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Gamey, on Stand, Explains \$900 Deposit

How D. A. Jones Would Have Changed Three Ridings In Way Different From Buffalo Interview

Plan Was to Have Gamey Supply Needed Information in Soo and Algoma.

Unexpectedly, the mystery developed at yesterday's session of the Royal Commission, just when it began to look as though the adjustment might be made for lack of witnesses at hand to continue. At the request of the Chancellor, Robert R. Gamey was called to the stand. His most sensational statement was in regard to the \$900 deposit in the bank on Sept. 11, which he said he had obtained from Frank Sullivan and was part of \$1200 borrowed from him on an I.O.U. out of Sullivan's share of the \$1500. D. A. Jones, postmaster of Beeton, was also given a chance to clear up the mystery of his letters to Gamey. Although he confessed to not having taken any direct interest in politics for twenty years, Gamey had not even voted in the last election, as a matter of fact—Mr. Jones' evidence showed him to have taken an active part in an endeavor to secure, not only Manitowish, but also the Algoma and Soo constituencies for the government. The mystery of the "sensitive manner," seen by him, referred to in his letter of Aug. 16, he said meant Alex. Smith, the Liberal organizer. The witness was very deliberate in all his replies, and his explanations were at least plausible. As an outcome of his relations with Gamey, he said, it had been finally decided that it would give Gamey more influence to further the "deal" if he undertook to secure evidence to open the Soo and Algoma ridings, using his Conservative standing to assist him. This Gamey had done in a "quite legitimate" manner. Various phrases in his correspondence with Gamey which would seem freighted with import, according to Mr. Jones, were for the most part connected together with the mining propositions, and were put in a letter which because Mr. Jones had had other parties might get hold of the letters.

Letters Were to Mislead.

When Mr. Gamey took the stand, the Chancellor queried him concerning his methods of keeping track of the sums of money mentioned in the correspondence on the floor of the House. Mr. Gamey said he had prepared his statement of the money in the correspondence from the correspondence included in it. The Chancellor: "In January you were told: 'At the request of many of my constituents I have decided to take an independent stand in the House of Commons. If you are in sympathy with the Liberal party, please write me, and I will be glad to have you on my staff.' This was the substance of the letter which you would be misled. He had a receipt for the money, and it was misleading to that extent.

Money Paid on the 11th.

"I suppose," said his Lordship, "that you have followed the course of the evidence here to some extent, and you know what has been said about the payment on the 11th of September. You stated that the money, \$1500, was paid to you on that day—now, we are in search of the owner of that money, whether it was legitimate money or whether it was money paid corruptly, which should be forfeited to the crown. The witness, Mr. Jones, said the history of that money was that Stratton gave it to Myers and gave it to you as a Sullivan. You have heard further that on this day, the 11th, when you say the money was paid Mr. Boland said he was all that morning with Mr. Stratton, and accompanied him down town, so that there would be no opportunity for you to see Stratton on that day; Chas. Jones and Costello say you were not there with Sullivan except on the 11th. Cross says that on the morning of that day the time that you say you were interviewing Mr. Stratton, and getting the money, you paid \$900 into the Ontario Bank in the face of that evidence. Do you still adhere to that statement? Do you still say that the money was paid to you on the morning of the 11th?"

WOMAN SENT TO JAIL.

Kingston, May 14.—Police Magistrate Farrell committed Mrs. Whelan to jail for six months for violating the liquor license law. She was fined \$100 and given the alternative of a year in jail or a fine of \$250. She has only one arm, and has to support a small family.

SAUNDERS' MOUNTAIN ROAD AND DELICIOUS BUTCH.

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THE NOXIUS FIRE CRACKER.

London, May 14.—While playing with firecrackers his mother's house, which exploded in his hand, the daughter of Mrs. W. C. McNeill of Colborne-street has been severely injured, and the result may be serious.

For Saturday only. House 26c per doz. Fresh cut. College Flower 30c. 445. Yonge St. Phone N. 1192.

Russian Horrors Arouse Toronto's Jewish Colony

Subscriptions Being Taken Up For the Relief of the Jews in Kisheneff, Russia.

The massacre of Jews in Kisheneff, Russia, a few days ago, has been repeated in a smaller place called Tiraspol, with even greater loss of life. The news of the massacre has cast a decided gloom over the entire Jewish population of this city, of which there are many thousands. The reports of the second outrage came while the Jews and their friends and sympathizers were collecting funds for the relief of the survivors and sufferers from the first, and caused renewed hatred and expressions of loathing for the Russian government which allows such atrocities within its borders.

Cable Message Very Brief.

The cable message which brought the sad tidings was very brief, but what a depth of feeling and what an amount of apprehension was contained in the few words: "Massacre at Tiraspol, 1000 killed." It added more to the sorrow and grief already widespread in the Jewish colony where there are people who have friends and relatives in the places where the cruelties took place. Besides the loss of life, which is as yet unknown, the business and the livelihood of the whole Jewish population of these places are threatened, and no one can estimate where or when the persecutions will terminate.

Horror of the Massacre.

The correspondents state the number of killed so far as known to be in the neighborhood of 44, while there are reports of a further 1000 being killed in the Jewish hospital. The horrors of the thing would hardly bear repetition, and the details are so revolting that they are not fit to be put in print. Young girls were taken and mutilated before the eyes of their parents, and one woman known to have been nailed to the plank walk with spikes thru her head.

Contributions Being Sent.

The orthodox church of the Austria-Hungarian empire, who are there in sympathy with their Russian brethren, have appointed four collectors to receive contributions for the relief of the sufferers, and up to yesterday \$115 had already been collected. The first day's receipts were \$100. Letters are being received from poor and illiterate people from all over the province, sending what they can to swell the fund, and the amounts reaching as high as \$10. K. L. Sapers of 127 West Queen-street is acting as secretary.

WILLIAM MCGREGOR, EX-M.P., DEAD.

Former Member for North Essex Passes Away After Short Illness.

Windsor, May 14.—Collector of Customs William McGregor died at his home here this afternoon in his 68th year.

The deceased was taken suddenly ill on the 10th inst. after a public meeting about ten days ago.

He was born in Sarnia in 1836. He was educated at Oberlin College and afterwards came to Windsor and engaged in the banking business. At the time of his death he was secretary of the bank.

He bought horses for the United States government, and later, went to the Northwest, where he lived for a few years before returning to this city. He was Warden of Essex County for five consecutive terms, and served four years as representative of North Essex in the Dominion parliament.

BRING GRANTS DOWN EARLY.

If They Are Delayed the Opposition Will Buck Them.

In the legislature yesterday afternoon, Mr. Whitney declared that if it was the intention of the government to pass any railway grants this session, he hoped they would be brought down early. If they were delayed until it was too late to fully discuss them, the opposition would have to vote against them.

TEST OF SUBMERGED COAL.

Twenty-Tons of Welsh Coal Will Be Tossed a Year Hence.

London, May 14.—An important admiralty experiment of storing coal under water was commenced at Portsmouth today. All the naval stations report that stores of coal, when exposed to the atmosphere, deteriorate. Some twenty tons of Welsh coal have now been submerged, enclosed in wooden cases, and will be raised a year hence, when their steam raising capacity will be tested.

AGAINST DEPARTMENT STORES.

Retail Grocers' Association of Milwaukee Starts a Campaign.

Milwaukee, Wis., May 14.—A commercial war, which it is said will extend through the country, has been started by the Retail Grocers' Association of this city, against manufacturers who allow their goods to be sold of demonstrators in department stores. The national organization will be asked to assist.

Blair Wants His Railway Bill to Go Thru

Objects to Anything That May Delay Its Progress Promises an Over-Capitalization Clause

How to Govern Big Cities Viewed by Goldwin Smith

Chas. M. Hays Suggests That Five Commissioners Be Appointed.

Ottawa, May 14.—(From our own files.) A very important conference was held to-day between representatives of boards of trade and railway companies and the government, the Ministers present being Mr. Blair, Minister of Railways, and Mr. Flanagan, Minister of Justice. The subject was Blair's bill creating a railway commission.

The Toronto Board of Trade was represented by J. D. Allan and Secretary Morley. J. D. Allan complimented the Minister on his bill, which represented the nearest approach to meeting the wants of commerce.

Suggestions Made.

The commission should deal with the Boards of Trade, proposed several amendments.

The repeated suggestion made by Mr. Maclean in the House that express companies should be brought under the jurisdiction of commission.

The commission should deal with the electric railways which are not merely urban, but compete with steam railways in carrying freight and passengers, as in the Niagara peninsula. This business was steadily increasing.

The law should prevent over-capitalization, which was a fruitful source of excessive rates.

Mr. Blair's bill of the last point had been mentioned in parliament. His mind was not made up, but he would draft a clause and see whether it met with the approval of parliament.

Mr. Stanton went on to say there were shippers of more than one carload. The commission should deal with the situation of the shippers, and allow 12 hours for unloading cargo freight. This had been reduced to 48 hours, which was a hardship on the large number of carloads were crowded in at once.

Mr. Blair thought the point was provided for, but would look into it.

Objections to Contentions.

Mr. Stanton mentioned several other points relating mainly to procedure. Mr. Blair did not want to overload the bill with contentious legal matters.

Mr. Stanton smilingly said it was a good bill, anyhow, and he would drop all his suggestions rather than lose it. He handed in a paper setting out the suggestions mentioned and many others.

When came the turn of the railways, Z. A. Lash, K.C., began his argument by contending that this bill really amended the charter of every railway company in Canada, and charters were not usually amended unless companies applied for them.

Mr. Blair: "You cannot expect much sympathy on that ground. This is a public law, and public law must govern the railways."

Blair Wants Bill to Pass.

Mr. Lash said he was only on the threshold of his argument. The bill was full of details, and the companies wanted to present as each detail was dealt with. He suggested that they make a general declaration and leave it to be interpreted and carried out by the companies, not represented. He suggested that the bill be referred to a special committee.

Mr. Blair said it would be impossible at this period to form a large committee having the time to go thru the bill section by section and the question of amendments. He suggested that the railway companies should go ahead now and make their proposals.

Mr. Lash said it would take the whole sitting to go thru one section. Mr. Blair said he would not do it. It would be impossible to get thru the bill this session. He was willing that railways should be put on a new basis. He would consent to no precedent that would cause delay, whether designed or not. He was not desirous of any maneuvering to defeat the passage of the bill.

Mr. Lash said there was no such intention, and there was no ground for supposing his suggestion was not made in good faith.

Mr. Blair said he was open to argument, and would give several days of his time to hearing railways, but the progress of the bill must not be delayed.

Mr. Hays Favors Five.

Mr. Hays made some suggestions as to the composition of the commission. He favored a commission of five, two of whom should be railway men. Mr. Blair said he would rather call in railway experts to advise the commissioners.

Mr. Blair said that this plan would not give continuity of action and uniformity of judgment.

Mr. Hays said that the Canada-Atlantic said that the railways should be governed only as to maximum rates by the government, and that the rest should be left to the market. They might have to cut rates where there was competition by water or American railways. He also raised the point that some railways would be exempt from their relationship to the government as the Intercolonial and part of the Canadian Pacific.

Mr. Blair said no one need worry about the Intercolonial, which was the people's railway under direct government control.

Pearl Grey Alpines.

Mr. Grey's Alpines are to be a record year for pearl grey Alpines—the new soft felt hats. This season's designs are extensive in range of fashion and color. The weight of felt—some of the catchiest black, but so popular in color as to be sold in a variety of shades. Dinesen Co. has imported all the new ideas from London and New York. Store open Saturday night.

FAIR AND MILD.

Metropolitan Office, Toronto, May 14.—A few light scattered showers have occurred in Ontario and Quebec, but the weather in Canada generally has been fair and in the Northwest Territories and Manitoba fairly warm.

Maximum and minimum temperatures: Victoria 48-56; Calgary 42-64; Prince Albert 40-50; Qu'Appelle 54-68; Port Arthur 48-58; Perry Sound 46-56; Toronto 47-57; Ottawa 46-58; Montreal 44-58; Quebec 42-50; St. John's 42-62.

PROBABILITIES.

Lower Lakes, Georgian Bay, Ottawa Valley and Upper St. Lawrence—Light to moderate frosts; fair to slightly higher temperature.

Light to moderate frosts; fair to slightly higher temperature.

Try the deocater at Thomas, three for a quarter.

Wallace Nesbitt a Judge To Succeed Justice Mills

Appointment Will Meet With the Approval of the Bar Thruout Canada.

Wallace Nesbitt, K. C. of Toronto, has accepted the appointment to the Supreme Court bench, as successor to the late Hon. Justice Mills. Mr. Nesbitt is a well-known Conservative, and the offer, coming, as it did, with the unanimous approval of the Liberal government, is especially complimentary to him.

As the Supreme Court is now in session, the new judge has been given short notice and will enter upon the discharge of his judicial functions on Monday.

Mr. Nesbitt is still a young man, he has attained to an exceedingly prominent position in the legal profession, and the government is fortunate in securing the services of a man with legal attainments and merit.

The bill was introduced by Mr. Nesbitt, who is well-known to the public as a member of the present firm of Nesbitt, Blackstock & Nesbitt, and has engaged in many important public service and distinction, which the Supreme Court bench affords.

Mr. Nesbitt is a son of the late John W. Nesbitt and his wife, Mary Wallace. He was born in Woodstock, Ont., in 1850. He received his education at the University of Toronto, and was called to the bar in 1881. He practised for a short time in Hamilton, and then returned to Toronto, where he was associated with the firm of McCarthy, Oler, Hoskin & Greenman, he received his training as a lawyer, and was appointed to the bench in 1898.

He was prominent in Toronto social circles, and his numerous friends will be sorry to hear that his appointment will necessitate his removal to Ottawa.

ONE HUNDRED HOMELESS.

Fire Plend Ravages Great Tracts of Land in West.

Winnipeg, May 14.—Word reached the city today of terrific forest fires raging on both sides of Lake Winnipeg. The fires commenced evidently about three days ago. The district gun fire covers thousands of acres of valuable timber lands, chiefly property of the Dominion government.

The loss of personal property is tremendous, and over a hundred families have left their homes and stocks.

E. F. Stephenson, Commissioner of Crown Lands and Timber, returned this morning from Selkirk and confirmed the reports of the forest fires. He said that on both sides of the lake, said Mr. Stephenson, "is either on fire or the fire has run thru it, leaving nothing but ruins of trees and buildings."

"Valuable government timber is being destroyed, but we are powerless to do anything to check the fire. The timber is parched dry and the undergrowth is very rank and like tinder owing to the scarcity of rain this spring. Thus the fire has run with terrible rapidity. The high winds have helped, and the embers have jumped trails thirty and forty feet and carried the fire to the growth beyond."

"I should say that about 300 miles along the C.P.R. from Tyndall to the Sam Bay, from there to Gimli, and from Winnipeg right down to Selkirk comprises the territory which the fire so far has visited. I am sending a man down to ascertain the exact amount of damage, but I don't think that anything can be done to stop the flames unless we should go beyond the fire and burn back so as to form a check in this way."

"Many homes have been destroyed in the German settlement, and all buildings which have been reached have been destroyed. Fences, barns, farm houses and valuable timber is burnt to an amount that I cannot estimate. The fire has been raging for three days. In just what territory it started I cannot say, so far as I know no lives have been lost, but many families are destitute."

Marguerite Cigars sold for 4 for 25c. Alive Bolland.

Smart work carrier wanted for north end. Alive Bolland.

WANTED TO SLEEP TOGETHER.

Toronto Women Throw Up Posts in Hoboken Hospital.

New York, May 14.—Louise and Anna Smet, who claim Toronto as their home, suddenly left South Hoboken Hospital, Hoboken, with three other fellow nurses and went home because the matron and the management refused to let them sleep together, which was against the rules. The management is investigating the sudden departure with the hospital full of patients.

Have you smoked the Temple Cigar?

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WHIRLED TO DEATH.

Hull, N.S., May 14.—William Gray, aged 49, an older in the Compressor's Cordage Works at Dartmouth, was whirled to death this afternoon. He was passing the big fly-wheel, when he was caught in it. He was carrying a coil of rope, and was against the revolution, and his body was caught up by the belt. He was carried around several revolutions and then dropped.

TO-DAY IN TORONTO.

Mayor Hall Junior Christian Devoted to the Cause of the Poor.

Separate Schools Field Day—Exhibition grounds, 3 p.m.

Armistice—Highlanders parade, 8 a.m.

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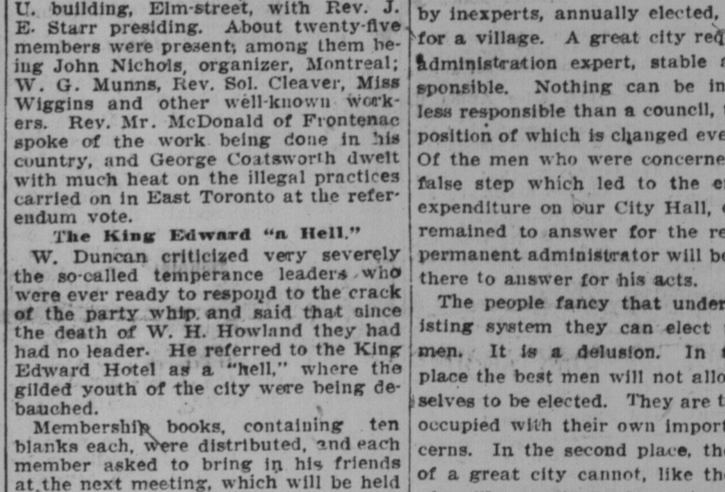
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MR. HAYS (trying to pass the political custom): If you will just take a glance at that little envelope under the trunk, my friend, perhaps you'll let this baggage go thru without examining it too closely.



WALLACE NESBITT, K.C.

WHO IS THIS MAN?

With Slight Fracture, He Lies Unconscious in the Hospital.

Pushed from the step of a crowded south-bound Yonge street car yesterday afternoon, an unknown man was precipitated violently against the pavement, sustaining a fracture at the base of the skull. The wounded man was immediately removed to the Emergency Hospital, where he lay unconscious in a very dangerous condition. A letter was found in his pocket addressed to Thomas M. Hays, Esq., 100 Queen-st. West. It was from a brother, Fred McGrath of Hamilton, who mentioned the fact that he was in the employ of the Ontario Railway Commission. The author's authorities communicated by telephone with the Gas Company, but were surprised to learn that the name was entirely unknown to them. Enquiry made by the detective department has so far proved fruitless.

ANN-UNION REVOLTS.

Federation of U.S. Employers May Grow Out of Striked.

New York, May 14.—The Sun says: Yesterday's developments attested that the employers in the building and allied trades in every large city in the country are now likely to join with the Building Trades Association of Manhattan and the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America in a general strike against the unions. A national federation of employers is being formed to put an end to concerted action to the attempt of the unions to subordinate the employers' interests to their own and to restore confidence to the building industry.

TELEPHONE BILL AGAIN.

Secretary of Municipal Association Before Sub-Committee.

Ottawa, May 14.—Maclean's telephone bill came before the sub-committee again this morning. Mr. Light, secretary of the Association of Municipalities, was present, and urged that the telephone companies should not be allowed to enter upon streets to lay telephone lines without the consent of the municipalities.

Mr. Maclean said that if the Bell Telephone Company were exempted from the provisions of the bill, it would be reduced to a farce. The Grand Trunk Railway was a great corporation, but it was subject to the provisions of the general Railway Act.

After some further discussion, the consideration of the bill was again adjourned.

By Alive Bolland manages cool smoking mixture.

DROWNED WHILE FISHING.

Hull, N.S., May 14.—While fishing from a punt in Yarmouth Harbor today, Jesse Amiro, aged 14, and Henry Deveau, aged 16, were drowned.