

MAKES CONFESSION

Martineau Tells How He Secured About \$75,000.

SPECULATION AS TO HOW HE MANAGED IT.

May Have Used Number of Cheques

WHICH DISAPPEARED DURING OCTOBER 1901.

Ottawa, February 26.—The confession of Martineau is now admitted by the officials of the Militia Department. It was made verbally to Lieut. Col. Sherwood, Commissioner of the Dominion Police, and consists of a detailed statement showing how some \$75,000 was secured by the accused. It is now questioned in the Department, whether Martineau used blank cheques or altered good cheques for small accounts.

Mr. Borden, accountant of the Department, inclines to the latter theory for the following reasons: Martineau's stealings began away back in September, 1901, a few weeks after he first joined the staff of the department as a temporary clerk. It was not until the 1st of July last that he was appointed permanently.

CHEQUES DISAPPEARED.

In October, 1901, fifteen departmental cheques mysteriously went astray. They were for small amounts, fourteen of them being for \$6 each and one for \$10. The cheques were duly signed by the deputy minister and accountant, and Martineau was to have posted them by registered mail. Not one of them ever reached its destination, nor was one of them ever cashed as none came back to the department. Search and inquiry were made for the missing cheques everywhere, but without avail. Martineau's story that he had posted them was naturally believed as the cheques appeared never to have been used, the supposition was that they had been somehow lost in the mails. Now it is the accountant's belief that Martineau pocketed these cheques and that they are the very ones he used to obtain funds from the banks on account of the Militia Department.

To make use of these cheques Martineau must have substituted for the names of the parties to whom the cheques were made payable his own name or that of Charles D. Cote, under which he did business last summer with the Sovereign Bank.

RAISED THE AMOUNTS.

Besides he would have to raise the amounts. In substantiation of this theory, it is recalled that Martineau in filling in cheques to be signed by the deputy minister and accountant, wrote a very fine light hand, and used a pale ink. Did he use disappearing, or as it is sometimes termed, sympathetic ink? Mr. Borden could not say. He believes, however, that it was by removing the names and amounts from the face of these missing cheques, and substituting others, that Martineau managed to get into the department to the tune of \$75,000. But whether this was done by the use of acids or by the fading ink process he could not conjecture. Martineau, however, still sticks to his story that the cheques he used were others than those mentioned, but, said the accountant, he has told so many lies that one cannot place reliance in anything he says.

At all events it is clear from the official theory of the origin of the misappropriated cheques that no evidence has been discovered upon which to found a charge of forgery against the accused.

COMMENCED 18 MONTHS AGO.

Until the foregoing information was obtained at the department it had been supposed that Martineau's crooked work only dated from last July. But it now appears that he may have begun speculating a year and a half ago. The work of examining the cash and other books of the department covering such a long period, has been no small task, although Mr. Borden has had the assist-

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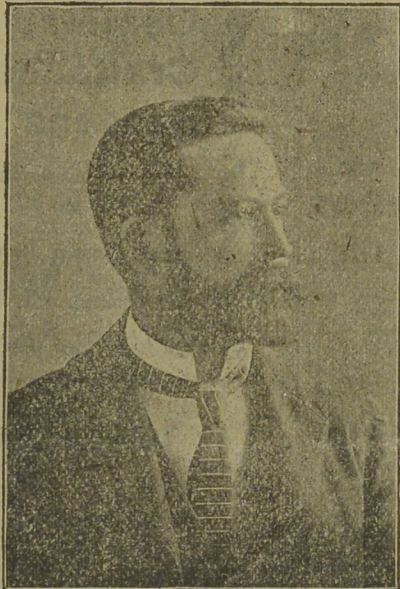
ance for several days of an official of the Auditor-General's Department.

This help was afforded at the accountant's request and not upon the initiative of the Auditor-General, with a view of examining into the bookkeeping methods of the Militia Department.

The accounts and cheque payments of the department for the past month or two will be submitted in the usual course to the Auditor-General in a day or two.

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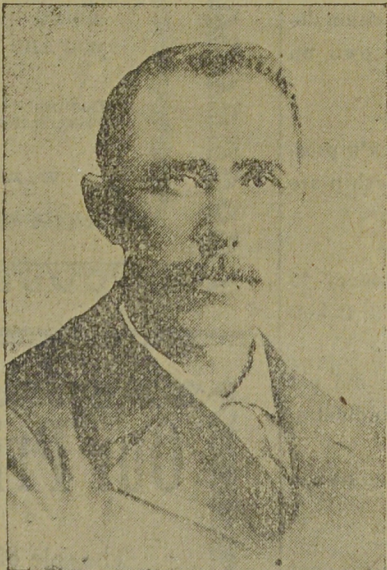
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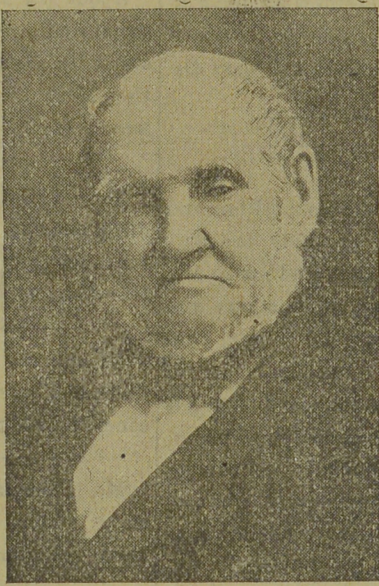
(Special Correspondence to the Herald.)

March 2.—A few evenings ago there was a very exciting foot race on the highway bridge between "Bankey" Robinson the well known hockey player and Lemuel Brown a young Englishman who has recently arrived in Marysville. The race has been the talk for sometime, and when the runners appeared on the scene of action the excitement ran high. Brown was dressed in tights and had the appearance of being very swift, while Robinson appeared in his every day clothes, both men seemed confident of winning. At the word they were off like a shot, but Brown, who is an old runner, was too much for his opponent,

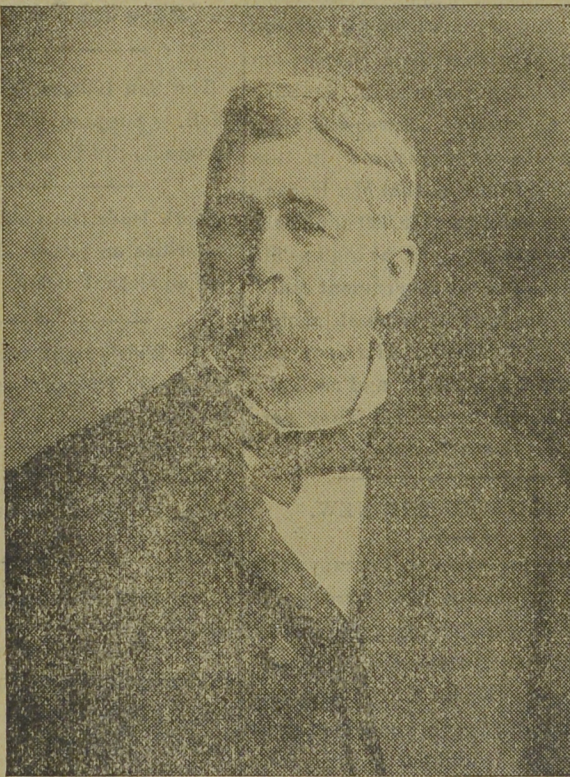
and won the heat by more than half the distance.

No Surrender Council, No. 132, Royal Templars of Temperance, intend celebrating their fourth anniversary on the evening of Wednesday, March 11th, by entertaining their friends, and as this society is noted for their entertaining qualities a good time is assured.

Election day passed off very quietly



SENATOR WARK.



ALEX. GIBSON, M. P.

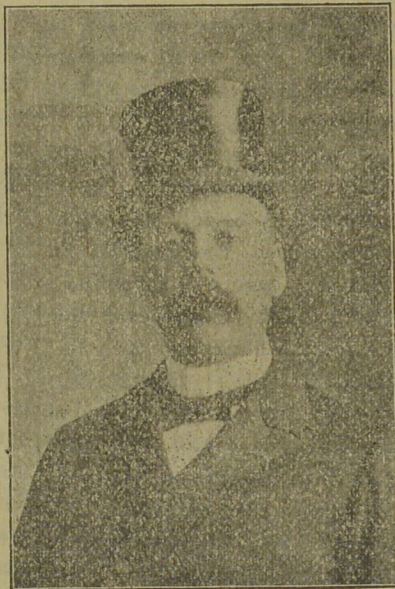


SENATOR THOMPSON.

here, and there did not seem to be much stir, the Government supporters being the most active, and the result was as the majority of the people expected.

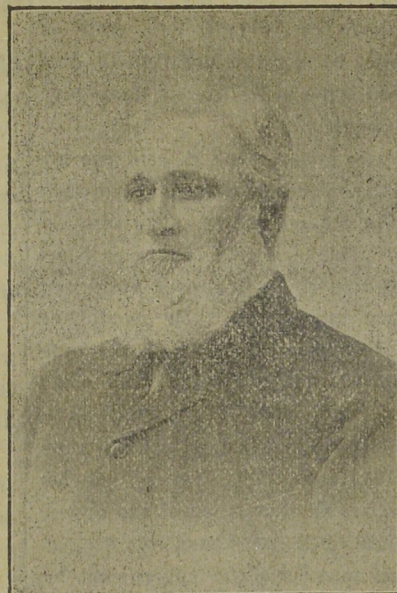
Mrs. E. Mills Merritt who has been spending the past week with friends returned Saturday to her home in Fredericton.

To put the brake on the wagon going down the hill is a help to the horse, when the wagon is heavily loaded. But what driver would think of applying the brake to a loaded wagon going up hill? If he did, his sensible horses would probably balk. Many a man is in the condition of pulling a load up hill with the brake set against him. When his stomach is out of order, and the allied organs of digestion and nutrition impaired in their functions, a friction is set up which has to be overcome in addition to the performance of daily duties. A foul stomach makes a foggy brain, and the man with a disordered stomach has often to grope his way through the day's business like a man in a fog. He forgets appointments.



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