

HEWITSON INQUEST.

Newton Lee Tells His Story to Coroner and Jury.

PRIVATE EXPLANATION OF WHAT BECAME OF PART OF THE COLONEL'S MONEY.

Revolting Conditions Revealed at the Enquiry.

The enquiry into the cause of the death of the late Col John Hewitson was continued by Coroner Seery in the Parliament building this morning. Geo. W. Allen, K. C., was present in the interests of the Crown, and O. S. Crockett appeared to watch the case for Mrs Hewitson. The evidence of Mrs Hewitson, taken on Tuesday, was read over and being found correct, was signed by the witness. The evidence of Oscar Peters was also read over and signed.

Newton Lee was then called to the stand and sworn. On being examined by the coroner he said he was a carpenter by trade and in addition sold liquor and filed saws. The witness then told about the visit of John Hewitson to his place on the morning of April 25th. Hewitson arrived alone about 11.30 o'clock and was under the influence of liquor. John Johnson was present at the time, but could not remember whether or not there were others present. Hewitson called for drinks and paid for them in silver. Johnson drank with him. They had several drinks together, witness did not drink with them. Hewitson had five or six drinks during his stay on Thursday, and left about 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon. He had nothing to eat during his stay there.

Witness next saw Hewitson about seven o'clock in the evening, when he returned under the influence of liquor. He changed a five dollar bill when he returned in the evening. He left about nine o'clock in the evening after having five or six drinks of Scotch whiskey with water. Hewitson did not say where he was going when he left in the evening. He could walk quite straight when he left. Witness did not see him any more until Friday morning at 7.30 o'clock, when he found him in the back room of his establishment. This room is not locked at night, but the bar is at the front of shop. Did not know how long Hewitson had been in the room. There was no furniture in the room except a stove, chair and table. There was no fire in the stove at the time. Hewitson had the appearance of a man who had been on a carousal, though he was not drunk. Hewitson remained about the place all day Friday, and continued to drink Scotch whiskey. He drank very frequently during the day, and moved about between the front and back shop. Hewitson asked for nothing to eat during the day, but could have gone out and got something had he desired it. Could not say for sure that there was a fire in the stove during the day, though he may have burned some rubbish. Witness retired about eleven o'clock, leaving Hewitson sitting on a chair in a back room. He previously gave Hewitson half a dozen cigars and he had a flask of whiskey, which he got elsewhere. Witness changed a twenty dollar American bill for Hewitson on Friday, or rather got it changed at Kitchen's store. There were lots of persons in and out of the shop during the day, but witness did not remember of Hewitson treating anyone except Johnson and Annie Black. The person called French Mollie was not present during the day, of that he was positive. Did not notice any customers having conversation with Hewitson during Friday or previous day. Jas Hector was a visitor to the shop on Friday. Herman O'Ree, Charles O'Ree, and George O'Ree also dropped in during the day. As a rule the bar is closed at ten o'clock, and it was closed at that hour on Friday night, though witness remained until half past eleven with Hewitson. Witness saw Hewitson again about seven o'clock on Saturday morning. He was then apparently suffering from the effects of over indulgence in liquor. He asked for a drink and it was given to him. Witness had no place for Hewitson to sleep, and he remained in the back room of his own free will. The door was unlocked and

he could have gone out had he wished. Witness offered Hewitson some ham and eggs for breakfast but he declined to accept. About ten o'clock Hewitson complained of being hungry, and Johnson got him an oyster stew. He only drank the milk from the stew and shortly afterwards complained of feeling unwell. About half past two in the afternoon he asked to lie down and a bed was made up for him on a table in the back room. Hewitson was then quite drunk and witness assisted him on the table. He remained awake for some time. About four o'clock he asked to be sent home, and gave witness a two dollar bill to procure a team for the purpose. Johnson went to the Barker house stable and ordered a team, but for some reason it was not sent up. About five o'clock the witness was in the back room and noticed that Hewitson was breathing hard. He spoke to him and Hewitson replied that he was all right. He did not complain at the time of being ill. All Hewitson had after lying down was a drink of whiskey and a drink of water.

Examined by Mr Allen, the witness said he was positive that Hewitson remained in his place from Friday until Saturday. Witness had known him a long time, and had no reason to do him any harm. It was nine o'clock in the morning when Hewitson had the twenty dollar bill changed. Hewitson had probably a couple of dozen drinks on Friday and three or four on Saturday. Witness and Johnson usually drank with him, and Jim Hector also had a couple of drinks. When asked what's became of the balance of Hewitson money, the witness said he would rather not tell as Col. Hewitson was dead. He consented however, to tell the coroner and counsel in private and they retired with him. Afterwards the reporters and spectators were excluded and the witness repeated to the jury what he had told the coroner and counsel outside. He said that Hewitson had been drinking with Annie Black and a Mrs Embleton during the day and had spent his money freely. Hewitson had not asked for anything to eat during the day.

The witness was briefly cross-examined by Mr Crockett but nothing new was elicited.

Lee seemed to be very docile this morning and answered promptly all questions put to him, in a satisfactory manner.

PERSONAL INTELLIGENCE.

Movements of People in Whom Our Readers Are Interested.

Miss Sadie Thompson, returned home Wednesday night from a visit to friends in Sackville.

Capt Paul Weatherbee, architect of the Militia Department, was in the city yesterday a guest at the Barker.

Messrs Bedell and Murphy of the U N B, left for their homes in Woodstock, this morning.

Robert Jardine, of Toronto, is in the city a guest at the Barker.

Fred Somerville, of the U N B, left for his home at Norton this morning.

G R Burt, the well known lumberman of Hartland, is at the Barker.

Rev M L Gregg of Bath, Carleton Co., was in the city yesterday to attend the Encenia.

Miss Helen Good left this morning for Woodstock to visit friends for a few days before going to Sydney to spend the summer with her sister Mrs Snerman.

Fred A Estey arrived home yesterday from Shogomoc.

Miss Katie Fleming, has been obliged to return to her home at Chatham, from the Normal School, on account of sickness.

Miss Fairall, of St John, is visiting friends in the city.

Mrs and Miss Coll of St John were in the city attending the closing of the U N B.

Miss Simmonds, who spent the winter with her sister, Mrs George Starr, Wolfville, N S, has returned home.

CANNOT RECOVER.

(Special to the Daily Herald.)

Washington, May 31.—It is learned this morning that all hope of Mrs. McKinley's ultimate recovery has been abandoned. The doctors have issued bulletins in which it is stated that she is very weak but it is not thought that there is any danger of immediate death.

FIRE AT BUCTOUCHE.

(Special to the Daily Herald.)

Buctouche, N B, May 31.—This place was visited by a serious fire early this morning when three buildings were consumed. They were the warehouse of A Grattin,

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The origin of the fire is unknown. Fortunately no wind was blowing or the whole town must have suffered. Loss \$5000. Insurance unknown.

OFFICER SUICIDED.

(Special to the Daily Herald.)

Cape Town, May 31.—Because he was placed under arrest for overstaying his leave, Paymaster Perry of the British cruiser Barraiconto, jumped overboard and was drowned.

Shareholders' Meeting.

Notice is hereby given that a Special General Meeting of the Shareholders of The Harb. Boot & Shoe Company, Limited, will be held on Saturday, June 1st next, at three o'clock in the afternoon, at the offices of the Company in the City of Fredericton, for the purpose of receiving the annual report of the Directors and taking action thereon, and for the election of directors, and to approve of a bye-law to change the annual Meeting of the Company to the third Wednesday in June in each year.

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