

NEWS OF THE DAY IN BRIEF

Brockville Tinsmith Accused of Poisoning His Employer.

Failure of Shore Fishing Hard on Labrador Fishermen.

More Conscience Money Received by Windsor Officer.

A Victoria company has bought 35,000 acres of land on Vancouver Island and will throw it open for settlement.

George Fleming, Secretary of the Y. M. C. A. St. Thomas, has resigned after several years of service. He will engage in business.

No. 6 Company, of the 31st Regiment, which has had headquarters at Wheston for thirty years, has been this week removed to Markdale.

William Devlin has resigned as Superintendent of Brant County House of Refuge, after seventeen years' service, on account of ill-health.

Representatives of the Redemptorist Order have purchased twenty-three acres of land in Sherbrooke, Que. They will build a monastery at an early date.

At a meeting in St. Andrew's Presbyterian Sunday school room, Niagara Falls, last night, the second troop of Scouts in the city was organized.

Dr. Hung, first Chinese Consul to Canada, who has been in Ottawa for the past year, has resigned and will be succeeded by Mr. Wong, transferred from Nagasaki.

Mrs. Rebecca Harding Davis, mother of Richard Harding Davis, the novelist, died at Mount Kisco. Mrs. Davis had been failing in health for some time. She was 80 years old.

The date of the by-election for South Wellington has not yet been determined, according to the statement of Hon. J. J. Foy, acting Premier. "It will not, however, be delayed," he added.

The body of the man found near the G. T. R. tracks at Eastern avenue, Toronto, on Tuesday, is now believed to be that of Frank George Hobbs. He is believed to belong to Montreal.

Premier Ward has received an intimation from Premier and the Canadian Government stipulating that after August New Zealand must be a point of call on the Vancouver mail service.

Rev. L. H. Thomas, B. A., son of Rev. B. D. Thomas, formerly pastor of Jarvis Street Baptist Church, Toronto, has resigned his pastorate at Kenora in order to take up work in eastern Ontario.

Rev. T. S. Boyle, formerly rector of Chatham, Ont., and now professor of history at Trinity University, has had conferred upon him the degree of Doctor of Divinity by the Metropolitan of Canada.

Great Britain and the United States will postpone the organization of the tribunal provided for in the fisheries award, and endeavor to reach an agreement on the questions involved through negotiations.

A. McNeil, ex-Secretary-Treasurer of the Embro School Board, was committed for trial at Woodstock on the charge of misappropriation of funds to the extent of \$446. His books for three years are very much muddled.

Charles Ladure, aged 25, brakeman on the Dominion Coal Company's trains from Sydney, N. S., was cut in two by a train on which he was working. His body lay for some time on the track before it was discovered.

Lieut. Siegfried Heim, the German army officer who was arrested while making sketches of the fortifications at Portsmouth, Eng., in the early part of the month, has been committed for trial. Heim was released under \$5,000 bail.

A warrant was issued by the Exchequer Court, Montreal, on demand of the owners of the collier Kran Prinz Olaf for arrest on damages of \$15,000 of the steamship Montcalm, of the C. P. R. The vessels were in collision a few miles below Quebec recently.

Charles Landon, a tinsmith, of Brockville, appeared before Judge J. J. O'Reilly, of Cornwall, upon a charge of attempting on May 30 last to poison Thomas Sheridan, one of his employers, by administering arsenic acid in tea.

Mrs. Marina Glendinning, of London, has entered suit for alimony against her husband, Mr. Andrew Glendinning, a Toronto merchant, who formerly lived in Cobalt. The case is scheduled for the Fall Assizes, opening at London on Monday next.

Another contribution to the "conscience fund" of the Customs Department was received at Windsor by Collector of Customs Smith. A \$2 bill, enclosed in an envelope, was accompanied by a scrap of paper: "For duty on goods smuggled from Detroit."

Rev. Dr. W. A. J. Martin, pastor of Zion Presbyterian Church, Brantford, has arrived at Rochester, Minn., to undergo another operation for internal troubles. While critically ill, it is hoped he will be greatly benefited by the operation.

Charles Girvin, Fort Erie, is entering an action for unstated damages against the International Ferry Company for his son's death. The case will be tried at the Spring Assizes in Welland. Girvin's son was killed at Fort Erie in September, 1903.

Owing to the almost complete failure of the shore fishing of the season soon to close, it is feared that the spring of the Labrador fishermen will be particularly severe during the coming winter. The season's catch is believed to be the smallest in the annals of the organized fisheries.

Peter Delaney, the tramp telegraph operator, who ran amuck in the Western Union office in Detroit some weeks ago, shooting two men and badly frightening a score of others, is again at liberty. He was declared by the Probate Court at Windsor to be mentally competent, and no one appeared to prosecute him he was allowed to go.

COTTON LOCK-OUT

Attempt to Settle Trouble at Manchester—Many Men Affected.

London, Oct. 3.—The Board of Trade intervened today in an attempt to avert the lock-out in the cotton industry, which is threatened for Oct. 3. An official of the board went to Manchester to interview members of the Federation of Master Cotton Spinners and representatives of the employees and hopes to be able to arrange a round-table conference. Yesterday the emergency committee of the Cotton Employers' Federation adopted a resolution to make no further concessions to the operatives. The lock-out heretofore decided upon will therefore go into effect on Oct. 1, unless it is settled in the meantime.

About 150,000 men will be affected at the beginning, but this number will probably reach 300,000 if the tie-up lasts any time. The trouble started over a strike, involving about seventy-five men at the Fern mill at Oldham.

AVIATION MEET

Best French Aviators Coming to Belmont Park to Compete,

Determined to Carry Away With Them the International Trophy.

Paris, Oct. 3.—The French aviation cracks are tuning up for the international meet at Belmont Park, N. Y., and the thoroughness of their preparation betrays a determination to bring back to France the international trophy which Glenn H. Curtiss won at Rheims a year ago. At that time Curtiss covered 12.42 miles in 15 minutes 50.35 seconds, establishing a world's record.

In the last 13 months there has been marked progress in aeroplane construction, and operation and the Frenchmen expect to show the world a thing or two in October. The French team selected to compete for the aerial blue ribbon is made up of Alfred Leblanc, Herbert Latham and Leon Morane. Each is putting the finishing touches on a specially built monoplane which he will use.

Today Leblanc tried out his new machine. It is a Blériot model equipped with two coupled fifty horse power revolving Gnome motors. The figures were concealed, but it is understood that the racer developed extraordinary speed.

Hubert Latham has been practicing with his new 100 horse power flyer and is said to have attained a speed of something like 70 miles an hour without working his motor to its capacity.

Leblanc is well known in America, where he piloted the "Lebe" plane in the international balloon race in St. Louis in 1907. Last month he won the prize of \$20,000 for a circular flight of a little less than 500 miles, which was made in accordance with the requirements of the contest, in six stages, on set dates, "rain or shine." His time was eleven hours and 56 minutes.

The International Cup must be won three times in succession to become the property of any club. The coming competition will be the second of the series with the advantage of the first victory resting with the Aero Club of America.

TRACED HIM.

Officers Captured Escaped Burglar by Shadowing His Sweetheart.

London, despatch.—Word was received here to-day that John Roberts, who escaped from London jail on Aug. 2, had been captured at Detroit. He was traced up by the officers shadowing the girl whom he was to have married. She was followed to Port Huron, where sent of Roberts was obtained. He is being taken to Bad Axe to answer a charge of robbery committed in Michigan and will then be deported. He was under three years' sentence for burglary when he escaped and would have been taken to the penitentiary but for the fact that he is suffering from an infectious disease.

STEAMERS SINK.

Two Hundred Passengers and Crew of One Vessel Drowned.

Victoria, B. C., Oct. 3.—Several steamship disasters with heavy loss of life resulted from severe storms in Japanese and Chinese waters shortly prior to the sailing of the steamer Sadow, which arrived here to-day.

The Tejel Kise Maru, plying between Amoy and Chuan Cheu, went down and 200 passengers, including many Chinese, were drowned. The river steamer Ansein ran into a bridge on the Shinan River near Nagasaki and foundered, fifty of the eighty persons on board perishing.

The Osaka Chosen, coasting steamer Kilkina went ashore on Sept. 8 near Chino Island, Wakayama, and her crew was rescued with difficulty by fishermen.

PLAYED DOUBLE GAME.

Montreal, Oct. 3.—James G. Woods and James O'Sullivan, the two men concerned in the alleged double shuffle on the Dominion Alliance in the liquor law violation cases, have been committed for trial on charges of conspiracy. They were supposed to be securing evidence for the Alliance, and at the same time were at least trying to sell out to the other side.

DEATH SENTENCE FOR DOLAN AND McNULTY

Girl Feels For McNulty and Asks Judge to be as Light as He Could on Him.

McNulty Denies He Wrote the Fatal Letter, But Judge Didn't Believe Him.

Barrie despatch: Separated by only a few cells, Thomas McNulty and his former paramour, Mary Dolan, lie in jail here tonight awaiting sentence. Following the conviction of the girl on a charge of murdering her illegitimate child, the jury in the trial of McNulty on an capital charge, after an absence of three and a half hours, to-night returned a verdict of guilty, with a recommendation to mercy. So that Mr. Justice Britton will have the painful duty of passing sentence of death upon both prisoners.

After the jury had been polled, showing that they were unanimous in their finding, Mr. Creswicke asked his Lordship to reserve a case for appeal.

It is almost certain that in Miss Dolan's case the conspiracy urged by the jury will be exercised and the sentence committed to one of imprisonment, while it is expected in some quarters that the recommendation of McNulty to mercy will also be entertained. When the foreman of the jury in a crowded court room to-night announced that they had agreed upon their verdict, and found the prisoner McNulty guilty, there was a murmur of the court's scenes which have amused the course of both trials.

Subjunctively, Mrs. McNulty, the wife of her husband's cousin, who has never left her husband's side during the case, lunged her hands toward McNulty's neck, pressed his head and kissed him, crying, "My poor husband, my poor child!" the prisoner was himself deeply affected, and was led from the dock crying bitterly, while Mrs. McNulty, wringing her hands, was assisted from the court room, shrieking: "That sad, bad woman, who has wrecked every home in the county!"

It was a most affecting scene, and a pathetic ending to a case that had touched the hearts and tried the nerves of everyone present.

Apart from the emotionality it excited and its sensational features, the case was remarkable from the fact that it was the first time the father of an illegitimate child has been tried on a charge of having committed murder by counselling or procuring his child's death. Keen sympathy was felt for Miss Dolan and Mrs. McNulty. The latter's faith in her husband remained unshaken to the end, a fact that was dramatically illustrated in the course of the Crown prosecutor's address to the jury. Mr. Blackstock, in a masterly presentation of the case for the Crown, admonished the jury to take full consideration of McNulty's immoral character and callous treatment of Miss Dolan and to confine their attention to the issue of murder.

"This prisoner," he said, "is not being tried for seduction, neither is he on trial for wrecking the life of the woman whom he vowed to protect and love; his unfortunate wife."

At this point Mrs. McNulty, who had so far shown wonderful composure, broke down and indignantly shouted: "He has not wrecked my life!"

It was some time before she would be composed, and Mr. Blackstock had to beg that there would be no more interruptions.

MISS DOLAN ON THE RACK.

Distressing as Mrs. McNulty's outbursts were, they were not more nerve-wrecking than the ordeal through which Mary Dolan passed earlier in the day when Mr. Creswicke, K. C., resumed his cross-examination. In the morning her condition was such that it was feared she would not be able to go on the stand again, but by the time the case was called she had recovered sufficiently to proceed, with a doctor standing over her, and Mr. Eulphoe, assistant counsel for the Crown, encouraging her to hold out. Though she started out bravely to face Mr. Creswicke's searching cross-examination, it was not long before she had to receive attention, an attack of tetanic spasms causing her teeth to set fixedly and rendering her speechless, while repeatedly she swooned away, necessitating many interruptions. For fully two hours this pathetic spectacle continued, and it was a relief to everybody present when the final question was put and answered, and the poor girl was led away in a state bordering on complete collapse.

Miss Dolan admitted that she had been infatuated by McNulty, and explained that the reason she did not break off her illicit relations with him was that he assured her his wife would not live long and he would marry her.

Replying to Mr. Blackstock, she stated that after their arrest she and McNulty occupied adjoining cells, so that they were able to communicate with one another when the jailer was out of hearing. In one of these prison conversations she said that McNulty asked her not to give him away. "Is it true," asked Mr. Blackstock, "that McNulty wrote you a letter telling you to strangle the child?" "He did," she replied.

MR. CRESWICKE'S ARGUMENT.

Mr. Creswicke, in an able address to the jury on behalf of his client, submitted that the Crown's whole case rested on the unsupported testimony of Miss Dolan, who he claimed, was not a reliable witness. In support of this contention, he pointed out that in several material respects her story of the preliminary investigation differed from that told during the trial, and particularly dwelt on the fact that she had not said a word about being kept in a stable when previously examined. It was incredible, he maintained, that any man in his sane

senses would send a letter through the mails to a strange house, where its contents might easily become known, telling a girl to strangle her child. He suggested that the jury should leave McNulty to be dealt with under another indictment, which had been preferred against him, of being an accessory after the crime.

MR. BLACKSTOCK'S REPLY.

Mr. Blackstock met the challenge of the prisoner's counsel by recalling the bold and reckless conduct of McNulty in visiting Dolan's house, throwing boxes of pills into the churchyard, writing letters shamelessly protesting his love for her, and inviting a woman friend of his own to take Miss Dolan to Toronto to undergo an operation if possible.

"Why is that woman not produced?" he thundered, "if the prisoner's counsel desired to controvert Miss Dolan's testimony on that point?"

Then Mr. Blackstock pictured the subtleties which the prisoner had resorted to in order to evade detection when he learned that the girl was in trouble, and read from McNulty's letters to show the nature of his relations with her.

"This man," he said, "had either to pay for the support of the child or it was death for the child, and" continued the counsel, after a significant pause, "he refused to support it."

The whole question was, did McNulty write a letter to Miss Dolan telling her to strangle the child? And Mr. Blackstock submitted that the circumstance which had been proved threw a light on that issue which left it beyond doubt. Mr. Justice Britton briefly charged the jury, directing them that it was not usual to accept the evidence of an accomplice in crime unless it was corroborated.

The jury retired at 5 o'clock and returned with their verdict at 8.30.

Barrie Ont. despatch: For the strangulation of her illegitimate child, Mary Dolan was to-day sentenced to be hanged on Wednesday, the fourth day of December. The same punishment was meted out to Thomas McNulty, who counselled the killing of the infant whose father he was.

"All I have to say," said the Dolan girl, "is that everything I have said in this court is true. I got a letter on Friday telling me to strangle the child, but I did not read it at the time but put it in my stocking."

Losing control of herself the girl began to weep. "I want you to be as light as you can on McNulty," she blurted out, then slipped to her chair in the prisoners' box and was quiet.

Justice Britton expressed a reluctance to increase the girl's visible suffering. "You have paid very dearly for your moments of pleasure," he said, "I agree with the jury's recommendation of mercy and to that I shall add my own mercy."

The prisoner was then sentenced to be taken to the county jail of Simcoe until December 14, when she shall be hanged. Upon the utterance of the dread word the girl gave a loud wailing cry and then sobbed bitterly. Beside her wept her mother. Wringing her hands and shaking violently, the father of Mary Dolan stood helplessly by. The girl was at length half carried from the court by Mayor Rogers. This was the first time Justice Britton has condemned a woman to the scaffold.

Thomas McNulty declared bluntly that he never wrote such a letter in his life as that in which the jury has found him guilty of ordering Mary Dolan to slay her child. The declaration Judge Britton in passing sentence did not take seriously. "You possibly thought," said he, "you might counsel with impunity the doing away with the child by another. In that you were wrong."

McNulty, whose eyes were buried in his handkerchief, was then sentenced to die on Wednesday, Dec. 14. The jury's recommendation to mercy would be forwarded to Ottawa, but unaccompanied by me by the Judge. On this chance, McNulty was advised not to set too great store. "You had better employ your peace with your Maker," Mr. Creswicke declared that on certain grounds he intended to ask for a new trial. He also repeated his request for a reserve case.

O'CONNOR MEETING

43th Highlanders Ordered Not to Attend it in Uniform.

Toronto, Ont., despatch: Col. Robertson, of the 48th Regiment Highlanders, in round terms has denied a statement of E. J. Roche, president of the T. P. O'Connor Reception Committee, that members of the regiment were to be excused from Friday's weekly drill in order that they might attend O'Connor's meeting in seats reserved for them. The colonel says he distinctly refused the request of Mr. Roche that drill be postponed. He states that a Canadian regiment cannot take part in a political meeting. This morning Col. Robertson issued a statement, telling the men they are not to be excused from drill and requesting them not to attend the O'Connor meeting in uniform to-night.

There are some who bear a grudge even to those that do them good.—Phil.

FRUIT IN DEMAND.

Ontario Peaches Find Good Sale in Old World.

Toronto, Oct. 3.—A third consignment of Ontario peaches, with a first consignment of Ontario tomatoes, were placed on the British market in first-class condition yesterday, according to the cable received by the Department of Agriculture. The demand was brisk and good prices were obtained.

In all 5,000 boxes of Ontario peaches have been disposed of in England alone this season, while the fresh fruit has found ready sale in Brussels, Belgium, and Berlin, and Hamburg, Germany, as well as in fifteen markets throughout England, Scotland and Ireland. This is the first year in which the department has undertaken the direct export of fresh fruits, and the results are very gratifying.

BLACKMAIL TRICK

Man Placed Bomb Beside Residence of Mrs. Potter Palmer.

Tore His Clothes and Pretended He Had Saved the House.

Chicago, Oct. 3.—After placing a bomb beside the residence of Mrs. Potter Palmer and cutting his coat into shreds with a butcher knife, piercing his skin, Fred C. Wahlenmeyer, 26 years old, attempted to gain an entrance to the mansion and was arrested.

Wahlenmeyer demanded an audience with Mrs. Potter Palmer, but the watchman, who as the first person encountered summoned the police. Wahlenmeyer at first told a story of having seen another man placing the bomb at the side of the house and of struggling with him. Later, however, the prisoner confessed to having put the explosive there himself and of having cut his clothes to bear out his narrative. Mrs. Palmer was at home at the time and the whole household was thrown into excitement.

Wahlenmeyer was questioned by the police, but refused to explain his motive, saying: "Why did I do it? Oh! Just for instance." It is believed Wahlenmeyer is not insane. The police think that he thought to gain a reward for having "saved" the house and its occupants, and that the mutilation of his clothes was to substantiate this claim.

VISITED WINNIPEG

Members of Manufacturers' Delegation Enthusiastic Over Trip.

Winnipeg, despatch: Members of the Canadian manufacturers' Association, returning from the Vancouver convention, arrived in the city over the Grand Trunk Pacific from Edmonton this morning, and left at 10 o'clock to-night for Minneapolis and St. Paul. They will be entertained to auto rides and luncheons in the twin cities, leaving St. Paul on Friday night for the Soo.

Without exception, the delegates are enthusiastic over the trip, and especially the assurance that the crop of 1910 will net the west as much as any crop heretofore. About 60 of the delegates went to Point du Bois this morning to visit the new city power plant on the Winnipeg River.

TAFT AND JAILS.

Warns Prison Reformers Not to Make Them Too Comfortable.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 3.—In receiving the delegates to the international prison congress in the White House to-day, President Taft cautioned them against making prisons so comfortable as to furnish a motive for violating the law, and also warned against associating prisoners who were mere offenders with hardened law-breakers.

The president expressed the hope that the Government now had proposed, and illustrated at least some of the improvements that the prison congress recommended. He said that Attorney-General Wickens would be at the coming conference to make and receive suggestions.

FOUND HANGING.

Young Farmer of Kinloss Township Committed Suicide.

Wingham, Ont., despatch.—Donald Ross, a young farmer of about thirty years of age, and who resided with his mother and sister in the Township of Kinloss, near Whitechurch, committed suicide this morning by hanging. The young man left home to assist a neighbor threshing, and being wanted, it was found that he had not been there. A search was instituted and the dead body was found suspended from a beam in the roothouse. He must have been dead some hours. No reason can be assigned as he was of a very cheerful disposition.

BRANTFORD'S POPULATION.

Brantford, Oct. 3.—The figures issued by the assessors this morning show Brantford's population to be 21,964, an increase of more than 1,200 over last year. The increase in the total assessment is \$836,000, but this includes about \$200,000 in exemptions on new public buildings and churches. Taking in the suburbs adjacent to the city, which will come in in a short time, the population would reach 25,000.

DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION

Party With Fifteen Names For First Place, But No Slate Yet.

Convention Favors State Wide Direct Primary For People.

Rochester, N. Y., Oct. 3.—The delegates to the Democratic State convention to-day faced a situation without a parallel in the history of the party. With the second and supposedly the concluding session of the convention set for 1 o'clock this afternoon, the leaders started the day without even the semblance of a slate and with no less than fifteen names under consideration for first place on the ticket.

The conferees that met in the rooms of Leader Charles F. Murphy, of Tammany, last night discussed the relative merits of these fifteen candidates for nearly three hours, and finally adjourned at half-past two this morning without being able to agree. The only definite result of this meeting, which was attended by thirteen of the most prominent Democrats, was the endorsement of the direct primary plank, which will be one of the three prominent features of the platform. This plank will read as follows:

"We favor a State wide direct primary to insure to the people the right to select political committees and nominate public officers. Further than this the most ardent champions of direction nominations would not go, and the men who framed the plank declared that it would win more votes for the party than fall than anything else in the platform."

The programme for the convention to-day was the selection of permanent officers, the presentation of committee reports, the adoption of a platform, and, finally, the nomination of a ticket.

Herbert P. Bissell, of Buffalo, will be named for permanent chairman, and his speech will supplement that of Alton B. Parker, the temporary chairman yesterday, defining the issues.

John A. Dix for governor, if he will take the nomination; Alton B. Parker if Dix will not. This it was learned to-day was the slate favored by most of the leaders in the conference which adjourned in Charles F. Murphy's rooms at half past two this morning. Mr. Dix was allowed to consider the matter for a few hours with the understanding that he should give a decision when the conference was resumed to-day.

YOUNG THIEF.

Fourteen-Year-Old Girl Confesses Series of House Robberies.

Toronto despatch.—With the arrest to-day of Edna Mutton, a fourteen-year-old girl, the police believe they have solved the problem of a whole series of housebreakings in the west end of the city during the past two weeks. Jewelry taken in four burglaries has been recovered, some of the rings having been found on the girl's hand at the time of her arrest and the remainder in her desk at school.

The girl was arraigned in the children's court and remanded to the children's shelter in care of the Children's Aid Society. The magistrate refused to let her plead until she had had an opportunity of consulting friends.

The girl, however, in a statement to the police freely admitted her guilt. She said she used to look behind the shutters of houses to see if the front door key was left hanging on the hook, for she knew this was a sign the occupants were out. In this way she entered four houses last Sunday and Monday.

The parents of the girl, who reside at 95 Frizell street, are very respectable people and the girl herself was looked upon as a bright girl at school.

GAMBLING DEAD.

Nevada Closes All Gambling Resorts in Carson City and Other Places.

Carson, Nev., Oct. 3.—For the first time in fifty years the doors of gambling houses in this state have been closed. Under the recent action of the Legislature of Nevada, gambling in this state will be prohibited on and after Oct. 1st.

Although another day of grace remained to them, the wheels that have spun since the days of the characters of Bret Harte and Mark Twain are still and the faro tables have been stowed away. Gambling is dead and Carson City where fortunes have shifted on the turn of a card is closed.

TOWNS WRECKED.

Four of Them Demolished by Typhoon in Island of Luzon.

Manila, Oct. 3.—A typhoon of unusual severity swept over the valley of Cayan River, in the province of Cayan and Isabella, Northern Luzon, on Sept. 26. Four towns, including Ilagan, the capital of Isabella province, were practically demolished. A thousand persons are still homeless and destitute, but the despatches so far received indicate that there were no casualties. The typhoon crop was seriously damaged. The Government is making relief plans.



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