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Aemilius Jarvis Has Paid Conspiracy Fine of Sixty Thousand Dollars

PROVINCE WILL FIGHT TORONTO OVER THE FINE

Attorney-General Will Not Let the \$60,000 Slip Away.

RELEASE OF JARVIS

Follows Payment of Fine--He Has Served Six Months At Jail Farm.

Toronto, April 23.—The fine of \$60,000 imposed on Aemilius Jarvis, Sr., convicted of conspiracy to defraud the province, was paid into court yesterday afternoon at Osgoode Hall. The amount was in the form of a cheque, payable to Edmund Harley, registrar of the Supreme Court, and was paid over by counsel representing Mr. Jarvis. The disposition of the fine—whether it goes to the province or the city of Toronto—is a matter for decision. The payment of the fine releases Mr. Jarvis from the jail farm, where he has been a prisoner since his conviction last fall in the Assize Court.

Mr. Jarvis has paid the province \$140,000, but this was restitution, and is not in any way associated with the fine, which the Supreme Court, in an appeal from the Assize Court sentence, fixed at \$60,000. With the payment of the \$60,000 the case of Jarvis is now closed, although there has been rumor that he will attempt to regain the amount paid to the province as restitution. Jarvis, senior, and Peter Smith, former provincial treasurer, were convicted on the same day on a charge of conspiracy to defraud the province of certain monies in the buying in of provincial bonds in Great Britain. Smith is now in Portsmouth penitentiary going a three-year sentence. He was also fined, but none of the amount has yet been paid.

The city of Toronto yesterday afternoon served notice on B. C. Harley, registrar of the Supreme Court, and Superintendent Morrison at the jail farm, that it lays formal claim to the \$60,000 fine paid by Aemilius Jarvis.

"The city is within its rights in taking such action," said Attorney-General Nickle. "What will the province do about it?" Mr. Nickle was asked. "Well, we'll have to make a fight for it," he replied without any hesitation. "We can't let \$60,000 slip away from us without a struggle."

Mr. Jarvis was released from the jail farm this morning.

Remission of Taxes.
Ottawa, April 23.—In the last fiscal year remissions or reduction in income or business profits tax in Canada consisted of \$8,523, covering four small remissions plus a remission of \$28,312 on account of the William Davies Company, Limited, which was paid to the British Government under section 3 of the Taxation Act. This was stated in the House of Commons to-day in answer to a question.

Harry D. Williams was hanged early Thursday morning at Fredericton, N.B., for the murder of his two nieces.

Hundreds were killed without trial by the authorities following the Sofia bomb outrage, say British M. P.'s who were there.

The report on the Mosul dispute is not entirely favorable to Great Britain, says a press forecast. The British government decides to probe the activities of the Soviet agents throughout Europe.

WANTS THE NUMBER OF M.P.'S REDUCED

Ottawa, April 23.—Reduction in the membership of the House of Commons is sought in a petition to His Majesty, of which notice was given in the Senate yesterday by Senator Lynch Staunton. He suggests that the representation from Quebec, which is the fixed factor on which Dominion representation from the rest of the country is based, be reduced from 65 to 50, so that the unit of representation could be reduced all over the country.



REV. WILLIAM RALPH INGE
Known as the gloomy dean of St. Paul's cathedral, London, Eng., now in United States, but who is the most brilliant and liberal mind in the Church of England.

Woman Arrested On Fraud Charge

In Connection With the Petrie Cream Separator Conspiracy at Deseronto.

Toronto, April 23.—With her husband having already fled the country while on bail because of the operations of the company, and with one Johnston having already been sentenced, and still facing criminal charges on the same account, Mrs. Agnes Petrie was arrested last evening by the provincial police and so lent a somewhat dramatic turn to the affairs of the Petrie Cream Separator company. The charge facing her is conspiracy to defraud and she is held without bail. She is alleged to have been one of the principals in the scheme by which stock to the value of \$150,000 in the Petrie Cream Separator company was sold to the Ontario public. The company was to have erected a factory in Deseronto. According to the provincial authorities, no such step was taken but the proceeds of the sale of the company's stock were diverted for the promoters' needs.

Mrs. Petrie was remanded for one week. Bail was fixed at \$6,000, but she has not produced it yet. She has four children.

Woman's Refusal to Mend Her Hubby's Socks Secures Divorce

Chicago, April 23.—A dutiful wife is supposed to darn her husband's socks. Failing in this and other chores, she may be divorced. This rule was established by Judge Sabath, when he indicated he would grant Henry Dannenberg, of Washington Heights, aged 73, a divorce from his wife, who is the same age, but his second wife. Incidentally, there was testimony that Mrs. Dannenberg had used a poker, a pair of shears and other weapons upon her husband, but the determining factor was her refusal to mend his socks and other clothing.

CANADA AND THE U.S. AGREE ON JOINT PLAN

Regarding St. Lawrence Waterway—Successful Conclusion of Diplomatic Relations.

Washington, April 23.—Final arrangement has been reached by the United States and the Dominion of Canada with respect to the proposed joint action by the two governments looking to the improvement of the St. Lawrence River between Montreal and Lake Ontario with a view to providing access to the Great Lakes for maritime commerce and the development of water power on both sides of the international border. The project involves an estimated expenditure of approximately \$300,000,000. Whether it will be carried forward by the two countries as proposed depends in a large part upon the conclusions of a joint board of engineers named by this government and the Dominion to make an investigation and report. The board has been directed to complete its work at the earliest possible date, and to make its report not later than the end of April, 1926.

MARLER CLAIMS ROBB'S BUDGET IS QUITE CLEAR

The Statement Is Simple And Very Easy to Analyze.

PUBLIC IS CONFUSED

By Criticism That Is Given Without a Correct Knowledge of the Facts.

Ottawa, April 23.—Herbert Marler, M.P., St. Lawrence-St. George, gave Parliament yesterday an exhaustive review of Canada's financial situation. He endorsed the financial statement as presented by the Hon. James A. Robb, stating "it is a simple statement, easy to analyze and clear in its effect."

Mr. Marler read the Conservative critics a severe lecture for their criticism of the financial statement presented by the Finance Minister. He said: "Criticism without a correct knowledge of the facts or of a nature to confuse the public mind serves no good purpose but casts suspicion on the good faith of those officers of the Crown who are responsible for the preparation and presentation of the statement in question. Suspicion of that description cannot be in the interest of the people of this Dominion. In the course of this debate certain expressions have been unfortunate in their inaccuracies. In other cases the facts, clearly for partisan purposes, have been distorted. As a result the public mind is confused as to the nature and effect of the financial statement now submitted."

He found that Mr. Robb in claiming a surplus of \$1,823,000 had presented an accurate statement of the year's financial operation. This statement had been presented in the same manner and same detail as that used in the last seven distinct budget speeches and it therefore could not be stated that the present form of financial statement differed from those previously given.

Mr. Marler reviewed the railway advances and bond issues and found that the criticism of the budget speech did not make a full disclosure of these various financial transactions and was not well-founded. He claimed it gave more information on this subject than did the budget speech of Sir Thomas White in 1919 or that of Sir Henry Drayton in 1921.

BRITISH SQUADRON'S TOUR.

Three Cruisers to Visit Montreal This Summer.

London, April 23.—The eighth cruiser squadron, under Vice-Admiral Sir James Fergusson, commander-in-chief of the North America and West Indies station, is ordered to leave its base at Bermuda on June 6 for a visit to Canada. It will be composed of H.M.S. Calcutta flagship (Captain the Hon. Alexander Ramsay, D.S.O.), H.M.S. Constance (Captain C. V. Robinson) and H.M.S. Curlew (Captain H. D. Bridges, D.S.O.).

From about June 9 to June 22 the squadron will be off Halifax. Later the flagship and possibly another cruiser will visit Hawke Bay, St. John's, Nfld., Sydney, Quebec and Montreal. Meantime H.M.S. Cape Town (Captain G. H. Knowles, D.S.O.) will cruise through the Panama Canal to Honolulu, Equimal, Vancouver and San Francisco.

IRISH TARIFF CHANGES.

Free State Income Tax Reduced to Four Shillings.

Dublin, April 23.—Income tax in the Irish Free State has been reduced from five to four shillings on the pound. Duties have been abolished on tea, raw cocoa, coffee and ethoxy and duties have been placed on clothing, blankets, rugs, wooden furniture and empty glass bottles. The duty on toilet soaps has been doubled. Imperial preference on sugar has been abolished, reducing the duty on sugar from 2½d to 1d per pound.

Hang on to your woollens till that unfalling sign of spring, the detour sign, makes its appearance on the highways.

On April 23rd, 1784, Royalists landed at Kingston, Ont. Milk prices in Toronto will drop on May 1st.

LOOKING AROUND

Yesterday Kingston showed the new owners of the Grand Opera House that it can uphold its reputation of giving the strongest support to a real good drama.

It certainly is strange that Queen's university, founded by Scotch Presbyterians, has not a golf club. One can understand why the athletic board of control does not wish to burden itself with looking after such an organization, for golf is a non-producer insofar as revenue is concerned and about as popular to Canadian spectators as cricket. But notwithstanding, Queen's should have a representative golf team.

A banana eater explains that it is cheaper to buy bananas by the dozen than by the pound. He has proven this, for on one occasion he received five to the pound and paid as much as he would have done for six by the dozen. Still, selling by weight is the fairer all round. Now, people get fifteen pounds of potatoes to the peck, while before they got all the way from twelve to fourteen pounds by the peck measure.

All the law violators are not summoned to the police court by long odds. Many of the O.T.A. violators are, but there are other people who observe the O.T.A. because they do not like liquor, but who violate other laws. The city engineer is reported to have caught a few during the past week because the city council provided him with an automobile. The city ordinances should be observed just as well as those of the governments and the Ten Commandments.

A late chief of police used to say that if he was to enforce all the by-laws there would be a strange mess, for he figured that he would have probably one-quarter of the people before the police magistrate and perhaps have to hold court night and day. He figured, too, that if he attempted to enforce even half the by-laws he would have appeals from all quarters to desist. So there you are.

A Princess street merchant remarked that he would lose one hundred dollars of his profits this week because of the snowstorm last Sunday, but he figured he would get this back probably two fold later in the year. The reason for this is that the heavy snowfall, about a foot around Kingston district, will fertilize the ground and cause it to yield more abundantly. The farmers will get more money from their crops and will have more to spend in the stores during the summer and fall.

For a long time there was little recognition of St. George's Day in Kingston as the old St. George's Society had gone out of existence. The flags on the city buildings marked the day, when those in authority did not forget the 23rd. Now, however, since the city elected a red-blooded Englishman as mayor and has retained Tom in the job for three years St. George's Day is getting more show, and the old St. George's Society has been revived. Years ago this society was very active, and at Christmas time it used to give roast beef to poor families who applied. Those were the days when the late Dr. E. H. Smythe and E. J. B. Pense were at head of the organization.

While there has been some emigration from Canada to the United States during the past few years, it must not be overlooked that there is a good deal of United States immigration into Canada. This spring it is said that more American farmers than ever are coming to Canada to settle. However, Canadians who went to the States are coming back in large numbers, but they made their decision before the announcement of 4.4 beer.

If there is to be an adequate sum of money sent to Nova Scotia for the relief of the unfortunate miners, their families and others, it would seem that the quickest results would be from the municipal councils. When councils make grants, everybody is fairly assessed and it is not left to the few to contribute to aid those sorely in need. At the time of the Halifax explosion disaster several years ago, Kingston city council made a grant of \$7,500, which was said to have been more in proportion to the population of this city than almost any other place in Ontario or the west.

EYE WITNESSES DO NOT AGREE IN THEIR VIEWS

As to Possibilities of Saving Crew of Japanese Freighter.

SUICIDE TO LAUNCH

Homeric's Lifeboats, According to Some--Captain Never Saw More Terrible Marine Disaster.

New York, April 23.—Passengers who arrived on the liner Homeric, after seeing the Japanese freighter Raifuku Maru sink with its thirty-eight officers and men, expressed widely divergent views as to whether every possible effort had been made by the Homeric's officers to save the Japanese seamen. The Homeric docked last night after its race with death failed on Tuesday.

Division among passengers was about equal, some saying that everything humanely possible had been done and that it would have been suicide to launch the Homeric's life boats; others stating that they believed some lives might have been saved had the boats been launched or rafts set adrift toward the sinking vessel.

Captain John Roberts was given a testimonial signed by 123 of the 238 first class cabin passengers.

All persons interviewed spoke of the tragedy of the spectacle, over which men as well as women wept unshakenly. Capt. Roberts said that in his forty years at sea he had never seen as terrible a marine disaster except during the world war.

Province Might Be Satisfied With a Split of the Fine

Toronto, April 23.—Attorney-General Nickle intimated today that the province might test the constitutionality of the Dominion legislation under which the city of Toronto is claiming a sixty thousand dollar fine, paid yesterday by Aemilius Jarvis, Sr.

"It has been contended that the Dominion law is ultra-vires," was Mr. Nickle's brief statement. He suggested that the province might be satisfied with a "split" of the fine.

FATHER AND TWO SONS SENTENCED TO PRISON

For Conspiracy to Defraud—The Father Comes to the Penitentiary.

Toronto, April 23.—Three years in Portsmouth penitentiary was the sentence of Judge Coatsworth upon E. B. Flater; his son, C. P. Flater, serves six months to two years less one day in the Ontario Reformatory; while the other son, F. Flater, is to serve three months to two years, less one day in the Ontario Reformatory.

The three sentences all to be served on each of the three counts of conspiracy to defraud, theft and receiving, but the sentences are to run concurrently. The three Flaters were found guilty on the three charges, which arose in connection with the operations of the Flater gold syndicate when they received \$11,000 from the public which they used for private purposes. On a fourth charge of false pretences they were found not guilty.

Church Union Commission Will Soon Start Its Work

Toronto, April 23.—Attorney-General Nickle has received from J. D. Falconbridge, K.C., notice of his acceptance of the appointment to the chairmanship of the church union property commission. Mr. Falconbridge is getting in touch with the other members of the commission: W. H. Wardrop, K.C., for the Unionists, and R. S. Cassels, K.C., who has been named to represent the non-concurring body. It is expected the commission will get down to work in a few days.

Another Terrorist Killed.
Sofia, April 23.—Revolutionist Teboustouloff, one of the principal terrorists under Nikoff, was shot and killed by the police today when he refused to surrender.

HAD DONE HIS DUTY AS BANK DIRECTOR

But Had Been Kept In Ignorance of the Bank's True Condition.

Toronto, April 23.—A. G. McMaster, K.C., counsel for Col. Clarence Smith of Montreal, director of the Home Bank of Canada, appealing his conviction and sentence by County Judge Emerson Coatsworth, argued this morning before the first divisional appellate court that his client had done his duty as director and had been kept in ignorance of the bank's true condition.

No Decision Yet.

Ottawa, April 23.—The proposed removal of the Royal Canadian Air Force Station from Camp Borden to Camp Mohawk is being considered by the Department of National Defense, but no decision has been reached, said Hon. E. M. Macdonald, Minister of National Defense, in the House of Commons yesterday afternoon, in answer to a question by W. A. Boys.

Gen. Macdonnell Was at Boston

As Representative of the Canadian Government For 150th Anniversary of Lexington.

Major General Sir A. C. Macdonnell has returned from Boston where he was the representative of the Canadian Government at the celebration on April 20th of the 150th anniversary of the battle of Lexington.

The ceremonies included a re-enactment of the battle on the Lexington Bridge with every detail corresponding as exactly as possible with those of the actual battle, and the spectators standing where the spectators from Concord had stood. The other main event was the great procession which lasted for over two hours and included thousands of varied uniforms, most of them historical, and the greatest display of flags which General Macdonnell has ever seen. Everything was done on a lavish scale and with an amazing thoroughness. The proverbial American hospitality was, if possible, exceeded on this occasion. The weather, however, was most disagreeable with a heavy fall of snow on Sunday and a chilling wind on Monday. But except that the proceedings were somewhat delayed by this misfortune, everything was carried out according to plan.

During his stay General Macdonnell was the guest of Mr. Gay, the British consul-general at Boston. Major Hadden was appointed his A. D. C., and the American General Brewster was his guide and councillor. Many other famous persons were in attendance, including General Pershing and Vice-President Dawes, whose great grandfather was the Dawes who rode with Paul Revere to rouse the countryside against the British.

The British veterans of the Great War were permitted to join in the parade, much to the surprise of some. The reason for allowing this one foreign body in a purely American celebration was that these veterans are in the habit of decorating the graves of the British soldiers who fell at Concord and Lexington, and it was felt that this interest entitled them to a place in the parade.

By special Act of Congress, a silver half-dollar was struck for the occasion and sold at one or two pieces for the sum of a dollar to cover the expenses of the anniversary. There was also a large medal, showing on one side a minute man and on the other a scene from the battle of Lexington. This is about four inches in diameter. There are also two small medals attached to ribbons of buff and blue each showing a minute man and one bearing the inscription "What a glorious morning for America." Copies of all of these are in the possession of General Macdonnell, together with some other interesting souvenirs of an imposing occasion.

Crew of Light Freighter May Have Lost Their Lives

St. Thomas, April 23.—Four men who left Cleveland Sunday, heading for Port Stanley in a light freight carrier, have not arrived and fear is now felt that they were lost in Lake Erie during Sunday's storm. They are Frank Payne and Bert Butcher, married, of Port Stanley; George Knages, single, of Windsor; and a Cleveland man. Tugs have been sent out to search for them.

C.N.R. HOTELS GIVE NO PROFIT SAYS THORNTON

Its Dining Car System Is Also Operated At a Loss.

BOTH ARE NECESSARY

To the Railway Business, However--Claim Made That Ocean Conference Not Combine.

Ottawa, April 23.—In giving evidence to-day before the house committee on railways and shipping, Sir Henry Thornton, president of the Canadian National railways, told of the loss sustained through the operation of its string of hotels. Last year the company's ten hotels had a revenue of \$1,795,279 and expenditures \$2,032,939, to which must be added taxes totalling \$60,278. The hotels, however, said Sir Henry, were a necessary adjunct to the railway traffic. The president also declared there was no profit in the dining car system but this also was a necessary adjunct to the railway business.

Not A Combine.

"The conference is in no way a combine as generally understood by the word," asserted Colonel William I. Gear, vice-president of the Robert Reford Company, before the special committee on Ocean Rates, yesterday afternoon. To strange trade by going to extremes in ocean rates was no object of the North Atlantic Conference, he declared. Not only did the conference not extort excessive rates, but it conferred numerous benefits on the shipper in the line of regularity of service, reduction in insurance premiums, improved accommodation, etc.

"The opinion has been expressed that New York governs the conference. We deny this absolutely," Col. Gear continued. "There is no discrimination in tariffs as between United States and Canadian ports. We quote the same rates to London, Liverpool and Glasgow as are quoted by any other United States port."

GEN. ROSS WILL NOT BELIEVE STATEMENT

That There Will Be No Tory Party in Canada in 25 Years.

Ottawa, April 23.—Brig.-Gen. A. E. Ross, M.P. for Kingston, followed Mr. Marler in the budget debate in the Commons last night.

"The remarks made in the house a few nights ago by a Progressive predicting that the Conservatives in twenty-five years would be dissolved," stated General Ross, "like the whistling of a boy going through the woods, trying to keep up his courage." He preferred the result in the last Ontario election by which the Ontario Conservatives were returned to power, after predictions by Ontario Progressives, similar to that voiced a few nights ago in parliament here. Mr. Forke had on many occasions condemned the government, but when it came to a crisis, he always voted for them. This year he had said he had nailed his colors to the mast, and the Conservatives, said General Ross, were waiting to see how soon the colors were coming down. General Ross moved the adjournment of the debate, which will be resumed to-day.

Recalls That He Was Born Here in 1843

J. G. Webb, of Allenford, is a Kingston old boy eighty-three years young. While he may not be able to come to Kingston for the reunion this year, he is taking a great interest in the homecoming, and in a letter to Dr. W. W. Sands, city clerk, states that he is greatly pleased over the arrangements which are being made for the event. Mr. Webb was born in Kingston in 1843, in a house where the Orange Hall on Princess street, is located. He recalls that he attended school under "Polly" Hopkins in 1855-56.