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MONTREAL SENSATION.

Prominent Merchant and Members of His Family Sued for Alienating Son's Affections From His Wife.

Montreal, Feb. 20.—(Special)—A sensation was created here today in social circles, when it became generally known that Messrs. McMaster, Hickson and Campbell, the leading law firm of this city, had, at the instance of Mrs. A. W. Agnew, a master of arts graduate of Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario, and later principal of the Ladies' College of that city, entered an action in the superior court for the sum of \$53,000 against Mr. William Agnew, Mrs. Agnew, his wife, and Miss Kathleen, his daughter, all three of whom move among the highest circles in Montreal for alienating the affections of her husband.

Mr. Agnew whose son is the husband of the plaintiff in the case, is the well-known dress-goods merchant being head of the firm of Wm. Agnew & Company. He lives in a fashionable residence on a most fashionable street, Dorchester, and is reputed to have amassed a small fortune. The family travel extensively in the continent and in Europe.

Young Agnew first met his fiancée when a cadet at the Royal Military College, Kingston, and there formed the friendship which later resulted in marriage.

It was thought that a settlement could be effected outside of court and in that way all publicity could be avoided, but negotiations apparently fell through and the present action is the result.

To say that social and business circles were widely shocked, would be expressing it mildly.

Nothing of the kind of the legal way since the famous Gaynor-

Greene proceedings, has afforded a parallel.

The trial in this case will probably be by jury, as it is understood the plaintiff has made such a request.

So far as can be ascertained the action is unprecedented in the annals of this city, if not in Canada, and the mazing interest that attaches to it is scarcely to be imagined. The case in which a husband has brought action for the alienation of his wife's affections are rare here or anywhere in Canada, but the reverse is in the present case is almost unknown.

It promises to be one of the most bitterly fought battles that have ever taken place in legal circles in this city.

Mrs. Augustus Waterous Agnew, who brings the suit was formerly Miss Mary Gover of Kingston, Ont.

She seeks to recover fifty three thousand dollars as compensation for damages occasioned her through alleged alienation of her husband's affections, and alleged publication by defendants of false and defamatory libel and scandals concerning her.

According to her story, Mrs. Agnew was married in 1904 at Kingston.

The defendants who are parents and sister of her husband, are accused of having caused her husband to abandon and desert her. She has not heard from him since 1905, and he has failed to provide for her.

This was brought about she alleges through the publication of a false and libellous statement.

A petition has been pending in the supreme court since May, 1905, in which Mr. and Mrs. William Agnew seek to annul the marriage.

IS MONCTON DRY?

Police Officers Say They Couldn't Find Any Barrooms Doing Business Last Night.

Moncton, Feb. 20.—(Special)—Acting under instructions of the police committee, Chief Chappell and his men were doing the town last night, in search of places where liquor is sold in contravention of the Canada Temperance Act. They found nothing.

Two men were placed in the east end, two in the centre, and two in the west end.

Their orders were to visit every place, restaurants and saloons, as well as hotels where liquor is supposed to be sold. They went about work systematically, and it is claimed no place under suspicion was overlooked. The result was nil.

In some places visited rooms evidently used as bars were found locked

hard and fast, with no evidence of any business being done.

It is said to be the intention to repeat the operations every night if necessary until the illegal traffic is stopped.

Thaddeus Richard, was arrested last evening on a Scott Act commitment. The case was tried in January, and the defendant was fined \$200 or one month in jail. He was given until the morning to raise the required amount.

General Manager Pottinger left on the C. P. R. today for Ottawa.

R. W. Hewson, barrister, has been summoned to Ottawa to give evidence in the Moncton land purchase before the public accounts committee.

MR. EMMERSON HERE.

Minister of Railways Arrived This Afternoon to Attend Forestry Convention.

Hon. H. R. Emmerson, minister of railways, and canals arrived here at 3.15 this afternoon, from Ottawa, his private car being attached to the western train which was delayed by an accident.

The Minister is a guest at the Queen hotel and this evening will address the Forestry Convention on Opportunity and Outlook, and expects to leave for Ottawa tomorrow evening.

Mr. Emmerson is accompanied by

his daughter Miss Emmerson, his niece Miss May Emmerson, Miss Denton of Toronto, Miss Florence Murphy of Moncton and Mr. C. B. Robinson, his private secretary.

PRODUCE MARKET.

Montreal, Feb. 20.—(Special)—The cheese market is very steady, holders asking 13½ to 14 for all kinds. The butter market shows improvement, 25½ to 26 for factory creamery, and 25 to 25½ for medium qualities.

THE FORESTRY CONVENTION.

One of the Most Important Gatherings in the History of the Province.

Addresses of Welcome by Governor Snowball, Premier Tweedie and J. D. Hazen, M. P. P.

Interesting Papers on Forestry Preservation Read by Ex-Governor McClellan and Mr. Elihu Stewart.

MR. HAZEN.

Mr. J. D. Hazen, M. P. P., had much pleasure in joining in the very hearty welcome extended to the representatives of the great lumbering industry in New Brunswick. He regarded the convention as one of the most important in the history of the province, and felt sure that the benefits to be derived from it would be far reaching. He referred to the Dominion Forestry Association and spoke of the good work it had accomplished in the way of arousing public sentiment in favor of forest preservation. The early settlers, Mr. Hazen pointed out, did not realize the importance of preserving the forests, and consequently there was much unnecessary waste and destruction. Today people are alive to the importance of the great lumbering industry and are devising means to preserve our forest wealth for future generations, and at the same time to conduct the lumbering business so that it will yield a fair return for the money invested.

Mr. Hazen thought it of the utmost importance that rigid laws should be enacted and enforced to prevent the destruction of forests by fire. He told of what was being done in this respect by some of the states of the union. The state should not allow the public domain to go unprotected against fire any more than the individual should allow his personal property to go unprotected. The law passed at the instance of the lumbermen of Westmorland a few years ago, to prevent forest fires, was certainly a step in the right direction. The crown lands of the province are a most valuable asset and should be given all possible protection. While it was perhaps hardly necessary to adopt such stringent laws as exist in Scandinavia, Germany and other countries which require a man when he cuts down a tree to plant another one, it is certainly of the greatest importance that everything possible should be done by statute to protect and conserve our forest wealth. Mr. Hazen in conclusion again extended to the delegates a very hearty welcome.

THE PREMIER'S REMARKS.

Premier Tweedie was pleased to welcome the delegates to the first Forestry convention ever held in the province. It was never too late to learn, he said, and the legislature realizing this, had, at the last session, decided to make changes in the law relating to the timber lands of the province. The forests had in the past been depleted by the wasteful cutting of much valuable lumber, and it was desirable that a change in this direction should be inaugurated. For this purpose the convention had been called, and invitations had been sent to experts on forestry in Canada and the United States. He regretted that several of those invited, including the Chief of the United States Forestry Bureau, were unable to be present. On behalf of the people of the provinces he had much pleasure in cordially welcoming the visitors. The Premier intimated that the convention would be open for the fullest discussion upon all subjects set forth on the program.

The Premier then proceeded to read a paper in which he gave a brief and interesting history of the lumber trade in New Brunswick. About two hundred years ago he said timber for ship spars were exported from this province to France. The next trade developed was in pine timber, great quantities of which in the early part of the last century was exported to Great Britain. He quoted figures to show the extent of this trade, and pointed out that the quantity exported from the Miramichi in the early days was greater than that exported from St. John. The great fire which devastated the Miramichi in 1825 caused a decline in the trade. The Premier also gave a brief history of the spruce deal trade, which he was able to show had steadily increased year by year, while the trade in pine timber had practically been wiped out. He showed that New Brunswick now has 27,177 square miles of forest lands, from which the revenue last year was \$240,000, exclusive of the returns from the sale of game and fish licenses. Careless cutting and the destruction of the pine timber trade, and the Premier hoped that no such mistake would be made by lumbermen of the present day in regard to spruce and hemlock.

The Premier continuing, referred to the public domain act of last session, and hoped that it would be freely discussed at the convention. So far, the act had not been the subject of very much criticism and he was certain great hopes that it would result in lasting benefit to the province. (Applause.)

red years of growth in our forests there are also trees in all stages of growth and these latter should receive the same care as growing crops. It is the duty of the state to enact wise and progressive forestry laws and to see that they are properly enforced. Every province of Canada from British Columbia to the Atlantic seaboard is vitally interested in the question.

The subject of Mr. Stewart's paper was "The General Need of Forestry Preservation," and he dealt with it in a very practical and interesting way. He dwelt upon the great importance of preserving the timber on the mountain sides, which formed the great water sheds and natural reservoirs of the country. He quoted from the census figures and trade returns to show the enormous value of Canada's forest wealth, and he also briefly traced the growth of the movement for forest preservation. He advanced many powerful reasons why the people should interest themselves in protecting and conserving the forest, which was beyond a doubt, one of the nation's most valuable assets. Mr. Stewart was glad that the government of New Brunswick had taken decided action in the matter, by passing the public domain act of last session. The act was a good one and would be a blessing to future generations. He thought, however, there should be one proviso, to the effect that ten per cent of all holdings should be left in forest lumber, and the lumber cut under the supervision of the government and in such a way that it would not be impaired for forest reservation purposes.

The report of forests products last year totalled \$50,000,000. The home market is a large one and will grow in importance each year, as the vast and treeless prairies of the west become populated. This should convince people of the great importance of conserving our great forest heritage for future use.

Mr. Stewart's magnificent address was followed with the closest interest and he was heartily applauded at the close.

THE EX-GOVERNOR.

Hon. A. R. McClellan ex-lieutenant governor, read a short paper on forestry, which he had prepared at the request of the Premier. He thought if the right of eminent domain had been applied to this province fifty years ago, the province would be much better off today. He was glad to note that great progress was being made throughout Canada and the United States along the lines of forestry preservation. He also made reference to the great importance attached to the lumber trade by some of the countries of Europe, and of the rapid growth of the pulp and paper industry. He spoke of what was being done in Japan and Germany in preservation. Mr. McClellan thought the way of forest culture and forest if the Surveyor personally owned the crown lands of the province it would be safe to say that he would not destroy it for the sake of large immediate profits, but would protect and foster it for the sake of his children and others.

He advocated a course of study in all the schools that would familiarize pupils with tree culture and its importance to the country. Much has been heard of our great western heritage, but here in New Brunswick we have a heritage that probably has no superior on the face of God's earth.

MR. STEWART'S ADDRESS.

Mr. Elihu Stewart of Ottawa, president of the Canadian Forestry Convention was the next speaker. He returned thanks for an invitation extended to the Canadian government, and stated that while the Premier had found it impossible to attend, the minister of railways would be present. The speaker next alluded to the warm interest always taken in the cause of forestry by the lieutenant governor and also by the good service rendered the movement by Surveyor General Sweeney at conventions in Ottawa and Vancouver which he had attended.

In all parts of the country he was pleased to note a general awakening of the people in the direction of forest preservation. While there are many trees with fifty and one hundred

years of growth in our forests there are also trees in all stages of growth and these latter should receive the same care as growing crops. It is the duty of the state to enact wise and progressive forestry laws and to see that they are properly enforced. Every province of Canada from British Columbia to the Atlantic seaboard is vitally interested in the question.

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At one o'clock the convention adjourned until 2.30.

A large map of the province showing the crown lands is displayed just over the speaker's canopy. There is also on exhibition a fine display of Canadian woods.

OLDEST CANADIAN.

Timothy Collins, Dead at Montreal, Aged 111 Years.

Montreal, Feb. 20.—(Special)—Timothy Collins, aged 111 years, believed to be the oldest man in Canada, and probably the oldest on the continent, is dead at his home on Chomely St.

The immediate cause of his death was pneumonia, contracted some weeks ago.

Collins in spite of his extreme age, having been born in Ireland in 1795, retained all his mental faculties.

He had smoked constantly, and drank moderately since he was a boy. Collins lived under the reign of five British sovereigns and a regency beginning with William, and ending with Edward the Seventh.

CHARGED WITH MURDER.

Ontario Woman Arrested for Killing Her Husband.

Cayuga, Ont., Feb. 20.—(Special)—Investigations of Detective Drees in the Perkins poisoning case, culminated yesterday, when Mrs. Mattie Perkins was arrested on the charge of murdering her husband, Henry Perkins, of North Cayuga, on December 25th last.

The arrest was made at the home of Mrs. Perkins' parents in Cayuga. Mrs. Perkins took her arrest coolly, but protested her innocence.