

FOUR SERIOUS CRIMINAL CASES AT KING'S BENCH

UNUSUAL DOCKET FOR THE YORK SITTINGS

All for Killing or Attempting to Kill—Two Accused of Offences Within the City.

The sittings of the Court of Kings Bench for the County of York which will open on Tuesday of next week Mr. Justice Barry presiding, will have on the docket more serious criminal cases than any docket in the history of the court. This fact will mean numerous jury-men summoned for the trial of cases and a lengthy session of the court.

Four for Killing or Attempting.
Four men will appear in the prisoner's dock at the County Court House on charges of killing or attempting to kill. Never in the history of York County have so many appeared on such charges at one sitting of a court. In two of the four cases the attempt was made in the City of Fredericton, an unusual fact as in the past cases of murder or attempted murder have arisen in the county, unless the record of many years ago is taken.

The Cases.
Edward Burke and Charles O'Ree both of Fredericton will be tried for an attempt upon the life of Arthur H. Estey of this city. Their preliminary examination took place before Police Magistrate Lime-tick and they were sent up for trial on a charge of assault and attempt to kill by stabbing. The alleged offense took place in this city near Christchurch Cathedral on the night of October 19th.

Joseph Owens of Marysville was sent up for trial by Police Magistrate Limerick for shooting T. Woodford Close of Devon at Kentville near Nashwaak Village on the morning of Thanksgiving Day, October 18th. The victim who died a few minutes after being shot according to the evidence brought out, was mistaken for a bear by the accused who fired the fatal shot. The commitment was in blank.

Herbert L. Stevenson of Fredericton was sent up for trial also by Police Magistrate Limerick, for shooting and wounding Arthur L. Noble also of Fredericton at the farm of Richard Donald, Penniac, on the night of November 3rd. The victim of this shooting has gone to Florida with his family for his health but may return to appear next week as a witness. The accused was admitted to bail shortly after being sent up.

Missionary from China.
Rev. W. B. Williston who recently returned from the China mission field was heard Sunday at All Saints' church, Marysville, and Christchurch Paris Church in this city.

Vaudville Discontinued.
No vaudeville bill will be put on at the Opera House this week the circuit having been broken for an indefinite time. Difficulty in making the distances from point to point on the circuit is assigned as one of the causes.

Will Go South.
W. S. Thomas, Manager of the Bank of Nova Scotia in this city, and Mrs. Thomas leave this evening for New York where they will take a steamer for Porto Rico where they will spend the winter. They expect to return in April.

At the Movies.
The Monday-Tuesday play at the Opera House is "A Fighting Colleen," with Bessie Love the featured player. The play at the Gaiety is Jack London's story of the sea, "The Mutiny of the Elsinore," with an all star cast. There is also Episode seven of the serial "Bride 13."

Late David Lifford.
The funeral of the late David Lifford took place Sunday afternoon from the residence of his mother, St. John street. Solemn service was conducted at St. Dunstan's Church by Very Rev. Dean Carney. Interment was made at the Hermitage. The funeral was very largely attended. The deceased having been widely known. Veterans were in attendance, the deceased having served overseas. His death occurred suddenly at St. John where he was employed. This morning Solemn High Mass of Requiem was celebrated at St. Dunstan's.

Going to Exmouth St. Church.
Rev. Mr. Thomas will succeed Rev. G. Gibson Methodist Church in Devon is to become pastor of the Exmouth street Methodist Church at St. John. Rev. Thomas will succeed Rev. George F. Dawson at the Exmouth Street Church at the end of the conference year in June. His brother E. E. Thomas is superintendent of the Exmouth street Sunday School and he was pastor in West St. John some years ago. Last year he was president of the New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island Methodist Conference.

Death at Marysville.
Mrs. Mary F. Wheeler widow of Thomas F. Wheeler died this morning at an early hour at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Bradford Pond, George street, Marysville. She was aged seventy-six years. She leaves to mourn their loss two sons Joseph of Milltown, Me., and Frank of Douglas, and four daughters, Mrs. W. H. Denison of Toronto, Mrs. Bradford Pond of Marysville, Mrs. Edward Boyce of Marysville, Mrs. E. Winkler of New York, also one sister Mrs. Rosilla Barker of Fredericton. The funeral will take place Wednesday at two o'clock the service being conducted by Rev. J. B. Daggett and Rev. Mr. Barrass.

MEASLES IS EPIDEMIC IN SOME SECTIONS

WARNING ISSUED BY DEPT. OF HEALTH

Deafness and Injury to Eyesight Serious After-effects—Isolation of Cases Recommended.

Each four or five years in every country measles becomes so prevalent as to constitute a more or less pronounced epidemic. It is, therefore, in a sense, a periodical disease. This periodicity is due to three principal causes (1) the extremely contagious nature of the disease (2) because those who have had it once, do not, in the vast majority of cases, contract it again, and (3) because from its peculiar character, as respects its contagion, it is the most difficult of all acute contagious diseases to control in the way of preventing its diffusion. This difficulty arises from the fact that its most infective period is not after the child shows evidence of any serious sickness, but during two or three days, before the fever and the eruption appear.

Runs as Epidemic.

Often, indeed generally, during these days the child will appear to have an ordinary "cold," the nose "running," the eyes somewhat inflamed, and with a hoarse "graveyard" cough. The child will continue about, will often have its usual appetite, and, if of school age, will likely continue in attendance. Yet this is the very time that he will diffuse the disease most readily to any who may be susceptible to it, that is to say to any who have not had it, with whom he may come into contact.

Once started in any community, therefore, it is very liable to attack all who are capable of contracting it especially children, in this very insidious manner. Hence, largely, its periodicity, for, in a little while, in a month or two, it uses up its available material, and can not reappear there in epidemic form until a new supply of children are born.

Severe on Children.

Although not a very fatal disease in proportion to those attacked, yet the number of the latter is so very great that the absolute loss of life from it is very considerable, and every effort should be made to avoid it. Contrary to a widely spread notion, measles is more dangerous in childhood than in adult life, and is especially more contagious amongst children than adults. Indeed, a large proportion of adults, who have not had the disease in childhood, seems to establish an immunity, with respect to it, and hence will not contract it.

Serious After-Effects.

But although measles is not, directly, in the white race, very fatal to life itself, perhaps no disease is so apt to leave behind it more or less serious and permanent injuries. Not infrequently serious and chronic lung trouble follows it. Not a few

IRISH AFFAIRS DEALT WITH BY DR. MACDONALD

CELTIC MEMORY DOES NOT REGARD RECENT AMENDS

Former Pastor Preached Eloquent Sermon at the Brunswick Street Baptist Church.

Rev. Dr. J. H. MacDonald, who was in the city yesterday to officiate at the funeral services of the late Col. H. F. McLeod, occupied the pulpit of the Brunswick Street Baptist Church last evening and preached to a capacity congregation on "The Year 1920." Rev. Dr. MacDonald outlined the chief events that had taken place in Canada, stating that attaining the status of a nation was of the first importance. In the recent meeting at Geneva of the League of Nations Assembly this country had wielded a tremendous influence. The speaker hoped that the vacant chair at the League of Nations council would be occupied by the United States. Those who stated that the word God was not found in the constitution of the League of Nations, the speaker declared, "let them learn that neither is it written in the Book of Esther But the spirit of God is written all through both of them."

Affairs in Ireland.

Rev. Dr. MacDonald touched briefly and sympathetically on the affairs in Ireland, attributing the chief difficulty in the political life of those "fine, kindly people," to the Celtic memory, which so kept before their eyes the old injuries done to the people by England it blinded them to later and recent amends made by the Mother Country. It was pointed out that the idea of an Irish Republic was an impossible one, for that island was "the key that unlocked the gates of England."

Religious Events.

Two great events in the religious world were the Disestablishment of the Welsh Church and the official recognition by the Anglican Church of the other Protestant denominations, and an expression of a desire for a closer cooperation with them.

Rev. Dr. MacDonald in closing eulogized Hon. David Lloyd George and expressed the hope that at some time he would visit this city to deliver a lecture which he was at present preparing on the life of the present British Premier.

Cases of tuberculosis apparently date their commencement from an attack of measles. But more serious, because more frequent, are the chronic affections of the eyes, and more especially the ears, which follow measles. A large proportion of cases of deafness is directly traceable to this disease.

Epidemic in Province.

At the present time, measles is, to a certain extent, epidemic in various parts of New Brunswick and it should be the endeavor of every one to curbing the disease.

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