

AN ARREST HAS BEEN MADE IN TABUSINTAC SHOOTING CASE; MILLET S. STEWART IN CUSTODY

CORONER BENSON HOLDING AN INQUEST

Body of James Ross was Found on the Roadside—Stewart Suspected of Having Had to Do With His Death—Evidence Taken at the Inquest.

Chatham, N. B., Aug. 4.—Millet S. Stewart, a pulpwood dealer of Neguac, was arrested at Lower Neguac, about 5 o'clock this evening, in connection with the death of James Ross of Tabusintac, who was found dead with a bullet wound in his body on the roadside at Neguac early Wednesday morning.

Sheriff W. F. Cassidy and Chief of Police Peter Coughlan of Chatham, who made the arrest, were acting on evidence given at Coroner M. S. Benson's inquest to the effect that Stewart had made threats against Ross and that he had been seen near the scene of the tragedy shortly before shots were heard.

Stewart was taken to the county jail at Newcastle, where he will appear before Magistrate J. R. Lawlor of Newcastle, tomorrow morning for a preliminary examination.

It was said tonight that the police had been acting on current reports to the effect that Stewart had been seen with a rifle about the supposed time of Ross's death and also on other rumors.

The Inquest.

The inquest into the death of Ross which is being conducted by Coroner Benson of Chatham, at the Neguac post office, has not yet been concluded. Dr. W. S. Loggis of Chatham, made the post mortem examination on the dead man's body.

Miss Torrie Tulippe, an employee in the Stewart household, swore at the coroner's inquest that on Tuesday evening Stewart had told her to drive him to the house at Lower Neguac of which Ross had just taken possession. Ross had a rifle, she said, and on the way down they picked up two brothers of Miss Tulippe and a man named Savoy. Before they arrived at the place the two Tulippe men left the wagon and the other three occupants drove on. When nearing the house Stewart left the wagon and the woman and Savoy continued driving on past the house. When about fifty yards beyond the house Miss Tulippe said she heard two shots and that later Stewart returned to the wagon throwing the rifle in and saying that he had got him.

The inquest will be continued tomorrow when it is expected the two Tulippe men and Savoy will be called as witnesses.

Chief of Police Coughlan has worked hard on the case and deserves credit for the rapidity with which he is assembling material in connection with it.

Unkind Remarks.

St. Croix Courier.—Says the Eastport Sentinel: "Owing to the high cost of railroad transportation the Community Chautauqua tent and equipment was transported to Fort Kent by auto truck." The cheapest way, of course, is the Chautauqua way. It has long been a puzzle to sane minded people how this amusement enterprise, trading on a once great name, gets by with the class of amusement it presents to the present day and generation and with the skids all greased, not only its expenses but its considerable profits all guaranteed, in black and white, before it will even look at a town. But year by year it is going further and further into the backwoods for its "guarantors."

Paymaster of District.

Major Gerald Furlong, formerly of St. John, and recently of Ottawa, has been appointed paymaster for Military District No. 7, succeeding Major Alfred Ormond, who will retire from military service, locating in Ottawa.

NO NEW FIRES WERE REPORTED SINCE THURSDAY

Cool Weather Aids Fire Fighters—Northern Counties Had Rains and Few Fires.

No reports of new forest fires have been received at the Department of Lands and Mines today, and it is thought that no recent outbreaks have occurred. The lookout men at their various stations report that much smoke is arising from the fires already burning.

Cool Weather Advantage.

The southern section of the province is extremely dry, and the residents of that part are asked to exercise extreme care in order to avoid any further outbreaks. The woods are dry and the strong winds which have been blowing for the past few days make combatting the flames a rather difficult undertaking. One thing that is in favor of the fire fighters is the cool weather. It is much easier to work in this weather, and also the fires die down more in the damp evenings which have been experienced lately. The soil is very dry, however, and is not of much value as an extinguisher, as it dries out, cracks, and falls away from the burning timber. The roots are also very dry and hold fire for a long time.

North Had Rains.

The northern half of the province has experienced much heavier rains and is entirely free from fires at the present time.

REDUCTION IN FREIGHTS TO COME SOON

Ottawa, Aug. 4.—"My letter to the Montreal board of trade expresses my opinion regarding a reduction in freight rates," declared Hon. F. B. Carvell chief commissioner of the board of railway commissioners today in discussing the Montreal despatch quoting him saying that a reduction would soon come.

The railway commission Mr. Carvell added had advanced the freight rates because it was shown that labor and material costs had increased to such an extent that an increase was necessary and now that wages were being reduced, it was inevitable that freight rates should also come down.

The probable date or method by which the reductions will be brought into force, however, is not certain yet.

It is not certain either that there will be a general hearing or series of sittings in relation to freight rates before a reduction is ordered.

BYLAW HELD GOOD.

Fine Imposed in Case of James Greer—Magistrate Made Statement.

Judgement was delivered this morning by Police Magistrate Limerick in the much talked of case against James Greer. The latter was charged with driving a taxi without having first taken out the necessary license. His Honor found that the by-law enforcing the license fee was good, but as Greer was not a keeper of a livery stable and did not have more than one car he allowed the fine to stand. He imposed a fine of \$10 and costs, but His Honor wanted it clearly understood that the next person convicted of driving a public car or a coach without a license will be fined, and the fine will be collected. Mr. Greer went to considerable expense in order to put this case to a test and for this reason, his fine was allowed to stand.

A. Dick, Quebec, is at the Queen. Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Adair, of Newcastle, were registered at the Queen last evening.

FATEFUL DECISION ON THE IRISH QUESTION IS LIKELY TO COME SOON

Renewed Activity in London and Dublin in Reference to the Peace Negotiations—Sinn Fein Members May Soon Be Released From Jail—Chances for a Settlement Are Considered Good.

(By Dominion News Service.)

London, Aug. 5.—The renewed activity in the Irish peace negotiations indicates that the next definite step is imminent. The advance guard of the Irish delegation is expected to arrive in London this week and Eamonn de Valera and the remainder of his colleagues will reach here at the end of the week or Monday. Meantime de Valera will probably summon the Dail Eirean for discussion of the offer made by Premier Lloyd George. The British Government is expecting de Valera's request for the release of the thirty-nine members of the Sinn Fein Government who are in jail, which request it is understood will be acceded to unconditionally.

HOPE FOR SETTLEMENT

The Dominion News Service learns that the Government is in the mood to concede a great deal and if the Irish leaders reciprocate it is almost impossible for the negotiations to fail. Well informed people on both sides believe that after the Dail Eirean's discussion, the advice of its leaders, which will be conciliatory, will be taken, and that de Valera will return to London to settle the question of principles with Lloyd George.

Subsequent to the settlement as to principles, there is endless work involved arranging details and these will be delegated to joint committees dealing with the different subjects.

It is significant that all the Irish leaders, including Art O'Brien, the resident London representative, are now in Dublin, which suggests that this week will see the fateful decision regarding Ireland's future.

CANADIAN TEACHERS HAVING A GOOD TIME IN OLD COUNTRY

(By Dominion News Service)

London, Aug. 5.—The Canadian Teachers Association was entertained this week by the Royal Colonial Institute, with Sir Charles Lucas receiving the guests. An amusing incident occurred when one of the visitors discovered that some Canadian newspapers were on file. A stampede ensued. One teacher remarked to a representative of the Dominion News Service, "We haven't seen a Canadian newspaper since leaving home and we are just longing for a sight of the dear old papers."

They all expressed delight over their visit to England, but unanimously preferred Canada, because of the freer life and fewer conventions.

Sir Charles Lucas told the teachers that the great difficulty here was to impress upon Labor its responsibility to the Empire, which is being presented by certain extremists as work of capitalism instead of being the greatest embodiment of freedom and democracy. Captain Ney responded.

BIG THEFT OF ALCOHOL

Montreal, Aug. 5.—Forty thousand dollars worth of alcohol was stolen on Monday night from the old Montreal jail, now occupied as a warehouse by the Liquor Commission.

City and provincial detectives and special officers of the Commission are engaged in the joint task of recovering the liquor and running down the thieves but so far have met with no success in either direction.

The operation was an extensive one and was carried out, it is declared, by a considerable number of men. After entrance had been gained the thieves proceeded to roll out and carry away forty gallons of pure alcohol. The cargo would constitute at least three and probably four good sized truck loads. Each barrel contained sixty five gallons and was valued at \$1,040 or a grand total of \$41,600.

Chestnut Picnic.

The annual picnic was held by the staff of R. Chestnut & Sons yesterday on the premises of Charles Murray, Kingsclear. A large number were in attendance, and an enjoyable time was spent by all. The crowd was conveyed to the picnic in the motor truck belonging to the firm, which was kindly loaned for the purpose. The chaperones were Mr. and Mrs. Earl Young and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bailey.

MAN SHOT AT NEGUAC

Chatham, Aug. 5.—Word was received here early this morning that James Ross, of Tabusintac, had been shot dead, and it is suspected that the motive for the crime is revenge for buying and taking possession of a property at Neguac, recently sold at auction for recovery of a mortgage due Mr. White, a neighbor. The occupant lost in a civil case against White and to pay \$600 had to give a mortgage on his property. As no payments were made the mortgage was foreclosed and the property was sold at auction yesterday.

Mr. (Ross, with Constable Adam Dickson, Chatham, and Mr. White, went to the premises and the family was evicted with little friction. Ross agreed to let the man have the potatoes and garden, all but the oats. The others went away and Ross was to stay the night in the house alone, so far as is known here.

Short yafter midnight the Chief of Police was called by telephone and told that Ross had been found shot, just outside the house. He was about fifty years of age and leaves a wife and several children.

This morning, Sheriff Cassidy, Coroner Bender and Dr. Coffey left for the scene of the tragedy.

Dr. Melvin in St. John.

Dr. G. C. Melvin, Chief Health Officer, left yesterday for St. John on business connected with his department.

MYSTERY SHIP LANDS CARGO OF LIQUOR ON SHEDIAC COAST; WAS BROUGHT FROM ST. PIERRE

JOHN R. BRADEN AGAIN WON FROM CALGARY EARL

Great Attendance at Houlton Races—New Track Record in Matched Race—Victoria Winner.

Houlton, Me., Aug. 4.—More than 10,000 people saw the Main and New Brunswick circuit races here today drawn by the biggest racing card of this section in recent years, the match race between Calgary Earl, 2.02 3/4 owned by L. H. Powers of Houlton, and John R. Braden, 2.03 3/4 owned by the Moose Lark Club of Presque Isle, said to be the two fastest half-mile track performers in the country. John R. Braden, which beat the Earl horse earlier in the season repeated in three, straight and except in the third heat was not hard pressed. Calgary Earl made a skip at the quarter and lost several lengths in the first heat, but Nevvers made a drive for the wire with him, falling short about three lengths in 2.09 3/4. The second heat was a ride in 2.12 Calgary Earl trailing until into the stretch and being beaten out by half a length. The third heat was a real race the son of Earl, jr., making a game fight all the way with several hot challenges. The horses came to the wire under the whip, Braden winning by a neck in 2.08 3/4 making a new track record for the Houlton track. The two horses meet again at Presque Isle next week. The other classes went in straight heats to the favorites one upset being the performance of the three-year-old mare Miss Talbot owned in Houlton, who beat out a good field in the 2.27 trot.

The summary:

2.18 Mixed, Purse \$400.
Sacharose b m, by Northern
mam (Willard) 1 1 1
Don Q., br g, (Tingley) 2 2 2
Nutwood Kinney, c h, (Brick-
Jey) 5 3 3
Hayward Wilkes, br g (Nev-
vers) 3 5 4
Queen Petress and Jeffrey, also
started.
Time—2.14 1/2; 2.14 1/2; 2.16 3/4.
Match Race, Purse \$1,000.
John R. Braden, br h, by John
R. Gentry (Willard) 1 1 1
Calgary Earl, ch s, by Earl, jr.
(Nevvers) 2 2 2
Time—2.09 3/4; 2.12; 2.08 3/4 (new
track record).

2.27 Trot, Purse \$400, Three Heats
Miss Talbot, br m, by J. Mal-
colm Forbes (Nevvers) 2 1 1
Dawn Axworthy, b g, by Eddie
Axworthy (Burden) 1 2 2
Trixie Dillon, b m (Haniffin) 4 3 3
Bingmore, br s, (Holmes) 3 4 5
Chimes Tell, jr., Leavetta North
and Lou Miller, also started.
Time—2.19 3/4; 2.22 1/4; 2.19 3/4.
2.20 Trot, Purse \$400.
Victoria, b m, by Quindie (Nev-
ers) 1 1 1
Baton, br g, (Nason) 3 2 2
Miss Peter Splan, b m, (Brick-
ley) 2 3 4
Rosetta McKinney, b m (Tay-
lor) 5 4 3
Bettina, also started.
Time—2.21 1/4; 2.18 3/4; 2.21.
Special Race, Purse \$400.
Saskia, b m, by Atlantic Ex-
press (Keyes) 1 1 1
Peter Verde, ch s, (Haniffin) 2 2 3
Bravas, b m, (Cameron) 3 3 2
Togo M., also started.
Time—2.18; 2.19 1/4; 2.21 1/4.

The Case of Warren.

Chatham World.—Edward J. Warren, who passed worthless cheques in Fredericton, was followed to St. Stephen, arrested, tried and sentenced to three years in the penitentiary. He had played the game and had a suspended sentence over his head for a previous offence. A life sentence would have saved the courts the trouble of trying him again, as he will undoubtedly return to his crooked ways when his term expires. He is ~~presently built that way.~~ I

NAME OF CRAFT WAS COVERED UP

Contraband Was Landed and Concealed in the Woods Near Cape Bauld—Liquor Inspectors for the County Were in Another Place at the Time.

Shediac, N. B., Aug. 4.—While this summer resort does not maintain that it is in the same class as Atlantic City it has its mystery ships, and reports are abundant of bold smugglers operating along the coast of the Northumberland strait to the eastward. It develops that a mysterious three-masted craft appeared off Cape Bauld sixteen miles from here, during the dark hours of Saturday evening and that part of a large cargo of contraband liquors were unloaded at day-break Sunday about half a mile from the Cape Bauld breakwater. According to those who observed the operations on Sunday morning two gasoline boats from Aboushagan and one from Little Cape took three full loads of fine old Charente cognac and some West Indies rum.

The liquor was brought to this coast from St. Pierre (Miq) from which liquor has been smuggled in past years. The contraband was hidden in the woods along the shore between Little Cape and this town but where it is hidden few know, and the prohibition and revenue officers had not been been let into the secret at last accounts.

The Mystery Ship

The identity of the schooner is not definitely known as her name was covered by canvas and she was otherwise disguised or camouflaged. She has three tall spars and looked like a rapid sailer. There is a theory that the smuggler is a Nova Scotia built craft and that recently she was sold to a resident of New Brunswick.

According to a Lower Cape Bauld correspondent in today's Moncton Times the three county liquor inspectors were at Point du Chene watching for liquor there at the time the smuggled cargo was landed. The place where the liquor was unloaded is remote from the main highway by land. Several days ago liquor inspectors made a seizure of five cases at Point du Chene. It is understood that one man had arranged to receive \$700 worth of smuggled goods from Prince Edward Island, but owing to the vigilance of the inspectors the dealer had the liquor hidden on Shediac Island.

Several residents of Point du Chene heard of the hidden goods and, presto the spirits disappeared. The consignee dare not lay a charge against the liquor pirates.

The officers are now investigating the smuggling of liquor, which last summer and this summer has been extensive, it is said, from St. Pierre (Miq) to Westmorland, Kent and Northumberland counties.

YACHT UPSET.

St. John Man in Borrowed Craft Camp to Grief Thursday Afternoon.

A yacht owned by Archie Williams and William McKenzie, was borrowed yesterday by a visiting yachtsman from St. John, who went out for a sail all alone. He made out all right until he arrived opposite the Civic Beach, when a squall of wind struck his sail, and the boat was overturned. Charles Williams, the caretaker of the beach, put out in a skiff and succeeded in rescuing the unfortunate man and towing the boat ashore. The yachts Gracie M. and Ian, of the R. K. C. C. of St. John, have left for that place. One sailed last evening and the other this morning.