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ANDREW W. GRAY CHOSEN AS HIGHWAYS ENGINEER

Kingston Man Gets Ontario Appointment

GRADUATED AT QUEEN'S

AS BACHELOR OF SCIENCE THIS SPRING.

Mr. Gray's Position Will be Assistant Provincial Highways Engineer—He Will Inspect the New Roads of All the Counties.

Toronto, May 11.—The Mail and Empire says: "Andrew W. Gray, of Kingston, roads superintendent for the county of Frontenac, is, it is understood, the choice of the government for the new position of assistant provincial highways engineer, for which provision was made in the estimates last session. The new assistant engineer is thoroughly qualified for the work he will be called upon to do. He has been in charge of road construction of Frontenac county for two years, and his work in that position attracted the attention of the department. Mr. Gray will act as outside representative of the highways department, relieving the provincial engineer, W. A. McLean, of much of the work of visiting the counties and inspecting the work. He will keep in touch with road construction all over the province, and it will be his duty to see that counties construct their roads according to plans passed upon by the department. "Arthur Sedgewick, who has been attached to the highways department, becomes second assistant engineer. He will be given charge of experimental work to be carried on this summer. The department proposes to secure a stretch of road for experimental purposes, and one of the road-testing formulas to be tried out is a solution of tannic acid. It has been stated that the use of tannic acid on clay roads increases their wearing qualities to a remarkable extent and the provincial engineer is going to find out. Such preparation, should it prove satisfactory, would be of immense advantage in working out the good road system of the province."

Andrew W. Gray, graduated at Queen's this spring, as B.Sc. in civil engineering. He resides at 177 Alfred street.

TO END DUELLING.

Clericals and Socialists Co-operating in Reichstag.

Berlin, May 11.—The clericals yesterday introduced a resolution in the reichstag asking the imperial chancellor, Dr. Von Bethmann-Hollweg, to take steps to end duelling in the army, particularly the practice that makes it compulsory for an offended person to challenge the offender to leave the army.

Pending this reform the resolution demands the observance of the imperial order of 1897, restricting duelling. The resolution will be adopted as the clericals and socialists demonstrated, that they have a clear majority when co-operating.

FAMILY OF TWELVE SUICIDE.

Grandmother, Father, Mother and Nine Children.

Bucharest, Roumania, May 11.—A whole family of twelve persons—grandmother, father, mother and nine children—have committed suicide in this city.

First, two of the sons, who were the mainstay of the family, killed themselves on account of financial troubles. Then the others, having stupefied themselves with beer, retired to their eternal sleep under the influence of charcoal fumes. The next morning all were found dead.

NO MOTHER, KILLS HERSELF.

Twelve-Year-Old Kentucky Girl Ends Life by Shooting.

Louisville, Ky., May 11.—Alma House, twelve years old, committed suicide by shooting herself with a revolver at a house a few miles from this city, where she had been making her home. Grief because she had no mother like the other children is the supposed cause. Her mother died when she was two years old and her father married again.

Cropper Union Gets Big Fund.

White Plains, N.Y., May 11.—The will of Henry Eden, a manufacturer of crockery, filed for probate here, leaves a large part of his million dollar estate to New York institutions including a gift of \$100,000 to Cropper Union for the advancement of science and art, \$10,000 each to the zoological society, Botanical Gardens and Museum of Natural History and his art treasures to the Metropolitan Museum.

The Canadian Northern railway has given a contract for a new station at Napanee, and will institute regular passenger service between Napanee and Toronto on June 15th, giving four trains a day each way.

After a lingering illness of many months, from cancer, the death occurred, on May 2nd, of Lucretia Hudson, at her home on Union street, Pictou. She was aged fifty.

Mrs. Warren, a lady aged about eighty, a sister of J. Sharpe, and living with her daughter, Mrs. Burdon, Bloomfield, died on Sunday evening.

JUDGE REGRETS That Guilty Doctor Was Not Before Him.

A HUSBAND ACQUITTED OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR DEATH OF HIS WIFE.

Justice Middleton surprised at Ease With Which Women are Able to Procure Illegal Operations From Medical Men.

Toronto, May 11.—"One thing that I am sorry for is the fact that the medical man who performed this wrongful act in this case, and caused the death of your wife, has fled the country. It would have been more satisfactory if he had been here, and I had been instead of you in that case, because I am satisfied that on the evidence, if he had been in your place, I would have had the grave duty of sentencing him to death."

This statement was made by Justice Middleton yesterday afternoon in addressing William Davidge, charged with the murder of his wife. The foreman of the jury had just announced the verdict, "Not Guilty of murder."

"The jury has taken a merciful view of your case," said the judge, "and I don't disagree with their verdict. I am sorry for the position in which you have been placed during the trial of this case as the result of the death of your wife. I am also sorry for the revelations which have been made of the ease with which women are able to procure illegal operations of this kind from medical men."

On instructions of the judge they found Davidge not guilty on the charge of abortion on the same evidence. The physician referred to is Dr. B. E. Hawke, a prominent doctor, and a former member of the board of education. A heavy reward has been offered by the city and the province for his apprehension.

LORD OF ADMIRALTY CAUSES A SENSATION Hastens From Fleet to Vote on Home Rule Bill Then Rejoins the King.

London, Eng., May 11.—The sensational story of the week-end is how Lord Winston Churchill, first lord of the admiralty, left the manoeuvres of the fleet some miles out at sea, Thursday evening, came to the House of Commons by a special train, voted in favour of the home rule bill, and returned by motor car to Bournemouth, was conveyed in H.M.S. Destroyer Swift, joining forty miles an hour to the fleet, joining King George in the early morning, and taking part with his majesty in the manoeuvres at daybreak yesterday.

While Churchill's one vote did not make much difference, so far as the passing of the home rule bill was concerned, it happened to result in deciding the ownership of thousands of pounds of money, as the favorite wagger of the unionists was that the government would not get more than a hundred majority on the division. Churchill made it a hundred and one.

FIREMAN TRANSFORMED INTO PILLAR OF FIRE Cincinnati Smoke Eater Rides to the Hospital Clothed in a Blanket of Flames.

Cincinnati, May 11.—With his clothes, a mass of flames, Captain Jack Conway of the salvage corps and hero of many fires, took his most sensational, most harrowing and perhaps his last ride last evening. With his entire company he was blown out of the Presto Light company's building by a series of six explosions of gas tanks.

Practically every member of the salvage corps was burned, but Conway received the brunt of the burst of flame and was seriously burned.

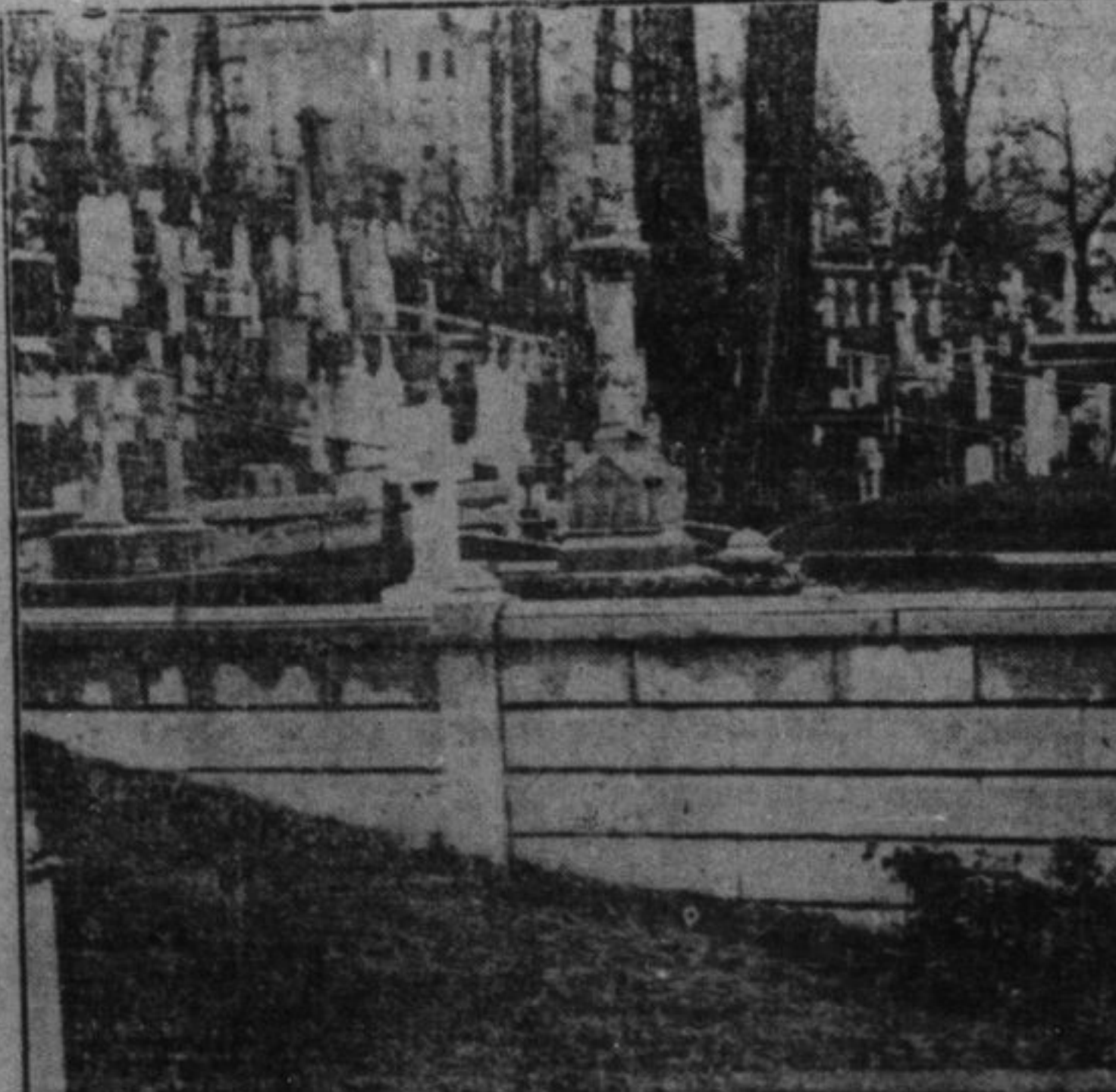
As soon as the salvage corps was notified of the fire in the Presto Light company, only a block away, Conway seized a tank of fire extinguisher and ran through the alley from Eighth street to Ninth and into the burning building from which the employees had fled in safety.

Conway's company of men came closely behind him and all pushed their way through the dense smoke. They had proceeded well into the building on the ground floor, when there was a terrific explosion. Conway and his entire company were blown out into the street.

Efforts were made to smother the flames that licked the giant form of the heroic Conway, but the chemical mixture burned fiercely into his flesh. As the automobile sped to the hospital bystanders saw in anguish the spectacle of Conway virtually transformed to a pillar of fire. The flames around his arms, shoulders and chest burned in a high flame as the ride, perhaps to death, was taken towards the hospital.

Chief of Police Cooper, Pictou, was appointed chief of the fire brigade, which position became vacant with the removal of Constable Simer.

Postmaster Pette, Pictou, was returned from a ten days trip to Winnipeg.



THE LAST RESTING PLACE OF JOHN JACOB ASTOR. The body of Colonel John Jacob Astor, multi-millionaire, one of the victims of the Titanic, was buried in the old Astor vault in Trinity Cemetery, Riverside Drive, New York City. His father and his grandfather were buried there and in the same vault with them rest the bones of John Jacob Astor—first, second and third—and now a fourth.

PITH OF THE NEWS.

The Very Latest Called From All Over the World.

Specifications for the contract for the second section of the Hudson's Bay railway have now been prepared and tenders will be called very shortly. It is said that Canada being only a colony, can't get in under the clause of "favored nations." An appeal has been taken to the U.S. customs court. The Montreal medical health officer has decided that Chin Tong, a Chinaman, who was thought to be suffering from leprosy, really has the dread disease.

Leon Hall, aged seventy years, of Clyde, N.Y., was struck and instantly killed on Friday, by a local car on the Rochester, Syracuse and Eastern trolley line.

A. V. Rogers, a civil war veteran of Watertown, N.Y., who was a prisoner with Gen. Lee, when the latter surrendered, died on Friday, aged sixty-eight years.

Sevell F. Camp, aged twenty-four years, has been missing from Watertown, N.Y., since the 15th of April, and is being looked for all over the United States and Canada.

James Stone, of Carthage, N.Y., being taken to jail at Watertown, N.Y., on Friday, jumped through the window of the passenger train and escaped. He was caught afterwards.

It was expected that the documents of contract, between the Boston promoters of the Hotel Kingston, and the city, which have been in Boston, being examined by the former's solicitors, would be returned here on Saturday.

CHEERING CROWD GREETED. J. Bruce Ismay When He Landed at Liverpool.

Liverpool, Eng., May 11.—Pale and haggard, but still holding his head high, J. Bruce Ismay, managing director of the White Star line, and survivor of the Titanic disaster, walked down the gang plank of the steamer Adriatic this morning, amid cheering of a big crowd gathered on the docks to meet him. Mr. Ismay seemed much touched with the difference between his experience to-day and the almost brutal reception given him in New York, where his conduct had been condemned without investigation, and by the popular feeling stirred up by the Gotham yellow journals.

Mr. Ismay declined to make any further statement until he appears before Lord Mersey, but expressed his grateful appreciation of the confidence of his friends and of the British justice given him by British newspapers.

Think They are Safe. New Orleans, La., May 11.—After several nights and days of anxiety rain stopped and the sun shone this morning, and the people of this city are fairly well satisfied that they are safe from the floods which have devastated the country north of here with death and destruction.

DOCTORS WANT JURY TO TRY FORGERY CASE Walter Harvey and James G. Evans Want a Trial by Their Peers.

Toronto, May 11.—Those long drawn out cases against Walter J. Harvey and James G. Evans were again up on Friday. They have been remanded from week to week, waiting on the report of the analysis of the stomach of the deceased John Revell. This showed that the man died of natural causes.

The charge against Harvey was to the following effect: "That on the 21st of Nov., last, he did utter a false document, to wit, a cheque drawn on the Bank of Plymouth, Devon, England, for the sum of one thousand pounds sterling, payable to the Empress College of Ophthalmology, purporting to be signed by John Revell."

The charge against Evans was that he made the same false document, and endorsed by HARVEY, should be acted upon as genuine to the prejudice of the estate of the late John Revell and others, and did thereby commit the crime of forgery.

Accused elected to be tried by jury, and the case was again adjourned till the 17th. Harvey is out on bail of \$2,000, but Evans has been unable to find surety for the same amount.

RETURNS TO PRISON AFTER BRIEF FREEDOM Folke E. Brandt Ordered Back to Tombs For Thirty-Years Sentence.

New York, May 11.—The appellate division of the supreme court yesterday afternoon reversed the decision of Justice Gerard in the case of Folke E. Brandt, and ordered his return to Clinton prison. Two hours later the decision was rendered, Brandt was arrested in his home at Flushing, L. I., and taken to the Tombs.

By order of the appellate division of the court, he must be returned to Bannockburn, where he was serving a thirty-year term for burglary, to which he was sentenced by Judge Rosalby on complaint of Mortimer L. Schiff Brandt was Schiff's valet. The case was reopened after vigorous editorials in New York newspapers, which suggested that the charge of burglary was trumped up to cover glaring indiscretions of Millionaire Schiff's wife.

WOMAN SUFFRAGE IN ITALY. Premier Personally in Favor, But Thinks Time Unripe.

Rome, May 11.—There was a debate in parliament last night in reference to woman suffrage. The bill under discussion was one for electoral reform and Premier Giolitti, in discussing it admitted that female suffrage was most important in the interest of one-half of humanity. But, he declared, it would be impossible to enfranchise six million women in Italy until the civil code had been modified so that the standing of women would be equalized with that of men. Moreover, said the premier, it would be unjust to enfranchise only those women who were financially, morally or intellectually the superiors of their sex and exclude the great majority.

THE LIFE OF RICHESON HANGS IN THE BALANCE



J. BRUCE ISMAY.

Managing director of the White Star line. In addition to his experiences with the congressional investigating committee, he has been through the ordeal at the hands of the British Board of Trade when he returns to England.

THE AWFUL CRIME OF THE BAPTIST MINISTER. He Will Extend Clemency Only if the Alienists Report That Richeson Was Insane When He Poisoned His Sweetheart.

Boston, Mass., May 11.—When informed by Sheriff John Quinn at the Charles street jail yesterday that he would be removed Saturday morning to Charlestown state prison, Clarence V. T. Richeson, former Baptist minister, who is under sentence to be executed the week beginning May 19th for poisoning his one-time sweetheart, Avis Linnell, went down upon his knees and begged to be allowed to stay at the jail a few days more.

"It would have been hard to refuse him, and I told him that he would not be removed," Sheriff Quinn said. The sheriff added that it is probable that Richeson will not be removed Monday.

The next regular meeting of the governor's council is on Wednesday, and although this is only four days before the date set for execution, Richeson may be kept at Charles street jail until the council has had opportunity to act should Governor Foss send to Mr. Richeson's plea for commutation of sentence.

Governor Foss has asked the opinion of several eminent alienists as to Richeson's sanity. Until today the governor was supposed to be relying largely upon the report to be furnished by Dr. L. Vernon Briggs to guide him in his decision on the matter of submitting the clemency plea for clemency to the executive council, but Dudley M. Holman, secretary to Governor Foss, said, last night, that the governor is in consultation with several eminent alienists regarding Richeson's condition.

The governor, Secretary Holman says, feels that the case is so important as to demand the opinion of more than one man. These alienists, the secretary said, will examine Richeson in Charles street jail, if they have not done so already, and will make their report to the chief executive.

Dr. Briggs, who has completed an investigation, has not yet rendered his report to the governor. The report probably will not be in the governor's hands before Monday morning.

While it is well-known the governor is opposed to capital punishment, he will not for a moment allow his personal views to influence his decision. The whole thing hinges on this one point: Was Richeson insane at the time the crime was committed?

The governor is not seeking to save this man's life. He abhors, as does everybody, the awful crime to which Richeson has confessed, and if it is found that he is and was legally sane at the time the crime was committed he would not think for one instant of extending to Richeson executive clemency.

George Barton, a farmer, aged sixty-three years, died, Monday, of heart failure. Deceased had been a lifelong resident of Roebuck.

J. R. Kerr, Newboro, has made an assignment.

BORN.

JACKSON—At Kansas City, Mo., on May 6th, 1912, to Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Jackson, a son.

MARRIED.

GODFREY—BLADHAW—At Kingston, Ont., on May 8th, 1912, by Rev. J. Webster, Harriet Elizabeth Godfrey, of Harrowsmith, Ont., to John Edmund Godfrey, Wilkie, Saskatchewan.

DIED.

SMITH—At Portmouth, Ont., May 10th, 1912, Mary Elizabeth (Liz), eldest daughter of Thos. Smith, aged 22 years and 2 months. Funeral from her late residence to St. John's Church, Monday afternoon, at two o'clock. Friends and acquaintances respectfully invited to attend.

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