

GEORGE GEE PLACED ON TRIAL FOR HIS LIFE.

Attorney General, in Opening the Case, Referred to the Prisoner's Threat to Kill Bennie Gee, Too, and the Motive for the Crime—Several Witnesses Examined—The Prisoner Is Cool.

Woodstock, April 29.—(Special)—The April term of the supreme court was opened this morning, Chief Justice Tuck presiding. Much interest is aroused over the case of George Gee for the murder of Millie Gee. Hon. Wm. Pugsley, attorney-general, representing the crown, and J. Chipman Hartley and T. Carleton, L. Ketchum appearing for the prisoner. The grand jury after being out an hour



George Gee, whose life is at stake in court in Woodstock.

and a half found a true bill against Geo. Gee for the murder of Millie Gee. When the prisoner was brought into the court room he was the target for all eyes. Save for a slight paleness he looked perfectly unconcerned. Mr. Hartley, counsel for the prisoner, objected to six names, W. S. Spence, Albert Bell, Benjamin McFague, George Britton, Joseph Merritt, Gr. Ver Fleming, and the petit jury was then made up as follows: Frederick Britton, E. Byron Bull, William Kimball, Wm. Am. Tom, J. M. Albert Simonon, J. Thomas Forrest, George McLeod, Wm. Carson, John J. Rogers, James W. Watson, J. R. Kirkpatrick, John M. Hay.

Prisoner Pleads Not Guilty. When charged with the crime of murdering Millie Gee, the prisoner pleaded with a low voice "not guilty." The attorney-general in addressing the jury said: "You have been called to act on this charge of murder of which the prisoner is charged. I think the evidence which shall be given will convince you of the guilt of the prisoner. It appears to me from the evidence given that foul play was the cause of the death and I think that the prisoner, providing there was a suitable chance."

Bennie Gee's Testimony. Bennie Gee was the first witness. Witness said Millie Gee had been hired by him and was working at his house. Geo. Gee called at witness' house on Saturday night, March 12, with two bottles of whiskey and a rifle. Witness had ordered a case of whiskey which had not arrived. After playing cards and drinking with Geo. Gee, Dan Crane and Millie Gee, witness went to bed when he was aroused by hearing Geo. Gee saying he would shoot himself. Witness took the gun away from the prisoner. The prisoner seemed to be quite sober, although all the whiskey had been drunk. After a while Millie Gee gave the prisoner the gun. About five minutes afterwards witness heard the report of a gun and saw deceased fall on the floor. Deceased said prisoner intended shooting witness. Witness did not know that Geo. Gee had anything against him in the world. At daylight witness saw the prisoner with Peter Gee. The prisoner wanted to speak to witness, but witness refused as the prisoner still had the gun in his possession.

Dr. Commis. Dr. M. E. Commis was next called. On Sunday morning, March 13, witness, along with Winslow Dyer, went to the scene of the tragedy. Millie Gee told witness that George Gee had shot her. Witness thought the bullets displayed in court were similar to that which in his (witness) opinion, caused the wound, also the holes in the casing of the door and the floor. He thought the bullet passed through the casing of the door before entering the body of the deceased. Thought the deceased's intestines would surely be perforated, and that the operation was performed for the purpose of sewing up these perforations if any were found. (Here Mr. Hartley objected to the dying declaration of Millie Gee.) Witness said that during the preparation of the instrument he was busy administering the anesthetic. He thought that as far as he could see the operation was conducted properly and that the deceased girl understood the operation extremely well. Witness assisted Doctor Brown in the post-mortem examination. Thought that there were not sufficient signs as to the cause of death at the post-mortem examination, but concluded that peritonitis caused death.

Other Witnesses. Bennie Gee was followed by Capt. W. W. Melville, Peter Gee, Willie Gee, Handford Gee, George W. Finkler, Maria Demerchant, Sally Kinney and Mary Gee. The evidence given by these witnesses was similar to their former statements made before Magistrate Dibble and published.

Woodstock, N. B., April 27.—(Special)—George Gee, who was interviewed by the Telegraph correspondent today, seemed to be in excellent spirits, and conversed fluently although somewhat briefly. He talks intelligently and easily. His absence from the court several times was apparently not caused by loss of nerve, but rather from discomfiture caused by the overheated atmosphere in the court room. When the case was resumed this morning, Edward E. Carvey testified he heard the prisoner admit the shooting. The pris-

soner would have been caused by the operation. The operation would have been considered as more serious with Millie Gee than under ordinary circumstances. Death would probably have resulted from the wound without the operation, but could not say positively. It would not be expected that she would live when a bullet had passed through the abdominal cavity. Dr. Ross.

Prisoner Had Relatives in the Asylum. Deputy-Sheriff Albin R. Foster testified he had arrested the prisoner several times. He had taken relatives of the prisoner to the asylum. When arrested for the murder, the prisoner seemed to have been drinking some. Mr. Foster thought there was nothing wrong with the prisoner mentally. He honor asked if the prisoner spoke to the deceased girl when taken to her by Mr. Foster. Witness replied that he did not. Mr. Hartley objected to the dying declaration signed by Millie Gee, implicating the prisoner, George Gee. Mr. Hartley objected to call Mr. Foster, J. P., who took the dying declaration of Millie Gee. Charles Demerchant, of Bath, said he saw George Gee on the evening of the 12th of March. The prisoner had a gun. Cross-examined by Mr. Hartley, witness said he and George Gee were going shooting deer. Sundry Demerchant, sworn, said he saw the prisoner on the morning of March 13, between 6 and 7 o'clock. The prisoner expressed satisfaction in having shot Millie Gee. Daniel Crane, of Canaan, said he was living with Bennie Gee on the night of the murder. Prisoner called about 11 o'clock with a rifle. He said he intended to shoot himself, and told Bennie Gee the same. Witness thought the reason of his suicidal intention was that the prisoner said he "had been cooled." Shortly after the prisoner said he had to go home, as his (prisoner's) father was sick. He asked to speak with Millie Gee. Both went outside. Witness thought he heard the report of a rifle, and saw Millie Gee fall in the door. Mrs. Crane got up and closed the door. Bennie Gee tried to go outside, but was stopped by Millie Gee, who said prisoner would shoot Bennie Gee. Deceased said George Gee had shot her. The prisoner had seemed very jovial before the shooting; talked sensibly and appeared to be sober.

Cross-questioned, witness said the prisoner appeared to be very restless at nights when working in the woods. On the night of the murder the prisoner seemed to be drunk. Cross-questioned, witness said he had seen the prisoner with a gun. Witness was not surprised to see prisoner with a gun. Mr. Pugsley then said that the case was through as regards the crown. (Adjourned till tomorrow (Thursday) morning at 10 o'clock.)

G. T. P. BILL PASSES SECOND READING BY 44 MAJORITY. Ottawa, April 27.—(Special)—The second reading of the Grand Trunk Pacific bill took place at 11 o'clock tonight. It was carried by 99 for to 55 against, a majority of 44 for the government.

Three New York Firemen Killed in \$200,000 Blaze. New York, April 27.—Three lives were lost and property valued at \$200,000 was destroyed in a fire at the Jobbing and Soap Works in West Thirtieth street to-day.

What Tea Does for Rheumatics. When you next take tea, think of this: Tea contains 175 grains of Uric Acid in every pound. Most contain only five to seven grains. Uric Acid accumulates in the blood and the digestive apparatus cannot create enough Alkaline elements (like soda) to neutralize it. This acid collects areas, or worn-out waste matter, from the system.

What Tea Does for Rheumatics. These gradually deposits in solid particles, like granulated sugar. These solid particles grind between the joints and muscles, through circulation of the blood.

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Britain Will Foster Cotton Growing in Her Colonies. London, April 27.—In the house of commons tonight John Rutherford, member for the Darwen division of Lancashire, moved that "in the opinion of this house it is incumbent upon the government to encourage the growing of cotton in Africa and elsewhere in the British possessions, and also to co-operate with the commercial associations working in that direction."

Problem for Grand Falls License Commissioners. Grand Falls, April 26.—The board of license commissioners for the town of Grand Falls met on Saturday evening to consider applications for the present year. Five applied for tavern and three for wholesale licenses. The inspector, although not a member of the board, seemed to act as chairman and be the leading spirit of the meeting. A committee of eight ladies representing the W. C. T. U., attended in a body, and courteously protested against the board issuing more than three retail licenses as provided by law, and objected to several licenses being granted contrary to the provision of the liquor law license act.

Problem for Grand Falls License Commissioners. The board adjourned until next Thursday evening to consider matters. Public sentiment is against the issue of licenses contrary to law. General indignation exists in town regarding the nature of the reception of the ladies by the board, and one good result will likely follow—the provisions of the liquor license act will be strictly enforced in Grand Falls. The observance of the law here has been a farce.

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Newfoundland Feels Very Sore. Canada Meddling the Cause—Hon. Mr. Fielding Tells Parliament That the Ancient Colony Resents This Country's Interference in Her Treaties With Other Nations, Which Causes Bitter Feeling Against The Dominion.

Ottawa, April 27.—(Special)—There was an interesting discussion in the house to-day which touched upon the relations between Canada and Newfoundland and also brought out an important statement from Mr. Fielding that nothing should be done that would in any way retard the union of the ancient colony to the dominion of the United States. In this way the attention of the house was directed to the attention of the United States and supply bait to American fishermen in return for the development of the fisheries which would give employment to Newfoundland fishermen. Under the treaty of 1818 it was said that fish caught by American citizens in Newfoundland waters could be admitted free of duty to the United States. In this way the company which was to be organized with a capital of \$300,000 and to increase to \$3,000,000 would carry on a business which would practically supersede the objects of the Bond-Blaine convention. The bonds are to be guaranteed by Newfoundland.

Newfoundland Feels Very Sore. Mr. Fielding—There is one phase of the question which I want to say a word upon. Mr. Kaulbach has referred to the desirability of our government interposing to prevent the consummation of the Bond-Blaine treaty, but which, more correctly, might be described as the Bond-Hay treaty. Our friends in Newfoundland are exceedingly jealous as to references to that treaty, and the dominion is based on I state from the highest authority that much of the hostility now prevailing in Newfoundland towards suggestions of union with the dominion is based on alleged to be led upon the attitude in which we in Canada have from time to time taken in relation to the negotiations between the United States and Newfoundland.

Newfoundland Feels Very Sore. Newfoundland is as much an independent colony as the Dominion of Canada and any assumption of our part of a right to interfere with her independent action would naturally be resented. We would resent it ourselves if we were the place of our friends in Newfoundland. Therefore I would strongly urge that gentlemen should not approach this question from the point of view of arguing the merits of union with the dominion is based on alleged to be led upon the attitude in which we in Canada have from time to time taken in relation to the negotiations between the United States and Newfoundland.

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