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P. M. DENOUNCES ATTEMPTS TO INFLUENCE JUDGMENT

Mr. Graydon Said Clergymen and Others Asked Clemency for the Prisoners.

TWO MEN WERE SENTENCED TODAY

Richards and Lee Were Given a Year in Prison—Bennett Was Allowed to Go.

Deputy Magistrate Graydon created a sensation in the police court this morning, when after sentencing Walter Richards, jun., and George Lee to one year each in the Central Prison, for stealing sugar from a Grand Trunk car in the East End some time ago, he denounced in the most vigorous manner certain clergymen and citizens who had tried to influence him in his judgment.

The greatest interest was taken in the case, and long before court opened there was such a crowd gathered that special constables had to be stationed at the street door to prevent any more from going up to the courtroom.

When court opened, Crown Attorney McKillop moved for sentence. He pointed out the seriousness of the offence.

Loss to the Companies.

"Superintendent Gillen of the Grand Trunk," he said, "informs me that the railway has had to pay more than $14,000 in the last year in London alone to merchants and shippers for goods that have been stolen. These men, he said, are charged under the section dealing with the breaking into of railway cars. That makes the offence a much more serious one than an ordinary theft, and the statute was intended so owing to it being almost impossible to trace crimes of this nature.

Mr. J. C. Judd, K.C., who represented Lee and Richards, in addressing the court, criticised warmly the Grand Trunk for endeavoring to influence the court by making a statement that the road had had to pay out $14,000 for losses.

Defence Objects.

"It seems to me," he said, "that it is hardly fair of Mr. McKillop to make a statement of this kind in this case. As far as Richards is concerned, it is the first time that he has ever been charged with any offence. The total value of the goods stolen was only $8 38. This is a case where the innocent have to suffer. Richards has a wife and several small children, and his mother is in ill-health. Some 19 or 20 years ago Lee was connected with another case, and was not given the benefit of a doubt that existed, and was sent to penitentiary. For fifteen years he has never had a thing laid against him, and has conducted himself as he should. I would say again, that the Grand Trunk have no more right to urge for a heavy sentence against these men than I have. They have no right to dictate your worship's decision."

A Case in Windsor.

Mr. Judd produced a Windsor paper and read the sentences that had been given to the men connected with the robberies on the carferry Ontario. One man had been given a year, two six months, and one three months.

"I would draw your attention to the fact that these Windsor men were all trusted employees of the C. P. R.," he said. "They were men who had been with the company a long time, and had systematically robbed it for years. I would also draw your worship's attention to the fact that a petition signed by several hundred citizens has been presented to you, asking you to deal as leniently as possible with the men before you. I would also point out to you that they are both young men, with their lives before them, and perhaps leniency would do more good than anything else."

The Magistrate Speaks.

"This case certainly seems to me to have aroused an unusual amount of public interest," said Deputy Magistrate Graydon, "and I think I am right in taking this opportunity of expressing my very strongest disapproval of the course certain citizens and clergymen have followed in trying to influence me in my decision by interviewing me. Such a thing as approaching a high court judge is unheard of, and I think it should be equally so in regard to a magistrate. If clergymen would exercise their good offices to prevent the commission of such crimes as I am now dealing with, it would be more in keeping with their calling. Petitions, I may say, are never signed except by persons who are asked to sign, and as such have no weight with me.

Duty to the Public.

"A magistrate takes an oath to ful-

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MYSTERY AT ST. KITTS POINTS TO FOUL PLAY

Fred Rolls Cashier at the Grand Trunk Station Has Disappeared.

St. Catharines, Ont., Feb. 22.—The mysterious disappearance of Fred Rolls, a young man, son of H. L. Rolls, of this city, who was employed as a cashier at the Grand Trunk Railway station at Welland, is puzzling both his family and the authorities. Rolls has been missing since last Thursday. His books and cash have been found to be all right by the auditors, and no reason can be assigned for his running away. His father has instituted a thorough search and fears the boy may have met with foul play.

THREE SPEAKERS FOR THE CANADIAN CLUB

Prominent Men Will Deliver Addresses Before Londonders Shortly.

The Canadian Club has arranged to bring a number of prominent men to this city during the next few weeks to address the members at the noon luncheons.

S. Morley Wickett, of Toronto, formerly of the university staff, will speak on "Reciprocity From a Non-Partisan Viewpoint," on Friday next, while later Hon. I. B. Lucas, of the provincial cabinet, will be here.

It is expected that Mr. Henri Bourassa will address the club in April. It is not known what subject he will select

LIQUIDATOR AFTER FARMERS' BANK SECURITY

May Sue for Recovery on Behalf of the Ordinary Creditors.

[Canadian Press.]

Toronto, Feb. 22.—Action is being taken by Liquidator Clarkson, of the Farmers' Bank, to recover the additional security given by W. R. Travers, to the Trust and Guarantee Company "under pressure." This move is the result of evidence brought out while Travers was in the witness box yesterday. It is charged that strong pressure was brought to bear on the bank, and in this way the trust company were given an illegal preference. Wallace Nesbitt has been engaged by the liquidator, and will sue in the courts for the recovery of the securities on behalf of the ordinary creditors of the bank.

COMPANY'S OBLIGATIONS ARE NOW IN WRITING

North Midland People Point Out Where Proposed Agreement Does Not Suit.

The North Midland Railway Company have sent a communication to City Solicitor Meredith, outlining their objections to the proposed agreement between the company and the city, regarding the guarantee of $200,000 of the company's bonds.

The letter contains practically the same objections that were brought out at the recent conference.

The company objects to the city having a first mortgage on their property, and they also oppose the city holding back the money until the road is completed. These are the most important matters, although there are many other objections of a minor nature.

"The company have sent their objections to the solicitor," said Ald. Eckert, chairman of the finance committee. "I have been notified that this action has been taken. As soon as Mr. Meredith instructs us to hold a conference, we will do so. He must have some time to consider the objections and amend the agreement. It contains nothing new so far as I have learned.

It is understood that a special meeting of the council will be called when the finance committee have reported on the question.

MICE IN CHURCH FRIGHTENED LADIES

Meeting in Talbot Street Had to Adjourn for a Time.

Ladies and mice are poor mixers, despite the fact that the rat in the hair has had such a run of late. The other day a number of ladies were meeting in Talbot Street Baptist Church, when a couple of sleek, fat mice entered the room.

There is no exaggeration in terming what happened a scramble. Inside of a second every lady was on a chair or the table, and every hat pin was drawn from its scabbard. But the mice were as badly scared as were the fair sex, and soon made their escape from the scene.

"I wouldn't mind a mad dog or a runaway horse, but preserve me from a mouse," said one lady to The Advertiser.

MR. BECK A JUDGE

Will Attend the Horse Show in London, England.

Hon. Adam Beck has been elected a director of the National Horse Show Association of America, Limited, of New York. He has been appointed by the association American representative to judge, in conjunction with an English and continental representative, at the International Horse Show, Olympia, London, during coronation week.

J. CAMERON McINTYRE.
Lobo Farmer, Who Was Killed at Komoka Yesterday.

CITY OF LONDON READY TO MEET MIDDLESEX

Mayor Beattie Says City Council Will Talk of Joint Buildings.

The city council are ready at all times to discuss joint municipal buildings with the county council. Mayor Beattie stated today that any time the county will name a deputation the city will meet them and take up the whole question.

"We are ready to meet any deputation," declared his worship. "It is up to the county. Some time ago the county council refused to deal with us, and if they wish to open negotiations there is a simple way.

"For my own part, I would much prefer to see the city build its own hall, without reference to the county at all. We will have sufficient money to erect a proper structure, and it would be in the interests of both if we remained separate. I do not know of any dual arrangement that has proven satisfactory. It certainly has not been successful in our case. But we are willing to listen to the county."

CONVOCATION OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS

Fifty-Third Annual Gathering Opens at Toronto.

[Canadian Press.]

Toronto, Feb. 22.—The fifty-third annual convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons began today in the blue room of the Temple Building, M. E. Comp. George Moore of Hamilton, presiding, assisted by R. E. Comp. Fred Harcourt, Toronto, and R. E. Comp. D. F. MacWatt, of Sarnia.

There is a good attendance, among the gathering being the most representative men from Halifax to Vancouver. The morning session was devoted largely to the address of the grand first principal, and the reception of representatives, which were sent on for adoption.

At the close of last year there were in the 20 districts under the jurisdiction of the Grand Chapter of Canada, 149 chapters, 136 of which were duly warranted, and 13 under dispensation. These chapters had a total membership of 1,418, of which 127 were admitted during the year, making a net gain for 1909 of 1,074. At the close of the present year there is on the roll of chapters 151 chapters, 145 under warrant, and 5 under dispensation. During the year there were admitted 1,043, a net increase of 619, making a total of 14,725 members.

BARBER APPLAUDED IN HIS OWN FASHION

Stropped One Hand on the Other When He Liked the Play.

Manager Mashinnick, of the Grand lives a good story.

"The other night," he said, "I happened to be upstairs in the gallery, and the show was delighting the gods to perfection. One man was particularly pleased, and I noted that he did not clap his hands in the usual manner, but had a peculiar rotary motion. Then it dawned on me who he was. He was an apprentice in a local barber shop, and was stropping one hand on the other in the most approved manner, with resounding smacks. And what do you think he did when the curtain went down and he wanted an encore? He shouted 'NEXT!'"

GLENCOE MAN ARRESTED

Just Out of Hospital, He Wants To Go Home.

Henry Duff, an aged individual, who says he comes from Glencoe, was arrested last night for being drunk. This morning he told the court that he was only discharged from Victoria Hospital yesterday.

"Were you a paying patient?" asked the court.

"Yes," replied Duff.

"Who paid for you?" inquired the magistrate.

"The county," said Duff.

Duff also said he wanted to go to Glencoe, and had money to take him. Inquiry showed that he had 34 cents.

"I don't know how you are going to get there," said the court. "You have no friends here. It is a shame for a man who is a public charge, and has been cared for by charity, to go and get drunk the first day he is out of the hospital. If you come back here again I will give you a long term."

MURDERER AT BAY.

Winnipeg, Feb. 22.—John Berch and M. Pritka, two C. P. R. laborers, fell out at work, and Berch killed Pritka with a blow from an axe. Their enraged fellow-workmen pursued the murderer to the woods, where he is now at bay, armed with a rifle.

PROPOSED TOWN WILL FORM PART OF THE CITY OF LONDON

Mayor Beattie Says That It Will Meet the Same Fate as East, West and South London in Years Gone By.

"The fate of the village about to be incorporated east of the city will be the same as East London, South London and West London."

The above was Mayor Beattie's comment on the agitation now being conducted at Pottersburg and on the Hamilton road east for incorporation as a town.

His worship is of the opinion that it will not be long until the entire section will be brought into the city and thus form an integral part of a larger London.

"The suburbs mentioned were incorporated, but their ultimate destiny was to form part of this city," continued his worship. "That was the logical sequence, and I think this will be the fate of the proposed town to the east. It must eventually form a part of London."

"What about annexing the district now?" he was asked.

"The city has no power to do so at the present time," he answered. "They could join us if they so desired, but we cannot force them. It might not be altogether to our advantage to do so at this moment. You see, the section covers a large space of territory, a thousand acres or so, and there would be the question of roads and walks, and other expenditure. We cover a very great deal of territory as it is, and we have as much as we can conveniently handle at the present time. There would be many advantages to the city, of course. We might get some very fine factory sites, and the like, but there are disadvantages. Let them work out their own salvation, and they will ultimately come in with us, as other suburbs are likely to do."

Several aldermen spoke along the same lines.

AMEND LORDS' CONSTITUTION THE PEERS REPLY TO ASQUITH

[Canadian Press Cable.]

London, Feb. 22.—Lord Lansdowne, leader of the Opposition in the upper chamber, today announced his intention to introduce a bill to amend the constitution of the House of Lords. This is regarded as the Unionist answer to the Government's veto bill introduced in the House of Commons yesterday.

CHATHAM TEAM WAS EXPELLED

Result of Playing "Ringers" in the Match With London a Few Days Ago.

WATFORD WINS ROUND

As a Result of the Decision, and May Play With London if Forest City Beats Preston.

A special dispatch to The Advertiser from Toronto, received this afternoon, states that the Chatham club, officers and all players having certificates to play on the O. H. A. intermediate team representing that town, have been expelled from the association, and Watford declared the winner of the group, as a result of the Chatham-London series, in which the Maple City team played half a dozen men who they knew to be ineligible under the residence rules.

Watford, although put out of the race by the Chatham team previous to the series with London, is now back in the race for the championship, and will meet the winner of the round between Preston and London, which commences tonight in the former place.

Chatham Not Represented.

Chatham was given since Saturday last to send a reply to the charges made, but was not represented at the meeting held in Toronto this morning.

The evidence, it is claimed, was most conclusive, so the team was expelled, together with all players.

It was proven that McLean and McDonald of Goderich, two of the men recognized by Referee Sproule in Guelph matches in the second game against London in the city, had been brought down for that contest, and as a result, they, together with Miers, Gildner, McRae, Hagaborton, Dennis, and a dozen others, are professionalized.

Team's First Season.

This was Chatham's first season in the O. H. A., and will be the last. The season is very short in the enforcement of the rules, and no such work has ever been attempted. The club played men regularly in violation of the rules, which states that all players must be in the town prior to Nov. 1 in order to be eligible. Some of those who worked against London had only seen Chatham a couple of weeks before, it is alleged.

A number of the players will no doubt plead that they were unaware of any wrongdoing, but their connection with the club requires that they pay the penalty with the rest.

The Baden Team.

The O. H. A. also took action in the case of the Baden team. The officials of that club were asked for information concerning a player named Arnold. No reply was received, so they were suspended, until a good reason is given.

Just where the match between Watford and the winner of the London-Preston series will be played is not yet decided. Should London win out, the contest will go to either Stratford or Sarnia on Monday next, but should Preston prove the winner, the battle will probably be staged in this city.

London is confident, but a live fight may be looked for. A number of sporting writers are calling Preston to win, but the local septette hopes to upset the prediction.

BE BROAD, SAYS BRYCE

Says Modern Tendency Towards Specialization is Harmful.

Baltimore, Feb. 22.—The dangers that lurk in the modern tendency toward specialization in education were pointed out to the students of Johns Hopkins University today by James Bryce, ambassador from Great Britain to the United States. Mr. Bryce was among the speakers at the university's annual celebration of Commemoration Day. He declared that specialization was inevitable, because of the far-reaching nature of modern scientific investigations, but warned his hearers that narrowness of view might result from too close application to a special branch of study.

FALLS ON A SAW HAS HEAD SEVERED

A Lumber Mill Worker Meets With a Terrible Death.

[Canadian Press.]

Ottawa, Feb. 22.—Hiram Stinson, aged 22, son of Samuel Stinson, of Masham, Quebec, was killed there today while at work in the Lake Bernard lumber mill. He was employed near a circular saw, and in some manner fell on the instrument, both legs and the head being severed instantly.

MR. JUDD TO PRESIDE ON FIRST OF MARCH

Will Be Police Magistrate After That Date.

The appointment of Mr. J. C. Judd, K.C., as police magistrate, will be made in all probability in March, to take effect April 1.

According to information received from Toronto, there is no doubt whatever that Mr. Judd will be given the appointment. It is also known that he will accept, in fact, has accepted, the offer of the position.

This will give Mr. Marshall Graydon, deputy police magistrate, three months on the bench. The salary will be given to Mrs. Frank Love as a slight recognition of the late police magistrate's valuable services on behalf of the city. When Mr. Graydon accepted the position, he did so on that understanding.

DISPATCH BY PHONE ON MARCH FIRST

C. P. R. Will Use New Method on the Above Date.

Commencing March 1, the C. P. R. will dispatch all their trains between this city and Toronto by the telephone system, instead of by telegraph.

The new line is almost complete, and the preliminary tests have been most satisfactory. As soon as the line is perfected and in working order on this divn. it will be introduced on the Port Dalhousie, St. Marys and Port Stanley divn.

The telegraph system will be used for sending business messages, as the Government will allow only train orders to be communicated over the phone.

GRAIN CONFERENCE.

Winnipeg, Feb. 22.—The Winnipeg Grain Exchange has invited the Grain Growers' Association to assist in forming a committee for joint conference on the shipment and marketing of the grain of the Canadian Northwest.

THE WEATHER.

Tomorrow—Milder.

FORECASTS.

Toronto, Feb. 22.—Noon.

Today Westerly winds, fair.

Thursday, Fresh westerly winds, fair with a little higher temperature.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations.	Max.	Min.	Weather.
Calgary	16	4	Clear
Winnipeg	26	4	Clear
Port Arthur	32	14	Clear
Parry Sound	28	10	Cloudy
Toronto	22	16	Cloudy
Ottawa	12	6	Fair
Montreal	8	8	Cloudy
Quebec	8	4	Cloudy
Father Point	12	8	Cloudy

Minus (-) means below zero.

WEATHER NOTES.

The Atlantic disturbance has passed to the eastward of Newfoundland, and the western high area is moving towards the Mississippi Valley.

The weather is fair throughout the Dominion, with a general tendency toward higher temperature.

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER.

A great area of high pressure practically covered the continent last night, with moderate cold weather from the Rockies to Newfoundland.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: London, 10—32; Prince Rupert, 26—42; Kamloops, 10—30; Edmonton, 6 below—24; Calgary, 8 below—16; Battleford, 24 below—8; Qu'Appelle, 6 below—22; Moosejaw, 22 below—14; Winnipeg, 4 below—26; Port Arthur, zero—32; Parry Sound, 8 below—10; Toronto, 6—22; Ottawa, 2 below—12; Montreal, zero—8; Quebec, 6 below—8; Quebec, 6 below—18; Halifax, 16—18.

TODAY'S PROBS.

The East—A little higher temperature.

Lake Superior—Strong northwesterly winds; fair and moderately cold.

Manitoba and Saskatchewan—Fair and moderately cold.

Alberta—Fair and milde.

PREMIER ASQUITH.

M. H. O. TAKEN SERIOUSLY ILL

Dr. Hutchinson Seized With Heart Failure in His Office at Noon.

FOUND ON THE FLOOR

Sent Home in a Carriage and Will Not Likely Be Around for Some Time.

Dr. Hutchinson, medical health officer, had a very severe seizure of the heart at noon today in his office, and for a time it was thought that his illness would be serious.

Some days ago he suffered from an attack of the grip, which left him very weak. He has been attending to his office work during the past couple of days, however, and while not strong was apparently growing better daily.

Shortly after 12 o'clock today he collapsed, and was found by Inspector McCallum in a semi-conscious condition on the floor. He was revived and stimulants administered. Later he was removed to his home in a cab.

While no immediate danger is anticipated, Mayor Beattie gave him instructions to remain at home until he was strong enough to assume his duties again.

LARGER CAMP GROUNDS ARE BADLY NEEDED

City Council Will Take Matter Up With the Military at Once.

The question of larger camp grounds will be taken up by the city council very shortly.

It is too late this year to secure any more land for use by the militia in June, but the council will take the question up with the military authorities in order to prepare for next year.

The arrangements made last year will be satisfactory, it is understood, for all parties concerned, and will make it certain that the soldiers will camp in London.

"We will take the question up in the finance committee, and later in the council," said Ald. Eckert, the chairman, today. "The arrangements we made for the camp last year, free water, light, and the lease of certain properties for drill, will be satisfactory this year, and will make the camp of 1911 a notable one. The question of permanent grounds of greater magnitude must be taken up this year, however, as we will have to make arrangements for future camps. We will go into the matter thoroughly."

The co-operation of the military authorities will be secured.

W. K. GEORGE RESIGNS FROM REFORM ASS'N

[Canadian Press.]

Toronto, Feb. 22.—W. K. George, one of the prominent Liberals who signed the protest against reciprocity and took part in the board of trade meeting when an adverse resolution was passed by a large majority, has resigned the presidency of the Toronto Reform Association.

WRIT FOR DAMAGES

Issued By a Farmer Against the Township of London.

Melvin O'Neil, a London Township farmer, has issued a writ for damages through his solicitor, Mr. T. W. Scandrett, against the township of London and T. Clatworthy. Mr. O'Neil alleges that he was injured while driving on a township road, which was in a bad state of repair.

INQUEST ON TODAY

Inquiry Into Death of London Men at Guelph Junction.

The inquest into the collision at Guelph Junction, which resulted in the death of Section Foreman Henry Weymark and Sectionman Gilbert Jones, of this city, commenced this afternoon at Campbellville, before Coroner Dr. McColl. It is expected that the taking of the evidence will take a couple of days, as a large number of witnesses have been called in connection with the case.

TRIAL ORDERED IN BANK CASE

Crown Concludes Evidence in Farmers' Bank Inquiry.

TRAVERS WITNESS AGAIN

Information Laid This Morning Against Messrs. Morden and Wilson.

[Canadian Press.]

Toronto, Feb. 22.—"I have no more evidence to submit in this case, your worship," announced Mr. Corley, when the case against Hon. J. R. Stratton, I. J. Warren, of the Trust and Guarantee Company, and the four provisional directors of the Farmers' Bank, Fraser, Lown, Watson and Ferguson, was resumed in the police court this morning.

"Oh, very well," said the magistrate. "They will be committed for trial."

"I would like to cross-examine Mr. Stockdale first," asked Mr. Wilson, counsel for Mr. Warren.

No objection was raised to this, and Mr. Stockdale, accountant in the Trust and Guarantee Company, went back to the witness stand and explained the details of loans made to the Farmers' Bank.

Mr. Stockdale was asked whether he had copies of the agreements regarding the loans of $75,000 and $100,000 made to the Farmers' Bank.

These copies were handed to the magistrate and his attention was called to the clause which showed they were at liberty from time to time to substitute the security they had for such other security as they might offer.

Witness said that for security they had some Keeley mine stock, the stock of a piano company and $108,000 in notes.

"That loan was all paid off to the liquidators," declared Mr. Stockdale.

Explains Exhibits.

Then Mr. Wilson asked the witness to explain for the magistrate's benefit certain exhibits that had been put in. These had to do with the copy of the ledger account, which showed an advance of $18,000, also the deposit account of the Farmers' Bank, and the letter from the trust company certifying that the Farmerss' Bank had certain moneys to their credit with the trust company.

Mr. Stockdale showed that the loans were subsequently "reversed" at the request of Mr. Travers to the deposit account of the bank.

Mr. Stockdale explained that a large part of the $80,000 loan actually came from the Manufacturers' Life Company, and they got their share of the bonus.

Cross-examined by Mr. Corley, witness said he did not know who the directors of the Manufacturers' Life were.

"Do you know if any gentleman charged here was a director?"

"Not that I know of."

The witness admitted the trust company got $1,000,000 of Keeley mine bonds as security. In addition, they got $40,000 and $10,000 in shares of Keeley mine as a bonus for making the loan, but this was returned after the bank closed.

Travers was then recalled to give his version of the transaction which Stockdale had been explaining.

"That is enough," said the magistrate. I will take your own bail in $1,000 each to appear for trial at next court."

The second charge of illegal hypothecation of Farmers' Bank notes against Morden, Stratton and Warren was called, and adjourned indefinitely. An effort will be made to arrange for a consolidation later for all parties.

Two More Charges.

This morning after the court was over, Inspector Duncan went to the magistrate's room, and after being there some time he came out with informations against Messrs. Matthew Wilson, K.C., of Chatham, and Assistant Manager Morden, of the Trusts and Guarantee Company.

The information reads:

"Did conspire, confederate and agree with W. R. Travers, vice-president and general manager of the Farmers' Bank, to obtain the said W. R. Travers to give the Trust and Guarantee Company, fraudulent, undue and unfair preference over other creditors of the said Farmers Bank of Canada, by changing the nature and claims of the said Trust and Guarantee Company, against the said Farmers' Bank of Canada."

The summons is returnable on Friday morning in the police court.

SOLDIER GUILTY OF DESERTION

Private Cuthbert Shaw Sentenced to Six Months in Jail.

Private Cuthbert Shaw, of the Royal Canadian Regiment, was convicted of desertion at a court-martial before Maj. J. H. Kaye, commanding officer of Wolseley Barracks, and was this morning committed to the county jail to serve a six months' sentence. He will be released at midnight Saturday, Aug. 5, and will be then "dismissed from His Majesty's service with ignominy."

It was also found that Shaw lost his clothing and regimental necessaries. He is an Englishman and has served over four years in the R. C. R.