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McGILL ARRESTED AS EMBEZZLER

EVIDENCE OF TRANSFER CLERK AND MR. AMES, AND BOOK ENTRIES

"BAD DEBTS," PERSONAL LOSSES

Sensational Climax to First Day's Enquiry Into Ontario Bank Wreck — Hundreds of Thousands of Dollars Declared to Have Been Lost by Manager's Speculations Written Off in the Bank Accounts as Losses Incurred by the Institution.

TRANFER CLERK FOR YEARS OBEYED ORDERS TO DECEIVE

How Ex-Manager Juggled Accounts to Prevent Operations Becoming Known — Bank Speculated for Long Time in Its Own Shares and Made Fake Transfers to Conceal Its Ownership of Shares.

The re-arrest of Charles McGill, erstwhile manager of the Ontario Bank, on the charge of embezzlement was the sensational denouement of the continuation yesterday before Magistrate Denison of the preliminary proceedings in the process of commitment for trial. Over Mr. McGill's head is now hanging a charge, recognized by the court as much more serious than that of falsifying returns to the government in contravention of the banking law. The ex-manager is now amenable to the criminal code, and the stubborn refusal of Magistrate Denison to allow bail emphasized strongly the nature of the position of Mr. McGill.

The attorney-general was less obdurate to the urgings of E. F. B. Johnston, K.C., counsel for the accused, Hon. Mr. Foy agreeing last night to allow the prisoner his freedom on an additional surety of $25,000. Bondsmen could not be found on short notice, and the banker spent the night in the jail over the Don. It is confidently stated, however, that the required bond, which is equal to the one previously furnished for Mr. McGill's release on the "misdemeanor" charge, will be forthcoming this morning, when he will regain his liberty once more, to appear in court on Friday to answer the dual charges.

The changes against Mr. Cockburn will not be heard until after McGill is disposed of.

The information sworn out was the outgrowth of the most striking evidence adduced in a day's proceedings that brought to light many traces of what was manifestly deliberate juggling with accounts to preserve the credit of the bank in the eyes of the world. The official blue document reads as follows:

"That Charles McGill, between the years 1900 and 1906, at the City of Toronto, in the County of York, did, contrary to law, steal the sum of $136,049.91 in money, the property of the Ontario Bank."

It was the story revealed in the inspection of the bank's reserve accounts by James Bicknell that laid the basis for the charge, and it was at the outset of the examination of Transfer Clerk Richard Chenoweth that the mine was sprung, and the hint given of the climax that was to come three hours later in the placing of the ex-manager in custody.

Star Witnesses.

There were but two witnesses during the afternoon, Mr. Chenoweth and A. E. Ames, of A. E. Ames & Co., the well-known brokerage firm. The former was on the stand for almost three hours, and bore the brunt of a searching enquiry with a self-possession that was shaken only once or twice under the battering-ram tactics of Mr. Johnston, who forced the plain admission, that was hardly necessary in the volume of facts, that spoke for themselves, that he had altered accounts and figures with the intent of concealing the true position of the bank. It was claimed by Mr. Chenoweth, who proved an admirable witness from the standpoint of readiness to impart information and ease in handling figures under question, that the changes were made entirely under instructions from the general manager.

Mr. Ames' evidence, summed up, was that he was unaware thas his account had been written off in the bank's books, and that the bank had suffered loss thru his firm, and that McGill had speculated extensively in highly-fluctuating securities, but, so far as the broker was aware, on his own personal account.

It was after 6 o'clock and while Mr. Ames was still on the stand, that the magistrate called upon Mr. McGill to stand up. The ex-manager rose steadily from his seat at the desk and was advised that a more serious charge had been laid against him. He exhibited no tremor during the reading of the information, and to the usual question replied, "Not guilty," in a low but firm voice.

"Others" Equally Guilty.

The court informed Mr. Johnston that bail could not be accepted for his client. Mr. McGill's counsel took exception to the ruling in a few words, and the magistrate went on to say that there was a great difference between the two charges. The first was merely a misdemeanor, the present charge was a much more serious one. It named a large amount and the act constituted it a theft under the criminal code.

Mr. Johnston mildly dissented, and the magistrate referred to the "wholesale appropriation."

"What about these other men?" demanded Mr. Johnston, hotly. "They are manifestly in the same box as he is."

"Then lay an information against them," retorted the magistrate sharply.

Mr. Johnston's warm rejoinder was that the evidence had "clearly showed the state of affairs," and yet an information had only been laid against his client, which was unfair."

After adjournment Mr. Johnston declared in vigorous language that there was no hope of getting justice from the court.

"It's not a court, it's a persecution," he asseverated.

Mr. McGill was not allowed to go over the Don in a carriage, but was taken east in the patrol wagon. The police declined to allow his son to accompany him.

The first witness was Thomas Lawson, a clerk in the office of the deputy-finance minister at Ottawa, who produced the monthly returns tendered by the Ontario Bank during the last six years.

Then Walter Chenoweth was called. He was stock transfer clerk in the bank. He explained that there were two books kept—a preliminary government statement book and one for the actual statements, which contained totals only. The president or vice-president, the general manager and the chief accountant signed the statements. The report for August, 1906, had been signed by Donald McKay, McGill and Chenoweth, pro-chief accountant. These had also signed the August statements of August, 1905, 1904 and 1903. Once, and it might have been the August last report, it had

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ONE DAY'S REVELATIONS.

....Walter Chenoweth, the chief witness, has for six years been transfer clerk at the Ontario Bank, and, acting under instructions from McGill, he had been systematically juggling the figures to create deception as to the true state of the bank. He knew things were wrong, but told no one.

The August report was signed by Vice-President Donald McKay, Manager Charles McGill and Walter Chenoweth, pro-chief accountant. McGill signed it in blank, expecting to be away.

The government was deceived by false transfers to "current loans in Canada" account.

The amounts charged up as "bad debts," making losses in the reserve account, really represented losses in stocks. They were: A. E. Ames & Co., a total of $136,049.91; Gordon Donnell & Co., $16,000; McIntyre & Marshall, $30,000; W. H. Goadby & Co., $15,000 and $10,000; Consolidated Lake Superior Company, $19,321.18; Tyler, Morgan & Co., $229,000; Marshall, Spader & Co., $285,139.91, and Charles Head & Co., $75,824.47.

The Ontario Bank was regularly purchasing and selling its own stock and covering up the transactions by making transfers of shares before annual meetings to accounts of certain shareholders.

A. E. Ames declared that the stock dealing were apparently personal with McGill. The Ontario Bank had never lost anything thru his firm. The stocks dealt in were of a highly speculative kind. McGill had three accounts, one in his own name, one as in trust, and the third a "special" one.

The Ames Company are debtors to the bank to the extent of about $100,000, giving collateral security therefor.

E. F. B. Johnston, K.C., counsel for McGill, declared his client was no more guilty than others, against whom information should also be laid.

MR. BRYAN: "ALAS, POOR HEARST, I KNEW HIM WELL."

—CHICAGO TRIBUNE.

THREE CENT FARE WIN CAR FRANCHISE BEATEN

Midnigt Returns Indicate Election of Thompson For Mayor of Detroit in Opposition to Mayor Codd Who Proposed Concession to Detroit Railway.

Detroit, Mich., Nov. 6.—(Special.)—Returns received up to midnight indicate the certain defeat of the franchise. Complete figures from the various precincts are as yet unobtainable, but the figures at hand show that the franchise is defeated by a vote of about 201.

The returns are necessarily slow, as there are about 30 offices being voted upon and the referendum on the street railway franchise is being counted last. The central counting board is still engaged in counting the 2 o'clock vote, but this vote is generally a sure indication of the result of the entire election. It is upon the 2 o'clock vote that the result on the franchise question is estimated.

The franchise was slashed in Republican precincts, even upon the same ballot upon which Mayor Codd, who proposed the franchise, was voted for.

The Detroit News claims the defeat of Codd by Thompson, the three-cent fare candidate.

TO-DAY IN TORONTO.

Nov. 7.
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Ontario Beekeepers' Association, county court house, 2.
Girls' Home, annual meeting, 4.
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NO SETTLEMENT IN SIGHT DOMINION STEEL CO. MAY LIQUIDATE

Business People of Sydney Are Becoming Alarmed Over Prospect of Tie Up of Big Plant for a Long Period.

Sydney, N. S., Nov. 6.—(Special.)—The situation at the works of the Dominion Iron and Steel Company remains practically unchanged, in so far as the trouble with the Dominion Coal Company is concerned.

It was thought at noon to-day that a settlement was in sight, but it seems now to be as far off as ever. General Manager Jones and President Ross were in conference thru an intermediary, but the latest report is that they failed to come to any understanding.

The Steel Company are said to be making arrangements for supplies of coal from Nova Scotia Coal and Steel Company, Sydney Mines, Acadia and Intercolonial Coal companies in Pictou. Such arrangements, however, can only be of a temporary character, as it will be almost impossible to operate a plant of this extent with coal necessitating a long haul by rail or water, in bringing it to the plant, apart altogether from the great expense it would incur to the company.

Gowrie and Blockhouse collieries, of Port Morien, have also offered to deliver a quantity of coal, which will probably be accepted.

There are indications, however, which give rise to the fear that an immediate settlement, despite all these arrangements, is yet remote. In fact, that the dispute will end in an action against the coal people for breach of contract is being practically taken for granted. The matter is now said to be in the hands of the solicitor for the Steel Company. It may be that this is the only way in which the looked-for solution can be attained.

There is a report current to-night that the Steel Company are going into liquidation, so as to get rid of their heavy over-capitalization, but there is nothing to substantiate this report. The coke ovens plant is closed down, as are also the blast furnaces; the rail mill is also shut down, but the rod mill is being kept going. Every department will have to be closed unless a supply of coal is had within a day or two. Only about half the open-hearth furnaces are in operation, but these may be shut off at any time. The business people are becoming somewhat alarmed over the situation, and, coupled with exceedingly disagreeable weather, the feeling abroad is anything but optimistic. There are hopes entertained, however, of speedy adjustment of the unfortunate situation.

The Sydney Cement Company had to close down at noon to-day, owing to their inability to secure slag from the Dominion Steel Company. About fifty men are thrown out of work.

THREE HORSES BURNED.

Dangerous Fire at Toronto Junction—Mat Beatty's Loss Is $1200.

Toronto Junction, Nov. 6.—At 10.25 to-night, a fire alarm was sent in from Keele and Dundas-streets, and the department was on the spot within 3 minutes. But even then flames were in full possession of the stable and sheds of Matt Beatty, in rear of 92 Dundas-street, and the firemen turned their efforts to preventing the spread to the Wrought Iron Range Company. The spot is the most congested in the town, and had it been a windy night a conflagration might have ensued. The firemen worked well, however.

The loss to Mr. Beatty is $1200, with $400 insurance.

Three horses were burned and one of them, Gertie P., a prize winner at fall fairs, was to have changed hands to-morrow for $250. A ton of hay and five sets of harness also went up.

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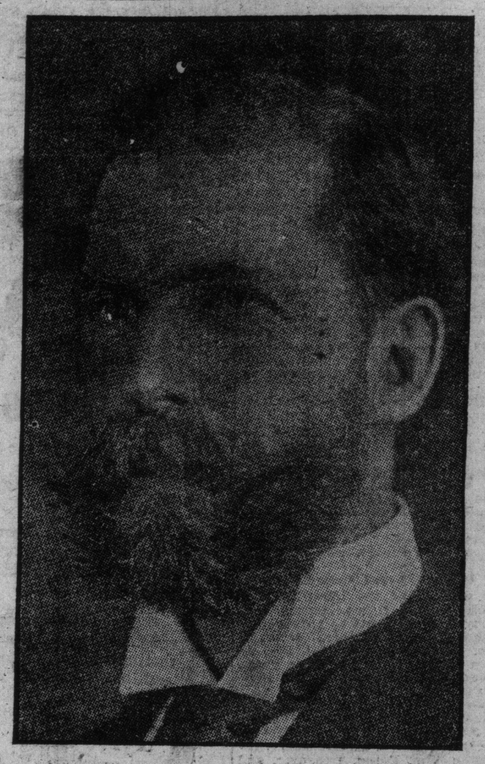

CHARLES E. HUGHES, GOVERNOR-ELECT OF NEW YORK STATE.

GRATIFIED, NOT ELATED.

Mr. Hughes: "I am very much gratified if I am elected, as now seems to be the case, but I am not accustomed to speaking in detail upon matters about which there may be any uncertainty.

"I understand, however, that my election is pretty well assured, but whatever my plurality may be my feeling is not one of elation, but of responsibility. That is all I care to say at present."

Lewis Styvesant Chanler, candidate for lieutenant-governor on the Independence League and Democrat tickets, said: "I should be very sorry indeed to be elected if Mr. Hearst should be defeated."

Charles F. Murphy, leader of Tammany, said: "It is now clear to everyone that at Buffalo this organization (Tammany Hall) did nothing more than recognize and obey the demands of the people." This was Mr. Murphy's only comment on the election.

Voters Everywhere Cut Head of Ticket—Late Returns Indicate Election of Chanler as Lieut.-Governor With Remainder of Democratic Ticket.

TAMMANY JUDGES SWAMP TICKET OF INDEPENDENTS

New York, Nov. 7.—According to returns received up to an early hour this morning Chas. E. Hughes, the Republican candidate for governor of New York, has been elected by 50,000 or more plurality.

Outside of Greater New York, with 160 election districts missing, Mr. Hughes had a plurality of about 124,000. In Greater New York, with 69 election districts missing, Wm. R. Hearst, the Democratic and Independence League candidate, had a plurality of 75,039. Mr. Hearst carried all the boroughs of the greater city.

No definite figures are available as to the results with regard to the subordinate state officers, and both Democrats and Republicans are claiming victories.

The indications are that the state legislature will show but little change in its political makeup.

The Tammany judiciary ticket in New York County, with the exception of Otto Rosalsky, Republican, for general sessions judge, has been elected.

State Chairman Max F. Ihmsen of the Independence League claims that Mr. Hearst has been elected. He sent out late last night telegrams to all Independence League watchers to be on guard to see that the full vote was counted.

HUGHES BY 50,000

New York, Nov. 6.—According to incomplete returns from all over the state received up to 10.30 p.m., Chas. E. Hughes, the Republican candidate, has been elected governor of New York State over William R. Hearst, the nominee of the Democratic party and the Independence League, by approximately a plurality of 50,000 or more. Two years ago Gov. Higgins was elected on the Republican ticket by 80,560.

There was some doubt expressed tonight as to the fate of the Democratic and Independence League tickets outside of Mr. Hearst, several of the New York newspapers which have been supporting Mr. Hughes, declaring that there was a chance that the subordinate officers of the Democrat and Independence League combination had been elected.

The latest figures seem to indicate that Hughes' plurality above the Bronx will exceed 115,000. To offset this Mr. Hearst's plurality in Greater New work will probably be from 75,000 to 80,000.

In Brooklyn, where Senator Patrick H. McCarren made a bitter fight against Hearst, the latter carried the borough by a small plurality, probably 4000. At one time it seemed that Hughes had been successful in Brooklyn, before the late returns were all strongly in favor of the Democratic candidate.

Mr. Hearst has been given a majority of nearly 70,000 in Manhattan and the Bronx. Queen's County, which includes Long Island City, has gone for Hearst by from 6000 to 8000, and Richmond (Staten Island) has also given the Democratic candidate a plurality.

STRONG IN CITIES.

As generally was expected, Mr. Hearst

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REPS. CONTROL CONGRESS

ELECT 155 TO 118 FOR DEMOCRATS

FEW SURPRISES IN VOTE

Governor Guild Carries Massachusettes by Big Majority, While the Republican Vote Outside of New York State Holds Its Own All Along—the Line—Still the Solid South

Up to 11.45 p. m. the available returns indicate the election for the United States Congress of

Republicans.....155
Democrats.....118

No returns had been received from 113 districts.

The Democrats so far have gained two in Illinois, two in Missouri, three in Pennsylvania, one in Ohio, one in New York, one in New Jersey and one in North Carolina. The Republicans gain one in Kentucky.

Elections were held yesterday in 42 states, and, generally speaking, there were no great surprises.

Thruout the south, the Democratic state and congressional tickets have been elected by the usual majorities.

In the west and east the states that were aligned two years ago in the Democratic or Republican columns show no material change. The Republicans retain control of congress by a good majority.

Perhaps the widest general interest centred in the remarkable fight for governor in New York State between Charles E. Hughes, the Republican candidate, who has had the support of President Roosevelt, and William Randolph Hearst, the regular Democratic and Independence League candidate.

The latest returns available show that Mr. Hughes, while losing nearly all the principal cities of the state, was successful by about 50,000 plurality.

The rural districts brought about the Republican victory.

In New York City the Tammany-Independence League judiciary ticket was successful, with possibly one exception, over the candidates named by the non-partisan judiciary nominators.

MORAN SWAMPED.

Massachusetts has re-elected Curtis Guild, jr., Republican, as governor, over District Attorney Moran of Boston, who was the candidate of the Democratic party, the Independence League and the Prohibitionists.

In Chicago it is estimated that the Independence League ticket polled 40,000, but there was a Republican plurality for the state officers.

Pennsylvania has elected Stuart, Republican, governor, over fusion opposition, by the usual Republican plurality.

In Rhode Island, James H. Higgins, Democrat, is elected governor. Minnesota elected a Democratic governor.

Michigan, Iowa, New Hampshire, North Dakota, Connecticut, Indiana and Wisconsin have rolled up big Republican pluralities, altho there was some falling off from the usual vote in Iowa.

Nebraska shows big Republican gains. Ohio also shows Republican gains over the Pattison vote of last year. The Republicans expect a plurality of 75,000 in the state.

The constitution of the new State of Oklahoma will be written by Democrats. The Indians voted the Democratic ticket almost solidly. Oklahoma also went strongly Democratic in choosing delegates to the constitutional convention.

New Mexico and Arizona have voted on the proposition to enter the union jointly as a single state. In New Mexico the proposition was defeated.

Governor Hoch is re-elected in aKnsas by a slightly reduced majority.

MISSOURI IN DOUBT.

The result in Missouri was in doubt at a late hour, the Democrats expecting to gain some of the congressional districts they lost two years ago.

Congressman Nicholas Longworth was re-elected in Cincinnati.

Congressman J. W. Wadsworth, for many years chairman of the house committee on agriculture at Washington, was defeated in the 34th district of New York.

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DEATHS.

HASTINGS—On Tuesday, Nov. 6th, 1906, at the residence of her son (Thomas A. Hastings), 23 Lowther-avenue, Susannah Mitcheson, wife of the late William Hastings, in her 97th year.
Funeral private.

MURPHY—At 48 Shirley-street, Mary, widow of the late James Murphy.
Funeral will leave the late residence this morning, at 9 o'clock, to St. Helen's Church, thence to Mount Hope Cemetery.

SMITH—Suddenly, at Airdrie, Alta., Nov. 3rd, J. H. Smith, aged 73, late of Highfield, Etobicoke.
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