

BRUTAL OUTRAGE.

Gang of Cape Breton Ruffians Thrust Sharp Wire Into a Lad's Eye.

Oliver Ingraham Suffered Terrible Injuries at Hands of School Mates.

Sydney, N. S., Feb. 10.—The details of a horrible assault, which was committed on a boy named Oliver Ingraham by a number of his school companions at North East Margaree, Inverness county, were brought here today by Dr. Wm. McLeod, who was called from Sydney last week to perform an operation on the lad. Ingraham is about 15 years old and is the son of Absalom Ingraham, a prominent man of North East Margaree.

The boy attended school at that place and there seems to have been a grudge held against him by a number of other boys attending the same school. Some weeks ago they prepared themselves for an attack upon their victim by manufacturing a crude weapon out of wire, which the ring leader bound round his hand in the shape of a knuckle.

On the 17th of January, while young Ingraham was eating his luncheon in the school, he was set upon by four youths of his own age, one of whom forced the sharp wire instrument into the most vulnerable spot of Ingraham's left eye.

A young girl in the school, who saw the row and heard Ingraham's blood-curdling cry, ran out screaming, and thereby attracted the attention of Ingraham's twin brother, who succeeded in preventing the assailants from doing any further injury to their victim.

The ringleader, in the meantime, had chased the girl who had given the alarm, into a house nearby with a billet of wood, and not being able to reach her threw the weapon through the window.

The injured boy was taken to the house of a farmer named Burton, who lived near the school, and he has been in a critical condition ever since. When Dr. McLeod, a specialist from Sydney, was called a week ago he found that the youth was suffering intensely, and that the injured eye had undergone general destructive inflammation, and that there were symptoms of blood poisoning. However, with the assistance of Dr. Carmichael, an operation was performed and the eye removed. Young Ingraham will probably recover.

It is understood that no attempt has yet been made to prosecute the youths who made the villainous attack on Ingraham, although there is a great deal of popular indignation in the community.

Would Prove a Hindrance to Farm Improvement.

According to a well founded rumor the Dominion Government will during the present session be urged to impose a customs duty on grades of fence wire which are now on the free list. That such a tax would prove a unjust burden to the farmers of Canada there is no doubt. In the older parts of the Dominion the old wooden fences are year by year being replaced by wire structures, and in the great west, which is rapidly being settled, practically all the fencing is being done with wire in one or other of its many forms of construction. Were the kinds of wire most in use for fence construction manufactured in Canada, there might be some excuse for imposing an import tax, but since there are practically no factories in the Dominion, whom could such a tax benefit?

That the price of fencing material would be raised to practically the extent of the duty there can be no doubt. This would mean that a on the fencing required for an average farm. Nor would the rural company suffer only to the extent of duty of 25 or 30 per cent. would impose an extra tax of \$150 or \$175 an increased expense to those who have to fence, but a great deal of farm improvement would be delayed for several years, which would operate strongly in keeping down the value of the land. Rather than impose a tariff on Nos. 9, 12 and 13 smooth galvanized wire, as has been proposed, it would be a much saner policy to remove the present duty of 20 per cent. on Nos. 7 and 11. If this were done, the revenue would not suffer, for these grades are not extensively imported, but if they were free a stronger and more satisfactory fence could be obtained without enhancing the cost.—a.

MYSTERY IN WOMAN'S DEATH.

Bruises on Mrs. Himada Cause Arrest of Dr. McDonald, a Former Nova Scotian.

New York, Feb. 11.—Following the discovery of the body of a woman, the face bruised and discolored in a room at the Adelphi Hotel, at Tenth Avenue and Twenty-third St. yesterday morning, Dr. Clarence McDonald, a young Nova Scotian, who has been staying at the hotel for two or three days, was arrested on a charge of homicide and is now locked up in the Tombs to await the result of the coroner's inquest, which will be held a week from today.

The woman, according to the prisoner, was Mrs. Elizabeth Himadi of

Lodi, N. J., the wife of a druggist there, and who, according to friends, has done much charitable and prison work here.

Dr. McDonald himself notified William Pahi, manager of the hotel, about 8 o'clock that Mrs. Himadi was dead and asked that the police be notified. The physician said that Mrs. Himadi's death was due to a chronic kidney trouble. The marks on her face, he declared, resulted from blows he had struck her in a quarrel three days before.

McDonald is held because of the bruises. Coroner Brown, who has charge of the case, thinks that the death may have been caused directly by violence. When the woman entered the hotel on Monday night with McDonald, no marks were noticed on her face. When the hotel man called in the police, Dr. Gillespie was summoned from the New York Hospital. He found Mrs. Himadi dead, although the body still was warm. A note, signed with her name, was found in the room, asking Dr. McDonald to meet her at the Broadway Central Hotel.

Before McDonald was taken to the Jefferson Market Court, he told Capt. Daly at the West Twentieth Street Station, that his home was in Port Hawkesbury, N. S., where his father is a physician. For about six months, he said, he had been living at Mills Hotel No. 1, depending for support upon remittances from his father.

He is twenty-eight years old, while Mrs. Himadi apparently was about ten years older. They met about five months ago in a Lexington Avenue Hotel.

"Her husband," McDonald said, "is a druggist at Lodi, N. J. She intended to get a divorce from him and marry me, but her relatives objected to the divorce, so she gave up the idea."

The police consider as suspicious the fact that McDonald, as he admitted, left the hotel very early in the morning when he said the woman was ill. His explanation was that he wanted fresh air and a

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THREE DROWN IN POND.

Farmer, Wife and Sister-in-Law Lost—Dey Rescuer Failed.

Mount Holly, N. J., Feb. 13.—Shinn, O. Ballinger, a farmer, his wife, and the latter's sister, Miss Lizzie Taylor, were drowned this afternoon in Ballinger's mill pond. How the three came to be out upon the ice is not known. They were not skating, as each had on "Arctic" rubber shoes.

Constant Carpenter, a "taken boy" who lived with the Ballingers, says that he left the house this morning to go to Memford for the mail. He

was on his way homeward, and was on the road not far from the mill pond when he heard cries from the direction of the pond. He ran to the pond and saw his employer in the water near the middle, where a considerable hole had been broken through the ice. The boy ran out as near as possible to the edge of the opening, and, taking off his coat, slid it out toward Ballinger, who was clinging to the ice.

The only way that the coat could be made to serve the purpose was for the boy to swing it outward by one of the arms. Ballinger succeeded in getting a hold on the skirt and the boy started to pull. The stitches on the shoulder gave out and Ballinger sank. He came up again, and clinging to the edge of the ice told the boy, Carpenter says, that Mrs. Ballinger and Miss Taylor had been drowned. The boy ran to the edge of the pond for a fence rail and before he could return his employer was drowned.

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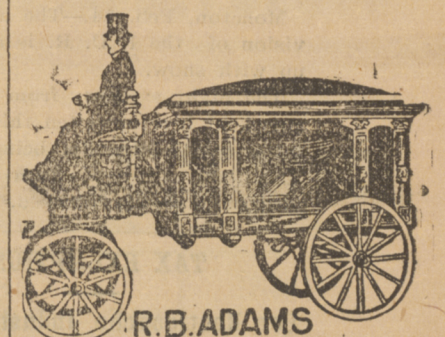
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