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## A BRIBERY SCANDAL EXPOSED IN DETROIT

Seven Aldermen Are Now Under Arrest.

## TWO HAVE CONFERRED

THAT THEY TOOK MONEY FOR THEIR VOTES.

In Connection With Wabash Freight Warehouse—Burns Detective Agency Set a Trap for Them—Fourteen Aldermen Are Involved.

Detroit, Mich., July 27.—Fourteen aldermen and the secretary of the common council committees are involved in a bribery scandal that broke out in this city to-day. Seven have been arrested already, and the others are now being sought by the police.

The men now under arrest are T. Gilman, president of the council; Alderman Louis Brozo, Frank Mason, Alois Deimel, Joseph L. Thiesin and Martin Ostrawski, and E. R. Schreiter, secretary of the council committees. Gilman and Schreiter made full confessions, soon after being arrested, and Gilman turned over to the detective who arrested him a roll of \$1,000 in bills, which he had received but a few minutes before.

The charge against the alderman and secretary is that they accepted money in connection with the granting to the Wabash railway the right to build a freight warehouse on Seventh street, between Fort street and Congress street. The proposition was strongly advocated by the board of commerce and others interested in the growth of the city, but was held up by certain aldermen who demanded pay before voting for it. To catch these aldermen the Burns detective agency was employed to set a trap for them and a dictograph was used.

## DIG UP TREASURE.

Old Chest Containing Gold and Silver Coin.

St. Petersburg, July 27.—While some peasants were digging in a field in the village of Maiasi recently they unearthed an old chest containing treasure to the value of \$500,000. The treasure was in gold and silver coins of the fourth century and several gold and silver vessels. One of these was a large dish of Damascened gold with a richly-embossed rim encrusted with precious stones. A Latin inscription shows that this dish was at one time in the possession of a bishop who lived in the seventh century. A similar dish was embossed with the image of Sapor II., a Persian monarch of the fourth century. Other articles were eleven solid Persian cups.

The laborers kept the treasure in a cottage for a long time, thinking it was brass and lead. It was through their efforts to make a bargain with the owner of the field on their own valuation that the true worth of the metal in the chest was discovered.

The estimate of valuation placed on the treasure is only what it would bring as bullion, and not what it would bring in the world's great market for antiquities.

## \$20,000 TO BET ON WILSON.

Powell of Mississippi Found No Takers at Hotel.

Rochester, N.Y., July 27.—W. H. Powell, of Canton, Miss., counsel for the Illinois Central railroad, a great admirer of Woodrow Wilson, said that next to Congressman Underwood he preferred Wilson to all other democratic candidates for the nomination.

Mr. Powell met a number of prominent republicans at Power's hotel, and the matter of the presidential election came up. Mr. Powell declared he would bet from \$500 to \$20,000 that New Jersey's governor would be elected in November. He produced certificates to show that he was able to pay the bets if he lost. Mr. Powell found no takers at even money.

## Tell Chinese New Duties.

Chicago, July 27.—A cablegram from Canton to The Chicago Daily News says: "Two hundred lecturers are being sent throughout the province by the director of social education to enlighten the people as to their new relations to the republican government and their obligation to support it."

## Condemns Winnipeg Water.

Winnipeg, July 27.—Dr. Simpson, chairman of the provincial board of health, bitterly condemned Winnipeg's present water supply, both in quality and quantity. He advised against an extension of the present artesian well supply and for a visible supply.

## DAILY MEMORANDA.

No White on Monday civic holiday. See top page 2, right hand corner, for possibilities.

Orangemen's picnic, fair grounds, Monday afternoon.

Vaudville, Lake Ontario Park, 2:30 and 3:30 p.m., Monday.

St. George's A.Y.P.A. moonlight excursion, 8 p.m., Monday.

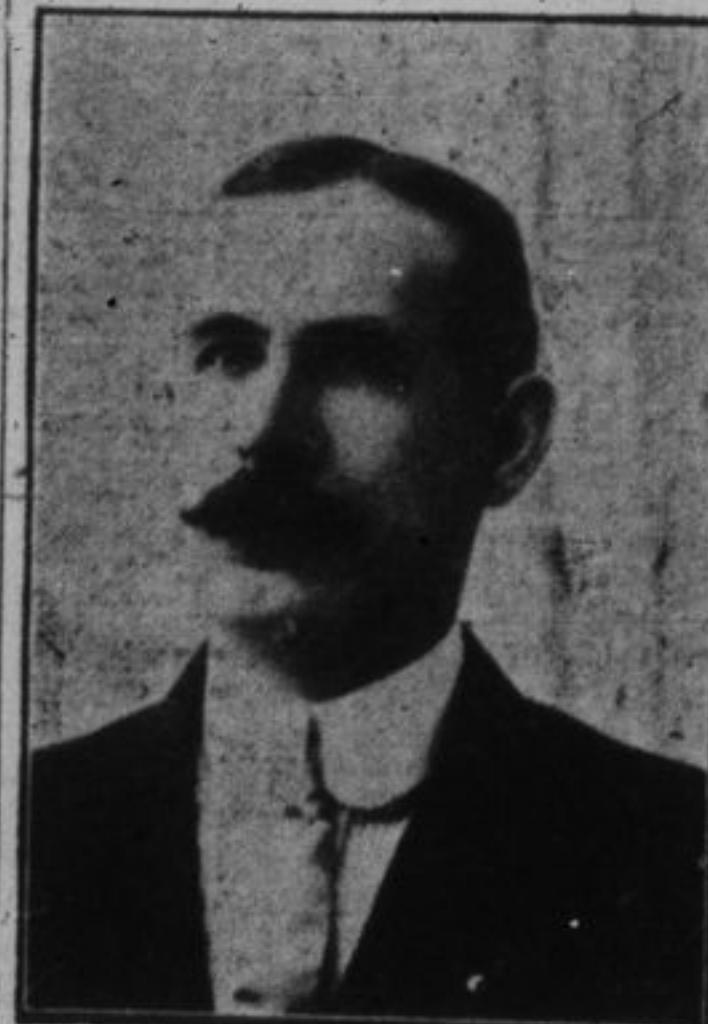
Concert by R.C.H.A. band, Macdonald Park, 8:30 p.m., Sunday.

Old boys' ceremonies, cricket field and Macdonald Park, Monday morning.

Civic holiday, Lake Ontario Park admission free, Matinee, 3:30 o'clock, free.

McLaren's lawn social, Wolfe Island, Monday evening. Boat leaves 8:15 sharp.

Civic holiday, monster picnic at Brophy's Point, baseball at 2 p.m., St. Mary's, Toronto, vs. C.L.C.S., Kingston.



JAMES A. PIDGEON,  
resident of the Kingston Old Boys' association, who has brought big excursion here this evening.

## HUMBLE TITANIC HERO TO RECEIVE \$10,000?

Russian Jew, Now at Berlin, Ont., Says Investigating Committee Will Reward Life-saving.

Berlin, Ont., July 27.—A downy-tined Russian Jew, who has been in this city for several months, and who, according to his own story, escaped from the ill-fated steamer Titanic, says that he has received a letter from New York, stating that he was to be made the recipient of \$10,000 for his assistance in saving ten lives during the sinking of the steamer.

He says that the money is from the United States investigating committee and forms a part of a half million dollar fund raised for the survivors. The money, he stated, is being transferred to Montreal, where he will go to receive it.

## PLENTY OF POTATOES.

New Brunswick Crops Good, Says Major Fowler.

Montreal, July 27.—"If you people in Montreal need potatoes or other root crops during the coming winter, New Brunswick will be able to supply you without any trouble," remarked Maj. G. W. Fowler, M.P., for King's Albert, N.B., last night, at the Windsor hotel. "Not for a long time have I seen better crops in the maritime provinces than are promised now, especially in roots and similar products."

In fact, Maj. Fowler declared that the agricultural outlook in New Brunswick this year was splendid, crops of all kinds being in good shape, while general business was progressing well.

## QUOTE A TRICK.

Cow Catches Fish and Lands it Safely.

Monticello, July 27.—Seth Peeton, who has a boarding house at Sackville lake, is showing his visitors a live pickerel, which has become his property through a freak performance.

Pelton drove his cows down to the lake last night and while they were drinking and wading about a live pickerel jumped from the water at a spot on the flank of one of the cows.

The teeth of the fish became entangled in the cow's tail, and the frightened animal did not stop running until she had landed the pickerel on dry ground.

Successful experiments with wireless telegraphy between a flying aeroplane and a number of fixed wireless stations were carried out at Saint Cyr, France, on Friday.

## TO CARE FOR SAVANT French Government Will Pension Noted Scientist.

Paris, July 27.—A cabinet council on Saturday will decide upon the measures to be taken for the relief of Henri Fabre, the aged author, who, in spite of his fame, is dying from starvation. The government is considering two solutions: M. Fabre will, as an ex-ghoolemaster, receive pension, the order taking effect retroactively, or he will receive an annuity out of the special fund put at the disposal of the ministry of public instruction for the encouragement of savants and men of letters.

L'Action explains why, though his works, such as "Entomological Souvenirs," and "The Life of Insects," still sell in the thousand, M. Fabre is in his present condition. It appears that twenty years ago, when he was in distress, he sold all his author's rights for a few dollars.

## PRIVY COUNCIL REVERSE.

The Supreme Court Judgment in Alberta Railway Case.

London, July 27.—Judgment was delivered by the judicial committee of the privy council, allowing the appeal of the government of the province of Alberta versus the Alberta Irrigation & Irrigation company in the matter of a dispute as to the cost and maintenance of bridges over the irrigation canals of Alberta.

The final judgment is a reversal of the decision of the supreme court of Canada, and upholds the first judgments of the Alberta courts.

Their lordships of the privy council express the opinion that section 37 of the Alberta Irrigation Act, to which frequent reference was made in the arguments, had no application to road allowances, but dealt only with the public highways heretofore publicly travelled as such.

## ROOF COLLAPSES.

Girl Loses Life for Sweetheart's Picture.

Pittsburg, Pa., July 27.—Returning to her burning home to get a picture of her sweetheart, Constantine Maturi, aged sixteen, was burned to death, to-day, at Ashtown, near here. Just as the girl stepped across the threshold of the front door, the roof collapsed. Mrs. Frank Maturi, her mother, when informed of the death of her daughter, ran to the Monongahela river and jumped in. She was pulled out by the crew of a tug boat. Frank Maturi, the father, and a brother, John, aged sixteen, were severely burned trying to rescue Constantine.

A campaign for the past few weeks in favor of the annexation of this province to the United States. Through the medium of his paper, Le Devoir, he claims to be representing the sentiment of the French-Canadian electors. Hon. Mr. Lemieux ridiculous contention and unhesitatingly states that Mr. Bourassa speaks only for himself.

"I have not the slightest hesitation in saying that Mr. Bourassa speaks only for himself. He wants to become notorious again. His nationalist movement has collapsed, and as a leader of public opinion he has been a complete failure. He is now seeking to create a movement among his fellow-countrymen which would simply be suicidal. He shows what little value he has, and how fond he is of playing with fire."

"No person in this province thinks of annexation, or even dreams of it, unless Mr. Bourassa himself. I am confident that if a plebiscite were taken to-day there would not be five hundred people, same people, vote for it."

Traditionally we are against annexation, and to safeguard our language or laws and the special privileges enjoyed by our church we would be to stalwart supporters of the British crown.

"No minority in the wide world enjoys as many privileges as the French-Canadian Catholics enjoy under the British flag. We practically have an established church in the province of Quebec which can collect its tithes by law and which can tax the people to help the poor and the construction and maintenance of churches. We have a special law for the maintenance of the parochial system. The bishops are appointed directly by the pope."

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