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PRINCE IS JUDGED INSANE BUT CLEARED OF ANY GUILT

George A. Prince, Charged With Obtaining Goods Under False Pretences Will Be Confined in the Provincial Hospital Pending Advice from the Lieutenant Governor

Before His Honor Judge Forbes, in county court chambers this morning, Geo. A. Prince, charged with obtaining goods under false pretences, was tried under the Specially Trial Act, and was adjudged insane and ordered to be confined in the Provincial Hospital for nervous diseases. The court opened at 11 o'clock and in answer to the charge, the prisoner pleaded "not guilty."

Charles H. Ferguson, clerk of the court, conducted the case for the crown, and W. Watson Allen represented the prisoner. Allan Sharp was the first witness called. He was a member of the firm of Ferguson, he told of Mr. Prince coming into his store and purchasing a fountain pen and a ring on Feb. 18, in payment for which he tendered a cheque for \$50, drawn by himself and payable to himself. The cheque was endorsed Geo. A. Prince and W. H. Thorne.

The judge in delivering judgment said he would order that he be confined in strict custody, but he was in doubt as to whether he had the power to order his commitment to the provincial hospital, that being the duty of the lieutenant-governor. The question was considered a place of strict custody. After hearing suggestions of the counsel, his honor decided in favor of the lieutenant-governor and he was committed to the provincial hospital for nervous diseases.

The goods produced in court were ordered returned to the persons from whom they were bought. The prisoner was then removed in charge of Walter Clifford and Constable McBratney.

NEWS FROM FREDERICTON

Projected Change in Duties of Members of Hazen Government—Mr. Whitehead's Commitment—Fredericton, N. B. March 4.—(Special)—William H. Robinson, who has been on the staff of the Bank of N. S. for 26 years, and has of late been acting as an accountant to the Fredericton agency, has retired from the service on a pension. His place has been taken by W. Torrie, of Halifax.

W. T. Whitehead, who was taken ill at his son's camp on the Transcontinental Railway, on Monday, arrived home at three o'clock this morning in a private car, attached to a special train. He was accompanied by Dr. Atherton, and members of his family, and stood the journey well. The train was eight hours making the one hundred and twenty-five mile run. The patient is today doing as well as can be expected.

WASHINGTON'S SPECTACLE LOSES MUCH OF SPLENDOR; CAPITAL SEPT BY STORM

Inaugural Procession Has Been Curtailed Because of Heavy Snowstorm Streets Deep in Snow and Slush

Washington, efforts to reach that point at 10 o'clock this morning were made by long distance telephone from New York to St. Louis, thence by Louisville and back to Lynchburg, Va. This resulted in a few words from Lynchburg, which is 120 miles south of Washington, and is practically the nearest point to Washington in communication with the outside world. It is stated that the weather at Lynchburg and northward was fairly snowing heavily, but no indication could be given of the district of Columbia was waiting until the fall of snow had ceased when it would commence immediately to remove the snow from the line of march of the inaugural procession.

Will Curtail Parade—Cincinnati, March 4.—A special to the Times Star from Washington says—"In the inaugural parade will be carried through, arranged, in spite of the furious gale and snow that dogs the city and hides up at service. Crowds on streets will be decimated and the parade will be curtailed and the march will be postponed. Gale is still blowing, carrying mixed snow and rain. Worst day since inauguration and incoming trains held up."

Press Comment—Paris, March 4.—The papers of Paris to-day give much space to the inauguration of William H. Taft, and the retirement of Theodore Roosevelt. The consensus of opinion is that Mr. Roosevelt has had a remarkably successful and picturesque career. He has secured the moral forces of the United States and internationally of the world's stage.

Trains Are Lost—Louisville, Ky., March 4.—Officials of Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad in communication with their office in Richmond shortly before 9 o'clock this morning, were advised that the train between Richmond and Washington, that the storm was very severe and that they were unable to find several trains.

Completely Isolated—New York, March 4.—The snow storm which swept the East yesterday, has completely isolated the city. The streets are deep in snow and slush, and lines of communication in all directions from the National capital were broken. Train dispatchers reported that train movements were hampered, and that the storm had greatly aggravated the natural congestion of transportation in Washington.

BIG YARMOUTH INDUSTRY HEAVY SUFFERER BY FIRE

Plant of Burrell-Johnson Iron Company Burned This Morning—150 Men Thrown Out of Employment—Loss Will Be Very Heavy.

Yarmouth, N. S., March 4.—(Special)—The most serious fire in the history of Yarmouth broke out at 7:45 this morning in the works of the Burrell Johnson Iron Company. While the men were at work, smoke was seen issuing from the corner of the machine shop.

Montreal Stocks—Montreal, Que., March 4.—(Special)—Stocks were mostly steady today. The most active securities were Dominion 3 1/4, Preferred 101, So. 130, Asbestos 91, Richardson 70, Sao Paulo 129 1/2, Toronto 114, Dominion 118, Mexican 71 3/4. (Coul. 5-14, Power 111-18, Mexican 71-3/4)

WEAVING WEB OF EVIDENCE AROUND MURDER SUSPECTS

More Witnesses Examined Today Add Links to the Chain Which Connects Arosha and Sipeppil With the Murder of "Paddy" Green

Andover, March 4.—(Special)—In this morning's session of the Arosha and Sipeppil trial, Alexander Parsnky was recalled. He showed how Green was carrying his jewelry case, as they walked along the road. The lock of the case would be outward. The bullet struck Green's case on the inward corner. He and Green were bound to Peters' camp, four miles from the residence, to sell goods. They were visiting each camp. About twenty men were in Peters' camp.

Arthur Ridgely, of Plaster Rock, heard of the murder on Sunday at noon and organized a party consisting of J. Fraser, Shields and Broad. He was present when watches were discovered near the bank of the Wapke. A watch similar to the one found in court was found at Broad, and these were found and a \$2 bill. He followed the trail across the Wapke for half a mile then recrossed and followed and abandoned the search at dark. He never saw the prisoners before. The \$2 bill was found in the crumpled watches, etc.

DES MOINES IS SHORT OF GIRLS

They Determine to Import 500 Girls from New York and Put Them to Work as Factory Operatives

Des Moines, March 4.—Members of the Greater Des Moines committee have practically determined to import 500 girls from New York and put them to work in the local factories. This action was taken at a recent meeting of the committee when several factory owners declared there were not enough girls at hand to properly conduct their industries.

QUEBEC MAN HAD A HIGH OLD TIME

Louis Chassi, Didn't Care a Bit How Fast He Spent His Money

Louis Chassi, a French Canadian, arrived in the city yesterday from Quebec with \$50, and a determination to have a good time. He was not long in town before he picked up a stranger. Chassi did all the buying and numerous saloons were visited. The "dicktown" man had a hot time in the colored colony. Things got fast and furious and preceding a sleigh he and the new found friend with a driver went out to the road house. Returning to the city he was followed by the sleigh.

PROBATE COURT

Estate of Helen McClelland, wife of Thomas McClelland, the husband having since died, the remaining children join in the petition for the appointment of Agnes M. McClelland as administratrix, who is sworn in as such. No party. Personal under \$2,000.

P. E. ISLAND NEWS

Charlottetown, P. E. I., March 4.—(Special)—John Agnew, of Alberton, one of the members of the first district of Prince the petition for the appointment of the provincial legislature vice the late Matthew Smith. Estimates for this year tabled in the house yesterday place the total expenditure at \$358,000, including \$30,000 on capital account. The largest item is for education, \$127,000. Last year the actual ordinary expenditure was \$378,000 and capital \$42,000.

NEWFOUNDLAND'S NEW GOVERNMENT

Halifax, N. S., March 4.—(Special)—The executive of the Newfoundland government is as follows: Premier, Sir Edward Morris; minister of justice, Donald Morrison; colonial secretary, Robert Watson; minister of finance, M. P. Caskey; minister of agriculture and mines, Sydney Banford; C. H. Zimmerman, Hon. R. K. Bishop, Hon. C. Crosby, M. P. Gibbs, without portfolio, and two portfolios outside the cabinet, viz. Wm. Woodford, minister of public works; and A. W. Peck, minister of marine and fisheries.

AN HEIR TO JAPANESE THRONE

Kokio, March 4.—(Special)—The eldest daughter of the Emperor of Japan gave birth to a son today. The Prince was born late this afternoon.

New York, March 3.—Colonel Edward E. Britton and Quarantine Commissioner Frederick H. Schroeder, former president and second vice-president of the Eagle Savings and Loan Company of Brooklyn, were today guilty of stealing \$4,000 from that institution in February, 1908. Sentence will be pronounced on Monday.