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COALITION LEADS UNIONISTS BY 7

O'Brien and Mate Capture City of Cork

WM. REDMOND BEATEN

He is Brother of Nationalist Leader — Liberal Paper Calls on Balfour to Retire After Third Failure to Lead his Party to Victory

Associated Press

London, Dec. 7—The coalition party takes six out of the ten seats in the next parliament in the unopposed returns this morning, giving it a majority of seven members elcted to date. The respective aggregates are coalition 158; Unionists 151.

Among those returned unopposed today the most intersting candidates were Arthur Hamilton Lee, Austen Chamberlain, Unionists; and John Swift MacNeill, Nationalist, who has sat for Donegal south since 1887.

William O'Brien, Independent Nationalist, leader, has been elcted in Cork city, defating William Redmond, brother of John E. Redmond, the Nationalist leader. The "All For Ireland" party won both seats in Cork city, M. Healy defeating Augustine Roche.

Announcement Was Held Back

So much feeling was aroused between the parties in Cork that it was thought wise not to announce the victory for the "All for Ireland" party last night and the results were first made known today.

In the preceding election O'Brien had a majority of 759 over Dr. W. Murphy. At the same time the other Nationalist candidate was elected. In the present campaign William Redmond, the sitting member for the east divison of Clare decided to contest O'Brien's seat for Cork and the announcement of his intention was the signal for a fight that on several occasions developed into serious rioting.

Calls on Balfour to Retire

London, Dec. 7—Today's Liberal morning papers are enthusiastic over yesterday's election returns saying that the government would return to power with an increased majority. The Liberal Daily News asks whether Mr. Balfour will retain the leadership of his party after thrice leading them to defeat, and declares that no British statesman since popular representation was established has such a record.

There has been little cessation of the platform efforts. Mr. Balfour spoke last night in Chester, devoting himself to the home rule question and challenging the Liberal leaders to explain what their home rule policy is. He also defended the principle of the referendum.

Times' Special Cable

London, Dec. 7—Ther is great enthusiasm in the ministerial ranks. They are jubilant in confidence of victory already won. The gains announced in Sunderland put them in great heart for yesterday's contests as the successes in London and elsewhere were declared last night in inspiring prophecies of a great triumph over the lords.

Hon. Winston Churchill, speaking at Dundee, last evening, said the results were extremely encouraging. He was entirely satisfied. If five or thirty-five seats were lost, it would make no difference to the government who were bound by their pledges whatever the fortunes of the electoral battle.

Hon. Mr. Balfour at Chester, said the election was still young. Many hard battles had to be fought and those battles might extend further into the future.

Lord Balfour, of Burleigh, speaking to the Glasgow Free Trade Club, pleaded for a conference for consideration and of joint action believing that, if the best brains of the country were brought together, a true, durable, and righteous solution might be found, which could not be reached by adoption of a policy by the government.

A letter received from T. S. Sproule, dated house of Commons, Ottawa, denies that Orangemen appeared on T. P. O'Connor's platforms in Canada.

Hon. A. Birrell, speaking in Plymouth, said the terms of the home rule in the speeches by the leaders would knock on the head all the nonsense now talked. There would be no murder or treason or rebellion under the new order of things.

There is keen interest in today's contests. The Liberals hope to win Bow and Bromley, where L. S. Amery is reported to have been talking "above the peoples' heads." They expect to capture Mileend and probably Radnorshire while the conservatives are making strenuous efforts to

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BOSTON BARS ALL PRIZE RING PICTURES

Boston, Dec. 7—Pictures of all kinds which show pugilists engaged in fistic encounters wil henceforth be barred from exhibition in Boston, according to an announcement made by Mayor Fitzgerald. The declaration came after the mayor had refused permission for a local theatre to exhibit moving pictures of the recent Moran-Nelson mill.

THE WEATHER

Strong east and north winds with snow Thursday; westerly winds.

BLIND BOY EXPERT AS ELECTRICIAN AND WIRELESS OPERATOR

New York, Dec. 7—On the third floor of the headquarters of the New York Association for the Blind, at No. 118 East Fifty-Ninth street, is an eighteen-year-old boy, John W. Ellis, of No. 106 West Eighty-ninth street, whom the handicap of blindness has not prevented from becoming

JOHN W. ELLIS

an expert amateur electrician and wireless telegraph operator. The wireless outfit, made by his own hands, with which he sends and receives messages to nearby stations and ships at sea is the chief attraction to visitors at the fair and sale of the association.

Young Ellis became interested in wireless telegraphy six months ago. There are works on electricity published in Braille, the raised type used by the blind in reading and he read these several times before beginning the construction of his outfit. He uses a silicon cup for the resistance, and this as well as the coil, key, aerial wires and sparking apparatus, was made by himself.

P. E. I. PRESBYTERY HAS APPROVED UNION BASIS

Vote Was 41 to 7—Cunningham on the Stand in His Own Defence in Murder Trial

Summerside, P. E. I., Dec. 7—(Special)—The debate on the basis of church union in P. E. Island presbytery yesterday in Charlottetown occupied seven hours, and by a vote of 41 to 7 the basis as recommended by the assembly was approved of. Among the union speakers were Rev. R. G. Strathie of Summerside and Rev. John Murray, moderator of the maritime synod. The chief opposition came from Rev. T. F. Fullerton and T. C. James of Charlottetown. A motion to defer the final vote till after the question was submitted to the sessions and congregations was defeated on the division stated.

Ulford Cunningham, tried for the murder of William Skerry, took the stand in his own defence yesterday and said he and Skerry had been drinking the night the latter disappeared. He remembered nothing after leaving Skerry until he woke up the next morning. The trial will probably close today.

PRINTING BUREAU INQUIRY AT OTTAWA

Ottawa, Dec. 7—(Special)—An inquiry into the affairs of the printing bureau was commenced this morning by the public accounts committee. Charles Parmelee was examined by Messrs. Northrup and Lennox as to the general organization of the bureau. The operations of Gouldthrite, the late superintendent of stationary were touched on and Mr. Parmelee said when he went there that Gouldthrite had been there so long and had such a high reputation that he had every confidence in him. There was little check on Gouldthrite's operation.

RAILWAY BROTHERHOOD BUY $100,000 HOME

Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 7—A deal was closed last night by which the building committee of the Brotherhood of Railway Firemen and Enginemen purchased for $100,000 the Memorial Hall building at West Sixth street and Superior Ave, as the site for the order's national headquarters building.

The present headquarters are in Peoria, Ills. An office building similar to the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, $1,000,000 structure here may be erected.

Awful Death of Boy

New York, Dec. 7—While he was frolicking with some other boys who worked with him in a factory, Louis Scorer fell into a vat filled with a solution of cyanide of potassium.

He opened his mouth to scream, swallowed some of the solution and died in agony.

Fire in Steamer's Cargo

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 7—Unable to extinguish fire in the holds of the Austrian steamer Giulia for more than two weeks, the ship today is being flooded with sea water. The Giulia's cargo of cotton, pig iron and staves is valued at $400,000. The cost of fighting the fire will be $20,000 to say nothing of the damage.

LETTER RATE TWO CENTS TO AUSTRALIA

Penny Postage With British Empire in Effect on May 1 —British Trade Policy Speeches

Times' Special Cable

London, Dec. 7—Penny postage between Australia, Great Britain and the British possessions will be introduced on May 1, 1911.

The Standard publishes a report that Canadian boards of trade who responded to its enquiries are practically unanimous for imperial preference.

Sir G. W. Ross has an article in the Morning Post on the need for reciprocity, and says Canada wants a preference as a defence of the empire against disintegration as the only remaining force whereby its permanent unity can be perpetuated. He asks is British statesmanship equal to the task.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY SIR WILFRED WELL PLEASES NEW ZEALAND

Means Earlier Mails and a Growth of Business Between Countries

Wellington, N. Z., Dec. 6—Considerable satisfaction has been expressed with the cable sent by Sir Wilfrid Laurier, prime minister of Canada, to Sir Joseph Ward in connection with the Vancouver mail service, the new arrangement bringing mail ten days earlier to New Zealand. The message was read in parliament and contained the following announcement: " . . . . we are today informing the government of the commonwealth of Australia that we forthwith notify the contractors that they have the permission of the government of Canada to make a call each way at New Zealand, under the old (existing) contract. I am expressing the hope that Australia will concur and also informing Australia that in any case Canada is obliged to stipulate that from August next New Zealand must have a port of call."

As a result of the decision of the commonwealth government to have a port of call in New Zealand, it will be possible for the latter to trade largely with the west of Canada in frozen meat and dairy produce, in addition to which Canada might buy hide skins, wool and gum direct.

LIFE TERM IN PRISON

Wendling Found Guilty of Murder of Little Girl in Church

Louisville, Dec. 7—Joseph Wendling was found giulty of the murder of 8-year-old Alma Kellner and his punishment is fixed at life imprisonment.

Wendling was talking to his wife when the verdict was announced. He remained perfectly calm. "I e ther killed the l tle girl or I did not," he said. "They should either send me to the elctric chair or turn me loose."

Although four possible verdicts might have been returned under the instructions of the court, the one found was merely "Murder."

The evidence against Wendling was purely circumstantial. Since his arrest and throughout his trial he denied any knowledge of the fate of the Kellner child.

Witnesses tesified, however, that Wendling, then janitor of St. John's Catholic church, was seen in the church the morning the little girl went there to mass. She was never seen again. Months later charred and dismembered portions of her body were found hidden beneath the church music room.

She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kellner of Louisville and a niece of Frank Fehr, a mililonaire brewer, who spent much time and money in the search for the child and the prosecution of Wendling.

GETS THREE YEARS

LaCour, Royalist, is Sentenced for Attack Upon Premier of France

Paris, Dec. 7—The Royalist Lacoure, who assaulted Premier Briand two weeks ago in the Tuilleries Garden was yesterday sentenced to three years imprisonment. Lacour raised the point that the court was incompetent to try the case, and refused to plead. He was thereupon condemned by default. On his previous examination Lacour admitted that the act was premeditated and openly gloried in what he had done.

Leon Daudot, son of Alphonse Daudot and editor of a Royalist newspaper, testified that the Royalists endorsed Lacour's act. Directly after the assault Lacour was elected vice-president of the "Camelots" du Roi," an organization of young Royalists.

CHANGES IN CATHOLIC CHURCH LAWS READ

New York, Dec. 7—Changes in the ecclesiastical law of the Roman Catholic church as promulgated by Pope Pius X, were announced to the clergy of the arch diocese of New York yesterday at the triennial synod held in St. Patrick's Cathedral. More than 600 priests attended.

The most important decree in the "maxima cura," decided upon by the consistorial congregation at Rome, which takes from the bishop or archbishop of a diocese, the power to remove a pastor. Hereafter the power of removal will rest with the "de amotione parochi," which consists of six priests besides the archbishop. Nine reasons for the removal of a pastor have been decided upon by the consistorial congregation at Rome.

SENSATIONAL SPRINT IN THE 'CYCLE RACE

Crowd in Madison Square Garden in Frenzy of Excitement Watching the Madly Pedalling Riders

New York, Dec. 7—Ten teams were left in the six day bicycle race as the third day of the grind in Madison Square Garden got well under way today, after an early morning sprint that was one of the most sensational on record and which worked the big crowd present into a frenzy of excitement.

In the course of the rapid circling of the track by the madly pedalling riders, three teams were once lapped, one team, the Rutt-Stol combination, lost two laps, and the Walthour-Lawson team was so badly distanced that it quit the race.

Wiley of the Wiley-Lawrence team, one of the pairs which had lost a lap in the sprint, quit the race at 7.21 o'clock. Lawrence had fours from that time to team up and continue the race. Hill led the sprint, which resulted in the sensational shake-up and was ably aided by Fogler.

It was some time before the scorers were able to untangle the mix-up and definitely place the riders. After it was all over the men were so tired out that only perfunctory riding was indulged in for hours and the crowd which stayed until the garden was cleared had its wait for nothing. At 8 o'clock the score stood:—

Hehir and Goulet, 1,109.1; Fogler and Hill, 1,109.1; Root and Moran 1,109.1; Mitton and Thomas, 1,109.1; Cameron and Halstear 1,109.1; Collins and Drobach, 1,109.1; Pye and Walker, 1,109.1; MacFarland and Clarke, 1,109; West and Demara, 1,109; Rutt and Stoll, 1,108.9. The record is 1,128 miles 8 laps made by Root and Fogler in 1909.

HUNDRED POLICE SEEK MADMAN

Elevated Railroad Watchman in New York Fatally Shot By Him Early Today

New York, Dec. 7—Albert Balk, a watchman employed in the up-town yards of the Elevated Railroad here, was shot and fatally wounded early today by a madman. A hundred policemen are searching for the assailant, who escaped with revolver cocked in his hand. Balk was stamping across the snow covered ties on his inspection of the yards, when the madman—a full bearded man of gaunt appearance—jumped out from behind a side-tracked car holding a big revolver in his right hand. In an insane fury he pulled the trigger twice, both bullets taking effect. A black overcoat found lying across the rail of the car behind which the madman had been hiding, contained a note-notebook with the name "Simon Byrant, Denver, Colo." and an empty medicine bottle from the Hospital in Denver.

GRIM TRAGEDY OF CANADA'S WEST

Three Homesteaders Found Dead From Gas Poisoning—Stove Dampers Closed

Hartney, Man., Dec. 7—(Special)—There took place in Hartney town hall yesterday the funeral services of three young men of this place who last week lost their lives in a shanty on a homestead near Unity, Sask., by being suffocated by coal gas at night from a stove with dampers closed.

The names of the men are, Norman Laughland, John Thom and John Burrell. Frank Laughland, who was also in the shanty is, believed to be recovering from gas poisoning.

YOUNG HUSBAND A THIEF THAT BRIDE MIGHT DRESS WELL

New York, Dec. 7—A fragile looking lad, just past 19 years old, stood before Judge Mulqueen and, pleading guilty to grand larceny, told how he had robbed the jewelry firm with which he was employed that he might obtain money to impress his youthful wife and give her good clothes to wear.

The prisoner was Ernest Milton Mott, and when he confessed in court that he stole that he might delight his wife with pleasing raiment, his young bride fainted and had to be carried from the room.

Mott was sentenced to a term in prison of not less than 2 1-2 years and not more than four years and eight months.

FRENCH HAVE SEVERE ENCOUNTER WITH TRIBESMEN

Paris, Dec. 7—The minister of the colonies has received a despatch from Dakur Senegal, French West Africa, stating that a French column under Lieut. Col. Moll had a desperate engagement in the Ouadai region on Nov. 9, with the combined forces of the Sultans of Ouadai, Massalit and Doudmourah.

The French troops repulsed the tribesmen with heavy loss. The despatch does not give an estimate of the French losses, but indicates that they were severe. Colonel Moll and Lieut. Joly are reported to be among the killed.

Want Scotch Clergyman

Boston, Dec. 7—The position of Dean of the Crane Theological school has been offered to Rev. Dr. John Hunter, minister of Trinity church, Glasgow, Scotland, by the trustees of Tufts college.

MASSACRE OF INDIANS REPORTED

White Horse Thieves Suspected of Slaying Fourteen of the Shoshone Tribe in Nevada

Washington, Dec. 7—Fourteen Shoeshone Indians are supposed to have been killed and their bodies with those of their horses buried in two trenches in Elk county, Nevada, according to a communication sent to the department of justice by T. Barney Lee, prosecuting attorney for Cassius county, Idaho, who seeks the departments aid in bringing to justice the murderers who are said to be white horse thieves.

The attorney writes that his informers are three Indians whose wives and children were among those "slaughtered by white men, and their bodies concealed and burned." Coincident with the reports, according to Attorney Lee's letter, three bad characters disappeared from the vicinity of the crime, one of whom brought the first report of the crime having been committed.

Rumors of the masacre drifted into Albion, Idaho, last week according to Mr. Lee. Upon investigation an old wagon and two trenches hastily covered, were found. The trenches, it is alleged, contained a number of carcasses, probably those of horses and it is supposed that the bodies of the Indians were beneath them. It was evident, according to Mr. Lee that the horses were led to the edge of the trench and there slaughtered.

Mr. Lee in his letter, says that he has brought the matter to the attention of the Department, for the reason that there has been little activity shown on the part of the Nevada officials to bring the slayers to justice. This condition, he says, has caused a feeling of discouragement among the Indians.

HEAVY ARCTIC MAIL

Some of it Will Not Reach Destination Until Next April

Edmonton, Alta., Dev. 7—Six hundred pounds of some of the most precious mail that was ever handled by any government left here this week on its long trip north, some of it to the very shores of the frozen Arctic.

It will take the Hudson Bay Company's experienced carriers, with their trusty dog teams at least till next April to complete their trip.

Six hundred pounds is the maximum weight the company will carry on one trip to the northern lands, and this time there were 692 pounds, 92 pounds of which were left behind till the next trip, which will be in January.

In the pack there are 1,249 letters. 57 post cards, and various other kinds of long looked for messages, for which isolated and anxious men and women in the land of the Midnight Sun have been waiting since the last carrier made the arduous trip over the frozen streams, snowy plains and wooded bluffs.

CHILD WAS NOT DEAD

Little One Sat up and Undertaker Collapsed

New York, Dec. 7—Just as the undertaker put out his hands to lift the body of three-year-old Lillian Viand today to prepare her for burial, the child sat bolt upright in her winding sheet, opened her eyes and cried: "Mamma, I want my mamma. I'm cold."

The undertaker fell back in a chair, nearly fainting, but, regaining his presence of mind, he snatched up blankets and wrapped the child in them and rushed downstairs to where the parents were. A doctor was brought, and said he believed the child's life had come back permanently.

The little girl had been ill five days with convulsions. She stiffened, her eyes showed glazed, and none of the familiar tests showed any signs of life. The undertaker's asistant was just tying crepe on the street door when the father bolted out for the doctor.

ELEVATOR BURNED

Mamoth Grand Trunk Structure at Port Dalhousie is Destroyed

St. Catharines, Ont., Dec. 7— The Grand Trunk's mammoth elevator at Port Dalhousie was destroyed by fire early today, Help was sent from St. Catharines, but nothing could be done to save the elevator.

With the exception of Powell's coal shed the rest of the adjoining property was saved. The loss is esimated at more than $100,000.

WOMAN'S HATPIN HOLDS UP TRAFFIC

London, Dec. 6—A woman's hat and hair held up the traffic on London's underground railway the other evening. It happened at a busy West end station.

"Passengers off first, please," was the warning of the conductors when a crowd tried to push into a car and others wanted to get out. But one exit was blocked by a tall woman who stuck in the doorway.

She had unfortunately got her gigantic headgear spiked on some protuberance in the doorway on one side, and a hatpin fastened her securely to the other. Much advice, polite and otherwise, was given by those who wished to get on and those who were anxious to get off.

But the lady refused the simple suggestion to take her hat off, and it was not till her hat was cleared from the spike that the way was opened and the train was permitted to go on.

CHINESE GIRLS ARE BRUTALLY TREATED

Smuggled Across the Pacific For Slavery

PUT IN A LOCKER

Make Ocean Voyage in Dark Place Below Decks, Fourteen Feet Square—Not a Ray of Light of any Kind During Whole Voyage — Authorities Step In

San Francisco, Dec. 7—Seven Chinese girls, captured on Sunday when an attempt was being made to smuggle them ashore from the steamer Manchuria, told a story yesterday that for brutality concedes nothing to the workings of the earlier African slavery.

Immigration officials say there is no doubt the girls were being brought here to be sold into the white slave trade. The girls are from fourteen to nineteen years old. All but one of them declare that they were kidnapped in Hong Kong. This one had previously been in America and had been deported. Eight Chinese men were also in the room with the women.

The narrative was obtained from the girls by Chief Assistant Immigration Commissioner Harry Edsell, who spoke to them in their own tongue.

They said they had made the journey from China in a locker fourteen feet square, below decks, a place without ventilation. Not a ray of light, natural or artificial, did they see on the entire voyage. Their only food and drink was some dried fruit and cold tea, which had been left for them before the departure of the steamer.

Edsell says a thorough investigation is to be made of the operations of the smuggling ring that is supposed to be at work.

LIFE IN NEW YORK WITHOUT THE MONEY

New York, Dec. 7—Mrs. Ida Goldman, only twenty years old, trudged ten miles through a blinding snow storm yesterday, pushing her baby before her in a dilapidated baby carriage. Exhausted and numb with cold, she applied for relief at a municipal lodging house. She said she had been dispossessed from a municipal room in the upper part of the city because she was unable to pay the rent. Her husband, a cabinet maker, is a victim of tuberculosis, and in a hospital.

FROM FARM TO FORTUNE

Glasgow Man Gets Million Left Him by Brother in New York

New York, Dec. 7—Three short weeks ago John M. McCluskey, a farm hand, was loading a wagon with turnips on a little farm at Busby, just back of Glasgow, Scotland, and wondering how he would get through the week on two shillings and a sixpence. Now McCluskey, accompanied by Andrew Wilson, a New York lawyer, is here to take title to a fortune estimated at a million dollars, left him by his brother, a paper box manufacturer, in this city.

The brothers lost track of each other for eighteen years and the lawyers had a hard time locating McCluskey to tell him of his fortune.

VICTORIA GROWS

Australian State Has Gained Nearly 29,000 In the Year

Melbourne, Victoria, Dec. 6—According to official figures the population of the state has increased by 28,933 for the year. This is the greatest advance that has been made during the last twenty years. The growing prosperity of the state of Victoria has resulted in a large increase in imports from overseas, as well as the wharfage dues collected by harbor trusts. Of the total revenue of £236,537 for the nine months ending Sept. 30(£200,068 came from the wharfage. The total revenue for the same period of the previous year amounted to £196,168, of which £163,755 represented wharfage rates.

With regard to the savings banks, the increased deposits tend to show not only that the depositors are in a more prosperous condition, but that they are also becoming thrifty. The total amoun of depositors' balances published in the report for the year ending June 30 amounted to £15,417,888, or £1,316,178 more than at the corresponding date of the previous year. When the commissioners took over the post office savings bank in 1898, the total amount of depositors, balance was £8,099,364. There were 560,515 accounts open on June 30 or 28,090 in excess of the number opened in 1909.

AN APPENDICITIS PARTY

Daughter of Pittsburg Millionaire Starts a New Fad

Pittsburg, Dec. 7—News of an appendicitis party, the latest Pittsburg society fad, has just leaked out, and to Miss Edith Flynn, daughter of William Flynn, multi-millionaire, belongs the credit of having started the fad.

Miss Flynn is recovering after a severe illness following an operation for appendicitis. For a time her condition was alarming, but she is recovering.

Friends rejoicing over the recovery of Miss Flynn told the story of a reception previous to entering the hospital. She had for some time been importuned by her physicians to undergo an operation for appendicitis, and, as she was not feeling badly, the rich man's daughter in jest sent for her friends to attend a party at her father's home. The party was a great success, most of the highest social set in which Miss Flynn moved attending, while those who could not come sent regrets. With the reception over, Miss Flynn, the elder sister, and relatives went to the hospital the same night, and some days later she underwent the operation.

CHICAGO STRIKE GOES ON

Chicago, Dec. 7—Refusal of the clothiers' and tailors' organizations to negotiate with the garment workers' representatives toward ending the strike which has been on for several weeks, and has cost millions of dollars in loss of wages and trade, yesterday ended the hopes of Mayor Busse and his aldermanic committee of strike settlers that peace was in sight.

Chief of Police Steward has granted a permit to the strikers to parade today. Representatives of the employers' association said their refusal to treat with the workers was due to the determination that the union should not be recognized in any way.

H. L. COULTHARD SAYS HE EDITS THE GLEANER

Crocket Libel Case Develops a Surprise—Crowd too Big for Court Room

Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 7—(Special)—The preliminary examination of James H. Crocket, of the Gleaner, charged with criminal libel, was commenced today before Police Magistrate Marsh. So large a crowd attended that adjournment had to be made to the city council chamber. A. J. Gregory, K. C., appeared for prosecution and J. B. M. Baxter of St. John, for the defendant.

The witnesses examined this morning were J. Douglas Black, city editor of the Gleaner, and H. L. Coulthard. The object of calling them was to prove the authorship of the articles which appeared in the Gleaner of November 25, accusing McLellan with having forged the name of G. B. Fraser of Chatham to a telegram. Neither Black nor Coulthard was able to tell who wrote the article, although Coulthard said that it passed through his hands. He said it was written with pencil and it might have been in the handwriting of James H. Crocket. He created some surprise by swearing that he had been editor of the Gleaner since March, 1909, having been appointed by J. H. Crocket.

The defendant's counsel cited the ruling of Judge White in the Free Speech case in objecting to admission of statements published in the Gleaner previous to publication of the libel complained of, but the court decided against him. The case will be resumed this afternoon.

Col. McLean, M. P., held a very successful tea social at Lincoln last evening, and made an address on the naval question. Tonight he will speak at Hoyt Station.

Hugh O'Neill's bakery was slightly damaged by fire early this morning.

A NICE WINTER STORM

What threatened to be an old-fashioned northeast snow-storm developed this morning and at an early hour this afternoon the ground was pretty well covered with a white blanket. The frost of the last few days has made the ground very hard and the indications are that the snow will remain for some days at least.

Gusts of wind blew it on the car tracks and at times delayed the cars and broke up the schedule. The construction car was sent out over the lines with a supply of salt to prevent the rails being coated. Incoming trains reported that the storm was general throughout the surrounding country.

"DISGRACEFUL INTRIGUE" IN TORY ALLIANCE WITH NATIONALISTS

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 7—(Special)— H. M. Mowat, K.C., president of the Ontario Reform Association in addressing the annual meeting of the East Toronto Liberal Association last night charged that there was today being fabricated in Toronto a most disgraceful intrigue by self-styled Conservative leaders, it being an attempt to weaken Sir Wilfrid Laurier by joining with the Nationalists of Quebec while pretending to denounce their tactics.

It was an open secret, Mr. Mowat declared, that some Conservatives had repudiated such an attempt but they and the president of the Borden Club would respond to the party whip of Messrs. Bristol, Foster and MacDonald.

"Sir Wilfrid Laurier may bend for a time to the breath, but he will not break because his Liberal principles are too deeply rooted to be affected by any spasmodic, temporary burst of political hatred," said Mr. Mowat who charged that Armand Levergne on his recent visit to Toronto had been privately made of by Conservative leaders.