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## RICHESON'S LAWYER IS CONFIDENT OF ACQUITTAL

**Says that Cambridge Pastor Gave Miss Linnell only Spiritual Advice--Predicts that there will be a Big Surprise in the Case--Accused Tenders his Resignation as Pastor of Immanuel Street Baptist Church--Letter of Resignation not made Public**

Boston, Nov. 3.—The resignation of the Rev. Clarence V. T. Richeson as pastor of the Immanuel Baptist Church of Cambridge, an important conference held by his counsel in a down-town hotel last night, and progress in moulding his defence were the chief developments yesterday in the case involving the tragic death of Miss Linnell.

Last night's conference which followed others lasting throughout the day, was attended by Attorney John J. Lee, of Lynchburg, (Va.), who is to figure as senior at the trial, Congressman Harris, Attorney Philip R. Dunbar and Douglas Richeson, a brother of the preacher, who lives in Chicago. Robert Burns, manager of the Burns detective bureau, at 1 Beacon Street, was called into the deliberations during the evening.

Since the arrival of Attorney Lee, a few days ago, Richeson's defence has rapidly crystallized. The minister has aided in the preparation of his case from his cell at the Charles Street jail.

Those closest to him declare that he has never for an instant lost his nerve, and that he is confident he will be acquitted. Whatever the defence has up its sleeve appears to be sufficiently convincing to induce Congressman Harris and Attorney Lee unhesitatingly to assert for publication that they believe the clergyman to be absolutely innocent.

Congressman Harris has put himself on record several times in this respect, and Attorney Lee, following his first chat with the prisoner in his cell, asserted that he was not only positive Richeson was guiltless, but that a surprise was in store for the public. This marked optimism has been a feature of the defence camp ever since the arrest of the minister.

ACQUITTAL, SAYS ATTORNEY LEE

Mr. Lee made this statement yesterday: "I have had a long talk with Mr. Richeson. I am confident of his innocence and that he will be acquitted."

"As the trial proceeds the people of New England will learn facts about this case that have not come out or been hinted at. These facts can only be disclosed properly at the trial."

"I have had a talk with Mr. Grant Edmonds, father of Miss Violet Edmonds, to whom Mr. Richeson is engaged. Mr. Edmonds believes in Mr. Richeson's innocence and will stick to him to the end."

Attorney Lee's reference to the loyalty of the Edmonds family was significant in that it showed in a sort of official way that Mr. Richeson's engagement to Miss Edmonds who was to have become his bride three days ago, still holds good.

It will be admitted by the defence that Mr. Richeson had confidential talks with Miss Linnell in which she sought advice and that he gave her the counsel expected of a former pastor to a parishioner. The things she told him will figure as some of the surprises to be sprung by the defence. A flat denial of any knowledge or connection with homicide will be made. The government's claim that murder was committed will undoubtedly be met by the defence that her death was suicidal or accidental.

### RICHESON RESIGNS

Rev. Clarence V. T. Richeson, in jail under indictment on the charge of murder of Miss Avis Linnell, has resigned as pastor of the Immanuel Baptist Church of Cambridge.

The text of the accused minister's letter of resignation is not yet obtainable, but it is understood to be in such form that its acceptance will embarrass even his personal supporters in the church, who still maintain that they believe the minister did not murder his former sweetheart.

The mail brought the letter of resignation to the home of Charles F. Cummings of 15 Marlboro Street, Belmont, who is clerk of Immanuel Baptist Church, and therefore the official

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## WILL ATTEMPT FLIGHT ACROSS THE ATLANTIC

Akron, N.J., Nov. 4.—The airship Akron under the command of Melvin Vaniman left the hangar at the inlet at 9.50 a.m. today for a trial flight over the city and ocean.

The big dirigible which was specially built for flight across the Atlantic to Europe rose about 300 feet as it left the hangar and sailed out over Albion Inlet at the upper end of Atlantic City in a northeasterly direction. Vaniman appeared to have great control of the Akron.

Leaving the inlet, the airship shaped her course down the beach and after sailing along smoothly at a height of 300 feet for the mile Vaniman took the airship in hand and floated over the city.

Mr. Elmer Belding of St. John is in the city.

## SAVED GIRL'S LIFE BUT LOST HIS OWN

Utica, N. Y., Nov. 4.—William McSweeney, 35 years old, lost his life about 2 o'clock while endeavoring to save Miss Charlotte Smith from drowning in the Erie Canal. The young woman dressed in ball gown and furs, fell into the water, while going home from a party. Her cries attracted McSweeney who plunged in. He helped get her out and then sank. His body being recovered half an hour later. Miss Smith suffered no harm beyond a drowning.

### BOUGHT LIVE GEESE

Mr. W. H. Moore of Scotch Lake brought a crate containing four live geese to market this morning. The geese were purchased by a well-known Hebrew citizen. They will be sent to St. John by a rabbi with the proper rites of the Hebrew religion.

## OPENING OF PARLIAMENT

**The Borden Cabinet Likely to Hold Sessions Daily Next Week**

Little has been done yet Towards Drawing up a Programme for the Coming Session

Ottawa, Nov. 3.—According to present indications the new government will meet parliament twelve days hence with practically no business ready for consideration except the estimates for the balance of the current fiscal year.

Since the cabinet assumed office there have been more than a dozen council meetings and practically only routine departmental business has been considered. The ministers have spent about half their time away from the capital and there has been hardly any attention devoted to the business of getting ready to meet parliament or to consideration of matters of legislative policy.

Premier Borden's holidays and this week's Halifax trip of the majority of the cabinet, too, have meant practically an hiatus of two weeks in regard to getting things in shape for the opening of parliament.

Starting on Monday next daily cabinet meetings will be held until the house assemblies on November 13, but the time left is too short to catch up with the large accumulation of departmental business now awaiting cabinet council action and allow also of any serious or thorough discussion of the sessional programme.

### NO BUSINESS READY

Outside of private bills to be considered it now looks as if the members would have nothing to do until the Christmas adjournment but pass the balance of the supply for the fiscal year, as left over by the Laurier government and amended by the new government.

So far the administration of the country's affairs has to all intents and purposes been going along on the momentum given by the old government, and apparently this will continue to be practically the situation until Premier Borden and his colleagues get their bearings and meet parliament again next February.

Hon. Robert Rogers and Hon. Dr. Roche returned to the capital from the west this afternoon. The other members of the cabinet are expected back in the city tomorrow or Monday.

Notice of the petition against his election in Soulanges was formally served on Sir Wilfrid Laurier today. There are general charges of irregularities on the part of agents but it is not expected that the protest will actually go to trial. Meanwhile, however, the effect will be that Sir Wilfrid, who was also elected for Quebec East, will not be in a position to resign either seat pending the legal proceedings.

Liberals view the situation with equanimity, believing that before long the expected split in the National-Conservative administration will come and a bye-election in either constituency would be even more welcome and significant a little later than at the present time.

## UNCLE OF J. J. McCAFFREY DEAD IN BOSTON

(Special to The Mail.) St. John, Nov. 4.—News has been received here of the death in East Boston from pneumonia of Mr. James S. Knox, formerly of this city, and an uncle of Mr. J. J. McCaffrey, of Fredericton. He leaves a widow, three sons and one daughter.

London, Nov. 4.—The East Bristol bye-election necessitated by the elevation of C. E. Hobhouse to the chancellorship of the Duchy of Lancaster, resulted in a majority of 2,000 for the Liberals. The figures were Hobhouse 4,913, W. Moore, Independent, 2,913.

## BANQUET TO PREMIER

**Hon. Mr. Flemming Honored by Political Friends at Woodstock**

Expected Announcement in Regard to Valley Railway did not Materialize --To Ignore Federal Issues

Woodstock, N. B., Nov. 3.—Woodstock and Carleton County honored Premier Flemming tonight at one of the greatest banquets ever held in this town. The banquet was held in the Hayden-Gibson theatre, which was beautifully decorated for the occasion, and every parish in the county was represented. The invited guests from outside were Attorney General, W. C. H. Grimmer, Provincial Secretary H. F. McLeod, Hon. J. A. Murray, O. S. Crockett, M.P., Senator Baird, John Young, J. K. Pinder, James Crockett and others.

On the arrival of the south-bound express a large number of the friends of the premier were on hand to welcome him and on behalf of the town council and the municipality Mayor Ketchum read an address which he presented to Premier Flemming. The Premier made a suitable reply and the procession was then formed, headed by the Woodstock band, which proceeded through the principal streets of the town to the Victoria Hotel.

At 10.30 o'clock about 300 persons sat down to dinner which was presided over by Dr. D. W. Rankin who read a number of letters of regret, among which was one from A. R. Gould, president of the Aroostook Electric Railway, acknowledging an invitation to be present at the banquet and expressing his regrets.

In his letter Mr. Gould referred to the Valley railway, and said he was glad to bring assurance that it is now an absolute certainty; "that the negotiations which have been in progress between the provincial government and myself as contracting parties are complete with the exception of some formalities incident to the execution of the contracts and its success is largely due to the efforts of Premier Flemming."

Premier Flemming in replying to the toast of Our Guest said that he intended to run his government entirely independent of federal issues.

He had nothing of a definite nature to say in regard to the Valley Railway except that he would continue to further its completion when the contracts were signed.

He said special attention would be directed towards the working of the crown land department, and all other departments and especially against a reduction of Maritime representation

## INDIANA BANK IS SHORT \$35,000

Rochester, Ind., Nov. 4.—After state bank examiners had closed the Citizens Bank at Akron, Ind., ten miles east of this city and had announced that its funds were short about \$35,000, today Howard Hartley, the bank's cashier came here and explained the sheriff's permission to stay in the county jail, until enquiry into the institutions affairs had proceeded further.

## SPANISH PREMIER GETS DOSE OF PAINT

Madrid, Nov. 4.—Prime Minister Canalejas while passing a shop which was being re-decorated received the contents of a pot of red paint upon his head. The painter who had fallen was not badly hurt, but the premier's hat and clothes were covered with paint, and his eyeglasses were broken.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Miles and child of Sydney are at the Barker House.

## REDUCED LUMBER CUT

**On Account of State of Market Operations will be Curtailed**

Miles Emack, formerly of this City to Manage Investment Co. at St. John

(Special to The Mail.) St. John, Nov. 4.—Lumber operators in this vicinity announce that, owing to the condition of the lumber market, this season's cut will be greatly curtailed. All of the mills, with the exception of that of Stetson, Cutler Co., will be kept running until into December.

The Canadian Home Investment Company of Vancouver, B.C., will shortly open a Maritime Province branch with headquarters in this city. Mr. William J. King, the general manager of the concern, is here today making arrangements. Mr. Miles Emack, a former resident of Fredericton, will manage the St. John office.

The Board of Health report for the year ending October 31st, shows 782 deaths, an increase of six over last year. The deaths from tuberculosis numbered 94 against 107 in 1910, and 118 in 1911.

## FREDERICTON NEST, O.O.O. HAS HUNDRED AND TEN MEMBERS

The Fredericton Nest, Order of Owls, began its official existence last night when its officers were installed by a delegation from the St. John Nest with all due and proper ceremony. A large number of new members joined the Nest last night and were initiated by the able degree team from St. John which assisted Organizer H. C. Perry.

The St. John Owls which attended the installation were, Ald. F. L. Potts, G. Earle Logan, W. H. Underhill, James Huey, Arthur Hodges, P. W. D. Campbell, Wallace Emery, Arthur Wakin, Chas. W. Wansmaker, C. A. Hewitt, V. D. Holder and Chas. Hasting.

The installation was conducted by Mr. P. W. D. Campbell and Organizer Perry. The Fredericton Nest has a charter membership of one hundred and ten and begins its existence under most favorable circumstances. The Buildings and Bylaws Committees did not present reports last evening but will next Friday night when the Nest will again meet in Castle Hall, York Street, at nine o'clock.

At the close of installation last night refreshments were served and a most enjoyable programme carried out. The vaudeville artists performing at the Unique Theatre took part also Messrs W. A. Walsh and F. L. Cooper, Mr. Howard Crangle was pianist.

## ANOTHER DIVIDEND FROM YORK LOAN CO.

Toronto, Nov. 4.—There will be another dividend of the York Loan and Savings Company assets on the first of January 1912, it is expected, there is at present \$37,000 in the bank for the purpose of a dividend and the liquidators thought on getting the additional fifty thousand required for a 25 per cent dividend by the end of the year. That will make a total payment since liquidation of fifty cents on the dollar. The cheques will be sent out to 108,000 addresses all over the world, and the postage bill alone will be \$1500.

There will be a third and final dividend but what this will be is uncertain. The \$85,000 of unclaimed balances and uncashed cheques may be divided among the other shareholders though special legislation would probably be necessary for that.

Mr. A. C. Hewitt of Montreal arrived in the city this morning.

## REVOLUTIONIST FORCES ARE IN CONTROL OF SHANGHAI

**Were able to Capture the City Without a Struggle--Only a few Shots were Exchanged--New Revolutionary Government in Control of the Situation--Rebels have the Arsenal and Powder Factory and Gunboats--British Troops Prevent Destruction of Railway**

(Canadian Press.)

Hankow, China, Nov. 4.—Almost the whole of the native city of Hankow is afire this morning, and it is feared that the Wesleyan Mission, near the Han River, in which are fifty blind boys, and 150 wounded persons, who, with the staff of the Mission, make up a total of 300 persons, will be destroyed. The head of the Mission asked the imperialists to grant an armistice of two hours to permit of removal from the Mission, but the firing ceased for only half an hour. A red cross steamer which attempted to rescue the inmates of the Mission was driven back by the fire from the rebel fort. One shell riddled the steamer.

When the vessel was compelled to turn back, the Mission was still standing, but its position was hopeless, the flames being within two hundred yards of the building. The fires in the town were started by the imperialists, who threw inflammable shells into the place. A strong wind carried the flames across the river to Han Yang and a strip of that city on the waterfront, a mile long, was destroyed, and the fire is still burning. A few hundred rebels against whom the imperialists are preparing to advance, occupy the unburned parts of Hankow.

When the steamer left the harbor a battle was taking place between the batteries of the imperialists, which were planted back of the British concession, and the Wu Chang and Han Yang forts. Several rebel shells landed in the foreign concessions, piercing the walls of houses.

Amoy, China, Nov. 4.—All steamers arriving here from Foo Chow are crowded with refugees, who report that eighty per cent of the population have fled from that city. "The new army has been disbanded, but the day of the men is continued. General Soon Tiew Long and his family are held hostages in the Tartar general's camp. Manchus between the ages of ten and forty are under arms. One hundred Manchus soldiers are stationed at each of the seven gates of Foo Chow, with guns trained on the city. The Manchus street is mined and guns are mounted at each end of it. The Tartar general threatens in the event of an attack, that he will set fire to the city and blow up the magazines, so that the Manchus and Chinese will perish together."

London, Nov. 4.—The property of the Wesleyan Missionary Society, which appears to have been threatened, if not destroyed in the burning of Hankow, is situated at the junction of the Han and Yang Tse Kiang rivers. It consists of the David Hill Memorial School for the Blind, a men's hospital and a women's hospital, while across the road from the school for the blind is a mission compound made up of four houses, a church and a school. Dr. Booth is at the head of the Wesleyan Mission there.

Shanghai, Nov. 4.—The new revolutionary government, which is apparently impersonal, nevertheless effectively controls the situation in Shanghai and on the Yang Tse Delta today. This morning the rebels' cause has been strengthened by the arming of all those who applied for rifles and ammunition. The rebels obtained not only the arsenal, but the powder factory, gunboats and an enormous supply of new and first-class mauser rifles. Not less than ten thousand rifles were given indiscriminately to applicants this evening. The forts at Wu Sung went over the rebels without resistance and the other up-river forts hoisted the white flag.

Shanghai, Nov. 4.—As though with a previous understanding with the rebel commander, the revolutionists can hardly be said to have "seized" Shanghai, Wu Sung and the other up-river forts. It was simply a change of control. About ten people were killed and twenty others injured, but most of the deaths were accidental.

The arsenal at Shanghai has a capacity for a great output and is now completely manned and is being operated. It can manufacture 20,000 cartridges daily. The powder factory, which is the largest in China, is well stocked. Admiral Sah's squadron has depended entirely upon this arsenal and powder factory and they are the basis of supplies.

Up to six o'clock last night there has not been a single case of disturbance within the city. Many foreigners visited the arsenal, which is five miles from the settlement and everywhere they were treated with the utmost courtesy, being invariably saluted by the officers and rebels. The foreign troops, which had been guarding the railway station of the Nan King—Shanghai Railway, continued on duty there today, upon the order of the British consul. This action continues to cause not only comment, as being contrary to the policy of foreign neutrality, but apprehension lest the rebels interpret it as a determination of the foreigners to support the Manchus. The bonds of the railway company are owned in England, and this appears to be the only reason for British interference. There is not the slightest reason for anticipating trouble in Shanghai, and the neighborhood so far as foreigners are concerned, and none are showing any signs of uneasiness. The great quantity of rifles and other weapons served out is not unlikely to matter.

Rear Admiral Murdock, commander of the American Asiatic fleet, landed two hundred marines today and marched them through the main streets of the settlement. The men made a fine appearance. The main street of the settlement, Nan King Road, is now a mass of revolutionary flags, nearly every store displaying the rebel colors. All the mardarina have found refuge in the foreign concession. Communication with nearby points remains uninterrupted. Up to today the revolutionists have shown no disposition to interfere with the telegraph or cable lines.

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