

STARTLING EVIDENCE GIVEN IN THEFT CASE

Night Operator Swore Against Station Agent

HOOVER INFORMED HIM

HE INTENDED TO BURN MOUNTAIN GROVE STATION

As he was short in his accounts—The Prisoner Denied the Statement—Case Heard Before Judge Madden.

William Carr, a night operator for the C. P. R., at Mountain Grove, gave sensational evidence in a case which came before Judge Madden, of Napanee, at the county court sessions on Wednesday morning, when he declared that Samuel Hoover, station agent for the C. P. R., at Mountain Grove, and also agent for the Dominion Express company, had told him that he was short in his accounts and that he intended to burn the station.

The station was destroyed by fire on January 30th. Carr further declared that Hoover wanted him to be a party to a "fak" hold-up so as to give the impression that he, Hoover, had been robbed of the money. He said Hoover wanted him to tie up his hands, place a gag in his mouth, and leave him so as to train him could find him tied up and the money gone.

The case was heard before a jury. Hoover, a tall slim youth, stood charged with the theft of moneys from the Dominion Express company, totalling \$729.

Hoover, it will be remembered, was placed under arrest shortly after a fire which occurred at Mountain Grove on January 30th last, and which destroyed the C. P. R. station.

J. L. Whiting and G. M. Macdonnell appeared for the prosecution, and the accused was defended by T. J. Rigney. On being arraigned Hoover pleaded "not guilty."

Henry H. Wheeler, auditor of moneys for the Dominion Express company, Toronto, was the first witness called by Mr. Whiting, and he told of Hoover's appointment as agent for the company. Witness said that the accused received a great part of his collections from parcels, as very few money orders were issued at the station. He said that from December 19th, the time of Hoover's last returns, up till the time of the fire, Hoover has in his possession \$544.69 belonging to the company for which he never accounted for.

George B. Mills, of Mountain Grove, said he had a claim against the express company for three jars of damaged fruit. The claim was for \$2.35, and Hoover gave him thirty-five cents. Witness said he never signed a receipt. Receipt was produced by Mr. Whiting, signed "George Mills," but witness denied signing it. He said he always put the "B." in his signature.

To Mr. Rigney witness said that Hoover had told him that he had been advised to take thirty-five cents for thirty-five cents. He was under the impression that he should have received a receipt, and that all was not right. Hoover did not say anything about a receipt, and witness did not sign one for him.

Stewart Mills, brother of the previous witness, told of his brother being paid thirty-five cents by Hoover, the latter stating that this was all that was coming to him from the express company. He did not see his brother get a receipt, nor did he hear anything said about a receipt.

Henry Catlow, inspector of the police and investigation department of the C. P. R., said he went to Mountain Grove on January 28th and had an interview with Hoover regarding the fire. He believed that the fire had been caused by sparks from a passing engine. Asked by witness about moneys belonging to the express company, Hoover said that he was unable to

save it, owing to the flames, that his own sweater had been scorched when he tried to get the money out of a drawer. Hoover had told him that he was able to save his piano and other house furnishings.

Hoover told witness that on the morning of the fire he had made up his statement with the express company, and the money amounted to \$150.

Sensational Evidence. William Carr, night operator for the C. P. R. at Mountain Grove, said that Hoover had told him that he was about \$225 short in his account with the express company. On the day before the fire Hoover asked witness to work for him until he went to Ardendale. Hoover said he wanted to go to Ardendale to secure some money to fix up his express account. Witness worked for him that day, but Hoover did not say if he had succeeded in his errand.

C. N. R. AID BILL

Passed By Senate By Vote Of 35 To 20

FOURTEEN LIBERALS VOTED IN FAVOR OF ACCEPTING THE BILL.

Government Forces Voted in a Body—Senators Choquette and Jaffray Wanted It Referred to Senate Railway Committee.

Ottawa, June 10.—The Canadian Northern railway aid bill successfully ran the gauntlet of the senate, and was passed at six o'clock last evening, after being before parliament almost continuously for over a month. The vote by which the bill carried in the upper chamber stood 35 to 20, a majority of fifteen in favor of the measure. In striking contrast to the divided conservative vote which defeated the Farmers' bank measure the night previous, the government forces last night lined up and gave a straight vote for the Canadian Northern bill.

BACK GOES N. T. R. TO ITS ORIGINAL GRADES

Division Government Recants And Justifies The Views Of The Laurier Cabinet

Ottawa, June 10.—The government has decided that momentum or sag grades on the Transcontinental railway, east and west of Cochrane, must be eliminated and the road restored to the standard intended by the former government.

Such was the admission made in the house by Hon. Dr. Reid, acting minister of railways, when submitting a million-dollar supplementary appropriation for approval. Dr. Reid stated that part of that amount was designed for the purpose of getting rid of some thirty-two sags in the line within 100 miles west of Cochrane and 200 miles east.

"It is really refreshing," declared Hon. George F. Grahame, formerly minister of railways, "to have this admission from the government. They argued not so long ago that momentum grades improved the road. Now they say they will eliminate them."

The minister stated that the sags from Cochrane to Moncton could be remedied by the contractors since the work had not yet been completed. In regard to the other portion westward the sags could be remedied by the G.T.P., and the expense added to the cost of the road according to the contract.

"It would be much better," said the minister, "to get a regular freight service at the earliest possible moment than to wait for the remedying of the sags before taking over the road."

"I think we have accomplished something," said Mr. Grahame. "I hope it is clear now that the country is to have a transcontinental line up to the standard agreed upon."

Bear Attend Ball at Severy. Paris, June 10.—A late arrival at a fancy dress ball in Neuilly last night achieved the success of the evening by appearing as a bear. But the applause soon changed to shrieks when some one, possessed of superior zoological knowledge, discovered the late arrival was a genuine grizzly.

PROF. WRONG PLEADS FOR IRISH CONFERENCE

When The Troubles There Can Be Quite Readily Arranged And Settled

London, June 10.—Professor Wrong, Toronto University, summing his conclusions, after a tour of Ireland, declares, "Of two things I am certain, one is that all Irishmen dread the division of their country. The opposing sides have more respect for each other than the outside world imagines. The real problem is to get Irishmen to remain true to one another. Attempts at settlement from the outside have failed. There is now in Ireland a deadlock that was the parent of the settlement of Canada. A conference announcement among Irishmen can end it and for a conference I plead."

Steps are being taken by the Dominion government to check the spread of tuberculosis through milk from infected cows.

RADIUM CURES TUMOR

Obstruction in Throat Disappears as Metal is Applied.

Physician Gives Blood to Aid Yale Professor.

FIGHT FOR DOCTOR'S LIFE.

Baltimore, June 10.—After having been unable to speak for a long time on account of a large tumor in his throat, Thomas H. Caldwell, of Pennsylvania, Fla., left the Kelly sanitarium cured and able to converse in a perfectly natural voice. His cure was effected by radium. "My cure is one of the most remarkable," he said. "The tumor in the left side of my throat was about four times the size of my fist. I began to improve after the first radium treatment, and the whole thing was done in a perfectly natural voice. The tumor disappeared and gradually my voice returned. I was able to eat solid food."

THE PRINCE OF WALES HELPED SUFFRAGETTES

Passed Along Funds to Carry On The Work—Queen's Offer

London, June 10.—Police raids on the suffragette headquarters, yesterday, resulted, it is alleged, in the discovery that several of the royal family, including the Prince of Wales, had been regular contributors to militant funds, while the queen tried to contribute but her offer was refused. These contributions do not mean that royalty favors militants. On the contrary it really amounts to paying for immunity for persons and property of the royal family from militant attacks.

BURNED TO DEATH

And Others Were Killed by Jumping From Escapes. New York, June 10.—Five persons were burned to death, two killed by jumping from fire escapes and a dozen others fatally injured when fire swept through the tenement fire trap on Essex street, in the congested east side. One of the women victims was found dead with a baby huddled in her breast, both burned to a cinder within two minutes after the fire was discovered the flimsy fire escapes crowded with scantily dressed human beings, many of whom refused to obey the firemen's orders to wait for ladders but jumped to the pavement below.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY ADOPTS CHURCH UNION

Report of Committee Passes by Majority of 177 After Passionate Debate. Woodstock, June 10.—After a passionate debate, which swayed the emotions of commissioners to both extremes, the general assembly of the Presbyterian church adopted the report of the committee on church union by a majority of 177, last night. A tenorless man arrived when the moderator announced: "Those in favor of the amendment will now rise." The hopes of the anti-unionists dropped to zero at the thin ranks of their supporters, while the anticipations of the unionists rose and all fears they had were dispelled.

The amendment, embodying the views of the anti-unionists was first voted on, the vote standing 117 for and 297 against. Rev. Dr. D. G. McQueen, of Edmonton, submitted another amendment against union, on which the vote was 114 for and 278 against. The motion of Rev. Dr. W. J. Clark, of Montreal, was then put, the result being 286 for, 109 against a majority of 177.

Amalgamate Departments. Woodstock, June 10.—The Presbyterian general assembly today approved of the recommendations of the special committee to amalgamate the social service, evangelistic and home mission departments under one general secretary.

There was considerable discussion regarding the methods of appointing professors to boards of management of theological colleges, and a committee was appointed to report to the next assembly in Kingston.

POOR ENGLISH SUITOST WILL BE GREATLY HELPED

In Legal Actions And Which Have Heretofore Required Considerable Cash

London, June 10.—New rules for poor suitors came into force yesterday. Persons wishing to take legal action, whose assets are less than £50, will be found solicitors and counsel and court fees free. All expenses will be paid if the applications are approved. Eight hundred lawyers have already agreed to act and fourteen hundred applications have already been received, mostly applications for divorce. Hundreds more are arriving daily.

THE REDISTRIBUTION BILL WILL PASS THE HOUSE

This Is The Hope Of Hon. Robert Rogers

THE TERMS ARRANGED

LIBERALS AND CONSERVATIVE INTERESTS SETTLED.

The Government is Willing to Make Concessions in the Hope of an Appeal to the Country in the Fall if the Provincial Elections Go as it Hopes. Ottawa, June 10.—There will be a re-carving of the dominion ridings this session after all. The redistribution committee, which has been working on the new constituencies for several months, will report this afternoon and there will be a short debate and the bill, based on the report, will go through before parliament prorogues.

Such is the expectation of Hon. Robert Rogers as expressed this morning. It was believed last week that the whole thing was off. An amicable arrangement has been reached, however, whereby the report will be brought in and the liberal members of the committee will be in position to debate the points at issue.

There are some who believe that the government's desire to pass the measure this session, even at the cost of some concessions, if Ontario and Manitoba do well for the conservative governments at the pending provincial elections, the government here will go to the people in the fall.

A reputation of Montreal Catholics waited upon Premier Borden, this morning, and urged that the 85th regiment be allowed to take part in the Corpus Christi procession at Montreal next Sunday, with all their arms and accoutrements. The prime minister stated that he would have to refer the matter to Hon. Col. Sam Hughes, minister of militia, for a decision.

Hacked Romney Picture. Birmingham, Eng., June 10.—A militant suffragette vandal, armed with a butcher's cleaver, destroyed the "Portrait of a Boy," by George Romney, in the Birmingham Art Gallery. When arrested she gave the name of Miss Ryland.

Prof. Crawford Dead. London, June 10.—The death has occurred at Ballyshannon of Prof. Robert Crawford, the eminent engineer, who carried out several important schemes in Canada, and one time held the chair of engineering at McGill University.

HUERTA CANNOT NAME HEAD OF NEW REGIME

The United States Objects To The Methods Prescribed By Mexican Envoys

Niagara Falls, Ont., June 10.—The United States is unwilling to extend recognition to a new provisional president if named according to the method prescribed by the Mexican delegates, which is that General Huerta would appoint as minister of foreign affairs the man who is agreed upon here to head the new government.

The Washington administration contends that if General Huerta is permitted to name the foreign minister who, by constitutional succession, would be elevated to the presidency, even though the selection be made here, such an act would be construed as recognition of the Huerta government.

On this issue the plenipotentiaries came to a flat disagreement at a conference held for consideration of the exact method by which the new provisional government in Mexico would be created out of the present regime.

CONFERENCE CONCLUDES Changes Made in First Draft of Stations. Napanee, Ont., June 9.—The Bay of Quinte conference concluded its last session this morning. The stationing committee came in with the following list of changes:

Sidney, Lucius M. Sharp; Rayside, F. G. Joblin; Cannifton, M. E. Wilson, M.A.; Shannonville, J. G. Roberson; Napanee, Grace, C. E. Craig, B.D.; Adolphustown, Anthony, Hildon, W. J. H. Smyth; Welcome, R. Garratt; Grafton, A. B. Frederick; Brooklyn, H. W. Foley, B.A., B.D.; Greenbank, E. W. Rowland; Seagow, W. H. Buckler; Cannifton, J. F. Chapman, B.A.; Bethel, H. B. Neal; Minden, D. M. B. Stinson; Peterboro, Charlotte street, J. P. Wilson, B.A.; Peterboro, Mark street, Leonard Phelps; Pontypool, H. A. Frost, B.A.; Hinton, Walter Merrick.

King Alfonso and Queen Victoria were the hosts of President Roosevelt at a luncheon at their summer palace at La Grandia, forty miles from Madrid. 6 bars of best Laundry Soap for 25c at Pickering's, 490 Princess street.

TO AID THOSE BEREAVED

By the Great Storm Which Recently Swept Bay Chaleur.

Ottawa, June 10.—This morning O. Turgeon, members for Gloucester, made an eloquent appeal in the commons on behalf of the widows and orphans of a hundred fishermen who have perished in the great storm which swept the Bay of Chaleur and the Gaspe coast, decimating the fishing fleets of Caracat, St. Simons and Shippegan, and in many cases wrecking the cottages of the fisherfolk on shore. Hon. Rodolph Lemieux echoed the appeal.

The minister of marine stated that it might not be that an appropriation would be made this session, but if the conditions called for aid, the governor general's warrant could be issued at a later date. Premier Borden concurred.

HAS NOT BEEN ADVISED OF ANY RESIGNATIONS

On The Part Of London, Ont. Officers Who Took Booze To Pot-awawa Camp

London, Ont., June 10.—Col. Hodgins, divisional commander of militia here, declared today that he knew nothing of the resignation of officers of the sixth field battery of this city as a result of their being searched for liquor at Potawawa camp. The rumored resignations have caused a furore in local military circles. Col. Hodgins stated in the story was true he would endeavor to smooth things over.

Welsh Cool too High. Cardiff, Wales, June 10.—A statement issued here says that owing to the high cost of Welsh coal and the reduction of the Atlantic freight rates, Americans have sold 300,000 tons of coal so far this year to consumers formerly supplied by Welsh companies. The sales were chiefly in Italy and Egypt and elsewhere in the Mediterranean.

At Edmonton William Wheeler, a well-known citizen and proprietor of the Dominion Club, was arrested on a charge of attempted extortion from women of the underworld. His arrest is the first in connection with the charges of graft which have been made against the police department.

In London Rebecca Clark, said to be the oldest Englishwoman, gave a birthday party on her 110th anniversary on Tuesday.

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- McLeod's Drug Store 200 University Ave.
- Peck's Cigar Store 70 Princess
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- Valley's Grocery 333 Mountain St.
- Low's Grocery 400 Parliament

DIED. PATTERSON—In Loughboro on June 9th, 1914, William Martin Patterson. Funeral from his late residence on Friday morning, 9:30 o'clock, to St. Patrick's church, where a solemn requiem mass will be sung for the repose of his soul. Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend.

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