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BODY WAS HIDDEN IN HOLLOW OF TREE

Louis Porter Was Shot Three Times in Woods Near Minden, Fatal Bullet Having Been Fired While He Was Down and Body Then Dragged 250 Yards.

(By a Staff Reporter).

MINDEN, Ont., April 30.—(Special.)—Nothing else but the murder of Louis Porter is talked about here to-day. The details point plainly to the fact that the man was murdered from ambuscade close to the road when returning from inspecting some traps which he had set near a rapid two miles from his father's house. The murder took place six miles north of Minden on the Cameron Road. The dead man's father says that he left his house about 7 o'clock on Thursday night, and Alex. Ellis, brother-in-law of the murdered man, tells of seeing him pass his house a few minutes later. He says that about an hour afterwards he heard two shots.

When the body was discovered by a search party which worked unsuccessfully all of Saturday and came upon it Sunday noon, it lay in the hollow by an uprooted tree two hundred and fifty yards west of the road and toward Gull Lake. There was evidence that the body had been dragged from the road to this hiding place. The coat collar was drawn up over the head and the sock on the left leg had been rolled down over the boot. A number of stones had been overturned by the dragging.

Blood Stains on Road.

Blood stains on the road told a vivid tale of the tragedy. There was a streak of blood forty-two feet long, ending in a pool. The man had been evidently shot at the beginning of this and had been dropped where the pool was found.

Dr. Pogue has completed a post-mortem upon the body. He discovered three wounds, which does away with the idea that Porter had been shot with his own rifle, as he had only two cartridges when he left his father's house. One bullet entered the arm two inches above the elbow inside and back, and came out about two inches below in the forearm. The second bullet, which entered at the right shoulder, penetrated both lungs and shattered the ribs circling the breast, and lodged at the back of the left shoulder.

Shot After He Fell.

It is believed that the third wound was inflicted after he had fallen. The bullet entered the abdomen and fractured the pelvis, and was found in the muscles of the hip at the back. Dr. Pogue says that the man did not die until after he received this wound.

Two men have been found who say that about dusk on Thursday evening they heard shots coming from the place where the murder was committed. They are Charles Wood and Andrew Harrison, who live a short distance south from this place, at the head of Gull Lake. They declare positively that they heard five shots in rapid succession just at dusk on Thursday night. This differs from Ellis, who says that he heard only two shots, with a considerable interval between them.

The body of Porter was buried in the Minden Cemetery this afternoon. Nearly everybody in the village and vicinity turned out to attend.

Were Not Friendly.

Ellis, the man who last saw Porter alive, is a brother-in-law of the dead man, and it is said that neither Porter nor his father had been friendly with Ellis for some years. In the many theories which are being put forward to explain the murder, there seems to be agreement upon one thing, and that is that Porter was killed by some one who feared him greatly.

It is understood that the dead man had many enemies, and that the name of one man is mentioned everywhere in this connection. No arrest has yet been made, nor is it likely that any will be until after the completion of the inquest, which resumes on Friday night, but which will likely be adjourned until some day next week, before the bulk of the testimony is taken. A provincial detective has been asked for and is expected to-morrow.

A Bargain Day Matinee.

A popular price matinee is announced for the Princess Theatre this afternoon, where "Get Rich Quick Wallingford" is attracting the largest and most delighted audience of the season. The best seats are $1. All the praise that has been bestowed upon this comedy by the press and magazines for the past two years is no more than is deserved by this George M. Cohan play.

The Traders and Royal

The buy-out of the Traders Bank of Toronto by the Royal Bank of Montreal is a very plain finger post of how things are going.

Where is it to end? That's the question business men and the public are asking. Other consolidations will immediately follow if this one is consummated. There's another that might happen any day in Toronto, and a still larger one in Montreal.

We've got to have more banks, and the banks that we have ought to be larger. But the way to make a bank larger is by getting in **more new capital**, and getting the additional capital, if possible, **outside of Canada**. Getting the money in Canada does not increase the available money. It shifts figures from one page of the assets ledger to another. But outside capital brought in by banks is most desirable—it adds to the money store that is available for business. Our banks in Canada should all be doubled in capital, and we believe a way must be found to reach this end.

True, there comes a time in an occasional institution when from lack of the management to provide for a succession of brains and energy, a consolidation with another that happens to be strong in this respect seems to be in order; and it may happen that a board of directors have grown discordant and only radical treatment will tone up the situation; and it may be that real banking power can be got by doubling up. But who has the hardihood to say that this business of consolidation is to go on indefinitely? And once the wave is running it cannot be checked except by law or public opinion. Otherwise it will be two or three great banks and a money trust. It is such a dread that is helping to bring on a revolution in the States.

The temptation to a big bank is to look for big business, to look for promotions, for big ventures. A big bank would sooner deal with one big meat trust that would put all the local butchers out of business. Little banks are for little fellows. A bank created in a province can be best in touch with that province.

And the savings of a locality or a province can do most good when lent out in that section. To drain local money away to one big centre for big business is not the highest service banks can render the public that calls them into existence.

What are the facts of the sell-out of the Traders to the Royal?

CUT HANDCUFFS AND ESCAPED FROM GUARD

Arthur Jarvis of Cornwall Was Being Taken to Central Prison With Eleven Others When He Got Away at Queen and Spadina and Is Still a Fugitive.

Arthur Jarvis of Cornwall, sentenced to Central Prison for six months for theft, made a clean get-away from a provincial inspector at the corner of Queen-street and Spadina-avenue last night. In a chain gang of 12 prisoners Jarvis was brought to Toronto by John J. Ryan of 487 Parliament-st., who is connected with the department of asylums and prisons. When the tarain arrived at the Union Station about 9 o'clock Ryan put his men in an express wagon in order to carry them to the prison. All were handcuffs attached to a long chain.

Jarvis was the end man in the wagon and at the corner of Queen and Spadina he very quietly slipped off and ran along a side street. Ryan did not notice that he only had 11 men in the wagon until the vehicle had gone some distance; then he notified a constable. But Jarvis could not be found. And at an early hour this morning he was still a fugitive.

Jarvis broke away by means of a file, which it is believed he picked up somewhere at the Union Station. Probably he found it in the baggage-room, thru which the 12 prisoners were taken to the wagon, or there is a possibility that it was surreptitiousl handed to him by a local pal.

Jarvis has a bad record, having been confined in Central Prison on several occasions. He is about 25 years of age.

RAILROAD STRIKE AVERTED.

NEW YORK, April 30.—The threatened strike of engineers of the fifty railroads east of Chicago was averted to-night by the signing of an arbitration agreement between the two committees representing the railroads and the engineers.

The arbitration committee will consist of seven members—one from the railroads, one from the engineers, and the other five to be appointed by the two. If the two fail to agree on the five umpires, Chief Justice White, Commissioner of Labor Neill and Judge Knapp will be asked to make the appointments.

COUNTER-CHARGE AT LICENSE INQUIRY

Commissioner Patterson Swears That Farr Offered Him $300 to Guarantee License Renewal — Witness Contradicts Statements of Hotelman Reynolds.

(By a Staff Reporter).

GODERICH, April 30.—Evidence of a flatly contradictory nature was given at the sitting of the commission investigating Centre Huron license matters, arising from the charges of Michael Farr, hotelman, that Wm. Patterson, chairman of the license board, had sought a bribe as a condition of Farr's license being renewed.

Patterson's evidence to-day was that Farr had made a tentative offer to give him (Patterson) $300 if the safety of his license could be guaranteed, and that he had declined to consider any such proposal.

Also conflicting were the statements of James B. Reynolds, another boniface, and John Kelly. The former said that he had neither suggested using money personally to secure renewal of his license, nor had he heard rumors of any such action on the part of others, while Kelly declared Reynolds had spoken of "putting up."

Farr's statement that neither Patterson nor Inspector Asquith was in the habit of paying for meals at his hotel, brought from Commissioner Eudo Saunders a remark that such a practice was reprehensible.

The enquiry will probably be concluded to-day.

Patterson said he had paid four visits to Farr's hotel on March 25, March 29, April 10 and April 19. On the first two visits Farr had expressed some anxiety lest his license be cut off.

Describing the visit of April 10, Patterson said that Porter had accompanied him. Porter had a cold, so took some sugar moistened with rum, and went to the reading room. Patterson attempted to follow, but Farr pulled him back and shut the door. "I told him he would have to take his chances with the others," declared Patterson; "that he had fixed up his hotel and would stand in no great danger." Porter came back, but seeing us in conversation, returned to the reading room.

As to visit on April 19, Patterson declared he had been appointed a local immigration agent, and had come to Goderich to see E. N. Lewis, M.P., but did not find him in. He had called at Farr's hotel for dinner, but Farr did not accept payment.

Offered to Put Up $300.

"Farr told me that it was public talk of the town that the other hotelmen had got themselves fixed solid," said Patterson. "He said it was up to him to do the same thing. He said he heard they were putting up pretty well. I told him that was news to me, and he said they were putting up $500 and

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HARBORD BOYS GO TO BISLEY

Three Cadets Were Chosen at Competition in the Armories and Sail on Saturday.

Five boys will represent Canada at the Empire Day shoot in London, known as the Boys' Bisley. Of these, three will go from Harbord Collegiate, Toronto, one from Hamilton, and one from Brantford. The boys, who are being sent by public and private subscription, leave Toronto on Friday morning, sailing for Liverpool from Portland, Maine, on Saturday.

The competition to decide who should go from Toronto, was held in the armories yesterday, and 40 boys participated. As the Harbord cadets have had more practice with the regulation target rifles, six of them headed the list. The three chosen to represent Toronto, were Cadet Rex Merritt, Lieut. H. H. Heakes and Cadet C. Fox. Fox and R. Reading were tied for third place, and Fox was chosen on his record. He was the next man on the waiting list for the Boys' Bisley team last year.

Cadet-Capt. D. Galer Hagarty, who has twice been to Bisley, is still under the age limit, but did not compete this year, as he wanted others to have an opportunity of going, and he wishes to gain his honor matriculation this year.

A BAD BREAK

BEST HORSE SHOW YET HELD IN TORONTO

Eighteenth Annual Event Opened at Armories by Sir John Gibson Last Night Was Attended by Thousands of People — More Than 1000 Entries of Fine Animals.

"Man's best friend" occupied the place of honor in Toronto last night when the eighteenth annual hourse horse show opened in the armories. No more brilliant event marks the social year in this city than the horse show, and the function which began last night under such auspicious circumstances promises to eclipse all its predecessors in brilliance. Never was the attendance greate. Dame Fashion was at her best. The display of gonws and millinery was beautiful, and even the lieutenant-governor on his arrival at the opening couldn't refrain from passing a word of comment about the magnificence of the spectacle. Lavish indeed were the decorations, and the plain, unadorned interior of the armories was converted into a bower of beauty. The ceilling was draped with an immense brown canopy, whil each end of the building was resplendent with immense fans of red, white and blue. Even the wire supports to the electric lights were enhanced with sprays of green. The horse show colors, yellow and blue, predominated, but the soft contrast of colors in the mural decorations presented a very pleasing sight.

A mass of foliage and ferns lined the main entrance to the arena, and beautiful bouquets of flowers were arranged all around the show ring with colored electric lights almost concealed among the leaves. Musical selections were given by the band of the Royal Grenadiers. Prominent citizens of all walks in life were present, showing the interest taken in the show by every class of the community. Never has there been such a large number of entries. There are upwards of 1000, and teh value of the pirzes is about $7000. The chief exhibitors were, of course, Hon. Clifford Sifton, Hon. Adam Beck, and Mr. Cox of the Enniscliare Farm, Oakville.

Officially Opened.

About 8 p.m. his honor the lieutenant-governor arrived, accompanied by Lady Gibson, the Misses Gibson and Mr. Fellowes, A.D.C. They were received by George H. Beardmore, M.F.H., General Cotton, and Captains Young and Osborne.

His honor's words were few and quite

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DELIVERY OF THE WORLD at the Island will be resumed to-morrow, Wednesday, May 1st. Telephone all orders for Daily and Sunday World to Circulation Department—Main 5308.

Operation on J. P. Mabee

Judge J. P. Mabee, chairman of the Dominion Railway Board, underwent on operation for appendicitis in St. Michael's Hospital yesterday morning at 8 o'clock. He was reported at an early hour this morning as resting quietly. Dr. Bruce performed the operation.

NEW STEAMER WAS LAUNCHED

Collingwood Held Big Celebration and Heard Speeches From Hon. J. D. Hazen and Hon. T. W. Crothers.

COLLINGWOOD, April 30.—(Special.)—The launching of the new Canadian Government steamer "Estivan," which is to be used in the lighthouse service on the Pacific Coast, took place at the yards of the Collingwood Shipbuilding Company here this afternoon. Miss Helen Currie, daughter of Major J. A. Currie, M.P. for North Simcoe, christened the boat. Following the ceremony, a banquet was held at which Hon. J. D. Hazen, minister of marine and fisheries, and Hon. T. W. Crothers, minister of labor, spoke. The banquet was tendered by the Collingwood Board of Trade in honor of the two cabinet ministers and Major Currie, and was the most notable in the history of the town.

Hon. Mr. Hazen delivered an address on the large program before the government in the matter of shipbuilding and ship industries, and general marine improvements. The visitors were later entertained at a civic luncheon.

Ax Descends on Kingston Hotels

KINGSTON, April 30.—(Special.)—The ax has fallen on ten hotel licenses voted to be cut off by the ratepayers at the municipal elections. This afternoon the board of license commissioners cut off the licenses of the following: Club Hotel, P. M. Thompson; Kennedy House, W. B. Dunnigan; Eccles Bros., Grand Opera House Hotel; P. McKenna, Imperial Hotel; J. Cousineau, Brunswick Hotel; Mrs. McConnell, Collender House; Mulville & Driscoll, Grimason House; George Jenman, Russell Hotel; Conrad Haag, Hub Hovincial Hotelcmfwyp mfwyp mfwyp mf tel; Lewis Martin, Revere Hotel.

Jas. Spence, The Hall, and C. Horne's Provincial Hotel have been extended two months to allow them to find suitable premises.

SCHOOL AND COLLEGE CAPS

The Dineen Company, 140 Yonge-st., has on sale a very fine collection of school and college caps, just received from England. They are the accepted designs by the select colleges of the British Isles. The Dineen Company has also on sale special crest caps for St. Andrew's College, Model School and Harbord Collegiate Institute; also mortar boards for varsity students and all kinds of sporting caps.

SEARCH FOR DEAD DEEPLY MOVING SPECTACLE

Grim Ceremonials in Halifax Rink, Transformed Into Morgue, Where Relatives Seek to Identify Bodies of Titanic Victims — Remains Not Mutilated.

HALIFAX, April 30.—(Can. Press.)—Strangely solemn and profoundly impressive is the interior of the Mayflower Curling Rink morgue to-night. This structure, which has on more than one occasion been the scene of all that represents life, has been completely transformed for the silent sleepers gathered from the deep.

Never before in the history of Halifax has such a spectacle been witnessed. All this afternoon and late tonight more than a score of embalmers with a large number of assistants were engaged in embalming the bodies at the Mayflower morgue. Orders were given by the White Star Line that all bodies should be embalmed, properly clothed and prepared for burial. As a result of the first day's work twenty-five bodies have been embalmed.

The bodies so far examined present no marks of mutilation. Most of them are frozen and many slightly decomposed. As a result of the frost work on many of the bodies to-day has been of necessity much retarded. The bodies of Col. Astor, I. Straus and H. J. Allison were identified early and transferred to the undertaking rooms of John Snow. Owing to the width of the usual casket the remains had to be placed in a specially built and narrow casket to admit of passage thru the door of the private car.

Pathetic Incidents Many.

Altho the officials in the coroner's office are standing as little as possible on formality, yet a certain routine and system has to be gone thru before the bodies can be disposed of. Any authorized person having any idea as to the identity of a certain body is allowed to examine the effects and clothing, and if able thereby to prove the identity, they are given charge of the remains. Many pathetic scenes were observed as anxious ones eagerly scanned papers or examined a ring to see if it might be the property of their departed.

One man, on coming away from the coroner's table after a vain attempt at identification, was heard to remark: "I thought at first when I saw the brown suit and grey sweater that it was for sure the clothing of my loved one."

In addition to the bundles of clothing displayed in the upper room of the marquee, are small canvas bags, also numbered and containing the effects taken from the clothing on the bodies. Identification cards for all the bodies are being made to aid in the work. A typical card picked up from the pile

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TAFT, ROOSEVELT ARE RUNNING CLOSELY

President Has Lead of Few Hundreds Only in Rock-ribbed Massachusetts and Issue in Doubt — Roosevelt Delegates Capture Boston—Clark Ahead of Wilson.

BOSTON, April 30.—(Can. Press.)—Returns from presidential primaries held thruout the state to-day were so incomplete at midnight that it was impossible to saw whether Col. Theodore Roosevelt had succeeded in inducing the voters of his party to elect the majority of the thirty-six delegates from Massachusetts to the national convention in his favor.

While Boston gave the president a small majority on the presidential preference vote, the Roosevelt delegates got big majorities. The manufacturing towns gave Col. Roosevelt majorities, and even some of the Cape Cod towns. Senator Murray Crane's home district went against the president.

The Republican vote was much larger than that cast by the Democrats, Champ Clark getting big majorities over Woodrow Wilson thruout.

The Standing.

Returns from 471 out of the 1080 election precints, including parts of ten cities and 160 towns out of 33 cities and 320 towns, give:

Republican preferences: La Follette 663, Roosevelt 25,451, Taft 28,215.

Delegates at large: Baxter (heading Roosevelt group) 26,135, Crane (heading Taft group) 21,977.

Democratic preferences: Clark 16,819, Wilson 7511.

Delegates at large: Coughlin (pledged to Foss) 16,101, Williams (for primary preference) 5435.

Complete returns from the City of Boston give: Republican preferences: La Follette 240, Roosevelt 10,651, Taft 11,282.

Delegates at large: Baxter 10,918; Crane 10,078.

Democratic preferences: Clark 14,300; Wilso 5879.

Delegates at large: Coughlin (pledged to Foss) 13,389; Williams 4020.

LIBEL ACTION AGAINST FARR

Proprietor of Goderich Hotel Sued By Chairman of License Board, But Inquiry Goes On.

William Patterson, chairman of the board of license commissioners of Centre Huron, is instituting an action for $5000 damages for libel against Michael Farr, proprietor of the Union Hotel at Goderich on account of the statement of the latter when in the witness box at the investigation opened by Eudo Saunders of the provincial license department, at that town Monday afternoon, that Mr. Patterson had offered to secure Farr against the cancelation of his license for the consideration of $500.

It was suggested that the investigation be allowed to stand over pending the trial of the libel suit, but this Provincial Secretary Hanna emphatically declined to accede to, and the investigation will go on.

HORSEMANSHIP

It is worth while going to the Horse Show to see the high-class saddle horses perform at the jumps; and at least of equal interest to see the good horsemen sit their horses. And horse and rider look their best in procession at the walk after they get thru around the ring. The greatest picture of men on horses at the walk is the Athenian marbles that were on the temple; but no one need look at any better than Hamilton and Wilson as professionals or Mr. Gordon Myles or Mr. Allan Case as amateurs. No one has been able to show Hamilton (a Canadian) anything in sitting and handling a horse either at New York or at Olympia. How he sits into his mount, how his hands and hold of the reins are into himself and how he puts and keeps his horse's head just where he wants it, and gives him a little or a lot of it when he has to. They are all together—horse, man, hands and horse's head. And not an ounce of energy wasted by either. Finished horse, finished man, finished performance! And the good horses all go at the work of jumping, knowing exactly what they have to do. And the good horse and the good rider make all the adjustments in the flash of a second that they have to make to do the trick—for no two flights are exactly the same. And the faces of rider and of horse are the faces of determination and of courage. The horse and his rider are not yet things of the past.

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