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So the Oklahoma's death list stood at 25 tonight; and although her owners swept the sea with wireless messages imploring all vessels to look out for one of the steamer's boats that might still be adrift, there was little hope that more of the crew would be saved.

What little hope remained was based on the fact that the men brought to port by the Gregory said another lifeboat besides theirs had been launched from the sinking steamer. There was little doubt, however, that this was the boat sighted by the revenue cutter Seneca with three frozen bodies under its charts. The other boat, which carried the five survivors within reach of the Gregory, contained but one body when it was cast adrift after the rescue.

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A complete set of journals of the Nova Scotia Assembly from 1748, the date of English occupation, until 1800, are among the prizes secured. They constitute the first records of the government in Canada under the British regime and are thus ranked as among the most important documents in the archive's possession. Written in a neat clerical hand on faded vellum, they contain all the acts and ordinances passed by early legislators and illustrate the foundation of the Canadian judicial system. They are the gift of the British government to Canada.

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Counsel for the twenty-four will file thirty days, petition the Court of Appeals for a rehearing on new legal points. If that is denied they will take the case to the supreme court of the United States. Pending final adjudication, it is understood that no attempt will be made by the government to return to the penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, those of the convicted men who are at liberty under bond.

The appeal was heard by circuit judges Kohlsaat, Baker and Seaman. The decision was read by Judge William H. Seaman. It declared that the conspiracy clearly was shown on the part of the twenty-four defendants, but that challenge of the conspiracy counts of the indictments was erroneous; that the distinctions between charges and those alleging performance of the acts for which the conspiracy was formed and the verdict could not be sustained on the grounds that separate acts and a continuing conspiracy had been improperly joined in the charges.

The decision stated succinctly that McManigal and Clark, though co-defendants, were competent witnesses for the state. The final contention of the defendant's counsel that the United States had not jurisdiction in the charges alleged was disallowed.

Counsel for the labor officials heard the decision with keen disappointment. E. N. Zollis, of the attorneys for the petitioners, however, stated that he already had prepared briefs on three important points which had been overlooked in the first appeal.

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Detective Tells the Story of his Life to Court.

Charlottetown, Jan. 6.—The prohibition cases arising out of the operations of detectives Lerod and Valade of the Thel Agency, Montreal, drew a big crowd to the police court today and created a big sensation in the city. Evidence was taken in two cases, only, against Ronald J. Steele and George Carver, the other being adjourned. The witnesses examined were Samuel J. Elrod and Joseph Valade, who had operated under the name of Evans and Larose respectively. J. Elrod testified that Valade and himself bought each two glasses of draft ale from Steele on December 8th, two days after they came to the island. Elrod was subjected to a searching cross-examination by J. K. Johnson, counsel for Steele and Carver.

The witness gave his life history, stating he was for a time a butter maker, then salesman for cream separators, before becoming a detective in 1908. In that year he had investigated suspicious sites in Pembroke, Ont. He spent a month alone on the island last summer investigating liquor selling in Charlottetown and Summerside, and getting a general idea of the situation.

He produced his account books in court showing where he had been advanced of \$295 by prominent members of the Temperance Alliance to pay his expenses and purchase liquor. He had represented himself as being interested in foxes, and one prominent dealer went so far as to telephone all over the province in order to get options on a pair for him.

The got liquor by the bottle in various places and after sampling the stuff handed it over to the Temperance Alliance workers in order to use it as evidence.

Valade, who is an ex-member of the Montreal force, corroborated Elrod's testimony.

Both witnesses declared the sale secured at Steele and Carver's was not on them. They were not tea-totalers, that they had never been drunk, although one said that he had felt jolly after drinking beer. Both had bought bottles of Budweiser beer at Carver's and declared it intoxicating. Both cases will be resumed tomorrow.

The counsel for the defence took the ground that the evidence was not sufficient to convict because it had not been proved that the beer was intoxicating, that the witnesses were paid to secure convictions, they were not independent witnesses but virtually accomplices, that they were guilty of the offence of procuring liquor which was contrary to the prohibition law.

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