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## REMEMBER THIS

There is not a single business that wouldn't be benefited by some form of advertising

## THE WEATHER

Maritime—Strong winds and moderate gales, southwesterly, fair and becoming milder. Thursday, cloudy and mild light local falls of snow or sleet.

## HATTIE LeBLANC ACQUITTED OF CHARGE OF MURDER

Sensational Trial of Cape Breton Girl at Cambridge, Mass., was Brought to a Close This Morning with a Verdict of Not Guilty—Judge Bond's Charge was Strongly in Favor of the Accused.

### JUDGE FAVORS PRISONER.

Much of what Judge Bond had to say was distinctly favorable to the defendant, especially that bearing on the question of whether the girl had the courage and the ability to use, for the first time, a revolver that required the grasp of a good-sized hand and the knowledge how to release a safety attachment. He said that the government had not shown that Hattie Leblanc had ever used such a weapon, while on the other hand, Mrs. Glover, the widow, did know how to use one.

He pointed out conflicting statements made by witnesses concerning both Mrs. Glover and her attorney, S. D. Elmore, and was urging the jury to give the girl the benefit of any reasonable doubt when he decided to end his charge tomorrow.

It is said that the case will be in the hands of the jury before ten o'clock tomorrow.

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 13.—In continuing his address to the jury in the Leblanc murder trial today, Mr. Johnson, counsel for the prisoner, again repeated his assertions that he would show to the jury that Mrs. Glover had the motive, the intent, the design, the capacity, both mental and physical and the opportunity to commit the murder. "On the fatal night what did Mrs. Glover do?" asked Mr. Johnson. "Mrs. Glover had no love for her husband. All she wanted was love from somebody else, and money. She got money by marrying Glover. Then she wanted to get rid of him and the only way was by shooting him. Her story of her movements on that night was a fabrication, either concocted by her or by the man who got \$4,153 of her money." The shooting of Glover was then taken up by the attorney, who said that Glover was shot previous to 8.45. Mrs. Glover was seen coming from the laundry at 8.47, he declared and he referred to the witnesses who testified that they saw her. He declared that Mrs. Glover knew that there was a girl with Glover in the laundry, but she knew she could shoot him without getting herself into trouble and that she did, shoot him. "Hattie, continued her counsel, "told the story in the police station that Mrs. Glover had contrived for her. Poor little girl what was she to do? She was bound and linked to Mrs. Glover in such a way that Mrs. Glover's master mind controlled her. She was obedient to Mrs. Glover's every whim."

"Mrs. Glover," he said, "was cleverer than the entire Waltham police department."

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 14.—In his address Judge Bond referred to a sore on the finger of the defendant, which, he said, the prosecution claimed was made by the back fire of a revolver.

The district attorney then corrected the judge, saying that the government claimed that the sore was made by the flash from the muzzle.

"Do you mean that she shot herself?" asked Judge Bond.

District Attorney Higgins did not reply.

The court called attention to the fact that no experiments had been made with the revolver to show that such a sore as has been described on the defendant's finger could be made with the revolver, although the police have had the weapon for more than a year.

Judge Bond said that the jury had the right to infer that interests influenced testimony on either side. He referred to Attorney Elmore's receiving \$4,153 from Mrs. Glover, and said that if Elmore was interested in collecting evidence to use in the case to make it clear that Mrs. Glover was not implicated, then both witnesses were interested.

When Judge Bond ended his charge, Clerk Ollinghaus turned towards the dimutive prisoner, and said:

"Hattie Leblanc, you now have the opportunity to say anything that you desire."

### HATTIE'S STATEMENT.

Pale and frightened, the girl rose, folded her arms across her breast, and turned towards the jury. Her voice was so faint that her words could be heard only a short distance.

## A THRILLING EXPERIENCE AT SEA



HENRY MATTHES, WIRELESS OPERATOR



HENRY MATTHES, 2ND OFFICER

## GOVERNMENT

SUSTAINED BY  
45 MAJORITY

Ottawa, Dec. 13.—There was a farming field day in the House this afternoon and evening on the rights and wrongs of Canadian agriculturists.

Dr. Sproule, who regarded himself as an authority on agriculture and on most other things, sought to embarrass the government and to promote agriculture by means of a want of confidence resolution, declaring that the government should go in for the establishment of a chilled beef industry in Canada. He declared that the stock business of the Dominion had seriously declined, and quoted export figures of meats and dairy products to prove this. He held the government responsible.

Hon. Sydney Fisher said that instead of being on the decline, the animal and dairy business of Canada was on the increase. There had been a falling off in exports, it was true, but this was not due to the decline of the industry, but to the very great increase of home consumption. It was estimated that Canada's dairy product this year was worth \$100,000,000.

The proposal to establish a chilled meat industry had been made to the government a few years ago by a company which proposed to operate in Alberta and put in an equipment at a cost of \$8,000,000, on which the government was asked to guarantee the interest of bonds to that amount.

He had the matter investigated and found that the west could not supply animals enough to keep the plant in operation for more than three months of the year. The government had therefore declined to guarantee the bonds.

Speaking for and against the resolution was continued by members from the west until 12.30 a. m., when a division was taken on party lines, and the resolution defeated by 66 to 111, a majority of 45. Gilbert cast his first vote with the government.

## PLEADED GUILTY

TO MANSLAUGHTER

St. John, Dec. 14.—(Special).—Before Judge Barry in the Circuit Court this morning Andrew Rossi, the Italian who has been twice tried, pleaded not guilty to the charge of murder, and guilty to the charge of manslaughter. He was remanded until this afternoon for sentence.

The indictment in the case was amended by the crown from murder to manslaughter.

John Allen, charged with obtaining money under false pretences, was told by the court that he would be given a chance, providing he could furnish bonds to the sum of two hundred dollars. He will come before the court again this afternoon.

## MONTREAL PORK PACKERS TO LOCATE IN ST. JOHN

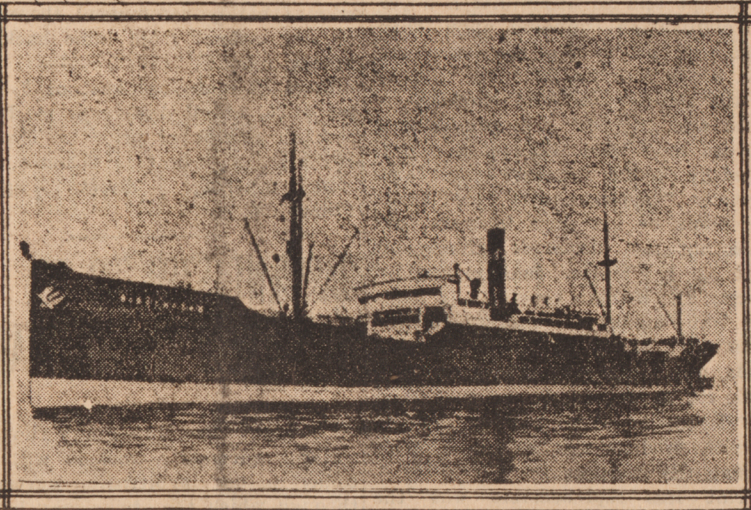
St. John, Dec. 14.—(Special).—It is understood that a large pork-packing concern of Montreal have obtained option upon eight stores in this city and will commence a business here.

She spoke with a pronounced French accent, as she said:

"I did not do it; I want to go home with my father."

The jury was unable to hear her because she spoke so faintly and her chief counsel, Melvin M. Johnson, repeated her statement for the benefit of the jurymen.

The jury then retired.



THE S.S. BIRKENFELS. PHOTOGRAPHED FROM THE N.Y. HERALD DESPATCH BOAT OWLET.

New York, Dec. 14.—The horror of an hour at sea, when in a storm that beat their vessel until it seemed each plunge must be her last a lion broke from its cage on deck, killed a seaman and took charge until it was driven into the sea by a fusillade of revolver bullets, still lived with the crew of a German freight steamship the Berkenfels, as the vessel lay at Quarantine with her decks in order and her spars and houses shining with soap and paint.

Her crew of Lascars shuddered and crept away when they were asked to tell of it as though they could still see their shipmate crushed and dying and could feel the ship lapping in the storm and could hear the roaring of the great beast.

It was Second Officer John Petter, Henry Matthes, the wireless operator, with Captain Frederick who led the crew in their fight against the wild beast and drove him into the sea, but not before one of the sailors had been killed.

## PUBLISHERS SAY

CONSUL WILRICH SUPPRESSED DATA

New York, Dec. 14.—The paper committee of the American Newspaper Publishers Association has sent a letter to the government tariff board asserting that the United States Consul at Quebec in reporting upon the available pulp wood supply for American Paper Mills from private forest in Quebec "has suppressed data that had been furnished to the consul by the highest official authority in that province, and that the consul has misrepresented the situation."

The consul's report said that recent prohibitions, "will not have the effect of reducing the quantity of pulp wood for export for some years to come and perhaps never," implying that all the present needs of the American market, viz.: one million cords of pulp per annum, could be obtained from private forests. According to the committee, the suppressed data from official sources that only 33,000 cords per annum would under present restrictions, be available for the American market. The letter charges also that the countervailing and retaliatory duties which the Payne-Aldrich tariff imposed have put a premium of \$1.92 per cord up on the cutting of wood from private lands in Quebec and that the supply is so inadequate that the Canadian manufacturer paid \$180,000 last year in additional to the United States because they were forced to use wood cut from public lands.

## ALBERTA'S COSTLY PARLIAMENT BUILDING

Edmonton, Alta., Dec. 14.—(Special).—Premier Sifton in the Legislature yesterday stated that the sum of one million dollars had already been expended on the new parliament buildings and that seven hundred thousand dollars would be required to complete the work. He estimates that when completed and furnished the building will cost \$2,500,000.

## PERSONAL

Hon. George J. Clarke, speaker of the Legislature, is among the guests at the Barker.

Mrs. W. S. Hooper, who has been visiting relatives in New Hampshire and Massachusetts, returned home last evening.

## LYNCH WILL BE

REELECTED HEAD OF THE BIG LEAGUE

New York, Dec. 14.—With the national league in session and ready, it was thought to get down to the business of electing a president and the annual meeting of the American on the day's programme, today gave promise of being one of the busiest in this busy baseball week in New York City.

There seemed to be little or no doubt that Thomas J. Lynch would be re-elected to the presidency of the older organization. On the authority of President Hermann of Cincinnati, it was stated that at least five clubs would vote for Mr. Lynch's retention. It may be decided to give him a three year term. Ben B. Johnson last year was elected president of the American league for twenty years, so that the younger organization has no presidential question on their hands. Their sanction of routine business, such as the awarding of the championship pennant to the Philadelphia Athletics and action on the schedule question was predicted not to occupy more than two hours time.

## NEWCASTLE WOMAN

FATALLY WOUNDED

Newcastle, N. B., Dec. 13.—Mrs. Blanchard P. Steeves was accidentally shot this evening by her husband, who was cleaning his Ross rifle. The magazine, believed to be empty, contained a bullet which struck Mrs. Steeves in the back, a little to the left of the backbone, coming out a little below the heart.

Two doctors were immediately on hand, but the wound is considered mortal. She retained consciousness, but can hardly recover.

Mr. Steeves is nearly prostrated with grief. There are three small children.

## SERIOUS FLOODS

Rome, Dec. 14.—The heavy rainfall continued today and the flood situation in northern Italy became more serious hourly. The Tiber has risen until it is twenty-one feet above its normal level. Government officials are making every effort to relieve those living in the inundated districts.

## CARNEGIE'S LATEST GIFT

Has Set Aside \$10,000,000 For Promotion of International Peace

The Iron Master's Benefactions in the Cause of Humanity Now Total \$180,000,000.

Washington, Dec. 14.—For the abolition of war between nations Andrew Carnegie today transferred to a board of trustees, composed of men of international reputation, \$10,000,000 in five per cent first mortgage bonds. Announcement was immediately made of the establishment of the Carnegie Peace Fund.

New York, Dec. 14.—Andrew Carnegie's gift of \$10,000,000 for the furtherance of International Peace brings the total of his benefactions to something like \$180,000,000. The endowment announced today is second in size to only three others of his: The \$10,000,000 foundation for the advancement of teaching made in 1905, and increased to \$15,000,000 in 1908, the \$16,000,000 endowment of the Carnegie Institute in Pittsburgh and \$12,000,000 fund for the establishment of the Carnegie Institute in Washington. Mr. Carnegie's benefits to libraries during the past 20 years are estimated at \$36,000,000 for the United States and \$17,000,000 abroad.

Following is a list of his largest known benefactions:

Libraries, \$53,000,000; Educational foundation, \$15,000,000; Pittsburgh Institute, \$16,000,000; Washington Institute, \$12,000,000; Peace foundation, \$10,000,000; Scotch University, \$10,000,000; Hero funds, \$5,000,000; Carnegie Steel Company employees, \$5,000,000; Dunfermline endowment, \$5,000,000; Polytechnic School, Pittsburgh, \$2,000,000; Peace Temple at the Hague, \$1,750,000; Allied Engineers Societies, \$1,500,000; Bureau American Republic \$750,000; Small Colleges in the United States \$20,000,000; Miscellaneous in United States (estimated) \$20,000,000; Miscellaneous in Europe (estimated) \$2,500,000. Total \$179,000,000. Mr. Carnegie's latest endowment widens the gap between him and John D. Rockefeller, who alone rivals the retired steel master in his public benefactions. A conservative estimate places Mr. Rockefeller's gifts to institutions at \$120,000,000. All but a small part of this was for educational purposes.

Washington, Dec. 14.—Andrew Carnegie today transferred to a board of trustees ten million dollars in five per cent. first mortgage bonds, the revenue of which will be used to "hasten the abolition of international war" and establish a lasting world peace. The formal transfer was made at a meeting at the rooms of the Carnegie research foundation. The trustees organized by choosing as president United States Senator Elihu Root, the permanent representative of the United States of the Hague peace tribunal. President Taft has consented to be honorary president of the foundation.

The method by which the annual income of half a million dollars shall be expended is left by Mr. Carnegie entirely in the hands of the trustees. The foundation is to be perpetual and when the establishment of universal peace is attained, the donor provides that the revenue shall be devoted to the banishment of the next most degrading evil or evils, the suppression of which would most advance the progress, elevation and happiness of man.

## A BRITISH CRUISER SENT TO HONDURAS

Kingston, Ja., Dec. 14.—The British cruiser, Brilliant, has sailed for Honduras, to protect British interests there if necessary. Reports have reached here that conditions in the Honduran Republic are greatly disturbed.

San Salvador, Dec. 14.—Last advices from Honduras indicate that all is quiet there. The telegraph lines are not interrupted and rumors of a rising in Honduras are believed to be false.

## PERSONAL

Mr. John McCoy, the well known local horseman, is critically ill at his home.

## THE BRITISH ELECTIONS

Polling Yesterday Brought Few Changes From Last Contest

Coalitionists Have So Far Elected 328 Members Against a Total of 251 For Unionists.

London, Dec. 14.—The steadiness of the electoral so marked since the polling began was further emphasized at yesterday's election the returns from which were received today.

The forty-three results show but two changes from the returns of last January. These were in the Ashburton division of Devonshire, where the Unionist candidate, Captain E. E. Morrison-Bell turned out the Liberal member, C. E. Burton, who had defeated the captain in the preceding election and in the west division of Fife, where a straight fight between the Labor candidate, W. Adamson and the sitting Liberal member, J. D. Hope, resulting in a victory for the former.

The totals today were—Coalition, 328; Unionists, 251.

The standing by parties was as follows:

Government Coalition, Liberals, 220; Irish Nationalists, 61; Independent Nationalist, 9; Labor members, 38, Total, 328.

Opposition—Unionists, 251.

Present Coalition majority, 77.

Captain Frederick Guest recaptured the Liberal seat for the east division of Dorsetshire from which he was ousted by the courts in May last on the ground that the money expended to promote his election exceeded the limit set by law.

## TARIFF REFORMERS SORE

London, Dec. 13.—The tariff reform organ, the Morning Post, says with regard to Balfour's proposal that the whole budget should be referred to the people the last vestige of practicability has vanished from the unfortunate proposal of the referendum, which it describes as not the only blow aimed at the constitution by Balfour unwittingly. A drastic change of this kind, it says, should not be initiated in the middle of a general election, nor at all, without full deliberation, perhaps in no case by defenders of the constitution. It says: "Everyone now knows the original inspiration for the tariff referendum came from Chamberlain's enemies in the Unionist camp, the faction at whose behest a fair chance of victory for tariff reform was thrown away for something not worth 100 votes in a single constituency. The tariff reformers must insist without delay on having clear course to run in their association with the Unionist party."

## REFUSED EQUAL RIGHTS FOR JEWS IN FINLAND

St. Petersburg, Dec. 14.—The Duma committee on the bill defining the rights of Russian subjects in Finland has rejected an amendment giving the Jews equal rights. The Octoberists favored subsequent legislation and the constitutional democrats refrained from voting because they were opposed to meddling in Finnish affairs.

## REFORMED BAPTIST CHURCH ACQUIRES PARSONAGE SITE

The Reformed Baptist Church of Fredericton has purchased the property on King street, west, owned by Miss Mary Brown. The property will be used as the site for a parsonage which will be erected in the future. The membership of the Reformed Baptist Church in this city has been growing steadily for some time past, the pastor, Rev. S. A. Barker, having been very successful in his labors.

At a recent church meeting the following deacons were elected: D. F. Knight, John Maxon, Robert Barr, George H. Hyde, Jr., Mrs. A. S. Sampson, treasurer. The Adult Bible Class of the church elected the following officers:

Mrs. A. S. Sampson—President. Mr. Joshua Howard—Vice-President. Mr. Tyler Maxon—Secretary. Mrs. T. Maxon—Treasurer. Rev. S. A. Barker—Leader.