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TODAY MAY END JARDINE CASE

Goderich Murder Trial Likely To Be Settled in Few Hours.

THREE WITNESSES FOR DEFENCE

Nature of Evidence Necessitates Clearing Out of Court Room of All But Officials and Press.

[Canadian Press.]

Goderich, April 13.—There is every indication that the case of Edward Jardine, charged with the murder of Lizzie Anderson last September will go to the jury today. The fact that twenty-four crown witnesses were put in and out of the witness box in the first day of the trial, and the fact that the defence intends to call but three witnesses—Doctors J. B. Whitely and Herald, of Goderich, and Dr. Smith, of Bayfield, lends probability to this forecast. William F. Clark, a horse surgeon, of Goderich, was sworn in as a grand jurror, to take the place of Wm. McEwan, who was yesterday excused because of the death of his brother.

As soon as the Jardine case is concluded the Vanstone trial will go on, with Mr. Blackstock prosecuting for the crown. The grand jury returned a true bill against Vanstone, charging him with the killing of his son Freddie last December.

This Morning's Witnesses.

Mrs. Edward Tideman, the first witness call this morning by the crown, told of seeing Lizzie Anderson and one of the Jardine brothers. She was not positive it was the prisoner talking to her about the fair grounds. Under examination she admitted that she "just took a glimpse of her," but she was sure it was Lizie Anderson.

Edward Tideman, husband of the previous witness, was next called. On the way to the fair grounds he heard the town clock strike eight. These witnesses were called to contradict the statement made by the prisoner that he left the fair grounds before eight o'clock. Tideman said he did not know the Anderson girl, but he knew the prisoner, so that his testimony supplemented that of his wife, who swore she knew the girl, but not Edward Jardine.

Henry Wiles, uncle of Mrs. Tideman, simply corroborated the testimony of his niece and her husband. The reason he had remarked the time was because Mr. Tideman had been saying, "There was lots of time to get there," when suddenly the clock struck and the witness pulled out his watch and showed the time to Tideman.

A little boy, Reggie Love, swore he saw Lizzie Anderson and the prisoner in the poultry sheds about ten o'clock.

Tiny Girl Witness.

Wearing a blue tobogan cap, a little girl of 8, Hazel Monck, whose head alone was visible above the witness box, was examined, but not sworn. Chief Justice Falconbridge asked her if she could tell the truth, and she said yes.

No more composed witness than the little miss has yet been called. Hazel said she knew Lizzie Anderson, and told how she had asked her to go and buy fifteen cents worth of buns on the evening of Sept. 20.

"You don't know, of course, who gave her the money?" asked Mr. Blackstock.

"No," replied the little girl.

The mother, Mrs. Blanche Monck, simply corroborated her daughter's story about buying buns for Lizzie Anderson. The testimony of both tends to support the crown's claim that Edward Jardine gave the Anderson girl 15 cents to buy a lunch.

Dr. W. J. R. Holmes, the coroner, testified as to the finding of the girl's body, and the steps afterwards taken, the postmortem, inquest, etc.

Dr. Holmes stated in answer to a question by the crown prosecutor as to whether he noticed the mental condition of the prisoner at the time of the inquest, that he "didn't notice anything wrong with him."

The coroner admitted that Jardine gave his testimony freely at the inquest. He had not warned him, he said, that anything he might say might be used against him. He explained that Jardine was not under arrest at that time, and was treated like all other witnesses.

Women Excluded.

At 12:15 o'clock, when the court rose for luncheon, Mr. Blackstock rose and addressed his lordship the chief justice. He said he proposed when court resumed to enter upon a branch of evidence the nature of which he thought ought to be intimated to the ladies.

"I think that women and children ought not to be here," concluded Mr. Blackstock. The chief justice concurred with the crown prosecutor, but went further and said that all spectators should be excluded except the jury, court officials and the representatives of the press. He did not think it well to have such matters talked about in public.

The evidence referred to by Mr. Blackstock is the expert testimony of several alienists as to the mental condition of the prisoner, Jardine.

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STEAMERS ARRIVED.

New York, April 12.—Steamer Lusitania, Liverpool for New York, reported 332 miles east of Sandy Hook at midnight. Dock late Thursday night.

A Long Tramp

Edmonton, April 12.—A thorough-bred collie, belonging to A. Brill, of Edmonton, disappeared sixteen months ago, one month after it had been brought here by express from the east. Mr. Brill received word today from his father, Rev. D. Brill, of Bolton Centre, near Sherbrooke, Que., that the dog had turned up there, apparently having found its way back to its old home, two-thirds of the way across the continent. It will travel to Edmonton once more by express.

MRS. JAS. PITMAN SUES STREET RY.

Husband Was Killed by a Car at Corner of Dundas and Lyle Streets.

DAMAGES ARE UNSTATED

It Is Alleged That the Company's Employees Were Negligent, and That This Caused Death of the Victim.

Mrs. James Pitman, of Simcoe street east, whose husband was killed by an Ottaway car as it turned into the barns at the corner of Dundas and Lyle streets on a Saturday night a few weeks ago, has, through her solicitors, Messrs. Blackburn & Weekes, issued a writ for unstated damages against the company.

Negligence of the company is alleged. Pitman, it will be remembered was struck by the car after midnight, as it turned into the barns. He was hurled several feet, and was clear of the rails. However, he died in Victoria Hospital a few hours later.

RED FLAG RULES IN SOUTH FRANCE

Grape Growers Continue to Riot and Destroy Champagne.

WOMEN LEAD THE MOB

Lie Down on the Roads in Front of the Cavalry.

[Canadian Press.]

Epernay, Department of Marne, France, April 13.—Despite the fact that the Department of Marne is a vast armed camp, with infantry men and dragoons bivouacing throughout the night, at almost every village in the Champagne district, renewed rioting broke out today, and the flame of anger and vengeance continues to sweep the grape-growing region. The disorders began last Tuesday, following the adoption of a resolution by the Senate favoring the suppression of all territorial delimitations of the grape-growing area, which greatly exasperated the people.

At Vinay the rioters hastily threw up barricades with barrels and debris of all sorts, and succeeded in holding back the advancing troops while another group of manifestants, armed with torches, entered the vast champagne depot.

The mob smashed all the bottles of champagne. Women were foremost in the work of destruction, chanting snatches of revolutionary airs, and urging on the men in the work of destruction. When the troops reached Vinay, the women laid down on the roads and defied the cavalry to ride over them. Eventually the troops succeeded in getting control of the situation, and dispersed the mob.

At dawn many places in the wine-growing district showed the horizon darkened by the smoking ruins of wine depots burned during the night.

Reinforcements of troops are arriving at Epernay on every train, and immediately on arrival, the soldiers are dispatched to the centres of the rioting.

The Government officials claim that the work of sacking and burning of wine property is being led by criminal elements, which are flocking into this region from other districts.

London Worries.

London, April 13. — London hotel managers and restaurant keepers are viewing with anxiety the progress of the French champagne riots, and the majority are convinced that the disturbances, coupled with the limitation of area and the shortages, will cause prices to rise to an altitude which will force the people either to refrain from drinking champagne or to drink other than the classic brands.

THE WEATHLR.

Tomorrow—Partly Fair.

FORECASTS.

Toronto, April 13—8 a.m.

Today—Fresh to strong east to south winds; occasional showers, chiefly tonight.

Friday—Fresh to strong westerly winds; a few showers, but partly fair.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations.	Past 24 hours. Max.	Min.	Weather.
Calgary	32	22	Clear
Winnipeg	54	36	Rain
Port Arthur	40	32	Rain
Parry Sound	52	40	Cloudy
Toronto	50	40	Fair
Ottawa	46	32	Fair
Montreal	46	34	Fair
Quebec	44	24	Cloudy
Father Point	40	24	Cloudy

WEATHER NOTES.

The depressions mentioned yesterday have now united, forming a marked system centred in Manitoba.

Showers have fallen over the greater portion of Ontario.

Heavy rains have fallen in Manitoba and light local snow in Alberta and Sas-

MOUNT BRYDGES MAN MET TERRIBLE DEATH CAUGHT IN FLYWHEEL OF GASOLINE ENGINE AND WAS LITERALLY TORN TO PIECES

George Stovers Killed in His Own Mill This Morning.

TRIED TO KICK BELT WITH FOOT

Only Witness of Accident Did Not Know How to Stop the Engine.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Mount Brydges, April 13.—Caught in the flywheel of a gasoline engine at his mill here this morning and literally torn to pieces, George Stovers, aged 36, met death in a horrible form.

Apparently, the victim of the accident had endeavored to disengage the belt of a machine with his toe, when his foot became entangled. In a flash, and before he could make any outcry, or receive assistance from Charles Bowley, a farmer, the only person in the building with him at the time, Stovers was hauled into the wheel and crashed to the floor.

A Horrible Death.

The machine whirled on at terrific speed, wrenching the limb from the body at the hip, throwing the foot twenty feet in one direction, and the thigh two or three yards against another wall. The trunk, battered and bleeding profusely, dropped a foot away as Bowley, who heard the sickening crash turned and viewed the awful spectacle.

The only witness of the affair, knowing nothing of the machinery himself, hurried across the road to Oliver Monger, who returned and stopped the engine.

Dr. W. H. Wood was hurriedly summoned, and arrived at the mill in a few minutes. Stovers, who was still breathing, but unconscious, was borne on a stretcher to his home about two blocks distant, but he was beyond aid of a physician. He died an hour later without regaining consciousness.

No Inquest.

Dr. Wood, the coroner, deemed an inquest unnecessary, as the affair was obviously an accident.

Stovers had resided in and about the village all his life, and was married three years ago to Miss Glover, a native of this place, who survives him.

His father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Stovers, live with one daughter, Miss Ida, near Cooks Church, a couple of miles from Mount Brydges. Another daughter, Miss Annie, is a nurse at the Mount Elgin Institute, while the only surviving son, Joseph, is employed at George White & Sons, London.

Funeral on Saturday.

The funeral will be held on Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock to Mount Brydges Cemetery, the services being conducted by Mr. Jewitt, pastor of the Methodist Church. The Masons will have charge of the funeral arrangements. The deceased was also a member of the Woodmen of the World.

A MIDDLESEX LADY IN FIGHT OVER WILL

Undue Influence Is Alleged in Connection With Napanee Man's Will.

[Canadian Press.]

Toronto, April 13.—Mrs. Alameda Melissa Vernon, of Parkhill, Middlesex, is plaintiff in an action which centres about the wealth of James Hogle Brown, of Napanee, who died in January last, worth about $100,000. Since 1900 it is said the old man was blind and confined to his bed. He was to a great extent, it is alleged, dependent on his housekeeper and her family as regards the conduct of his affairs. At the time of his death the old man was 98 years of age, and his housekeeper, Catherine Demorest, is an old lady of over 80.

Mrs. Vernon, who is a niece of James Hogle Brown, seeks to have set aside a will under which the housekeeper would receive, along with gifts during the old man's lifetime, the sum of $12,959 30, and under which her nephew, C. W. Bowen, would receive $11,080 30. Mrs. Vernon sets up a former will, under which she would receive one-eighth of the estate. If Mr. Brown died intestate she would receive one-quarter of the estate.

The suit is launched against Mrs. Catherine Demorest, her son, H. B. Demorest, her nephew, C. W. Bowen, and her nephew's wife, C. M. A. Bowen, and her sister, Amelia T. Thompson, and her sister's family, J. R. and J. B. Thompson. Undue influence is alleged.

This morning by consent, an injunction was continued to the trial, restraining the defendants from withdrawing from the Dominion and Standard Banks at Napanee, money beyond the sums of $750 each, of which Mrs. Bowen and Mrs. Demorest are permitted to withdraw.

The above cut shows the deserted house in which Lizzie Anderson was murdered near Goderich.

WARNING AGAINST A COUNTERFEITER

The detectives wish to warn all merchants and citizens to be on the watch for a counterfeiter, who is supposed to be heading this way, and who is passing counterfeit bills. The man is described as between 25 and 30 years of age, medium build, dark hair, clean-shaven, and speaks with a low voice. He wears a dark Melton overcoat, with a velvet collar, and a black Christy hat. He may be wearing a purple, white and green necktie, which he purchased on Monday last in Peterboro with a $5 counterfeit Bank of Montreal bill. He left Peterboro shortly after making the purchase.

The local detectives received these particular this afternoon from Chief of Police Dan Thompson, formerly of London.

THE PEAK LOAD WAS ELIMINATED

Forms of Contract Submitted to Street Railway by Hydro-Electric Commission.

FLAT RATE OF $30 H P.

Two Different Plans, Which It Is Understood Are Both Unsatisfactory to the Company.

The contract proffered the London Street Railway Company by the hydro-electric commission has been made public.

According to this document, the company have been offered two propositions. One of them is based on a service charge, and the other is on a flat rate.

By the terms of the contract, the company must pay for 75 per cent. of the load contracted for. For instance, if the company say they will take 1,000-horsepower, they must pay the hydro-electric commission for 75 per cent. of that load, or 750-horsepower.

The Propositions.

The contracts are as follows:

(a) A service charge of $12 per horsepower per annum, payable monthly, based upon 75 per cent. of the reserved horsepower, or should the horsepower delivered as established by the method of measurement then in force exceed 75 per cent. of the reserve horsepower, the service charge shall be based upon the number of horsepower so established, and also in addition to such service charge, payment shall be made of .6 of one cent for every kilowatt hour delivered in each month. Provided that when the reserved horsepower becomes 1,000-horsepower, then the said service charge shall thereafter be $13 per horsepower per annum and the additional kilowatt hour charges shall be .5 of one cent.

(b) Or, as an alternative to the above form of payment, the customer may at any time during the term of the contract, upon thirty days' written notice to the commission, change to the following form of payment viz.: a flat rate of $30 per horsepower per annum, payable monthly, based upon 75 per cent. of the reserved horsepower delivered as established by the methods of measurement then in force, exceed 75 per cent. of the reserve horsepower, the flat rate shall be based upon the number of horsepower so established, and in case this alternative form of payment is adopted, there shall be no additional charge made for the kilowatt hours delivered.

For All Radials.

Those are the alternative forms of contract now being considered, and which, in fact, shall be the forms given to every traction line doing business with the hydro-electric commission.

According to the terms of the first contract, the company may sign an agreement to take 800-horsepower. They would then have to pay the service charges on 75 per cent. of that, or 600-horsepower at $12 a horsepower, which would mean that they would pay an annual fee of $7,200 to the hydro-electric commission before any power whatever was used. They would then have to pay six-tenths of a cent for whatever power was used.

If the company should agree to take 1,000-horsepower, they would have to pay 75 per cent. of that amount at the rate of $13 per horsepower, which would in that case be 750 times $13, would mean an annual charge of $9,250.

The company would not be penalized for any quantity used between 75 and 100 per cent. of the amount contracted for.

Peak Load Avoided.

The peak load is avoided by a different method. According to the old contract, the company was penalized

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FREIGHT CHARGE BY GROSS WEIGHT

Railways To Withdraw Allowances in Use for Years.

SHIPPERS TO PROTEST

Will Likely Take the Matter Before the Railway Commission.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Toronto, April 13. — The railways have for a great many years made certain allowances from track scale weights on shipments in box or on flat cars to cover variation in tare of cars, and the weight of blocking, dunnage, or temporary racks used in connection with shipments of agricultural implements, machinery, street cars, vehicles, stoves, acids in carboys, ashes and wood pulp wet. These are to be done away with on and after May 1. It is proposed after that date to charge for such shipments at the gross weight. The following exceptions are made to the general rule:

Some Exceptions.

An allowance of 500 pounds per car will be made for stakes, etc., on flat or gondola cars, it loaded with carload shipments requiring their use.

An allowance for the actual weight of ice and salt used as preservatives for perishable freight.

An allowance for the weight of lumber required to line box cars loaded with perishable freight.

An allowance of 1,000 pounds for temporary racks on flat or gondola cars, loaded with shipments of bark.

In addition to the above it is proposed to establish certain arbitrary estimated weights to be used when the actual weight is not available. The new tariffs contain a table of average tares of freight shipment to be used when the tare is not shown on the car.

As the tare of the car is liable to change, interested shippers and manufacturers consider this a most arbitrary procedure on the part of the railways, and it is expected that immediate steps will be taken to bring the matter to the attention of the railway commission. The attention of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association has been called to the above changes by local shippers.

SCHOOL PICNIC WILL BE HELD THIS YEAR

Money Has Been Placed in the Estimates by the Board.

There will be a school picnic this year.

In conversation with a number of the trustees it was learned that the usual demonstration was being considered. Sufficient money has been placed in the estimates for that purpose.

The date will not be selected for some time yet, probably not until the regular May meeting of the board.

Dr. Wyckoff and other members of the board are strongly in favor of it, and there are enough trustees to support it to carry the motion through the board.

PECULIAR ACCIDENT TO A PEDESTRIAN

Man Fell on Street Railway Rails and Was Badly Hurt.

An Englishman named Russell, boarding on King street, was painfully injured at the corner of Dundas and Wellington streets, this morning.

While watching a street car that was approaching, he failed to notice that the rails had been raised, and walked into the trestle, with the result that he stumbled and fell on his mouth on the opposite rail. His lips and chin were badly cut, and several teeth were loosened. He was able to make his way home later.

BRUTE THREATENED TO SHOOT MOTHER AND HER INFANT CHILD

Tramp Entered Home of Mrs. William Gail in South London.

RANSACKED ALL ROOMS OF HOUSE

Told the Woman He Would Kill Her If She Told Anyone of It.

An unknown, middle-aged man, of whom the detectives have secured an excellent description, made a sensational attempt to rob the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Gail, of 120 Langarth street, yesterday afternoon, while Mr. Gail was away at work.

The man came to the back door about 3 o'clock, and at first asked for something to eat.

A couple of seconds later he forced his way past Mrs. Gail, and into the house, where he told her that he wanted money.

Mrs. Gall said she had none, and the man told her to go with him, as he was going to search and see if she was telling the truth.

He went into a number of rooms, looking into drawers and cupboards, and every place where he would likely find any money.

Finding none, he commenced to revile Mrs. Gall, and threatened her. He said he would shoot both her and her little baby if she did not give him money.

Mrs. Gall was in a state of terror, but steadfastly replied that she had none.

A Human Brute.

The man later made insulting proposals, but finally left, after again telling Mrs. Gall that he would come back and shoot her and the baby if she ever told anyone that he had been there.

As soon as possible Mrs. Gall notified the neighbors, and the affair was reported to the police.

Mrs. Gall suffered greatly from shock, but was able to give the police an excellent description.

The detectives are keeping a close watch for the man and expect to arrest him at any time.

Mrs. Gall, when seen by The Advertiser this afternoon, refused to make any statement, on the ground that it might interfere with the work of the police.

She stated that she is very anxious to have the man caught and dealt with as he deserves.

"His talk and threats were simply dreadful," she said.

BANQUET TO BE GIVEN IN JOHN M'CLARY'S HONOR

London's Greatest Businessman Will Be the Guest of the Board of Trade.

The board of trade will tender a complimentary banquet to Mr. John McClary, London's greatest businessman, some time during the latter part of April.

At a meeting of the board, held at noon today, this question was brought up, and it was unanimously decided to adopt this method of honoring Mr. McClary.

A committee was formed to perfect the arrangements for the affair, which will be one of the largest affairs given in London in many years.

Dr. Harry T. Beason, president of the board, presided.

BOARD OF TRADE WANTS THE CAMP

Arrangements Will Be Made to Send Deputation to Ottawa to See Government.

COUNCIL TO CO-OPERATE

Nothing Can Be Done Regarding This Year's Camp, But the Future Can Be Provided For.

A strong effort will be made to retain the military camp for London.

At the meeting of the council of the board of trade, held at noon today, it was decided to send a deputation to Ottawa to interview the minister of militia to see what the department desires in the way of land and other things.

The co-operation of the city council will be asked in the matter, and it is expected that everything possible will be done to retain the camp for London in the future.

Of course, nothing can be done to hold it here in 1911, as arrangements have already been made to take it to Goderich.

The members of the board of trade are confident that if the case is put to the Government properly, land may be purchased in this vicinity suitable for military purposes, and the camp brought to London, the logical place for training the militia.

A communication will be sent to the council regarding the action of the board.

The committee to go to Ottawa will be selected shortly.

A WRIT FOR DAMAGES AGAINST GRAND TRUNK

Mrs. Ellen Neville Seeks Recompense for Death of Her Husband at Mount Brydges.

Mr. J. F. Faulds, acting on behalf of Ellen Neville, widow of James Neville, who was killed on the Grand Trunk Railway at Mount Brydges on May 19, 1910, has issued a writ for damages against the company, the amount desired being unstated.

Neville, a man of 65 years, was engaged in loading potatoes on a car at Mount Brydges station, and was walking along a siding when struck by a freight in charge of Engineer Anderson, of this city. His skull was fractured at the base of the brain, death resulting a short time after the accident.

SYNOD TO MEET IN STRATFORD THIS YEAR

Reason Is That There Have Been Many Calls of a Billeting Nature on Local Anglicans.

In all probability the June session of the Synod of Huron will be held in Stratford this year, instead of in Cronyn Hall, as is usual.

Bishop Williams stated to The Advertiser this afternoon that the matter was not definitely decided upon yet, but would be in a few days.

The reason for holding the synod in Stratford is that the big general synod will meet in London in September, and it was thought that the tremendous amount of billeting in connection with both big gatherings would be too much for London.

AN OLD STYLE SMUGGLER.

Windsor, Ont., April 13.—Wearing two suits of clothes, the old one outside and a complete new one beneath purchased in Detroit, Chiristia Triffo, a Walkerville man, was caught at the ferry dock yesterday doing an old-fashioned smuggling act. He was allowed to go after paying double duty on the goods, amounting to $11 90.

CONDUCTOR ARMSTRONG IS SUING GRAND TRUNK

Employee Was Injured When a Freight Backed Into Van He Was Sleeping In.

Conductor William Armstrong, of Toronto, one of the men injured in the wreck at Egerton street last February, when a freight backed into a caboose in which a crew was sleeping, has issued a writ for unstated damages against the company.

Armstrong suffered serious injuries to his back, it is claimed, and both legs were broken. The caboose in which he slept, together with two others, was hurled about and badly smashed. While he was still hemmed in, the debris caught fire but was speedily extinguished. Later it was discovered that Armstrong's valuables, including his gold watch, had been stolen. The culprit was arrested and is now serving a term for the offence.

ANOTHER OFFER FOR FOR NORTH MIDLAND

Representative in London Acting for a Syndicate in the East.

The North Midland Railway Company have received a second offer for their franchise.

Some days ago it was announced in The Advertiser that the directors had received an offer for the road, and that it was being considered.

Yesterday a gentleman from Toronto was in the city, and had a conference with the directors relative to purchasing the charter.

It is understood that he was acting for a syndicate in the east. The first offer was made by a trust company, also acting for eastern parties.

"We are considering the two offers," a director informed The Advertiser. "We do not know which we will accept. We gave an option to the trust company, and it is likely we will stand by that. However, the last offer looks good, and it may be possible, by some means or other, to take advantage of that."