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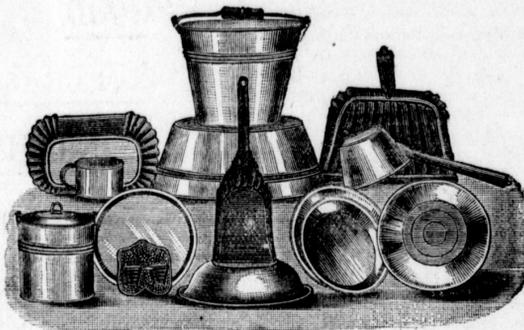
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EVERETT'S BOOKSTORE.

EVIDENCE BEFORE THE COMMISSION.

SOLICITOR GENERAL WHITE OPENS THE QUEEN INVESTIGATION.

The old St. Gertrude Street Case Again Figures Before the Public.—Outline of the Charges.—Mr. Queen is Ready to Defend.—Postponement till June 25.

At three o'clock on Thursday afternoon last the examination into the conduct of Wm Queen, magistrate of the town, was begun before Mr. Solicitor-General White, who is a commissioner for that purpose. Mr. J. C. Hartley appeared on behalf of the complainants, and Mr. J. R. Murphy for Mr. Queen. The proceedings were held in the town hall, and there was quite a number of interested citizens.

There were four separate petitions. The first was signed by W. S. Saunders mayor of Woodstock, the members of the council and a number of private citizens. It set forth the circumstances connected with the removal of Mr. Queen's lawn on Nov. 5th of last year, and alleged that Mr. Queen threatened to shoot any man who attempted to remove the lawn, and that he said to the town marshal that he would cut any man who attempted to interfere with his property, and would cut the marshal if he were the aggressive party. The petition also set forth that Mr. Queen was also a quarrelsome person and that he had among other playful epithets stigmatized the mayor as a "murderer"; that his contentious disposition was shown by the fact that he had been engaged in six law suits in the course of two years. The petition dealing with the town matter was first taken up.

John C. Gibson was the first witness. He said, as town marshal he went over to Mr. Queen's on or about the 5th of November of last year. The mayor, members of the council and others were engaged in removing or assisting to remove the obstruction. Wm Queen came up and going back into yard got an iron bar or something like that. Afterwards he went back and got an axe. I asked him what he was going to do with the axe. He replied "I will cut the first man who interferes with this fence." I told him I would have to interfere. He said "I will cut you, too." When the men working at removing the obstruction got done with the lower side, one man got over the fence. Mr. Queen made at him with an axe. While I was removing my coat Queen struck at him with his axe and cut the axe or other implement in the hands of the laborer. I told Mr. Queen to get back and he got back and took over his other coat. Finally I persuaded him to go away. The man whom he struck at was named Dickinson and worked for the town.

Mayor Saunders said that Mr. Queen said to him (the mayor) on the occasion referred to. "You ought to be down in Lower Woodstock burning another house," and "you ought to be in the penitentiary." On another occasion Mr. Queen said to me "you murderer." Witness confirmed what the previous witness had said as to Mr. Queen striking the laborers axe. Jas. Queen advanced to his father and raised his hand as though to prevent him from using any other violence. To Mr. Murphy—Father Chapman first complained about the encroachment on St. Gertrude street. Mr. Queen made complaints of other encroachments, and I told him I would take the same steps to prevent encroachment as in his case. No one else had been ordered to remove their encroachments. The difference between Mr. Queen and myself first began by Mr. Queen accusing me of taking up a complaint of Pat McAnna, something which I did not do. I did not say to John Flemming that if Queen had treated him as he treated me he would have done as I did in the matter of his property. I did not hold meetings of the enemies of Queen to consult as what means we should take to dispossess Queen. I spent the evening of the 4th of November last partly at home.

Was not a plan of action announced in John Connors shop?

No!

Our solicitors advised taking the means we did to remove the obstruction. I did not oppose it. Previous to this time Mr. Queen and I did have some altercation.

Coun. H. E. Gallagher gave evidence corroborating what the Mayor had said.

The Solicitor asked Mr. Gallagher, "When Mr. Queen struck Dickinson's axe, was Dickinson in the act of swinging his axe? Yes.

How far was Mr. Queen from the fence? I should think about six or seven feet.

How would it be with reference to Dickin-

son, behind or in front of him? Could Dickinson see him strike at the axe?

He could see him if he turned his eyes around. If he was looking at the fence he could not see him.

Augustus Gilman gave testimony as to his work in superintending the removal of the obstruction on St. Gertrude St. In conversation prior to this Queen said he would shoot anyone who tried to remove his lawn. Witness then confirmed the evidence of prior witness as to Queen striking Dickinson's axe with his axe.

John Connor was on the street committee in 1894. Mr. Queen was building his house, and a lot of stuff was being taken out of his cellar and placed on St. Gertrude St. My attention was called to this and I asked Mr. Queen to remove the dirt. This he did.

To Mr. Murphy—I did not express a strong wish that Mr. Queen should be turned out of his office, nor, did I say that I would not support the government if Queen was not put out. I did sign the petition for his removal.

To convenience the out of town witnesses, the case as put by Mr. McLean was then taken up.

Arthur McLean—I am a farmer living in the parish of Woodstock. I sold Mr. Queen lumber. He paid me for it, but I had to sue him for it. On one occasion he paid me some money, and the next time I saw him he said he did not get any lumber, that Smith of Smith & Hay kept it. I said I would sue him. He said if I sued him I would sue the wrong man. If I sued Smith & Hay before him he would get the money for me. I said that would not do, and then, he said I had better sue it before McLean, J. P., and he would plead the case and get a verdict. Mr. Connors was the first person who spoke to me about coming here. This paragraph is in the petition not by my request or consent. It was put in without my knowledge.

To Mr. Murphy—Queen said he would pay me for what lumber he got. He did not get all the lumber from Smith & Hay. Queen told me if I sued them before him I would probably get a verdict.

To Mr. Hartley—I agreed to sell the lumber to Queen, and at his request took it to Smith & Hay's mill.

Jonathan Harding—I am a farmer living in the parish of Wakefield. An account against me was put by Abner Hamilton in the hands of Wm. Queen to be collected. I paid this account to Queen six or eight days after the notice was sent to me. I paid him \$3.00, the whole claim was \$3.75.

To Mr. Murphy—I was subpoenaed to come here by the town marshal.

The sitting of the commission adjourned in order to allow of Mr. Queen seeing certain new charges which were to be presented. When they resumed on Friday morning the new charges were made. The most important deals with some action which Queen is alleged to have taken at the time the Scott Act detective Robbins was here some four years ago, with a view of using his office to defeat the working of the C. T. Act.

Mr. Murphy claimed that the charges were very old, and that it was hardly fair to bring them up now when Mr. Queen had been allowed to transact the business of his office all these years without protest. Mr. Hartley replying to this said that when the affair occurred it was intended to ask for a commission to inquire into Mr. Queen's conduct, but it had been let drop. The Solicitor-general considered the charge a very serious one, but in view of the time that had been allowed to lapse without pressing it, he would set the matter before a meeting of the executive on Tuesday, with a view of ascertaining whether it should be allowed or not.

The commission then, by agreement adjourned until June 25 next.

With regard to the Hamilton charge it is set forth that Mr. Queen collected an account amounting to \$2.50 from Harding for Hamilton, giving said Harding a receipt, but that Hamilton had not received the money.

With respect to a charge laid by Henry B. Smith, the facts as put forth by him are that sometime in the latter part of 1892, Churchill & Scott left an account against Smith for collection, with Mr. Queen, that Smith went to Queen's office on the 29th day of July 1892 and paid the claim in full, \$4.35, and he got a receipt, that in Feb. 1893 on Smith's return from Fredericton he was informed that a constable had been at his home and had left a summons issued by Wm. Queen, for the above claim; that he went to see Queen who said it was all right if he (Smith) had a receipt; that in December 1894, an execution was issued against him by Wm. Queen, and on his way to town he was arrested by a constable, that he showed the receipt to Queen, who then let him go; that he consulted a lawyer about taking action against Queen but was dissuaded from so doing. With regard to this charge, as to the others Mr. Queen claims that when the occasion arrives he will be able to give a thoroughly satisfactory explanation of his conduct.

YOUNG BOY DROWNED AT HARTLAND.

HOUSE DESTROYED BY FIRE AT THE BOUNDARY LINE.

Narrow Escape from an Awful Death.—Hartland People in Gloom over a Young Life Suddenly Put Out.—1,000 Cords of Bark Burned.

(Special to THE DISPATCH.)

MAY 25.—A sad drowning accident happened this afternoon which has cast a gloom over the village. Alfred Thornton aged 15 lost his life by drowning. He was engaged at Sawyer's mill pushing logs from the pond when he fell into the water and being unable to swim he soon sank. Mr. Chas. Carr who was working some distance above hearing his shouts ran down to the scene and although he made strenuous efforts to bring him to the surface, he himself was exhausted by being under water so long. Attempts were made to bring the body to the surface but twenty minutes had elapsed before they were successful and although Drs. Curtis and Estey used every means to resuscitate him, the vital spark had fled and the remains of the bright boy were brought home to the sorrowing parents. The deceased was the eldest son of Joseph Thornton of this village. The parents have the heart felt sympathy of the entire community in their sad bereavement.

HAIR'S BREADTH ESCAPE.

The Engine Just Stopped in the Nick of Time.

An accident occurred on Thursday evening last which was bad enough, but was within a hair's breadth of turning out fatally. At six o'clock the young women who work in the Maritime Wrapper Factory, just behind Dickinson's tannery, were leaving their day's work. The road leading to Main street crosses the railway track. An engine with four or five loaded cars was shunting on the side track. The engine was backing up. On the rear of the tender of the engine is a step and an iron rail, for the convenience of brakemen. Several of the girls, noticing that the engine was about to stop, made an attempt to get on the engine. Three of them succeeded. Ida Harris had a parcel in one hand. In trying to catch the rail she missed her hold. She fell under the tender her feet catching in one of the sleepers, the unfortunate girl was doubled up, her knees being forced up to her chest. Mr. Hurst who was near rushed ahead and signalled to the engine driver, who immediately brought the engine to a stand still. It was done just in the nick of time. Had the wheels gone another revolution, it is horrible to contemplate the result. Or, had there been another car on, the driver says, the force would have been so heavy that he could not have stopped in time.

The young woman was taken up and carried to her home near by, where Dr. Rankin attended to her wounds. She was, of course, badly bruised and cut but it is hoped she will be all right again soon. Miss Haines is a daughter of the late John Haines, who died last year. She is eighteen years of age.

The Drives.

Reports from the drives on Saturday were to the effect that Geo. Upham had two thirds of his drive into the main Wapsky. Jud. Hale was out into the main Tobique. J. E. McCollum was also into the Tobique. Fraser had all out but 7 or 800,000. Mr. McNair had all out but 1000,000. Estey had one half into the main Tobique. McNair's corporation drive was in the main Tobique having left the forks. Moore's St. John corporation drive was at the Chickethawk.

1000 Cords Burned.

Mr. James Carr received word by telegraph from Millville, on Sunday last, that 1000 cords of bark which he had along the line of railway had been burned by the forest fires, which have been causing such devastation of late. Mr. Carr, hopes, however, that his loss will be in a great measure, covered by insurance. 1000 cords of bark represents in money about \$5000.

Gone to Blazes.

David Parks' house at the boundary line near the Houlton road was destroyed by fire early yesterday morning. The fire is said to have been caused from a defective flue. The house was burned to the ground. The barns were saved. Further particulars have not been received at time of going to press.

Woodstock N. B. May 26 1896.—We the undersigned have examined the book kept by Han and Smith of Oak Hall in the voting contest for the most popular Teacher in Carleton and Victoria Counties and find their count correct.

Signed,
F. B. MEAGHER,
G. H. HARRISON,
JOHN S. LEIGHTON, JR.