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ANDREW FRASER MITCHELL NOW ON TRIAL IN LONDON

Former Immigration Agent For P. E. I. is Charged With Receiving Over \$2,000 Under False Pretences From Ex-Indian Officer—He Claims The Names of the Premier and Hon. John Sinclair Were Used and Not the Government.

(Special Cable to Guardian) LONDON, Jan. 27.—Andrew Fraser Mitchell formerly immigration agent for Prince Edward Island appeared at Bow St. Police Court London in answer to a summons adjourned from December thirty-first alleging that he obtained two cheques to the value of two hundred pounds and two hundred and thirty four pounds respectively by false pretences from Richard Blackman Quin, ex-officer of the Indian army.

The case for the prosecution is that these cheques were obtained on grounds that Mitchell was authorized to sell land belonging to the government of Prince Edward Island, that he was authorized to receive money for such land, that the government had a scheme for erecting bungalows at cost price on the land in question and that the sale of such land was a part of a scheme to settle ex-servicemen in Prince Edward Island in order that they might engage in fox farming. Douglas Young appeared as counsel for the prosecution and Halford Knight for the defendant.

Mr. Young addressing the court said that ex-officers and others being leaving it was a government scheme considered it safe to buy the land and several parted with large sums of money. One even went out to Prince Edward Island to see the Premier.

Capt. Quin giving evidence said that in the middle of September he saw Mitchell who had previously sent him a circular and asked for details of the scheme. Mitchell describing himself as an accredited agent of the government of Prince Edward Island said the scheme which was a government project was one for the breeding of silver foxes. Mitchell proposed to sell four acres of land for two hundred pounds stating that if the witness bought the land the government would erect a bungalow at cost price namely two hundred and thirty four pounds. Later the witness paid the sums named by the two cheques. Mitchell gave him a receipt bearing the cost of arms and signed for the government of Prince Edward Island. Had he known it was not a government scheme and that Mitchell was not a government agent the witness would not have put money into the scheme.

Cross examined the witness did not remember being shown documents authorizing Mitchell to act for the government of Prince Edward Island. He was satisfied he was dealing with an official of the government. He had never heard this was a scheme provided by certain people and not by the gov-

ernment. There had been mention of the names of the Premier and of Hon. John Sinclair, member of the Dominion Cabinet but he regarded that as only natural seeing that it was a government scheme. The witness declared emphatically it was represented to him as a government scheme. Re-examined the witness declared he had never had the land or any title to it and he had never got his money back.

The case was adjourned until Saturday next.

Moulded Skulls in Block of Concrete

(Canadian Press) AURORA, Ill., Jan. 27.—Warren Lincoln today confessed to the police that he had shot and killed his wife and her brother Byron Shoup Jan. 10, 1923, and that he had moulded their heads in a concrete block which would be found in the city dump. Police visited the dump and a huge concrete block was discovered, which when broken up disclosed the two heads. Lincoln swooned when the block fell apart.

He is said to be a relative to the Great Liberator.

Find Body of Dead Conductor

(Canadian Press) SUDBURY, Ont., Jan. 27.—The mangled body of Conductor Robert Lewis fifty-five of Chapleau was found in the C. P. R. yards at Carter Saturday after he had stepped in front of a switch engine in a blinding snowstorm.



W. SANFORD EVANS

A Hamilton citizen, who organized the first Canadian club thirty years ago. It was unique of its kind in the world, and was the basis for many similar societies. The early history of Canadian clubs is recalled during the celebration in Toronto of the twenty-fifth birthday of the club in that city.

FARMING AT 105 YEARS

(By Dominion News Service)

LONDON, Jan. 26.—William Muffur, of Golant Cornwall who has reached the age of 106 is held to be the oldest living Englishman. The church bells were rung in honour of his birthday. This grand old man of the soil has been associated with farming all his life. He has worked hard, and his own opinion agrees with the evidence of his healthy old age that "it hasn't hurt me."

MAY REJECT THE BRUTAL MURDER A GREAT MOVEMENT STARTED PUBLIC TO BE WILL NOT YET RECOGNIZE THE SOVIET GOV'T.

Preference Proposals In Toronto

New Premier Declares He is Not Held by Pledges of Predecessors.

(British United Press) LONDON, Jan. 27.—The imperial conference was held in vain. All time devoted by Canadian statesmen, this and money spent by Canadian tax-payers of this conference has been wasted for it has been definitely announced that Labor refuses to accept the imperial preference proposals reached at the conference and does not consider itself bound by pledges made at that time by its predecessors in office.

For some days a rumor had been circulated that Premier MacDonald would withhold his hand from the gullotine at least temporarily in view of the definite desire of the Dominions and especially Australia and New Zealand to see the preferential clauses agreed upon at the conference put into effect. The election however has rung the death-knell of preference at least for time being and strengthened the hand of MacDonald and the support given him by Liberals which has secured his accession to office is to be rewarded by the Premier in this fashion.

The method chosen for the killing of the findings of the conference is to submit them to a free vote of the Commons which in view of the composition of the assembly on lines of free trade or preference means certain defeat.

Premier MacDonald points out that not only the dominion governments but the home government also expressly reserve the right to modify or reject these proposals. It is believed however that the Department of Overseas Trade is already laying its plans to create machinery for the fostering of closer trade relationship between the dominions, colonies and mother country.

ADDRESS AND PRESENTATION TO MR. GRAHAM JARDINE

Ex-Manager of the Royal Bank of Canada Was Honored by Citizens on Saturday.

On Saturday afternoon Mr. Graham Jardine, the retiring manager of the Charlottetown office of the Royal Bank of Canada, was waited upon in the Bank by a number of prominent citizens, and presented with a handsome cane and a suitable address. On motion of Mr. W. A. Stewart, Mr. N. Rattenbury was called to the chair. The address, to which Mr. Jardine fittingly replied, was read by His Worship Mayor Jenkins, the presentation being made by Mr. I. Y. Reddin. Short speeches were made by Messrs. D. M. Hyndman, Dr. J. S. Jenkins, A. W. Hyndman, Dr. J. S. Jenkins, Col. H. M. Davison, C. H. Chandler, H. V. Buntain, A. A. Pomeroy and others.

It is understood that Mr. Jardine will in future be associated with Mr. Thos. G. Alward, of Windward Farms, Henderson County, New York, as financial manager of his extensive silver black fox selling agencies. The formal address presented to Mr. Jardine on Saturday read as follows: Mr. Graham Jardine, Ex-Manager, Royal Bank of Canada, Charlottetown, P. E. I.

Sir—Two years ago you came to Charlottetown a perfect stranger, unknown to anyone, save a few of the employees of the Bank with which you were then associated. Today, after two years' sojourn in our City, you leave followed by the respect and only of the many customers of the Royal Bank, but also by our citizens generally.

During the short time you have lived in our Province, you have won the confidence and esteem of our citizens. Our lives are made up of shifting from place to place, from scene to scene, from country to country, and we trust that you will be gratified to have the assurance of the best wishes of the people of Charlottetown, where your lot may be cast. We note that you have entered another large field of commercial activity, and we have no doubt that the same success will crown your labors in your new enterprise as followed you in the sphere you have left. We wish also to impress upon you the fact that your esteemed

PERPETRATED IN THE TOURIST ASSOCIATION

There Are Wonderful Possibilities in the Newly Organized Association, and its Success is a Matter of Vital Concern to Everyone in the Province.

Great interest is being aroused throughout the Province in the recently organized P. E. I. Tourist and Publicity Association, and already an extensive programme of activities has been mapped out which when put into effect will be of inestimable benefit to the Island. Organization meetings have been successfully held at Montague, Cardigan, Georgetown, Souris, Summerside and Charlottetown. In order to function effectively the Association has been formed into various departments, not one of the officers of which will receive any salary, all the funds going directly to the main purpose, which is to advertise Prince Edward Island as an ideal summer resort. This will include systematized efforts to reach the tourists of the New England States, the Middle States, Ontario and a part of Quebec, particularly through the medium of newspapers, circulars, pamphlets and by special methods. For the accommodation of the tourists when they arrive other departments of the Association will function in the matter of housing, accommodation and out-door attractions, particularly fishing. It is planned not only to establish an information bureau on the Car Ferry and at Charlottetown, but to have an agent at Borden to direct tourists to the places they wish to visit, and to inform them of the various attractions at each place; and also to have representatives at Yarmouth and St. Stephen, in short, the aim of the Association is to put Prince Edward Island "on the map" as a tourist centre, and to function in the thorough manner which has enabled other places, far less advantageously situated, to reap a golden harvest. It is necessary, of course, to advertise. This cannot be done without financial assistance; hence the need of the Association, which however cannot function effectively without the co-operation of the people. For every dollar expended by the Association in summer advertising it is reasonable to expect at least five dollars in return—in fact, it has been demonstrated in other places that the returns are far greater than this. Every business man and to every farmer in the Province the success of the Association is a matter of great importance as it means increased trade and greater consumption of farm products.

Details of the organization, its purposes and aims, are given below. The prospectus sent out are extremely interesting. It is necessary now to secure a wide membership as possible, at the nominal fee of \$1. Starting on Wednesday a drive will be made for this purpose. The business firms will first be called upon and later the canvassing will be individual. Subscriptions may be sent to the secretary, Mr. W. R. Tinney, or to the Bank of Nova Scotia.

Following are the officers of the Association: President—Hon. A. E. Arsenault. Vice-President for Kings County—Hon. J. A. MacDonald. Vice-President for Queens County—Harry C. Brown. Vice-President for Prince County—Creelman MacArthur. Secretary Treasurer—W. R. Tinney. Chairman of Finance Committee—L. J. McKinnon. Chairman of Publicity—P. W. Clarkin. Chairman of Housing Committee—M. P. Titus. Chairman of Attractions Committee—J. A. MacMillan.

The above list of Executive and are supplemented in the work of management by the members of their different committees and by District committees at Summerside, Montague, Souris and Georgetown and it is planned to have a responsible representative in practically every district of the Island. The organization of the Association is as follows: Financial Department, subdivided into departments of Grants and Membership. Publicity Department: (a) Island Press; every Foreign Press; (c) Circulars and Pamphlets; (d) Special Methods. Housing Department: (a) Hotel Accommodation; (b) Urban Accommodation; (c) Rural Accommodation. Attractions Department: (a) Fishing; (b) Boating and Boat Tours; (c) Bathing; (d) Auto Tours; (e) Golf and Tennis.

Record Year For Lake Navigation

(Canadian Press) DETROIT, Jan. 27.—Not a lake seaman lost his life in a shipwreck during the 1923 navigation season, President William Livingston declares in his annual report to the Lake Carriers Association made public here today.

The report says the season was a record breaker in lateness of navigation, opening, and volume of freight and tonnage moved.

WILL NOT YET RECOGNIZE THE SOVIET GOV'T.

Public to be Kept Informed on Foreign Dealings

Cabinet Discussions Will be Secret and Will be Given to Press in Summary.

LONDON, Jan. 27.—Secret diplomacy will have no place in the dealings of Great Britain's new Premier, Ramsay MacDonald, with foreign countries. Mr. MacDonald intends that the public shall be informed of foreign negotiations whenever the circumstances warrant. He also has decided that the discussions with the Cabinet shall not be kept drum-tight, as it is claimed in some quarters was the case in the Baldwin-Curzon administration, but that the newspapers shall be given a communique after each session, summarizing the subjects discussed or decisions taken.

In conversation with the newspapers today, Mr. MacDonald said he always would be glad to receive them when public interests demanded or time permitted. The Premier's policy of acquainting the House with what the government was doing was apparent today at the press bureau of the Foreign Office where it was indicated that Mr. MacDonald might arrange to receive the newspapers periodically in the same as is done by the United States President. In this respect Mr. MacDonald would revive the wartime practice of David Lloyd George.

In order to get better acquainted with the foreign representatives accredited to Great Britain, Mr. MacDonald this afternoon held an official reception at the foreign office of the diplomatic corps. Most of the ambassadors never had met the new Premier. They were present in Lord Curzon's old office by Under-Secretary Crowe. Mr. MacDonald chatted in friendly fashion with the diplomats, but did not touch upon the subject of official questions pending with foreign countries.

Hamilton Outclasses The Senators 5-1

HAMILTON, Jan. 27.—Hamilton outskated, outclassed and outwitted Ottawa, Saturday night to the tune of five to one, in a National Hockey League fixture here. Quaglia, of France, Saturday afternoon.

Announcements, Coming Events, Meetings, Etc

- Remember Concert tonight at Kelly's Cross postponed from Friday night on account of storm. 11. Third game of League series, Abbies vs. Crystals to-morrow night.—11. Daughters of Empire meeting Monday, Jan. 28th at 3 p. m. Empire rooms. 1183-26-21. Come to the Box Social in Summerfield Hall, Tuesday evening, Jan. 29. Tea served. A good time for everybody. Grand Concert at Bonshaw, Wednesday, Jan. 30. Great program, harp, music and dancing. Everybody welcome. Concert starts at 8 p. m. Launch Box Social and Lecture by Mr. Ince in Springfield, Lot 67, Thursday, January 31st, under the auspices of the Women's Auxiliary. Hot Tea served. Admission 15c. 1192-1-26-31.

I'LL BET MOST MURDERS ARE COMMITTED WHEN FELLOWS HAVE BAD COLDS!



TORONTO, Jan. 28.—Maritime north west to west winds, fair and very cold. Temperature yesterday: Maximum, 14 below; min. 7 below. High tide this afternoon at 3.14 and tomorrow morning at 3.44. Sun sets this evening at 5.01 and rises tomorrow morning at 7.26. Last quarter moon Tuesday, Jan. 29th 1.53 a. m. Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

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