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A PAGE OF NEWS ABOUT THE MARITIME

MRS. PERRY IS ACQUITTED ON CHARGE OF MURDERING HER HUSBAND AT YARMOUTH

Widow Never Lost Her Poise at Any Time During the Trial—Presiding Judge in His Review Calls Attention to the Purely Circumstantial Nature of All the Evidence in the Case.

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Mrs. Perry had had the opportunity of killing the captain, he said. She might have worn a light garment and afterward burned it in the furnace, she might have taken a bath after the deed

He suggested that women always wanted money to satisfy her ambitions. Mrs. Perry might have taken a purse from her husband's pocket and afterward thrown it in the furnace leaving no trace The watch found on the captain's body might have been put back by Mansfield Ross, counsel submitted.

'Get this men of Yarmouth, and get it strong," said Mr. O'Hearn 'this should make you sit up and seriously consider the case. Hrs Perry was upstairs; she heard her daughter Eleanor and Mansfield Ross come to the front door; she did not hear her husband murdered"

Mr. OHearn submitted that Ross had lied about the matter of bringing Captain Perry int othe house when he was found in a dying condition in the snow at his own doorstep Ross did not want the Captain brought into the house, he said, because he 'knew that Mrs Perry had cracked him over the head, and he might revive and implicate her"

Story of Tragedy.

The murder of Captain George Henry Perry, retired sea captain, occurred on tha night of Saturday, February 26 last. Mansfield Ross, fiance of Eleanor Perry, the captain's favorite daughter, discovered the aged victim in a dying condition in the walk at the rear of the family home on Argyle street, Yarmouth, about 11.30 o'clock, when in view of the non-return of the captain, he had gone out to look for him. The ex-sea captain had been dealt repeated blows on the head by means of "some blunt instrument," while in the act of opening the outer door leading into the porch, and then had been dragged by his feet into the yard. The neighborhood was aroused, a doctor summoned and the police notified, the body of the captain in the meanime being left in the yard.

The Inquest.

Evidence adduced at the coroner's inquest held the following day, failed to result in a verdict pointing to the slayer or slayers of Captain Perry, and the investigations of Horace Kennedy, chief of police of Halifax, detailed by the attorney-general's department, were as little bearing of definite findings. During April W. J. O'Hearn, assistant city stipendiary of Halifax, was detailed to investigate the case, and at his instigation Clara Elizabeth Perry, wife of the murdered man was arrested, charged with the crime, and Mansfield Ross was arrested charged with being an accessory after the fact.

The Terrible Tempered Mr. Bang

Quarterly Meeting St. John Presbytery

Reports from Commissioners to General Assembly Heard —Question of Grants.

Yesterday morning the quarterly meeting of the St. John Presbytery was opened in St. Andrews Church. Routine business took up most of the time of the morning session and the special business was left until the afternoon meeting which concluded this quarter's business. To succeed as the moderator Rev. J. W. Back, Rev. Dr. J. S. Hutchison was unanimously chosen. After the reading and adoption of the minutes the roll was discussed and the four elders at large. Messrs Campbell, Law, Sommerville and Cameron were retained on the motion of Judge Forbes. Rev. A. F. Fisher, of Sackville, was welcomed to the Presbytery.

Reports were received from the commissioners to the General Assembly from Col. Murray MacLaren, Rev. Dr. Ross, Rev. W. M. Fraser, Rev. W. M. Townshend, Hon. J. G. Forbes, Robt. Reid and Rev. J. A. MacKeigan.

Rev. S. R. Prince was authorized to co-operate with the Methodists on the Richmond circuit, and the matter of the Methodists withdrawing from McKenzie's Corners if the Presbyterians would withdraw from Debec was discussed.

A motion to change the day of the Presbytery meeting from Tuesday to Wednesday was defeated, most of the St. John representatives not voting at the suggestion of Rev. Mr. MacKeigan.

The itinerary arranged for Dr. W. P. Foote, of Korea, to points in the province from July 21 to Sept. 11, was announced by Rev. J. A. MacKeigan.

The meeting was adjourned until 2.30.

Those present were: Rev. Dr. J. S. Sutherland, Rev. Dr. Jas. Ross, Rev. A. M. Legate, Rev. Gordon Pringle, Rev. Frank Baird, Rev. G. F. Sears, Rev. W. W. Malcolm, Rev. W. H. Spencer, Rev. K. C. McLennan, Rev. C. Y. Lewis, Rev. W. J. Bevis, Rev. G. Gough, Rev. S. R. Prince, Rev. A. F. Fisher, Rev. J. J. Graham, Rev. H. H. Blanchard, Rev. A. V. Merash, Rev. W. M. Townsend, Rev. J. A. Ramsay, Rev. W. M. Fraser, Rev. A. A. Sutherland, Rev. J. A. MacKeigan.

Elders: Hon. J. G. Forbes, Col. Murray MacLaren, E. Carey, John Jamieson, D. Murray, C. H. Stevens, C. S. Everett, Robt. Reid, A. F. Bentley, P. T. Flewelling and T. H. Somerville.

Afternoon Session

Opened afternoon session at 2.30. The first business considered was the Home Mission report, which was presented by Rev. W. M. Townshend. Considerable discussion took place on the reduction in grants to the various mission fields of the Presbytery. Many of those present thought the time for an increase in ministerial stipends was inopportune. Dr. James Ross explained, in answer to many inquiries, that the synod committee on salaries was preparing a statement which would be forwarded in due time to all ministers in Home Mission and augmented charges. It was pointed out that with falling prices for farm produce and the long continued drought throughout the country, a decided falling off in contributions was sure to occur.

In the matter of the request to the congregation at Norton to pay into the Presbytery certain funds received some years ago for the sale of the old Kirk at Lower Norton, it was decided to have the matter presented and discussed at the September meeting of the Presbytery.

The commission, appointed to deal with the matter of the separation of Lower Millstream from the congregation at Sussex, reported progress and promised a visit to the community concerned and report to theSeptember meeting of the Presbytery.

St. David's church was formally thanked for the offer of its vault to the Presbytery for its official records.

The Rev. A. Sutherland and Mr. Whelpley were heard regarding a proposed new church at Bay Forks, Kent Co. It was decided to organize the mission at that place, approve the proposed sites for a new church and appoint Messrs. S. W. Baird and P. T. Flewelling as supervisors of the work thereunder the direction of Mr. Sutherland, moderator.

Report of Mr. A. N. Gillis on Sunday School work on the Upper St. John River was heard. It showed progress being made and good work being done by Mr. Gillis.

Rev. W. W. Malcolm reported that the Presbyterians and Congregationalists of Milstream had united under the co-operative plan and were now hearing candidates with a view to a settlement.

Some discussion took place regarding the matter of the church at Sackville, but no action was taken.

ThePresbytery adjourned to meet on the last Tuesday in September.

Ambulance Kept Busy All Day

The ambulance was called upon three times yesterday to convey patients to the General Public Hospital. Arthur Irvine, a nine year old lad of 29 Portland street, had his right upper arm fractured by a kick from a horse in the Portland Fire Station at about 5.30 last evening. He was taken to the General Public Hospital in the ambulance, where the bone was set. He was reported to be resting comfortably at the hospital this morning.

Frank Griffith, of 73 Brittain street, had his skull fractured, his ear partly gouged off, and received cuts to his face, the injuries being caused by a fall while he was working at the sugar refinery. The accident occured at about 1.15 yesterday afternoon. The injured man was taken to the hospital in the ambulance, and his ear was sutured up. He was reported to be resting comfortably at an early hour this morning, but his condition is considered serious.

Mr. C. H. Peters was reported to be resting fairly comfortable on enquiry at the hospital early this morning. Babineau, the Fairville man, who fell fifty feet from the roof of MacKinnon's stables to the pavement on Monday, was reported to be much improved, and it is thought that he will recover.

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Inspect Troops At Woodstock Thursday

Four Hundred Men Under Canvas There Since Dominion Day in Annual Camp.

Special to The Standard.

Woodstock, N. B., July 5.—Since Dominion day about 400 men have been drilling in Smith's Field, Houlton Road. They are making good progress with drill and will break camp on Saturday morning. There has been no serious sickness in camp. Private P. Bradley, of Baldsville, Victoria Co., was operated on for appendicitis at the Fisher Memorial hospital yesterday by Major Peat, the medical officer. The amusements are being looked after by the Y. M. C. A. and Knights of Columbus. Tomorrow evening the infantry and engineers will give a public concert and entertainment at the camp grounds. The two largest men in camp are Lt. E. A. Caldwell, 6 foot 5 inches, and Serg't Major P. W. Caldwell, 6 foot 3 1-2 inches, sons of T. W. Caldwell, M. P. who with his four sons measure 31 feet.

Inspection Thursday.

The principal instructors are Capt. Heron, Major Rennie and Col. Powers. Brigadier General Montgomery Campbell will inspect the unit on Thursday and General MacDonnell on Friday.

The 1st (Brigton) field company C. E. has 100 men with the following officers; Major H. E. McKeen. Capt. W. H. Hoyt, Capt. F. Woolverton, Lieut. E. A. Caldwell, Lt. R. B. Manzer, Lt. R. Smith.

Carleton Light Infantry has 21 officers and 234 N. C. O's and men with the following officers; Lt. Col. L. L. Kennedy, commanding officer, Major J. J. Bull, second in command, Capt. A. E. Raymond, Adjutant.

Company commanders and officers.

A Company—Major McLaughlan, C. G., Capt. Manzer, W. B., Lieut Kelly, F. C., Lieut. Rogers L.

B Company—Major Rideout, C. M., Capt. Bennett, J., Lieut, Rooney, L.

C Company—Major Wetmore, F. W. C., Capt. Green, R. E., Lieut Rigby A. R., Lieut. Bassett, F. E. A.

D. Company—Major Armstrong, C B., Lieut McPhail, N., Lieut Rankin, W. D.

Musketry Officer Lieut Chandler, J.

Fine Entertainment In Aroostook School

Scholars Given Treat on Breaking-up Day — Teachers Remembered by Children

Aroostook Junction, N. B., July 5.—The school at Aroostook Junction closed on June 30th, and in the evening about 125 people, scholars and parents, enjoyed a splendid repast provided in one of the class rooms, after which games and races were indulged in, and a very pleasant time was spent by all present. Aroostook school recently won prizes at the sewing exhibition held at the Provincial National Schools at Fredericton; 1st, Daisy Boone, D. Benjamin and Fern Crandlemire; 2nd, May Kelly and Myrtle Nosewörthy.

The prize for highest marks at school closing was awarded to Miss Easter Merritt, advanced department, and Winifred Hawkins, primary department. Boys (advanced department), Stewart Kelly, (primary) Kenneth Grant and Victor Gains. Two travelling bags were presented to the two teachers, Miss De Long and Miss McCrea recently by the parents of the scholars as a mark of appreciation of the splendid services rendered in the school, both educational and in the great improvement in behavior by the scholars.

Mrs. Kerrigan and three children are leaving today for a visit to Greenville, Me.

Engineer A. E. Bartlett brought in train 153 on Saturday night and spent the week-end in Aroostook, being his first visit for many years.

Miss M. MacFarlane and Mr. N. Flowers spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. T. Flowers.

W. H. London, Harold London, B. Demmings, B. K. McNally and Ray Murphy have returned from a fishing trip to Sisson Lake Branch, about 40 miles from Plaster Rock.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Ketch, Miss M. and Mr. A. Ketch and O. Dingee of East Florenceville, motored over and spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Dee.

Mrs. H. W. Taylor and family have returned from an auto trip to Hillside on the Tobique.

Mrs. Elias Ketch, of Bristol, has been visiting her son and daughter at Aroostook.

ARRIVE AT HALIFAX.

Halifax, N. S., July 5.—Eight officers and fifty-four other ranks of the 6th Regiment, Canadian Artillery, Quebec, and Levis, arrived late last night for annual practice at Hugonin's Battery, Halifax harbor.

Signalling Officer, Lt. Roy Movers. Quartermaster, Capt. Fred L. Mooers. Chaplains, Major the Rev. F. M. Lockary and Capt. Bennett. Medical officer Major C. B. Peat.

ST. JOHN'S LONGSHOREMEN GO OUT ON STRIKE

St. John's, Nfld., July 5.—Longshoremen to the number of more than 1,000 went on strike here today as a protest against a proposed wage reduction. Leaders of the strikers asserted that because of increased taxes recently imposed by the Government they could not afford to accept the reduction. The loading and discharging of cargoes on several steamers was suspended.

MANITOBA'S BEE EXPERT

Winnipeg, July 5.—L. T. Floyd, who was for several years in charge of beekeeping work in New Brunswick, has been appointed apiarist for Manitoba, it was announced by the Department of Agriculture.

CONDITION UNCHANGED.

Moncton, N. B., July 5.—The condition of Harold Power, C. N. R. fireman of Moncton, who was injured at Pangburn, on the N.T.R., Saturday, when two freight trains collided, was reported today at the Moncton Hospital as about the same. Power was badly burned and scalded.

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