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VERNON CIRCUIT ANNOUNCEMENT FOR SUNDAY, NOV. 4—Song Service in Vernon at 10.30 a. m. The service at Cherry Valley at 2.30 p. m. will be under the leadership of Mrs. E. A. Westmoreland. At Vernon at 7 p. m. the Rev. J. A. McLellan will preach. Sunday School at Vernon 10 a. m. Sunday School at Cherry Valley 2 p. m.

PROMINENT CHURCHMEN COMING—The people of Charlottetown will have the opportunity of hearing, on Tuesday next, two of the prominent church leaders and public men of Canada. Dr. C. W. Gordon of Winnipeg perhaps better known as Ralph Connor, and Dr. James Endicott of Toronto will both speak on the question of Church Union in Canada in the afternoon in Zion Church at 2 p. m. and in the evening in the Methodist Church at half past seven. Both meetings will be open to the public as also the meeting in the Presbyterian Church Summer side the previous evening at 7.30. As the committee in charge has been at considerable expense in bringing these men to the Maritime Provinces, an offering to defray expenses will be taken at all meetings.

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CHURCH OF SCOTLAND—If the travelling is favorable, Rev. Ewen McDougall will preach Sabbath, Nov. 4th, at Desable at 10.30 a. m., Cape Traverse at 2.30 and Summerside at 7.

ISLAND LUMBERMEN—Mr. W. H. Donald, Juniper, N. B., who has been recruiting lumbermen for the Fleming Gibson Company leaves this morning for New Brunswick with forty-eight island workmen, chiefly from St. Peter's, Cardigan and Souris.

FIRE IN DISPUTED PREMISES—At the Police Court yesterday an ejectment case, Capt. T. White vs. Bernard Carragher, action to secure possession of a store rented by defendant, came up and was adjourned for a week. During the proceedings there was an alarm for fire on the premises in dispute, the firemen on arrival finding the house and shop filled with smoke. The fire, which is of unknown origin, was located in the ceiling and was put out with the chemical extinguisher before serious damage was done. The Magistrate allowed the principals in the case to leave the Court room during the fire.

A GRACEFUL ACT—Hallowe'en, when the students of Prince of Wales College were celebrating, they called at the home of Prof. Bennett on Upper Prince Street, who has been ill with typhoid fever for some time, and left a beautiful bouquet of flowers and the hope that he would soon be completely restored to health and able to resume his duties. This is not the first time the students have paid their respects in a similar way to Mr. Bennett during his prolonged illness. The professor is steadily improving in health, and it is expected that ere long he will have regained his usual vigor.

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The Mitchell Inquiry

Verbatim Report of the Proceedings of the Commission Appointed by Order in Council to Inquire Into the Conduct of Andrew Fraser Mitchell, Recently Dismissed Immigration Agent for This Province.

(In yesterday's continuation of the evidence taken by the Commission on Oct. 25th before Commissioner C. R. Smallwood, K. C., a page of evidence was unintentionally omitted in the first part of yesterday's report, and is here inserted.)

NORRIS SINCLAIR (sworn)
Examination by the Attorney General.
Q. You are a farmer?
A. Yes.
Q. You live at Springfield?
A. Yes.
Q. You saw this plan here?
A. No. (plan inspected)
Q. Do you know of Mr. Mollison's survey?
A. Yes.
Q. Do you know where he made it, where his stakes are driven?
A. Yes.
Q. Is any part of it on your farm?
A. No.
Q. Your farm is not included in the survey?
Q. Did you ever have anything to do with Mr. Mitchell?
A. No.
Q. Did you ever make any bargain to sell your farm to settle immigrants on?
A. No.
Q. Did anybody ever approach you to ask you about a thing?
A. No.
Q. You heard the evidence this morning?
A. Yes.
Q. Do you know anything direct about the matter referred to?
A. No.
Q. You never met Thompson or Dudley?
A. No, I don't know the men at all.
Q. Nor conversed with Mitchell?
A. No, I never saw the man.
Q. On what road is your farm?
A. On the Malpeque Road.
Q. This map shows the road leading to Emerald; how far from it do you live?
A. The back end and I "slide on" at 1 p.m. recess was taken until 2.40 p.m. when the sitting was resumed.

PETER SINCLAIR (sworn)
Examination by the Attorney General.
Q. You live at Summerfield, Mr. Sinclair?
A. Yes.
Q. You are a farmer there?
A. Yes.
Q. Is your farm included in this area that was surveyed by Mr. Mollison?
A. Yes.
Q. The whole of your farm?
A. Yes.
Q. How many acres are there in your farm?
A. 150 acres, more or less.

MR. INMAN:
Q. Was your farm staked out?
A. No, it was only planned.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL:
Q. It was surveyed?
A. It was surveyed on the plan. (Yesterday's report then continued with the evidence of Messrs Peter Sinclair and William H. Mayne. Today's report takes up the concluding part of Mr. William Mayne's evidence.)
Q. What did you do with the plan Mr. Mollison gave you?
A. It was sent to Mr. Thompson at Halifax.
Q. Did you send it?
A. I gave it to Mr. Sinclair, and he mailed it to Halifax. They were going to have others struck off it, that was the instructions.
Q. Do you know anything about Thompson's relations with Mitchell?
A. No, only I saw him with Mitchell here.
Q. Have you met Captain Dudley?
A. Yes, on two occasions, once when Mr. Mitchell and he called at our house to do the survey with Mollison, and one day, when we were on the survey with Thompson. Dudley came along. I think they picked out the site for the first bungalow and it was changed after these gentlemen came here. But I was not there at that time.

Q. You do not know where this plan, made in London, came from?
A. No, I don't know where this copy came from, but I saw one similar to it with Mr. Mitchell. He left it on the island on his trip this summer. I would say this one is like it.
Q. Do you know how much money Mitchell was getting over-sea?
A. No, I have no way of knowing that.
Q. He never discussed that?
A. No. He gave me to understand that there was to be a profit for him in it. Those men would expect that he was to have a profit.

Q. When did he tell you that?
A. In discussing the whole transaction. He always emphasized that point.
Q. He did not say how much?
A. No. He said they would be willing to pay a profit.
Q. Do you know of anybody else being associated with him in partnership or otherwise?
A. No, I cannot say.
Q. Did he ever say anything that would lead you to believe there was anybody associated with him?
A. No. Any time he was talking to me he was full of his scheme and he talked nothing else. The only thing he said was that if he died tomorrow this would go on without him just the same. That led me to think there was somebody in partnership with him.
Q. That was the only thing that would lead you to think so?
A. Yes.
Q. Mr. Gaudet:—
Q. Did you know Mr. Mitchell was representing the Province of P. E. Island in London for immigration?
A. He was not, at the time we did business with him in January.
Q. That was before his appointment?
A. Yes.
Q. Did you discover afterwards that he had been appointed?
A. I understood that, yes.
Q. How did you get the information?
A. I really don't remember, but I heard it some way, some time afterwards, that he was appointed representative.

Q. The bungalow is not built on your land?
A. No, it is on George Mayne's land.
Q. There was nothing done on your land?
A. Nothing, only the survey.
Q. You positively got nothing on account for the purchase of this land?
A. No.
Q. All the money you received was for incidental expenses in connection with the survey?
A. Yes.
Q. And you have to account for it?
A. No.
Q. You have not signed any deeds?
A. No, the agreement was clear with Mr. Mitchell. We were to get before we deeded anything. When we deeded it to him he could do what he liked with it. Mr. Schurman asked me when he started to build if he did not get paid would he be allowed to remove it. That was at first, when the house was going to be built on my land.
Q. Do you know about what time Mitchell's appointment took effect?
A. I can't say that.
Q. When did you first hear of it?
A. I don't know, probably during the late winter or spring.
Q. The Attorney General: The 13th of February was the date of the Order-in-Council.
Q. So this agreement was made before that?
A. Yes.
Q. Mr. Inman: That is another why this evidence should not be taken. Mitchell had nothing to do with the Government at that time. The matter is beyond the scope of this inquiry.
Q. The Commissioner: Suppose Mitchell got these options last January with the expectation of being employed, and had the options up his sleeve. That would be very relevant to the inquiry.
Q. Mr. Inman: Of course if you connect that up it might or might not be.
Q. The Attorney General: I think it is a pretty strong presumption.
Q. Mr. Gaudet: Mitchell, knowing where he stood, gets himself appointed representative of the Province, goes to London and coaxes these people to come out here on lands for which he holds options. These men were not to blame in the matter.
Q. The Attorney General: It is in the interests of these men to have the matter aired. Now we have their statements on oath and it clears things up.
Q. Mr. Gaudet: The point clearly is that Mitchell wanted to make a profit and unfortunately he brought the Government into the deal with him, by having himself appointed representative of the Province in London, whereas the fact was, he was only doing his own private business.
Q. Mr. Inman: He was doing his own private business, and afterwards he started doing public business for the Province. Up to the time that



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he was appointed Immigration agent he was a private individual and that has nothing to do with the conduct of public affairs. Afterwards he was appointed to the job and acted on behalf of the Government; then it might be considered under this section of the Act that he was taking part in the public affairs, and that could be investigated. But until then he did not become a public man.

The Commissioner: No, I look at it this way. These men were dealing with Mitchell only; he may or may not have had it in his head that he was going to be appointed Immigration agent. He had evidently this colonization scheme in his mind. Then he got appointed as Government agent and he had these options. Suppose the Government did not know anything about this, surely when these options are working into this very colonization scheme we can refer back to what Mitchell did last January. If he wanted to buy land on Pictou Island it would be a different thing. But here there is a connection with the very land itself. Does not that connect up into one matter?
Q. Mr. Inman: You cannot connect private with public business because the same man happens to be

concerned.
The Commissioner: Suppose if you like that he was defrauding the Government. It seems he got these lands and then I suppose he sells them at a greater price. It is all connected.
The Attorney General: It would be just putting a premium on a little bit of scheming. If he had taken the obvious course of going to the Government first and getting authority, and then going to these men, it would have been a different thing; but just because he reversed this action, are the public going to be shut off from their right of obtaining full information on account of a mere technicality? That is ridiculous.
The Commissioner: Mitchell is a public man, and if he did things which blend in with his public acts, and which concern this affair, it is our duty to investigate them.

Mr. Inman:
Q. Do you know that land of William Mayne's of 200 acres?
A. Yes, it sold for six thousand, nine hundred and some dollars.
Q. How far from your land?
A. From part of my land, not more than ten chains, and from my house, forty chains. It is in the same settlement.
Q. Is it the same kind of land?
A. Pretty much. We did not consider it the same at that time.
Q. How is this land in relation to yours with respect to fences?
A. When it was sold there were (Continued on page six)

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