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ISLAND MINISTER WINS LEGAL CASE

Where Relatives Endeavor to get a Quarter of a Million which has been Bequeathed to Him by a Parishioner—Vessel Wrecked.

BOSTON, April 7.—(Special)—Rev. Angus McDonald, formerly of Prince Edward Island, who was bequeathed a quarter of a million dollars by Mrs. Abbie Dodge of Jacksonville, one of his parishioners has won the preliminary round in the contest which the woman's relatives are making upon the fortunate clergyman.

The Probate Court has decided that the will shall stand.

An appeal has been taken and the case will be thrashed out in the higher courts of the United States.

TIVERTON, RHODE ISLAND, April 7.—(Special)—The consting-schooner George and Albert was totally wrecked off the Comorant Rocks today.

The captain three men escaped in an open boat and were picked up by a passing steamer after they had had experience.

They lost everything that they had on board the ill fated steamer.

GRAPHIC DESCRIPTION OF ISLANDER ON THE PACIFIC

He Most Conspicuous Man in Portland, Oregon—Newspaper of That City Gives an Interesting Story of His Life in the West—The Friend of the Orphans and of the Widows—His Life Since Leaving P. E. I.

A correspondent residing in Portland, Oregon, sends the subjoined article on James McDonald whose career has recently occupied much attention in the press. The writer has known Mr. McDonald for sixteen years, and has seen him nearly every day of that time. McDonald is probably the most conspicuous man in Portland. This is due to the business he has chosen. The old "bad debt collector" is known by most people, but few know him as James McDonald. The Portland Oregonian's article is as follows:



JAMES McDONALD
The eccentric millionaire of Portland, Ore., from a photo taken some years ago.

James McDonald, is a pessimist, but he is a man of pride, and that has dragged him into print; that and his alleged brother Sir William the millionaire from Montreal. And so he rested his gaunt and knotted hands on the top of the old stick which serves as a cane, peered out with his faded blue eyes from under the down-hanging fringe of whitening eyebrows, and told what he thought of the condition of things.

The old bill collector of Portland who has made so many hearts beat at his approach during the past 20 years, has many other troubles besides being the brother of a long-lost millionaire. He is the universal prey of robbers and thieves, but yesterday it was his pride which was hurt.

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YESTERDAY IN THE COMMONS

Roche of Marquette took Exception to the Statement of the Premier—Word soon of the Cabinet Vacancy—Autonomy Bill Debate Resumed.

OTTAWA, April 7.—(Special)—In the House today Roche of Marquette took exception to Sir Wilfrid Laurier's statement that from 1896 till 1905 the Government had received no request from Manitoba regarding the boundary extension.

Roche himself had presented a petition from Manitoba in 1901.

Laurier replied that government attention had not been directed to it.

Mr. Borden said that the fact of such being presented was all the notice that the Government should have required.

Borden asked if any action was being taken towards filling the vacancy caused by Hon. Clifford Sifton's resignation.

Laurier promised to give any information he might have on this at an early date.

McCarthy of Simcoe resumed the Autonomy Bill debate. He criticized Foster, Borden and Laurier, declaring that he would not support the bill or Borden's amendment. The new Provinces must manage their own schools.

Several other speakers followed before the House rose.

QUEBEC PROVINCE LEADS IN DAIRYING

Largest Producer of Cheese and Butter: The Canadian Cow is Behind in Milk Production.

OTTAWA, April 3.—There was a large attendance of the Select Committee on Agriculture and Colonization to hear the evidence of J. A. Ruddick, Dairy Commissioner, regarding the work of the dairy commissioner's branch, which includes dairying, fruit, cold storage, and extension of progress of dairying in the different provinces of Canada. Mr. Ruddick pointed out that the Province of Quebec now probably leads in the production of cheese and butter. Quebec has for many years been a larger producer of creamery butter than any other province, and it must be conceded that parts of the province also have a reputation for making the finest creamery butter in Canada. The Maritime Provinces, although eminently adapted for dairying, have not, barring Prince Edward Island, shown as much progress as some of the other parts of Canada. A considerable quantity of butter and cheese from the Maritime Provinces now goes to supply the West India markets, and speaking from personal experience when on a visit to the West India last winter, Mr. Ruddick stated that Canadian butter and cheese was taking the lead in these markets. Northern Alberta is also a very promising district, and the indications are that it will be one of the great dairying districts of the Dominion. Considerable development has also taken place in the lower mainland of British Columbia.

J. A. Ruddick is concluding his evidence, showed there is room for a good deal of improvement in the average production of milk by Canadian cows. In Denmark the investigation of one of his officials had shown the lowest average for herds was 5,000 pounds of milk per cow per year;

while some herds went up to 11,000 pounds. While in Canada the average was more like 3,000. With a few as high as 5,000. In reply to A. E. MacLaren, Mr. Ruddick gave particulars of the method of covering cheese with paraffine wax, and said that though it met with objections in the old country, still it is making its way, though he would not recommend private factories yet to adopt the method. He believed the custom could be made general in a year or two. The advantage is prevention of shrinkage and thereby keeping cheese moist and tasty. At close of meeting Mr. Ruddick showed samples of various cheeses, and members of committee had lunch thereon.

THE NEW COMPANY WON'T HAVE TO PAY

HALIFAX, April 7.—(Special)—The legislature yesterday struck out a clause in the bill regarding the transfer of the Joggings Coal Mines to the new Company which is largely composed of Montreal and United States bond holders under which they would have had to pay five dollars of arrearage in wages due to the miners by the defunct Company. The assurance was given however that the money would be paid.

HE MAY SUCCEED LORD STRATHCONA

TORONTO, April 7.—(Special)—There is a story here is to effect that Sir William Mulock will succeed Lord Strathcona in London as the High Commissioner.

MOUNTED POLICE OFFICER DIES

Colonel Morris Passes Away from a Paralytic Stroke He was a Native of New Brunswick.

PRINCE ALBERT, N. W. T., April 7.—(Special)—Col. Morris died last night without regaining consciousness from a paralytic stroke on Friday. He leaves a widow and a grown up son and a daughter.

Supt. W. S. Morris, Commander of the Prince Albert District of the Royal North-west Mounted Police, was fifty-seven years of age and a native of New Brunswick. He was in command of the 71st Regiment at Fredericton before taking a commission in the police and during the rebellion of 1885 was stationed at Battleford.

Iron-Ox Tablets are on sale at H. A. Ellis' Drugstore. 7d ft.

STRIKE TROUBLES ARE UNSETTLED

The Men Claim that Manager Cowans Made them an Offer which he Denies — To go to P.W.A.

HALIFAX, April 7.—(Special)—Trouble has broken out again between the men and the management of the collieries at Springhill.

When Manager Cowans a week ago practically withdrew his order of a twelve per cent cut in wages the men say that they believed he also withdrew his order cutting the yardage rate on pilfered coal from \$1.00 to 50 cents.

Cowans says that he did not withdraw this and the men are now threatening a strike unless he takes that order back as well as the other.

The question has been relegated to the sub council of the P. W. A. who will see Cowans on the question before taking further action.

THE "LEGION OF FRONTIER'S MEN"

Englishmen Throughout the Empire to be Organized to Work in Conjunction with War Office.

LONDON, April 7.—(Special)—The Daily Mail announces that a movement is on foot to form a "Legion of Frontier's Men" to organize Englishmen throughout the Empire into an auxiliary intelligence department on a volunteer basis to act as intelligence officers in connection with the war office.

The inaugural meeting will be held next Monday at Lord Lonsdale's house.

Hurrah for the new Christy hats. Come in today and get one for Sunday.—Prowse Bros. 8 d 3

CHALLENGES FOR PUBLIC VOICE

WINNIPEG, April 7.—(Special)—Hon. Mr. Rogers has issued another statement answering what he alleges are inaccurate remarks made by Sir Wilfrid Laurier. He challenges the Liberals to allow Manitoba's Government to grant dissolution and let the public voice be heard.

OTTER MAY BE COMMANDANT

KINGSTON, April 7.—(Special)—It is stated that Colonel Otter will be appointed commandant of the Kingston Military College.

CHICAGO MARKETS.

CHICAGO, April 7.—(Special)—	March Corn 47 1/2	May Corn 48 1/2
" Wheat 88 "	" Wheat 117 "	
" Pork 13 1/2 "	" "	\$12.00

AN INQUEST ON THE FATAL SHOOTING

At the request of a number of people of Rocky Point, Coroner McNeill held an inquest yesterday afternoon into the death of Oliver McLean of that place who was killed by a gun shot wound in the abdomen on Thursday last.

The witnesses examined were George Ambrose Smith, who gave the principal testimony, John A. McLean, John Feehan, Malcolm McKinnon, Mabel McKinnon and Hannah Smith.

The evidence was as given in The Guardian yesterday. The deceased and George Ambrose Smith went shooting squirrels. They had gone through the woods and stopped at an open space where deceased remained while Smith went on. A few minutes later Smith heard a shot and after calling to McLean and getting no answer went back and found him still breathing. He spoke but received no answer. He then went for aid.

The other witnesses testified to finding the body with the gun alongside and an empty and loaded cartridge on the snow and the gun's breach open. The accident had apparently happened while deceased was loading or unloading the gun.

The verdict arrived at was as follows: That Oliver McLean came to his death from the accidental discharge of a small gun in his own hand, the wound in his abdomen showing an angle from below upwards and the jurors are further of the opinion that a law should be enacted for

bidding the use of firearms by young boys—John McMillan, Foreman. Neil Currie. David McIsaac. Frank Smith. Patrick Feehan. Jeremiah Murphy. Louis Doyle.

WEATHER FORECAST.

TORONTO, April 7.—(Special)—Moderate southwest and west winds, fair and cooler.

THE TEMPERATURE.

Slightly cooler weather prevailed yesterday.

LOBSTER packers are urged to apply to the Inspector at once for licenses.

The new bookcase for P. W. College built by Lowe Bros was transferred to the building yesterday.

Horses Wanted.

Mr. Robert Higgins from Island View farm, Eden, Maine, is stopping at the Queen Hotel and wants to purchase a few first-class driving horses; must be thoroughly sound—good drivers, good actors, weight 1050 to 1100 lbs. Wants one seal brown, high actor standing 15 1/2 or 16 hands high, weight about 1050 lbs, but must be right. Call on Mr. Higgins or J. F. Woodbury at the Queen at once and get further information. 8 d 11

A SNAP NEW

All the NEWEST and BEST MAGAZINES of the day now on sale, also Ralph Connor's new Book THE PROSPECTOR.

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