

MATTHEWS FOUND GUILTY

After Having Been Out Four Hours, During Which Time They Reported a Disagreement, Jury Bring in Their Verdict Coupled With a Strong Recommendation for Mercy.

The case of Joseph Matthews charged with assault causing grievous bodily harm was resumed at 10.30 yesterday morning at the Supreme Court.

George Bridges, witness for the defence continuing his evidence under direct examination said the liquor premises, did not belong to him. The liquor was found in his barn. It was placed there by an adopted son, a bad scamp, who has been in jail often. I was working with you, (Mr. MacKinnon) at the time of the seizure.

Cross examined by Mr. Campbell: Q. What time did Matthews lie down in your kitchen on the night of the assault?

A. It might have been eight o'clock or after. I did not look at the time. He was sick and went to sleep when we placed him on the lounge.

Q. Did he have anything to drink afterwards?

A. No, not in my place. He had nothing to drink after eight o'clock.

Mr. Campbell: He would be pretty sober at ten wouldn't he?

Witness, in answer to a question: I was in jail only once.

Mr. Campbell: That was the only time you were caught.

Witness: I did not keep time of the times I was searched. Perhaps four or five times or maybe ten.

Mr. Campbell: Did you go to court?

Witness: No, I did not bother going up to court.

Mr. Campbell: You had no defence, isn't that the reason?

No answer.

Elizabeth Stewart, (sworn)—I live at 27 Spring Street. James Stewart is my husband. I was living on Spring Street in October last. I remember the night of the assault.

Q. How long after you washed the dishes were the police there?

A. About a half an hour.

Mr. Campbell: You said your husband and Matthews were talking a little while after you washed the dishes. That would be about 1 o'clock.

Q. Was the prisoner in your house when the police were there?

A. No, he was not.

Q. You don't know where he was at one o'clock. Now, come on, where was Joe? Wasn't he in the house at one o'clock?

American System Held Inferior By Amery

(Canadian Press) TORONTO, Ont., Jan. 20.—Based on his tour throughout the Empire, Right Hon. Colonel L. C. M. S. Amery made a new confession of faith as to the relative merits of the constituent parts of the Empire before the Canadian Club, here today.

The belief once held by many in some form of federal government for the Empire had now been found to be unworkable, he said. Voluntary cooperation among free and responsible governments preserving the ancient symbol of the throne and yet allowing for the widest measure of domestic liberty and true responsibility would produce much better results than the speaker thought.

This idea was the latest and the superior product of British political genius. The scheme had not been in existence at the time of the framing of the American constitution. The frame of that constitution had only the countries of the continent and Britain as she was at that time to serve as a model. Consequently the American system of Government was an eighteenth century creation and inferior to the modern British system of responsible government with voluntary co-operation taking the place of a rigid federal constitution.

"We have," said Mr. Amery, "a more modern, more flexible system which brings every man into a truer touch with the government and really makes for government by the people and through the people."

James Stewart (sworn) I live on 27 Spring Street. Witness came to my house about 6.30 to pay me a bill. He corroborated the evidence given by his wife.

Thomas Coyle (sworn) I live on 64 King Street. I saw the prisoner that afternoon on the corner of King and Queen Streets. He was intoxicated at that time. That was Saturday afternoon. He was talking about having a horse for sale. He wanted to be driven out to Mrs. Bridges. I got Frank Vessey to drive him out in his car. I accompanied the prisoner. It was about 4 o'clock. I stayed with him an hour or so at the Fraser and I went to see him about a horse he had for sale. That was about 7 o'clock that evening. He wasn't capable of talking. As near as I can tell I left about 10 o'clock. The prisoner was lying on the lounge at that time. He got up and went out for awhile. When he came back he was worse and dropped down on the floor. Mr. Bridges and Shepperd carried to the lounge.

He was not conversing with anyone. His face was badly disfigured. It was black and blue, more of a purple color, perhaps. His face looked as though it was getting better.

Colin Fraser (sworn)—Corroborated the evidence of the previous witness.

Joseph Matthews (sworn) I am the prisoner in this case. I remember when I was arrested Sunday afternoon. I do not know what month it was. I am a scholar.

Q. What have you to say about the case?



Secretary of Commerce Herbert Hoover, who is seen with his wife in the garden of their Washington home, is daily becoming a more serious contender for the Republican presidential nomination.

Q. Was there much blood on your clothes after the accident?

A. Yes, it took nearly all the forenoon to take the blood off my clothes. I used soap, water and a brush. I don't remember the spot under the lapel of my coat. I didn't look at that.

Further questioned the prisoner went on to say, I left home on Thursday morning the day of the accident, after which I went to Jim Colliers where I stayed that night. I didn't get a chance to go out. I was looking at the horse home. My two boys took the horse home. Cross examined by Mr. Saunders: It is a common occurrence then for you to get drunk.

Prisoner: Yes, of late, I was only arrested once. I was in the station three times. I am a married man. I was living with my wife about three years ago. She is at present living at her sister's in the city. She has been sick for about two years in the hospital. She has been boarding at her sister's in town for about a year. I have seen her frequently during this time. I live on Brackley Point road. I never had a row with my wife, neither did I ever beat her. I was in town Friday morning. I drove in and left my horse in the stable. I started to drink on Saturday. I was drinking in the forenoon. I think. On my way to town on Friday I got two bottles of alcohol. I started to drink that on Friday and kept on going. I left home about noon I'd say.

Mr. Saunders: You told Mr. MacKinnon you left home on Thursday night. Which is correct?

Prisoner: I came to town on both days. On Thursday the boys took me home. I returned on Friday morning.

Mr. Saunders: What did you have on Saturday?

BRITISH MARKET FOR CANADIAN BACON REVIVES

Will be Fairly Well Re-Established by March, is Prediction

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 20.—The market in British bacon for Canadian buyers is coming back and should be fairly well re-established by next March. This was the information given by Liverpool produce importers to the party of Canadian farmers visiting Britain at a conference here last night.

H. S. Arkell, Dominion Livestock Commissioner, asked the importers what the prospects were of a let-up in the bacon supply from the Baltic, and whether Britain would pay higher for Canadian bacon than for the Baltic product.

The answer was that next March the Baltic imports would decrease and Germany would be the big purchaser of pork from the Baltic. Britain, it was asserted, could easily afford a better price for bacon. Canadian packers, the importers conceded, did a better job than any others. Canadians were advised to remain in the bacon market until the British market came back, which would be very shortly.

The importers also said that Canadian cheese was superior to New Zealand's product and that Canadian butter and eggs were popular with British buyers, but the lack of a continual supply of high quality was a hindrance to the trade.

New York Welcomes President Cosgrave

(Canadian Press) NEW YORK, Jan. 20.—With a placard bearing supporters of the opposition party ejected from Battery Park by police to avert possible disorder, President William T. Cosgrave of the Irish Free State arrived in New York today.

Three thousand police had been marshalled along the line of march to City Hall where Mayor Walker waited to greet the visiting president in the name of "our 8,000,000 people, a large proportion of them from your own Emerald Isle."

President William T. Cosgrave of the Irish Free State who arrived here today for a visit to the United States and Canada informed the Canadian Press that he would visit Ottawa on January 29th.

Royal Commission Faces Big Problem

(Canadian Press) LONDON, Jan. 20.—The Royal Commission on Indian Reforms headed by Sir John Simon, which sailed from Marseilles for Bombay at midnight, faces what most men in public life in this country consider the biggest problem in the British Empire. The whole future of India and its development as a member of the British Commonwealth of Nations is in the hands of seven men named to study the present work of the commission is a part of the Montague-Chelmsford reform scheme inaugurated a decade ago.

The commission will arrive in India about February 3rd, for a preliminary visit of two months. Another visit will be made late in 1928, and the final report made to the British parliament in 1929. Sir John Simon upon whose shoulders falls one of the heaviest responsibilities of statesmanship ever given a British official is a former cabinet minister and a man long in high regard by all sections of the British public.

A. F. of L. Will Demand Beer Plank In Platform

(Canadian Press) MIAMI, Fla., Jan. 20.—The American federation of labor will demand of both major political parties the inclusion of a 275 beer in their campaign platform. This announcement was made late today by President William Green after the Executive Council of the federation had heard the plea of the United Brewery Workers, presented by Joseph Overholser.

The federation for several years has favored real beer, as a step toward temperance. It was said but this will be the first time that the demand has been framed in time for inclusion in the legislative programme to be presented to the party parties during their election year conventions.

The Los Angeles convention last year went on record as favoring amendment of the Volstead Act.

Oldest Senator Will be Honored

(Special to the Guardian) OTTAWA, Jan. 20.—Canada's centennial senator, Hon. George Casimir Desaulles will be honored by members of both houses of parliament on Wednesday, February 1st, when his portrait in oils will be presented to him by Hon. Hewitt Boston, speaker of the Senate on behalf of parliament.

Senator Desaulles will be felicitated upon reaching his 100 birthday by the Prime Minister, Right Hon. Mackenzie King and Hon. R. B. Bennett, speaking for the commons. and by Hon. Senator Dandurand and Hon. Senator W. B. Ross for the Senate. The portrait will be hung in the senate after the death of Senator Desaulles.

Pisa's Leaning Tower

(British United Press) Rome, Jan. 20.—The inclination of the famous campanile of Pisa, better known as the Leaning Tower, has, according to recent investigations, been increasing at the rate of approximately one-twenty-fifth of an inch a year.

The tower is 178 feet in height, and it leans from the perpendicular at an extent usually given as 16 feet 6 inches. When the tower was built in 1174 it was not intended to amaze the spectator by its present oblique position. The tilt is due to a subsidence of the soil while the work was in progress.

Between the year 1829 and 1910 an increase of one foot was measured, and as the result of quite recent measurements it has been ascertained that the deviation from the perpendicular is continuing. In theory, an insignificant gradual increase of the leaning tower's inclination will not endanger its stability for many years to come—as many as a thousand, in fact. The unexpected, however, may happen, plates and set it against the other men, Robert Thornton, 35, Arthur Taylor, 39, and Robert Shields, 32, were engaged in painting the plates.

During the last twenty years many commissions have studied the power of Pisa and several remedies for its safety have been suggested. The tower is built on a stratum of alluvial sand and clay—under which there is a spring of water whose infiltrations have caused the mischief. Aware of the danger, the builders limited the tower's foundation to 10 feet and kept the circumference equal to that of the tower, namely, 30 feet. They surrounded its base with a range of semi-circular arcades supported by columns, and filled up the ground round the base with a mound of earth, re-Rhododaze, which was engaged in a search for the moonstone. Betty's missing ring will probably go to the assistance of the helpless steamer, the Burgerdijk, a Dutch steamer, inch.

The attempt to remedy the evil by injections of liquid cement will be made before a further minute investigation.

MORE SETTLERS FOR MARITIME PROVINCES

Nova Scotia Now Contemplates Attracting Danish Colonists to The Province

OTTAWA, Jan. 20.—The Maritime Provinces will enjoy an access of immigrants during 1928, and colonization will reach a high state of development. This was the opinion expressed by officials of the Department of Immigration and Colonization here today.

Already New Brunswick has launched a progressive scheme to attract settlers to that province and was developing the project to a degree that was highly creditable. Co-operation between the various provincial and federal departments was close and mutually helpful. New Brunswick had established a large number of settlements where the preponderating elements were the preponderating elements were Danes, and the experiment was so eminently successful that Nova Scotia now contemplated attracting Danish colonists and steps were being taken to inaugurate an aggressive policy of settlement this year.

Danish farmers, bringing to the Maritime Provinces their highly specialized methods of dairy-farming and co-operative marketing, would fit in well to the life of these Atlantic regions. They were most desirable citizens and were easily absorbed.

Ready to Sail About March 20th

(Special to the Guardian) OTTAWA, Ont., Jan. 20.—Cabled advice from Great Britain to the Canadian Naval Department here indicate that the reconditioning of the destroyers Torbay and Toreador is proceeding and that the two warships will be ready to sail for Canada about March 20th.

Canada about to realize the patriotic crew will man them, the eastern crew under Commander Beard having already left for England while the western crew will leave at an extent usually given as 16 feet 6 inches. The destroyers are being loaned to Canada to replace the Patricia and Patriot, pending the building of two new destroyers for Canada.

Three Men Were Crushed to Death

(Canadian Press) MONTREAL, January 20.—Three men were crushed to death today in the Canadian Vickers Limited boiler shop when a steel beam on a travelling crane struck one of the three large circular plates and set it against the other men, Robert Thornton, 35, Arthur Taylor, 39, and Robert Shields, 32, were engaged in painting the plates.

Invitation Declined (Special to the Guardian) OTTAWA, Ont., Jan. 20.—Inspector Joy of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police has been invited by Commander Byrde to accompany him on his south polar expedition. The invitation has been refused, however, the inspector preferring to continue in the Canadian service.

Announcements, Coming Events, Meetings, Etc

- *Buying live hogs at Emerald, Jan. 24th Tuesday forenoon. 1927-1-19-31
**Clyde River Farmers Institute meeting in Kingston Hall, Saturday, Jan. 21st at 8 o'clock. 1946-1-20-21
**Salvation Army Rummage Sale will be held in S. A. Citadel, Thursday, January 26th. Commodores will be soliciting goods of all description. Teams will collect Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday. 1948-1-20-41
**Chicken Supper and Ball in Belfast Hall, Monday Jan. 23rd. Admission 40 and 25 cts. Ladies with baskets free. Proceeds for hall debt. Special music. If not fine following night. 1942-1-20-21
**Rheumatism diseases of blood, Stomach and Internal Organs cured. References given. Phone 897-J. Dr. Cliff, 112 Prince St., Charlottetown, P.E. Island, Canada East. 12-3 mos
**Loading live hogs at Hunter River, Tuesday, Jan. 24th 11th noon and continue loading Tuesday of each week. Everett Wedlock. 195-1-19-31
**Concert Box Social and Entertainment, three in one, Middleton Hall, Tuesday, Jan. 24th. Hear Dr. Green and others. Aid of Women's Institute. 1984-1-21-21
**Reserve Feb. 2nd for tea in Zion Church Hall by ladies of Baptist Church. 1974
**Special meeting of Winsloe Shipping Club will be held in Winsloe Hall Tuesday, January 24th, at 7.30 p. m. Important business. 1978-1-21-21
**All members of Children of Mary Sodality are cordially invited to attend a social evening hall on Monday, January 8 o'clock.

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