

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL
GEORGE HEPBURN ARRESTED ON BIGAMY CHARGE.

Evidence Taken in the Police Court on Saturday Morning—Three Witnesses Were Called.

George Hepburn, the marine fireman arrested a week ago, on a charge of bigamy, was, on Saturday morning, committed for trial, by Magistrate Farrell. The police court room was crowded to the doors, for the hearing of the evidence. J. McE. Mowat appeared on behalf of the accused, and Crown Attorney Whiting conducted the prosecution. Mrs. Hepburn, No. 2, was not present in court. Edward Smith, her father, who laid the complaint, was present, also a younger daughter, Miss Ada Smith, both of whom gave evidence, and a neighbor of Smith's, James Cranston, was also called. Counsel for the accused entered a plea of "not guilty."

James Cranston, farmer, Storrington township, was the first witness called. To Mr. Whiting, he said that he knew the accused, George Hepburn, Hepburn, he said, had worked for him two years ago this winter.

"Did he tell you he was married?" "Yes, he did."

Witness further stated that Hepburn talked about renting his farm, and bringing his wife there. Hepburn did not rent the place, however.

Mr. Whiting submitted a copy of the registration of Hepburn's first marriage, which showed that the first marriage took place at Manvers, Ont., in 1894.

Ada Smith, sister of wife No. 2, said that she was present at the marriage of her sister, to Hepburn, in January last. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Roadhouse, Methodist minister, at the latter's home, in Inverary. Miss Roadhouse was also a witness at the ceremony.

Edward Smith, father of wife No. 2, said that he had known Hepburn about a year. Hepburn had told him that he was married, but that he was trying to get a divorce. This conversation took place last summer.

"Did he say anything about marrying your daughter?" asked Mr. Whiting.

"Yes, he asked me, and I said 'no,' that I was not willing."

To Mr. Mowat witness said that he had told his daughter not to marry Hepburn. About a week before the marriage took place, Hepburn spoke again of marriage, but he (the witness) did not know for sure whether the ceremony would take place. Hepburn, he said, came to his place and took away his two daughters. He said that Eva was married by a woman at Inverary. Witness was of the opinion that they went away to get married. His house was about six miles from Inverary.

"And what did you do towards stopping the wedding?" asked Mr. Mowat.

"I did not do anything."

"And yet you believed him to be a married man all the time?"

"Yes, sir."

Witness said that his married daughter was eighteen years of age.

"And yet, knowing that he was a married man, you allowed your eighteen-year-old daughter to marry him?"

"Well, he said he was getting a divorce."

Witness further stated that after the marriage, Hepburn and his daughter lived at his house. Hepburn stayed about a week, and then went to work in Inverary.

"And what made you take these proceedings?" asked Mr. Mowat.

"Because I did not think it was right to stand for it."

Mr. Mowat remarked that witness had waited three months before making any complaint.

"Did you have a quarrel with Hepburn?" he then asked.

"No, I had no quarrel with him."

"Then, what started you in this line?"

"I did not think that it was right for him to do this."

Witness afterwards admitted that he had had some trouble with Hepburn, over the payment of taxes of the witness. He had given Hepburn \$5 to pay the taxes and afterwards he had found that he had not paid the taxes, and he had to pay the amount over again. When witness asked him for the receipt, he said that he had left it in another coat, at Inverary. The taxes amounted to \$6.44. He gave Hepburn \$5, and Hepburn said that he would pay the other \$1.44. Witness afterwards gave Hepburn the \$1.44. Hepburn asked witness how he was

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