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DEFENCE PUTS IN ITS EVIDENCE

Case Against Member of Victoria Machinery Depot is Drawing to a Conclusion—Yesterday's Proceedings

It was a day for the defence in the case laid by Commander Vivian, of H. M. S. Shearwater, against Messrs. Spratt and Houston, of the Victoria Machinery Depot, charged with having in their possession of the company a quantity of naval stores, which had been stolen.

Dr. Bechtel's Evidence Dr. Arthur D. Bechtel knew Mr. Bullock and identified him in court. Dr. Bechtel had first met him in his office in May when Bullock came to see witness's father.

Witness went on to tell of the subsequent conversation with Bullock on May 13 when Bullock told him he would have to pay an information. Witness saw Bullock, the informer, that same afternoon when the latter accused Mr. Spratt, and others of certain wrong doings, and showed witness a written statement to that effect, which he said he was prepared to swear to.

Witness might have discussed with Fred White, who had heard the interference with Bullock, and witness's father, the purport of the interview. Witness did not recall any discussion. Witness had known Bullock professionally for some time, and had attended his daughter.

Witness admitted that he was interested in the fate of the Machinery Depot. He had not discussed the case with Mr. Spratt and his father together. He had made a statement to Mr. Taylor when the case came up. He had known that Bullock had been charged with the stolen goods, and that the prosecution had not gone on.

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claiming that he had been made lots of promises but he wanted the \$1,000. He showed witness copies of several informations which he claimed he would lay against Spratt and Houston, and also particulars which he claimed he had secured from the company's books during a period of the last ten years, also that he had secured an opportunity of getting out of the country.

James D. Norris, driver of the Victoria Truck and Dray Company, knew Bullock as a storekeeper of the Victoria Machinery Depot. He had gone to the lower yard of the H. M. S. Shearwater Company, where a carload of coal to be delivered to the company was stationed. Under an order presented to him by the yardman witness delivered a load of coal to 414 or 414 Douglas Street. This order was signed by W. B. or F. B. Witness, as a result of inquiries, had found out that that number was Bullock's reputed residence at that time. This delivery was made on December 4, 1910, and weighed roughly weigh about two tons.

Albert Brooks, clerk at the Victoria hotel, testified that about the latter part of April there was a guest registered at the hotel of the name "Doc" Howard. He had not been there about two weeks. He did not know Bullock by name. In the room occupied by Howard was a wardrobe. A short man came two or three times, and on one occasion he saw a Robert, a Doctor, room. Two glasses and sodas were sent up to the room.

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W. C. T. U. CONVENTION ELECTS OFFICERS

Mrs. Spofford Again President of Provincial Organization—Mrs. Lashley Hall's Address on Loyalty

The election of officers and the organization by the president and many members of the W. C. T. U. of combating what is known as the social evil by spreading broadcast a knowledge of its effects and of the methods pursued by its promoters were the outstanding features of yesterday morning's proceedings of the W. C. T. U. convention.

When the meeting had been called to order, Mrs. Hall of North Vancouver, vice-president, who had arrived in the evening, was welcomed by the convention.

The report of Miss Gilchrist on unfinished business showed that its use was increasing among all denominations in the ascertainment of the Lord's Supper on moral education brought out the opinion of several delegates, among whom were Mrs. Watson of Vancouver and Mrs. Corry of Kamloops and that the dissemination of literature, and the holding of public meetings are the most effective ways of combating the social evil.

Mrs. Fickard gave an interesting report in which she advocated parlor meetings and showed that most of the unions were finding their means of binding members closer together.

Mrs. Jones of Mount Pleasant told of the spirit of zeal and love that animated every department of the work of the union to which she belonged. A very interesting letter speech was made by Mrs. E. H. Karabishian, an Armenian delegate from Point Grey, Vancouver, who in broken English told of her feelings in coming from the seat of the oldest Christian church to take up her Master's work in the west.

A report of the men's mission of Victoria by Mrs. Willwood was read by Mrs. Lashley Hall. While provision would have been made for 16 men there had been an average attendance of 50 and many were turned away. The evangelistic services had, it was hoped, been productive of great good. \$5107.55 had been collected for this branch of work and Mrs. Lashley Hall was the treasurer.

Mrs. Ireland of Nelson said that the women of her union had been active, especially in work among miners and lumbermen.

Mrs. Priestly of Nanaimo showed that the Memorial Day of the W. C. T. U. had been observed in the health of the little ones. The excessive heat of the nights as well as the days makes it hard to keep little children well even in many cities where the health authorities exercise the strictest and wisest supervision. The risk which can send mothers, babies and nurses, to the country in hot weather may well be envied by those who must remain in overheated rooms in noisy streets.

Health returns from our own city indicate that Victoria babies have a better chance for life than those of Ontario cities. There is no means at hand of finding out just how many children under three years of age there are in Victoria till the census returns are published. Dr. Hall, health officer, has, however, furnished a return of deaths from all causes, of infants during the year 1910. Of children under the age of three there were 49 deaths. Of these 10 died of spinal meningitis, 18 of intestinal troubles, 4 of infantile paralysis and 3 of diphtheria. The remaining 14 died of various causes, there being among them 3 cases of pneumonia. The greater number of cases of diarrhoea and dysentery took place in the dry months of August and September. While we may congratulate ourselves on the comparatively low death rate, it is almost certain that it is yet far too high. Last summer was exceptional not only in Victoria, but in all Canadian cities for the prevalence of diarrhoea. The cause does not seem to have been discovered. Still it is almost certain that if our streets had kept freer from dust, if our milk had been better inspected, if our fruit and sweets kept cleaner, and if mothers had been wiser in feeding their children, many of the little lives would have been spared.

SEATTLE DIVINE TESTIFIES

Rev. Mark Matthews Witness in Bignamy Charge Here.

Rev. Mark Matthews, the Presbyterian divine who has been creating such a stir in Seattle civic circles by his muck-raising work in connection with the charges against former Chief of Police Wapenastein, occupied the chief attention in the hearing of the case against Robert Murray, former Islander ball player, who is being charged by Margaret McNeil, with having been guilty of bigamy. It is alleged that Murray, when he married Miss McNeil, already had a wife living in Seattle who was formerly Miss Carrie Clausen.

Rev. Dr. Matthews, who is in the city as one of the chief speakers at the annual convention of the W. C. T. U., testified that on November 23, 1907, he married a couple in his church, the first Presbyterian church, Seattle, of the same name as Murray and Clausen. The ages given him then were, for the woman, 18 and for the man, 25. The ceremony was conducted according to the regulations then in force in the state of Washington, the requisite questions having been properly answered.

Dr. Matthews' wife, Mrs. Healdy Murray, is the man upon whom the charge is made. He testified that he had been personally acquainted with Miss Clausen. He had not seen either of them since that date.

Dr. Matthews produced his book of certificates, duplicates of which have been handed to the proper authorities of the state. This book, being the stubs of the original certificates will be held here until the final disposition of the case.

Owing to the fact that the first Mrs. Murray and her mother will not arrive in the city until Thursday, the case was remanded until tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Miss McNeil alleges that Murray married her in this city on April 17th last.

Coal Strike NELSON, B. C., June 21.—The board of trade of Nelson, at a special meeting last night to consider the effect of the coal strike, passed a resolution that the attention of the government be at once called to the seriousness of the situation with a view to preventing further loss of time by the board of conciliation, and that the government be asked, should further delay not be avoidable, to cause the opening of the mines under guarantee to the workers, so that danger and loss may not be incurred. The board strongly recommends that as far as possible publicity of all proceedings should be given and that the board place on record their appreciation of the efforts already made by the minister of labor to bring about a settlement.

Nanaimo Motel Sold NANAIMO, June 21.—A deal was consummated on Saturday whereby I. R. Pickard, formerly of Edmonton, Alta., purchased from J. Medrich the business of the Wilson Hotel, one of the leading hotels of this city. The price, it is understood, was \$15,000. The new proprietor will take over the business on July 1st. Mr. Pickard is a hotel man of wide experience, coming to Victoria a short while ago from Edmonton, where he owned and operated the Cecil Hotel.

Andrew Halkett, naturalist of the Marine and Fisheries department at Ottawa, has been engaged for the next two months collecting data on the Queen Charlotte and Banks Islands, where he has procured a large number of interesting marine specimens. He reports that the fish on the Pacific coast differ materially in species from those on the Atlantic side with a few exceptions, notably halibut, which has the same characteristics in both oceans.

Local Option Work

Dr. Spenceur gave an address on the progress of local option. The campaign had been organized by the union, and he stood to it in the position of a child to a mother. He told of the great changes in the amount of temperance within the last three years, and asked his hearers not to be discouraged by recent defeats. In Chilliwack though local option had been lost, the commissioners had not issued a single new license.

Dr. Spenceur praised the good work done by Miss Murrutt as a platform speaker, but said that in a quieter and more personal way the present organizer, Miss Livingston, was helping on the good cause. He asked for the continued co-operation of the union, and wished the organization every success.

Mrs. Manchester read a report on Sunday school work and a solo by Miss Dilworth was much appreciated. It was after five when the session adjourned.

A banquet at which Mayor Morley, Mr. F. Andrews, Rev. A. Henderson, Rev. J. Warnick were prominent guests was held at 8.30 p. m.

A very pleasant time was spent, and the speakers were Mrs. Lyte, Vancouver, who told of the proceedings of the world's W. C. T. U. convention lately held in Glasgow. Today the visitors will join with the citizens of Victoria in enjoying the coronation holiday, and will be in the city until Friday.

HERE AND THERE The newspapers in eastern Canada are devoting much space in these days to the necessity of taking precautions against the spread of sickness among the children. Those of us who are inclined to complain because we cannot sit out these June evenings with comfort, may well consider that we have ample compensation in the health of the little ones. The excessive heat of the nights as well as the days makes it hard to keep little children well even in many cities where the health authorities exercise the strictest and wisest supervision. The risk which can send mothers, babies and nurses, to the country in hot weather may well be envied by those who must remain in overheated rooms in noisy streets.

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Those of us who are inclined to blame our water supply for the prevalence of illness learned that in Vancouver where the water is exceptionally good, the rate of mortality was even higher than in Victoria. This does not make it less necessary, that with the approach of warm weather every precaution against illness, which knowledge of experience suggests, should be taken. It is a great advantage for our city that it possesses every natural advantage for bringing up a family of healthy children. It would be a terrible loss if through carelessness, ignorance or slothfulness it should be allowed to become unhealthy.

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Births Marriages Deaths BORN. FULTON—On June 11th, at Victoria, to the wife of F. J. Fulton, of Kamloops, a son, I. T. DAVENPORT. LANGLEY—At Victoria, on 15th inst., the wife of W. H. Langley of a daughter. MARRIED. BARKER-CHRISTOPHE—On the 21st inst. the Rev. C. O. O'Connell, A. R. C. T. pastor, officiated at the marriage of Miss Ada Christie, born of this city. MUSEN-TUCK—On 15th inst., at Christ Church (English), Vancouver, the Rev. C. O'Connell, A. R. C. T. pastor, officiated at the marriage of Miss Ada Christie, born of this city. DEED. SMITH—At St. Joseph's hospital, on the 14th inst., Bertha, youngest daughter of Mr. Phil R. Smith, aged three and a half years, born in Victoria, B. C., son of the late Capt. Henry Moore. Vancouver papers please copy.

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