

RICHARD ATKINSON ACQUITTED BY JURY OF MANSLAUGHTER

Took Only Half an Hour to
Reach Verdict.

JUDGE WAS FAVORABLE

Charge to Jurymen Character-
ized Case as Unfortunate
Accident.

Richard Atkinson, the Biddulph Township farmer, was acquitted last evening by the jury called to try him on the charge of manslaughter arising out of an auto accident on June 19.

The verdict of the jury was returned at 5:35 last evening, and Atkinson was freed from the charge that has been hanging over his head since the day of the accident.

The trial was a long drawn out one, the case commencing at 9 o'clock on Thursday, and the verdict of acquittal being arrived at the time above stated last evening.

A voluminous amount of evidence was adduced, very much of it favorable to the prisoner, the testimony of many witnesses for previous good conduct and character being taken.

Favorable Charge.
His Lordship in his address to the jury, charged the jury to acquit Atkinson and the result was a verdict of acquittal.

The charge was laid against Atkinson as the result of an accident which happened on June 19, when the auto which he was driving struck down Edward Pritchett, who died later. His death was attributed by the coroner's jury to injuries sustained.

The verdict of the jury was returned after their deliberations had lasted 32 minutes.

Atkinson was interviewed by an Advertiser reporter immediately after the verdict had been given. "I am thankful it is all over, it has been a source of worry and anxiety to me for months past," he said, "I deeply regret the pain and sorrow that the accident has caused to the family of the late Edward Pritchett."

The accident was unavoidable in every way, and if my life had been at stake I could not have done other than I did at the time. I am now, and all ways will be, very glad for the trouble the accident caused."

He was congratulated by his many friends from the city and surrounding country on being freed.

John E. Campbell, carriage manufacturer, was the first witness for the defence to be called at the trial.

At 9 o'clock, testified that he had known Edward Pritchett for some years, that he had been in his employ and that he knew that he was blind in one eye.

Patrolman John Mackie of the city police force, gave evidence to the effect that he had examined the car about a year at the police station, and that he had assisted in straightening it. He had taken it to a garage and experienced great difficulty in steering the car.

Roy Simpson, an auto salesman, who testified that he had had five years experience in driving Ford cars, stated that he had expected to buy a car on King street, driving at a rate of about seven or eight miles an hour, and had been able to stop the car within ten or twelve feet.

Frank E. Hatton, an employee of the Ford Company, was asked in what distance a car about to turn traveling at the rate of about eight or ten miles an hour could be stopped.

"I would judge about eight to fifteen feet, depending on a great deal upon the manipulation of the car," replied the witness.

Was Sober.
Frederick Hopkins, farmer and cattle buyer, testified that he knew Atkinson well, and had seen him on June 19 last in the afternoon at about 4 o'clock (old time), and that Atkinson was sober and rational in every respect.

About 20 minutes or half an hour later he had seen Atkinson again when the company was travelling in the car which was being taken to the police station.

"What time did you say it was by your watch when you saw Atkinson in front of the hotel?" asked Prosecutor White.

"About 4 o'clock, old time. I did not change my watch to the new time then in use," replied witness.

"You are one of those conservative souls that don't believe in changes then?" asked the prosecutor.

"Well you know I am kind of old-fashioned," replied witness.

Arthur Morgan, who lives on concession 10 of London Township, testified that he was in company with Atkinson on the day of the accident, and that Atkinson was sober.

Was With Uncle.
Cesar Atkinson, nephew of Richard Atkinson, testified that he was with his uncle on the day of the accident, and that he was sober and rational in every respect.

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DECLARES WORLD ADMIRE CANADA FOR PATRIOTISM

T. H. Purdom, K.C., of London,
Interviewed at Winnipeg.

NATION IN A GREAT PLACE

Canada Assumes Proud Posi-
tion in the Minds of
Americans.

The following appeared in the Winnipeg Telegram of Wednesday:

T. H. Purdom, K.C., of London, Ont., president of the Northern Life Assurance Company, is in Winnipeg in connection with the western end of the company's big business. To a Tribune reporter who asked for his views on national questions, Mr. Purdom said:

"Canada is doing its whole duty so far as the war is concerned. I have been very much struck with the number of only sons who have lost their lives, and one cannot help feeling especial sympathy for the parents. It seems a greater loss to lose an only son than it does to lose one out of a number, although the sacrifice in both cases is an irreparable one."

"Canadians have proved themselves to be the best of the British race who have participated in the war, the equals of the best regiments of England, Ireland, or Scotland."

"My belief is that so far as the financial outlook in Canada is concerned, it will be affected to a considerable extent by the war, and the length of time it lasts. After the war is over I am inclined to look for a new prosperity at an earlier date than has been expected."

"The war has made Canada known to the whole world in a very enviable light. There is today south of the line a respect for Canada and for Canadians that never existed before. I recently met two men who spoke with a German accent, and they both professed that they regarded the Canadian as equal to the best soldiers engaged in the great struggle."

"A prominent citizen of Detroit recently expressed his astonishment to me that the Canadians were sending so many men, and that they had all proved to be of such fine calibre."

Removes Racial Questions.
"The result of this war ought to go far in Canada in removing all racial questions which have been acting in the past. It ought to bring the French and British people closer together."

"In my judgment there should be no objection Canada to the use of the French language, and there is in England to the use of the Welsh, or there is in Scotland to the use of the Gaelic. I think it would be a good thing for us all if we learned to speak French. I understand it is the most polished language known, and knowledge of it would assist even in the speaking of English."

"The conclusion of the war ought to bring about in an accentuated form the brotherhood of mankind. It may take a tremendous effort to overcome Prussian militarism, but France has shown itself in the defence of Verdun to be magnificent."

Equals of Past Statesmen.
"British statesmen of today are the equals, if not the superiors, of any British statesmen of the past. It would be difficult to find rivals for such men as Asquith, Lloyd George, Balfour, and many others."

"I was struck with the expression of a prominent American recently returned from the old country, that the thing that struck him most was the stability of the British Government."

"The result of the work of the sons of Canada in the trenches will absolutely wipe out any disposition to minimize this country as a nation, and when we are over the Canada of the future will be able to look back with pride upon what her sons have accomplished in the great struggle, and they cannot help but realize the great debt that this country owes to the men who have gone forward, and especially to those who have fought and died in defence of the principles for which the Empire is fighting."

**WOMEN TO PETITION
PREMIER FOR VOTES**

All Organizations Will Be
Asked to Aid in the
Campaign.

At a meeting of the executive committee of the Local Council of Women, held at the home of Mrs. H. A. Boomer yesterday afternoon, Mrs. Ryerson explained a campaign that will be inaugurated to obtain women's suffrage. All the women's organizations in the city will be asked to assist in getting as many signatures as possible on a petition to be presented to the premier of Ontario.

Mrs. Boomer, on behalf of the local council, will extend a welcome to the district women's institutes when they hold their annual convention here next week.

Miss Moore presented reports re the collection of funds for Belgian relief, Lady Beattie's fund for sailors, and the Duchess of Connaught's fund for prisoners of war. London stands fourth in its efforts for the fund named fund.

Appreciation was expressed of the action of the L. C. I. Chapter of the L. O. D. E. in naming itself the Harriet Boomer Chapter.

A drawing-room sale will be held about December 1 to raise funds for council purposes. Canadian made toys will be sold.

The question of excluding undesirable immigrants was discussed and a report will be sent to the National Council. It was stated that during the past four years 144 cases at Byron sanatorium were traceable to immigration.

The National Council will meet in Kingston on Nov. 15 and 16, and Mrs. Boomer and Mrs. R. M. Graham were appointed as the local delegates.

LAMBETH.
LAMBETH, Nov. 3.—Miss Lida Coombes of London, and Miss Flossie Kelly of Lambeth, were the guests of Mrs. Eber Kelly on Tuesday.

Miss Edna Rest of Grand Rapids, Mich., is a visitor with her aunt, Mrs. George Carley.

The Verdun Club concert was a splendid success, \$31 being realized. Dr. and Mrs. A. R. Routledge, Miss Edna Rest, Mrs. Carley and Alice Carley, spent Wednesday with friends in Stratford.

Rev. Dr. Tiffin of London, was a visitor with Rev. S. Anderson on Thursday.



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**VICTORY NOT WON
BECAUSE PROHIBITION
HAS BEEN OBTAINED**

Mrs. Armour Calls for Entirely
"Dry" World.

LIQUOR FORCES ACTIVE
Will Not Rest Content Unless
Whole Traffic Is
Barred.

"In Ontario you haven't won victory because you have prohibition for three years," said Mrs. Mary Harris Armour, president of the Women's Christian Temperance Union of the State of Georgia, last night, as she stood before an audience which crammed St. Andrew's Hall to its capacity.

"When the Israelites got into the promised land they found it a land of milk and honey, but also a land of giants. They had to fight Ammonites and Hittites. When we got into the promised land of prohibition in Georgia, we found it a worthy land, but we still had to fight till we cleared it of non-believers and hindrances. We have several other kinds of it. You needn't think the liquor people are going to let you have it all your own way, even if you keep quiet for six months. The liquor men are cunning, and conscienceless as Satan himself. You mustn't rest till you have served notice on the Dominion Government that you can't sell liquor to your boys; till it is impossible to brew and distill in Canada; till the whole world has gone dry, and not till then will the fight be won."

The Sorest Sight.
"While the great physical struggle for supremacy is going on over in Europe, another great war is just as truly being waged."

"I thank God," she declared, "that I am in the fight against the legalized traffic. My heart has been since coming to Canada for mothers of the Dominion who at any hour may hear their sons have fallen on the field of honor. But there is pride as well as honor for those mothers. I have seen a sadder sight—mothers whose sons have gone down before another foe who robs them of their manhood; of sons who in death are dishonored."

Maine, Kansas and North Dakota were dry eighteen long years, and people began to believe it would be impossible for another whole state ever to go dry again. Then Georgia went dry and in one breath the liquor traffic had reeled off at lightning speed the names of fifteen more states, while her hearers gasped in surprise over the first demonstration of the reason why Mrs. Armour has been called a "cyclopean speaker."

Torrents of Logic.
For more than an hour she continued, pouring out torrents of logic, of scientific facts, sweeping away the clouds of the time-honored arguments against prohibition, dazzling by sudden flashes of wit, scoring with a humorous illustration, playing upon the emotions of her audience, even to the verge of tears, but never for a moment failing to appeal to the reason.

"The world is going dry," she announced with a challenging ring of confidence in her voice. The King, the Kaiser and the czar are on the water wagon. France has gone dry. Canada has gone dry but one province, and that, too, will go dry. There is only one thing that can prevent the death of the liquor traffic, and that is, if the church of Jesus Christ betrays a retreat. Victory is coming sure, but it may be delayed a hundred years, just because the opportunity isn't recognized."

Education Needed.
In connection with this fight, Mrs. Armour emphasized the importance of education in regard to the nature of alcohol; the nature of the fallacious argument against prohibition; the nature of prohibition, of which the principle is that it is wrong to legalize that which is wrong. Four things, she insisted, were necessary for bringing the fight to a necessary conclusion: determination, education, organization and finally, the white fire of consecration. In conclusion, the speaker urged the women present before leaving the hall to enroll themselves in the ranks of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, the force that will make the world go dry. "We want to make the world go dry," she said, "because they always fight so much better. What would you think of a young man who held back from enlisting, knowing that his volunteering would help to bring the European war to an earlier close? Will you be a slacker in this moral fight?"

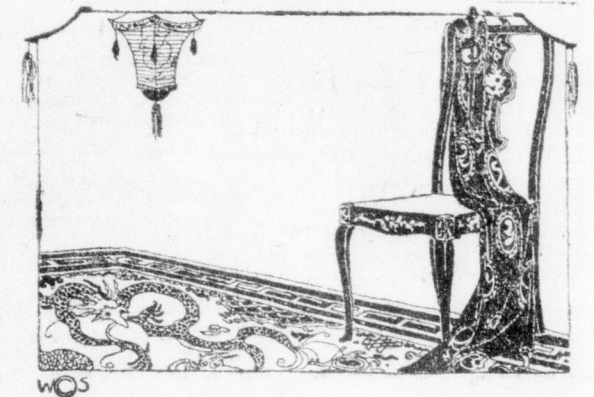
Efficiency increases.
Mrs. Asplund, president of the London W. C. T. U., presided, and on the platform were: Mrs. Gordon Wright, president of the Dominion W. C. T. U.; Rev. D. C. MacGregor, president of the Men's Federation; Rev. J. H. Boyd, convenor of the federation; Rev. Dr. Dougan, Rev. Dr. Flanders, Mr. MacGregor and other speakers.

Dr. Dougan conducted the opening devotional exercises. At the close, a vote of thanks to the speaker was moved by A. E. Silverwood, chairman of the local

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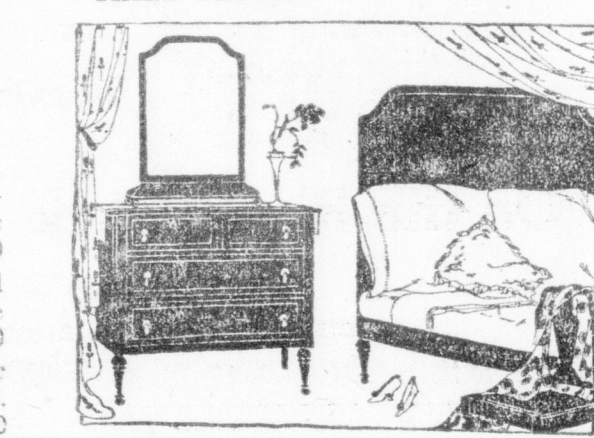
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