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London Election Petition.

Proceedings Up to the Hour of Going to Press.

Mr. J. W. Little, Wholesale Merchant, on the Stand.

A Strong and Emphatic Denial of Any Wrongdoing.

He Warned All Committeemen Against Unlawful Acts.

Complete Sworn Denial to All Charges of Personal Bribery.

The Conservative Council SSB Trying to Establish Agency.

Friday Morning.

Judges Ferguson and Robertson took their seats promptly at 10 o'clock. The court room was well filled.

Justice Ferguson gave his judgment in regard to the application by the petitioner's counsel yesterday to add certain particulars to those already in. The learned judges held that the case was not sufficiently made out to grant the request.

Hon. S. H. Blake to Mr. Oler-I presume you were handicapped with the quantity you have.

JOHN W. LITTLE.
Mr. J. W. Little was the first witness called upon. He was shown a copy of the London Advertiser with the report of the public meeting, at which Mr. C. S. Hyman was nominated, and was asked to name those whom he remembered were on the platform at the time. Mr. Little recollected Mr. Maurel, Fred Saunders, George Bolton, W. Jones, George Mr. Reid, J. B. McKillop, Frank E. Leonard, Charles W. Leonard, J. D. Lebel, Fred Harper and John Macpherson as being present.

Mr. Oler produced another copy of the Advertiser, dated Feb. 19, with report of another public meeting and containing the names of those on the platform. Mr. Little was only there a short time, however, and could not remember any of those who were there excepting Col. Lewis.

Hon. S. H. Blake at this juncture informed the court that if the petitioners would make out a list of those names they required, he would facilitate the matter by going over the list and furnishing the names of these committeemen. He, Mr. Blake, was sorry the books could not be produced and would do his best to repair the omission.

Mr. Oler then questioned Mr. Little about the finances of the election. Witness said he had subscribed himself, but did not know how much had been put up. Mr. George Reid had the book.

Q—Did you pay out any money? A—About \$275.

Q—Cheap place of voters, weren't they? A—I bought no votes, sir.

Mr. Blake objected against the imputation and Mr. Oler said it was a joke.

Mr. Oler—Did you have anything to do with bringing in of voters? A—No; I only prepared a list of absentees for the Central Committee.

Q—Did you know about the special train? A—I heard nothing about it until it was mentioned in court yesterday.

Mr. Little was then examined as to his connection with the appointment of scrutineers. He said he appointed the outside scrutineers in six divisions of No. 1 ward. He remembered Elliott, George Ward, John A. Campbell, James Fairbairn, Alex. Macle, John I. Anderson, Fred Ross, Dan. McLeod, McCullum, Dan. Degan and Fred Henderson.

Q—Did Fred T. Treblecock act as one? A—No, sir.

Q—Had you a conversation with him about the election? A—Yes, I talked him to not on a committee.

Q—What did he say to you? A—He said he would not work on a committee; that he was not a politician, but he was working for free trade.

Q—Did he work? A—I have no doubt he canvassed.

Q—Did you ever see him in the committee rooms? A—Yes, I saw him there; I think he was only there twice; I don't know what he was doing there.

Q—Did you see him on election day? A—Yes.

Q—Was he working? A—He was running around; I presume he was working.

Q—Was Jerry McDonald on your committee? A—Yes.

Q—Were John O'Flaherty and Harry C. Smyth also on? A—Yes.

Q—John P. Evans? A—No.

Q—O. H. Cady? A—No.

Q—Did you know John P. Evans in the election? A—No.

Mr. Blake admitted that all whom Mr. Little had said were committeemen were on the committee.

Q—What communication had you with W. T. R. Preston? A—None.

Q—Do you know Thomas Reid of Toronto, city? A—Yes; he is brother of Geo. M. Reid.

Q—Lud K. Cameron? A—Yes; I know him; he lives in Toronto.

Q—Did you have any communication with him? A—No.

Q—With E. Hutchinson, of Toronto? A—No.

paid for, of course? A—I do not know.

Q—Did you see Ferguson in the committee rooms? A—Once, I think.

Q—In Ward 2, did you know whether Peter Birtwhistle was a committeeman? A—No.

Q—R. H. Dignan? A—No.

Q—Do you know of the organization of the Railway Committee? A—No; I knew there was one.

Q—What arrangements did your committee make for meeting outside voters coming in? A—I don't know. All we had to do was to send the names of absentees to the secretaries and they attended to them.

Q—Did you do personal canvassing yourself? A—Very little.

Q—Did you arrange for any volunteer rigger in No. 1 ward? A—No.

Q—Who did? A—My ward committee did nothing in regard to that. A list was called for in the newspapers.

Mr. Oler said that as Mr. Little desired to be relieved from attending the court, he would consent to go on with the personal charges against him.

Mr. Little, examined by Mr. Blake—My work was simply to organize and superintend; I had nothing to do with sending out outside voters; we merely sent the list of absentees to others, whose duty it was to look after them.

Mr. Little was questioned as to the construction of the hall. There was a large central hall and committee rooms off this.

Mr. Blake—Then it does not follow that any person seen in that place is a committeeman, a messenger or a worker at all?

Mr. Little—No; the enemy might come in, too.

Mr. Blake—You had no tylers or masters of the gold stick? A—No.

Q—Were there any illegal or improper acts in your work? A—No.

Q—Did you warn your people not to do anything that would not be right? A—I did so upon every opportunity.

Q—As far as you believe, your instructions were carried out? A—Yes.

Mr. Oler—I object.

Mr. Blake—Why?

Mr. Oler—It's a blind belief.

Mr. Blake—It's better than you, with no belief at all. (Laughter.)

Mr. Blake (to witness)—Does it follow that the men on the platform in these public meetings were Liberal workers?

Mr. Little—No; I have often seen Conservatives in the wig.

Mr. Blake—You hold out the lamp to the last. (Laughter.)

Mr. Blake—Who is this Treblecock you were asked about? A—A wholesale jeweler. He said he would not work on a committee, but he was anxious for free trade, as he could make more money by putting his goods in the American market.

Mr. Blake—He seems like a sensible man. You know nothing of what he did in the election, then? A—No.

Q—Did you ever see that box spoken about yesterday in the rooms? A—Occasionally; I took some blank voters' lists out of it. I was not aware of anything else being in the box.

Mr. Blake then asked Mr. Little about charge 65, which alleged that Daniel Regan, Frank Leonard, George M. Reid and J. W. Little, license commissioners, and Robert Henderson, license inspector, practiced intimidation on hotel-keepers and other license-holders with a view to making them not vote for Hon. John Carling.

Mr. Little said he had not been a license commissioner for three years. The present commissioners were Messrs. Regan, Leonard and Reid. Mr. Leonard being appointed since March 5 in place of Mr. McClary.

Mr. Blake asked their lordships to note his objection to this charge. A charge like this could not be brought forward without naming specifically the persons in respect of whom the act was committed. The charge was too general.

Mr. Blake to witness—What is the truth of this charge that you practiced intimidation, restraint, force or violence against hotel-keepers?

Mr. Little—There is no truth in it directly or indirectly.

Q—Are you aware of such influence being exercised by any other of the license commissioners? A—I am not.

Q—Did you ever call on any tavern-keeper with the object of inducing him? A—I never called upon any tavern-keeper; I neither went nor sent anyone; I never saw any hotel-keepers in regard to this matter.

Charge 211 was taken up. Mr. Little was charged with bringing John M. Dutton and John Dutton to vote for the respondent. Mr. Blake to witness—What do you say to this? A—It is wholly false.

Mr. Blake—Oh, unholly and false. (Laughter.) What did you have to do with them? A—Nothing whatever; I do not even know John Dutton by sight; I did business with the firm about ten years ago, and I have not spoken to John M. Dutton for five years.

Q—Had you any transaction with them before the election? A—I did not either directly or indirectly.

Justice Ferguson remarked that Mr. Little's evidence could not be more positive.

Mr. Blake then examined Mr. Little on charge 242, charging that several people, amongst them Mr. Little, had subscribed large sums of money for the purpose of influencing electors to vote for Mr. Hyman.

Mr. Blake—Do you know anything of this? A—I did not supply any money to be so expended.

agency and procured names of committeemen.

In regard to this charge Mr. Blake objected to its indefinite nature and before examining Mr. Little he asked permission to go on with the examination as if the particulars were definite though not reserving the right to object to the indefiniteness of the charge.

Mr. Little stepped from the witness box, after over two hours' close examination.

JOHN STEPHENSON, sub-committee chairman in No. 2 Ward, was put on the stand and examined by E. Meredith, principally for the purpose of establishing agencies.

He gave the names of his committeemen in sub-divisions 7 and 8. In reply to a question he said he knew Robert Cowan and had seen him in committee rooms. Witness said he knew nothing about the bringing in of the outside voters, beyond sending the names in. He had been told that the outside vote would be attended to by others. He could not say who told him. The arrangements for the rigs to be used on election day were not discussed in his committee.

To Mr. Blake—Had nothing to do with the communications regarding outside voters, having no reason to conceal anything I know.

Court adjourned at 12:30 p.m. for an hour's intermission.

Friday Afternoon's Session.

The London election trial resumed at 2 o'clock. There were quite a number of latecomers.

George M. Reid was the first witness called. Mr. Oler said he desired to get information about the box which had been in question.

Mr. Reid said the box came to his premises after the election about the middle of March. It was looked at the time and had not been broken into as described.

Witness went away in July, and when he returned it was gone. He opened it before he went away as he wanted something in the box, and having no key unlocked the screws to secure admittance. He got a list of the committeemen from the box and sent it to Mr. Hyman. His warehouse was a convenient place to put the box, as it was next door to the rooms. He had destroyed the subscription list. The total amount was about \$2,000. He could not say whether the book was destroyed before the protest was filed or not. He paid money out when it was required, but he did not know where the money was collected afterwards and deposited in the bank in the name of James Magee, the financial agent.

Mr. Blake offered to get the checks if desired.

Witness continuing said he sent the list of Toronto voters to Thomas Reid, his brother, a barrister in Toronto, asking him to see them and try to get them to vote for him. He remembered the names of John C. Campbell, Fred. J. Keast, J. B. Laing, G. S. T. Bryce, John Rhodes, John E. Chester, L. K. Cameron, John Noble, Charles and H. Hunter, H. J. Job, J. J. McPhillips, N. T. Hyman, G. Cook and Joseph Gordon as being on the list. Witness wrote to H. M. Elliott, of Chicago, and about a dozen more in that city. J. McIntosh, Thomas McGee and H. Schabacker were the only names he remembered on the list, which was prepared by Fred Saunders.

The list was sent to Mr. Elliott, who wrote asking that the voters there wanted tickets. Witness wrote back that he could not do that, and to let the matter drop. He got a telegram the day of the election saying that the voters were coming, and he met some of them at the station.

Q—Did you send a telegram to Elliott? A—No. Fred Saunders might have sent one.

Q—Did you correspond with Mr. Preston about the Chicago vote? A—No; I did not correspond with him about any voters.

Q—What did you do about the Bradford vote? A—I sent it to Mr. A. D. Hardy.

Mr. Hardy was present in court. He did not have the list, but produced a receipt for his list made out by the G. T. R.

Q—Did you write to Buffalo? A—Yes; we sent a printed circular to all within reasonable distance. He did not ascertain where there were any tickets.

Q—Where did you get the special train? A—I knew nothing about it, except that I got a letter from my brother saying the London voters would arrive about noon.

Mr. Oler, along the line of agency establishment, began the examination of the box. The box was not named as mentioned, but witness could not say whether they were agents or not.

To Mr. Blake—Did not know what was in that box placed in my warehouse except the books and papers were required. There was one general fund, and witness said the financial agent's statements of expenses amounted to \$1,807.30, besides a check of \$87 paid by Mr. Hyman, and a small balance remained in the bank. The sub-committees were instructed to send in the names of the outside voters in their respective divisions. Witness was at the station when the Chicago train came in. Only three or four voters came; he supposed those who could better afford it did so.

Q—Do you know of any person who had to do with the payment of these Chicago voters? A—No.

Q—Have you any reason to suppose they did not pay their own fares? A—No.

Mr. Reid gave the same answer to questions regarding voters from other places.

Q—Who was responsible for the carriage of voters from trains to the polling booths? A—I was.

Q—Then it is not surprising that Mr. John Stephenson would know nothing about this? A—Certainly not; it was no part of his duty.

Witness explained that people would have to pass through the rooms below in the Albert Hall to get into the larger room upstairs, where entertainments were frequently held. It would not follow that persons passing through were committeemen; they might be either Conservatives or Reformers. The lower room was partitioned off into committee rooms to these outside voters in respect of this election?

Mr. Little—I did not.

Mr. Blake—Do you know of any arrangements whereby tickets were to be given to any of these persons? A—I do not.

Q—When did you first hear of any charge in connection with this? A—Within the past few days.

Cross-examined by Mr. Oler—I heard nothing about Dutton's getting an order for wolens from the London Lunatic Asylum.

Mr. Blake to Mr. Oler—Some madman has been instructing you. (Laughter.)

Mr. Oler questioned witness about

was, only on agency grounds, and not criminal.

Mr. Blake admitted that Mr. Oler's contention would be correct if his learned friend had confined himself to agency.

Justice Ferguson said the presumption was that the election so far had been an honest one and therefore the evidence was not needed. When it was required he would admit it.

To Mr. Oler—I directed the rigs at the station; they were there when I got there, but I don't know who sent them; the sub-chairman sent in the list; believe D. Ferguson had something to do with it.

Judge Ferguson—Is the word rig correct one?

Mr. Oler—I think it is; it includes the whips.

Mr. Blake—Oh, yes, my lord it is in Webster's dictionary.

Mr. Oler—Yes, and it's in every election trial. (Laughter.)

Witness continued—Know not what rigs were got did not get Hueston's.

To Mr. Blake—We advertised for teams; among others Mr. McGuffin of Thorncliffe, came in in answer to the advertisement.

To Judge Robertson—The teamster when he went to the voter presented a ticket, announcing that he was working for Mr. Hyman.

Judge Robertson—Are there any tickets left?

Witness—I have seen more since election day.

Mr. Oler—The Hamilton way was to sign them by the scrutineers at the booths.

Mr. Blake—My honorable friend introduced it there. It has not got so far west yet.

THE ACCOUNTS.
At this stage the bank account of the Liberal party at last election was produced. Mr. Blake made it out to be \$1,882.50 paid in \$1,702.22 paid by checks; balance in bank, \$159.67.

ALEX. D. HARDY, barrister, Brantford—I formerly practiced law here, and interested myself in promoting Liberal principles; I got a list of voters from the last witness, and visited those mentioned, and requested them strongly to go to London; I got them with nothing else but words; got no tickets, and did not know of any tickets being given; I produce a receipt from the ticket agent at Brantford; I asked him if it was true about free tickets; some of the said he did not know, but perhaps it was so, and I had better take a receipt.

To Judge Robertson—This is simply a receipt for my own ticket.

To Mr. Oler—Some of the voters could ill afford to come, I think, but I did not get them free tickets; I know nothing whatever of any arrangement for free riding; it was a rumour.

Mr. Blake—I came from the C. P. R. (Laughter.)

To Mr. Justice Ferguson—The ticket agent suggested I should take a receipt, and I took a receipt; the receipt was given to me by the ticket agent offered me a receipt.

To Mr. Oler—You did not learn to file away a receipt in London?

Mr. Oler—Why not in London?

Mr. Oler—Well, they don't do it in London. (Laughter.)

To Mr. Blake—I took a receipt to show this, chiefly that I wished to come at my expense; the agent said he knew nothing about free tickets; some of the voters came upon the train; never heard of anyone coming upon free tickets.

Mr. Hardy—So far as I know the agent said he knew nothing about free tickets; there were ten came from Brantford, but they came on an earlier train.

To Judge Robertson—Can't tell why the agent offered me a receipt. He did not know about free tickets; he was free, but that they were to be charged.

Mr. Blake—It was the city agent of the G. T. R. from whom Mr. Hardy bought the ticket. He had heard there were free tickets about; he had known the C. P. R. was running them. (Laughter.)

FRED W. SAUNDERS was examined by E. Meredith, Q.C. Witness said he was appointed one of the Liberal secretaries. He heard nothing about his remuneration until after the election; he might have expected to get some remuneration.

Q—You are a voter? A—Yes.

Q—Was your vote talked about before you undertook this work? A—No.

Mr. Blake objected to the line of questioning. The examination was upon agency only and not upon a particular charge.

Justice Ferguson sustained the objection. Witness, continuing—I wrote letters to outside voters; the letters were put in a drawer; never saw them since the night before the election; did not hear any of these letters being discussed in the committee rooms; witness never saw any letters from Mr. Preston, although he saw a telegram; it contained nothing about the outside vote. Witness wrote out any telegrams to Mr. Preston, and had nothing to do with him. He understood letters were received about the outside voters from Brantford, Toronto, Buffalo, Hamilton and other places.

Q—Was anything said about funds in these letters to outside voters? A—When they mentioned that I always wrote and told them that we would not furnish money.

Mr. Meredith—Never mind what you wrote. Did you hear anything about tickets being issued? A—No.

Q—Do you know anything about the Chicago vote? A—No.

Q—Do you know anything about this box? A—No.

Q—Was this box discussed in the committee rooms? A—I heard nothing about it.

To Mr. Blake—I performed services during the last Carling-Hyman election. In 1889 I looked after the revision of the voting list. During the last election I would have worked whether I was paid or not.

Mr. Blake—Some outside parties wrote, yes, saying about their expenses if they would come to London.

Witness—In every instance I wrote them saying we would like to have them, but the law would not allow us to pay their expenses.

CHARLES W. TAYLOR, business manager of the Toronto Globe—We run a special train to London; know of another special train.

Mr. Blake—Is this regarding any specific charge? If so I will take any objections now.

Mr. Justice Ferguson—There is apparently no pleading for it.

To Mr. Oler—You will find pleading enough for it, my lord. It is 145 and sub-charges thereof.

Mr. Justice Ferguson—Does that satisfy you?

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tion day, my establishment was closed up; I never attended. A committee meeting further than going in and out when these people were in my hotel.

Q—How much larger beer is there in a keg? A—Eight gallons in a quarter and sixteen in a half. Lager is pretty weak. A quarter keg is \$1.75. The larger cost \$12.25. The whisky cost 40 cents or 50 cents. It was not Carling's lager (laughter), but Walker's.

Justice Robertson—That is the worse or Mr. Carling; you treated his friends with another man's beer. (Renewed laughter.)

Mr. Blake—Yes, that is the reason for this charge. (More laughter.)

Witness—I can produce the bill if you want it.

Q—Did you notice any drinking in the bad room? A—No.

Q—Were there any Conservatives there, or was it a colored Reform meeting? A—I do not know.

Q—Was there any canvassing done? A—I saw none beyond what was said in the speeches. There was more fun than politics going on.

Q—Was Mr. Judd at your hotel the night before the election? A—Yes.

Q—Mr. Priddy, Mr. Minihink, Mr. W. J. Reid were there treating? A—Yes. Treating themselves. A great many people were out in my hotel and all over the city the night before the election.

ALEXANDER IRVING, local agent of the Walkerville Brewing Company, sworn—I sold the beer for the colored band meeting; Robert Carrothers ordered it; I sold thirteen imperial gallons, which I delivered at the band-stand about 3 p.m. on March 2—I think. Another half-barrel went to Carrothers' house on March 3. On March 4 he ordered a half-barrel and two quarters barrel.