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FORMER ACTRESS IN FIGHT FOR MILLIONS

Laura Biggar is Making a Sensational Struggle to Get a Share of the Estate of the Late Henry M. Bennett, a Millionaire---Made a Settlement at the Time of His Death But Now Claims the Entire Estate

Jersey City, N.J., Nov. 13.—Vice-Chancellor Griffin, sitting in Chancery Court, today took up for hearing the case of Laura Biggar Bennett, who at one time was a well known actress, against the executors of the estate of her husband, Henry M. Bennett. When the settlement of the estate, which was worth nearly \$2,000,000, began, it is said that the actress agreed to accept \$240,000 as her share, and has received a large part of this amount. She is now endeavoring to recover the remainder.

Laura Biggar's fight for the Bennett estate has for more than ten years been sensational in the extreme. Starting life on the stage about twenty-five years ago under William A. Brady's management, Miss Biggar married an actor named Richardson, and after divorcing him was married to James Willis McConnell. Later she became the wife of Burt Haverly, an actor. While she was playing the Widow in "A Trip to Chinatown," she met Henry M. Bennett, millionaire owner of theatres in Pittsburgh and Brooklyn.

Bennett even then was so old as to be decrepit. His attentions to Miss Biggar resulted in trouble with her husband. As a result Haverly secured a divorce. Miss Biggar then left the stage, where she had made her most decided hit as Iza in "The Clementine Case" and became the nurse and companion of Bennett.

On April 11, 1902, Bennett died and Miss Bennett was left sixty per cent. of his estate under his will. Not content with this settlement, Miss Biggar, who then called herself Mrs.

Bennett, put in a claim for the entire estate on the ground that she was Bennett's widow. Following this claim charges of conspiracy were brought against her, together with Dr. Charles C. Hendricks and Samuel Stanton, formerly justice of the peace in Freehold, N.J., where Miss Biggar was living at the time.

Stanton was brought into the case because he claimed to have married Bennett and Miss Biggar, and a marriage certificate signed by him played an important part in the affair. Dr. Hendricks was Miss Biggar's physician and the proprietor of a sanitarium in which, it was said, was born the child which Miss Biggar claimed to be the posthumous child of Bennett, and which played an important part in the litigation.

The conspiracy charge against the three resulted in the jury at Freehold finding Hendricks and Stanton guilty and acquitting Miss Biggar. As an aftermath of the affair, the wife of Dr. Hendricks sued Miss Biggar for alleged alienation of her husband's affections.

In 1903 and again in 1906, it was reported that Miss Biggar, or Mrs. Bennett, as she has since been known, had agreed to accept a settlement of her claims against the Bennett estate. At one time it was said she had received \$620,000 and at another time the amount was placed at \$400,000. It is certain that at various times she received large sums from the executors, but it is believed from that she is practically without funds. Hence, her renewed endeavors to secure the whole or a large part of what is left of the Bennett fortune.

SOUTH LANARK TORIES SCRAP

Independent Tory Candidate Refuses To Drop Out of Fight

Faction Fight Similar to That in York Being Waged in Haggart's Old Constituency

Ottawa, Nov. 12.—A choice of either of two good judgeships in Ontario or of a position on the Dominion railway commission when a vacancy has been created is apparently not a sufficient inducement to draw Col. Balderson out of the coming fight in South Lanark. These things have been offered to the insurgent Conservative candidate for parliamentary honors in the pending by-election and have been rejected.

Col. Balderson will run against Or. Hanna, the Conservative convention's choice, and will not budge from his present position. He declares himself willing to abide by the choice of a new and properly called convention, and is willing in the interest of the party to withdraw on nomination day if the Liberals put in a candidate, not otherwise.

At present there is no indication of the Liberals contesting the Conservative stronghold. Col. Balderson's withdrawal, in the event of a Liberal candidate being nominated, is conditional upon that candidate being nominated and chosen by the Liberal organization. He must be convinced that the so-called "Liberal" is not simply a dummy put up by Hon. Robert Rogers, minister of public works, to gain his purpose and leave a clear field to Dr. Hanna.

STOCK MARKET IS STRONGER

Financial Interests Not Likely to Encourage a Sustained Recovery

Canadian Pacific is Holding Strong at 224 1-2---Union Pacific and Steel are Soft

New York, Nov. 13.—The action of yesterday's stock market indicated rather plainly that technical conditions have been such as to render prices responsive to any constructive developments. The situation and prospect contains many favorable potentials particularly in connection with Currency legislation and Mexican affairs, but as yet the markets remain a state of uncertainty. As long as this is the case it is unlikely that the great financial interests will encourage a sustained recovery, and the same influence will tend to minimize the general investment demand. The long threatened acute crisis in Mexican affairs seems very near at the end. Negotiations with the Huerta government have ceased and the policy of imposing financial starvation upon the Huerta government will shortly go into effect.

(Quotations by J. C. MacIntosh & Co., Bankers and Brokers.)

	Open	Close
Copper	69 1/2	69
Smelters	69 1/2	61
C. P. R.	223 1/2	224
Great Northern	123 1/2	123
Lehigh	145 1/2	145 1/2
Soo	127 1/2	127
Pennsylvania	108 1/2	108 1/2
Northern Pacific	106 1/2	106 1/2
Reading	158 1/2	158 1/2
Union Pacific	148 1/2	148 1/2
U. S. Steel	55 1/2	54 1/2
Sales to 11 o'clock, \$1,000.		

MONTREAL STOCKS.

Montreal, Nov. 13.—The market today was fairly active. Iron Corporation was the active feature, selling up to 42 1/2. C.P.R. sold at 224, Canadian at 83, Toronto Street at 139, Spanish at 88 and Cement at 90 1/2.

THE GUTELIUS DEAL CANNOT BE CHANGED

Hon. Mr. Hazen is Forced to Acknowledge Himself Powerless to Interfere With it at Meeting of St. John Board of Trade---Minister Attempts to Pacify St. John by Having Royal Line Boats Taken Away From Halifax

St. John, Nov. 13.—Yesterday's important and somewhat dramatic meeting of the Board of Trade developed many features which will command earnest public attention. In some respects it was the most important meeting of this character held in St. John in many years. Toward the close it took on a fighting edge.

The meeting may be divided into two portions, first that portion during which the Board of Trade's numerous recommendations with respect to the expansion of the port's shipping facilities were presented to Hon. Mr. Rogers, minister of public works, and discussed by him at length, and the second portion, during which St. John's loss of the Empresses and the Allan Line mail steamers, and the Gutelius agreement which is causing that loss, were discussed vigorously by Hon. Wm. Pugsley, by Hon. J. D. Hazen and by W. M. Jarvis.

The several recommendations regarding the construction of new berths on the west side, the extension of the Negrotown breakwater to Partridge Island, the expediting of the Norton Griffiths contract in Courtenay Bay and the matter of bringing the Grand Trunk Pacific into St. John and other matters were taken up by the Hon. Mr. Rogers, section by section, and in a business-like way he announced his own position with respect to these questions, saying what, in his view, would be done and what could not be done.

He made a somewhat important and perhaps significant statement with respect to the terminal facilities which are to be built by the government in Courtenay Bay, saying that the wharves and other terminal facilities to be built there ought not, in his opinion, to be tied up for the sole use of the Grand Trunk Pacific but that they should be kept within the control of the government to be used on equal terms by the National Transcontinental, the Canadian Northern, the Valley Railroad, the Intercolonial or even the Canadian Pacific.

This statement, when discussed after the meeting by citizens who had heard it, led them to revive the recent report that the Canadian Northern is to have an entrance to St. John by means of the Valley Railroad and that this is the reason for belief in Conservative circles that the Canadian Northern steamers (the Royal Line) are to come to this port direct.

After Mr. Hazen had made a few remarks about the Board of Trade's program of improvements and had taken his seat, Hon. Wm. Pugsley asked President Robinson and the ministers if the matter of the direct mail steamers might not properly be discussed at the meeting, as it was a vital question of the greatest concern to those present and to the whole city and county.

Mr. Robinson was disposed to dissent, but W. M. Jarvis, as an ex-president of the St. John Board of Trade, and an ex-president of the Maritime Board of Trade, expressed his astonishment that there should be any talk of excluding this subject from discussion, since it was really the occasion for the calling of the meeting and the presence of the federal ministers, and when he had taken his seat and Dr. Pugsley had again reverted to the matter, the meeting very plainly made known its opinion that the subject should be discussed. Mr. Robinson then bowed, reluctantly, to the will of the meeting.

Thereupon Hon. Mr. Pugsley placed before the ministers the salient facts with respect to St. John's loss of the C.P.R. Empresses and the Allan Line Galgarian and Alsatian, through the making of the Gutelius-Bosworth agreement, dwelling upon the extraordinary and unjust character of the arrangement and pointing out that unless the government intervened the agreement would go into effect on Saturday next. His earnest and impressive statements were heartily endorsed by the meeting.

Hon. Mr. Hazen then rose and made a somewhat impassioned speech

with respect to St. John's position as a freight and mail port, asserting that an opportunity would be given this year to test the direct St. John-Liverpool route and saying that this port would be in a better position this year than ever before with respect both to freight and to the direct mail service.

He intimated that he was ready to make a more definite announcement with respect to the mail service (presumably about the coming of the Royal Line steamers) but that it was his intention to make this announcement not at this Board of Trade meeting but to his Conservative friends and supporters at the banquet in the evening.

Hon. Mr. Pugsley then asked Mr. Hazen one question. It was this: Do the government intend to prevent the Gutelius agreement from going into effect until such time as this agreement has been presented to and passed upon by the railway commission?

Hon. Mr. Hazen replied in the negative, saying that Mr. Gutelius had power to make the agreement and that it would have to go into effect, intimating that it would not be set aside for six months at all events, and at least not until the Railway Commission had dealt with it.

Mr. W. M. Jarvis then very forcibly expressed the opinion that any announcement which Mr. Hazen might have to make of a public character,

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MORMON LEADER IS SEVENTY-FIVE

Salt Lake City, Utah, Nov. 13.—The seventy-fifth birthday anniversary of President Joseph F. Smith of the Mormon church was observed today by members of his family and dignitaries of the church throughout Utah, Idaho and other States. The anniversary finds Mr. Smith strong and active. Only recently he returned from a long journey to Chicago and the East, in the course of which he presided at the dedication of several churches belonging to the sect of which he is the head.

President Smith was born in the town of Far West, Montana, in 1838. As a boy he drove an ox-team in the Exodus of 1846 to the Salt Lake Valley. After serving a number of years as a missionary he gradually rose through the several offices of the church until he succeeded Lorenzo Snow in the presidency in 1901. Mr. Smith is the nephew of the Joseph Smith, who founded the Mormon church and the cousin of the Joseph Smith who is president of the Missouri-Iowa branch, which is known as the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day

CANADIAN Y. M. C. A. AT WINNIPEG

Winnipeg, Man., Nov. 13.—Nearly all the principal Young Men's Christian Associations in the Dominion and many other women's clubs and organizations throughout Canada are represented by delegates at the triennial convention of the National Canadian Young Women's Christian Association which opened here today to remain in session until next Tuesday. The questions to be discussed at the convention touch on the educational, administrative, religious and social phases of Y.W.C.A. activity. The boarding house question will be one of the most important subjects, with girls' social clubs coming next in importance. Discussion as to work for the Y.W.C.A. among high school and college girls will also come up, together with foreign work in Japan, India and China. Among the eminent speakers who will address the convention will be Professor Graham Taylor, of Chicago, head of the school of civics, and Miss L. Holmquist, of New York, one of the leading secretaries in Y.W.C.A. work in this part of the world.

PREMIER MORRIS HAS SIX MAJORITY

St. John's, Nfld., Nov. 12.—Returns from St. Barbe, show that Clapp, opposition, has 1,253 against Mott, government, 871. This leaves the government with a majority of six in a house of thirty-six. The Fishermen's Union voted solidly with the opposition, obtaining large majorities in the northern districts. The south and west coasts supported Morris. Of the eighteen districts, Morris carried ten and the opposition six, while two were split. Talk of recounts, petitions and counter petitions is heard.

Miss Daisy McKenzie leaves tomorrow for Moncton to visit friends.

HAD A GOOD TIME.

Several York County Tories, including Messrs. Pinder and Young, M.P.P.'s, who attended the Hazen-Rogers banquet at St. John, returned home this morning. They all report a good time but as there were so many hungry ones around they found it difficult to get the ear of the ministers. It seems to be the general impression that as the result of the convalescence in St. John yesterday, the York bye-election will be held in January.

EXPLANATION.

Dr. W. H. Irvine has stated to The Mail in connection with the case of Eva Smith, the girl who is in the county jail and who is wanted by the Halifax authorities, that he was called to the jail to attend her but that he did not make a statement that she was seriously ill.

WORLD'S NEWS IN SHORT METRE

New York, Nov. 12.—Negotiations between Huerta and Washington practically ended following Lind's sudden departure for Vera Cruz last night. Pure Oil Co. declares extra dividend of 4 per cent.

Senate committee expected to report on Currency bill within ten days.

Secretary of Labor Wilson in addressing American Federation of Labor at Seattle condemns attitude of Michigan Copper Mining Co's says his department proposes to investigate earnings of corporations involved in wage dispute.

Bank of England rate unchanged at 5 per cent.

Fall River Cotton Mill workers to demand general increase in wages 22,000 operatives in 100 plants involved.

President Willard of Baltimore and Ohio says wage increase awarded trainmen and conductors would mean about \$600,000 additional annual earnings for the railways.

President Rea of Penna system says demand for nationalization of railroads may follow railroad retrenchment which would be unavoidable unless fair return is permitted. Believes government ownership would last but a few years.

National carbon expected to declare extra dividend of \$5,500,000 on common stock with probability the regular rate will be advanced from six per cent to 7 per cent.

12 Industrials advanced 0.60 20 active rails advanced 0.82.

71ST REGT. BAND MEETING

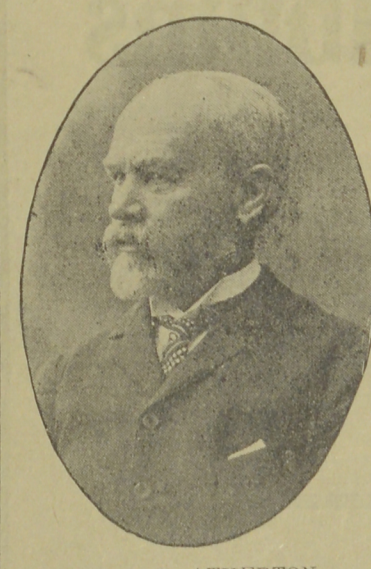
The annual meeting of the 71st York Regt. Band was held at the armory last night. Officers were elected as follows:—President, George Goodline; Vice-president, Robert Brown; Secretary-treasurer, B. Bonar; bandmaster, James White. The band has a large membership and is in a good position financially.

AT THE GEM

If it is anything in the line of a good show why the Gem has it. A great Reliance feature for tonight, "A Fight for Right" in two parts dealing with prison life, also a Majestic Western drama and American comedy.

EMINENT SURGEONS HONORED

Chicago, Ill., Nov. 13.—More than 1,888 prominent surgeons of the United States and Canada today received degrees at the first convocation of the newly constituted American College of Surgeons. The degrees were presented by Sir Rickman Godlee, president of the British Royal College of Surgeons, who also delivered the oration of the day. Among the recipients of the honors were Charles F. Stokes, surgeon general of the United States Navy,



DR. A. B. ATHERTON

George H. Torrey, surgeon general of the United States Army, Robert Blue, surgeon general of the Public

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LEADERS OF ART MEET IN CHICAGO

Chicago, Nov. 13.—The most notable gathering of distinguished American artists, writers, architects, sculptors, designers, etc., ever held in this country is at present assembled in Chicago on the occasion of the annual conventions of the National Institute of Arts and Letters, the American Academy of Arts and Letters, the National Sculpture Society, the National Academy of Design, the American Institute of Architects, and of several other organizations of a similar nature, which opened here today and will remain in session for three days. The members and delegates of the various organizations are the guests, during their visit to this city of the combined organizations devoted to art, literature and music, the University of Chicago, Northwestern University, Lake Forest College, the Art Institute of Chicago and other societies and clubs interested in arts, sciences, literature, sculpture, architecture, and other branches of cultural activity. The program for the three days will include a luncheon given by the Cliff Dwellers, a reception by the Art Institute, a symphony concert by the Chicago Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Frederick A. Stock, himself a member of the National Institute of Arts and Letters; a drive about the city and a number of private receptions and entertainments.

REBELLIOUS FORESTERS TO MEET HON. W. T. WHITE

(Toronto Globe.)

The pre-99 members of the I.O.F., who are organizing a campaign to inquire into the actions of the Supreme Court in placing a lien against their policies, held another meeting at Broadway Hall, Spadina avenue, last night, and appointed a committee consisting of Messrs. L. M. Cuthers, 155 Baldwin street, Conventer; W. D. Watson, J. J. A. Glynn, A. Matthews, D. Masson and T. D. Thomas. Besides taking charge of

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