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## Draw Pier of Highway Bridge Cost Large Sum of \$64,227

### ARNOLD'S SLAYER ON TRIAL

Winnipeg, Man., March 11.—At Mordecai today John Krafchenko, one of the most notorious and desperate characters in Western Canada, was arraigned in court to stand trial for the murder of H.M. Arnold, manager of the branch of the Bank of Montreal in the town of Plum Coulee. The murder was committed when Krafchenko was attempting to rob the bank.

After the crime Krafchenko was captured and brought to this city early in December. On the night of January 9 he made a sensational escape from the central police station here. The notorious bandit used an automatic revolver which had been smuggled to him by friends covering the two armed guards placed in front of his cell. While holding the guards with their arms over their heads, he backed to a window and swung out on a rope which had also been smuggled into his cell.

Ten days after his escape Krafchenko was recaptured within a stone's throw of the police station. His counsel, one of the prison guards and several other persons were arrested and are now under charges of aiding in his escape and concealment.

### THE FOUNDATION COMPANY HAS A BIG PULL Was Paid Upwards of \$387,000 Last Year by the Flemming Government

In the Legislature yesterday the following answers were made to enquiries by Mr. Dugal.

Q. 1 What public works have been undertaken by the Foundation Co., Ltd., in the province of New Brunswick?

A. Substructure Newcastle Bridge and substructure draw span Fredericton Bridge.

Q. 2 What is the total amount of money that has been paid to this Company up to the present date? A. \$387,823.62W.

Q. 3 Who is the manager of the Company, who are the president and directors and do any of these reside in the province? A.—Department has no knowledge.

Q. 4 Is the government aware if any member of the legislature or officials of the Government are financially interested in this Company? A. No.

Q. 5 Is the Foundation Co. Ltd., incorporated in this province or has it paid the usual license to do business? A. Yes.

#### MADE BIG HAUL.

Inquiry No. 7.  
For Tuesday March 10th, 1914.  
Mr. Dugal.

Q. 1. What amount has been paid to The Gleaner Publishing Co., by the Government from October 31st, 1912 to date.

A. The amount paid the Gleaner Publishing Co. by the Government from 31st October 1912 to March 1st, 1914, is \$16,227.52.

### SOUTH BEND CASES TO BE TRIED

South Bend, Ind., March 10.—Sixteen defendants in the St. Cashier's church riot cases were arraigned in court today for trial. The riots resulted from an effort made to install Rev. Stanislaus Gruszka as pastor of the church. The disorders assumed such serious proportions that the bishop of the diocese appealed to Governor Ralston to send the militia to suppress them.

Mr. Harvey Graham, traveller for the Hartt Boot & Shoe Company in the west, is at the Queen.

Mr. W. G. Smith of Halifax, is a guest at the Queen.

### Startling Information Brought Down in the Legislature in Reply to a Query— Work Was Done by Foundation Company Limited on a Per Centage Basis— Hack Organ was Paid over \$14,000 Last Year for Singing the Praises of a Spendthrift Government

A query by Mr. Dugal in the Legislature yesterday elicited the startling information that the substructure for the draw-span of the Fredericton Highway Bridge cost the province the enormous sum of \$64,486.76. The work was done by the Foundation Company Limited, on a percentage, this concern having been allowed fifteen per cent. on the cost of the work. Last fall it will be remembered, the head of the concern visited Fredericton and in a newspaper interview, stated that the cost of the work would not exceed \$50,000. This is nearly fifteen thousand dollars less than the actual cost.

The auditor general's report shows that the sum of \$44,337.88 was paid on the work up to October 31st. The work was then practically completed but it was deemed advisable to hold back accounts aggregating some \$20,000 until after the fiscal year had closed.

The reply to Mr. Dugal's query is as follows:

1. Q.—Has the repairing of the Fredericton bridge crossing the St. John at Fredericton been completed? A.—No.

2. Q.—What is the total cost of the work to date? A.—Substructure, \$64,227.52. Superstructure, \$1,436.76.

3. Q.—Was the work done by tender and contract or upon a percentage basis? A.—Substructure, percentage; superstructure, contract.

4. Q.—Who was the contractor? A.—Substructure, Foundation Company Limited; superstructure, Dominion Bridge Company.

5. Q.—If the work was done by the day or upon a percentage basis what was the percentage? A.—Fifteen per cent, substructure.

6. Q.—Who was employed upon the work and in what capacity? What rate of wages was each person paid, and for how many days did each person work? A.—Accounts are in the hands of the Public Accounts Committee and can be seen by any member of the House.

7. Q.—Was a percentage paid upon the cost of the plant, office, supplies, etc.? A.—Substructure two per cent. monthly rental on value of plant furnished as owned by contractors.

8. Q.—What kind of lumber was used for the temporary work? Who supplied it and at what price per thousand feet? A.—Answered by No. 6.

#### HACK ORGAN'S BIG SCOOP.

For singing the praises of the Flemming government during the year ending October 31st, 1913, The Fredericton Gleaner bagged from the Provincial Treasury the enormous sum of \$14,426. There may be some people who will be inclined to doubt this statement but it can be verified by the auditor general's report, brought down in the Legislature on Monday of this week. Items totalling about \$13,600, will be found under the head of "printing" on pages 86, 87 and 88 and the remainder are scattered through the book under various heads. In 1912 the hack organ's receipts from the Provincial Treasury amounted to \$11,500, but last year it went \$3,000 better and established a new high record.

The large appropriation made by the government for public printing in March last was exhausted before the 27th of May following. On that day we find King's Printer Tibbitts appealing to the Treasury Board under section 27 of the Audit Act to come to his rescue. The sum of \$1,500 was placed at his disposal but that was soon melted. On July 10th he made another appeal and this time the Treasury Board came across with the sum of \$2,432.71, all but \$600 of which went into the capacious maw of the hack organ.

On August 3rd, the King's Printer came back for \$121.24 and the obliging Treasury Board put up the stuff. September 6th found the appropriation once more exhausted and the Treasury Board had to dash up the sum of \$917.84, which amount kept the King's Printer quiet until after the close of the fiscal year.

#### ROYAL GAZETTE CONTRACT.

When the government came into power the hack organ contracted to print The Royal Gazette for the sum of \$1,300 a year. Last year the contract expired and was promptly renewed but not at the old figure. The hack organ had become tired of "saving money" for the country and demanded better terms and got them. It was given a new contract at the rate of \$1,800 a year and in addition was paid the sum of \$684.38 for "extra printing," in connection with The Gazette. For printing The Gazette last year the province paid the tidy sum of \$2,184.38. This is one way in which the Flemming government saves money for the people.

It may be mentioned here that the bulk of the public printing is handed out by the provincial secretary and this office was filled last year by Mr. H. F. McLeod, who is generally supposed to be financially interested in the hack organ to a considerable extent.

The Dominion auditor's report shows that the hack organ also did some business with the Ottawa authorities last year. For the year ending March 31st, 1913, it was paid the sum of \$2,200, which added to its big scoop from the local government brings its total receipts from the public treasury up to the respectable sum of \$16,500. That was certainly going some.

#### SHERIFF deFOREST DEAD.

Mr. Stephen D. deForest, high sheriff of the City and County of St. John, died quite suddenly at his home on Tuesday afternoon. He was for many years in the wholesale business in St. John prior to his appointment as sheriff in 1911.

#### ST. PATRICK'S DAY PLAY

"When We Were Twenty One" is the play to be put on at the City Opera House on the night of Tuesday March 17 by the Irish Literary and Benevolent Dramatic Association of St. John. It is under the auspices of No. 1 Division, A. O. H. of this city. Seats will be on sale tomorrow at Ryan's Drug Store.

Dr. J. E. Hetherington of Codys, is a guest at the Queen.

### LADIES' AUXILIARY, A.O.H., FORMED HERE LAST NIGHT

Mrs. D. J. Shea, President—Charter Membership of Fifty—Provincial Officers Here

At a large and representative meeting of the ladies' of St. Dunstan's Parish last evening a branch of the Ladies' Auxiliary A. O. H., was formed with a charter membership of fifty. Miss Elizabeth McCartin of Woodstock and Miss Fogarty of Moncton, Provincial Officers of the Ladies' Auxiliary A. O. H. installed the following officers for the ensuing term.

President—Mrs. D. J. Shea.  
Vice President—Mrs. M. E. Doohan.  
Rec. Sec.—Miss Cecil Gallagher.  
Financial Sec.—Mrs. Loretta Malone.  
Treasurer—Mrs. Edward Hurley.  
Sentinel—Miss Kate Holland.  
Sergeant—Mrs. Marie Feeney.  
After the installation the following members of the A.O.H. were admitted and made speeches. Provincial President E. C. Barry, County President Frank Shortill and President Thos. L. Kane of Division No. 1.

### ACCOUNTS HELD OVER

A Sample of Juggling on the Part of the Flemming Government

Duke of Connaught Visited Fredericton in 1912, Yet Bills Were Not Paid Until 1913

The Auditor's General's report for 1913 scarcely hears out the boasting of Tory politicians that there are no suspense accounts under Flemming rule. The accounts for each year close on October 31st and we are told that nothing is held over after that date. The Duke of Connaught and party visited Fredericton during the summer of 1912 and it will be remembered where they were supposed to have been the guests of the Lieutenant Governor. The province however evidently paid the bill if we are to judge from the following items which appear in this year's auditor's report, under the heading of "Unforeseen expenses."

J. Bebbington & Son floral decorations re visit Duke of Connaught	\$75.00
J. J. McCaffrey, for catering at Frogmore reception re visit Duke of Connaught	820.26
S. L. Morrison, coal re visit Duke of Connaught	4.68
A. C. Fleming, furnishing farstaff, baliards etc., re visit Duke of Connaught	12.75
Colwell & Jennings, hire of dishes, jardinaires, re visit Duke of Connaught	34.40
Dominion Expressage Co., expressage	4.25
J. S. Neill & Sons, Ltd., hire of stove, fittings, etc	20.95
Lemont & Sons, Ltd., hire of furniture	50.00
A. E. Dunbrack, services re invitations	15.00
Annie L. Kirk, services re invitations	15.00
F. B. Edgecombe Co., dry goods, etc.	192.28
J. B. Hawthorne services	88.00
W. C. Clark, engraving address	6.22

The above items total the respectable sum of \$1235.89. The services having been rendered early in August it is scarcely likely that the parties whose names appear in the above list would wait until after October 31st before rendering a statement of their accounts. At any rate it is not their custom to unduly delay matters when dealing with private citizens. The question then is, why were these accounts held over until after the fiscal year had closed?

### MISS BOLTON REPRESENTS DAUGHTERS OF EMPIRE

Arrived This Morning—Will Address Members of Order, Members of Legislature and Students

Miss Constance R. Bolton of Toronto, representing the National Chapter of the Imperial Order of Daughters of the Empire, arrived in the city this morning and is a guest of Mrs. G. C. VanWart. This afternoon she will be entertained at tea at Elmcroft by Mrs. H. G. C. Ketchum, on which occasion she will address the members of the Provincial Chapter and the Sir Howard Douglas Chapter and also the wives of members of the Legislature. At 5.30 she will deliver an address to the members of the Legislature in the Assembly Chamber.

Tomorrow morning Miss Bolton will address the students at the University of New Brunswick and also at the Fredericton High School. In the afternoon at 3.30 she will address the students at the Provincial Normal School.

Miss Bolton's addresses will be upon the work of the order.

Mr. James Lowther, who travels for the Hartt Boot & Shoe Company in Western Ontario, is at the Queen. Mr. Lowther recently joined the benedict ranks.

## MR. MAVOR'S DEATH WAS ACCIDENTAL, SAYS JURY

Inquest Held by Coroner Wainwright last Evening Into Cause of Tragic Death of Member of City Council—Employees of Barker House Give Testimony—Deceased Fell While Ascending the Stairs ---Not a Sufferer From Heart Trouble

The coroner's jury at the inquest into the death of James Mavor, who died at the Barker House early Tuesday morning, brought in a verdict last night to the effect that death was due to a fall, no blame being attributed to any cause or person. Dr. Wainwright was the coroner in charge.

The verdict was as follows:

We, the jury empanelled to inquire into the death of John Mavor, find that the deceased came to his death as the result of a fall sustained while coming up the basement stairs of the Barker House and that the fall caused a blocking of the heart, also that no blame for the accident can be attributed to any cause or person.

CHAS. A. BURCHILL, Foreman,  
JOHN C. ALLEN,  
PETER FARRELL,  
DAVID CROWE,  
C. W. WHELPLEY,  
J. H. SPROUL,  
JOSEPH A. CAIN.

The evidence, which was taken at the Board of Trade Rooms, was as follows:

#### R. H. McGRATH.

Dr. R. H. McGrath, the first witness, swore that he had been called to the Barker House at 11.15 Monday. He found the deceased, John Mavor, lying upon the floor of the lavatory. He was unconscious. Witness administered a hypodermic injection and attempted to restore the pulse. There was a large soft swelling upon the head. Witness had him removed to Room 30 where his condition improved to an encouraging degree. Improvement continued until about 2 o'clock. Mr. Mavor rallied to such an extent he had felt an irritation in his throat and coughed. While witness was holding pulse of deceased, he noticed a change. His face became suffused and before witness could summon anyone, he died.

There was no sign of a broken neck but the bruise upon the right side of the head was large. That bruise could have been caused by a fall down the stairs but it would be about impossible for him to fall all the way down the stairs without cutting his hands. Opinion of witness was that death was caused by the fall, striking his head upon the hard floor. A blood-vessel or membrane in the skull had been so injured that clots had formed within the skull. The coughing after the patient had partially recovered had been sufficient to dislodge the clot, which had been carried to the heart, blocking the passage and causing death instantly.

#### LOUIS MONAHAN.

Louis Monahan swore that at about 10.30 his attention had been attracted by a noise in the basement. He and the night porter went and found Mr. Mavor. Cold towels were used on him and Dr. McGrath was called. Mr. Mavor was lying with his face up, his head on the pavement and his feet on the second step. The position seemed to indicate that he had been coming up stairs when he fell. Witness had not seen him since 6 p.m.

#### T. V. MONAHAN.

T. V. Monahan, proprietor of the Barker House, was the next witness. He said he was informed of the accident at about 11 p.m. and telephoned for Dr. McGrath. The latter ordered Mr. Mavor to be removed to a room and said that he was suffering from the effects of shock. The doctor remained with him. Some time in the morning witness was informed that Mr. Mavor was dead. Witness knew nothing of the circumstances of the accident.

#### THOS. C. DOHERTY.

Thos. C. Doherty, clerk at the Barker House, swore that he had heard

the sound of some person stumbling on the stairs. He did not see Mr. Mavor at all.

#### DR. G. C. VANWART.

Dr. G. C. VanWart swore that he had been family physician to the deceased. He had attended him at various times. He had not attended the deceased for heart trouble. On two occasions he had examined him carefully and found no trace of heart trouble. He had not attended him since 1908. There was time for trouble to develop since that time.

#### JAMES MAVOR.

James Mavor, son of the deceased, said that his father had been confined to his home by illness about three weeks ago. Mrs. Mavor had said that her husband, she thought, had a weak heart.

### EX-ALD JOSEPH WALKER IN FIELD IN CARLETON WARD

Nominated Last Night as Candidate of Good Government Party

Ex-Ald. Joseph Walker is candidate for the vacancy in Carleton's Ward's representation at the City Council which was caused by the sudden death of Ald-elect John Mavor. Ex-Ald. Walker was placed in nomination as the candidate of the Good Government party at a largely attended meeting held in the Y.M.C.A. Hall last night the nomination being unanimous.

Ald. Walker has represented Carleton Ward on several occasions and prior to that sat as Alderman for St. Ann's Ward. In recent civic elections he has taken prominent part in the organization of the Good Government party.

### MR. MAVOR'S FUNERAL WAS LARGELY ATTENDED

The funeral of the late Mr. John Mavor took place from his late residence on Saunders Street at two o'clock this afternoon and was attended by a large number of sorrowing friends and relatives. Rev. Dr. Smith conducted an impressive service and the choir of St. Paul's rendered the beautiful hymns "A Few More Years Shall Roll," and "Nearer My God To Thee." Interment was made in the Rural Cemetery.

The mourners were James Mavor, Leslie Mavor, George Mavor, James Mavor, Sr., Leslie Mavor, Sr., Geo. Barclay, James Duncan. The four brothers of the deceased acted as pall bearers. The Mayor and City Council attended in a body.

The floral tributes included the following:—

Crescent—Family.  
Wreath—Mr. and Mrs. T. V. Monahan.  
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Wreath—Smith and Merrithew.  
Crescent—Mr. and Mrs. Percy A. Guthrie.  
Flat Bouquet—Miss Winters.  
Flat Bouquet—Mr. and Mrs. James Bolster.  
Flat Bouquet—Mr. and Mrs. John Bolster.  
Flat Bouquet—Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Robinson.  
Wreath—Hartt Boot and Shoe Company.

Mr. W. B. Bishop of Montreal, is a guest at the Queen.