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North Bay Nugget: After-election
days are something like the period af-
ter the honeymoon... wondering what
all the excitement was about.

Gets Four Months for Smashing Plate Glass

"I Don't Remember it Altogether. I Was Kind of Drunk," Says Desrosiers. Four Vagrants Choose Warm Jail and Good Food Rather Than Streets. Drunk With Long Record Receives Term of Four Months.

"I don't remember it altogether. I was kind of drunk," said Honore Desrosiers in police court on Tuesday afternoon, explaining why he deliberately put his foot through the plate glass window in the front of the Goldfield Drug Store. The excuse did not carry much weight with Magistrate Atkinson. He sentenced Desrosiers to four months in jail.

Sam Elles, who was a witness, said that Desrosiers deliberately kicked his foot through the window, shattering the glass. He was drunk, he said.

Magistrate Atkinson asked Constable Grievs the condition in which Desrosiers was when arrested and received the reply: "He was fighting drunk."

Another Window Breaker
Albert Desrosiers was given the option of a fine of \$20 and costs, added to damages amounting to \$15, or two months in jail, when he was convicted of breaking windows and doors in the home of George Longpre.

Asked why he did it, the accused said "I was drunk."

Mr. Longpre said that Desrosiers came to his house armed with a club. He knocked on the front door. When he went to answer the door Desrosiers went around to the back. By the time he got to the back door his rather unconventional visitor had smashed four or five of the windows in the house and was merrily hacking away at the door.

A piece of the door fell off and hit a baby on the inside, said Longpre. The circumstance did not do anything to sweeten the attitude of the court towards Desrosiers and he was convicted.

When Magistrate Atkinson asked Longpre why Desrosiers was so intent on demolishing his residence the witness said that there was a reason but he could hardly give it.

Reason may have been that Desrosiers was the complainant last fall when a charge of attempted murder was laid against Edward Longpre, brother of George. Edward was convicted and is serving ten years in the penitentiary.

Vagrants Choose Sentence
Two men who pleaded guilty to charges of vagrancy were sentenced to sixty days and two more chose sentences of thirty days in Halleybury jail.

All four men were young, decent-looking fellows who were unable to find work. After three of them had appeared before His Worship, he asked the Chief of Police what was wrong. The Chief replied, "Many of these fellows seem O.K. but they just can't seem to find work."

As is his custom, Magistrate Atkinson asked each of the homeless men if they wanted to be sent to jail where they at least would be taken care of. Two of them asked for terms of sixty days and two more for thirty days.

Four Months For Repeater
Harry O'Shaunessy, whose long record including such offences as theft and attacking women as well as being drunk was charged with intoxication. After reading the long list of offences Magistrate Atkinson rapped out, "four months."

Three drunks received sentences of \$10 and costs or thirty days and one second offender was given the choice of \$50 and costs or thirty days.

For being in possession of wine illegally William Mullins was sentenced to \$25 and costs or thirty days.

One disorderly conduct conviction drew a fine of \$5 and costs, one for speeding \$10 and costs and one for driving without a permit also \$10 and costs. The same fine was imposed on a motorist who drove with defective brakes.

WHEN IS SMOKING HEAVY?

(Calgary Albertan)
Dr. Hill, Calgary's medical health officer, defines "heavy" smoking as 25 cigarettes a day. Dr. Hill himself is a devotee of the pipe so it may be hard to say whether he considers himself a "heavy" smoker or not.

It was a grouch who said that Father Christmas was the Old Nick.

Col. Drew Planning Tour of the North

New Conservative Leader
Likely to Visit North Next Month.

Col. Geo. A. Drew, K.C., the new provincial Conservative leader, apparently intends to start the new year right, for it is announced from Toronto that he plans to make a tour of the North next month. The tour through the North, it is said, was agreed upon at the time of the recent convention in Toronto when a conference between Col. Drew and delegates from the North decided that such a visit was desirable from all angles. It is expected that Col. Drew will address public meetings at Kirkland Lake, Timmins and other centres. The idea is to get the North acquainted with Col. Drew and Col. Drew acquainted with the North. It is believed that this will mean benefit not only for the party but also for the North. Those in Toronto who take the broad view of provincial affairs argue that the North should have special consideration in view of the fact that the North not only has been the prime factor in steady affairs during the world depression, but also promises to be the chief hope for progress and prosperity for the province in the future.

A "Christmas Box" was originally a box (usually of earthenware) in which contributions were collected by apprentices at Christmas time. Hence the term "Boxing Day"—the day after Christmas.

M.P. Visits Seattle



Mrs. George Black, Yukon's representative in the Canadian House of Commons, visited Seattle, Wash., to attend the annual Alaska-Yukon Pioneers' Christmas dinner. She went to Dawson in 1893 and was elected to her present post three years ago.

Finnish United Church Preparing for Christmas

Every evening this week the Sunday school children under the leadership of Miss Gertrude Heinonen, the Bible Classes and the Communicants' Class, the Y.P.S. members, and the Y.P.S. orchestra, under the leadership of Miss Elma Nykanen, have been practicing for their annual Christmas concert to be given Friday evening, Dec. 23rd, and also for the Christmas Sunday celebrations to be held in the Timmins Finnish United Church. In connection with the community Christmas tree celebrations for the Finnish-speaking citizens of the Porcupine Camp and district, Santa Claus will also make an appearance of leaving no one without Christmas cheer. Admission is free to all and everyone will be made welcome to this community gathering.

Assault Case Hinges On the Bathroom Door

Brothers Fined for Fracas in Which Wife of Victim Wields Stove Lifter. Case Dismissed After Accused Waits in Jail Three Weeks for Hearing. Taxi Driver Assaulter Fined.

Christmas Greetings from the Algonquin Regiment

Acknowledgement is made and appreciation expressed of "Christmas Greetings and All Good Wishes for the New Year" from the Algonquin Regiment, Major W. F. Morgan, O.C. of D. Company, Timmins. For several years past the Algonquin Regiment has been remembering its friends at Christmas time and sending out greetings. Each year the list of friends must grow, as the Algonquin on merit and service and their usefulness and value.

The Algonquin Regiment comprises two battalions, the first battalion having Lieutenant-Colonel John B. Stewart as Commanding Officer and Lieutenant-Colonel K. A. McLaffey, D.S.O., M.C., being O.C. of the second battalion. The headquarters company, Halleybury, has Capt. S. G. MacDonald as O.C. while the following are the O.C.'s of the four companies: A. Co., Parry Sound, Major V. R. Fell, M.M.; B. Co., North Bay, Capt. M. L. Troy; C. Co., Kirkland Lake, Major Norman Evey; D. Co., Timmins, Major Wm. F. Morgan, M.C., E.D. The chaplains are Hon. Major F. G. Sherring, M.C., V.D., and Hon. Capt. J. R. O'Gorman.

The officers of D. Company, Timmins, in full are as follows: O. C. Major Wm. F. Morgan, M.C., E.D.; Capt. A. K. J. Scollins; Lieut. L. J. Charlebois; Second Lieut. O. D. Kester; Second Lieut. M. A. Everard.

"Christmas Eve," a poem by Robert Browning was first published in 1850.

Santa Claus, Indiana, each year receives much fame and fan mail each year at this season on account of its name

Two brothers, Ernest and Cecil Klatt, were each convicted of common assault in police court on Tuesday afternoon and each sentenced to pay fines of \$20 and costs. Victim of their assault was Forbes Gordon.

The whole affair seemed to hinge on the bathroom door. The bathroom was between the apartment occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Gordon and that in which Mr. and Mrs. Risto lived. The Klatt brothers, defendants in the case, were visiting the latter couple.

It appeared from the evidence, that this bathroom door was meant to be kept shut and that Forbes Gordon was the man to keep it so. Earlier in the evening he closed it—with a bang. When it was opened again he asked the Klatt brothers to shut it. The simple request provoked a melee in which Forbes was beaten up and his wife knocked aside when she tried to wield a stove lifter to good effect on the heads of the Klatts.

Forbes said on the witness stand that Cecil Klatt hit him on the face when he asked him to close the door. The force of the blow knocked him backwards and some part of his anatomy hit a clothes closet door, breaking it. The feuding Klatts pushed Mrs. Gordon aside when she tried to come to the assistance of her spouse but she managed to clip Klatt a couple on the cec.

Finally the Ristos managed to separate the pair and the police were called.

Mrs. Gordon who was very nervous on the stand, corroborated the evidence of her husband. As did her husband, she said that the affair all took place in their bedroom. Their evidence was further corroborated by that of the landlady, Miss Delaire.

Cecil Klatt said that Gordon came into the Risto's apartment and ordered him to close the door and then told him that he had better get out of there as he had no business in the Risto's apartment. Hot words were met with hot words and Gordon pushed him. He pushed back. When Mrs. Gordon tried to hit him on the head with the stove lifter his brother warded her off with his arm, but not before she had hit him about twice.

Klatt, and his brother, Ernest, who corroborated his evidence, maintained that the squabble took place in the bathroom and in the Risto's kitchen. At no time, they said, were they in the Gordon's bedroom. They knew nothing about the broken clothes closet. They denied knocking Gordon down.

Point at issue became the question of whether or not the clothes closet door was broken. When Constable Lynn said that he noticed a board broken when he visited the house and that the break appeared to be a fresh one, Magistrate Atkinson decided against the Klatts.

His Worship advised the Klatts to withdraw a counter charge against Mrs. Gordon. They did so.

Ronald King Released
Ronald King has spent three weeks in jail here awaiting trial on a charge of stealing a car. His hearing came on Tuesday. After ten minutes of it Magistrate Atkinson dismissed the charge.

"How long have you been in jail," he asked King.

"Three weeks," was the reply.

"I am sorry," said the magistrate, "but there is nothing I can do."

"Oh, well, I was well used," said King cheerfully. The thought of freedom had apparently banished the memory of three weeks in the jail.

Cy Hodgins, proprietor of a used car lot, said that he sold the automobile in question and had taken it to the Economy Garage for repair before making delivery. The proprietor of the garage said that he would have the car the next morning. When he came to the garage he was told that it had been claimed by King and a sales agent that he had discharged two days before.

Cross examined, Hodgins denied that he had driven with King to see some woman who was supposed to back King to the extent of \$200 to pay for the car, which by this time King had

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wrecked in an accident. He denied that he had then laid the charge after arrangements for payment fell through.

Anase Seguin, defence counsel, asked Hodgins if he had not told him of that episode in the corridor of the court room. Hodgins refused to answer "yes" or "no."

The proprietor of the Economy Garage said that King called several times for the car with the sales agent, whose only identification in court was the name "Herb." He then called alone and took the car, to go up town, he said.

Called to the stand in his own defence, King said that he took the automobile for a trial spin. He admitted that he had gone several times to get the car with "Herb." However, when he finally took it he was alone. He took the car outside of the town, ran into a mud hole and had an accident.

He reported the accident to Hodgins, who wanted \$200 immediately. With Mr. Hodgins he went to this woman's place to get backing. She promised to have the money in a day or so but Hodgins would not wait. He laid the charge.

Magistrate Atkinson then took the questioning into his own hands. He asked King if he knew "Herb" was no

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