREST

Coroner Refuses to Divulge Result of Post Mortem Examination on Body of Isaiah Wright, But Says It Warrants Detention of Prisoners.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Woodstock, Sept. 29.—Coroner Neff will not divulge the result of his post-mortem examination on Isaiah Wright yet. He admits that it warrants the detention of the prisoners under arrest.

Scents Foul Play.

Ingersoll, Sept. 28.—The town of Ingersoll is excited over developments in the finding of the body of Isaiah Wright, colored, floating in the River Thames this morning.

Chief Police Wright scents foul play and this afternoon caused the arrest of George Hartsell, George Dennis, George Bowers, Thomas Watson, and John Campbell, all of whom were drinking with the deceased when he was last seen alive on Friday night last.

The accused were brought before Magistrate Morrison this evening and were all remanded for a week, pending the result of a post-mortem examination to see what caused Wright's death.

All were taken to Woodstock jail for safe keeping.

The post-mortem is being conducted tonight by Drs. McKay and Coleridge, but the result will not be made known until tomorrow. There were no marks on the body to indicate foul play, but several mysterious statements, relative to the disappearance of Wright, are reported to have originated from the men under arrest which would justify their detention pending a clearing up of things.

Dr. Neff, coroner for North Oxford County, was present at the inquest. He intimated that there was no evidence of Wright having been murdered, but the whole affair is shrouded in mystery.

Still, while murder is talked of, accidental death is a plausible enough solution of Wright's end.

Not Asked to Plead.

The six prisoners appeared before Police Magistrate Morrison this evening and were remanded to Woodstock jail until Oct. 6. They were not asked to plead.

Shortly after the body was taken out of the river the coroner decided to hold an inquest, and a jury was empanelled.

After viewing the remains the inquest was adjourned to Oct. 5.

Tonight a post-mortem was conducted by Coroner McKay and Dr. Coleridge, the result of which is not yet known.

The arrests have caused considerable excitement, and large crowds gathered around the town hall, where the prisoners were confined, and discussed the affairs.

Many theories are being discussed. At first it was thought that Wright fell in the river or committed suicide, but during the afternoon facts have come to light which lead the authorities to believe that there had been foul play.

All the prisoners are well-known young men about town. Dennis is bartender at the Daily House, and the others are of the laboring class. Bower was formerly a bartender at St. Thomas.

The dead body of Wright was taken from the Thames River shortly after 9 o'clock this morning.

Findings of the Body.

When Mr. McMullen, commonly known as "Pointer" McMullen, was going to his work in the pork factory, he discovered the body of Wright in the water in a hole about 60 feet west of the Wingham street bridge. The hole is one of many "pike holes" in the neighborhood, and is of considerable depth. The body was standing erect, and was completely covered by water. On removal it was found to be that of Isaiah Wright. The face was somewhat swollen, but otherwise the body was almost in a normal condition. It was removed to Tremear's undertaking establishment.

Inquiry among Wright's friends revealed the fact that he had been missing since Friday of last week. How long he had been in the water or how he got there is not known. He was about 40 years of age, and leaves a wife and one child.

A Wall Street Forger Cleans Up \$360,000

New York, Sept. 29.—The details of a scheme whereby the City National Bank was recently victimized by a clever forger, came out yesterday. The forger presented a bogus check bearing the name of a well-known stock exchange firm, and received in return securities valued at about \$360,000.

Pearl & Co., stock brokers, at 27 William street, recently negotiated a one-day loan for \$300,000 with this unnamed institution. On Wednesday a check for the amount of the loan, plus \$37.50 for the one day's interest, was presented at the bank by a stranger, who received the security

deposited by Pearl & Co. for their loan.

The bank on which the brokers' check was drawn is one with which Pearl & Co. never had an account, so the forger was not discovered until the check had passed through the clearing house exchange, when it was promptly branded as fictitious.

The securities offered by Pearl & Co. for their loan and surrendered by the bank for a piece of worthless paper, include 1,000 shares of United States Steel common, 1,000 shares of Rock Island common, 1,000 shares of Metropolitan Street Railway, 700 shares of Missouri Pacific, 200 shares of North American Company, 47 American Tobacco Company, 6 per cent bonds, and some Wabash debenture B bonds.

Friends of the deceased will not entertain the suicide theory. Inquiries elicited the information that Wright had been missing since Friday last.

On Friday afternoon he died the scrubbing at the store of Peter Sherry, finishing his task about 6 o'clock.

Mrs. Wright is employed at the McMurray House, and about a quarter to 5 on Friday afternoon she was talking to her husband.

That is the last time she saw him alive.

Mrs. Wright says her husband was not intoxicated when she last saw him alive.

His work completed at Sherry's store, Wright proceeded to the Grand Union, where he was in the habit of doing some clothes. He was also at the Grand Union for dinner, and from what could be learned, he was not intoxicated on either occasion. As to his movements later in the evening little or nothing is known.

AN UNKNOWN MAN FOUND DEAD ON C. P. R. TRACKS NEAR CRUMLIN

The Body Found So Disposed as to Indicate a Case of Suicide.

The remains of a well-dressed man were found about 8 o'clock this morning on the C. P. R. tracks near Crumlin village, five miles east of this city. The discovery was made by Engineer Roddick, of the passenger train, which leaves here for the east at 8:40. The head was lying between the rails, while the trunk was on the south side, clear of the track.

When Engineer Roddick first noticed the body the train was so close that it could not be brought to a stop before reaching it. The train was backed down, and an examination showed that the man had been dead for some hours, as the body was quite cold. The master Henshaw was a passenger on the accommodation, and he immediately

ordered a sectionman, who happened to be going over the road at the time, to come to London and report the find to Agent Houston. The latter in time notified Coroner McLaren, who will hold an inquest. The remains were left at Crumlin in charge of some of the railway employees, pending the order of the coroner.

It was at first supposed that the dead man was a tramp who had fallen from a freight train, but it may prove to be that of a resident of the neighborhood. Suicide is hinted at, as the head was between the rails, while the trunk was on the south side, clear of the track.

An investigation of the damage done by the train showed that 3,122 derails were burned.

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The deceased was 40 years of age and had been a familiar figure in Ingersoll for a number of years. He possessed more than an ordinary amount of wit, and strong drink was his only enemy.

Had Been at Central.

Isaiah Wright was quite well known to the jail authorities here. Sixteen times he was committed to jail on charges of drunkenness, theft and vagrancy, and he served one term in the Central Prison at Toronto in addition to those in the county jail here.

He was never a troublesome prisoner, but was inexpressibly lazy, and had to be driven at every little chore required of him while an inmate of the county jail. On one occasion he was allowed to go to Ingersoll as a "trustee," but the confidence was misplaced, for Isaiah got gloriously drunk, and Turnkey Forbes had to go after him.

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BANKS MAY AMALGAMATE

Bank of New Brunswick May Be Absorbed by Bank of Montreal.

St. John, N. B., Sept. 28.—It is understood here that an agreement, contingent on the approval of the shareholders of the Bank of New Brunswick, has been made by directors of that bank for amalgamation with the Bank of Montreal.

For many years the bank of New Brunswick has paid 12 per cent to its shareholders, and the stock has been quoted around \$300 per share. At present it is worth \$285, or about the same as Bank of Montreal stock.

The reserve is \$500,000, and net earnings last year were equal to 10 per cent of the paid-up capital.

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THE WEATHER.

Tomorrow—Fine and Warm.

London, Friday, Sept. 29. Sun rises, 6:12 a.m. Moon rises, 6:31 a.m. Sun sets, 6:29 p.m. Moon sets, 6:33 p.m. The weather remains everywhere fine with the exception of a few scattered showers, chiefly confined to Alberta and British Columbia.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 46-52; Calgary, 46-52; Vancouver, 46-52; Qu'Appelle, 46-52; Winnipeg, 48-54; Port Arthur, 42-52; Parry Sound, 44-50; Toronto, 46-52; Ottawa, 46-52; Quebec, 42-52; St. John, 44-54; Halifax, 40-54.

FORECASTS.

Friday, Sept. 29—8 a.m. Today—Light to moderate variable winds; fine and warm.

Saturday—Easterly winds; fine; not much change in temperature.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations. 8 a.m. Min. Weather.

Calgary 34 32 Clear

Winnipeg 32 30 Clear

Port Arthur 54 50 Clear

Toronto 50 48 Clear

Ottawa 50 48 Clear

Montreal 50 48 Clear

Quebec 48 46 Fair

St. John 42 40 Fair

Halifax 40 38 Fair

WEATHER NOTES.

The weather still remains very fine in nearly all portions of Canada. It keeps very stormy over the Gulf of Mexico.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the local observatory for the 24 hours ended at 8 p.m. Thursday were: Highest, 52°; lowest, 40° above.

AWFUL HARDSHIPS IN AFGHANISTAN

Suffered by the British Boundary Commission.

ATTACKED BY MAD WOLVES

Spent Two Years Amid Arctic-Like Weather—Many Men and Thousands of Animals Died.

London, Sept. 29.—The story told by members of the British mission who spent two and a half years in marking the boundary between Persia and Afghanistan in the Seistan region, shows that they encountered terrible hardships. Fifty of the members died from various causes and nearly 5,000 camels and 120 horses succumbed. The mission consisted of eleven British officers under Col. Arthur Henry Macmahon, with survey and irrigation staffs, and 200 native infantry and a transport service, embracing altogether some 1,500 men. The base was situated at Quetta, whence all supplies were brought to Seistan, 500 miles distant, over a waterless and uninhabited desert. During the summer several persons died from sunstroke or thirst, while during the winter others were frozen. Last winter numbers of jackals and wolves, which abound in Seistan, went mad for some unexplained reason, and in large packs, attacked the men and animals belonging to the mission. Many of the men, camels and horses were bitten, and died of hydrophobia.

On March 29 of this year the temperature fell to zero, accompanied by a blizzard, and during this storm 600 camels were killed.

The members of the mission tell many stories of fearful privations and of the heroism of individuals during periods when supplies ran out, and could not be renewed owing to the difficulties of transportation.

Wheat Train Piles Up

Traffic Tied Up by Bad Wreck on the C. P. R.

Fort William, Sept. 29.—An extra wheat train of 30 cars was wrecked late yesterday afternoon at Karlestad, 100 miles west of here, piling 23 cars of grain on the track. No one was seriously hurt. Passenger traffic was delayed fourteen hours.

The wreck was caused by a broken axle.

Black Hand Assassins

Wreck New York Tenement

Inmates Hurlled From Their Beds By Dynamite Bomb and Building Fired.

New York, Sept. 29.—A bomb filled with both dynamite and a quantity of inflammable oil was thrown at the rear of a crowded five-story tenement house at One Hundred and Forty-third street and Eighth avenue today. Over twenty persons, who were sleeping at the time, were hurled from their beds by the explosion, and two of them were carried from the house unconscious. Within a minute after the explosion flames had nearly enveloped the rear walls of the building. The police believe that Italian Black Hand assassins threw the bomb. The object of the attack was the door of an Italian barber shop