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MUST STAND TRIAL FOR MURDER JAMES HARTWICK COMMITTED

Preliminary Hearing Was Concluded Yesterday Afternoon—Evidence Adduced at Inquest Was Given Again With No New Features.

At the conclusion of the evidence in the preliminary hearing at the court house yesterday afternoon, Squire Chittick informally committed James Hartwick, the accused murderer of his aged wife, for trial.

The formal commitment cannot be made until after the evidence has been transcribed and read over.

When Hartwick was asked if he had anything to say why he should not be committed he replied that he could not hear what had been said.

NOTHING TO SAY.

"Come over closer to the magistrate," said Mr. McKillop, and Hartwick, leaning on the arm of Constable Northgreaves, made his way across the courtroom.

After hearing the question repeated, Hartwick, in a low tone of voice, stated that he had nothing at that time to say.

MR. FISHER PROTESTS.

Mr. Fisher, who appeared for the aged prisoner, then stated that in his opinion, it was an injustice to send a man for trial who had been robbed of his reason.

He admitted that such a course seemed inevitable under the present statutes, but the procedure, Mr. Fisher thought, was one entirely uncalled for, as he was positive that a jury could not be found who would convict the prisoner for committing a crime when he was insane.

NOT IN PRISONERS' BOX.

Shortly after the taking of evidence had again begun Hartwick asked for, and was granted permission to sit outside the prisoners' box, and he took a seat on the bench running alongside the box.

TOO MUCH FOR PRISONER.

The excitement attending yesterday's hearing at the courthouse was too much for James Hartwick, the accused murderer, and he put in a very bad night.

The aged prisoner could sleep but little, and when he did fall into a troubled doze, he tossed and rolled as if in agony.

This morning, however, Hartwick appeared to be feeling fairly well, for he ate some soup, drank some milk, and partook of a little toast.

VISITORS AT JAIL.

There were a number of visitors at the jail this morning, including several ladies, who were said to be school teachers from out of the city. Much interest was taken by the visitors in Hartwick, who happened to be sitting in his cells when the party arrived.

The old man, however, paid little heed to the curious ones and beyond glancing up when they entered the large day cell, which comprises perhaps a half dozen night cells, he gave no notice of their presence.

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An Abattoir for London Is Assured And Plant To Be Erected Shortly

Council Asked To Legislate To Put All On an Equal Footing.

An abattoir for the city of London is assured, according to the communication sent to the city council by Mr. J. M. McEvoy, K.C., last night. Mr. McEvoy wrote asking the council not to prejudice the rights of his clients, who were going to build an abattoir shortly.

According to the communication, the plant would be the most modern and up-to-date. The company will allow the plant to be used by others desiring to slaughter animals, or the company would slaughter the animals itself, the fee in either case to be regulated by the council. The company will submit the plans to the council for its approval.

Mr. McEvoy asked that any legislation asked for by the city council for an abattoir be general, to allow any person or corporation to erect and equip an abattoir so long as they were willing to comply with the rules and regulations concerning the same. Mr. McEvoy's clients ask that the council do not commit itself to any one firm or corporation. An open field for all is desired. All that was required was that the city pass a bylaw to the effect that all cattle slaughtered for use in the city be slaughtered in some place approved of by the city council and inspected by a Government inspector.

It is thought that No. 3 committee, to which committee the matter was referred, will agree to the suggestions made by Mr. McEvoy.

It is understood that there are two companies that will establish abattoirs near the city, provided the city does not tie itself down to one company.

Mr. Hooper Shown To Have Been Ill When Mistakes Re Ballots Occurred

City Council Hears Reports and Refuses To Take Any Action.

City Clerk Baker made his report on the recent recount to the city council last night, and the council decided to take no action.

The report referred to the incorrect returns of Deputy Hooper, in division 1, ward 4.

Seven other officers were unsatisfactory, and will be removed.

Dr. MacArthur and the scrutineers certified that Deputy Hooper was

physically incapacitated on the day of the election.

A medical certificate was attached. The boxes were too small, and the material in the envelopes very unsatisfactory. It was also stated.

Mr. Baker exonerated Deputy Hooper from all blame.

Allow It to Drop.

Ald. Armstrong thought that, as no particular harm had been done, the matter should be allowed to drop. He moved that the communication be filed.

Ald. Ferguson seconded the motion. He had known Mr. Hooper for many years, and was satisfied that

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Death of Mr. E. B. Stone in California

Word was received in this city this morning of the death of Pasadena, California on January 29th, of Mr. E. B. Stone, a former well-known barrister of this city. The body was brought to Peterborough a week ago, where interment took place.

The late Mr. Stone came to London about five years ago from Peterborough, where he was for many years a

successful barrister and an active Liberal politician. His health giving way, he was compelled to retire from business life and politics, and later, when he had been partially restored, he came to reside in this city.

His health, however, did not improve as he expected, and he removed to California to escape the winter.

In London Mr. Stone made many friends. At first he acted as the agent

of the Federal Life, but later he resumed the practice of law, and he acted on several occasions as crown counsel for the Ontario Government in important cases. He was a fluent speaker, and was several times heard from the platform in this district.

When in London Mr. Stone resided on Piccadilly street with his wife and son, who is a law student.

A Londoner's Success

Mr. Alfred Jury, of Buffalo, a former well known musical director of London, scored a great triumph Saturday night, when Madam Calve, sung in Buffalo under the auspices of the Cleft Club, a choral organization recently inaugurated under the direction of Mr. Jury. The Express says that Mr. Jury's triumph was signal, and the Times and the Courier and the News all accord him the highest praise.



JAMES HARTWICK,
The Accused Murderer of His Wife. Sketched by The Advertiser artist at the hearing yesterday.

Street Railway May Use "T" Rail The City Fathers Grant Permission

Matter Was Finally Threshed Out at the Meeting Last Night.

The "T" rail was again before the council at its session last night, and the council once more instructed City Solicitor Meredith to draw up a bylaw permitting the London Street Railway Company to use the rail on Dundas street.

There was considerable discussion on the subject, the majority of the council thinking that the "T" rail was a decided improvement on the present groove rail. The city solicitor was instructed to protect the rights of the citizens in the new bylaw.

The company agreed to assist the city in securing special legislation.

Mr. Meredith's Opinion.

City Solicitor Meredith gave his opinion regarding the use of "T" rails on Dundas street. He referred to the fact that bylaw 916, which dealt with this matter, called specifically for girder rails. He said that he had been confirmed by decisions of law. Mr. Meredith pointed out that if the "T" rail was laid on Dundas street it might prejudice the right of the city in demanding girder rails in extensions.

Manager King Speaks.

Manager C. B. King of the street railway was present, and on motion of Ald. Beattie he was heard on the matter. He drew the inference that if what

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Very Close Call on Clarence Street Express Just Missed a Coal Wagon

Driver Was Compelled To Drive Onto Station Platform To Save Himself.

A serious accident was narrowly averted by the narrowest margin at the Clarence street crossing of the Grand Trunk today at noon, when train No. 62 from Stratford was pulling into the station.

The watchman apparently did not know the train was so close, and let one of Chantler's coal sleighs past the gates.

Several people who saw the train coming called to the driver, but for a moment he did not take in the situation.

He only saved himself and the horse from being struck by turning quickly and driving up on to the station platform, the engine and cars passing by just a few inches from the sleigh.

Ontario and the Three-fifths Clause

The action of Manitoba in repealing its three-fifths clause and allowing local option to be carried by a straight majority is most welcome news to the temperance people of Ontario," said Secretary McDermid to The Advertiser this morning.

"It is one of the most encouraging things that has happened for a long time, and at the convention of temperance unions to be held in Toronto on Feb. 25, the Ontario branch of the

Temperance League will move for the abolition of the three-fifths clause in Ontario.

"One of the very strongest props of the liquor people has been removed by the action of Manitoba, as in the past their principle argument against carrying the measure in Ontario was that it had not been repealed in Manitoba.

"It can now be shown that it is unnecessary and the temperance people intend taking up the fight more vigorously than ever.

Mrs. Abbott Will Sue Millionaire Whose Auto Killed Her Husband

Alleged the Machine Was Traveling at a Reckless Pace When the Accident Occurred.

Mrs. William Abbott, whose husband was recently killed in Los Angeles by an automobile, has entered suit against Edward B. Maier, of the Maier Brewing Company of Los Angeles, through her solicitor, W. R. Case, of that place, to recover damages for the killing of her husband.

Mrs. Abbott is quite ill at the home of Mrs. Sutherland 135 Simcoe street,

this city, and could not be seen by The Advertiser this morning, but it was learned that Mr. Maier is alleged to be responsible for seriously injuring no less than eight persons by his alleged reckless driving in the last couple of years.

It is stated that he has had several suits brought against him for damages for broken limbs and permanent injury to persons who have been struck by his car. He is also alleged to have been driving recklessly at the time the car struck Mr. Abbott, inflicting such injuries that he died shortly afterwards.

THE DEATH OF JUSTICE BURBIDGE

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Ottawa, Feb. 18.—Justice Burbidge, of the exchequer court of Canada, died this morning from cancer of the stomach. He had been confined to his room for some weeks. He was born in 1847 at Cornwallis, U. S. He was educated in New Brunswick, and in 1882 was appointed deputy minister of justice. In 1887, when the exchequer court was created, he was appointed by Sir John Thompson to be judge of that court, a position which he held at the time of his death. He leaves a widow and family to mourn his loss.

SLIPPED ON AN ICY SIDEWALK

Painful Accident to Mr. Stuart Dobinson Last Night.

Mr. Stuart Dobinson, of 268 William street, met with a very painful accident last night while returning from McClary's foundry, where he works.

Mr. Dobinson was nearly home when he slipped on the icy sidewalk and fractured his arm.

A physician was called and had him removed to Victoria Hospital, where the injury was dressed, and Mr. Dobinson is doing nicely.

CONSIDERING FEES

County Council Committee Takes Up the High School Matter.

The special committee re high schools from the county council is considering the accounts for county pupils attending the high school here, and also in other places.

The meeting is being held at the county building, and is attended by Messrs. W. L. Moss, W. T. Ulen, W. Ronald and County Auditor Stanley.

DEATH OF WM. ROBINSON

Well-Known Local Tailor Passed Away After a Short Illness.

William Robinson, one of the best known tailors in this city, passed away at the family residence 12 Leslie street this morning, after a short illness.

Mr. Robinson came to this city from Ireland when a little boy and had resided here for many years. Deceased was a member of the A. O. U. W., I. O. O. F., O. E. F., L. O. L., Boyne 298, and the Journeymen Tailors' Association.

Besides his wife, he is survived by three sons and one daughter, Messrs. George, Percy, Ernie, and Miss Daisy all at home. The funeral arrangements have not yet been completed.

ALL BUT ONE RESCUED

Miners Entombed in Mid-Valley Colliery Taken Out Alive.

Pottsville, Pa., Feb. 18.—All but one of the 28 miners who were entombed yesterday in the Mid-Valley colliery were rescued alive this morning. One of the miners was killed following the accident which entombed the men and two were injured. The others appeared none the worse for their experience.

MUST DIVIDE THE DUTIES

Mother Country Gets a Share From the Fulford Estate.

Toronto, Feb. 18.—The Government of Ontario will get only about half the succession duties on the state of the late Senator Fulford, owing to a reciprocal arrangement with Great Britain, whereby estates located in both countries pay a share of duties to each. The Fulford estate amounted to about \$750,000, the succession duties in all totalling about \$30,000. One of the Fulford proprietors, a company, however, was organized in England and capitalized at £100,000 or \$450,000. The succession duties on this amount aggregating \$15,000 or \$16,000 got paid over in this way by Canada to the mother country.

DIES AT CONVENTION

Dolhi, Feb. 18.—During a Sunday school convention at the Goshen Baptist Church last night, George Rosson, of Courland, the newly-appointed president, after a few remarks, sat down in his chair and died instantly. He leaves a wife and children.

Choir To Sing

The choir of Christ Church, city, will render "Christ and His Soldiers" by Farmer, under the direction of Mr. Charles Percy, at an early date. This oratorio has never been given in London before.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—SNOW. FORECASTS.

Toronto, Feb. 18.—8 a.m. Continued cold today; strong winds, with snow, during the night and on Wednesday.

Local Temperatures.

The temperatures recorded at the local observatory up to 8 p.m. yesterday were: Highest, 21.5°; lowest, 6.5° above zero.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations.	S. a.m.	Min.	Weather.
Calgary	2	4	Clear
Winnipeg	4	4	Cloudy
Fulford	8	6	Cloudy
Perry Sound	8	14	Fair
Toronto	14	8	Cloudy
Ottawa	4	4	Fair
Montreal	0	0	Clear
Quebec	2	2	Clear
Father Point	16	10	Snow

Minus (—) means below zero.

The first column in the above table records the temperatures at 8 o'clock this morning, and the second column records the minimum temperatures during the 24 hours previous.

WEATHER NOTES.

The depression mentioned yesterday is this morning situated over Kansas, indicating strong winds and snow for Wednesday, spreading to Quebec during Wednesday.

Fine, cold weather prevails in the Western Provinces.

YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson, 6 below zero; Atlin, 4 below—28; Fort Simpson, 28—49; Victoria, 40—48; Vancouver, 37—45; Edmonton, 14—22; Calgary, 16—22; Battleford, 6—18; Prince Albert, 12—20; Winnipeg, 10 below—18; Port Arthur, zero—13; Perry Sound, 4 below—13; Toronto, 12—20; Ottawa, 6—14; Montreal, 8—22; Quebec, 6—20; St. John, 15—22; Halifax, 18—22.

TOOK NEARLY \$600 FROM SAFE TOLD TO GO AND SIN NO MORE

Hon. C. S. Hyman Deals Leniently With a Young Clerk Who Appropriated Office Funds and Was About To Run Away.

HE WAS APPREHENDED ON THE STATION PLATFORM

And Was Taken Back To the Tannery Office and Searched—The Former Minister of Public Works Refused To Prosecute.

Mr. H. J. Curtis, a former employee of Hyman's tannery, has left the city, and thereby hangs a tale. He is supposed to be in St. Louis.

Curtis has been working in Hyman's office for considerable time, and has been looked upon as a very trustworthy young man. He had a key of the office, and sometimes went back in the evenings, to finish up work he had to do.

TOOK THE MONEY.

The other evening, it is alleged, he went back, but instead of working, he began tampering with the safe. He knew the combination, and soon got inside. There was about \$500 in the chest, which he took.

The next morning the money was missed, and an effort was made to locate Curtis. He was found by Mr. Minihnick, of the office staff, just as he was about to board a Grand Trunk train for the west. He was asked to step up to the office, where he was searched.

BOUND FOR ST. LOUIS.

On his person was found the money, together with a ticket for St. Louis.

Curtis was detained, and Hon. Mr. Hyman was communicated with, at his residence in South London.

"What has Mr. Curtis done?" Mr. Hyman asked.

"He appropriated \$500 of the firm's money," the manager replied. "It's too bad," replied the former minister of public works. "I am very sorry to hear of this for Curtis' sake. He has made a great mistake. Give him \$20 and tell him to go to St. Louis and try to be honest."

ALLOWED TO GO.

And Curtis was allowed to go. He boarded the train shortly after and left for St. Louis. Since then he has not been heard from.

Curtis was a young Englishman, who has been in the city for some time. His father is a very wealthy tanner in England, and is said to be worth an immense fortune. He was favorably known in the city, and had many friends. He was a quiet, fine-mannered chap, and nothing of the sort was ever thought of.

Curtis has been ill for some time, and it is thought by his friends that the illness unbalanced him.

At the tannery the officials were very reticent, Mr. Hyman having given orders that the affair be kept quiet, but the story leaked out, and is now the talk of the streets.

Mr. Goodwin Will Not Likely Retire Takes Advantage of Under 70 Clause

Has the Very Best Recommendation From Messrs. Gillen and Nixon.

Chief Dispatcher Wright W. Goodwin, of the Grand Trunk, denies absolutely the story that he is to be pensioned shortly.

As stated in The Advertiser recently Mr. Goodwin intends taking advantage of the clause allowing an application to be made to the pension committee.

Mr. Goodwin has made application, and as he has several years more in which he can serve before he reaches the age limit, there is every reason to believe that his application will be accepted.

It is understood that both Assistant

Superintendent Nixon and Superintendent Gillen have given Mr. Goodwin the very highest recommendations for further service.

Mr. McHarg's Successor.

It is likely that Stationmaster John McHarg, who was recently placed on the pension list by the Grand Trunk, will be succeeded by Mr. Thomas Short, who has been stationmaster at Brantford for some time.

Mr. Short is filling the position at the present time.

Two crossing watchmen, Joseph Allen, of Clarence street and Thomas Hill, of Adelaide street are also pensioned.

Promotion for Mr. Wilson.

As stated in The Advertiser some days ago, Mr. William Wilson succeeds Mr. David McGuire as baggage-master. The appointments for the positions of Harry Bright and Mrs. White have not as yet been made.

Home Bank Opens Branch in City Mr. F. E. Karn Is Named as Manager

Will Occupy the Premises of the Late Sovereign Bank, on Richmond Street.

It is officially announced that the Home Bank of Canada will open a branch in London at 394 Richmond street, in the premises formerly occupied by the Sovereign Bank.

Mr. Frank E. Karn, formerly manager of the local branch of the Sovereign Bank, is the manager of the London branch of the Home Bank.

The office opens tomorrow morning.

The Home Bank is one of the sterling institutions of Canada, its directors comprising some of the best-known capitalists of the Dominion.

Mr. Karn needs no introduction to Londoners. As manager of the Sovereign Bank he made hosts of friends in the city, and also in the county and district. In choosing him for manager of the London branch, the Home Bank has made no mistake.

Mr. Karn announces that he will conduct the Home Bank along the lines he has followed in the past, and the bank will cater particularly for the business of the farming community.

JAP PORTER KILLED IN ACCIDENT BROKEN WHEEL WRECKED EXPRESS

[Special to The Advertiser.]
North Bay, Feb. 18.—Another serious wreck occurred on the White River division of the C. P. R., 17 miles west of Chapleau, at 9:30 last night. No. 2 express, going east, was wrecked at Pardee through the breaking of a wheel on the mail coach. A Japanese

porter, name unknown, was taken out dead. Brakeman J. Morgan, White River, was seriously injured, but may recover. Elsie Hogg, of Schreiber, is in a critical condition from internal injuries. Mrs. A. C. Payne, of Bristol, England, had her left hand completely severed.

DIES SUDDENLY ON THE WAY HOME

Comber, Ont., Feb. 18.—Walter Stratford, a well-known and prosperous young farmer of Tilbury North township, died suddenly early this morning. He drove to Tilbury last evening with a neighbor and while returning home

complained of a severe pain in the region of the heart. Later on a physician was summoned, but death had intervened before his arrival. A young wife and three children, the youngest two weeks old, survive.