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ROSS - STEVENSON CASE NOW BEFORE THE SUPREME COURT

The Supreme Court opened its day today, between Lemuel Ross and William Stevenson, the charge in the indictment was that at or near California Road, in Queen's County, on or about the second of April 1927, they did steal the sum of \$260 the property of James Herbert Simpson.

During the empanelling of the jury, seventeen jurors were challenged by the defence. The crown was represented by the Attorney General and Mr. Campbell, while Mr. W. E. Bentley, K. C. acted as Counsel for the defence.

Mr. Saunders opened the case for the crown, giving an outline of the evidence which he proposed to present. He then called the first witness, Rupert Simpson, who, on being sworn, stated: I live at Bayview, with my father, whose name is the James Herbert Simpson. I remember the 2nd of April last. On that day I was driving to Hunter River from my home, which is between eleven and eleven miles away, with some potatoes for shipment abroad. I left home somewhere around 8 o'clock in the morning. At the time I was dressed in my working clothes—overalls and a fur coat.

I saw my father that morning. He gave me a pocket book containing three cheques, I did not see the cash—He put that in afterwards. He gave me a slip with the denominations of the bills marked on it. I wouldn't swear that I examined it before I left home. I put it in my light coat pocket and the pocket was in the outside pocket of my fur coat.

I had a high box wood sleigh. I was sitting on one of the three crates of potatoes piled up inside it. The box of the sleigh was three feet high, and the crates were a little higher than the box. I was sitting on one of the crates in the middle of the sleigh, and I did not change my position until I came to Proctor's Hill.

I went by way of the New Glasgow Road and New Glasgow, thence via the St. Mary's Road, and the Ontario Road, I passed Donald Ross and his little Frank Weeks of Fredericton. They all came in on us and said, "Well, what do you want?" Again Mr. MacCoubrey did most of the talking. We said that if they didn't hand over the money we would take proceedings. They said when I spoke to him that day (Sunday) we then drove down the road, followed by the accused.

On Monday we went to town by train—George Brown and I. The first people we met in town were Frank Weeks, Frank Stevenson, and the two prisoners.

President Signed Sugar Decree

(Special to the Guardian) HAVANA, Cuba, Jan. 23.—President Machado yesterday signed a sugar decree confirming the report of the national sugar defence committee, which recommended fixing the 1927-1928 sugar crop at four million long tons. Under the decree 3,300,000 tons are for the United States, 150,000 tons are for home consumption and the balance is for export to other countries than the United States. The left over sugar from the crop of the last year, 250,000 tons, is destined for the United States.

New Weapon Will Prevent Attack By Air

(Special to the Guardian) COPENHAGEN, Jan. 23.—Arnold Christensen, an engineer of Maribo, has invented a "gas cannon" that some experts believe may alter the entire future of aerial warfare. The weapon is a gun that is reported to shoot masses of gas, instantly rendering unconscious occupants of an airplane under attack. The gas projectile is said to travel 1,000 feet in two seconds, and it is claimed that shells can be shot at any desired altitude.

Christensen has offered the invention to the Danish military authorities, who are testing it today. Captain Foesley, head of the military aviation war college, is understood to have reported that he believes it to be an effective weapon. Because of this report, it is learned a special general staff committee shortly will begin large scale experiments with the cannon.

While doing so? A. I couldn't swear; I might have tossed it off at the station. Q. Who was the man who followed you into town? A. Mr. Leonard Craswell. Q. Who was it followed you from St. Mary's Road in to Hunter River? A. That was Mr. Craswell. He did not catch up to me. I did not see him leave his house. Q. He was talking to him in Hunter River? Q. But who is the man you picked up at St. Mary's road? A. There was a sleigh going ahead of me—Mr. Austin Bolger. Q. In your direct examination you said there was a man going in behind you? A. That was wrong. I didn't see a sleigh behind me there. Q. When you passed Mr. Craswell's place you saw a sleigh coming up there. Where was Mr. Bolger when you passed there? A. He was ahead of me—quite a distance. Q. Did he have a load at all? A. I didn't take notice. We both had wood sleighs, and our horses were walking along the road. Q. Did the young ladies (Mr. Andrew's daughters) mistake you for your own boy? A. No, afterwards. Q. Where was Bolger when the young ladies passed you? A. We were not far apart. Q. Did you meet sleighs before you got to Hunter River? A. I think I met one back by Mr. Donald Andrew's. Don't recall what sort of a rig it was. The boy I met had a load of high boxes, and, besides I knew him well. That was why I noticed him especially. I met quite a few teams on the road, but can't name any of them, but can I say where I met them. Did not meet many till I got near Hunter River. Q. The winter road takes the field at Lemuel Craswell's gate? A. Yes. Q. This winter road turns to the right or west, going through the fields? A. Yes. Q. How many fields does it go through before it comes to the hedge? A. Through two fields. Q. Your horse had come about ten miles? A. Yes. A. At this point the Court took a recess until 2.30 p. m.

Living Woman's "Ghost" in Tube

(British United Press) LONDON, Jan. 22.—A "ghost" of a living person is declared to have been seen in the elevator of the tube at Piccadilly-circuit Station. The details are given by Miss Lucy Waterfield, of Golden-rise Hendon in a psychological journal. "I was with a friend one evening in an elevator of the tube at Piccadilly-circuit Station," she said, "when I saw among the few passengers a woman who lives near me to whom I had spoken three or four times. "I bowed, but received no response, and assumed she did not recognize me. She walked down the passage in front of me and turned a corner. I stopped for a few minutes to say good bye to my companion. When I reached the platform my neighbor had disappeared. Though I could remember hearing no train, it never occurred to me that she was other than a corpse. "A few days later I met her at a tea party, and told her of the incident. She said she was at that time shivering in Piccadilly-circuit waiting for a bus, and wishing her friends would consent to travel by the tube. "I described exactly the clothes she wore in the left, though I had not previously seen them. When later I saw her hat I commented on the slight alteration she had made in the trimming. "My brother-in-law has been seen in this way several times, once with his wife at early service when he was too ill to go but was doubtless joining in spirit in the service."

Annual Meeting St. Paul's Church

There was a good attendance last evening when the Annual Meeting of St. Paul's congregation was held in the Parish Hall. The Rev. Father Book contained the printed reports of the business of the congregation and its several organizations. Church Warden Harry Winesap presented the accounts showing the business of the Church to be in an exceptionally satisfactory condition. The summary of receipts shows a gross income of upwards of \$12,500.00. Contributions to Missionary objects from the Church totalled \$1,544.00, and from the organizations \$650.00 or approximately \$2,200.00 in all. Several speakers expressed their gratification at the excellence of the congregational report. A hearty vote of thanks was extended to Mr. George DeBlais for services rendered through the years of his occupancy of the position of Church Warden. Similarly hearty thanks were expressed to Messrs. H. Winchester and W. E. Bentley, K. C. for the immediate past incumbents of that office. The meeting also warmly thanked the Choir, the officers and teachers of the Sunday School, and the ladies of the Church for their ready service to the Church in their various departments. Kindly appreciation of the services of the Rector and Mrs. Raymond was also voiced. The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted in the appointment of the following gentlemen as the Vestry: H. H. Horne, W. V. Purdie, B. C. VanDerstine, W. E. Champion, W. R. Aitken, F. M. Nash, H. Winchester, W. E. Bentley. Subsequent to the meeting the choir sang a hymn in appreciation of the services of the Rector and Mrs. Raymond. The Rev. Father DeBlais was elected delegates to the Synod, and W. V. Purdie and J. E. Procter substitutes. The following were appointed delegates to the Diocesan Church Society: H. L. Palmer, W. V. Purdie, L. Col. Chas. Leigh, Ernest Worth, H. E. Miller, N. H. DeBlais. H. C. Seath and H. S. McLeod were appointed auditors.

LETTER SENT TO MAYOR THOMPSON

(Special to the Guardian) CLINTON, Mass., Jan. 23.—A letter to Mayor William Hale Thompson of Chicago, in which it was stated that his association with any patriotic programme "detracts from and does not add to its effectiveness" has been framed here by the delegates to the conference of the state department, American Legion.

The letter was in reply to one received by the state department from Mayor Thompson in which the latter asked the support of the Massachusetts Legion in his program to "Americanize" American history. The delegates represented 79 legion posts in the state. The letter said in part: "You ask our support, who in 1918 by your actions would in political light have seen the supporters and defenders of our national integrity 'sold out' into slavery." "You who in 1918 by your actions, gave vent and leadership to that opinion which would have put a crepe on our 'honor door' and hung our heads in shame. "You, a defender of some mysterious institutions? You a patriot? "You a defender of the America of yesterday, today or tomorrow? You—you had had a great chance in the world's greatest crisis and you failed. "The letter was signed by John W. Rech, department commander.

Sunken Liner Secrets

(British United Press) LONDON, Jan. 23.—Forty miles out from Ostend, almost within sight of the mail steamers which ply between Dover and the Belgian port, French divers are probing the secrets of a sunken liner. They have just brought to shore a quantity of some mysterious black substance, of which all that can be said is that it is being analysed at Ostend. It is impossible at present to obtain further details, or any information regarding the object of the salvage operations, which have been in progress for over two years; but if report speaks correctly, they may throw a remarkable light upon a war-time outrage which threatened for a time to drag Holland into the conflict. On March 16th, 1916, the 14,000-ton liner Tubantia, the finest vessel of the Holland-Lloyd fleet, was torpedoed and sunk near the North Hinder lightship, while outward bound from Amsterdam to Buenos Ayres.

Mantilla Combs Are Fashionable

(British United Press) LONDON, Jan. 22.—The modern style of hair-dressing has brought the new "Mantilla" comb into vogue. It is placed just above the curls which are creeping lower and lower, and stands out from the front in a fan-like curve. As its name implies in shape it is just like the combs on which Spanish women fix their mantillas. But in texture, it is entirely different from the ordinary comb, and is made of a parent tulle, stiffly wired. The tulle exactly matches the frock in colour or some note in the frock.

Characterizes War Talk As Sheer Madness

(Special to the Guardian) OTTAWA, Jan. 23.—Because there will be elections in Great Britain in South Africa, Australia and possibly New Zealand in 1929 the next imperial conference may not meet until the summer of 1930. Right Hon. L. C. M. S. Amery told the Star today. "It is in contemplation that the conference shall be held in one of the other capitals, or is it the intention that it shall always meet in London?" asked the Star. "There is no reason why it should not meet in one of the dominions," said Colonel Amery. "In 1924 a conference took place in Ottawa when commercial questions were discussed. "It is more convenient, though in London, because in matters of foreign policy the documents to be referred to are on file in London and the officials in touch with the situation are there. But there is no reason in principle why it should not be held elsewhere." Regarding his statement that the representative to Canada but not a supplementary high commissioner, Col. Amery described his status as "a supplementary channel of personal communication." The term "diplomacy" was open to ambiguities, he said when applied to imperial matters.

Royal Mint May Shortly Disappear

(Special to the Guardian) OTTAWA, Jan. 23.—The last direct link of British control in Canada, the royal mint, may shortly disappear and be replaced by the Royal Canadian mint, the Star learned today. It is not generally known in the dominion that Canada's currency is minted by an imperial department and that the royal mint on Sussex Street, overlooking the Ottawa river, is not controlled by the Canadian finance department but the British exchequer. Its staff are employees of the British civil service and the Canadian government has no control.

Woman Warned By A Dream

(British United Press) LONDON, Jan. 22.—An extraordinary story of a dream that saved a woman from going through a marriage ceremony with a man already married was reported here Saturday from a town near Birmingham. The woman in the case is a widow in comfortable circumstances, and she was introduced to the man, a newcomer to the town at a party. He was well dressed and well spoken, and his business, which he kept a secret took him to Birmingham daily. The wedding day was fixed but a week or two before the event the woman had a dream which disturbed her greatly. She thought she was standing at the altar with her fiancé, and the parson was about to make them man and wife, when, in that peculiar manner of dreams the parson changed into her first husband, who stoutly forbade the marriage. Two nights in succession this dream came to the woman, who was so distressed that she decided to postpone the wedding for a time. Shortly afterwards a woman called upon the widow and said she was the wife of the man to whom the widow was engaged. The man disappeared the same day.

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Amery Tells Hamilton Club Extension of Roads Must Come—Canada Has Opportunity to Become Greatest Nation in America.

HAMILTON, Ont., Jan. 23.—Commenting on the changed attitude which he found in Canada now as compared with that at the time of his last visit, Rt. Hon. L. C. M. S. Amery, British Secretary of State for the Dominions, in an address before the Canadian Club here Saturday said that doubt, fear and pessimism had given way to optimism and confidence. At the time of his last visit, Canada had been in the throes of a post-war reaction. Her great war debt seemed to be irredeemable and the railway problem was pressing. Now he said the debt was being reduced and many were beginning to realize that instead of having too many railways we would in the near future need many miles more. At that time, he said, the west boasted of a wheat producing area two or three hundred miles wide from Winnipeg to the Rockies. Now the area was at least a hundred miles wider and was ever-increasing. With the opening of the fertile Peace River district another great area was being brought under cultivation and additional lines of communication would be needed. "Canada's chief" problem, the speaker continued, was how to make the best use of her resources so as to become not merely a great world nation, but the "greatest nation on this continent."

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Aviation League Of Canada Formed

(Canadian Press) OTTAWA, Jan. 23.—The Aviation League of Canada was the name decided upon when fifty delegates from all parts of Canada including some of the dominions most famous aviators met here today under the leadership of Major General J. H. MacBrien to form a dominion-wide organization. Representatives were present from commercial aircraft manufacturing companies and men prominent in other lines of activities. The meeting endorsed government action to provide this country with an adequate defensive aerial force. Speakers were strongly in favor of the encouragement of Canadian aircraft industries and it was felt that in 25 years the dominion would be independent in this regard. A motion to affiliate with the air league of the British Empire will be taken up later.

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DISTRUST GIVES WAY TO REGARD

Leaders of Capital and Labor Meeting on Equal Footing—Relations of Two Are Summarized. Right to Strike, Better Wages, Profit Sharing Are Acknowledged.

LONDON, Jan. 23.—Many observers, previously skeptical now admit there is strong possibility of industrial peace in Great Britain. Well informed circles find two indications in Sir Alfred Mond's recent statement, at the joint conference of employers and trades unions' representatives, that settlement of industrial relations involved examination of problems so "better organizations could exist in industries by means of amalgamation, rationalization and the introduction of new processes and new methods both technical and administrative." The statement of the chemical magnate means to these observers that there has been stupendous change in British industrial traditions, as typified by the meetings on equal footing at the industrial conference of technical heads of British industry and felt-out representatives of labor; it constitutes, also an excellent summary of general measures contemplated in order to accomplish lasting industrial peace in Great Britain. It was pointed out today that those who distrusted capital already are abandoning that distrust and negative aggressiveness in favor of toleration of each other's proposals, and that ultimately, each side would agree to concessions on questions which hitherto have caused strife. Among the concessions to be: 1—Labor's absolute right to strike is granted, but only as a last resort. 2—Better wages and higher standard of living for labor's increased output and royalty. 3—Profit-sharing. 4—Abandonment of the trade union's prohibition that laborers may practice none but their own specific trade.

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