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James MacMath, Brooding Over Discovery of Identity, Attempts Murder in Home and Kills Himself

Down Town.

Melancholtia, induced by brooding over the fact that he was an adopted on, and that his identity was veiled in mystery, led to the suicide of James MacMath, foster child of ex-Alderman Hugh MacMath, real estate broker of 1394 West Queen-street, after he had severely wounded his foster mother

The young man returned from Buffalo about 6.30, went to his foster father's house, and after having supper was sitting in an upper room talking with Mrs. MacMath. He mentioned that he was thirsty, and his foster mother went to the kitchen to get him a drink. As she was filling a glass her attention was attracted by a slight sound immediately behind her and she turned to fook into the muzzle of a revolver in the hands of the crazed youth. He said not a word, but, as she started toward him with a startled cry, opened fire.

Three shots were fired, and one taking effect in the woman's breast she stumbled forward, slamming the door and forcing the mandac from the room. He then quietly left the house, and was next noticed when he entered the public lavatory opposite the postoffice at 7.40. falo about 6.30, went to his foster

James Hagan, 147 George-street, was within. The young man addressed him mying that it was a bitter night outside, but cosy enough in there. As Hagan moved away he heard a shot and turned to see the young man lying upon the tessellated floor with blood oozing from a builet hole in his right

The janitor of the place, who was also there, hastened to the Court-street police station and summoned aid. Detective Harry Armstrong hurried to the scene, where Dr. Edmund. E. King, East Queen-street, arrived a moment later, and the man was hur-ried to St. Michael's Hospital, where he died at 9.05 o'clock without regain-

Adopted as a Baby.

When 18-months-old MacMath was adopted. Ever since he was old enough to talk the boys have teased him about being an adopted child. Until six months ago he had been in ignorance

of his birth. Since being told he had been morbid and morose. Wednesday week he left home for Buffalo. Friday he came back, saying he had secured a position there. While home he remarked to Mrs. MacMath that he had nothing to live for. He went back and was not heard from until he walked into the house shortly before 7 o'clock last night and Mrs MacMath tried to cheer him up by giving him a good welcome. After having his supper he said he wanted glass of water. He said he would get it himself, but Mrs. MacMath would not let him, going herself. While drawing it in the unlighted kitchen the shots were fired at her.
Grabbing the door she forced it shut in his face, but not before he had fired three times. One of the bullet.

three times. One of the bullets from the 32 calibre revolver entered her left breast. He tried to force the door open, but Mrs. MacMath held it. When he left she ran out of the back door to a neighbor's house. She was ter-ribly frightened that he would follow her and she pounded frantically at the door until they came.

Woman Will Recover. She was attended by Drs G. G. Rowe, West Queen-street; James Spence, Jameson-avenue, and G. H. Clements, West King-street. Her wound is not thought to be very serious.

The suicide's own name was James Menzies. He was identified by his name being on the tag of his clothes. His address was found by consulting Hob-berlin's books, the number of the suit

Mr. MacMath took charge of the re mains. The chief coroner was noti-fied. He decided an inquest was un-

PASTOR REFUSES \$1000 MORE

Rev. A. S. Vining Declines Call to Hamilton Pulpit.

LONDON, Ont., Dec. 8.—(Special.)—Rev. A. J. Vining, pastor of Talbot-street Baptist Church, to-night announced to a largely attended congregational meeting that he had decided to decline the call of James street Church, Hamilton.

The matter has been under consideration for some days, during which time
Mr. Vining's board has not attempted to influence him in any way. The congregation received the announcement by singing the doxology, and a number of members expressed appreciation of Some time later he said he had done

the step.
Mr. Vining receives a salary of \$2000.

James -street offers \$3000.

IN MR. CONMEE'S COMPANY

Tells Port Arthur Council Principals in O. and M. Power.

raise this, but gave up \$400, and Atlastock this, saying that he would put up the remaining \$600 himself.

Finally \$150 was sent to the men at Quebec, and they came on, saying that they had never seen Atlas. The warrant charges him with theft of \$610.

Michael Toni, 275 East King-street, swore out yet another in which he charges Atlas with theft of \$20, which he gave to Atlas to pay an entrance fee to a union. The money was not be PORT ARTHUR, Dec. 8.—(Special.)
—Appearing before the city council today in support of his power proposition, James Conmee gave the names of
the principals in Ontario and Michigan Power Co. Those not hitherto
made known are, J. C. Hunter of Duluth, Herman Finger of Powt Agithur. fee to a union. The money was notluth, Herman Finger of Port Arthur, D. C. Cameron and J. T. McArthur, of Hon. Rodolphe Lemieuv, P.M.G., of Canada, sailed yesterday from Liverpool on the Oceanic, for New York.

Next spring 3000 men will be employed in building the piers. Winnipeg, and Mr. Sturgess of the Continental Loan Co., New York.

A Situation Very Much Like That of Toronto, Only More So.

From The New York Outlook, Dec. 4: The contest now in progress in Kansas City, Missouri, over the extension of the franchise of the Metropolitan Street Railway Company of that city suggests some of the considerations that are turning public-spirited citizens of many cities to municipal ownership of public utilities. The street railway company is operating under a franchise that still has sixteen years to run. BUT IT HAS FAILED TO SET ASIDE A SINKING FUND, AND IT HAS \$28,000,000 IN OBLIGATIONS FALLING DUE WITHIN THE NEXT FEW YEARS. IN ORDER THAT IT MAY REFINANCE THESE SECURITIES ON ADVANTAGEOUS TERMS WITH THE CUSTOMARY SECURITIES ON ADVANTAGEOUS TERMS WITH THE CUSTOMARY HUGE PROMOTERS' PROFITS, IT IS ASKING FOR THE EXTENSION OF ITS FRANCHISE TO 1951. It first began seeking a franchise extension nearly four years ago, when in return for a ten-year extension it offered to pay a share of the cost of a needed traffic-way and viaduct that was to cost less than \$1,000,000. This offer, which a Kansas City politician aptly described as AN ATTEMPT TO TRADE A PONY FOR A STRING OF BEADS, was defeated. FOR THE NEXT TWO YEARS THE COMPANY WAS BUSY PREVENTING THE ADMINISTRATION OF MAYOR H. M. BEARDSLEY FROM APPRAISING THE PROPERTY AS A PRELIMINARY TO REGULATION. A POWERFUL FACTOR IN POLITICS, the Metropolitan, THEN HELPED DEFEAT MAYOR BEARDSLEY FOR RE-ELECTION, AND SUPPORTED A CANDIDATE WHO WAS REGARDED AS FRIENDLY TO ITS INTERESTS. Several months are its plantage of the several contraction of the property menths ago it obtained the administration's acquiescence to a franchise extension on a so-called "partnership plan," by which it agreed to divide its surplus with the city after the deduction of certain charges. THE KANSAS CITY STAR, WHICH WAS THE CHIEF CAUSE OF THE FAILURE OF THE FIRST ATTEMPT AT FRANCHISE EXTENSION, PROJUCHT SUCH EXPERCITIVE PURE LOCATION TO PEAR ON THIS PROJUCTION. BROUGHT SUCH EFFECTIVE PUBLICITY TO BEAR ON THIS PRO-POSAL, which attempted to fix an enormously inflated valuation on the street railway property, that it was abandoned and a new plan was pro-posed by the Council, which is to be submitted to a referendum on De-cember 16. Under the new plan the street railway company is to be granted a franchise to 1951. In return it agrees after 1913 to sell six tickets for a quarter on street cars, and twenty-five for a dollar in certain drug stores, and to pay \$1,315,000 for the traffic-way already mentioned. After 1925 the city is granted the right to regulate fares. At present the fare is five cents, and the Street Railway Company pays eight per cent. of its gross receipts to the city in lieu of all taxes. Last year this amounted to \$140,000 rental for the streets after the taxes had been deducted. This provision is abolished, and the company is to pay a \$50 license fee for each car-only a fraction of its present pay-Critics of this ordinance point out that THE CITY IS GOING INTO

THE TRADE BLINDFOLDED; that it has no way of knowing what the property is worth, and what a reasonable rate of fare would be; that six tickets for a quarter, while an advantage to the city, is a good business proposition for the company—tho it might evade the concession later if it should care to, as was done in Philadelphia—and that it is to later if it should care to, as was done in Philadelphia—and that it is to have the immensely valuable right to the use of the streets for forty-two years virtually free; that the franchise fails to regulate the amount of indebtedness that the company may assume, so that AFTER 1925 THE RIGHT TO REGULATE FARES MIGHT PROVE USELESS, SINCE THE COURTS MIGHT HOLD—AS THEY HAVE HELD—THAT A REDUCED FARE WOULD BE INSUFFICIENT TO PAY RETURNS ON HEAVILY WATERED, SECURITIES, and that the franchise makes ON HEAVILY WATERED SECURITIES; and that the franchise make municipal ownership impossible until 1945. It is urged further that other cities, such as Columbus and Cleveland, have obtained much better terms in the way of fares, and that, in these days of competition between cities for industries, no city can afford to hamper itself and the its hands in its street railway contract. The chief public opposition to the franchise first came from The Kansas City Star. Later a bi-partisan citizens' movement was started, including prominent members of both parties, among them ex-Mayor Beardsley and leaders of the local Republican organization. The Democratic city administration, as sponso for the ordinance, is naturally working for its ratification at the polls. IN ORDER TO OBTAIN A FRANCHISE EXTENSION ON FAVORABLE TERMS THE STREET RAILWAY COMPANY HAS BEEN ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN POLITICS IN KANSAS CITY FOR MANY YEARS. IT HAS SOUGHT TO CONTROL COUNCILS AND TO DICTATE LEGISLATION. PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS HAVE BEEN HELD UP BY ITS INFLUENCE. IT HAS BEEN COMMONLY REPUTED TO HAVE FURNISHED THE FINANCIAL BACKING FOR A NEWSPAPER-WHICH HAS RECENTLY CHANGED HANDS—WHICH WAS NOMIN-ALLY CONDUCTED AS A PARTY ORGAN, BUT THE REAL PURPOSE OF WHICH WAS TO PROMOTE THE ENDS OF THE STREET RAILWAY COMPANY AND TO VILIFY THOSE WHO OPPOSED ITS DEMANDS. The experience of the city has forced The Kansas City Star to observe: "Street railways now are not managed by experts trained street railway men. They are, for very evident and significant reasons, under the direction of politicians and financiers. Under municipal ownership there would be no franchises or stocks to turn into inflated values and make money out of. Whatever efficiency, intellec and energy were engaged would necessarily be devoted to running the street railway and not be devoted to running the politics of the city, or to engineering stock deals and making dividends at the expense of ser-The experience of the City of New York confirms this assertion of The Star. The vestibules for the protection of motormen and conductors were bitterly opposed for years by the operating officers of the New York Metropolitan Street Railway. It was not until the receivers, who are now operating the street car lines, took charge that the public obtained the benefit of vestibuled pay-as-you-enter cars.

LABOR UNIONS RETURN

After Entertaining Feder-

ation Delegates.

ing the two weeks of the convention.

Work on the Quebec Bridge.

TWO MORE WARRANTS

ling Immigrants Who Gave

Him \$610.

Two more warrants were yesterday

sworn out by Macedonians against

AGAINST REV. ATLAS

BEATS LAST

Increase of 6,000,000 Ozs. in Silver Contents of Ore-Total Value of Minerals \$17,-000,000, Compared With \$12,000,000.

Mining Act to the Ontario Bureau of Mines, the output of the metalliferous mines and works of the province for the nine months ending 30th September, 1909,

to \$16,762,742, as compared with \$12,185,511 for the first nine months of 1908.

From the mines of Cobalt there were hipped in all 22:218 tons, of which 20,340 ons were ore, and 1878 tons concentrates, as against 16,855 tons of ore and 480 tons of concentrates during the same perfor in 1908. The silver contents of the shippents for this year exceeded those of ast year by 6,170,009 ounces.

The output of nickel was 1162 tons more and of copper 309 tons less, than during the corresponding period of last year. There was an increase in iron ore of 39,-174 tons, and in pig-iron of 105,411 tons.

SETTLES FOR \$20,000

New York Architect Claimed to Be Victim of Plagiarism.

OTTAWA, Dec. 8 .- (Special.) - The ase of B. L. Gilbert v. the G. T. R. was settled out of court to-day. Mr. Gilbert will receive \$20,000 in addition to \$31,000 which he has already been

He is the New York architect who was engaged by the Graand Trunk to prepare plans for an Ottawa station and hotel combined. Later he submitted plans for a station and botel separate, and still later he prepared plans for the Chateau Laurier and the

However, the company subsequently paid him \$31,000 and engaged the ser-vices of Ross and MacFarlane, Montreal architects. Mr. Gilbert, who ar gued that his plans were almost identi-cal with those of Ross and MacFarlane, charged \$105,000, which the company

SALESWOMAN FOUND DEAD Succumbed to Hemorrhage Due to Tuberculosis.

Agnes Dewsbury, 30 years, employed as a saleswoman in the book department of the Simpso astore was found dead in her bed at her boarding house. 7 Ann-street, at 430 yesterday afternoon by her landlady, Mrs. A. Francis. Coroner Winnet investigated and decided that death was due to hemorrhage due to tuberculosis. No inquest will be held.

will be held.

The girl who is unmarried had been in ill health for some months and had been forced to give up a position as maid to a family in Rosedale to take the easier employment. She had been in the habit of doing up her own room which accounted for the body not being discovered earlier in the day, PART OF CIVIC GRANT

LAKE INSURANCE EXTENDED Macedonian Charged With Swind- Committee Has Surplus of \$1000 Steamers Can Leave Fort William Up

FORT WILLIAM, Dec. 8 .- (Special.) In settling up the accounts of expenses in connection with the convention of the American Federation of

Rev. George M. Atlas, bringing the number of criminal charges in content that the attorney-general's department that the attorney-general's department that the stable of criminal charges in content to the last night established a precedent when it was decided to return to the when it was decided to return to the city \$750 of the civic grant. The final meeting of the committee was held last night at the Labor Temple.

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Stephenson "that not only labor meeting to be sent across the lakes. Steam-ters loading grain or waiting in port to-day are the Hebbard, Mac, Crown, Collingwood and Rosedale. The weather is very rough.



AUSTEN CHAMBERLAIN.



IN THE GARDEN

LITTLE EVA: Papa dear, free the Toronto citizen slaves. Itis breaking my heart—and Unr

President of N.Y.C. Says Roads Can't Afford It Otherwise-Depends on Cost of Living.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.-Demands for wage increases formulated for presentation to the railroads, will call in some cases for a raise of 100 per cent. Vice-President James Murdock of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, declared to-day.

The demands will not be presented until after Jan. 1, and only then if ratified by vote of the employes.

"There is nothing to confer about officially now," he said. "A vote is being taken on the demands, and is expected to be completed on Dec. 15.
"The increases asked for range from 10 per cent. to 100 per cent," Mr. Mur-dock added, "as some of the eastern roads are actually paying their mensome of them at least—50 per cent. less than is bein paid by the western

"There is no thought of a strike in nection with the demand to be presented. By agreement 30 days' notice must be given the railway managers for consideration of the wage scale." W. C. Brown, president of the N. Y. Central Railroad, declared this afternoon that if any increase in wages was granted there would have to be an increase in railroad rates. President Brown said: "If it is true that there has been an increase in the cost The underwriters have decided to ex-tend the lake marine insurance another of living since the increases in railroad wages in the latter part of 1906 for small steamers to leave here until midnight Dec. 10.

(Eight hundred thousand bushels of wheat and 255 000 here)

Hawley to See Gompers. ST. PAUL, Dec. 8.—Frank T. Hawley, president of the Switchmen's Union of North America, to-night left for Cin-cinnati, where he will confer on Fri-day with President Samuel Gompers

\$500 Penalty Imposed for Illegal

Handling of Canadian Butter. ALBANY, N.Y., Dec. 8.-The Hall-Whitney Manufacturing Co. of Albany, makers of extracts, pleaded guilty of violating the pure food law before Judge Ray in United States District

Court in this city to-day, and was fined \$200 on two indictments. The Falling-Nellis Company of Albany pleaded guilty to similar charges based upon the manufacture of headache powders and was fined \$100. A plea of guilty was also entered by the Delaware Drug Co. of Hancock, N.Y., for a similar offence and a fine of \$50 for Ottawa to morrow afternoon.

A fine of \$500 was imposed on James G. Stevens of Chinton Mills, N.Y., who pleaded guidty to having shipped to Boston and Plattsburg parties butter made in Canada and smuggled into the United States.

Burglanr got \$1100 from the stock of W. E. Irvine, jeweler, at Orangeville. The residence of H. Wickens, Brampinade in Canada and smuggled into the United States.

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Bell and the factory of the Canadian Aerodome Company.

Altho the day was stormy they were in hope sof witnessing a flight with Baddeck No. 2. They were received by Mrs. Baldwin, wife of F. W. Badwin of the Canadian Aerodrome Company, Dr. and Mrs. Bell both being in Washington. Dr. Bell was called to Washington on Monday to attend an executive meeting of the Smithsonian Intive meeting of the Smithsonian In-

The party were taken to the factory, day with President Samuel Gompers where Messrs. Baldwin and McCurdy relative to the switchmen's strike in explained in detail the mechanism of Customs Receipts Exceed Last Year's their machine, Baddock No. 1, which is now ready to be tried on the ice. The FINED FOR SMUGGLING BUTTER party stated for Baddock, where the town was gaily decorated in honor of his excellency's visit. They were driven to Bentick farm, to inspect Baddock No. 2, with the idea of having a

flight.

They arrived in a blinding hall and rain storm. Later the wind slackened, the crowd anxious to see a flight, and the machine was taken from her shed. McCurdy flew a mile in a blinding hallstorm, to the delight of his excelle who stated it was the first flight he had ever seen. Earl Grey and Lard Lascelles follow

for Ottawa to-morrow afternoon.

MISS ASQUITH EXPLAINS

Poet Had Also Asked for a Large Literary Pension-Was Refused and is Trying to Get "Even."

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.-A London cable to The American says: "Miss Violet Asquith, daughter of the prime minister of England, explained to The American correspondent to-day that she did not care to dignify William Watson, the poet, by replying to his statements concerning herself and her

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EARL GREY SEES M'CURAY

FLY MILE IN HALSTORM

His Excellency Pays Visit to Remote Baddeck to See Aeroplanes in Operation.

BAIDDECK, N.B., Dec. 8.—(Special.)—Earl Grey arrived here this morning with the special object of visiting the labortories of Dr. Alexander Graham Bell and the factory of the Canadian Bell and

To a reporter Mr. Watson said that

MONTREAL PORT STATISTICS by Two Millions.

MONTREAL, Dec. 8.—(Special.)—Navigation returns show that the customs returns exceed those of last year by \$2,012,000. The open season was nine days more than last year. The imports were a little ahead of 1908, but exports of cattle, lumber and grain fell off somewhat.

"I Like the Summer Days, But Oh, You Xmas !"

You Xmas!"

This is the time when you get about as much fun out of the hour as you do on a summer vacation day. Only its sc entirely different. No secluded spot for you, just standing room, in the busy throng of happy shoppers. The best way is to join in now and get carried along and you will realize afterwards what splendid entertainment you have had even if you did get separated from some of the coin you formerly owned by buying Xmas gifts. Re-





