

St. John, N.B., Oct. 7th, 1905.

DAMAGING EVIDENCE AGAINST E. F. COLE.

Hillsboro Man Swears Prisoner Told Him He Would Get Steeves' Money if He Had to Knock Him Senseless--Was With Steeves on Day of the Murder.

(Special to the Sun.) PORTLAND, Me., Oct. 5.—At yesterday afternoon's session of the Cole murder trial, evidence was received from the doctors who performed the autopsy and from residents at Falmouth, who identified Cole as the man seen with Steeves the day of the murder. This morning's session was devoted to a further identification of the prisoner as one of the men seen in Falmouth on the day of the murder. As in yesterday afternoon's hearing, several residents of Falmouth were called, all of whom testified positively that Cole was one of the two men they had seen that day near the spot where Steeves' body was afterwards found. A new branch of evidence was begun later in the morning, when Howard Stewart, a friend of the two men, was put on the stand, and testified that he had met them together in Portland on the morning of April 12th, and they were on good terms, that he had asked Steeves if he had a job yet and that Steeves replied that he had had one, but had got through, and that his money was running low and he would have to get home soon if he did not get work. An interesting feature was the first identification of the stick produced in court, with which the state claims the blow was struck that stunned and perhaps killed Steeves. The state has completed its presentation of the case against Edward F. Cole, on trial in the superior court for the murder of John F. Steeves on April 12. When the court adjourned this afternoon there was no more evidence to be presented against the prisoner, and the county attorney said he would rest when the court convened in the morning. The afternoon hearing was the most sensational part of the trial so far. Following the rather monotonous series of identifications of Cole as one of the two men seen in the vicinity of the murder scene on April 12, there came a number of telling points for the prosecution. Hiram Crossman of Hillsboro, who came to Portland with

OIL IN ALBERTA.

Wonderful Gusher Near Pincher Creek. A Large Lake of Oil Believed to Underlie the Southwestern Portion of the New Province.

A Pincher Creek, Alberta, despatch says: The discovery of an oil gusher which now yields 300,000 gallons daily, as well as smaller wells in the immediate vicinity, has shown that there are other resources of the new province than wheat. Great secrecy has been maintained in an attempt to keep the news of the oil fields from the public. This oil district, under which it is believed the largest lake of oil in the world lies, is in the southwestern portion of the new province of Alberta. The gusher is less than five miles north of the Montana boundary and within forty miles of the main line of the Canadian Pacific railway. Less than a year ago the first well was bored, and at a depth of 500 feet a 12,000 gallon well was struck. Confident that this was not the limit, the operators kept on, with the result that several other wells were struck. So hopeful were the prospects that the company sent east for a standard cable drill, capable of boring a twelve inch hole 3,000 feet deep. It was not until last spring that this machine was put to work. When it was down about 800 feet a small flow of oil was struck. Going deeper it got into a seam of coal and when this was passed it struck solid rock. When their hopes were dying out the oil lake was struck, and with a mighty roar a twelve inch stream spouted fifty or more feet into the air, taking with it the drill and other machinery. Before the well could be plugged oil had filled the hollows in the surrounding ground, and in some places was five and six feet deep. The story of the find reads more like fiction than a story of real life. Several years ago William Aldrich was supplying his Mormon neighbors with as much oil as they could use for lighting purposes. Where he got it, or how, he kept a secret, but it was known that he made two days' journey twice a week, and returned with half a dozen oil barrels of oil. John Lindham, a wealthy rancher from Okotoks, resolved to look into the matter and discovered that Aldrich was getting his oil from surface seepage. He formed a company, the "Discoverer," and bought all the land which an eastern expert said contained oil. This was in 1902, but it was not until last fall that the first well was bored. The geologist who first looked over the ground describes the pass in which the oil is found as an enormous crevice formed by volcanic eruptions, crossing the formation of the Rocky Mountains, and then, taking with it huge basins into which the oil has been oozing for hundreds of years until it has formed vast lakes. Survivors have been in the district mapping out lines for the Canadian Pacific and the Great Northern railways, and these companies may tap the rich district.

U. N. B. AWARDS SCHOLARSHIPS.

Miss Grace Fleming Wins in St. John Co. The Asa Dow Captured by Holland R. McGill—College Football—Band of Tramps.

FREDERICTON, N. B., Oct. 6.—The University has awarded the several county scholarships to the students standing highest in the matriculation examination from the several counties: York—J. J. Hayes Doons; St. John—Miss Grace Fleming; Queens—Roy Y. Baird; Carleton—Miss Maug South; Victoria—Miss Beatrice Welton; Charlotte—Fred Graham; Westmorland—Miss Claire Flanagan; Restigouche—Wm. C. Firth; Northumberland—Miss Olive H. Stothart. The remaining county scholarships are not yet settled and will be announced later. The Asa Dow scholarship, of the value of \$50 a year for two years, and which is awarded annually to the licensed teacher who makes the best marks in the senior matriculation examination, has been captured this year by Holland R. McGill. The football club of the college has secured the services of R. A. Dickie of last year's Dalhousie champion football team, as coach. Mr. Dickie, it is expected, will arrive here in the course of a fortnight to take charge. A meeting of the Amateur Rifle Association of the University was held this morning, when R. N. Winslow was elected captain; L. R. Sherman, secretary, and J. M. Gilchrist, treasurer. Practice will be begun at once. The association numbers about fifty, and it is expected that a team will take part in the Canadian College meet next fall. It is expected that the Exhibition Association, whose all accounts are settled, will be able to show a surplus in the vicinity of \$1,000. There is now about \$3,800 on hand. Out of this it is proposed to pay \$1,000 for the purchase of the Pennsylvania property and outstanding bills will probably amount to \$700. The county court was engaged all day with the civil case of Allen E. Stairs v. Shaw, Cassels & Co. The plaintiff is claiming a balance due him under a written contract of \$170. The case is still before the court. O. S. Crockett, M. P., appeared for the plaintiff, and J. H. Barry, K. C., for the defendants. The grand jury further postponed the consideration of the indictment in the Hartley assault case until next Wednesday. The postponement is made in consequence of the illness of Mrs. Howard of Action, a witness. Charles Boyte of this city has issued a challenge to match Daisy Wilkes against any of the Fredericton flyers, Rosie D. included, for a side bet of \$500. Fredericton just at the present time is infested with a gang of tramp. Last evening some of this order made things quite unpleasant for down town residents, and some of the stories told of their visits are somewhat alarming. These annoying characters need severe treatment, and the sooner the better.

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Not A Senator Yet, But Has Hopes:

The statement that I have been promised one of the vacant New Brunswick senatorships is premature," said Hon. C. H. Labllois to a Sun reporter yesterday. "However, there is no object in my denying that I am in the race for one of the vacant seats in the red chamber, and I may say further that my claims to the position are being strongly supported."



HON. C. H. LABILOIS.

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Mr. Labllois referred to the canvass that was being urged against him in some quarters that he was a native of Quebec. This he says is not the case, as he has been informed by his parents that he was born at Dalhousie, in this province, on the 18th day of December, in the year 1854. Although his personal recollection of the event is somewhat indistinct, Mr. Labllois be-

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DECIDES S. S. ALBANO SOLELY TO BLAME.

HALIFAX, Oct. 5.—In October last the Hamburg-American steamship Albano and the Allan line Parisian were both entering Halifax harbor, each requiring a pilot. The Parisian was ahead and her officers claimed she had been brought to a standstill to blame the pilot aboard. The Albano, coming up from sea, collided with the Parisian, striking her abut the engine room. The Parisian made water so rapidly that soon after she reached dock she sank, though she was subsequently raised. Each vessel blamed the other. Suit was brought in the admiralty court for damages. Judge McDonald decided today that the Albano was solely to blame, announcing that damages would be assessed later. Commander Tingling, R. N., nautical assessor in the case, differed with Judge McDonald, holding that both vessels were to blame. Judge McDonald in delivering judgment regretted this disagreement, saying that he would have yielded to Commander Tingling on questions of seamanship, but he declined to do so, he said, on the construction of rules as equally fair to lawyers as to seamen. Such a

DISAGREEMENT AS TO THE JUDGE AND NAUTICAL ASSESSOR APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNMENT IS VERY UNUSUAL. JUDGE McDONALD'S DECISION BECOMES THE DECISION OF THE COURT. IT WILL PROBABLY BE APPEALED. THE PARISIAN CLAIMED \$250,000 DAMAGES AND THE ALBANO \$50,000.

NEWMARKET RACES FOR JOCKEY CLUB STAKES.

LONDON, Oct. 5.—The race for the Jockey Club stakes (of \$50,000) for three years old and upward, one mile and three-quarters, was run at Newmarket today, and was won by Stantman. Pulmelas was second and Mondamin was third. Six horses started. M. Blanc's crack horse, Gouvernay, was specially set for the race to avenge his defeat in the Derby of 1904, but he was not even placed. St. Amant went to pieces after his victory at Epsom, and until today had not been seen on a race course this season. He was not considered to have a chance in today's race, for which Gouvernay started a hot favorite at 11 to 8 on. Other betting was 100 to 7 against St. Amant, 50 to 2 against Pulmelas, and 20 to 1 against Mondamin.

FINED TEN DOLLARS FOR SETTING FIRES.

TRURO, Oct. 4.—E. H. McGregor, chief forester for Colchester, today filed his finding in the Belmont fire investigation. He was assisted in the investigation by J. L. Barnhill, barrister, of Halifax, and the paper filed with the prothonotary states in effect that the fire originated from sparks emitted from an engine on the farmers' excursion train, which passed through Belmont on August 19th. The sparks ignited the dry grass and spread to the forests, where they lingered intermittently for ten days, when they were fanned into the fierce fire which was so disastrous to Belmont. Mr. McGregor also today, before Lawyer Vernon, fined David Fulton of Lower Onslow five dollars for setting the fire at Onslow out season without permission of the forest ranger, which destroyed Noble Cumming's barns and timber lands owned by Andrew Gibson and R. R. Fulton.

THE PRINCE IS IN CANAAN WOODS

MONCTON, N. B., Oct. 4.—Prince Louis of Battenberg is after moose in the Canaan woods. His royal highness passed through the city last night to Petticoat and went to Havelock this morning, over the Elgin, Peticoat and Havelock railway. He was accompanied by Halifax friends, and will be in the woods until Monday next. An Indian guide named Maloney, and a man named Hicks have been engaged as a suite for the prince during his stay in the woods. The prince's trip is on the quiet and people in Havelock and vicinity may not be aware of the presence of the royal visitor. Three Moncton young men, Wm. Lablanc, Sam Melanson and Jos. Lablanc, who went to Red Pine yesterday morning after moose, are having phenomenal luck. Last evening at five o'clock Melanson had killed a big moose, and this morning Wm. Lablanc got one also. This is the quickest work reported in this section this season, and makes about the only success Moncton sportsmen have had.

THREE TRADING VESSELS SIEZED AT GRAND MANAN

Failed to Clear and Neglect to enter According to Law. DIBEY, Oct. 5.—Special Officer Harry Barnham, who arrived here today from Grand Manan on the D. G. S. Constable, reports the seizure there of three trading vessels, two for failure to clear and one for neglecting to enter the customs according to the provisions of the customs law. Deposits were made in all cases, and the vessels were released pending the decision of the minister. By direction of the department a very close watch is being kept to see that violations of these regulations are not allowed to pass unchallenged, as a great amount of smuggling would be possible if the law were not strictly enforced. "In the long run," said Officer Barnham, "the captain who fails to comply with the regulations is sure to be caught, for his vessel is blacklisted, and every customs officer instructed to report her arrival in port, when seizure follows. The wonder is that to save the trouble of entering and clearing, so many skippers take such heavy risks."

H. F. McLATCHY MAY SUCCEED JUDGE WILKINSON.

MONCTON, N. B., Oct. 5.—A report from Campbellton states that H. F. McLatchy, M. P. P., is to be appointed county court judge in place of Judge William Wilkinson, to be placed on the retired list. Labllois is appointed senator, it is said. There will be war in the grit camp, as Mr. Labllois's friends claim that the office is his by right. NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y., Oct. 4.—Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt today was elected honorary vice-president of the N. Y. State Assembly of Mothers.

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