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WHISKEY LADEN PLANE WRECKED

Montreal Newspaper Clue to Source of Supply.

Airship Smashed in Landing in New York State and Pilot Gets Away in Auto—Hundred Bottles Broken, 50 are Sound.

(Canadian Press)

New York, May 16—An airplane, laden with choice Scotch and Irish whiskey was wrecked when it attempted to land on a farm nead Croton-on-the-Hudson, last night, revealing what is believed here to be an elaborate system for beating the Volstead law by smuggling intoxicants into this country from Canada.

The plane was a double seater Curtiss machine, and the passenger cockpit had been filled with bottled goods packed in gunny sacks. The only tangible clue as to the origin of the cargo was a copy of a Montreal newspaper issued yesterday.

Geo. J. McCall, a former deputy sheriff, was disturbed during the early evening by the antics of an airplane which would whirl along just a few feet above the chimney of his home. The pilot evidently was looking for a good place to land, but failing to find it, would soar aloft once more for a new survey of the country.

At last the driver decided to make a landing. He avoided fields near Mr. McCall's residence and chose a side hill for the end of his flight. One wing of the plane struck as the machine came to earth, and in an instant the machine was a wreck. Mr. McCall found an irate and limping man, who hurried toward an auto which apparently had been waiting for him. He climbed in, and was whirled away.

Captain Barber, Lieutenant Roberts and three privates of the state troopers stationed near Croton rushed to the scene. They found gathered about the damaged airplane a crowd of men whose emotions ranged from cheerful to extreme gravity as they viewed the fragments of upwards of 100 quart bottles that had been smashed when the machine landed. Fifty bottles had not been broken.

ARREST MADE IN BAD CHECK CASE

Fred Whittaker Taken Today and Will Face Four Charges.

Fred Whittaker of Hanover street was arrested about noon today by Detective Biddiscombe in a house in Pond street in connection with the alleged passing of bogus checks in the city. He will be brought before Sitting Magistrate Henderson tomorrow morning on four charges of passing worthless checks. It is alleged that he passed one for $20.50 on Harold Bassen, one for $34.75 on Louis Brager, one for $17 on William Kein, and one for $17.75 on George W. Folkins. These cases were reported to the detectives only three days ago.

FEARFUL DEATH OF N. S. FARMER

New Glasgow, N. S., May 16 — (Canadian Press)—Daniel Meikle, 48 years of age, and married, a prosperous farmer living at McPherson's Mills, eight miles from here, blew off his head with the discharge from a shotgun today, in a carriage house near his home. He had been ill for some time.

A will disposing of considerable property all in favor of his wife, was made early in the present month. Besides his wife, there are five children.

AUTO ACCIDENT NEAR KINGSCLEAR

(Special to Times)

Fredericton, N. B., May 16—David Clayton of Fredericton and J. Kelly of Kingsclear had a narrow escape from death when the car which Mr. Clayton was driving went through the railing of the "Haunted Bridge" near Kingsclear, some miles west of Fredericton on Monday morning. The car dropped forty feet, driving back the entire front of the car which, then turned over completely and rested on its wheels some ten feet farther on.

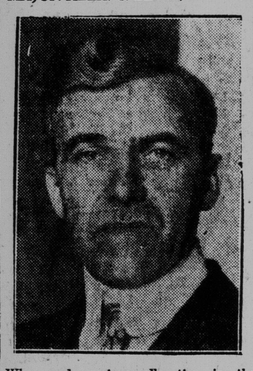
Mr. Clayton still clung to the wheel when the car brought up. Kelly, whom he had picked to give a lift, was beneath the car. The driver and owner of the car escaped with a scratched face but the other man had several ribs fractured.

The car was purchased by Mr. Clayton on Saturday and had been driven very little. He was on his return to Fredericton when the accident occurred.

C. P. R. Report.

Winnipeg, May 16—(Canadian Press) — At present weather conditions throughout the west are favorable, with indications of continuance for some days, according to a crop report issued yesterday by the department of agriculture o fthe C. P. R.

MAJOR ALEX. C. LEWIS, M. P. P.,



Who made serious allegation in the Ontario legislature in connection with the death of Captain Huston at Fort Frances. A royal commission is investigating the charges, which involve the attorney-general's department.

LOCAL NEWS

EMPIRE DAY

Empire Day will be observed in the city schools on next Thursday, May 23. Programmes in keeping with the occasion are being arranged.

AT THE DEPOT.

Section men on the C. N. R. are at work putting new rails and ties in the tracks leading into the Union depot. Track No. 3 has been completed and work on track No. 2 is progressing well.

NOVELTY SHOWER

About forty members of Dominion Lodge, I. O. G. T., met on Thursday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Brown, 155 Prince street, west end, and tendered a novelty shower to Miss Gladys Duncan, whose marriage has been announced for early in June. The presentation was made by Frank Merrill, chief templar of the lodge and included gifts of linen, silver and cut glass. Games, music and refreshments were enjoyed and best wishes were given by the guests to Miss Duncan.

MANY CHINESE REACH HERE

The Canadian Pacific Steamships Ltd. liner Sicilian is expected to sail tomorrow morning for Havana via Boston. Among the passengers will be 348 Chinese who are enroute from Hong Kong to Havana and points in the West Indies. Of this number 115 arrived in the city today and the remainder are expected here early tomorrow morning.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mrs. Ellen H. Taylor of 19 Hammond street announces the engagement of her daughter, Ellen H., to Howard G. Grandlemire of Portland (Me.), the wedding to take place in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Lee of West St. John announce the engagement of their youngest daughter, Annie Viola, to Alvin Souther Currie, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred E. Currie of Bayswater, N. B., the wedding to take place early in June.

EDWARD C. EARLE.

The death of Edward C. Earle, aged forty-eight, accurred this morning at his home in West St. John, following illness of about two years. He leaves his father, J. Bernard Earle, one son, Clarence, H. Earle, of Toronto and one daughter, Mrs. Helen Paterson, also of Toronto. The funeral will be held on Thursday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock from the home of his father, 108 Ludlow street west end. The late Mr. Earle was a baker by trade and was a well known citizen of the West side. Many will regret to learn of his death.

FOR BELYEA FUND.

The interest manifested in outside centres in Hilton Belyea, who is at present in Philadelphia training for the gold challenge cup emblematic of the rowing championship of the United States, is being shown in a tangible form. This morning Frank White received a check for $25 from the Moncton Amateur Athletic Association to be added towards the fund to defray Hilton's expenses.

The Royals, colored baseball players who won honors on the diamond last year, have prepared an elaborate concert and entertainment, which they will stage in city hall, West St. John, Thursday night at eight o'clock. The proceeds will be turned in to the fund to defray Hilton's expenses.

IN CHANCERY COURT.

In the Chancery Court this morning His Honor Mr. Justice Grimmer presiding, the case of the Attorney General versus the C. P. R. was set over with no date named for a hearing. H. H. McLean, Jr., for the defendant said they were ready to proceed at any time. This is the case having to do with the C. P. R. reference to which has previously been made in this paper.

In the matter of the Royal Trust Company, trustee of the estate of James B. Fowler, deceased, versus George A. Davidson, Mr. McLean moved to confirm the report of the master C. F. Sanford. This matter had to do with the foreclosure of a property at the corner of Union and St. Patrick street, which was sold at auction recently.

COST OF LIVING.

Ottawa, May 16—(Canadian Press)—Retail prices of foods, as reported to the labor department, again showed a decline in April. The average cost of a list of twenty-nine staple foods in sixty cities was $10.26 at the beginning of April as compared with $10.54 at the beginning of March; $12.28 in April, 1921, and $7.51 in April, 1914.

The chief changes were substantial decreases in eggs, milk and potatoes. Meats averaged slightly higher, except veal. Coal, wood, coal oil and rent were practically unchanged.

STRENUOUS WORK PLANNED BY BELYEA

Rowing Six Times a Day on the Schuylkill

Turf Wonder Cost His Owner $8,000; May be Seen in Canada in Fall—Sisler Doing Well on Bases—U. N. B. Sport.

(Canadian Press)

Philadelphia, May 16—The strenuous training programme of rowing six times a day in order to fit himself for the American cup races to be held here, June 3, was announced today by Hilton Belyea of St. John. Owing to the raw weather in his native district, Belyea has been unable to get in the proper training. He has established himself here in quarters near the Schuylkill course and said he would be on the river six times daily.

Morvich.

New York, May 16—The conquering hero of the turf—Morvich—winner of the classic Kentucky Derby, was expected at his home track today. While Fred Burlew, the colt's trainer, would not express himself definitely as to his plans for the immediate future he indicated that Morvich may be pointed for the proposed $50,000 race at Latonia later in the season.

Toronto, May 16—If the engagements of Morvich permit, Canadians will have a chance of seeing the three year old wonder horse in action some time next fall. Louis Block, of Owen Sound, brother of Ben Block, the owner of the racing marvel said today; "I am negotiating with my brother at present and if there is a possible chance Morvich will come to Canada either in a race or exhibition and the proceeds will be donoted to charitable institutions.

"I know my brother will wager $100,000 on Morvich that he defeats any horse in the world in a match race, and also that he has a standing offer of $150,000 to sell his famous thoroughbred.

"The history of Morvich is one of the romances of the turf," declared Mr. Block, "for my brother never owned a horse in his life before purchasing the Derby winner. As a colt he was considered a 'lemon' although well bred, but his present trainer saw great possibilities in him and advised by brother to purchase him, which he did for $8,000."

If Mr. Block is successful in securing Morvich for a race in Canada his appearance will likely be at the Woodbine, Toronto or Kenitorth, Windsor.

New York, May 16—George Sisler and Kenneth Williams are displaying unusual all around ability. Sisler had gotten to a flying start 14 sacks in 28 games to his credit, nearly half as many as he had when he led the American League last season with 35.

Williams is close behind him with ten. Ty Cobb in 1911, at the height of his brilliant career, hung up the modern record for both major leagues with 96 stolen bases. The best performance in the National League as it is now composed, was 80, made by Bob Bescher of Cincinnati in 1911.

U. N. B. Athletics.

Fredericton, N. B., May 16—The practice under which sweaters with the body in red and the neck and wrist trimmings in black and the U. N. B. monogram emblazoned in black are awarded to athletes who have played on football, basketball and hockey teams of the U. N. B. for three years, has been revived, those to whom the awards are made also being allowed to wear the red and black caps as well. The awards have been made to seven athletes in all, the list including for the first time in memory three players who are now only completing their junior year. The trio thus honored are Patsy Jewett and Billy Lounsbury, who made both the football and hockey teams in their freshman year and have since played with the successive teams of the Red and Black, and McKenzie, who has been on the football team for three years. H. A. Trimble, who was captain of the 1921 football team also won his honors in three years, but he entered U. N. B. as a sophomore. Others winning the awards this year are: Hagerman, Willett and Squires.

The annual athletic sports and games in connection with the encaenial proceedings at U. N. B. are taking place this afternoon at College Field. Chief interest in the events is in the attempt of H. A. Trimble, '22, to win for the third successive time the gold medal given annually by Sir Frederick Williams Taylor for the best all round athlete in the U. N. B.

Sandwich, Eng., May 16—Miss Cecil Leitch, British and Canadian woman's golf champion, defeated Mrs. Norman Craig nine up and eight to go, in today's play in the ladies' open golf championship tournament here. Miss Molly McBride, who was runner up to Miss Leitch in last year's Canadian championships, was defeated by Mrs. A. R. Johnson, four up and three to go.

PRINCE HAS LEFT MANILA FOR HOME

Manila, May 16 — The Prince of Wales left today aboard the cruiser Renown after a three day visit in the Philippines.

The prince is wearing bandages over his right eye, blackened Saturday by the impact of a polo ball.

The Renown sailed this evening for London, via British North Borneo, Penag, Colombo and the Suez Canal.

Fire on Steamship.

Montreal, May 16.—Fire broke out on board the S. S. Cairndhue, in port here today, and completely wrecked the wireless room, receiving set and both key sets. The motor was not damaged.

As Hiram Sees It

"Hiram," said the Times reporter to Mr. Hiram Hornbeam, "I have been greatly impressed during the last two weeks by the kindness to animals that is exhibited by the city fathers."

"I'm glad to hear that," said Hiram. "Me an' Hanner reads Our Dumb Animals reg'lar, an' belongs to the S. P. C. out to the Settlement."

"Then you, too, will be pleased," said the reporter. "I refer particularly to dogs. Down in our street a nice strip of fresh earth, with trees newly planted, has been laid between the sidewalks and street. It is a joy to me to see all the dogs in the neighborhood digging in the new soil and making it fly. When I go to the squares I find nice soft flower beds laid down for the same purpose—and the dogs of those neighborhoods equally busy and happy."

"Look-a-here!" said Hiram. "That's don't please me at all. If you ever hed a garden an' somebody's dog come an' dug it all up—you wouldn't be tickled, nuther. Where's the dog-ketcher? The place fer a dog is in a dog's place—an' that aint in nobody's flower beds—By Hen!"

POSTAL CHIEF OF CANADA RESIGNS

George Ross, Half Century in Department, to Retire on Substantial Pension.

Toronto, May 16—George Ross, general superindent of postal services for Canada, has sent in his resignation, and it is said that the supplementary estimate will make provision for his retirement on a substantial pension.

It was said last night that the regulations of the department provide for a superannuation of $3,600 a year, but that this amount might be increased in the case of Mr. Ross. He has been with the department for half a century.

MUST HANG.

Ottawa, May 16—(Canadian Press)—George Cyr, sentenced at Bracebridge to be hanged on May 17 for the murder of Geo. Withers, must pay the penalty for his crime. A decision of the governor in council refusing clemency has been brought down.

VOLUNTARY FEDERAL WHEAT BOARD IS VIEW OF HON. MR. MOTHERWELL

Ottawa, May 16—(Canadian Press)—"There would appear no option but a voluntary federal wheat board," Hon. W. R. Motherwell informed the house committee on agriculture today.

He said that if arrangements could not be completed between the provinces for a compulsory board the voluntary board could be invoked on proclamation and at the request of the Canadian Council of Agriculture.

MONTREAL LAWYER PASSES AWAY SUDDENLY

Montreal, May 16—Alexander Huntly Duff, lawyer and prominent Mason, died suddenly early today at his residence, 24 McTavish street, at the age of 44. He is survived by his wife, three daughters and a son.

Phelix and Pherdinand

WEATHER REPORT

Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries. R. F. Stupart, director of meteorological service.

Snyopsis—Pressure is relately low in the western provinces, elsewhere over the continent for the most part normal or a little above. The weather is fine over the dominion and in most dirtricts warmer.

Fair.

Maritime—Light to moderate winds, fair today and on Wednesday, stationary or a little higher temperature.

Gulf and North Shore—Light winds, fine today and on Wednesday, a little higher temperature.

New England—Fair and slightly cooler tonight. Wednesday, increasing cloudiness, probably followed by showers on Wednesday afternoon or night. Moderate to fresh northwest and east winds.

Toronto, May 16.—Temperatures:

	8 a.m.	Highest during yesterday	Lowest night
Prince Rupert	46	54	46
Victoria	52	72	50
Kamloops	62	84	60
Calgary	52	82	48
Edmonton	54	76	50
Prince Albert	52	62	48
Winnipeg	52	76	46
White River	56	68	30
Sault Ste. Marie	48	74	44
Toronto	64	78	52
Kingston	52	68	46
Ottawa	56	76	48
Montreal	52	72	44
Quebec	48	64	42
St. John, N. B.	44	58	40
St. Johns, Nfld.	36	46	32
Halifax	60	60	36
Detroit	64	70	38
New York	64	72	58

READY TO WELCOME GIANT MAJESTIC

On Last Lap of Maiden Voyage Today.

Largest Afloat and Probably the Speediest—Can Accommodate 4,100 Passengers—Eight Kitchens on the Huge Vessel.

(Canadian Press)

New York, May 16—The Majestic world's largest ship, was rolling down from Nantucket to Sandy Hook this morning on the last lap of her maiden voyage across the Atlantic. Soon after daybreak all arrangements had been made to give the new empress of the seas a triumphant entry to the harbor.

The Majestic, which is of 56,000 tons displacement, is not only the largest, but probably the speediest passenger ship now afloat. She has a record of twenty-five knots an hour, and her engines are still stiff. When they get limbered up her officers believe she will get at least four more knots speed, and during her summer runs realize the trans-Atlantic record, now held by the Mauretania.

The Majestic, even as a German ship before the war, never made a passenger voyage. She was built in Germany as the Bismarck, laid up in Hamburg during the war, and then sold to Britain by the reparations commission. She was then converted into an oil burner, made more luxurious and named the Majestic.

Loaded as she was today on her maiden voyage, the Majestic weighed close to 64,000 tons. With the passengers, crew, oil, stores supplies, baggage and mail, she becomes the heaviest steamship in the cross-Atlantic service.

The liner can accommodate 4,100 passengers—more than the largest hotel in New York can put up comfortably over night. There are 1,245 state rooms, 472 of which are first class, most of them being at least as luxurious as the rooms in the most exclusive hotels. In the second cabin are 212 state rooms, in the third, 561.

All stairs are on the side of the ship. The smoke stacks and ventilators are built along the sides, connecting in air spaces at the top of the elevator shafts on the emergency boat decks. Thus the centre of the ship is given over to parlors, dance floor, swimming pool and library, without obstructions.

There are eight kitchens and five special dining rooms. In the third class there is a purely orthodox "kosher" kitchen, where such food can be procured, solely for the use of Jewish passengers. There is also an "a la carte" dining room, a new departure in service on the ocean.

GREAT DRIVE ON WAR GRAFTERS

Some Big Men in U. S. May be Behind Bars, says Chairman of House Committee.

Washington, May 16. — The house cleared the road yesterday for what some members described as "an unrelenting prosecution of war grafters" when it put through and sent to the senate a bill appropriating $500,000 for prosecution of war fraud cases by the department of justice.

"Some men who think they have power in the nation today will find themselves behind the bars as a result of the activity of Attorney-General Daughtery," declared Chairman Madde of the appropriations committee.

Representative Byrne of Tennessee said that in view of the attorney-general's statement that the U. S. stood to recover $192,000,000 congress should have long since been asked for the appropriation.

WOULD CANCEL FRANCHISE OF STREET RAILWAY

London, Ont., May 16—Without opposition, nine aldermen voting for the motion, the city council last night adopted the motion of Alderman Ashplant which calls for the concelation of the franchise of the London Street Railway.

WOMAN AND HER CHILD DROWNED

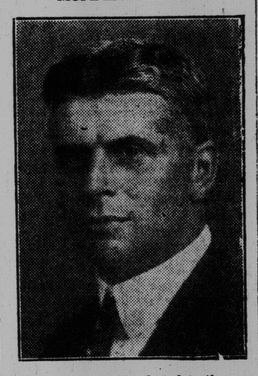
Kenora, Ont., May 16—Mrs. Paul Symons and her two year old son, were drowned on last Wednesday evening at Regina Bay, according to a report received here last night. Mr. Ladd, who was in the canoe when the storm struck the craft saved himself after a long and hard battle with the waves, according to the report.

GOING TO U. N. B.

Hon. W. E. Foster, accompanied by Mrs. Foster and their daughter, Miss Joan Foster, will leave for Fredericton on Thursday morning to attend the encaenia of the University of New Brunswick. During the exercises the degree of LL. D. will be conferred upon the premier.

His Honor Lieutenant Governor Pugsley who, through his official position, is visitor to the university, will also be in attendance. Local members of the U. N. B. senate will leave Wednesday to attend a meeting of the alumni association which is scheduled for that evening. The St. John members include Dr. H. S. Bridges, Chief Justice Sir Douglas Hazen, Dr. Thomas Walker and Dr. W. W. White.

MORDEN NEILSON



of Toronto, who was elected to the executive committee at the annual meeting of the Confectionery, Biscuit and Chocolate Industries Association, held in Montreal.

CONFESSIONS IN CHICAGO MURDERS

Police Say Evidence Against the "Big Three."

Slayers of Two Policemen Identified — Murphy, Shea and Mader Maintain Innocence, but Held Under Murder Indictments.

(Canadian Press.)

Chicago, May 16.—Evidence distinctly connecting bomb-throwers and the slayers of two policemen with the "big three" Chicago labor leaders was claimed today by police and state attorneys who have worked indefatigably since Terrence Lyons, acting lieutenant, and Thomas Clark, a patrolman, were shot down a week ago after two buildings had been dynamited in the so-called labor war.

Four men have been identified positively as the slayers of the policemen, and three of them have confessed, the police said, while John Miller, bartender, owner of a motor car from which the fatal shooting was done, has been identified as the driver, through bloody finger-prints on the auto door. Two men who rode with him were arrested when they applied for medical aid, the police said, one having a body wound and the other a bullet wound through the shoulder. The police said that Miller himself confessed early today under constant questioning.

The police said one dish brought from a restaurant contained a quickly active poison.

Through these alleged confessions and other information, according to the police and prosecutors, evidence has been obtained to connect the work of the bombers and killers with "Big Tim" Murphy, head of the gas workers' and street sweepers' unions, former member of the state assembly and congregational secretary "Con" Shea, of the theatrical janitors' union, and "Frenchy" Mader, president of the Chicago Building Trades Council.

These men, called by the police the "big three," with five others, were held without mail under murder indictments in connection with the death of Lyons and Clark. They have maintained innocence since their arrests a week ago.

Other incidents in the chain of evidence the police and corps of presecutors say they have unearthed are:—

Establishing that the saloon of Joy Horan was headquarters for a gang of professional gangsters, whose daily business was throwing bombs and slugging workers when it was desired to intimidate and killing.

Finding the source of weapons, ammunition and dynemite the bombers and sluggers used.

Establishing methods by which the gangsters were directed from "higher up" as to the work to be done each night.

SAYS THAT HUSTON WAS SHORT $8,000

Fort Frances, Ont., May 16—When Orville Huston was employed by the Sprague Roland Lumber Co., he was $8,000 short in his accounts, according to testimony of Curtis Williams, timber purchasing agent for the Backus Companies at the hearing of a royal commission enquiring into charges against the attorney general's department, arising out of the death of Huston here last December.

Huston had been paid this sum for pulpwood, Mr. Williams testified, but the wood was not in existence. These facts did not come to light till after his death, Mr. Williams said, as the pulpwood was then due to be shipped and the shortage would have been discovered.

SKELETON FOUND IN MONTREAL YARD

Montreal, May 16—A complete human skeleton was discovered today in a battered suitcase in a yard at the rear of 140 A Elizabeth street. The skeleton was that of a full grown person.

AFTER FAGIN STYLE

Montreal, May 16—Romeo Bouthillier, found guilty of receiving, was this morning sentenced to seven years in the penitentiary by Judge Decarie. Evidence showed that he had induced four youths between the ages of 15 and 17 to commit burglaries for him.

LLOYD GEORGE STILL HOPEFUL

Does Not Think U. S. Has Closed the Door.

Surprise at Washington Announcement Following Mr. Child's Expression of Opinion—France May Not Go to Hague Unless Lines are Clear Cut.

(Canadian Press Cable.)

Genoa, May 16—Premier Lloyd George does not feel, it was indicated today, that the American refusal to participate in the commission to sit at The Hague on Russian affairs is her final word, as the document indicates great American interest in Russia's economic reconstruction and the reply is regarded as one forming a basis for further correspondence.

The surprise caused by the declination was accentuated by reason of a statement the Italian press attributed to Mr. Child, quoting him as saying to Foreign Minister Schanzer that the U. S. would probably accept an invitation to The Hague on condition that the powers bind themselves not to conclude separate agreements with Russia while The Hague commission was sitting and that the decisions of the commission be referred to the respective governments for final action.

The opinion generally expressed was that the absence of the U. S. from The Hague might kill that meeting, as the refusal of the U. S. to participate at Genoa was in the eyes of many of the delegates the chief reason for the failure of the conference here to achieve definite results.

When announcement of the declination of the Washington government was conveyed to the French delegation, keen disappointment was expressed by various members. Many Frenchmen, it was indicated, anticipate a gradual conservative development in Russian communism, believing that the conservative group in Russia is growing.

Paris, May 16.—The declination of the U. S. to participate at The Hague is attributed in official circles here to the ambiguity of the memorandum setting forth the agenda of the conference, which in French opinion may be interpreted so as to permit the discussion of political questions. Unless conditions are laid down so as to avoid this danger, there is little likelihood, it was declared, that France will be represented at The Hague.

KILLS BABE WITH STRYCHNINE IN BOTTLE NIPPLE

Ontario Grandmother Admits Causing Death of Child — Believed She is Demented.

Mount Albert, Ont., May 16 — Strychnine swallowed from the nipple of a milk bottle which had been dipped in the poison by Mrs. Arthur Oldman, wife of a prominent and well to do farmer, caused the death here yesterday of the fifteen months old baby of Mrs. Oldman's daughter, a girl of about nineteen years of age.

Mrs. Oldman admitted her act, giving as her reason that the infant was a "devil" and that her patience had become exhausted.

It is believed that the woman, who is about forty-five years of age, is demented and she was removed last night to the Ontario hospital for the insane.

The young mother of the baby, Ina Oldman, said that her mother had often threatened to kill the infant but that she had never made any attempt to do so previously. The girl had bought the strychnine at a local drug store to poison mice and her mother had taken the drug from a drawer in her room.

An inquest has been opened.

THE BY-ELECTION DATES IN N. B.

Matter Likely Before Government on Thursday—To Fill St. John and Kings Vacancies.

It is expected that the setting of dates for the by-elections to fill vacancies in the provincial legislature from St. John and Kings counties, will be one of the matters taken up at the May meeting of the provincial government which will take place in Fredericton on Thursday evening. These vacancies were caused by resignations of Hon. J. B. M. Baxter and George B. Jones, both of whom were candidates at the last federal election.

Another matter which will receive attention will be the recommendation of the N. B. Electric Power Commission regarding the granting of a contract for the clearing of a right of way for the hydro commission line from St. John to Moncton and for the construction of the transmission line. The St. John members of the government will leave St. John on Thursday morning.

THE STILLMAN CASE.

New York, May 16—(Canadian Press)—Upon a conference of lawyers for Mrs. Stillman yesterday depends the final decision whether she will attempt further defense in the divorce proceedings before Referee Gleason in Poughkeepsie.

The hearings were protponed, following introduction of four love letters alleged to have been written by Mrs. Stillman to Fred Beauvais, Indian guide corespondent.