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SERIOUS CHARGE OF GRAFT AGAINST MANITOBA POLITICIAN

E. M. Ferguson Does Not Deny That He Made a Lot of Money Out of Public Lands—A Hard Blow at the Roblin Government

CRANDALL, Man., Mar. 1.—The opening meeting of the campaign in this constituency will not only have a serious effect on the election in this section, but will also prejudice the already falling fortunes of the Roblin Government throughout the province. Specific charges were made against E. M. Ferguson. It was charged that in 1892 at the time when he was representing this constituency in the local legislature he made thousands of dollars out of lands belonging to the province and in which he had not a dollar of personal financial interest.

It was further charged that this was done with the knowledge and connivance of the chief officials of the provincial land's department. It was further charged that public records had been falsified and manipulated in order to conceal these transactions and to shield and protect Ferguson. The accusations were backed up by documentary evidence.

Ferguson had been notified early in the morning by Mr. B. Jackson, Liberal candidate and others, that they were informed that charges of a most serious character, reflecting on his public life, would be preferred against him at the election at this meeting, and he had been requested to attend. He had been promised ample opportunity to enter a defence or make denial or explanation, but he positively declined to attend.

Ferguson had no public engagements for the evening. The charges and letters in the transaction are in the hands of Liberals.

PATHEPIC SCENE IN THE STROTHERS' MURDER TRIAL

One of the Brothers Who Promised to Defend His Sister's Honor Tells of the Tragedy

CULPEPPER, Va., Feb. 28.—To avenge the wrong done his sister, Phillip Strother, one of the defendants on trial for the murder of his brother-in-law, William Bywaters, today admitted on the witness stand that while he had not anticipated trouble, he "shot to kill" when Bywaters attempted to desert his "bride of an hour." The knowledge of his sister's betrayal, Jas. A. Strother, the other defendant declared, caused him to feel like a crazy man, and when Bywaters attempted to leave the house he determined to bring her betrayer "to a reckoning." Four witnesses, two brothers, a sister and an uncle of Mrs. Bywaters, testified at today's session.

In his cross-examination the prosecution was unable to shake Mrs. Gaine's testimony for the defense. There was a pathetic scene in the court room when James Strother told of the promise he made his mother on her deathbed, "to protect and defend the honor of his sister, Viola, the witness breaking down and sobbing. The effect on the jury was apparent. There is some anxiety over the possibility of the trial coming to a halt on account of the illness of the mother of one of the jurors, C. O. Keller, of Woodstock. It was stated here this afternoon that Mrs. Keller is at the point of death, and that her son is anxious to return immediately to his home.

EQUITY COURT

In equity court this morning the case of Albert Sharp vs. Helen J. and Isaac Sharp was heard. The plaintiff claimed that in 1906 he came to an agreement with the defendant, Helen J. Sharp, to purchase certain mill properties, and had entered and was in possession since that time and under that agreement. In December last Helen Sharp conveyed to Isaac Sharp the property by deed, the deed being duly registered. The plaintiff notified that Isaac Sharp bought with notice of this agreement, and therefore brought a suit to set aside the transfer to Isaac Sharp. The application was dismissed, for although the deed was duly registered there was not actual but only constructive notice of this transfer. Hon. A. S. White for the plaintiff, and W. B. Jones for the defendant.

MINISTER'S FAMILY KILLED BY DYNAMITE EXPLOSION

CARMI, Ill., Feb. 28.—By an explosion of dynamite today Rev. J. B. Tittle, his father, and two children of the family were fatally injured. Mr. Tittle, who was a Baptist minister, had the dynamite in his house, expecting to use the explosive in blowing out stumps. The residence was totally destroyed.

PHILLIP BODEN FELL DEAD AT HIS HOME THIS MORNING

Death came with great suddenness to Phillip Boden of 138 Rockland road this morning. He arose at an early hour in his usual good health and went to his barn to feed his horse. He then went back to his house, put on his overcoat and prepared to leave for his day's work at hauling snow from the streets. He harnessed his horse and the animal left the barn and walked out into the yard. Mr. Boden's daughter noticed that her father did not accompany the horse, so she grew anxious and went to the barn. She found her parent dead on the floor of the stable. The shock was a terrible one, but she at once sent for Dr. Roberts, who arrived soon after. He found that death had been instantaneous and had been caused by heart failure.

THE THAW TRIAL.

NEW YORK, March 1.—What effect will the statement issued by Harry K. Thaw yesterday have upon his trial? This question is calling forth much speculation. It is said his lawyers did their best to convince him it was bad policy to issue the statement and they consented when he insisted that he be allowed to do so. Thaw in his statement accused District Attorney Jerome of having made a deal with the jury, and declared that Mrs. Thaw's testimony was absolute truth and in conclusion declared that Mrs. Thaw's natural and real goodness was above the comprehension of the prosecuting officer.

MORE LIQUOR DEALERS FINED AT SHEDIAC

MONCTON, N. B., March 1.—At Shediac on Tuesday, James Ayer of Petticoat, Magistrate, fined fifty dollars and costs before Magistrates Esdore Bourque and E. R. McDonald for violation of the C. Canada Temperance act. Two Moncton dealers, Edmund J. Bourque and Dominic LeBlanc, were also found guilty and fined fifty dollars each and costs. Yesterday Constable Belyea of Shediac served papers on Bourque in two cases, the papers being issued at Shediac, where the cases come up tomorrow.

MONTREAL EXPRESS WRECKED TWO MEN WERE KILLED

C. P. R. Train From Toronto Crashed Into a Freight—Express Messengers Lost Lives, One Passenger Hurt.

MONTREAL, March 1.—The Toronto to Montreal express crashed into a freight train standing on the main track this morning and two Dominion express messengers were killed. They are Hutchins, of Cobourg, Ont., and J. Nichols, of Montreal. The passengers all escaped unhurt except one, who had his head cut but not seriously. This is all the C. P. R. here knows today. J. J. Nicholson is a married man with two children.

TO PREVENT JAPANESE FROM OWNING PROPERTY

California Legislature Piling Up More Trouble—Japs are Larga Purchasers

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Feb. 28.—The lower house of the State Legislature today passed a measure known as the "anti alien property holding bill." It is aimed at the Japanese and Chinese property owners in this state, and it is intended to prevent them from acquiring and owning property for a longer period than five years.

NEW YORK, Mar. 1.—At the suggestion of the District Attorney the hearing of Mrs. Lillie Wallau, charged with the murder of her mother, Mrs. Ida Jings, which was to have taken place yesterday, was postponed until Tuesday in order that the case may be first submitted to the grand jury.

SUPPOSING A FIRE SHOULD BREAK OUT IN ONE OF THE ST. JOHN SCHOOLS.

Several of Them are Not Equipped With Fire Escapes, and in Some Instances the Smallest Children are on the Top Floors of the Buildings.

What would be the result if one of the city schools was destroyed by fire this morning? This question has been in the minds of many parents since the disaster in Montreal a few days ago, when sixteen pupils and one teacher met death in a burning school. A few years ago as the result of an agitation here, certain steps were taken by the school authorities and some improvement was made. In spite of this it is found that conditions exist which are most dangerous, and that in several of the city schools pupils would not have much better chances of escape than had those in Montreal.

A Star representative called upon Dr. H. S. Bridges, superintendent of the schools, this morning. He states that the fire alarm system in the schools is perfect. Once a month the teachers and scholars are put through the fire drill, and the buildings are emptied in quick time. In every room a sign has been put up which gives directions for the teachers and scholars in case of fire. They are told not to rush to the doors of the building, but to line up and march to the exit in order. The fire escapes on the school buildings do not satisfy all members of the school board, and it has been decided to make improvements on the Victoria school escapes. There are at least three school buildings in the city which are without fire escapes, and it is the general opinion that this should not be the case.

Centennial school is probably one of the best equipped buildings in the city, in case of fire. The alarm system is good and Principal Towns sees that the

teachers and scholars receive training in the fire drill once a month. Winter street school is attended by a large number of children. No fire escapes have been attached to the building and there is a possibility of a disaster if this school should catch fire.

Lester street school, attended by boys only, is not a very large building; but despite this fact, fire escapes should be put up.

The Montreal press scored the school board of that city for having the small children located in the top of the building which was burned. The same condition to a certain extent exists in St. John. In Victoria school girls in Grade VIII, who are fifteen and sixteen years of age, occupy a room on the lower flat. Little tots in Grade III and IV, are located in rooms on the top story of the building. If a serious fire should break out in Victoria school much trouble would undoubtedly be experienced in getting the little girls to the street. They will not be so able to use the fire escapes as the larger scholars, and for various other reasons they should be transferred to rooms in the lower portion of the building.

BEGGARS WOKE UP THE WRONG MEN.

Two Tramps, Who Sought Alms in Policemen's Houses, Were Greatly Surprised When Arrested—One of Them, an Old Offender, Got Three Months

Magistrate R. J. Ritchie has no use for beggars who travel from door to door asking alms and who are without certificates from clergymen. This morning after a drunk was fined \$4, paid and departed, and Bobby Dixon went to jail for two months in default of paying an eight dollar fine for drunkenness, the cases of two men charged with begging and in fact demanding food were taken up.

The first case was that of John Kane, aged about 33 years, who said he had been in the city for some time and was not guilty of begging but simply went about trying to sell paper and pencils. Kane has a disabled hand, but was not guilty of begging but simply went about trying to sell paper and pencils. Kane has a disabled hand, but was not guilty of begging but simply went about trying to sell paper and pencils.

W. H. THORNE CONSENTS TO BECOME A MEMBER

Harbor Commission Will be Composed of Those Selected by the Nominating Committee.

The harbor inquiry committee will consist of Ald. Baxter, T. H. Eastbrooks, John E. Moore, Attorney General Pugsley and W. H. Thorne, as decided at the meeting. This was settled this morning by the decision of W. H. Thorne to act. Mr. Thorne has been in some doubt on account of the fact that he is to be away from the city for about two months.

W. H. THORNE CONSENTS TO BECOME A MEMBER

My Dear Mayor—The matter of my acting on our committee re Harbor Commission I have carefully considered, and will be glad to do so. I trust the results may be satisfactory to your citizens.

Yours sincerely,
W. H. THORNE.
THIS EVENING.
W. S. Harkins Co. at Opera House. Keith's vaudeville at Keith's. Marathon sports in Queen's Rollaway.
At Home in Chalmers House, under auspices of the ladies' auxiliary of Seaman's Institute.
Mrs. E. R. Machum will receive her friends at 173 Germain street on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons and Wednesday evening, 5th and 6th streets.
In county court this morning the case of O'Donnell vs. Crandall was to come up, but has been postponed a week.
Word from Musquash states two lumbermen who have been working with smallpox have recovered. It is expected that they will be released from quarantine week or so.
NEW YORK, Mar. 1.—The illness of Dan Jolley who is ill will have been passed today said today that it is a recovery.
WANTED—Fenced or to be recovered.
AMERICAN MARKET Sq.
LOST—Carmalt Gilbert's leave a

the arrest said that his home was on Paradise Row, and that while he was at home yesterday Humphreys entered the house and asked another family in the house for food. He had been begging from door to door and unfortunately for himself walked into a house occupied by a policeman. He was sent to jail for one month and took his sentence with an "Oh, all right."

In sentencing the prisoners the magistrate told them that they must be reading the newspapers and learning that police were getting lots of money in their funds made a raid on them.

Policeman James Greer, who made the arrest, gave evidence that he resided on Main street and while he was lying down on a bed about 8 o'clock Kane entered the house without knocking at the door and confronted Mrs. Greer. He said he wanted help and in an almost commanding way ordered that she cook him some turnips and potatoes along with some ham or beef was hungry. Of course Mrs. Greer refused the tramp's request and it was while this conversation was getting on that Policeman Greer got off the bed and slipping on his shoes was soon confronting the supposed hungry vagrant who was surprised at the sudden appearance of the man of the house. In answer to the policeman's questions Kane said he had never been in St. John before, and he was given a surprise when he learned that he had walked right into the arms of the law. He was placed under arrest.

The magistrate informed the prisoner that St. John had no use for his class and sentenced him to three months in jail with hard labor and without a fine.

The next case was that of Charles Humphrey who acted like one half demented. He is about twenty-four years of age. When asked what he had to say to the charge of begging from door to door the young man jumped to his feet and quickly exclaimed, "You're quite right. Sure I was begging, I only went and asked for something to eat."

He said his people lived in Fairville and that he was born in Fredericton. Policeman James Semple who made