

DIRECTORS DID NOT UNLOAD.

Meeting of Shareholders Yesterday Discuss the Situation.

List of Shareholders of the Bank Sent Out.

Mr. Cockburn's Property—Changes in List of Shareholders.

Toronto report: Lists of shareholders of the Ontario Bank on October 30, were mailed to them last night by Mr. A. D. Braithwaite, General Manager. Shareholders who compare this list with that of January 1st last will, at least, have the gratification of knowing that their directors made no effort to unload. This fact will be taken as evidence that, even if negligent, the directors were not dishonest. So far as the directors are concerned the changes are the way of increase. Mr. Cockburn now having 452,233, an increase of 117,233 since January 1st. None of the other directors have changed the number of their shares. The most important change is the disappearance of the name of Mr. C. McGill. On January 1st there appeared in Mr. McGill's name 305, and in trust 300 1/3 shares. There were also 300 shares in the names of R. Hall and C. McGill in trust. None of these three holdings appear on the present list, but a new entry gives Officers' Guarantee Fund of the Ontario Bank 2,008 shares.

Otherwise the list shows no important change except some shifting from one holding company to another or from one brokerage firm to another of the margin holdings.

The holding of the directors are: Mr. G. R. R. Cockburn, President 452,233 Mr. D. McKay, Vice-President 128 Mr. R. D. Perry 100 Hon. R. Harcourt 100 Mr. R. Grass 70 Mr. Thos. Walmesley 50 Mr. John Platt 52

Views of Some Shareholders. Some twelve hundred of the fifteen thousand shares of the bank were represented at an independent shareholders' meeting in the office of Mr. Goodie in the Gooderham building yesterday afternoon. Mr. Goodie, who is a shareholder of the bank himself, called the meeting for the purpose of a general discussion of the bank's affairs. The meeting appointed a committee and delegated to it the duty of acquiring all of the information possible from the curator and other sources, and to obtain the best legal opinion as to the position of the shareholders. This opinion will be sought to ascertain the right of the shareholders or the bank as a corporation to recover from the directors. The committee will also endeavor to obtain all of the proxies possible for the special general meeting of the shareholders to be held on Dec. 11th. The proxies were formerly generally held by Mr. Donald Mackay, the Vice-President, and Mr. McGill, the Manager.

The members of the committee are Mr. Charles (Chas.) Adams, and Messrs. C. S. Gzowski, C. Goodie, W. J. McFarland and Andrew Darling.

Allegation Against President. At the meeting it was stated by Mr. G. S. McFarland that Mr. G. R. R. Cockburn had on October 23 last transferred to his wife, Mary E. Cockburn, lots 3, 4 and 5 on the west side of Bay street, between Wellington and Front streets. The consideration named in the registration of the deed was one dollar. In justice to Mr. Cockburn, it may be stated that there was a recital in the deed that the property had been purchased with money belonging to Mrs. Cockburn. The deed of the property was drawn up by the firm of Clark, Gray & Baird, of which firm his Honor W. Mortimer Clark is the principal partner. The premises are 50 and 62 Bay street, the buildings on which have not been rebuilt since the fire of April, 1904.

Mr. Cockburn at his residence last evening denounced the insinuation that the transfers of his property had been in any way the result of the troubles in the Ontario Bank. He said that transfers of property were made almost daily by him, and that, while as a matter of fact he had made transfers of property to his wife, the same was a private matter, and had nothing to do with the bank.

"It is nobody's business," said Mr. Cockburn, "and the man who started a story like that deserves a hiding. The bank will pay every cent of the debt it has, and there is nothing but spite in using a private transaction which has not the most remote connection with the bank to excite public feeling."

HUGE SWINDLE.

CHARLES W. NORTON TRADED ON A LARGE SCALE IN SECURITIES.

Charge Against Him of Using Mails to Defraud—Mortgages, Title Deeds and Stock Certificates Aggregating Millions Found in His Possession—Previous Convictions Alleged.

Chicago, Nov. 5.—Charles Whitney Norton, said by the police and postal authorities to be responsible for extensive swindling operations, is under arrest here, and will be turned over to the Federal officers by the local police, who took him into custody. It is claimed that Norton has defrauded people in all parts of the United States out of bonds and securities amounting to \$3,000,000. It is claimed by the officers that Norton would obtain stock from any person who would trust him and agree to sell it in the market. He might, the police, declare, sell the stock and he might retain it, but the result to the person owning the stock was the same. They would receive no money from Norton, nor would the stock be returned to them.

He was first taken into custody by the police three days ago, and they held him without preferring any charge against him until a search could be made for

securities said to be held by him aggregating in value about \$3,000,000.

In his room were found bonds, stocks, abstracts of land titles, first mortgages, and other negotiable paper, the greater part of which is thought to be genuine and worth about \$2,000,000. Other papers were found valued on their face at about \$1,000,000 more, but the higher value is doubtful. It is claimed that Norton by selling and trading these securities made many thousands of dollars. The postal authorities declare that they have been searching for Norton since January, 1905, when he disappeared from Detroit, ostensibly to go to England.

About two years ago Norton was in Elmira, N. Y., operating the American Wholesale Brokerage Company. It is also claimed that he was arrested once in Troy, N. Y., and also in Rutland, Vt., where he served a sentence of one year in jail for the fraudulent use of the mails. He is also said to have done business in Toledo, Ohio.

It is claimed by the police that Norton solicited stocks and land titles of all descriptions to sell. When pressed by customers for money for the stock turned over to him he informed them that he would go to London in order to obtain a better market.

Titles and deeds to lands in Nebraska, Kentucky, Tennessee, Virginia and other States, running into thousands of acres, were found in Norton's possession. One deed describing 50,000 acres of pine lands in Virginia and another describing 20,000 acres in Nebraska appeared to be genuine.

The papers found include gold mining stocks and stocks of copper mines, insurance companies, railways and gas companies.

Norton was to-day still held by the local police, but the postal authorities restrict their intention of causing his arrest on a charge of using the mails to defraud.

DUE TO VIOLENCE.

MEDICAL EVIDENCE IN BELLEVILLE MURDER CASE.

Fist Would Cause Wounds—Doctor for Defence Differs With Three Others, But Admits Conclusions Were Theoretical.

Belleville Despatch.—The trial of Ferdinand Kleinbell for the murder of his wife was continued this morning, the court-room being again crowded with spectators. Mrs. Bertha Uebres testified that she was a niece of the prisoner and had known him for 20 years and visited him occasionally. The prisoner was not very kind to his wife.

Dr. Yeomans, coroner, testified as to being called to the Kleinbell residence on Monday evening, March 26th. He corroborated the evidence given by Mrs. Dulmage, Messrs. Little, Bailey and Luescher in regard to the condition of old Mrs. Kleinbell. The deceased was conscious when the doctor first saw her. The woman's pulse was very weak, and witness gave her two injections of strychnine. He told Mrs. Dulmage she was very badly hurt and did not think she could recover. Kleinbell told the doctor had been saucy and he had pounded her with his fists and she only got what she deserved. In his opinion, the woman died from shock as the result of the beating she had received.

This prisoner on that night was very excited when his son Herman's name was mentioned. Drs. Boyce and Gibson, who made the post-mortem upon the body of the unfortunate woman, described minutely the wounds, which were due to violence caused by some blunt object. A man's fist might cause them. Dr. Boyce said he thought death was caused by shock induced by the injuries. Dr. Gibson, in his evidence, said the injuries about the body were general and sufficient to cause death. The cross-examination did not materially alter the physicians' testimony.

At the resuming of the court after lunch, the defence was gone into. Dr. Connell, of Queen's University, Kingston, did not think the injuries to Mrs. Kleinbell, as described by Drs. Yeomans, Boyce and Gibson, were sufficient to cause death. The bursting of a blood vessel to a person like the deceased could be caused by a slight application of force. In cross-examination, he admitted that his conclusions were theoretical, based upon what he had heard.

Mr. David Price testified that he saw the deceased on Saturday, March 26th, and she appeared to be in a dazed condition. This concluded the evidence in the case.

Mr. Porter, on behalf of the prisoner, made an eloquent appeal for acquittal, alleging that the prisoner did not cause the death of his wife by any violence at his hand. If he did cause any injury, he was not responsible, being of an unsound mind.

Mr. Arnold, K.C., Crown Prosecutor, addressed the jury at length. At the conclusion of the Crown counsel's address Mr. Justice Britton reserved his summing up until to-morrow morning.

A RUNAWAY MATCH. St. Catharines Girl Runs Off to Wed Young Actor of Her Choice.

St. Catharines, Nov. 5.—A romance has just come to light here in connection with two respectable families.

For some time Arthur Meredith Platt, a young actor, now with the Morris Thurston Stock Company, had been paying attention to Miss Marjorie, daughter of W. W. Cox, manager of the Whitman Barber knife works. It has been said the suit was not favored by the family, though welcomed by the young lady. The stock company played an engagement here a week ago, leaving for Galt. On Tuesday the young lady left for Galt, was met at the station and was quietly married by Rev. R. E. Knowles.

The girl's parents knew nothing of the departure till the news came of the wedding.

TOBACCO POISONED COWS. They Pastured in a Field Where Leaf Was Grown.

Ottawa, Nov. 5.—Five cows belonging to a farmer named Desormeaux, of Embury, died mysteriously between Sunday and Monday. The owner was puzzled at the strange taking off of the animals, and summoned a veterinarian from Ottawa, who held a post-mortem, and found the cows' stomachs full of nicotine. This explained the mystery. The animals had been pastured in a field where Desormeaux had raised tobacco, and had eaten the stalks in great quantity.

STRANGE CASE OF N. Y. POLICEMAN.

Patrolled Streets for Sixteen Hours Suffering from Concussion of the Brain.

New York, Nov. 5.—The World to-day says: Policeman J. Elliot, champion all round athlete of the police department and winner of many medals in running jumps and sprints, in the Canadian games this summer, was taken to Bellevue Hospital in a critical condition last night after having patrolled for 16 hours out of 24 during which he was suffering from cerebral concussion and a possible fracture of the skull.

The surgeons at the hospital were amazed at the endurance the man displayed and said it was the first time in their experience that a person was able to keep his feet for 24 hours with such injuries as the athlete had received. Elliot received his hurts in a collision between a patrol wagon and a street car at 8 o'clock Tuesday night.

After going to the police station house to make a complaint against his prisoner, he went back on post and patrolled it until midnight. When he reported off duty, he went home and slept until 5 o'clock yesterday morning and reported for duty again at 6. He patrolled until noon, slept until 5 in the afternoon and went back on duty at 6 o'clock again last night.

At 7 he went to his station house and told the sergeant he was feeling ill. "I have got a pain in my stomach and I think it comes from my hurt in the collision last night," he said.

The sergeant was about to reply when Elliot fainted and fell senseless. He was hurried to the hospital, where the surgeons said last night that his condition is critical.

TWO YEARS' SLEEP. HE WILL NOT WED ACTRESS.

MARIE SULZER HAS NEVER BEEN DIVORCED FROM HUSBAND.

Wedded to be Ennobled—Subsequent Dispute With Matrimonial Agent Resulted in Arrangements Being Broken Off.

Berlin, Nov. 5.—It is officially denied that Prince Joachim Albrecht of Prussia will marry Marie Sulzer, the actress, otherwise Baroness Liebenburg. It is said the reason is that the Baroness has never been divorced from her husband, to whom she was married in London on May 9. The Baron married her simply for the object of enabling her, inasmuch as Prince Joachim is a woman not being longed to by the nobility, would be completely banished from the Prussian Court, a matrimonial agent in Berlin employed a needy and purchasable nobleman who would marry the actress and then qualify for a divorce. After considerable difficulty Baron Liebenburg, an impetuous Austrian, was found. The pair were not acquainted and never met until they went to the registrar's office, where the ceremony was performed. Immediately after the knot was tied the couple curtly wished each other good morning, and have not met since.

Baron Liebenburg accompanied the agent to the Continent with \$3,750, the price of his bride, to prepare for the regular intervals, great in regard to divorce. He was promised another \$3,750 when the decree was granted. He found no difficulty in qualifying, but a subsequent dispute with the marriage agent respecting payment interrupted the proceedings. The Baron, who was living securely in London on a small weekly allowance from Marie Sulzer's solicitor, says that no papers have been served, and that he is still Marie's husband. The actress has vanished and Prince Joachim's whereabouts is unknown.

UNION FUNDS NOW SAFE.

GOVERNMENT SUBMITS TO AMENDMENT TO TRADES DISPUTES BILL.

Keir Hardie and His Men Champion Rights of Women Suffragists—Heated Scenes on Motion to Omit Ireland From Operation of Bill—Proposal Defeated by Great Majority.

London despatch: The recent action of the Home Secretary in softening the punishment of the female suffragists for disorderly behavior in the precincts of the House by treating them as "first-class misdemeanants" was very generally attributed to his humanitarian views. Doubtless Mr. Gladstone was not unreasoning that the idea should find currency in the House, but the public statement by Mr. Keir Hardie, independent Labor leader, tends to throw another aspect on Mr. Gladstone's action. Laborites have already boasted that they wrenched concessions from the Government re the trades disputes bill.

On top of this Mr. Keir Hardie now declares that unless the suffragists' punishment had been reduced the Laborites intended to move an adjournment resolution in the House. The Government climbed down at the eleventh hour. To-night in the House of Commons Mr. Asquith declared the trade unions were greatly mistaken if they believed Mr. Gladstone and himself were going to accept Mr. Keir Hardie's proposals at the dictation of the Laborites, yet, as the Times points out, they both meekly accepted Mr. Asquith's proposals. The Government is in a decidedly awkward situation.

Twitting the Ministers. London, Nov. 1.—In the debate to-night on the amendment to clause four of the trades disputes bill, which places union funds beyond the reach of attack, the members of the Opposition in their speeches twitted the Ministers with surrendering to the Labor party. Hon. Herbert H. Asquith, Chancellor of the Exchequer, retorted that the question at issue was not one of principle, but of methods. He said he saw nothing dishonorable or unworthy in deferring to the feelings of those most interested in the matter, and that it was a question of expediency in which the associations of employers and employees were put on the same level. He unhesitatingly supported the amended clause. Mr. Keir Hardie, Secretary of War, also explained that it was not in deference to Mr. Keir Hardie, the Labor member, that he had adopted his present attitude toward the new clause, but rather because there was an enormous preponderance of feeling in favor of doing things in the simplest way.

After other members of the Government had spoken in a similar strain Samuel Roberts, Conservative, proposed to insert the original clause. This proposal was defeated by 372 votes to

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TREW FAN INTO BULL RING. And Now the Owner Will Wed Spain's Foremost Toreador.

Madrid, Nov. 5.—The famous toreador, Rafael Gonzalez, will be married to a wealthy Englishwoman named Clements, whose wife is a Spaniard. Gonzalez is regarded as Spain's best matador. He made the acquaintance of the young woman in a romantic manner. Carried away by the prowess he displayed at a bull fight, the Senora Clements threw him her fan, and the courtship began that day.

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