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## MR. GAMEY IS BACK.

### WILL APPEAR BEFORE THE COMMISSION.

Toronto, April 22.—Mr. Gamey returned from Buffalo yesterday afternoon, and the investigation will continue this morning. It was at the earnest solicitation of his political friends that he came back, and among those who accompanied him were Mr. W. J. Hanna, M.P.P., and Mr. William Masson, his Owen Sound lawyer. Mr. A. W. Wright, the Conservative organizer, remained in Buffalo on some other political business.

A despatch from London says: A writ was filed here today with R. K. Cowan, in which Frank Joseph Sullivan sets forth that he thereby sues John Ross Robertson, proprietor of The Toronto Telegram, claiming damages for an alleged libelous article. The writ is issued by J. M. McEvoy of this city, who is at present in Toronto acting for the defence in the Gamey investigation. Unstated damages are claimed, but the writ does not mention the article which it is alleged libels Mr. Sullivan. It is one of the recent references to the Gamey trial.

The article referred to stated that Frank Sullivan had admitted receiving half of the \$3,000 from Mr. Gamey.

Mr. J. M. McEvoy and Mr. Frank Sullivan returned last evening from Rochester with Mrs. Sullivan and her father, Mr. Wilson, who were called as witnesses by the prosecution.

The following telegram from Mr. Gamey was received at The Globe office at noon yesterday from Buffalo: "You have no authority to state that I contradicted my counsel. I did not tell them or anyone else where I was going. Please contradict your misleading statement. R. R. Gamey."

Blake stated on Tuesday morning that Mr. Gamey's absence was "unaccounted," and that he could give the commissioners no information about it.

Mr. Gamey's telegram evidently refers to a headline over the following portion of the interview in Buffalo, the accuracy of which he does not dispute: "Did your lawyers know you were away?"

"Why, certainly, they knew all about it."

"Well, Mr. Blake said in court that he did not know anything about your absence."

"I guess that is right. Mr. Blake did not know, but the others did."

Mr. Gamey, it appears, wrote a letter to one of his counsel after he had arrived in Buffalo, and when he gave the interview may have been under the impression that that letter had been received. Inquiry here last night elicited the information that the letter had been delayed in delivery.

## LET THEM COME ON.

### Poolroom's Challenge to the Crown Authorities.

Toronto, April 23.—The members of the Toronto Junction Recreation Club, which is more generally known as the pool room at Toronto Junction, are so well convinced that they are not violating either the betting or gaming clauses of the code that they have agreed that a test case should be made against them in the courts. The members declare that the charges of illegal acts made recently in the press and from the pulpits are untrue, and they are prepared to facilitate the prosecution in any way possible.

Rev. T. E. E. Shore headed a deputation to the Parliament buildings on Wednesday. He called to see Premier Ross and Hon. J. M. Gibson, Attorney-General, to have the Toronto Junction Recreation Club proceeded against. The Premier and his colleagues had been called to Government House, so that the appointment had to be postponed.

## MEETS FRIENDS

E. C. Gammage, the Queen street grocer, is in receipt of a letter from his son Charles, who is in Winnipeg. Charlie stated that he had already met 30 or 40 ex-Chathamites and seemed pretty much at home.

Among those he mentioned as having seen were Herbert Rankin, a former Chatham St. Clair street boy; Bob Smith, a former Planet reporter; and Miss Cameron, formerly of W. H. Harper's office. He has secured a position with a wholesale firm and likes the place very well.

## ALFRED DREYFUS' APPEAL.

### TO HAVE CASE REOPENED AND INVESTIGATED.

His Letter Couched in Dramatic Language—Believed the Appeal Will Cause Tremendous Agitation in France.

Paris, April 23.—Alfred Dreyfus has submitted to Minister of War Andre a lengthy letter, in which he earnestly asks for a reopening of his case by means of an investigation by the Minister, as the supreme head of military justice. The letter, which is dated Paris, April 21, confirms the report that Dreyfus has been living quietly here for some time past. It promises to cause a tremendous agitation among the various elements of the political groups for and against Dreyfus. The first part of the letter is a calm, earnest plea that the court which condemned him at Rennes was improperly influenced, first by the annotated document ascribed to Emperor William, and second by the false testimony of one of the witnesses, Cernuski. After arguing on the extent to which these contributed to his condemnation, Dreyfus recalls in graphic terms the long series of horrors to which he had been subjected.

The letter throughout is couched in a highly dramatic style, which is likely to make it one of the notable papers of the case. It refers to Esterhazy as "one who stands before the entire world as the culprit."

One of the leading passages, showing the rhetorical style, is as follows: "I will not recall, Mr. Minister, what I have endured since 1894. Picture to yourself the horrors of a soldier whose whole life was devoted to duty, to work, to loyalty, and to profound devotion for his country, and who in an instant is stripped of his good name and despoiled of the honor of himself and his children. For five years this soldier is subjected to horrible sufferings. He seeks to crush him physically, to annihilate him morally. He is absolutely innocent of all crime, and struggles in vain to penetrate the mystery, proclaiming his innocence and struggling with all the forces of his mind and body for that supreme pleasure of vindicating his good name and character."

"In constant thought of ultimate legal revision, I have reassembled little by little all the divergent elements of testimony contributing to my conviction. I have scorned calumnies and falsehoods. I have remained silent, with the firm conviction that justice surely would have its day of triumph. The victim of criminal tactics and violation of the law, I have committed against me, I now address myself to the supreme chief of military justice, and, supporting myself by new facts which have been elicited, and by the existence of the pretended bordereau annotated by Emperor William, I beg to ask that you institute an inquiry, first upon the uses made of this false document at Rennes, and the consequences it produced on those rendering judgment; secondly, upon the false and fraudulent testimony of Cernuski at Rennes."

After a deferential salutation, the letter is signed "Alfred Dreyfus."

## A RANCHER'S DEATH.

### John Christie's Body Found on the Road Near Calgary.

Winnipeg, April 23.—The body of John Christie, a rancher, was found about nine miles from Calgary, and about the same distance from his own home Tuesday. His horse and buggy were beside him. At the inquest it was concluded that the man had fallen from his rig, which had jolted in a rut, had been stunned and suffocated in a pool of water in which he had fallen. His brother died about a hundred yards from where deceased died, and under conditions almost identical. The Christies came originally from Ottawa.

Joe McMillan, one of our Chatham young men who recently left for the Northwest, is a son of Mr. and Mrs. McMillan, Murray St. Before going he received a letter of recommendation from Rev. Dr. Battisby, pastor of St. Andrew's Church, of which congregation Joe was a consistent member.

## TO-MORROW NIGHT

The plan for the Big Bungalow Benefit at the Grand to-morrow night is now open and the advance sale of seats has been most encouraging, demonstrating the ready and hearty support the people are prepared to accord this splendid enterprise.

The production is an exceedingly fine one. The introductory musical program will be exquisite, including selections by the Maple City's best talent and special contributions by the orchestra.

The Trial Scene from "The Merchant of Venice" was formally staged in costume at rehearsal last night, under the direction of Messrs. J. S. Lane, E. A., and W. W. Scane, stage manager, assisted by Ald. T. Scullard and Mr. C. E. Beeson. The costumes are most elaborate and the stage setting, representing a Venetian court room, is very striking. Carpenters are at work on the stage to-day completing the "properties" for this scene, superintended by Messrs. Lane and Scane.

His worship, Mayor McKeough, will preside and address the audience briefly on the bungalow enterprise.

Tickets can be secured at the Central Drug Store.

## TOUCHED JOHN

### Cruel Joke Played on the East Kent Jester at Toronto Yesterday.

### "Blue Ruin" Finds Temporary Habitation in Mr. Lee's Pocket—Relieved of His Loose Cash.

Special to The Planet.  
Toronto, April 23.—John Lee, M. P. P. for East Kent, had his pocket picked in the crush at the Government House yesterday. He was relieved of some \$19 in cash.

How the theft was perpetrated is a mystery and there is no clue as to the identity of the thief.

Mr. Lee declines to discuss his unpleasant experience. He does not regard it in the light of a "joke."

## SULTAN STEPS DOWN.

### His Brother is Now Ruler of Morocco.

Madrid, April 23.—A special despatch from Melilla, Morocco, says Muley Mohammed, the Sultan's brother, has been proclaimed Emperor at Fez.

Advices from Ceuta, Morocco, say the Kabyle tribesmen besieging the port of Tetuan have sent an ultimatum to the Pasha in command of the Sultan's forces, demanding the dismissal of the Sultan's tax collectors and saying that otherwise they will attack Tetuan. The Pasha refused the demand of the Kabyles, and appealed to all men capable of bearing arms to assist in the defence of the town.

Tanger, Morocco, April 23.—Muley Amrani, an uncle of the Sultan, arrived here to-day from Melilla with the customs officials and all the Government customs property. Melilla has been abandoned by the Government.

Tanger, Morocco, April 23.—Tribesmen have attacked and pillaged Mequinez. Thirty-seven inhabitants of the town and thirteen tribesmen were killed in the fighting.

## A MANIAC'S DEED.

### Chopped His Wife to Pieces and Then Killed Himself.

Cumberland, Wis., April 22.—In a fit of jealous rage last night, John Heymsler, living south of here, shot and killed his wife, chopped up the remains with an axe, and then set fire to his barn. Heymsler fled, but was surrounded by a posse in the woods near Clayton. After holding the posse at bay for more than an hour, he killed himself. The couple had several children.

## Shot His Own Head Off.

St. John, N.B., April 22.—John Fraser, a farmer of Black River, accidentally shot the top of his head off with a shotgun this morning. He went upstairs in his house to get his gun to start out shooting, wild geese, and shortly after the report of the weapon attracted his household. His sister found him dead, the charge having entered his forehead. He was aged 40 years, unmarried and in good circumstances. Dr. Gilmore of St. Martin's conducted an inquest, the verdict being accidental death.

## The Kentucky Assassins.

Frankfort, Ky., April 22.—In the Howard trial to-day H. B. Matthews, former Assistant Secretary of State, said he had been offered immunity by the prosecution when Powers was on trial if he would testify that he led the assassin into and out of the Secretary of State's office.

## TELEGRAPH BREVITIES.

A young Englishman named Charles Partridge was drowned at Rat Portage.

Mrs. William Newlands of Kingston died suddenly while kneeling at prayer.

Argument was concluded in redistribution appeal case at Ottawa and judgment reserved.

Terrence McFarlane, a laborer, died from injuries received at Toronto Junction.

The German sugar trade expresses alarm at the prospect of a tariff war with Canada.

John Christie, a rancher, was found dead on the road about nine miles from Calgary.

Miss Susan Kieley was cut in two while crossing the Grand Trunk tracks at Guy street, Montreal.

The trial of Karl Barham for murder at the Cornwall Assize was postponed at the request of the defence.

The Executive of the American Federation of Labor were banqueted by the Mayor and Corporation of Toronto.

The U. S. War Department gives its hearty approval and endorsement to the proposal to send a military team to Blaisy this year.

A man arrested at Buffalo on a charge of taking a Chinaman into the United States says a syndicate of Toronto Chinamen conducts the business.

Plans have been got ready at Montreal for the elevation of the Grand Trunk tracks from St. Henry to Bonaventure station, which will cost two and a half million dollars.

A Hungarian soldier was arrested in connection with an alleged plot among Hungarian troops to murder Emperor Francis Joseph during the military manoeuvres.

Mr. Wm. McCabe, Managing Director of the North American Life Insurance Company, is dangerously ill, and his attending physicians are doubtful if his chances of recovery.

## FEAR LOOKJAW

Mrs. James Hamilton, of Jeanette's Creek, was brought into the city and placed in the Public General Hospital yesterday, threatened with symptoms of lockjaw.

A short time ago Mrs. Hamilton, unfortunately ran a nail into the sole of her foot and had been laid up for a few days, but was presumably getting better, when her jaw began to stiffen.

The city physician who had been called thought it best to have his patient in the city, where every precaution could be taken and assistance rendered.

Mrs. Hamilton is well known in Chatham and her many friends will be sorry to hear of her threatened serious trouble.

## QUIET WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Stone and Mrs. Alf. Stone, of this city, were in Highgate yesterday attending the wedding of Mr. Stone's sister, Miss Mattie, and Mr. McLachlan, both of Highgate. The wedding, which was a small, quiet, family affair, was conducted by Rev. Mr. Russell. The young couple will reside in Highgate. Miss Stone is one of the most popular young ladies, and Mr. McLachlan is a rising railroad man and very highly thought of in the community. Their many friends wish them much happiness and prosperity in their future married life.

## ATTRIBUTES OF PIRATES.

### Harsh Criticism of the Morgan Combine Ships.

London, April 23.—During the discussion of the Board of Trade estimates in the House of Commons Thomas Gibson Bowles, Conservative, complained of the length of time between the inception and the execution of the agreement between the Government and the International Mercantile Marine Company, and also of the lack of information supplied by the Government, and blamed the Board of Trade for allowing the British vessels purchased by the International Mercantile Marine Company to remain under the British flag. In Mr. Bowles' opinion they were not entitled to fly any flag. In some respects they had the attributes of pirates. Under the Union Jack they had all advantages which they did not have under any other flag.

Gerald Balfour, President of the Board of Trade, replying, said he hoped the Government would be in a position to execute the agreement in a few days, when an opportunity would be given for its full discussion.

Premier Balfour said the law officers of the Crown had been consulted with reference to the right of these vessels to fly the British flag, and they had expressed the opinion that they had the right until the agreement was completed.

Later Premier Balfour announced that the Irish land bill will be taken up May 4 or May 5.

## RECEIVED COMMISSIONS.

### Rev. Mr. Barr Does Not Deny the Statement.

Saskatoon, April 23.—The Barr settlers formulated charges against their leader at a largely attended meeting here. Mr. Barr admitted receiving certain commissions on steamship tickets and on the larger purchases for the colony, but denied that he had solicited commissions from the merchants of Saskatoon. He made an address defining his financial position in connection with the colony, and said that his books were open for inspection by any body of responsible men. It was announced that Immigration Agent Speers would take charge of all the settlers who are without funds. Thirty of these started railway work this morning. The start of the trek to the location of the colony was again delayed.

## Girl's Strap Slippers.

A large variety of Girl's Strap Slippers has been put into stock at prices from

50c. to \$1.00, sizes 3 to 7 1/2

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