

MONTREAL HAS A  
BIG SENSATION

William Agnew, a Leading Business Man,  
His Wife and Daughter Sued by Mrs.  
A. W. Agnew, His Son's Wife, for  
Alienation of Her Husband's Affec-  
tions.

MONTREAL, Q., Feb. 20.—(Special)—Nothing short of a sensation was created here today in social circles when it became known that Messrs. MacMaster, Lusk and Campbell, the leading law firm of this city had at the instance of Mrs. A. W. Agnew, Master of Arts graduate of Queen's University, Kingston, and later principal of the Ladies' College of that city, entered an action in the Superior Court for the sum of \$83,000 against William Agnew, Mrs. Agnew, his wife, and Miss Kathleen, his daughter, all three of whom move among the highest social circles in Montreal, for alienation of 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 & Co. He lives in a fashionable residence on the most fashionable street, Dorchester street, and has been reported to have amassed a fortune. The family travel extensively on the continent.

Young Agnew first met his fiancée when a cadet at the Royal Military College, 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 since the famous Gwynne-Greene proceedings has afforded a parallel to this case. It promises by jury as it is understood the plaintiff has made such a request. So far as can be ascertained at the time of writing the action is unprecedented in the annals of this city, if not in Canada, and the amount in interest that attaches to it here can scarcely be imagined.

The cases 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, as in the present case, is almost unknown. It promises to be the most bitterly fought battle that has ever taken place in legal circles in this city.

It was learned by your correspondent late this afternoon that this action in damages is closely connected with a counter action between the same parties which has been bitterly fought in the local courts here during the last two years, and by which Mr. and Mrs. William Agnew are attempting to annul the marriage of their son, with his wife on the ground that this marriage was contracted while their son was still a minor and without their consent. No decision has yet been reached on the merits of this action which so far has only been fought out on technical and preliminary grounds.

SMALLPOX  
SITUATION

Board of Health is Meeting  
This Afternoon To Consider  
What Will Be Done.

A meeting of the board of health is being held this afternoon to hear the report of the physicians who have been investigating the smallpox cases in the lumber camps at Musquash.

Up to the present time the cases found are all in one camp, known as Amerscamp. The disease is of a very mild form and the men are working along as usual. The board will decide whether it will be necessary to send the physicians down again or not. The bad condition of the roads makes it difficult to get in and out to the camp. Dr. Fisher started down yesterday, but had to turn back on account of the roads. He returned to Fredericton last evening but will return here and go to the camps later on. Some trouble has been experienced with the inmates at the Western House, which is under quarantine. It seems that some of the boarders, who are of various nationalities have been making the guard's life very miserable, with threats of beating him and of breaking out of the building. Yesterday matters grew so unpleasant that the guard threatened to call the morning and Secretary Burns had to get another man.

CARLETON IS  
A BAD PLACE

Hebrew Junk Dealers Will Find  
It Better To Stay On the City  
Side of the Harbor.

Jacob Rosenthal, a Hebrew junk dealer, learned at the police court this morning that the law does not contain separate sections for rich and poor, and Jewish junk dealers in general will not be able to do the kind of business they want in Carleton.

Rosenthal was charged with buying old iron from Edgar Burnett and Hugh Keleher, two boys who were arrested last week for stealing junk from the C. P. R. yards in Carleton. He was adjudged guilty and fined \$10 or one month in jail.

Police Sergeant Ross, Hugh Keleher and William Byers were examined and their evidence showed that Rosenthal had been met by Burnett and Keleher, who offered the iron for sale and told them he could not buy it then and asked them to take it to their yard, which was done, and he had purchased the metal.

WILL BE TAKEN  
TO ALMS HOUSE

Richard Cooper, the aged colored man, who was found recently in a pool of water under a car on the ballast wharf and taken to the police station, is still in the jail, and will probably be taken to the Alms House. Dr. Christie saw him at the jail and recommended that he be taken to the institution. He is sick and very weak and it was stated this morning that the unfortunate man was able only to crawl on his hands and knees.

When taken into custody he was re-wounded to jail on a charge of vagrancy, and was too weak to be taken into court this morning.

## THE OROURO DETAINED

HALIFAX, Feb. 20.—(Special)—Steamer Orouro, the last night from St. John, only reached here at 12 p. m. She was detained by a snow storm.

W. S. Fielding is in the city, en route to Ottawa.

EVELYN THAW STILL  
UNDERGOING JEROME'S  
CROSS EXAMINATION

She Was Recalled When the Thaw Trial Resumed This  
Morning --- Cross-Examination Will Consume the Whole  
of Today's Session.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—That District Attorney Jerome has decided to closely cross-examine Evelyn Nesbit Thaw, has already developed, and there is little doubt that most of today's session of the Thaw trial will be taken up with that cross-examination.

A rule made late yesterday afternoon just before adjournment may have far-reaching effect on the case. It has been held all along that under the law it is immaterial whether the story which Evelyn Nesbit Thaw told her husband was true. If Harry Thaw believed it, and it aided in unhinging his mind, that was enough. It was therefore supposed that Mr. Jerome would not be able to get into the truth or falsity of the statements which Mrs. Evelyn Thaw stated on the stand she told her husband.

Yesterday soon after beginning the cross-examination Mr. Jerome asked young Mrs. Thaw if what she told her husband regarding her associations with Stanford White was true. There was an argument over the admissibility of the question,

which ended in Justice Fitzgerald admitting the question, holding that it was permissible, as going to show the credibility of the witness. The great question now is how far will this throw down the bars and allow the district attorney to introduce evidence in rebuttal to show that the story was not true.

The point is almost a new one, and there is no one who can say what the result of this ruling will be. Today's proceedings will probably show.

If Mr. Jerome attempts to take up the statements in detail and inquire as to their truth there will be many strenuous objections and on Justice Fitzgerald's interpretation of the law will depend whether the entire matter of the relations of the witness and Stanford White will be gone into. There seems little doubt that if the court will allow it Mr. Jerome will attempt to show that many of the statements young Mrs. Thaw has testified she made to her husband are not true. If he is able to show that, will, of course, make no difference in the

main fact of the case. The only effect would be to discredit Mrs. Thaw's veracity and perhaps rob her of some of the sympathy she has enlisted by her pitiful story.

Today Mr. Jerome will continue with the searching cross-examination which he began late yesterday and it will probably follow out the lines he laid down then. If the court adheres to its ruling he will, without doubt, go over each incident as it was told at direct examination and require the witness to swear to the truth of each one.

That the district attorney believes he can prove that some of the statements are not true at least Mrs. Thaw is mistaken in them, there can be no doubt. The court's ruling will probably allow him to go into these various incidents at any length. The whole question is whether that ruling is broad enough to allow him to put other witnesses on the stand in an effort to controvert these facts as they now appear on the records.

St. John County Division, S. of T., with the members of Loyalist Division, paid an official visit to Granite Rock Division, west end, last evening. After business had been disposed of an enjoyable programme was carried out. The programme was as follows: Address of welcome, Worthy Patriarch of Granite Rock Division; speeches by R. Carson, G. W. A.; G. Hamilton, D. W. P.; F. M. Hastings, W. P.; J. J. Wells; monologue, H. McCavour, D. S. O. J. P.; speeches by W. H. Gilmour, D. G. W. P.; D. Thomas and G. Andrews.

The Winslow-Richards case was resumed in the Equity Court this morning, when the taking of evidence was continued.

WILL BE 100 DEAD.

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 20.—A dispatch last night from Las Esperanzas mines, where the recent disaster occurred, says: "At 5.40 p. m. yesterday 54 bodies had been recovered from the mines. Eleven injured men are in the hospital, including three Japanese. Many men are still entombed. It is believed that the death toll will total between 75 and 100."

THE NEW DONALDSON LINER  
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The new Donaldson line steamship Cassandra, arrived off Paradise Island last night at nine o'clock and came up into the harbor at 7.30 this morning to her berth at the west end, with 61 cabin and 136 steerage passengers.

The Cassandra left Glasgow on February 9th, and had a good passage across the Atlantic. The trip was uneventful. This is the second trip here this winter for the Cassandra. She is one of the finest vessels doing winter port business from this port. Her interior is fitted in the latest up-to-date style.

The big ship has on board a large general cargo for this city and the west. Her passengers for the west have already gone to their destinations, thirty-five of them going to the United States.

The following is a list of her officers: J. Mitchell, commander; Dr. Alexander, surgeon; G. Gilmour, chief steward; Mrs. Agnew, stewardess.

The following is a list of her cabin passengers: Miss Christina Ferguson, L. H. Gaudry, Jas. Gibson, Jas. Gowan, Ben. Grosh, John Horn, C. Howatson, G. Howatson, John Hutton, Wm. Mackintosh, James Mackenzie, Jas. McLeod, Donald Matheson, Alex. C. Milne, Mrs. Milne, Miss Bella Milne, Alex. Dalziel Ogston, Wm. Paterson, Mrs. Reid, Miss Annie Reid, Miss Mariannus L. Reid, Miss Edith M. Reid, Arthur Reid, Miss Bella Reid, Gus Simard, Wm. H. Smail, Mrs. Solaway, Miss Dora Solaway, Wm. H. Tackler, Leonard Thomson, Miss M. Thomson, Daniel Thorburn, Geo. F. Hay Walker, Mrs. Wallace, Jas. Williams, Andrew Barr, Mrs. Barr, Master Andrew Barr, Master Ed. Bobbin, Mas. John Bobbin, Herbert S. Bryson, Andrew Buntin, Thomas Burns, Angus Cameron, Joseph Chrestopoulos, Wm. Colquhoun, Gavin Cullen, John Cullen, John Cullen, Jr., Wm. Dewar, Mrs. Dewar, Wm. Edington, Christopher Egan, Geo. Ewing, Mrs. Bobbin, Miss Celia Solaway.

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LOWER COVE GOING  
TO THE "BOW-WOWS"

Magistrate Ritchie Has Heard That Men  
in That Section of the City Carry  
Imperial Quarts --- "Booze" in Their  
Pockets --- A Straight Talk From the  
Bench.

Interesting developments may come from two cases that were heard at this morning's session of the police court. The remarks from the bench were strong and pointed and embraced some straight tips for Jew and Gentile—rich and poor.

The case against Mrs. Mary Burns, charged with illegal liquor selling, was resumed and John O'Leary was placed on the stand. O'Leary told of having found John Grant in an alley, on Sunday morning, and declared that the man was shivering with the cold. Witness suddenly remembered that he had an appointment with the defendant, Mrs. Burns, and leaving Grant he went to her house, where he remained about half an hour; after which he returned to the alley and took Grant into his own house, where he gave him liquor from an imperial quart bottle, purchased by him at Moran's liquor store the night before. When Grant had recovered somewhat from the effects of the cold, he mentioned having lost his boots in Martin's house, whereupon Mrs. O'Leary took matters into her own hands and put the unfortunate man out in summary fashion.

Mrs. O'Leary was notified to appear in court this morning, but as she failed to show up an officer went to her house and found the doors securely locked. He rapped on the door but received no response. Police Clerk Henderson, who is conducting the prosecution, said that Sgt. Baxter had gone to Mrs. O'Leary's house and found the doors locked. The court, he added, tried to deal with this witness as pleasantly as possible and she had been given every chance. He thought her actions suggested a contempt for the running machinery of the court; and, as the offence had been committed on the Lord's day, he thought the matter should be thoroughly investigated and while Mrs. O'Leary's evidence may not be even a link in the chain, she showed no disposition to be brought into court.

His honor observed that in some of these liquor cases people who have very little regard for the truth would go on the stand, and that some of these days circumstances would bring about a charge of perjury, and if at any time sufficient evidence could be found against such a witness he would send him up for trial.

His honor added that clergymen had repeatedly complained to him of conditions in Lower Cove, and one of them had declared it was going "straight to the devil." Men were going around with imperial quarts in their pockets, and if a man wanted a drink he would be taken "down to the wharf" and supplied. If an example were made of one of such people it would be hard on the wharf rats. "I'm no rat," said O'Leary.

The case stands till Friday morning.

MURDERING  
HER HUSBAND

This Is The Charge Upon Which  
Mrs. Mattie Perkins of Cayuga,  
Ont., Has Been Arrested

CAYUGA, Ont., Feb. 20.—(Special)—The investigations of Detective Decker in the Perkins poisoning case culminated yesterday, when Mrs. Mattie Perkins was arrested on a 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 the arrest coolly, but protested her innocence.

HOUSE MAY  
CLOSE SOON

Some Evidence That Parlia-  
ment May Prorogue Early.

OTTAWA, Feb. 20.—(Special)—There were some indications of an early closing of the house at Mr. Monk's special committee on co-operative and industrial societies this forenoon, although there were no such signs of prorogation at yesterday's sitting of the house. Some of the members of the committee wanted the matter closed up as soon as possible so that it could be dealt with this session. It was suggested that as parliament was to close early in April the measure should be taken up by the government or the committee allowed to sit during the sittings of the house. Mr. Lemieux, the chairman, said that he had no objection to the committee sitting when the house was in session but it was too early for the government to step in and, therefore, he thought they should go on with the evidence, which was done. Mr. Desjardins of the Hansard staff was further examined.

HOW MONCTON  
HAS CHANGED

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JAP PRESS  
IS PACIFIC

Newspapers of Mikado's King-  
dom Apparently Favor Basis  
of School Question Settle-  
ment.

TOKIO, Feb. 20.—The tone of the leading newspapers this morning, commenting on the settlement of the San Francisco school question, is eminently pacific. They appear to consent to the arrangement in lieu of clause 2 in the present treaty with the United States. The Nichi Nichi says that it will withhold judgment concerning the success or failure of Japan's diplomacy until the naturalization question is settled. Foreign Minister Hayashi in an explanatory interview calls attention to the fact that when the present treaty is concluded Japan had a great object, to attain—the removal of consular jurisdiction. Before this achievement could be realized some sacrifice was necessary.

"I remember," said he, "that clause was inserted at the express wish of the American minister, because the approval of the treaty could not be secured in the United States senate without it."

## FUNERALS

The remains of the late James Shaw were laid at rest this afternoon in Fernhill cemetery and the lengthy procession that followed the body to the grave showed the respect that was entertained for Mr. Shaw by his fellow citizens.

In the cortege walked the members of the Thistle Curling Club of which organization the late Mr. Shaw was a valued member.

The funeral took place at 2.30 o'clock from Mr. Shaw's late residence, 111 Nova street and the burial services were read by Rev. Mr. Graham and Rev. Dr. Raymond. There were no pall-bearers.

The body of the late Mrs. McGarrity was taken to Barnesville today where interment was made. Rev. Mr. Hoyt conducted the funeral service there.

The funeral of the late James J. Baxter took place today from his late residence on Charlotte street to the church of St. John the Baptist, where Very Rev. Fr. Chapman read the burial service. Interment was made in the New Catholic cemetery.

The pall-bearers were Thos. Driscoll, M. J. Moran, J. Sinclair, W. McGinley, A. G. Verinder, T. Sutherland.

## CIVIC PAY DAY

The pleasant smile was much in evidence about City Hall this morning, for Chamberlain Sandall was disbursing the fortnightly payroll to civic employees. The recently inaugurated system of paying fortnightly instead of monthly seems to meet with the warm approval of all.

Following is an account of what the money goes for:

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| Official .....     | \$1,267.88 |
| Public works ..... | 292.08     |
| Police .....       | 1,001.80   |
| Fire .....         | 837.50     |
| Salvage .....      | 50.00      |
| Ferry .....        | 576.03     |
| Market .....       | 97.80      |
| Total .....        | \$4,123.07 |

## MONTREAL STOCKS

MONTREAL, Feb. 20.—(Special)—There was a strong tone in the market today. Nova Scotia Steel, which moved violently, following the action on dividend yesterday, opened at 75 1/2 and later closed at 75 1/2, a small reaction within yesterday's closing price. Illinois Pfd., recently tipped for a bull movement, was strong at 94 1/2. Other features were Dominion Iron, 22 1/2; 47 Mackay Pfd., 70; Toronto Ry., 112 1/2; Detroit, 74; Twin City, 102 1/2.

## HOUSE DID NO BUSINESS

FREDERICTON, Feb. 20.—(Special)—The house met at ten o'clock and adjourned without doing any business.