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MAINE WOMAN
WANTS \$40,000
FOR ALIENATION

Mrs. Turcott of Greenville
Accuses Rich New
Yorker

Sues Mrs. Cornelia J. Nelson
Whom She Accuses of
Stealing Affections of Her
Husband, a Guide of Maine
Woods.

Bangor, Feb. 21.—Bangor attorneys will figure in both the prosecution and defense in the case of Mrs. Gertrude L. Turcott of Greenville vs. Mrs. Cornelia J. Nelson of New York, which, it is expected, will come up for trial at the March term of the supreme court of the Piscataquis county. Mrs. Turcott is suing Mrs. Nelson for \$40,000 for the alienation of the affections of her husband, Peter Turcott, a Maine guide. The case will be recalled with interest by Maine people because of its somewhat sensational and unusual aspects. The Nelsons have a magnificent home on Moosehead lake and in 1910, the case, first entered Peter from Mrs. Nelson engaged Peter Turcott as her guide. Gillin & Gillin have been engaged by the Maine attorney for the New York plaintiff's wife, the woman who is accused of having stolen from her husband a Maine guide from his wife, to whom he has been married since 1890. Phillips B. Gardner of Bangor and Hon. W. L. Pattangall of Augusta are Mrs. Turcott's attorneys. Mrs. Turcott is expected to come to Bangor this week to confer with her counsel and a conference has already taken place between attorneys Pattangall and Gardner and Mrs. Turcott at Skowhegan.

It was in 1910 that Mrs. Nelson, according to the allegation in the writ in the case, first entered Peter from his wife. The paper alleges that it was on or about Sept. 17 of that year and that then Mrs. Turcott has not known the comfort, care and support of this husband, but that he has followed the New York woman.

Mrs. Nelson, who is to be the defendant in this case, is the wife of Thomas Nelson of 609 West 118th street, New York city, having a summer home at 1228 Constant avenue, Peekskill, N. Y. It is also said that Mrs. Nelson has been mayor of the latter city. He is supposed to be a millionaire and a very successful professional lawyer, having studied with Rufus Choate, but is said now to be a retired financier.

The Nelsons have a magnificent summer camp on Moosehead lake, where they spend each year. In connection with this camp, they maintain a magnificent motor yacht, which is said to be worth \$25,000 to \$40,000. This craft they use for their trips up and down the forty miles of lake which constitute this inland sea of Maine.

Peter Turcott was engaged by Mrs. Nelson about the year 1910, according to the story of Mrs. Turcott, as her personal guide.

Mr. Nelson, so it is stated, has a guide of his own. Husband and wife, it is explained, hunt and fish separately.

When Peter was engaged by Mrs. Nelson, the domestic story of the Turcotts began to gather. For a time, says Mrs. Turcott, Peter guided Mrs. Nelson during the summer and lived at home in winter, but later he left his home and since that time has passed his winters in Maine as guide for the rich New York woman and lived in the big city during the winter months.

It is said by Mrs. Turcott that the relations between Peter and Mrs. Nelson have been of a very intimate nature and that Mrs. Nelson has lavished money and costly presents upon her guide and completely won his affections from his wife.

GET BETTER PAY
Hon. M. W. Doherty's Announcement re Ontario Agricultural College Staff.

London, Ont., Feb. 21.—That the salaries at the Ontario Agricultural College are to be adjusted very soon was announced yesterday by Hon. Manly W. Doherty, minister of agriculture. He said that a reclassification of the whole staff of the O. A. C. is being made and will be completed in a few days. This classification will establish a new and much improved basis of salaries.

GEDDES THE MAN FOR WASHINGTON?
London Paper Says Earl of Reading Has Definitely Declined.

London, Feb. 21.—The Earl of Reading has definitely declined the ambassadorship to Washington and the post has been offered to Sir Auckland Geddes, minister of national service and reconstruction, who has not accepted, according to the Daily Mail. It is believed by the newspaper that he will accept.

London, Feb. 21.—Sir Auckland Geddes informed the Associated Press today that he was not aware of the government having arrived at any decision regarding the naming of an ambassador to Washington.

The London Times' airplane competing in the Cairo to Cape Town flight left Mongata, in the lower Sudan, yesterday morning for Juba, in the province of Bahr el Jebel.

Carleton County Man
Lost Life in Storm

Edward McIntosh of Kirkland Found Dead—A Debec Stabbing Case.

(Special to Times)
Woodstock, N. B., Feb. 21.—A report reached here last evening that Edward McIntosh of Kirkland, Carleton county, perished in the big storm of Thursday night. He was hauling wood, and when the storm came up took off the horses and sent them home with a boy named Buxton, who was working with him. McIntosh did not arrive, and search was made and he was found about forty rods from the house dead. He was about fifty-five years of age.

Sheriff Foster and Deputy Moores brought Charles Clark of Debec, here, to the station and lodged him in jail, charged with stabbing Oliver Blackmore during an argument. Clark apparently was beaten up. He will be examined by the doctors today as to his sanity. Blackmore had a narrow escape from death.

STRIKE FOLLOWS
ORDER AGAINST
LABOR BADGES

Baltimore, Md., Feb. 21.—An order issued by the company prohibiting the wearing of badges by labor union representatives known as ship stewards started a strike of 1,100 employees of the Baltimore Drydock & Shipbuilding Company yesterday.

The company has declared its intention to maintain an open shop in the future and yesterday's actions was the first move toward that end.

ABERDEEN AWAY
TO ASSIST SHIP

J. C. Chesley Gets Call for Aid for Three-Master Off Parrsboro.

J. C. Chesley, agent of the Marine and Fisheries department, sent the steamer Aberdeen away early this morning for the assistance of a three-masted schooner, which was reported off Parrsboro last night flying distress signals. Last night Mr. Chesley received a message from Mayor C. A. Huntley of Parrsboro: "Vessel in distress off here. Please send assistance, nothing available here. Understand she is a three-masted vessel and is showing distress signals tonight."

Up to one o'clock no further word had been received regarding the vessel.

GETTING BETTER
Guelph Child Recovering
From Sleeping Sickness
Attack.

Guelph, Ont., Feb. 21.—A remarkable case of sleeping sickness being cured, is reported in this city. A two-year old daughter, Alexander Craig was afflicted with sleeping sickness for about twelve days, being occasionally aroused sufficiently to take a drink of tea or water, but on the twelfth day she awoke herself and asked for a piece of toast. She has since been completely recovered and is now on the way to complete recovery.

P. E. I. PHONES
Company Wants Exclusive
Franchise Renewed and
Charges Increased.

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Feb. 21.—The Prince Edward Telephone Company, whose contract with provincial government will expire at the end of this year, is applying for an extension of its exclusive franchise for thirty years, and an increase in rentals or rates under certain conditions.

WOMEN WORKERS
IN U. S. NUMBER
ELEVEN MILLION

Chicago, Feb. 21.—More than 11,000,000 women in the United States are employed as wage earners, according to a report submitted to the vocational education convention here by Mrs. Cleo Murland, professor of industrial education at the University of Michigan.

STANDARD DRESS FOR
BUSINESS WOMEN

Columbus, Ohio, Feb. 21.—Resolutions favoring the standardization of dress for business women in order to combat the high cost of living were adopted by the board of directors of the National Women's Association of Commerce in mid-winter conferences held here.

LUMBER UP \$3
IN WINNIPEG

Winnipeg, Feb. 21.—A general increase of \$3 a hundred feet of lumber was announced yesterday.

REAL ESTATE IS
REPORTED ACTIVE

Taylor and Sweeney Report
Quite a Few Transfers—
Auctions Today.

The real estate situation in St. John at the present time shows considerable activity. Taylor & Sweeney report that they have found business decidedly brisk. They report some important sales of business property and a large number of residential of various classes and in almost every section of the city and outskirts.

Among some of the most important transfers made through their office is the large four story brick building and basement, 207 Union street, immediately adjoining the Ogilvie Milling Company building. This property was owned by Taylor & Sweeney themselves, having been purchased by them some time ago from the Reade estate of Ottawa.

They also report the sale of the Addy property, 207 Union street, a splendid three-story brick building with barn and garage. This property is situated in the business district as that part of Union street between Dorchester and Charlotte is rapidly being absorbed for business purposes. The purchaser, Miss P. Knight Hanson, it is presumed will convert it into apartments and use a portion for her own residence.

Among some residential properties sold is a brick house on the corner of West and Horfield, sold for C. A. Clark to J. W. Carter. The present owner intends to convert it into a number of apartments. They also disposed of the following:

Brick self-contained house, semi-detached, No. 168 King street east, hot water heating, modern equipment, sold for John A. Monahan to E. J. Friel, Wood.

Two family wooden house, sold for Philip Grosset to M. J. McGrath.

Splendid large freestone property on Charles street, consisting of a detached house and a two family house, sold for Mrs. Jane Ewert to H. A. Doherty.

Small two family property, 142 Waterloo street, sold for Edward Hogan to John H. Dale.

Property consisting of a store, two tenements and self-contained house, sold for Mrs. Jane Ewert to H. A. Doherty.

Large property, consisting of a brick and large wooden building, freestone, sold for N. J. Labouchere to J. A. Doherty.

Small two family property, 134 Prince street, sold for Mrs. Greg to J. E. Brittain.

Two family house and store, freestone, 77-79 Ladow street, West Side, sold for estate of Helen Hunt to Alonzo E. Murray.

Splendid modern house at Hampton with garden. Sold for Mrs. O'Connell estate to Mrs. Dean.

Self-contained house at East St. John. Sold for Mrs. V. I. Rowan to J. M. Treanen and others.

Auctioneers.
A two story house and a barn situated at 209 Brussels street was sold by Auctioneer F. L. Potts this morning to Mrs. Emily McPherson for \$2,840. A three-story house situated at 81 and 83 Winter street was withdrawn. A three-story house situated at 81 and 83 Queen street, and known as the Turnbull estate, was disposed of by private sale. The sale was held in Mr. Potts' rooms in German street. Formerly these sales were held at Chubb's corner, but Mr. Potts has decided to conduct them in his sales room and those interested will not have to stand out in cold or inclement weather.

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As Hiram Sees It

"I see," said Mr. Hiram Hornbeam to the Times reporter, "they've caught a passel o' little thieves."

"Yes," said the reporter. "Sad—ain't it? Somebody fell down on the job or these boys would not be what they are today."

"Yes," said Hiram, "that's so. It's because you get a juvenile court. I see by the papers you've had one for a long time. Why don't you close it up? You'll be havin' ten or fifteen boys sent to the reformatory at one lick if you keep on."

"Of course," said the reporter, "there must be something wrong in social conditions when boys go bad in gangs."

"All the same," said Hiram, "a juvenile court must help to make 'em worse or them fellers in the municipal court wouldn't be voted again gettin' a real one. I'm surprised they don't shut up the one you got, an' let the boys go on till they're old enough to go to jail. Let every one of them boys be proud of himself. He's been in the police court buildin' an' he'd be a chance to blow what he done, an' get a write-up in the newspapers. Yes, sir, these juvenile courts is all wrong—specially where they have them probation officers an' go round an' try to keep boys out o' court. What good would a court be if you couldn't get a lot o' boys up to be sent to the reformatory? Them councillors done a great thing when they voted down that motion for a real juvenile court—even if that workin' man from Montreal, where they live one, did say that if St. John wanted to advertise itself as first class behind the times it couldn't do better than to hev the news telegraphed all over the country that it was signed a juvenile court—yes, sir."

TAX WITHOUT
THE CHECKING
OF PRODUCTION

Sir Edmund Walker Advocates This—Says Annual Amortization the Real Burden.

Toronto, Feb. 21.—Sir Edmund Walker, president of the Canadian Bank of Commerce referring to Canada's financial situation, advocated yesterday the introduction of systems of taxation in lieu of the present annual amortization checking production. He said that it was not Canada's debt but its annual amortization which was the real burden.

MANY IN FRANCE
BEING MARRIED

Paris, Feb. 21.—From many towns in France continue to come records of marriages, the number of which is said to be in the little town of Albi, which has fewer than 25,000 inhabitants, twelve weddings were celebrated on last Sunday. Toulouse had thirty-four marriages the same day.

APPLICATIONS FOR
DIVORCE PUBLISHED.

Ottawa, Feb. 21.—Three more applications for divorce are listed in the Canada Gazette. Edward Simpson of Waterloo seeks a decree from his wife Mildred, on statutory grounds; Lauretta Estelle Cook applies for release from her husband, George H. Cook, on grounds of alleged desertion and Marie Jeanne Yvonne Albertine Starnour Lalanc, Montreal, seeks a decree from Alexander Lalanc, also on similar grounds.

WEATHER
REPORT

Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, St. John, N. B., Director of meteorological service.

Synopsis.—Pressure is relatively low over the southwestern and Pacific states and high for the most part over the remainder of the continent. The weather has been fair throughout the dominion and on the whole moderately cold.

Fair; Moderately Cold.
Maritime—Fresh north and west winds, fair and moderately cold today and on Sunday.
Gulf and North Shore—Fair and cold today and on Sunday.
New England—Probably snow or rain late tonight or Sunday; slowly rising temperature; light variable winds, becoming easterly.

TRAIN TRAFFIC DISORGANIZED.

Winston, Conn., Feb. 20.—Three passenger trains were stalled all night at stations near here as a result of a heavy snow storm. No train left here this morning.

Portland, Me., Feb. 21.—All passenger trains of the Grand Trunk and other lines in this state were off schedule yesterday as a result of yesterday's heavy snowfall. Freight was at a standstill.

Can's Stand Prohibition.

Geneva, Feb. 21.—Thousands of Poles, Czechs-Slovaks and Jugos-Slavs are here, returning to the United States, largely because they cannot stand prohibition. The refugees are well supplied with money.

Poincare Appointed.

Paris, Feb. 21.—Raymond Poincare has been named French delegate on the reparations commission. He succeeds Charles C. A. Jonart, who resigned from the commission recently.

Practically Acquits
Chief of Police Finlay

Report of the Fredericton Police Commission on the Charges Made.

(Special to Times)
Fredericton, N. B., Feb. 21.—The Fredericton police commission on Friday afternoon issued its findings in the matter of charges laid by Harry M. Blair against Wm. H. Finlay, chief of police, arising out of incidents which occurred on the night of September 16. The finding is lengthy and practically acquits Chief Finlay on all charges. That of assault is stated distinctly to be unproven. Unreasonable detention is admitted in view of the physical condition of the prisoner, Charles Blair, but a statement is added that Chief Finlay, after being fully informed of the condition of the prisoner, did not unduly detain him. On the question of discrimination against the prisoner in the matter of release on deposit, the commissioners found that Chief Finlay at first refused to release him, but that there were justifying circumstances and that when fully advised of the facts he gave permission for the removal of the man.

The finding in the investigation as being of value in enabling the police commission to define an opinion on the matter, and to be used in the future. When reasonably required and necessary the services of a physician are to be secured for a prisoner by himself or by a policeman.

Lawlor and Cain, hardware dealers, were purchased from George H. Thoms a brick building in Regent street, occupied by him and formerly part of the McManus property. Lawlor and Cain will take possession on April 1, and extending the premises.

Frank A. Good has purchased the Stratton property in Brunswick street at a price in the vicinity of \$5,000.

Chief Finlay was formerly of the St. John police force.

PROHIBITION
CONVENTION FOR
QUEBEC MARCH 3

Montreal, Feb. 21.—Quebec prohibitionists will assemble in convention on March 3 and 4 in St. James' Methodist church. A programme of six sessions, morning, afternoon and evening, has been arranged.

PANTRY SALES

The Ladies' Aid of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church held a successful home cooking and pantry sale in the school room of the church this morning. The proceeds, which reached a substantial sum, are for the benefit of the church. The sale was conducted under the direction of Mrs. Margaret E. Parks, who acted as president of the society. Mrs. F. H. White, with Mrs. Allan Rankine, convenor, assisted by Mrs. G. Macmillan, Mrs. J. Boyle Travers, Mrs. J. A. Simons, Mrs. C. H. Ferguson, Mrs. George Bishop, Mrs. Robert Watson, and Mrs. R. H. Chipman. A large assortment of delicacies were on sale and a large patronage was received.

A home cooking and pantry sale was held this morning in the lobby of the Lansdowne House, King Square, under the auspices of the Epworth League of the Queen Square Methodist church. Dainty home cooking and candy, along with other table attractions, were on sale. The sale was under the convenorship of Mrs. Lelloy A. M. King, assisted by Miss Grace Robertson, Miss Esther Welwood, Miss Pauline Dickenson and other members of the league. The proceeds are to be given to missions.

POLICE COURT

In the police court this morning John Beckwith, was charged with breaking and entering the store of Steves Bros. at corner of Elm street and Haymarket squares last night and stealing a box of business codfish. He did not plead to the charge but was arrested last night in Erin street by Sergeant Detective William Perry, charged with being drunk and also with having liquor in his possession other than his private dwelling. He was sent below and Inspectors McAlain and Kerr succeeded in getting information as to who supplied him with the liquor. They left the court room and in a short time returned with Michael Feehey, whom they charged with supplying liquor to William Perry, aged seventeen, who was charged with being drunk. Perry took the stand and told of being supplied with gin yesterday by the accused. He said he paid \$3 for it at the corner of Brunswick and Brussels streets. The defendant said he was drinking yesterday and he did not remember seeing the liquor to the lad. He was fined \$20 or six months in jail with hard labour.

The case against Dr. F. X. Morris, was resumed but postponed again until Wednesday as one of the witnesses, George Rieker, was unable to attend court on account of illness. W. M. Ryan appeared for the prosecution and Scott E. Morrell for the defence.

Three men charged with drunkenness were remanded.

ROGERS IN POLITICAL
SPEECH NEXT MONDAY

Winnipeg, Feb. 21.—Hon. Robert Rogers will address the Liberal-Conservative Club of Winnipeg next Monday evening and it is said that he will deal with federal issues.

TAKE ACTION
FOR TRIALS IN
GERMAN COURT

Cases of Germans Accused of
Breaking Laws of
War

Berlin, Feb. 21.—Preliminary proceedings in several cases of Germans accused of violations of the laws of war have already begun, and progress is being made in the collection of documentary material. Dr. Schiffer, minister of justice, told the representative of the Zwölf Uhr Blatt yesterday. He said that accused persons would be tried at Leipzig by a court consisting of the customary seven judges.

German witnesses will be heard in accordance with the prescriptions of criminal trial regulations and witnesses will be examined abroad if they do not care to come to Germany. It was indicated that a German examining magistrate would go to other countries to be present at the taking of evidence.

Accused persons who do not respond to the summons to appear before the investigating magistrate will be summoned by German authorities, he said, will in any case do everything to expedite proceedings as far as possible. On the principle that each accused would necessarily have to be tried individually, Dr. Schiffer emphatically emphasized the fact the government regarded it an affair of honor to punish those really guilty.

The government, however, was not obeying the Entente's will in carrying out this trial, he asserted, "but is fulfilling the requirements of any ordinary state and its own feeling of what is just."

Paris, Feb. 21.—Havas agency learned here that the German government will send a detailed answer to the latest note of the Entente dealing with the trial of Germans accused of war crimes after the national assembly meets on Feb. 24 and examines the statute relating to the question.

BLOOM ROCK
BUOY IS GONE

The recent severe storm and the exceedingly cold weather this winter have caused the Marine and Fisheries department a lot of trouble. They were notified that the Bloom Rock buoy, one of the most important for navigators, and which was situated at the entrance of the Bay of Fundy, had been swept away. This is one of the most important buoys in the bay, and as soon as the Aberdeen returns from the assistance of the schooner off Parrsboro, she will be despatched to locate and replace it. It is pointed out the coast from Falmouth to Barrington are gone and many others in different parts of the bay. At some points the ice extends three to five miles out to sea making it almost impossible to replace them.

AFTER THE STORM

The fine weather of yesterday and today has enabled the railway, telephone and telegraph companies to proceed more successfully with the work of repair of damages from the recent storms. The schedule of the N. B. Power Co. in the operation of street cars was much improved today, though still not up to its full programme. The heavy storm through Maine is still hampering the trains westward, but locally the situation is much improved.

The N. B. Telephone Co. have now succeeded in getting a line through to Amherst, one to St. Stephen, one to Fredericton and to Moncton, though the circuits here are not working as well as should be yet. Locally the repair work is progressing quite favorably.

The Montreal train due yesterday at 1:20 p.m. did not reach the city until nearly an hour after midnight, while the Boston pulled in at 8:20, though due at 1 p.m. Both were delayed by the heavy snow storm in Maine and the journey was very tiresome for those aboard. The Montreal today was reported an hour late, and the Boston four hours late. Halifax train was held for the Montreal in Fairville.

Last evening the Fairville car again made its appearance and passenger travel was resumed. For the last few days people have been getting to town in all sorts of ways as the car service was pretty badly demoralized by the succession of storms. Telephone are still for the most part "dead," and it will be some time yet before these conveniences are fully restored. The sliding is expected on the hard crust, and the boys and girls are having the best out of door sports in many a winter.

THE OLD I. C. R. KEPT
OPEN FOR TRAFFIC

Montreal, Feb. 21.—W. A. Kingland, of Montreal, general manager of the Canadian National Railways, yesterday said that, despite heavy snow storms, the most severe experienced for some years, in the maritime division, the old Intercolonial line had been kept open for traffic during the last week. There were heavy delays, the Halifax train, the Ocean Limited, being twelve hours late, but there was no block anywhere on the line. During the last few days there have been eleven snow plows operating mostly between Lewis and the Matapedia valley.