

PROSECUTION SCORES POINT

Interpreter Who Translated Statements of Hattie LeBlanc After Arrest to Testify Today

Special Officer Sent to Cape Breton -- Mrs. Glover Wore Comb Found in Laundry.

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 6.—As the trial of Hattie LeBlanc for the murder of Clarence F. Glover, was drawing to a close today, the prosecution won its first important point since the case was taken up a week ago yesterday, in obtaining permission to have introduced the evidence given by the girl at her examination by the police immediately after her arrest.

This evidence was given in French through the aid of Miss Zela Gallant, a nurse in Waltham, at that time, who was brought in by the police to act as interpreter. Up to today the prosecution had been unable to introduce this evidence because Miss Gallant was in Cape Breton and had refused to come to Massachusetts. A special officer was sent to Canada, and persuaded her to make the trip and this afternoon she appeared at court.

With the jury out of the room and the defense and prosecution both reinforced by native Frenchmen and women, Miss Gallant was asked a series of questions in English and ordered to give the answers in French. After half an hour of this work, Judge Bond decided that she might testify, provided that she kept close to the written evidence taken by a stenographer at the police station by the government.

Her testimony is regarded as important, for it is said to make much of the government's case against the girl.

Half a dozen of the witnesses were on the stand today and their evidence was partially contradictory, as compared with what they had testified before other tribunals.

Seymour Glover, a beneficiary under the will of his brother, admitted that he had heard his sister in law, Mrs. Glover, express the wish that her husband behave himself. He said he had heard Clarence Glover say he feared some one would "take" him if he continued going with other women. Another witness picked up a comb in the laundry where the shooting is said to have taken place, and said that he had seen Mrs. Glover wearing it.

Witnesses in P. E. I. Murder Testify That Skerry Had Appearance Of Suicide—Fatal Driving Accident.

Special to The Standard. Charlottetown, P. E. I., Dec. 6.—Intense interest centered around the Skerry murder in Summerside. The rebuttal evidence opened today. One witness testified that he had heard the deceased Skerry say he had so many home troubles, that he thought of taking his life; another that on taking the body out of the water about a quart of water poured out of the mouth, showing that deceased was alive when he entered the water and that his clothes were tidy and snug, showing no signs of struggle before death. Prisoner Cunningham, charged with the murder of Skerry, comes on the stand tomorrow.

While Miss Teresa Morrison of Tracadie was driving from a funeral today she met with a serious accident, which, it is feared, will prove fatal. The horse took fright and ran away, and she leaped from the buggy, landing on her head. The driver was also pitched out and picked up in an unconscious condition. Miss Morrison received a bad blow on the base of the skull and bled profusely behind the ear. The driver though badly shaken up was not seriously injured.

29 CHILDREN OUT OF SCHOOL IN ALBERT CO.

Action Threatened By Principal And Authorized By School Board Went Into Effect Yesterday—Law Suits Likely To Follow.

Special to The Standard. Albert, Dec. 6.—Trouble is brewing in the Riverside-Albert district, 29 of the Albert children being expelled from school today. Residents of the village thought there was something doing at the consolidated school when E. C. Copp, the secretary of the board of trustees drove into the village this morning and took Dr. Murray, the chairman of the board, down to the school building in his team.

Long speeches were made by the principal, W. C. R. Anderson, and the chairman, Dr. Murray, after which the secretary read the resolution which was carried on Saturday night on the casting vote of the chairman ordering that the punishment ordered by the principal against the children should be inflicted namely that all children who had crossed lots in disobedience of the principal's order, should walk around through Riverside on their way home which would be about half a mile further than by other roads. This to operate as a punishment and to last for one week both coming and going, making four trips around by Riverside.

A number of the children informed the principal and chairman that they had been instructed by their parents not to walk a greater distance around by Riverside as the distance they had to travel was already too great.

Left in a body. The principal required all who would not go around to consider themselves expelled from the school and twenty-nine of the Albert children left in a body and returned to their homes. There is great excitement over the matter and legal proceedings will be the outcome.

To keep matters up to fever heat a charge of assault has been made to day against one of the other male teachers in this matter which is being investigated before the court.

A number of the ratepayers of Albert have requested the calling of a special meeting of the trustees for the purpose of laying before the board their various grievances. A grand concert which has been advertised to be given by the teachers and pupils of the consolidated school has been cancelled and the school will close without its usual festivities.

Member Of One Of Best Families Held On Charge Of Obtaining Money Under False Pretences.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 6.—The arrest of Juan Sanchez Azcona once a member of the Mexican congress, journalist and a member of one of the best known families of Mexico, was reported here today by direction of the department of justice, on representations made to the state department by the Mexican government, declaring that a warrant charging obtaining money under false pretences had been issued for him in Mexico and that documents containing further details were on their way to Washington.

No political significance, it was said at the Mexican embassy, attaches to the arrest, but Gustave A. Madero, supported by other friends of Azcona here, charged that the "circumstances of the case are trivial" and that "behind it all is the vengeful purpose of the Diaz administration to get possession of Azcona because of his acknowledged connection with anti-Diaz newspaper attacks of the last three years."

PREDICT GOVERNMENT MAJORITY WILL BE 100



Every dead wall and billboard in England, that can be spared from advertising—soaps, inks and breakfast foods, is covered with multicolored election posters in these exciting days when the fate of the House of Lords hangs in the balance. The photograph reproduced herewith shows a small section of a big billboard during the election last spring.

Liberals Have Good Day and Coalitionists Draw Slightly Ahead of Unionists in Remarkable Race—John Burns Elected With Increased Majority—Little Change from Last Contest.

London, Dec. 6.—At the close of today's pollings the complexion of the House of Commons stood as follows: Government Coalition. Liberals 106 Laborites 206 Nationalists 26 Total 338 Opposition. Unionists 147

A situation has been developed almost phenomenal in the closeness of the race between the government coalition parties and the Unionists. The pendulum swung slightly toward the government today, and the result of three days voting in which 299 seats have been filled, gives the coalition one more member than they had in the last parliament from the same constituencies.

Up to last night the Unionists had a clear gain of 5. The returns tonight showed the Unionists had regained St. Helens from the Laborites. This borough, with the exception of last election had been Liberal since 1886. The Liberals gained Southwark West, Burnley and Coventry, and the Laborites gained Woolwich and Whitehaven, all from the Unionists, while this morning's returns from Sunderland showed that the Liberal candidate, Hamar Greenwood and the Laborite, Goldstone, had replaced the two Unionists there.

The turning of the tide toward Liberalism is a surprise for the Unionists, who counted upon capturing half a dozen seats from the enemy. The greatest surprise was in Coventry because that is the seat of motor manufacturing and the protectionists had put great stress on their plea that a tariff reform would prevent the growing competition from American machines.

An Unexpected Victory. The Liberals hardly expected to win Burnley, because the Socialist Hyndman, was in the field and hoped to take part of the labor vote. Southwark West was one of the most interesting. F. A. Strauss, Liberal, winning by only twelve votes. In Woolwich Will Crooks who was turned out in the last election recaptured his old seat by a majority of 236. The Unionists concentrated their heavy guns on Bathurst, but John Burns, president of the local government board, again surprised them, bringing up his majority from 555 in the last election to 1222. The Socialist Shaw, whom Mr. Burns' enemies among the workmen put up in the expectation that he would divide the votes, polled a mere handful. John Burns dashed around the constituency all day in an automobile. Sir John Harrington, the Unionist candidate and his wife, followed suit in another. Mr. Burns appealed to his friends: "Don't be taken in by the blandishments of fine ladies who visit the mean streets only when they want something."

Light Polling. Almost everywhere fewer ballots were cast than in the last election. More Liberals than Unionists stayed away from the polls. Excluding the districts which changed their complexion the Unionists made relative gains in 18, the Liberals in 12. The Socialist candidates in London did poorly, none commanding 500 votes. An impressive lesson of the campaign is how strongly British voters are wedded to their parties, how slow they are to break away, though the parties change their platform radically. The newspapers appear exercised over their surprisingly small influence. Almost all the most important among them and those with the largest circulation, championed the Unionist cause, yet they were unable to make material inroads in the Liberal and Labor lines.

The betting on the stock exchange before elections was that the coalition majority would drop to 65. As the election progressed the betting favored 80 to 90. It now concedes that the government will have 100 majority. Today's Results. Whitehaven—T. Richardson, Labor majority, 194. Labor gain. This was a Unionist gain last election, majority, 326. Lambeth, North—Major Houghton, Labor majority, 329. No change. Strand—Right Hon. Walter Long, U. majority, 3,045. No change. Hargreaves—C. Duncan, Labor majority, 523. No change. Kidderminster—Captain E. Knight, U. majority, 185. No change. Weymouth—C. W. Bowerman, Labor majority, 209. No change. Lambeth (Brixton)—D. Dalziel, U. majority, 1,068. No change. Aberdeen, North—D. V. Pirie, L. majority, 1,735. No change. Southwark, West—E. Strauss, L. majority, 112. Liberal gain. This was a Unionist gain last election, majority 164. Burnley—P. Morrell, L. majority over G. A. Arbuthnot, U, 173; over H. M. Hyndman, Soc, 2,267. Liberal gain. This was a Unionist gain last election, majority 95. Bethnal Green, South—E. H. Pickersgil, L. majority 628. No change. Bethnal Green, North—Sir E. A. Comwell, L. majority 1,511. No change. Southwark (Rotherhithe)—H. Carr Gomm, L. majority 1,014. No change. Coventry—D. M. Mason, L. majority 523. Liberal gain. This was a Unionist gain last election, majority 216. Warwick and Leominster—F. C. Poller, U. majority 725. No change. Edinburgh, West—J. A. Clyde, U. majority 700. No change. Canterbury—F. Bennett Goldney, Independent Unionist, majority over John Howard, official Unionist candidate, 472; over W. J. Fisher, Liberal, 1,012. Independent Unionist gain. For 25 years previous to this election Canterbury was represented by J. Henniker-Heaton of Imperial Penny Postage fame. Hackney, Central—Sir A. Speicer, Liberal, majority 490. No change. Edinburgh, South—C. Lionel, Liberal majority 1,550. No change. Marylebone, West—Sir S. E. Scott, Unionist, majority, 171. No change. Battersea—John Burns, Liberal, majority over Sir John Harrington, Unionist 1,292; over Shaw, Socialist, 724; Mr. Burns' majority over the Unionist candidate last election was 555. No change. Lambeth, Kensington—S. Collins, Liberal, majority over Colonel Lucas, Unionist, 1,557; over Victor Grayson, Socialist, 3,157. No change. Continued on page 2.

ST. JOHN NAMES IN HOUSE DEBATE

MEMBERS FROM QUEBEC TO BE THROWN OVER

French Canadian Liberals Are Much Exercised Over Report That Government Will Bring Out New Candidates Opposed To Naval Policy.

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Ont., December 6.—The French-Canadian Liberal members are in a panic tonight over a situation which, they declare, has been created to them by one of the Western Ontario members. They had a caucus this morning at which Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Hon. L. P. Brodeur addressed them on the naval issue.

After it was over they were informed by a candid friend that the object of the premier was simply to keep them sweet as long as possible, but that they were all to be dropped before the next general election, and in their places would be candidates who were opposed openly to the government's naval programme, but on all other matters would be pledged to unswerving loyalty to Sir Wilfrid. The naval issue will then be dead so far as parliament is concerned.

An excited gathering of some of the Quebec members was held this evening and it was stated that the only one of them who was in an independent position in the matter was Honore Gervais, of Montreal, who is credited with friendly leanings towards Bourassa. But the others feel themselves stranded.

The situation in Quebec is such that few of them expect to be returned against the Bourassa candidates in any case, and to find that they are to be thrown down for others after the way they have stuck to the premier and his unpopular navy, is a bitter pill. It was freely remarked that if they had known of the situation last week, they would have voted for Mr. Monk's amendment and so saved themselves in Quebec. However, that is now too late. They are compromised, it is probable however that they will have an opportunity later of "bolting."

The matter was discussed in Conservative circles tonight and it was learned that a bolt had been expected on the Monk amendment to the address. The whole parliamentary situation is critical, and any day may bring about a complete change in the present complexion of the political parties. Today the French-Canadian Liberals are foredoomed by the report to support him in refusing full and free investigation of the spending of the people's money. Robbery of the public purse is contrary to the Bourassa doctrine, and they can not be expected to condone it much longer, as they will never be able to hope to redeem themselves in Quebec.

WANT TO BELONG TO UNCLE SAM

Copenhagen, Dec. 6.—The agitation for the sale of the Danish West Indies to the United States has been renewed by the Islanders, and today the government received an address asking that negotiations tending to that end be opened. The cabinet, however, is not likely to take any initiative in the matter, because although the ministers are not particularly opposed to such move, their opponents in the Rigsdag probably would be able to defeat the proposal, and the government is taking no chances of a rebuff.

Queen Louise, who is greatly interested in the Islands, is a keen opponent of their sale.

Dr. Reid Sheds Some Light on How Telegraph Was Bought by Dredging Rake-Off.

Government Defeats Motion for Proper Inquiry by Smallest Majority on Record—Pugsley's Part

Special to The Standard. Ottawa, Ont., December 6.—The lid stays on. The work of the Public Accounts Committee is to be done under conditions as onerous as technical rules can make them. The House of Commons will not today at the bidding of Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Mr. Pugsley, vote 93 to 78; majority 25. A very low majority, nearly a record in fact, and much annoyance is felt on the part of the premier at its small size.

The most discreditable thing about the Parliament Buildings is the Railway Committee of the House of Commons. Next to it in point of dishonor stands the Public Accounts Committee. Its practical use is to block investigations. One of the technicalities which is of great value to the blockers is this; that the House refers to the committee, the accounts of the year last past, and of that year alone. Few transactions are completed in the accounts of one year, to make the investigations complete the developments of earlier years often must be scrutinized at the moment that is attempted the ever ready blocker objects that the transactions of the earlier year are beyond the scope of the work of the committee.

Today Houghton Lennox moved that the accounts for the two years last past be referred to the committee. The government objected, and after a debate which lasted all the afternoon voted down Mr. Lennox's motion. The Liberals did not seem to like the subject much. It was noticeable that E. M. MacDonald, who quitted the House soon after the discussion began, though he was on hand for the vote. When the division bells rang there was a small attendance of Liberals and a full one of Conservatives. Sir Wilfrid Laurier seemed much annoyed.

In moving his motion Mr. Lennox depicted the system of premeditated and organized opposition to investigation which had characterized the last ten years. One objection which the government might make was that the opposition could come to the House when occasion rose and obtain the additional powers. This is illusory; the rules prevented this. The matter could not be discussed unless the committee reported, and the Liberals on the committee took care that no report was made until the matter was disposed of. Then, as the investigation had been closed, there would be nothing for the House to deal with. The government had built a wall higher than Haman's gallows, thicker and stronger than those of the Laurier tower, and behind that wall cowered the North Atlantic Trading Company, the Robins Irigation Company, the Adamsons, the Burrowses, the Pearsons, the Lodges, the McAvity—Mr. Lennox's list was longer still.

OYSTER CASE AT NEWCASTLE

License Holders In Legal Fight Over Ownership—Dismissal On Rape Charge—Allowed To Go.

Special to The Standard. Newcastle, Dec. 6.—The Northumberland Circuit Court opened here today. Mr. Justice McKeown presiding and Solicitor-General, McLeod appearing for the prosecution. True bills were returned in all four criminal cases.

A rather sensational rape case was heard and after the evidence of accuser, Miss Arban, the Solicitor General acquiesced to A. A. Davidson's motion for dismissal. Several hundred spectators were in court. R. A. Lawlor, K. C., argued for the defendant in a case against a man named McCallum, charged with assault on a less serious indictment. Mr. Lawlor had his client plead guilty and he was allowed out on suspended sentence. Much interest centres in the oyster stealing case. The Solicitor General is not prosecuting, owing to the recent decision of the Privy Council giving ownership of oysters to the Provincial Government, whereas T. B. Williston, complainant holds his license from the Federal government. William Lawrence is defendant, and he is represented by K. C. St. John and H. A. Powell, K. C. Davidson. The prosecution will be conducted by R. A. Lawlor, K. C.

MAN KILLED ON TRACK AT CAMPBELLTON

Martin Kelly Met Death While Walking On I. C. R.—Made An Attempt To Get Out Of The Way Of The Approaching Train.

Special to The Standard. Campbellton, N. B., Dec. 6.—Last night Martin Kelly of Bathurst was struck by the local express and instantly killed. The train was just coming into the town when Engineer Donald noticed a man walking towards the engine. The headlight of the engine was shining brightly and the driver thought that the man would get out of the way when the train approached him but much to his surprise Kelly did not make any effort to do so.

Driver Donald at once applied the brakes, but it was then too late to avoid the accident. Kelly's skull was badly fractured and death is thought to have been instantaneous. The train ran back to the scene of the accident and Kelly's body was picked up and brought to the station here and afterwards taken to Undertaker Graham's rooms.

An effort is being made to locate his relatives, but so far without success. Kelly was employed as a teamster for A. E. Alexander & Son for some time past, having come here from some place near Bathurst. It is said that he had been drinking during the day.

G.P.R. MATTER BEFORE ARBITRATION BOARD

Maintenance Of Way Men Ask For More Pay Shorter Hours And Clearer Rules—No Trouble Anticipated.

Special to The Standard. Montreal, December 6.—The conciliation board appointed to investigate the differences between the Canadian Pacific and its employees is now sitting in this city considering the latest demand for better terms from the men. This is an application of the maintenance of way men who want more pay, shorter hours and a more liberal interpretation of the rules of service. There is not the slightest anticipation of any serious difficulty over this application which is being considered by the board, and its decision when given will probably be accepted by either side.

\$75,000 FIRE. Marinette, Wis., Dec. 6.—Fire today destroyed the plant of the Lelund and Hens Brewing Company in Marinette, Mich., entailing a loss of about \$75,000, covered by insurance. The plant will be rebuilt at once.

CHOLERA IN ITALY. Rome, Dec. 6.—Eleven new cases of cholera and two deaths have been officially reported during the past 24 hours.

FIERCE SNOW STORM. Boston December 6.—A northwest storm accompanied by rain and snow, swept over New England today and tonight, holding vessels in port and creating conditions of discomfort on shore. Wind velocity of from 24 to 40 miles an hour was reported along the coast. The maximum velocity was recorded at Nantucket. Five inches of snow fell in New York.