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THE HERALD WISHES EVERYBODY A HAPPY NEW YEAR

SCOTCHMAN DROWNED

Fell Between Logs in Crossing British Columbia Lake

VANCOUVER, B. C., December 31.—(Special.)—News comes from Rock Bay of the drowning of Kenneth Mathieson and Andrew McOskar, natives of Scotland. The men took their Christmas dinner at a hotel at Rock Bay Landing, and on their way to their sleeping quarters in a camp two miles away, they attempted taking the usual short cut by walking along logs across a bend of the lake. The men not turning up in due time their tracks were followed, and their bodies were found. They evidently had fallen between the logs. McOskar belonged to Johnston, near Paisley, and Mathieson, to Glasgow.

JAPANESE IMMIGRATION

Lemieux Believes Flow of Orientals to Canada will be Restricted

MONTREAL, Dec. 31.—A special London cable says: The Tokio correspondent of the Times says there is no foundation for the rumors that have been circulated that Lemieux and Sir Claude MacDonald have declared themselves entirely satisfied with the action of Japan, which is determined vigorously to restrict the number of emigrants going to Canada.

Louis Leopold, agent here for the Canadian Manufacturers Association indignantly repudiated the allegations made against him during the common debate at Ottawa on Dec. 17. He says it is absolutely untrue that he sent numbers of mechanics to Canada for the association without having work for them. No men were sent from his office without work to go to, and without definite orders engaging them in Canada.

CLEVER YOUNG LADY

Miss Ivy Gardner, a student at Oxford, has won a Rhodes scholarship for practical teaching. Miss Gardner is a daughter of W. F. and Mrs. Gardner, of Montreal, and a granddaughter of the late Rev. Dr. Bennett, of St. John.

Her relatives in St. John and her many friends are pleased to learn of her success. Mrs. Gardner is expected in St. John shortly and will sail on the Tunisian for England. While in St. John she will be the guest of Dr. and Mrs. J. B. Travers. Miss Gardner is in her first year at Oxford.

A WESTERN OUTRAGE

LATHBRIDGE, Alberta, December 31.—Because they believed Harry Smith had been murdered in a Chinese restaurant here 1,500 men raided the Oriental quarter late Christmas night and left a wreck behind. Restaurants and laundries were smashed, doors and windows and the entire fronts of buildings were reduced to splinters.

The regular police were powerless, and a brigade of mounted police had to be called out to quell the riot. The rumor of Smith's death proved to be without foundation.

EDITOR'S SILVER WEDDING

It seems that Mr. R. E. Armstrong of the St. Andrew's Beacon, though apparently one of the youngest men on the New Brunswick press, has been married twenty-five years, so he can't be still in his teens. A host of friends invaded his home, on Friday evening last, and presented an appreciative address, and several beautiful and costly pieces of silverware to the happy couple.

AN EDITOR'S DEATH

HAMILTON, Dec. 31.—John R. Cameron, editor of the Hamilton Spectator, and one of the best known journalists in Canada, died very suddenly during Sunday night, at his home in East Flamboro. It may be said that he died in harness, for while he had not been in the best of health for some time, he was in the office right up until noon Saturday.

CUSTOMS RETURNS

OTTAWA, Ontario, December 31.—(Special.)—Customs receipts of the Dominion for the nine months of the fiscal year ending to-day, show a gain of \$6,983,802 over the same time last year.

BURNED TO DEATH

OTTAWA, Ontario, December 31.—The ten months old child of Alfred Diville, of Medansville, an Ottawa suburb, was fatally burned on Saturday night through rolling out of bed against a hot stove pipe. Death came before a doctor could be summoned.

NEW YEARS CURLING

Rinks that will Line up under President and Vice Presidents for the Coleman Cup

In the annual championship for the Coleman cup between rinks chosen by the president and vice-presidents of the Fredericton Curling Club, the Christmas play gave the vice-presidents a lead of eleven points, and the possession of the cup will depend upon the result of the New Year's play tomorrow between the same rinks as were scheduled for Christmas.

The ice is in splendid condition for tomorrow and the curlers are looking forward to a pleasant field day, the more since they have had so little opportunity this season for the participating in the popular game.

The rinks for tomorrow are as follows, and every player is expected to be on hand promptly, or notify his skip in time for him to secure a substitute:

MORNING.

President.	Vice-presidents.
Winslow F.E.	1 Neill, J. S.
Weddall	Page
MacFarlane	Walker
Randolph, R.F.	Winslow, J. A.
skip	skip
2 Everett	2 Shaw
McKay	Thomas, F. T.
Porter	Shute
Fowler, Thos.	Simmons, S. D.
skip	skip
6 McMurray	3 Belyea
Neill, John	Vanwart, F.
Babbitt, H.R.	Kinghorn
Rutter	Randolph, C.F.
skip	skip

AFTERNOON.

4 Howie	4 Hennessy
McCunn	Hughes
Ferguson	Peters
Loggie	Allen, C. H.
skip	skip
5 Irvine	5 Shea
Vanwart, W. A.	Reid
Limerick	Winslow, D.B.
Hawthorne	Dibblee
skip	skip
6 Ryan	6 Thomas
Atherton	Simmons
Randolph, A.H.	Crowe
Bridges, H.V.B.	Wilson
skip	skip

EVENING.

7 Doran	7 Kerner
Babbitt, S.W.	Croft
Dunbar	McLellan
Hatt	Tibbitts
skip	skip
8 McPeake	8 Walsh
Hopkirk	Vandine
Bridges, Dr.	Foster
Macnutt	Barker
skip	skip
9 Hanlon	9 Fowlee, C.H.
Doherty	Farnsworth
Hall	McGrath
Massie	Campbell
skip	skip

THE STOCK MARKET

Montreal, Dec. 31.—(Special.)—In the stock market today advances took place in Montreal Street to 181 and Montreal Power to 87 but later lost half a point.

Can. Pac., which rose to 154 1/2 yesterday was stronger again, but dull bid, price being 155 1/2. Other features were Twin City, 85, Lake of Woods, 71, Rio 35 1/2 and Detroit 34 1/2.

ROCHETTE CONFESSES

Montreal Wife Poisoner makes Clean Breast of His Crime

CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—(Special.)—Omme Rochette of Quebec, who was arrested in Chicago on Saturday on the charge of murdering his first wife made a full confession to Chief McCaskill of Montreal.

"I killed her because we were always fighting," he said. "For eleven years we were always in rows, and I was driven half crazy by it all. Then after she was dead I loved Ellen and married her."

Chief McCaskill left for Montreal with the prisoner last night.

A CASE OF SUICIDE

The Late Mr. W. S. Barker whose Death was Reported Yesterday took his own Life with a Revolver

The whole city of St. John, says the Telegraph, was shocked and saddened yesterday by news of the tragic death of W. S. Barker, the well known broker and sportsman. It developed soon after the discovery of death that it was a case of self-destruction due to a fit of insanity superinduced by intense suffering, depression and worry.

Mr. Barker had been ailing at times for about a year. For the past ten days he had been confined to his bed, under the care of Dr. Murray MacLaren. Sunday evening an operation was performed, and some hours later Mr. Barker told the nurse in attendance to go to her rest. She and the housekeeper were awakened by a cracking sound about 2 a. m., but thought the fire had caused it as Mr. Barker was all right about ten minutes before that. In the morning he was found dead with a bullet wound in his head and a small revolver in his hand.

Dr. MacLaren was called and he in turn called Coroner Berryman, who held an inquest last evening.

INQUEST HELD.

The inquest was held last evening by the coroner, Dr. C. E. Berryman, at Mr. Barker's late residence.

Dr. Murray MacLaren said Mr. Barker had been his patient on many occasions during the last fifteen or sixteen years or more. He saw him last alive on Sunday evening when he found him comfortable and improving. When he left he was not alarmed as to his condition. He had been improving for the last few days. During the deceased's last illness he was somewhat nervous or depressed. He had suffered considerable pain but not during the last few days. Sunday evening he opened an abscess on Mr. Barker's shoulder. The next time he saw him was between 6 and 7 a. m. on Monday morning when he was dead. His right hand was then lying across his chest and clasped in it was a revolver. There was a wound in his right temple. Death was caused by a gun shot wound. In the nervous condition Mr. Barker was in he might have been of unsound mind for a time. For years the deceased had a weak nervous system and to some extent a self-destructive tendency. On one occasion he attempted to take his life owing to nervous depression at a time when he was not feeling well.

Katherine McLatchy, a trained nurse, told that she had been attending Mr. Barker since December 23. She was present when Dr. MacLaren operated Sunday evening. From that time Mr. Barker did not complain up to the time she left him at 12.15 a. m. She left at his request. She then retired. She slept in the ell and was not too far away to hear the report of a revolver. At 2 a. m. she heard a noise like coal cracking. She went to Miss Tomlinson, the housekeeper, who also said she heard the noise. Miss Tomlinson said she had just put fresh coal on. The witness asked how Mr. Barker was. Miss Tomlinson said she had been in and had given him a drink about ten minutes previous. He had then told her he wished to rest and had no pain. The witness returned to bed. At 6.30 a. m. Miss Tomlinson came in and said Mr. Barker had shot himself. Mr. Barker had been much depressed.

In reply to the jury witness said Mr. Barker was anxious to have her leave him every night as he said the light troubled him.

GAVE HIM DRINK FEW MINUTES BEFORE.

Miss Ella Tomlinson, said she had been housekeeper to Mr. Barker for fourteen years. He was a man of nervous temperament and had been ill nearly all his life. His last illness began about three weeks before his death. His nervousness had increased recently. She told of the incidents of Sunday night as related by Miss McLatchy. About 2 a. m. she had given Mr. Barker a drink of water and he asked for a handkerchief. On finding him dead in the morning she told the nurse and sent for Dr. MacLaren. His revolver had been kept in the bureau for ten years and was always loaded. Mr. Barker could never reach over and get it from the bed.

T. Fred Powers, the undertaker who prepared the body for burial testified to the condition of the wound, and to finding the revolver case in the bed.

The coroner briefly addressed the jury. He had held the inquiry because it all of all questions which were sometimes raised.

The jury deliberated a few minutes and returned the following verdict: "We, the jury empaneled to enquire into the death of the late W. S. Barker, find from the evidence adduced that on the morning of the thirtieth day of December, inst., at 208 Duke street, deceased came to his death by a self inflicted bullet wound in his right temple, and we further believe that the injury was inflicted during a fit of despondency, caused by his severe illness."

About a month ago Mr. Barker returned from Clifton Springs where he had gone to undergo treatment. During the past seven years he had conducted a successful stock brokerage business in the Palmer building on Princess street. He was a son of the late T. B. Barker, founder of the firm of T. B. Barker & Sons, which was absorbed a few years ago by the National Drug Company. W. S. Barker was connected with the former firm for many years but retired about the time his father died. Some time later he went into the stock brokerage business with Thomas R. Christian and later continued the business alone.

In the civic elections of 1904, he was elected alderman for Dukes ward, but retired the following year.

He was about 50 years of age and unmarried. He leaves one brother, H. W. Barker, manager of the National Drug Company, and one sister, Miss Helen, now on her way home from Brooklyn, N. Y.

Mr. Barker was always prominent in athletic sports. Though not an athlete himself he was always working to promote good amateur sport and he met with a good measure of success. He was a member of the St. Andrew's Curling Club and was one of its best skips.

MINING FRAUDS

Public Deceived. Overdrawn Accounts of Claim Values

TORONTO, Ontario, December 31.—So serious and incriminating was the evidence in the Law-Russell mining conspiracy case yesterday afternoon that the magistrate thought it his duty to increase Frank Law's bail from \$10,000.

Up to yesterday the crown had devoted most of its attention to Highland Mary's claims, but yesterday's transactions with reference to the much-advertised "Blue Bell" claims, were brought to light.

W. D. Hobson, formerly superintendent at the "Blue Bell" stated that he had got in five months only two gold assays from the property, one of which went \$1.50 to the ton and the other \$2.50 to the ton, notwithstanding the advertisements which stated that assays ranged from 200 to \$2,000 to the ton.

Frank Law was released from custody last night, bail being furnished by Mr. Jas. M. Sinclair, manager of the Europa Mineral Works, and Asbestos Co.

TORONTO MAYORALTY

The publication by the Toronto Globe of a fracas in which Dr. Beattie Nesbitt, one of the Toronto mayoralty candidates is alleged to have figured at Stratford some eighteen months ago, has added an element of bitterness to the election, which will be decided at the polls tomorrow.

Dr. Nesbitt does not deny the main points of the story, but declares the trouble was in consequence of a dispute with a restaurant keeper, and that he knocked an officious policeman down. The report which the Globe copied from a Stratford Conservative newspaper says Dr. Nesbitt sought to embrace a young lady guest in the restaurant, the latter swooning, and that the Doctor was arrested and jailed. Dr. Nesbitt sues the Globe for libel, and declares that the publication of the report is making votes for him.

Dangerously Ill

TORONTO, Ontario, December 31.—Ed. Hanlon, the winner of more races and trophies than any other living harnessman, is dangerously ill at his home on Beverley street. The illness may prove his last. He has aged rapidly in the last few years, and is scarcely in condition to fight successfully against the attacks of disease.