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CHARGED WITH CRIME AFTER MANY YEARS

93 Year Old N.J. Doctor Arrested for Theft Committed Nearly 50 Years ago

(Canadian Press)
ASHBURY PARK, N. J., March 29.—Edwin F. T. Osbaldeston, 93 year old physician and Crimean war veteran today determined to fight forty five year old charges that he is a horse thief and escaped prisoner, and his 91 years old accuser Deputy Sheriff S. Foster Black of Binghamton, N. Y., was equally determined to see justice served "as a warning to other people."

"I don't care if he is 93 years old," says Mr. Black, "and I don't particularly care what sentence he may get if he is convicted."
Dr. Osbaldeston spent Friday night in the local lockup after Black had appeared here with the musty warrant dug out of the Broom County files where it lay dormant for nearly half a century. The memory of the prisoner, who had escaped when he was on duty, had rankled in the deputy's mind more than four decades and when he saw a newspaper picture recently of Dr. Osbaldeston, he acted quickly.

Binghamton authorities felt that the ends of justice were served when Black taxed Dr. Osbaldeston with the ancient crime and that the incident should be regarded as closed. Ashbury Park has rallied solidly to the doctor's cause. Mayor C. E. F. Helrick and prominent citizens were prepared to urge the Governor of New Jersey to refuse extradition papers.

Charles E. Cook, lawyer, engaged by Dr. Osbaldeston's friends, said that if he could find an old telegram he would be able to prove an alibi. On the day of the alleged theft of a horse and rig valued at \$500 in Binghamton, 45 years ago, he said the doctor was in the Adirondacks near Plattsburgh, and that he had received a telegram from New Jersey.

Dr. Osbaldeston, who scoffs at the old man's proof of recognition said he had a half brother named Dr. Edwin T. Osbaldeston, who died several years ago and that this may be the man sought by Black.

To Free North Atlantic From Icebergs

(Canadian Press).
COPENHAGEN, Mar. 29.—A group of Canadian and United States scientists, headed by Professor William Hobbs, of the University of Michigan, have applied for permission to employ Greenland as a base for an attempt to free the North Atlantic trade routes from icebergs by exploding these while still in Greenland waters. The Danish explorer Peter Freuchen plans to dig himself in 100 miles from the Greenland coast in the Arctic that position to advise by wireless his fellow scientists on climatic disturbances and the movements of inland ice.

Exploration circles here are somewhat skeptical as to the possibility of carrying out this plan.

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YESTERDAY'S PROCEEDINGS AT THE LEGISLATURE

Estimates Passed and Appropriation Bill Introduced—A Number of Bills Read a Second and Third Time.

Monday, March 29th.
Hon. Mr. Stewart presented a bill to amend the Election Act, 1922. The bill was read a first time.
On motion of Hon. Mr. Myers it was resolved in Committee, Mr. Buntin in the chair, "that it is expedient to introduce a bill for the purpose of imposing a tax upon the purchasers of gasoline in this Province and to repeal the Act to provide for the imposition of a tax on vendors of gasoline in this Province." Hon. Mr. Myers afterwards introduced a bill in accordance with the resolution; and it was read a first time.

Falconwood Institutions
Hon. Mr. Stewart presented the report of the Trustees and Medical Superintendent of the Hospital for Insane and Provincial Infirmary. This report shows that the expenditure for maintenance and repairs of both institutions was \$101,241.79 and that the amount realized from fees and other resources was \$11,955.52.
On motion of Hon. Mr. McPhee the bill to further amend the Act to promote the improvement of highways was read a second time and committed. Mr. Bentley in the chair. This bill amends the Highways Act by increasing the sum to be expended by the government on Highways improvement to \$850,000. The bill was reported agreed without amendment.

Supply Granted
The House then went into Committee of Supply and passed a number of resolutions amounting to the sum total of \$721,275.00; also, for Highways improvement a sum sufficient.
Hon. Mr. Stewart presented the Appropriation Bill. The bill was read a first time.
On motion of Hon. Mr. Stewart the bill entitled "The Securities Act" was withdrawn.

Second Readings
On motion of Mr. Tanton the bill to incorporate the trustees of the O'Leary Church of the Nazarene was read a second time and committed. Mr. Hunter in the chair. This bill provides that George Ramsay, Ward Jelly, and Winnifred Brooks, members of the O'Leary Church of the Nazarene, and their successors, being members of the said church, shall be a body corporate with power to conduct the temporal affairs of the congregation. The bill was reported agreed to without amendment.

St. Lawrence Navigation Season Opens
QUEBEC, Mar. 29.—Making a passage for themselves through the ice covered waters of the Louise Basin in the local harbor, two steamers, the Gaspegia and the Guide, today passed out into the St. Lawrence to the accompaniment of numerous sirens which signified that the 1926 navigation season and the liberation of some 87 vessels of every description from the port of Quebec had commenced.

Ice conditions below Quebec are said to be such as to cause little fear of difficulty being encountered by the vessels this year while above Quebec good progress is being made by the ice breakers Mikula and Lady Grey, they having reached a point half way through Lake St Peter today.

Chinese Nationalists Set Price at \$1,000,000
(Special to The Guardian)
PEKING, March 29.—Nationalists, Chinese military commanders today gradually withdrew their troops from around Peking. It is understood that the Nationalists have offered to evacuate the city for \$1,000,000 and that the coalition forces, which still are gathered to attack if necessary, have offered to the Nationalists \$250,000.

Ontario House Will Have Short Session
(Special to The Guardian)
TORONTO, March 29.—If the Ontario legislature gets through on Thursday night it will have made almost a new record in speed. Its 1926 session lasting for 51 days including Sundays. That of 1918 opened on February 5 and closed March 26 lasting for only 50 days.

Billiard Tournament
Something new in the line of billiards will be started at Lambros Bros., Pool Room at 715 Wednesday evening, when the City League Billiard Tournament will get under way. There are three teams entered, representing the different sections of the city, namely the "Anchors," the "Rovers" and the "Eastern Stars."

Bill Phillips and Fred McMahon will uphold the honour of the "Anchors" while the "Stars" will be represented by the Nicholson brothers, Frank and Bill; and the "Rovers" have picked two of the best cue-artists in the city to represent them. Each player will play a total of 1200 points and the team scoring the greatest number of points will be declared the winner.

Anyone interested in the game is invited to witness the matches. There will be two games played on the night scheduled, the first at 7:15 and the second at 9:00 p. m. Each player on the winning team will be presented with a gold medal by Lambros Bros.

THE TRAINS AND BOAT

As a result of Saturday's snow fall and ground drift, followed by a high wind, the cuttings all along the railway were badly filled in many sections yesterday morning with the result that a number of the trains were tied up. Yesterday afternoon the line to Summerside and Borden was cleared, but not so with the eastern line and the line west of Summerside. At 10:30 last night the Murray Harbor train was working hard between Pochla and Grand View. The train that left the city to open the line east was stalled at Ulig. The train from Souris was reported in the vicinity of St. Peters where she had been fighting all yesterday afternoon. The train on the Tignish line was between St. Louis and Alberton in heavy snow. At 11 o'clock the Car Ferry was three miles from Borden, coming, purchaser from such firm or corporation shall pay the sum of twohys way.

LIB. WINS IN W. MIDDLESEX

Hon. J. C. Elliott Has a Majority of 2,681 Votes.

(Canadian Press)
WEST MIDDLESEX, Ont., Mar. 29. Complete returns from 82 polls out of a total of 82 give J. C. Elliott Liberal, 6,520. T. A. Elliott, Conservative, 3,839. Majority for Hon. J. C. Elliott, 2,681.
STRATHROY, Ont., Mar. 29.—Voting in West Middlesex at the last three general elections resulted as follows:
1917—Daniel Ross (Laurier-Liberal) 3930; G. A. Elliott, (Unionist) 3,581.
1921—J. D. F. Drummond, (Progressive) 5,543; Duncan Ross (Liberal) 4,004; G. A. Elliott, (Conservative) 2,445.
1925—J. C. Elliott (Liberal) 4928; A. MacDougall, (Progressive) 3,548; T. A. Elliott, (Conservative) 2,816.

Britishers Still Paying For Their Wins

(Canadian Press)
LONDON, March 29.—The people of Great Britain spent £7.48 per capita on intoxicants last year compared with £7.58 in 1924, or one shilling less per head last year than in the previous year.
The total amount spent on liquor last year is estimated at £315,000,000 of which £134,000,000 was in taxes in connection with the liquor trade. These figures are contained in the annual report of the big temperance organization, the United Kingdom Alliance, which notes that there has been a considerable increase in the consumption of wine in recent years and attributes it to the wine habit acquired by the soldiers on the continent during the war.

Another Victim of Pharaoh's Vengeance?

(Special to The Guardian)
PARIS, March 29.—The death in Egypt is announced of Prof. Georges Benedit, the noted Egyptian Antiquities section of the Louvre Museum, and his passing is once more attracting attention to the strange fatality which has overtaken a number of those most closely connected with the discovery of the tomb of Tutankhamen in the valley of the Kings.
Prof. Benedit is the sixth prominent personality to fall victim to what some have already begun to call the vengeance of Tutankhamen. His death follows almost within a few days that of Prof. Cahana of the College de France, another great French authority on ancient Egypt. Dr. J. C. Mardrus the Oriental scholar, discussed today the coincidence of the extraordinary series of deaths.

LATEST FROM THE CAPITAL

Tariff Board Member's Statement Causes Much Dissatisfaction.

(Canadian Press).
OTTAWA, Mar. 29.—On the motion of Col. H. A. Mullen, (Conservative) Marquette Manitoba, the House of Commons today adopted a motion that the Canadian Government Merchant Marine should withdraw at once from the North Atlantic conference "and should be operated independently of any association, conference or combine of steamship lines with the sole object of conferring the greatest possible advantage upon the Canadian producer."

(Special to The Guardian)
OTTAWA, Mar. 29.—While all members of the government are withholding comment, it is understood that the statement attributed to Saturday to Joseph Daoust, of Montreal, that there is no room for reduction in the present Canadian tariff has created some dissatisfaction in official circles. Mr. Daoust's selection as a member of the federal Tariff Board was announced by Premier King on Thursday and Progressive members welcome to the view that his reported protection utterance should disqualify him for sitting upon an impartial tribunal. The Order in Council appointing the members of the Tariff Board has not actually been passed yet. Right Hon. George P. Graham will be chairman of the board at an annual salary of \$10,000 the two other members will receive a salary of \$4,000 a year with expenses. The positions will be permanent at least so long as the present government endures.

Prince Undergoes Successful Operation

(Special to The Guardian)
LONDON, March 29.—The Prince of Wales is convalescing today in St. James Palace from an attack of influenza and an operation consisting of an incision in his left ear drum.
The King and Queen arrived from Sandringham this morning and went directly from the station to their son's bedside where they remained for some time. The official bulletin issued from the palace today which announced the successful operation, surprised the nation.
The Prince's ear had been troubling him since Friday, following an attack of influenza on Wednesday. The attending physicians explained that the Prince's condition was not serious and that there was no cause for alarm.

Toronto Girl Wins Typewriting Championship

(Canadian Press).
TORONTO, Mar. 29.—Miss J. Wright of Toronto, writing 107 words a minute, won the Canadian open speed typewriting championship in the fifth annual tests which were conducted on Saturday simultaneously in Calgary, Vancouver, Winnipeg, Toronto and Brockville.

The Weather, Etc.

TWO THINGS YOU CAN'T HIDE FROM YOUR WIFE—A SECRET AND YOUR POCKET MONEY



TORONTO, Mar. 30.—Maritime west to north west winds, fair and cold with local snow flurries.
Maximum and minimum temperatures:
Toronto, cloudy 28-16
Montreal, clear 28-12
Quebec, cloudy 28-12
Halifax, fair 28-20
St. John, clear 29-14
Boston, clear 36-22
New York, clear 38-24
Charlottetown, snow 24-15

OLD TIMERS' FIDDLING CONTEST AT THE STRAND

Also Dancing Competition—Large Theatre Packed to the Aisles to Witness Opening Night's Performance—Justice Arsenault Presided—Over Forty New Contestants Expected at Tonight's Contest—Winner Not Named Last Night.

The Strand Theatre was taxed to capacity last night with a cheering and enthusiastic audience to witness the first of a series of eliminations in the Old Timers' Fiddling Contest, which is under the auspices of the Prince Edward Island Tourist Association; this Association is sending a provincial representative to Boston to compete in that city some time in April with Old Time Fiddlers from all over Canada and the United States.
Hon. Justice Arsenault, President of the Tourist Association who presided spoke briefly at the commencement and asked the audience for their sympathy explaining that due to train conditions the majority of the fiddlers and dancers were unable to be on hand, but assured them that a real contest nevertheless would be put on—and a real one it was. His honor added that the sending of a fiddler to Boston in this coming contest is valuable publicity for the Province and each and every member of the different committees was working tooth and nail to help keep P. E. I. out in front. He further added that meetings are held every Thursday throughout the year by the Association, but recently meetings have been held every day getting things in readiness for the big Contest.
Notwithstanding the apparent handicap due to the above mentioned train conditions, the entertainment last night was all that could be desired and the vast audience left the Strand at the conclusion well pleased and ready to be on hand for tonight's big performance, when a bang-up program is anticipated.

The winners of last night's contest will enter the final eliminations tonight—providing the delayed contestants who are at time of writing storm bound on the eastern and western lines arrive in the City on time.
The program was arranged in teams, a step-dancer and fiddler to perform for a period of eight minutes—step dancing for four minutes, with the remaining four allotted to the fiddler.
Many and varied were the different styles of step dancing and tunes played, the audience showing its approval at intervals with dynamic cheering and handclapping.

For the writer to praise one individual more than another would not be playing fair to the officials nor to Justice Arsenault who asked the audience not to criticize, but leave the deciding to the judges. But irrespective of the above the dancing of the Misses Angelina and Priscilla Martins was exceptionally clever and elicited hearty and well merited applause. These young ladies showed the cleverness and agility of professional stage performers. Special mention is also due the exhibition of a double-clog dance executed in great style by the Misses Martins and W. Weatherbie and Robert Weeks. Loud applause followed the exhibition.

During the performance Justice Arsenault awarded a medal to Mr. Noel Sapphere, a blind Indian, aged 74, St. Andrews, for his splendid work on the fiddle. The presentation brought cheers from the audience.
The contest was broadcast from station C.F.C.Y. by the Island Radio Company. It was afterwards announced that telegrams and telephone messages from different sections of the Island were received stating that reception was great, and the fans were enjoying the broadcasting immensely.

Mr. Ben Wagner, celebrated violinist and at present leader of the Prince Edward Orchestra was among those present on the stage last night. Mr. Wagner expressed himself as very well pleased with the entertainment, it being the first one of the kind he had ever attended.
The following was the program:

First Team
Fiddler—Leo Dolron, age 70, Martin's Road.
Dancer—Jerry Arsenault, City.
Tunes—"Soldier's Joy" and "Lord McDonald's Reel."
Second
Fiddler—Michael Bolger, age 56, City.
Dancer—Mr. Lawrence Doiron, age 62 City.
Tunes—Varied selections.
Third
Noel Sapphere, Age 74, St. Andrews.
Dancer, Robt. Weeks, Highfield.
Fourth
Fiddler—David McEachern age 57, Canoe Cove.
Dancer—D. H. Gallant, Rustico.
Tunes—"Pop Goes the Weasel," "Soldier's Joy," "Johnny Pope," "Stunt Fiddling."

Fifth
Fiddler—Robert Weeks, age 50, Highfield.
Dancer—William Weatherbie.
Tunes—"Scoldin' Wife," "Paddy on the Turnpike" "Kitty O'Neil" and others.
Sixth
Dancing by Miss Angelina Martin accompanied by Mr. Robt. Weeks.
Seventh
Fiddler—Ewen Martin age 53 Southport.
Dancer—John A. McLean, age 68, City.
Tunes—"Flowers of Edinburgh," "Old Home Week," "Caber Feagh," "Lord McDonald's Reel."
Eighth
Fiddler—John W. McDonald, age 68, Grand Tracade.
Dancer, Charles Young, City.
Tunes—"Lord McDonald's Reel" "Jigs" and other selections.
Ninth
Fiddler—Robt. Weeks, Highfield.
Dancer—Miss Priscilla Martin, Rustico.
Tenth
Fiddler—Peter H. LaHave, age 65, Kensington.
Tunes—"Speed the Plow" "The Devil's Dream" "College Hornpipe," "Mocking Bird," "Pop Goes the Weasel," "Home Sweet Home," "Stunt Fiddling."
Eleventh
Fiddler—Farnell Co Grove, age 51, Wellington.
Dancer—Andrew DesRoches, Miscouche, J. T. Cosgrove.
Tunes—Varied.
Twelfth
A Clog Exhibition by the Misses Martins and Weatherbie and Weeks.

WON'T FALL FOR 'OLD ONES'

(Canadian Press)
PARIS, March 29.—A report that Aristide Briand, France's bachelor Premier was about to marry, met with a firm denial today.
"Whom could I marry?" asked M. Briand. "A young girl would not take me and I would not marry an old one."
High tide this morning at 11:50 and tonight at 12:00.
Sun sets this evening at 6:27 and rises tomorrow morning at 5:41.
Summerside die eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

ARMAMENT MAKERS HAD BIG YEAR

Orders Pour in From All Europe, Especially the Balkans, Paris Learns.

PARIS, March 29.—Leaders in the European disarmament movement who realize that no disarmament conference could be assured of eventual success unless the participating nations agreed to restrict the sale of implements of war, are discouraged over reliable reports that 1926 is proving to be the best year since the war for the armament makers.

Manufacturers of the things with which war is made admit orders are pouring in from all parts of Europe and it is known that American firms are getting a fair share of business. While nearly all continental nations are slated to be in the new buying movement, the Balkan States and the nations of Northeastern Europe are especially active. Representatives of the armament firms declare five countries actually are engaged in making arms for Germany alone.

While it is impossible to learn just how much money is involved in the present buying, those in a position to know do not hesitate to say orders since the first of the year have totalled several hundred million dollars.
Germany, prohibited by the Treaty of Versailles from manufacturing or importing implements of war, is said to have built up a system of factories outside the country and, although none of this material may enter Germany, armament agents say quantities are being stored ready for import when treaty restrictions lapse. Incidentally these German factories outside Germany are reported to be doing an extensive export business in which Russia is thought to be an important buyer.

Damascus Now Well Protected

(Special to The Guardian)
DAMASCUS, Mar. 29.—This city is safe for foreigners, as it is well protected with French troops, and surrounded with three lines of barbed wire. The minarets of the mosques are fortified with machine guns, and blockhouses have been erected at approaches to the city from all directions. Soldiers are provided at the principal streets behind barricades of stone and sand bags. Shooting goes on every night in the gardens which is replied to by French troops at frequent intervals. It is estimated there are 1,000 bandits directly around Damascus and another 6,000 rebels in Syria exclusive of the Druses.

First Sealing Schooner Arrives In Port

(Canadian Press)
ST. JOHNS, Nfld., March 29.—The Seal, commanded by Capt. Stanley Barbour, arrived in Harbour Grace yesterday "log loaded" having on board 18,300 seals. She is the first of the sealers fleet back from the ice pans.

Announcements, Coming Events, Meetings, Etc.

****Come to New Glasgow Hall** on March 30th and hear Ye Olde Time Songs and see Ye Olde Time Costumes. 8409-29-21

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****Greenvale Women's Institute** will hold a parlor social at the home of Mr. Robert Waje, Bungay on Wednesday March 31st. If not fine, first fine night. 8424-30-21.

****There will be a lecture on Agricultural topics by Mr. A. H. Cullen** at Wheatley River, Wednesday, 2 p. m., and New Glasgow 8 p. m. All interested welcome. 8418-3-30, 21

****The postponed meeting of the** Stockbreeders of St. Catharines, Long Creek and Canoe Cove will be held in Long Creek schoolhouse Wednesday evening, March 31st at 7:30 p. m. The organization of a federal bird banding centre will be discussed. A large attendance is requested. 8437-30-14