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LINDSAY, FRIDAY, DEC 20, 1878.


## THE POST FOR 1879.

With the coming year THE POST enters its Twentieth Volume with fair prospects of increased usefulness, greater circulation, and, despite the hard times, greater prosperity than ever. The experience of the past five years, though not the most favorable to business of any kind, has been most encouraging to the present proprietor, mainly on account of the liberal manner in which THE POST has been supported in the way of advertising, printing and subscription by the community of this town and county and adjacent townships, and in making due and grateful acknowledgement therefor, it is proper to state that the same policy of judicious enterprise and industry to which THE POST may justly lay claim will be continued, and that nothing will be left undone that in the premises will serve to make the paper more valuable, more popular and more widely read. To attain this end we will endeavour to effect steady improvement in all the various departments that have made THE POST a popular and largely circulated local newspaper. It would be ungrateful not to recognize the invaluable assistance received from the numerous correspondents scattered over this section, whose budgets of local news have largely contributed to the interest of THE POST. Without their nearly as valuable aid the work would have been well done, and we trust they will continue to exhibit greater promptitude and regularity than ever, not forgetting that brevity which is said to be the soul of wit, but which is essentially the life and the true value of local correspondence. This feature of local interest, the record of what is going on at home has contributed very materially to the success of THE POST, and enable get in a good local paper what cannot get in the city weeklies—home news of all kinds, with all necessary amplitude of detail and with suitable explanation and comment or criticism, and these wants are not supplied by any other kind of publication.

Local enterprises of every kind deserve ventilation, support or opposition as the case may be, in local papers, and ratepayer in the county should see to it that the money they pay here goes to remain in the state of indifference and ignorance to what is going on around him, which he must be if he does not take a local paper. Advertising, both cold, on commercial grounds, "Give THE POST a trial," and subscribe for THE POST. The full stenographic reports of Town and County Councils, of political gatherings and public demonstrations, and many notable incidents of local importance have been a valuable feature of THE POST and should be maintained with even greater fullness in the future. In our efforts to make THE POST locally more interesting we solicit the active co-operation of our friends and correspondents. We shall be glad to receive news items from any trustworthy person, as well as general correspondence from Ottawa, Toronto and other places will be furnished, as usual, and "Political Intelligence," showing the drift of public opinion on leading public questions, will be a feature of interest. The development of the promised new fiscal policy, as one result of the extensive political change of last summer, will be the weekly record of passing events at our political centres of more ordinary interest, and full attention will be given to these matters, so as to keep our readers well informed. Commercial News and home and foreign market reports will be maintained with greater fullness and efficiency. This department of great value to the farmer, and has always had in THE POST special attention and prominence, we ask the farmers to consider this fact when subscribing for a newspaper.

A judicious choice Home Reading is a matter of moment in considering the merits of a family paper. The family circle is entitled to entertaining and instructive reading matter, such as poetry, anecdote, and the works of fiction and instructive essays. These lighter departments have received and will continue to receive special attention. A carefully selected Continued Story will be published, as heretofore, and large instalments will be given. Due discrimination will be exercised in the selection, so that only the best productions of this class of reading will be introduced into the families when THE POST is admitted.

An Agricultural Department will be established and efficiently maintained under the control of a practical agriculturalist and an able writer on farm topics. We have not been able in the last two years to give as much attention to this department as we desired, but an arrangement will be made to insert an interesting and valuable article on the various topics connected with the Farm and Fireside. Not only outside work on the farm will receive attention, but such domestic and household matters as will make THE POST attractive in this respect. Local discussion and contribution for this department will be welcomed.

The programme herein outlined will involve considerable expenditure and a hard work, but we are confident it will be appreciated and duly rewarded. Faint heart never accomplished anything, and we enter upon the New Year with a determination to make THE POST more valuable to our readers and consequently more profitable to ourselves; and we solicit the co-operation of our friends everywhere in the way of increasing circulation (and our friends can do a great deal in this respect), and adding to the value and interest of the paper in local news contributions, as well as a friendly turn in the way of advertising and printing when occasion requires. Consult terms in other columns for subscribers, and other matters. All communications to be addressed to

CHAS. D. BARR,
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## EDITORIAL NOTES.

To-morrow the election in East Toronto and Welland takes place. Mr Leys's prospects in the city are considered excellent.

The British troops in Afghanistan have gained some important advantages, and have so far upheld the Beaconsfield idea of Imperial dignity that the early close of the war is predicted.

The vice-regal court will go into mourning from Dec. 18th to Jan. 10, as in England, for the Princess Alice, and as in the case of the Prince Consort's death, the public are requested to join in the general mourning.

Is there no David in the land who can take five smooth stones and a sling and slay that formidable Phairson, in whose tremendous presence and before whose still more tremendous pamphlet the wicked Grits tremble in dismay?

A report from Ottawa states that not only Gov. Letellier but Govs. Macdonald and Cauchon, are to be dismissed by the triumphant Tories. This is scarcely credible, though we should not be surprised if some foolish and extreme course were taken against Gov. Letellier.

Mr. Mowatt's speech at Woodstock yesterweek was a masterly review of provincial affairs. We propose giving it some attention next week, our crowded columns this week rendering it impossible to do so. Senator Macpherson has come out with a terrific broadside levelled at the Ontario Government.

Contrary to our expectation Mr. Burk's resignation for West Durham has not been accepted by the Reform Convention which met on Wednesday. It was understood that this would be done in order to make room for Mr. Blake, but we suppose some other arrangement has been made. Dr. McLaughlin received the unanimous nomination for the Local Legislature.

It is understood that Hon. Wm. Macdougall has brought back with him Sir John's definite promise in writing concerning the Speakership, as the result of his prolonged stay at Ottawa. It is stated that this arrangement is only temporary, and that another haven will be provided for the Wanderer either the Governorship of Manitoba or the post of Agent General at London.

## VICTORIA COUNTY COUNCIL.

### December Session.

[Concluded from last week.]

THURSDAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

The council met Thursday afternoon at 11 o'clock, the Warden in the chair and all the members present. The minutes of previous day were read and confirmed.

KINMOUNT BRIDGE.

The WARDEN laid before the council a report made by Mr. J. E. Belcher, Engineer of the County of Peterboro, on the condition of the Kinmount Bridge, and suggesting certain repairs as the bridge is in a dangerous statate, many of the timbers being decayed. Mr. Belcher stated that much of the decay in the structure is due to a want of periodical tightening of the truss bolts, thus loosening the timbers, which was also accelerated by the trotting of teams over the bridge. Referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

TENTS FOR VOLUNTEERS.

The WARDEN submitted a communication from Quarter Master Hughes, with statement of loss sustained in the erection of tents for volunteers on the occasion of the late encampment here.

Referred to Finance Committee.

ADDRESS TO THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

On motion of Mr. DICKSON, seconded by Mr. DILL, Messrs. Daniels, Rick, Stephenson, Connolly, Fell and the mover and seconder were appointed a special committee to prepare and draft an address of welcome to His Excellency the new Governor-General and the Princess Louise. The draft address was subsequently presented and adopted and ordered to be suitably engrossed for presentation.

A VENELON FALLS ITEM.

Mr. DICKSON moved, seconded by Mr. DILL, that this council pay over to the village of Fenelon Falls the sum of $5.36, the amount of expenses incurred by that village in trying and conveying to Lindsay gaol one James Nolan in May last, the auditors for the Administration of Justice having refused to pass the bill, and that this motion be referred to the Finance Committee. Carried.

EDUCATION REPORT.

Mr. DICKSON, Chairman, submitted the report of the Committee on Education, which was passed through the "whole" and adopted. The report recommended payment of several accounts, and that the accounts for expenses of teachers' examinations and for equalizing assessment in the Western Division be deferred until the January session for information as to details. The committee expressed regret that their instructions in former reports regarding the purchase of stationery required at the examinations had not been complied with and in order to ensure strict er economy recommended that in all cases in the future the Board obtain its supplies of stationery through the County Clerk and that no account for stationery obtained in any other manner be entertained by the County Council. The appointment of Mr. O. J. Brown to the vacancy in the Board of Examiners caused by the removal of Rev. J. L. Murray was recommended. The Warden was requested to correspond with the Boards of Examiners in adjoining counties with a view to their exchanging duties with the Boards of Examiners in this county at the annual examinations of Public School teachers. With regard to the communications from the Minister of Education and from Mr. R. Spice, Sec.-Treas. of the Lindsay Board of Education, respecting the equivalent to the Legislative grant to High Schools, the committee state it is quite evident from the law relating to this matter as amended in 1877 that the county must pay an amount to High Schools at least equivalent to the amount paid by the Government and recommended that the County Treasurer be instructed to pay to each of the High Schools the balance necessary to make up the equivalent since the statute was passed.

PRINTING.

Mr. Jos. COOPER submitted the report of the Printing Committee, which was adopted in due form. The report recommended payment of sundry accounts and that books, stationery and other supplies for which the county may be liable to pay be ordered through the County Clerk, and that "in future the council will refuse to entertain any account for such supplies unless this rule is strictly complied with." The committee recommended that the County Clerk supply twenty-five copies of the County Council minutes, neatly bound, for the use of township councils, and that one copy be sent to each township clerk.

THE DOG TAX.

Mr. BROWN, seconded by Mr. DILL, introduced a by-law to dispense with the levy of the tax on dogs and bitches within the county, which was read and passed in usual form.

The council then rose for the day.

FRIDAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

The Council resumed Friday evening at 8 o'clock, the Warden in the chair and all the members present. The minutes of Thursday were read and approved.

TEACHER'S INSTITUTES.

The WARDEN read a communication from Mr. H. Reazin, stating that two Teachers' Institutes had been established in his inspectoral division—one at Woodville and another at Pracebridge; that both were doing good work; and having received the Government grant of $50 each, were entitled to claim a like amount from the county. Mr. Reazin expressed the hope that the County Council, with its usual liberality in educational matters, would provide for the payment of these amounts. The communication was laid over until the next meeting of Council.

GULL RIVER BRIDGE ON MONCK ROAD.

Mr. BAILEY (Laxton) moved, seconded by Mr. TAYLOR, that as there have been complaints made to the Warden that the bridge over Gull River on the Monck Road, in Laxton, is in a dangerous state, he be authorized to examine the said bridge and get such repairs made to it as they may think needful and that this motion be referred to the Road and Bridge Committee.—Carried.

At a subsequent stage a resolution was adopted on motion of Mr. BAILEY, seconded by Mr. TAYLOR, authorizing Mr. Dickson to inspect the bridge and report at the next meeting of Council.

BEAR RIVER BRIDGE ON VICTORIA ROAD.

Mr. BAILEY (Laxton) moved, seconded by Mr. TAYLOR, that this Council grant the sum of $200 toward building a bridge over Bear River on the Victoria Road, on condition that the Government grant a like sum, and that D. McRae, M. P. P., be asked to use his influence in obtaining the same from the Government; and that this motion be referred to the Road and Bridge Committee.

Mr. BICK moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. COOPER, that the foregoing motion be laid over until the next session of this Council. The amendment was carried on division.

COUNTY PROPERTY.

Mr. COTTINGHAM, chairman, brought in the report of the Standing Committee on County Property, which was passed in the usual way. The report recommended payment of a number of accounts; expressed approval of the manner in which offices for the County Attorney had been fitted up and furnished, and recommended that the allowance to that official for office rent be discontinued on and after the expiration of the present year. The committee recommended some slight improvements and repairs, and stated that the Gaol is in the usual satisfactory condition. They also recommender that no expenditure for repairs, furniture, or any permanent work in or about the county buildings be incurred without the consent of the County Council, except in cases of emergency, and then only by the direction of the Warden and Treasurer.

FINANCE AND ASSESSMENT.

Mr. STEPHENSON, chairman, brought in the subjoined report of the Committee on Finance and Assessment, which was read and passed in due course.

Your Committee have to report that satisfactory explanations have been given by the Clerks of the municipalities of Mariposa, Lindsay, Ops, Fenelon, Lutterworth, Anson and Hindon, Verulam, Carden and Dalton, Bexley, Draper, Ryde and Oakley, and Macaulay as to the balances appearing against them for Auctioneers and Pedlar's Licenses, and therefore recommend that these accounts against the above officers be closed by the County Treasurer. The Clerks of Eldon and Emily have not satisfied your committee as to their accounts and they are held in abeyance.

Your Committee recommend payment of accounts submitted as follows:—

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| H Dunsford, searches for Tax Sale | $5 00 |
| S Irwin, Inspection Woodville Lockup | 4 00 |
| A Carmichael, do do | 4 00 |
| Village of Fenelon, Falls for services of their Constable in the matter of Jas. Nolan | 5 35 |

Your Committee cannot entertain the claim of Quartermaster Hughes for alleged loss sustained in providing accommodation for the volunteers while undergoing their annual drill in the month of September last.

With regard to the alleged liability of the Whitby, Port Perry and Lindsay Railway Company to recoup further interest to the County on the debentures issued in their behalf, your committee having taken into consideration the County Solicitor's opinion cannot do otherwise than recommend that the matter be left in his hands to take such proceedings as he may deem necessary to enforce the conditions of the bond under which the liability arises.

Your Committee recommend that the County Treasurer be authorized to purchase from the Treasurer of the town of Lindsay a $500 debenture of that municipality at 95 per cent.

The usual grant of $200 to the Warden for his services during the year is recommended to be paid.

Your Committee recommend that the shorthand reporter engaged for the present sittings of the County Court and General Sessions be paid $2.00 per day as arranged by the County Judge.

Your Committee do not deem it advisable to take up the question of Tax Exemptions brought before them under a communication from the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

MEMBER OF BOARD OF EXAMINERS.

On motion of Mr. DICKSON, seconded by Mr. HEASLIP, a by-law was introduced to appoint a member of the Board of Examiners of Public School Teachers, and duly passed. The blank was filled up with the name of Mr. A. J. Brown, of the Oakwood High School. The Council then rose for the day.

SATURDAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

The Council resumed Saturday, all the members present.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Mr. FELL introduced the report of the Committee on Roads and Bridges, which was considered in Committee of the Whole, Mr. Fell in the chair. The report was amended and adopted as follows:

Your Committee on Roads and Bridges beg leave to report:—

That they considered the communication from D. McRae, Esq., M.P.P., in regard to a grant of an additional fifty dollars to aid in opening and making a passable road between lots 20 and 21 in the first and second concessions in the Township of Dalton, and recommend that $50 in addition to the same amount granted at the June session, provided sufficient and from other sources be obtained to make the road passable.

Respecting the petition of James Rett and others regarding the building of a bridge on the western boundary between Dalton and Raglan, we recommend that Jas. Dickson, Esq., examine the locality and report to the Council at its January session.

Regarding the Pigeon Creek bridge your committee believe that the work has been done satisfactorily, and advise the payment of $400 as provided by the report of this committee, at the June session.

Your committee have examined the reports of the Commissioners appointed at the June session to examine the building, &c., of Cowan's bridge, and recommend that this Council pay to the township council of Emily one-fourth of the cost, viz., $536, and also the engineer's charges of $50, and commissioner's fees, hire amounting to $5.

A request from the municipal council of Draper and Ryde, asking assistance to build two bridges across Black Creek on boundary line between Draper and Macaulay has been considered and we would recommend that the councils of Draper and Macaulay procure plans from some reliable builder with specifications and estimates, and present such to this Council at its January session 1879, for their consideration.

Your committee have had before them a report of the state of Kinmount bridge from the County Council of Peterboro, but would not recommend any action to be taken with its recommendations at the present session.

Your committee recommend payment of the following all-sorts:—

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| H Walters, report on Kinmount bridge | $10 00 |
| John Fell, inspection Kinmount bridge | 2 50 |
| Geo. Rick, putting up notices on Bobcaygeon bridges | 8 75 |
| W. Brokenshire, putting up notices on Rosedale bridge | 2 05 |
| Geo. Rick, repairing handrail Bobcaygeon bridge | 8 00 |
| C. Furbairn, work on Little Bob bridge | 2 00 |
| Thos. Stephenson, member com. Pigeon Creek Bridge | 6 00 |
| Geo. Rick, do do do | 6 00 |
| C. Furbairn, do do do | 6 00 |
| John Connolly, mem. com. Cowan's bridge and Park's bridge | 6 00 |

With regard to the petition of the Reeve of Laxton respecting the unsafe condition of the bridge over Gull river on the Monk Road, between Somerville and Laxton, your committee would recommend that as the County Engineer will be in that neighbourhood in the course of a few weeks he be requested to examine the bridge in conjunction with Mr. Bailey, and that Mr. Bailey be authorized to take such steps as may be deemed necessary to make the bridge secure in the meantime.

The Reeve of Somerville reports that under By-law No. 203, Sec. 19, he has expended $297.36, leaving $39.64, which he refunded to the County Treasurer.

Mr. Adams, first Deputy-Reeve of Mariposa reports an over expenditure of $10.00 to cover error in report of 1877.

A statement of the expenditure of road grants and special grants made in January and June last was annexed.

A somewhat animated discussion took place regarding the management of some of these grants. It appeared that Mr. Irwin, Reeve of Mariposa, had obtained a $200 grant, but had not expended it as provided, to the detriment of the public. Mr. Irwin charged political motives at the bottom of the inquiry, and made several other charges which were disapproved by Councillors irrespective of politics. The matter was disposed of by the adoption of the following resolution:

Moved by Mr. HEASLIP, seconded by Mr. CONNOLLY, that this report be amended by adding the following clause, viz.: That we regret to find that several of the commissioners appointed to expend money on roads have neglected to comply with the instructions which require the money to be expended by the 10th day of November, as we believe a serious injury is inflicted on the travelling public by such neglect, and that the Treasurer request all commissioners in arrears to furnish proper vouchers or refund him the money before the 1st of January, 1879.—Carried.

VOTE OF THANKS TO THE WARDEN.

On motion of Mr. HEASLIP, seconded by Mr. CONNOLLY, the Warden was requested to vacate the chair, and Mr. Stephenson to take the same.

Mr. FELL then moved, seconded by Mr. BAILEY, that this Council has much pleasure in tendering to the Warden the thanks of this Council for the able and impartial manner in which he has presided over its deliberations during the year 1878. Mr. Fell alluded in complimentary terms to the efficient manner in which the Warden had attended to the business of the county requiring his attention, and to the dignity and courtesy with which he had presided over the deliberations of the Council. His relations with the Councillors had been most pleasant and agreeable, and he (Mr. Fell) had no doubt this motion would receive their hearty approval.

The motion was unanimously adopted amidst applause.

The WARDEN feelingly and impressively expressed his sense of the high compliment paid him by the County Council. He had endeavored to do his duty, and if his work and relations with his colleagues had been pleasant it was owing very largely to the kind and courteous treatment he had received from them.

The Council was then prorogued.

### The "National P." Operetta.

[Hamilton Times.]

At a Tory reunion in London the other evening Hon. John Carling, who has been left out in the cold world in order that Mr. Bowell might have office, stated it as his firm conviction that the Government would carry out all its pledges, that the depression would soon pass away and that the country would "in a year or two" be what it ought to be "one of the most prosperous in the world." After his address an "operetta and farce" were carried out, all of which was very fitting.


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Varieties store left the big crowd day.—1006-2.


## A FATAL AFFRAY.

### THE NOTORIOUS BILL MONTGOMERY SHOT AT PETERBORO.

A QUARREL IN RODDY'S TAVERN—BILL ATTACKS RODDY AND IS SHOT IN SELF-DEFENCE—INQUEST AND VERDICT.

[Peterboro Daily Review, Dec. 16.]

On Saturday evening about six o'clock a terrible affair occurred, which created great excitement in town. The news quickly spread that R. N. Roddy had shot "Bill Montgomery," well-known throughout this county [and as well-known in Victoria County]. It seemed that Montgomery was at Roddy's Hotel a little before six o'clock He accused Roddy of taking a bottle which he missed from his pocket. Roddy denied this, but Montgomery persisted in his charge, using very abusive language, and

THREATENING TO CLEAR THE HOUSE.

Roddy then requested those present to leave the bar, which they all did except Montgomery, who refused. Roddy locked all the doors but the back one, leaving himself, his bar-tender, Edmund Allen, alone together. Roddy again requested Montgomery to leave, but he again refused, and continued to abuse Roddy, and made a rush at him. Roddy ran up and down behind the bar from one end to the other with Montgomery after him. Montgomery failing to get hold of him, took up a heavy glass dish and dashed it at Roddy, who then seized a loaded revolver from behind the bar. [The evidence shows a fiercer and more persistent attack than this account. For instance Montgomery chased Roddy three times over the bar and repeatedly threatened to kill him.]

THE FIRST SHOT

he fired over Montgomery's head to deter him, but as Montgomery continued to advance, he fired a second shot, which hit him in the right breast. Roddy ran out in the back yard, and Montgomery followed and seized him, but he got away. Going out into the street Roddy met Constable Johnston and quickly returned with him. They found Montgomery had gone back to the bar and was sitting in a chair with his hand pressed to his side. Johnston opened Montgomery's waistcoat and disclosed

A SMALL CLOT OF BLOOD,

about the size of a penny. Montgomery turned pale at the sight of the blood, and when he realized that he was shot, he said, "Boys, I'm done for. Carry me up stairs, Ned," speaking to the bar-tender, "I have a wife and three children to think about." Some one present said, "Give him some brandy." Montgomery said, "Oh, I don't want brandy, give me some water," which was handed him, and he drank greedily. He was then carried up stairs and laid on a bed.

The men who had left the bar at Roddy's request, and others who had assembled outside, stood listening, and heard Montgomery still abusing Roddy. Then came the crash of broken glass, and quickly after the sound of two pistol shots.

Dr. Kincaid, who was sent for, was quickly in attendance, and made an examination of the wound. He probed it to the depth of several inches, but could not trace it further, but supposed that it had wounded the lung, and that

DEATH WOULD ENSUE.

Dr. Bell, Dr. Bingham and Dr. Hourigan, who also came, concurred in this opinion.

RODDY SENDS FOR MONTGOMERY'S RELATIVES.

Montgomery's mother, wife and brothers were soon on the spot, Roddy, we understand, having requested them to be sent for. Roddy made no attempt to avoid any responsibility for the act, but gave himself into the hands of the constable. He appeared greatly moved when he discovered that Montgomery was shot. He shed tears freely, and offered to do all in his power to help and assist Montgomery.

MONTGOMERY'S DEPOSITION.

Mr. Robert Fairbairn, J.P., was summoned to take Montgomery's deposition, and did so. Mr. Hatton, Police Magistrate, arrived shortly after and committed Roddy to gaol, where he was taken that evening.

DEATH OF MONTGOMERY.

Montgomery gradually sank, but he survived till eight o'clock on Sunday evening, retaining his senses till within half an hour of his death. Several doctors were in attendance, but nothing could be done for him. The Rev. Mr. Beck and Col. Maulaine called upon him and prayed with him, visiting him several times. Montgomery also saw several of his friends and talked freely with them.

MONTGOMERY'S ANTECEDENTS.

Montgomery a year or two ago served twelve months in the Central Prison for an aggravated assault on a whiskey informer at Bobcaygeon. There were also several warrants out against him for various offences, one being a bench warrant for the assault committed by him at the Huffman House on Mr. Merrick, of Toronto. Roddy, on a previous occasion lately, when Montgomery was acting violently in the house, had ordered him out, and when he would not go, had presented a revolver at him till he left.

THE INQUEST.

Dr. KINCAID as Coroner held an inquest early Monday morning. The court sat at Roddy's Hotel. Mr. Scott appeared on behalf of Roddy.

The Jury at once proceeded to view the body. The mark of the wound was plainly visible on the breast. The face was composed, and the powerful proportions of his frame were very noticeable. The jury held that it was not necessary to hold a *post mortem* examination.

The CORONER directed the jury that though there seemed to be no necessity for a *post mortem* examination as the cause of death appeared to be clear, yet it might be well to hold it for fear that any question might arise hereafter in such a serious case as to the exact cause of death.

The FOREMAN, having taken the opinion of the jury, the majority of them declared against a *post mortem* examination. It was explained that they could order the examination at any time during the inquest.

THE EVIDENCE.

THOS. LAPLANTE was sworn and said he knew deceased, whom he saw last on Saturday evening. He was then in Roddy's bar-room. This was about half-past six in the evening. He heard some loud talk in the bar, and went from the sitting-room into the bar. He heard Roddy and deceased arguing and Roddy ordered them all out of the bar-room. He went through the sitting-room and met Mrs. Roddy in the hall. She was crying and called witness over. She asked could he for God's sake go into the bar and try and get Robert out, as she was afraid he would get hurt. He went through the kitchen into the bar the back way. Roddy was standing inside the bar counter and deceased outside. They appeared to be arguing about money. Roddy said "Bill, you owed me $100 when we settled in the fall; I'll let you off for $75, so pay up like a man." Roddy also ordered him out of the house. Deceased called Roddy a liar and a son of a ——. They had some hot words and witness went up to deceased and asked him to come out and settle some other time. Deceased turned around and hit witness on the ear and side of the head with his fist. It was not a hard blow, more a shove than a stroke. Ned Allen was between them at the time and told witness not to mind for he would get deceased out. Witnes then went out and stood at the back door. He saw deceased running after Roddy. Roddy was behind the counter, and when Montgomery went behind the counter, Roddy jumped over it into the bar room. Deceased followed him over the bar. Witness heard Roddy say to deceased "Keep back! Stand back!"

At this stage some of the jury asked that the other witnesses retire, which they did.

Witness continued that he had heard Roddy say, "Stand back, or I'll shoot," or words to that effect. Witness turned round and saw some person coming up towards him. He looked round and saw it was Thomas Fortye. Witness told Fortye not to go further as he thought there was some shooting going to be done there. They both stood there near the open door for a while. They could see through the open bar-room door into the bar-room. There was more arguing in a loud tone for a couple of minutes, but witness could not understand what they said. He saw deceased throw down something like a bottle which stood on the bar counter. Witness heard Roddy say, "stand back," and just a moment afterwards he heard a pistol shot and saw the flash. He saw deceased jump up on the counter after that. Then he saw another shot fired by Roddy, but could not say what he fired at. Witness then went away to the back yard, so that was all he saw. Roddy was behind the counter when the second shot was fired and deceased was leaning over the top of it. He appeared to be trying to get at Roddy.

TO THE FOREMAN AND JURY.—He could not command a view of the whole bar-room from the open door. Deceased threw a bottle at Roddy, supposed there was hot water in it. Did not see deceased strike Roddy. Deceased did did not fall at the second shot. Roddy ran round the counter and deceased after him three or four times. Did not see Allen try to get deceased out. Roddy was able to go out and call in a constable, when he ordered them all out. He could not say if any of the drawers in the bar-room were disturbed. He could not tell if Roddy was cornered so that he could not get out when he fired.

To Mr. SCOTT—The bar was only open at one end. Deceased jumped upon the counter when Roddy fired and could reach over in the space behind the bar. Deceased was nearer the open end, and Roddy could not escape by the open end without giving deceased a chance of catching him. Deceased at the time the first shot was fired was outside the counter. Could not say if the first shot hit deceased. He had made no search in the room since for bullet marks.

To Mr. KINGAN—He could not say whether Roddy had any means of escape.

The jury now proceeded to the bar-room with the witness and viewed the localities. There seemed no room to pass by a man leaning over the bar.

TO DR. BELL—Roddy ran out directly after the second shot. Witness did not see deceased run after him; he next saw deceased in bed.

The CORONER said the jury were there to investigate the truth, not to try any one, but if the evidence seemed to point to any one, it might be as well to send for Mr. Roddy.

The jury expressed their wish for Mr. Roddy's presence, except Mr. Kingan, who said he thought it better Mr. Roddy should not be there.

Mr. SCOTT said as soon as the evidence pointed to any one he was virtually on his trial and it would be unfair to prevent him from being present.

The constable was directed to go for Mr. Roddy.

THE BAR-TENDER'S EVIDENCE.

Edmund Allen swore that he was bar-tender at Roddy's Hotel. He was in the bar on Saturday evening in his capacity as bar-tender. He was witness to the row that occurred. The deceased came into the bar about 6 o'clock from the sitting room where he had been for some time previous. He was talking quietly, until some one took a bottle of whiskey out of his pocket. He turned round and accused Roddy of taking it. Roddy denied it. Montgomery repeated that he did. The person who took the bottle said so, and gave it up to deceased, saying it was only a joke. Deceased said he would let no man do that on him, and used very bad language, too gross to repeat. Roddy told him he would have no such language used in his house. Deceased repeated his language, applying it directly to Roddy, and added that he cared for no landlord in the country. Roddy then asked those present to leave the bar, and asked deceased to go also. Deceased said he would not go, he would do just what he liked. Roddy told him he wanted to be master in his own house, and to shut it up. Deceased said he would go out when he liked, for he did not care a —— for him or any other son of a ——. Witness and Roddy tried to persuade deceased to go, but he would not. Roddy told him he would have to go, but he replied that he would not. Deceased said to Roddy, "you son of a ——, if I had you I'd fix you." Deceased picked up a big marble match-holder that stood on the counter to throw at Roddy, but witness caught it out of his hand. Deceased said he would kill the son of a ——. He made a grab to catch Roddy, who was behind the bar. Roddy jumped across from behind the counter on to the bar floor, as Montgomery went in behind to catch him. Deceased said he got Roddy he would break his d—d neck. Roddy had to get over the counter to escape Montgomery. At this time Thos. Laplante came into the bar-room and went up to deceased, asking him to come out as he and Roddy could settle this another day. Deceased hit Laplante on the ear. Roddy still kept asking deceased to go out, but he would not, and deceased again went behind the bar to catch him. Roddy again had to jump over the counter to escape from him.

DECEASED WAS STILL THREATENING TO KILL RODDY

if he caught him. Roddy told him to keep away or he would fire at him. Deceased defied him, saying he did not care a d—n for him or his revolver, adding abusive terms unfit for publication. Deceased a third time came behind the counter after Roddy. He then threw a tumbler at Roddy but missed him, and struck the coffee kettle full of boiling water standing on the counter and knocked it over where Roddy was standing, with some half dozen tumblers. Roddy then fired on deceased but missed him. Deceased jumped on the top of the counter, swearing he would kill Roddy, who then fired upon him again. Roddy then ran and deceased after him out of the bar-room. Deceased would have caught Roddy had he not fallen. Deceased then came back to the bar-room and sat down on a chair. He said, "My God, I am shot, Ned." Witness replied, "You are not, Bill," and asked him if Roddy shot me. He spoke to me—get out of my house, Bill. Everything I owe you I will pay you, you have my colt in your stable. It cost me $200. He shot me because I would not cheat the people.

Witness: C. D. MACDONALD. G. W. HALL. his WM. x MONTGOMERY. mark.

THE VERDICT.

The jury, after an hour's deliberation, brought in the following verdict:—"We, the undersigned empanelled as jurors in the matter of the investigation, as to the death of the late William Montgomery, have concluded that the aforesaid William Montgomery came to his death by a bullet fired from a pistol in the hands of R. N. Roddy, at the house of the latter, on the evening of the 13th December, instant, and from the evidence given at the inquest we are of opinion that the aforesaid R. N. Roddy, in doing so, acted in self-defence."


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| Name of Prosecutor. | Name of Defendant. | Nature of Charge. | Date of conviction. | Name of Convicting Justice. | Amount of penalty, fine or damage. | Fine when paid or to be paid to Justice. | To whom paid over by said Justice. | If not paid, why not, and general observations. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Town of Lindsay | Henry Wellington | Drunk on street | Sept. 19 | J. W. Dunsford, P.M. | $3 00 | Forthwith | Committed for 21 days | |
| Patrick Collins | James Shannon | Assault | do 23 | do | 20 00 | do | Town Treasurer | |
| Town of Lindsay | John Brennan | Drunk and disorderly | Oct. 14 | do | 1 00 | do | Paid Justice. | |
| James Gilbert | John Ellis | Non-payment of wages | do 3 | do | 7 12 | do | | |
| Thomas Beall | Herman Wands | Stealing apples | do 16 | do | 6 00 | do | | |
| do | John Cook | do | do 16 | do | Committed to gaol for 14 days at hard labor. | | | |
| do | Charles Terry | do | do 29 | do | Committed to gaol for 7 days at hard labor. | | | |
| Alex. Cullen | Timothy Hennessy | Insulting language | do 19 | do | 2 00 | Forthwith. | | |
| Town of Lindsay | Lawrence Powers | Drunk and disorderly | Nov. 1 | do | 1 00 | do | Paid P. M | |
| do | Patrick Cassoyne | do | do 5 | do | 1 00 | do | | |
| do | Jane Zwebb | do | do 5 | do | 2 00 | do | Paid gaoler. | |
| do | Daniel Daly | Swearing on street | do 5 | do | 2 00 | do | | |
| do | John Walker | Drunk and disorderly | do 11 | do | 1 00 | One month. | | |
| do | Robt. Irwin | do | do 12 | do | 1 00 | One week. | | |
| do | Geo. Adams | do | do 16 | do | 1 00 | Forthwith | Pd to Chief Constable. | |
| do | J. A. McDonald | do | do 19 | do | 1 00 | do | Committed for 30 days | |
| do | John Duggan | do | do 19 | do | 2 00 | Eight days. | Paid Town Treasurer | |
| do | Wm. Hutton | do | do 19 | do | 1 00 | Forthwith | | |
| do | Geo. Gallagher | do | do 22 | do | 1 00 | Six hours. | Committed to gaol for fifteen days | |
| do | James Wilson | do | do 25 | do | 2 00 | Forthwith | | |
| do | Phillip Coffey | do | do 29 | do | 2 00 | do | Committed for 21 days | |
| do | Jos. Tyrrell | do | do 29 | do | 1 00 | do | Paid Town Treasurer | |
| do | Richard Tracy | do | do 29 | do | | Committed for one month to gaol at hard labor | Paid Town Treasurer | |
| James Connolly | James Hen