

## CONFESSED THAT HE SLEW HIS BROTHER-IN-LAW

### A Murder Mystery at Minden is Cleared Up.

### SHOT IN SELF DEFENCE

### IS CLAIM OF ARTHUR ELLIS, UNDER ARREST.

### He Declares That Porter Fired Two Shots at Him—Story of the Prisoner as to the Manner in Which Porter Met His Death.

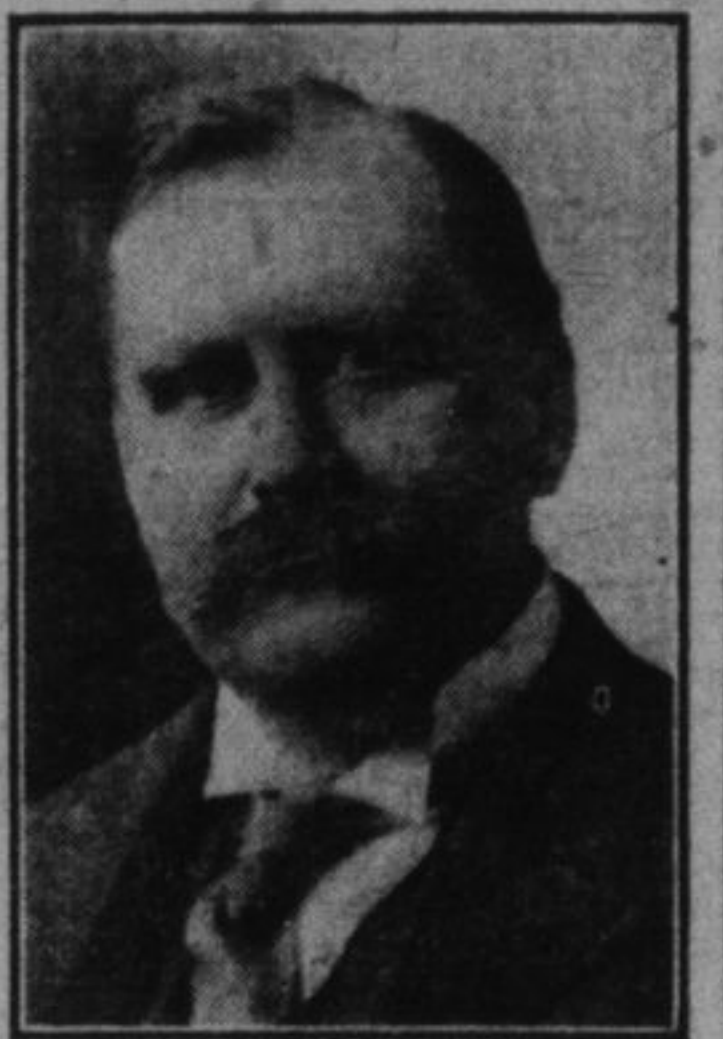
Minden, Ont., May 4.—The mystery surrounding the murder of Louis Porter on the Cameron road, on the evening of April 25th, was cleared up, yesterday, by the arrest of Arthur Ellis, brother-in-law of the murdered man, who confessed to the killing, but claimed that the shot was fired in self-defence. He also accompanied Inspector Johnson and Constable Welch to the scene of the crime, and showed them where he had placed the dead man's rifle. Ellis' confession, which was repeated to the jury by the accused at an adjourned inquest conducted last evening, before Coroner Progne, was as follows:

"I saw Louis Porter pass my house Thursday evening, April 25th. After he had passed I went down the road to hunt some stray cattle. I could not see them, and coming home, went into the house and got my dog and gun and went up the road north. I next Porter in the swamp on the road coming south. I asked him if he had seen any cattle. He said, no. Are you looking for cattle, Porter, thought you were looking for me?"

"I said, 'No, Lou, if I had been looking for you I could have found you long ago.'"

"We had passed one another, and he swore at me and said, 'If you want me now you can have me.' When he spoke like that I turned and fired at me. I threw my gun to my shoulder and said, 'Lou, that is enough.'"

"I went down the road as far as the commons and turned around and was going back. After I got around the swamp I saw Porter coming towards me on the road. I stepped out to one side and hid behind a small balsam tree. After Lou had passed, I spoke to him, and as soon as I did so, he wheeled and fired at me, the bullet being embedded in the tree just past my face. Then I fired two or three shots at him, and he apparently kept coming towards me. When I saw him drop, I went towards him, and as he was apparently dead, I dragged him in on an old road about 250 yards and hid him behind a log. I then took his gun and hid it about twelve feet from where the body was found."



EUGENE N. FOSS, Governor of Massachusetts, a presidential possibility.

### M. E. CHURCH IS CRITICISED.

### Gained Less Than Two Per Cent. in Membership.

Minneapolis, Minn., May 4.—Criticism of the condition which enabled the church to gain "less than two per cent. of its membership in the last year" and charges that the church press was being used "as a free forum by the promoters of disaffection," were made in the bishops' report to the quadrennial general conference of the Methodist Episcopal church.

"In the last year," said the report, "the church has made a net gain of but 25,000, which is less than two per cent., as the outcome of the year's activities, and the outlay of many millions of dollars. The statistical part does not show a gain of one centime. It honors and humiliates us. What are honors of office worth in any army that does not win battles? No man would that some are proposing to reduce the major generals to post duty."

Among the reasons for the meagre growth, as set forth, were a too strict application of the law of the church demanding that all members who remove from a given community without their church letters be dropped from membership after one year. About 500,000 disappeared in this way.

"Pleading for an emphasis on the distinctive Wesleyan doctrine, the report said that they were the only power to save the nation against evil."

"Where is the evidence that science has ever regenerated one soul, or that culture has redeemed one libertor or taken envy, malice, pride, jealousy or greed out many a heart? These utterances are not reactionary, unless this world has outgrown Jesus Christ."

The address condemned the practice that was said to have grown up in certain churches of calling in evangelists to carry on revival services, against the former custom which places the local pastor in charge of that work.

### MURRAY CANAL DISMISSALS.

### For Political Reasons—No Complaint Against Victims.

Cobourg, May 4.—It is stated that eight bridegrooms and one lighthouse-keeper on the Murray canal have received notice that their services will not be required any longer. No complaint was lodged against them and they were given no chance to defend themselves. The Trenton Courier in referring to their dismissal says: "The only ground for dismissal was the fact that apparently it was thought the men did not vote to suit the party in power. In fact, two of them did not vote in the last dominion election. For some time previous to the last election four conservatives have held positions on the canal and these have been permitted to hold their places. The lighthouse-keeper on the east-end being a conservative was allowed to remain, but the man on the west-end tending the light was thought to have voted liberal, so he was discharged, as were the bridegrooms, without reason. Two of the four conservatives who have been permitted to remain on their jobs have been enjoying their positions all through the liberal term, and the other two were appointed under the Laurier regime. This is just further evidence of the unfairness of the present government."

### AN AUSTRALIAN SCANDAL.

### Victorian Trade Commissioner Asks Investigation.

Melbourne, Australia, May 4.—Trade Commissioner Wicks is pressing the Victorian government for an inquiry into an alleged contract scandal. It will be recalled that recently, in complete violation of the preference regarding the railways of the commonwealth, the famous German firm of Krupp was given a major advantage over British firms in the letting of a contract. It is this the commissioner wants investigated.

### See the "Galley."

The latest had known to fashion, to be had in Kingston only at Campbell Bros', the introducers of new styles in men's hats.

Trains footing their way into Elk Lake by the first of December next is the hope of J. L. Englemart, chairman of the T. & N.O. railway commission. While the report of the technical educational commission is about completed, a number of suggestions have to be prepared and the finding may not be made public for a couple of months.

### DAILY MEMORANDA.

General Hospital Governors, 4 p.m. Monday.

### THE TARIFF REVISION.

### The Lessening of a Few Schedules Likely.

Ottawa, May 4.—A downward revision of the tariff as affecting a small list of items, seems to be probable. No sort of official statement is obtainable to support a promise of such revision, but there is nevertheless a strongly defined belief in quarters else to the ministry, that one or two of the duties in the existing schedules may be hammered down.

Even with the tariff commission or after an enquiry by a ministerial sub-committee, no changes in the tariff upward could be made without the sanction of parliament. A downward revision is another matter. It can be done without legislation, by order in council, and the report here is that this will be the case.

No indication has been made so far as to the items likely to be dealt with in this way and no guessing under present conditions would be safe. Certain activities now noticeable in the many departments, however, point to a careful and close consideration of some of the duties.

### TITANIC HERO MEDALS.

### Carnegie Hero Fund Commission Decides to Issue Them.

Pittsburgh, Pa., May 4.—The Carnegie hero fund commission, in recognition of the many acts of heroism on the wreck of the Titanic, has decided to issue a gold medal appropriately inscribed to the heroes and heroines of the Titanic and deposit it in the United States national museum at Washington.

A record thereof will be placed on the roll of honor of the Carnegie hero fund commission "as a lasting memorial of those whose chivalrous conduct and self-sacrifice have profoundly moved the civilized world."

### LOOKS TO WOMEN AS NATION'S HOPE.

### Dr. J. J. Walsh Compares Social Condition Here and in Ancient Rome.

St. Louis, Mo., May 4.—Dr. James J. Walsh, dean of Fordham University Medical School, in a lecture before the alumnae of the Sacred Heart Academy, talked on "The Women of Two Republics, Those of the United States and of Ancient Rome." There are many more similarities between the two great republics than are usually thought, Dr. Walsh said.

"Just before the republic became the empire," he continued, "immense fortunes became very common at Rome, and the men made their money in the five classic ways, by speculation in land, by cornering foodstuffs, by insurance and speculation in stocks and bonds, by graft in politics and by subsidiary collecting of taxes. They collected the taxes directly, as provincials in the provinces, not indirectly by means of tariff. The women went the money that the men made, they collected by direct means, and their homes with Grecian art, listened to lectures on many subjects, dabbed in literature, read novels—the novel was reinvented at this time—entertained the artists and the literary men, and as Mrs. Putnam, formerly an art of Barnard, said, introduced that alliance between fashion and literature and art and wealth which has been called society and has recurred of and over since."

"With the growth of wealth and luxury children became fewer, divorces more frequent, the demoralization of the family, in spite of efforts to prevent it by means of laws giving bonuses for the number of children and other methods, continued to grow worse."

"Rome fell and luxury and the desire for wealth with the disappearance of real patriotism were the causes of the fall. Whether history shall repeat itself depends apparently more on the women, ever the ethical element in all races, than on any other factor."

### SIR LOUIS DAVIES EXPLAINS HIS ATTITUDE.

### Many of His Boston Audience Were His Former Maritime Constituents.

Boston, May 4.—So many different versions having been circulated concerning the remarks made by Sir Louis B. Davies, justice of the Canadian supreme court, at the Intercolonial Club, on Tuesday night, the speaker was requested to give his own version of that part of his address, in which he referred to reciprocity between Canada and the United States. Sir Louis explained that there were among his auditors so many of his former constituents from the maritime provinces that he felt obliged, in opening his address, to mention reciprocity, which he did substantially as follows:

"In my pre-graduate days I was an earnest advocate of reciprocity. That subject is now within the ambit of political controversy, and because of my position as a member of the supreme court of Canada it would be highly improper for me to discuss the question. I may say further that the people of Canada have spoken and have settled the matter for the time."

### PROVE TO BE IMPOSTERS.

### Many Alleged Survivors of the Titanic Disaster.

New York, May 4.—Additional "survivors" of the Titanic disaster are turning up daily at the White Star line offices, and at the quarters of various relief committees, only to be proved to be imposters. Some do not try to get any money, but seem only to have the curious desire to be recognized as among the survivors.

## TRAIN WRECKED

### Accident to C. P. R. Express Near Burkton.

## THREE CARS ROLLED

### DOWN THE EMBANKMENT ABOUT THIRTY FEET.

### No One Was Seriously Injured—Passengers Scratched and Bruised—Spreading Rails the Cause—Hold-up of Traffic.

Toronto, May 4.—Of eight cars which composed the day express from Montreal on the Canadian Pacific railway for Toronto, the train, at Sand Bank, five miles east of Burkton Junction, at 5:30 o'clock last evening, two baggage cars and the mail car rolled down the embankment, which at that point is about thirty feet high.

Strange to relate an one on the train was seriously injured. Two men went down the embankment in the baggage and mail cars, and one of them, Roy Maybee, a baggage man living at 163 St. Germain street, Montreal, was cut about the legs and severely bruised. He was attended by Dr. H. B. Anderson, Union street east, who was on the train, and was subsequently taken to St. Michael's hospital.

Other passengers received scratches and bruises and a shaking up. The cause of the accident has not yet been definitely ascertained. It is thought to have been the result of spreading rails. There was considerable hold-up of traffic.

### PITH OF THE NEWS.

### The Very Latest Culled From All Over the World.

King George's novel gift of six beautiful swans to the mayor of Owen Sound, Ont., has been sent to Canada.

Horace McEwen has been appointed superintendent of the Prince Edward Island railway, vice G. A. Sharp, retired.

Edward Henry Keating, the well-known Canadian engineer, has been elected an officer of the institution of civil engineers.

Eight persons were drowned when the Mississippi river levee near Morgan, La., broke, flooding the surrounding country.

The British cruiser *Albatross* will arrive at Mazatlan on the west coast of Mexico, in about a week to take aboard British refugees.

Grand Trunk railway traffic earnings for the period ending April 30th totalled \$1,218,517, as compared with \$1,125,144, an increase of \$93,373.

At Neenah, Wis., when Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rusch were divorced, Mrs. Rusch was given a cemetery lot valued at \$10 as her share of the property. The couple had been married fifty-five years.

Petitions for recounts were filed by the Taft managers in nearly all the cities and large towns of Massachusetts. Recounts were also asked in many of the congressional districts, and by the Roosevelt delegates in two districts.

A few minutes later rescuers were attracted by the moans of another woman and frantic efforts were then made to get her alive. She was badly hemmed in by the girders and a mass of debris, and it is feared that she will not live.

One report says at least ten people are dead and buried in the ruins. At noon the body of Louis Shine was taken out of the wreckage. He was dead.

At 12:15 o'clock the police say that everybody in Neilson's candy factory has been accounted for and that the total casualties are two dead, eighty seriously injured and fifteen slightly.

It is not decided yet whether the accident was caused by an explosion or defective building.

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## THE BRIDE OF ASTOR WAS UNABLE TO ATTEND

### The Funeral Service at the Family Home—Divorced Wife Also Absent.

New York, May 4.—Impressive funeral services were held at Riney Cliff, Hudson river, the home of the Astors, in connection with the funeral of John Jacob Astor, a victim of the Titanic disaster. Mrs. Madeline Force Astor was able to attend. Miss Muriel Astor and Vincent Astor, children by the annulled marriage, were there. Mrs. Ava Willing Astor, divorced, was not present.

DRUGGIST GOES TO PRISON.

For Selling Poisonous Drugs to Workhouse Inmates.

Berlin, Germany, May 4.—A druggist named Scharnach, convicted of violations of the pure food law, in supplying inmates of the national workhouse with poisonous drugs, causing nearly one hundred deaths, was sent to prison for five years, today. There were other minor sentences.

A Calgary man overheard a telephone conversation not intended for his ears, and as a consequence has instituted proceedings against E. J. Alport and T. E. McCauley, contending they were parties to a conspiracy to monopolize the building supply business.

### PLOMBAINE POISONING.

### Alton Butts Dead at Clayton—Brother Critic.

Clayton, N.Y., May 4.—Alton Butts, deputy sheriff and policeman, died suddenly last evening, and his brother, Eli Butts, is at the point of death from plomaine poisoning, contracted through a source which members of the family have not been able to discover.

The two men had been working in their wood lot about four miles from this village, and came home complaining of illness. A physician was called and did everything possible for them, but to no avail in the case of Alton. His symptoms were clearly those of plomaine poisoning.

Mr. Butts was thirty years old. He married Miss Winifred Dodge, who with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Butts, two children and one brother survive.

### CLUB LICENSES DOOMED, TOO.

### That is, if the Rowell Policy Should Become Law.

Ottawa, May 4.—"The impression that seems to have become prevalent that our policy does not include the wiping out of club licenses is wrong."

Such was the statement of N. W. Rowell, who is in Ottawa.

Mr. Rowell stated that while club licenses were not expressly mentioned in the first clause of his resolution, it was the party's intention to wipe them out under its second clause.

### Condition Still Critical.

### Toronto, May 4.—The following was the bulletin, this morning, of the physicians attending Chairman Mabey, of the dominion railway commission:

"There is no improvement in Judge Mabey's condition this morning. He is still very critical."

### FACTORY WALL FELL

### KILLING SOME GIRLS

### A Frightful Accident at Neilson's Ice Cream Factory in Toronto.

Toronto, May 4.—From five to fifteen people were injured, some of it feared fatally, when the wall of Neilson's ice cream factory, here, gave way, this morning, while business was in full swing. Nearly a hundred people, mostly girls, were in the building when the crash came. In the confusion and noise, it was impossible for a time to ascertain the casualties.

At noon the body of Miss Eva Anderson had been recovered, badly crushed, iron under the heavy beams. It is feared there are others dead in the same spot.

Hundreds of relatives of missing girls are at the scene and the police have difficulty in handling them. Searchers are working to recover more bodies.

The scene of the accident is weird. Scores of factory girls are seated on the lawn recovering from their harrowing experience. The houses of all the neighbors have been thrown open to them and everything possible is being done for those who fainted.

At 11:30 o'clock workers found the feet of two men and a girl sticking out of the debris. They at once started to work frantically to get at them. Who they are is unknown. From their position it is feared that they are killed.

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## COL. ROOSEVELT HOPES TO WIN THE NOMINATION



MRS. RUSSELL SAGE, Owner of Millions, is seriously ill at her New York home.

### BETRAYED OUT OF REACH.

### Nothing Can Be Done to Avenge Death of Annie Hales.

Detroit, May 4.—According to Immigration Inspector Frick, of this city, no action can be taken in Detroit or in the United States to avenge the death of Annie Hales, the eighteen-year-old Toronto girl who drank a fatal dose of poison, Wednesday, after a trip to this city with a Toronto business man when told she must return to her parents. The business man is alleged to have fled to Canada and it is said his offense is not extraditable. The two Toronto friends of the business man who are accused of aiding his escape also have returned to Canada. Arthur Hales, the father of the dead girl, returned to Toronto with the body.

### WORST IS YET TO COME.

### Record Prices for Produce Within Next Twelve Months.

New York, May 4.—The next twelve months will see some new records in high prices for meats, eggs and butter, in the belief of I. L. Preston, editor of the *Prairie News*.

The price for potatoes would go to \$8 a barrel, he adds, if it were not for Irish and Belgian imports. The cabbage crop is short, and cabbages, like artichokes, are becoming luxuries, not extra-ordinary.

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### For Saving Lives.

### Marion, Ind., May 4.—At work on a farm and with only eleven cents in his pocket, William H. Prickett, today, was told that he had inherited \$25,000 from Frank Horch, a ranch owner of Pocatello, Idaho, for having rescued Horch's two daughters from their burning home several years ago. Prickett, though most of them turned out to be a hoax, has been carrying the story and carrying the girls to safety. Horch's brother, J. H. Horch, came here to notify Prickett, of the bequest.

### STEREOTYPERS JOIN STRIKING PRESSMEN

### Chicago Newspapers Having Trouble—Few of Them Are Able to Publish.

Chicago, May 4.—All stereotypers on the Chicago papers have joined the striking pressmen and drivers, this morning, and newspaper publication here is practically dead. Some of the newspapers did not appear at all this morning, though most of them turned out to greatly condensed form. This evening's papers will have similar trouble getting out.

The publishers claim that the employees have grossly broken their agreement, and are bringing men from other cities. There was some shooting on Dearborn street, this morning, when wagons of one paper drove along. Several arrests were made.

### DIED.

DORAN—At the family residence, 24 Barrie Street, on May 4th, 1912, Patrick Daniel Doran, aged 72 years. Funeral private. Requiem mass at 9 o'clock Monday. To which friends are invited.

GREENLEES—In Sunbury, May 2nd, 1912, Robert Greenlees, aged 42 years. Funeral will take place from his late residence to Presbyterian Church on Sunday morning, at 10:30 o'clock. Friends and acquaintances are respectfully requested to attend.

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