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OFFICIAL ELECTION RETURNS

KINGS.

	1900	1904
McDonald	38 38	40 57
Robertson	40 34	21 71
Kirkham	30 34	51 79
McLean	44 40	36 58
T. K. O'Hann	40 38	51 132
Acorn	27 34	30 62
J. Kirkham	30 15	37 75
J. Kirkham	25 45	83 100
St. Margaret's	43 51	21 23
Head Rollo Bay	33 39	73 100
Specials	8 12	11 16
Total	386 234	454 776

Majority for Kirkham, 98
Majority for McLean, 32

SECOND DISTRICT.

	1900	1904
McLaughlin	41 55	40 30
Peters	45 45	54 30
Clark	67 83	80 38
McIntosh	66 86	54 40
McLean	30 30	48 37
McIntosh	40 30	58 46
McIntosh	40 30	61 50
Specials	13 20	28 22
Total	386 611	483 315

Majority for McLaughlin, 44
Majority for Peters, 73

THIRD DISTRICT.

	1900	1904
Kirkham	31 43	40 00
Mal. McDonald	34 61	36 44
J. E. McDonald	19 43	45 64
Mason	69 100	61 85
Bowden	40 47	53 37
McLaren	72 70	70 122
Kelly	17 28	33 44
Moreau	19 10	10
Total	328 538	381 507

Majority for J. E. McDonald, 53
Majority for Mal. McDonald, 6.

FOURTH DISTRICT.

	1900	1904
Bruce	52 60	32 39
Annax	60 151	39 81
McKinnon	53 50	60 71
Matheson	43 55	62 23
Cook	50 67	63 80
Inman	58 68	71 114
McKinnon	12 18	6 9
Total	335 469	338 486

Majority for Bruce, 2
Majority for Matheson, 17.

FIFTH DISTRICT.

	1900	1904
McKinnon	47 76	47 110
Gordon	47 70	60 68
McDonald	41 53	56 64
Matheson	39 47	35 51
Matheson	39 57	85 125
Matheson	18 20	30 25
Total	253 353	313 457

Majority for Gordon, 61
Majority for McDonald, 114.

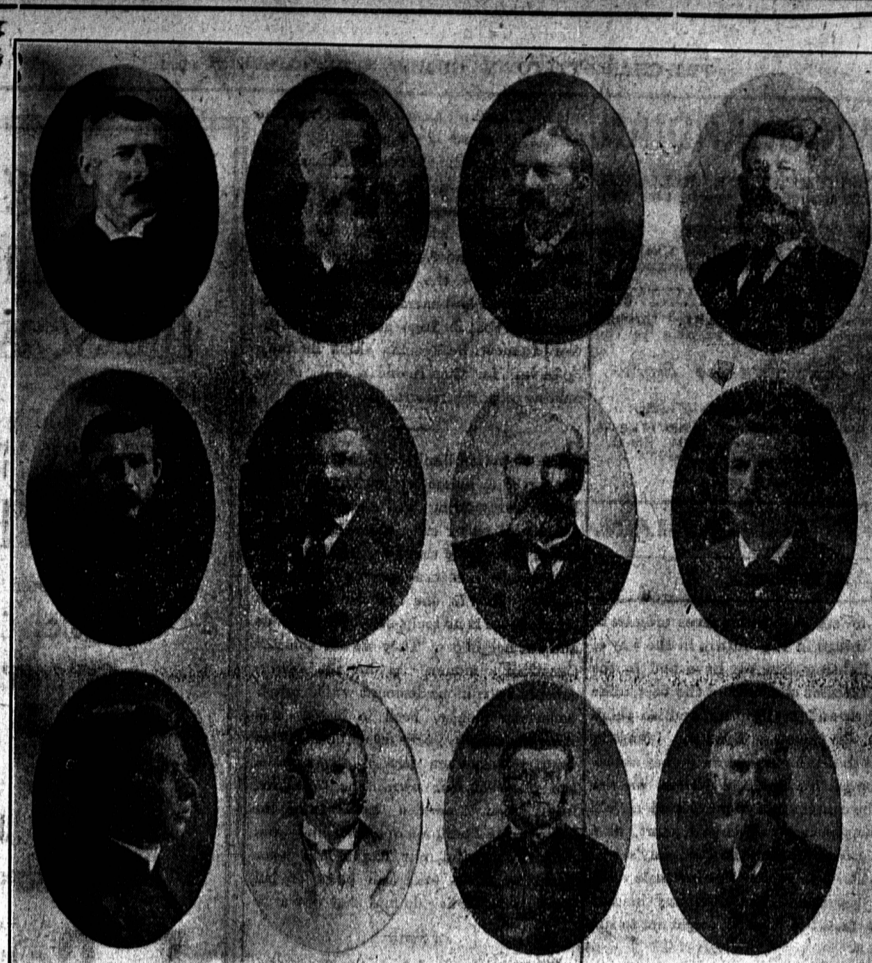


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THE ADOLF BECK CASE IS ENDED

English Judge Guilty of Miscarriage of Justice. Essential Details of Famous Case of Mistaken Identity, Almost Impossible of Belief--Beck, a Man of Finest Courage, Fought Against Fate Without Success.

It is not once in a generation that an English judge is found guilty of participating in a miscarriage of justice, and therefore the position in which the Beck Commission places Sir Forrest Fulton is almost without precedent in our generation. What will happen now that the report places the chief responsibility of the terrible wrong done to Beck on the judge who tried and convicted him can be easily deduced. That Sir Forrest would continue to discharge judicial functions, even if public opinion consented, is inconceivable. His retirement will follow as a matter of course, and the ruin of Beck's life will have as a tragic sequel the ruin of a notable career on the bench and at the bar. That there will be changes among the permanent officials at the Home Office is also assured, for this department has been strongly censured. The Government will make what amends it can, giving ruin and disgrace for ruin and imprisonment. The name of Beck will become as famous in legal and police circles as that of the "Tichborne claimant," and there will be an end of the case which has attracted attention all over the world.

John Smith, the Jew.

The story of the Beck case in its essential details will bear repetition. In 1877 a Jew, giving the name of John Smith, was arrested in London and sent to prison for a term of years. He was convicted, of having victimized a number of women, by presenting himself to them as a friend and patron and thereby getting possession of rings and wearing apparel on the pretence that he wished to make them gifts of similar articles and desired the stolen goods as models. Smith served his time, and then was lost sight of by the Metropolitan police. In 1896 there was an outbreak of exactly the same kind of crime. Every detail of the frauds of 1877 was duplicated. The swindler even assumed the same name, that of Lord Willoughby. Letters given his victims were shown to be in the same handwriting as those employed 19 years before. It was only natural to suppose that the criminal in both cases was the same man. This is the vital point in the Beck case.

Adolf Beck, the Norwegian.

The police were not long in laying their hands on a man believed to be the perpetrator of the offences. This was Mr. Adolf Beck, a Norwegian, resident in England for some years. At the preliminary examination he was positively identified by a policeman named Spurrell as John Smith, the man who had been arrested by this officer 19 years before. Mr. Spurrell, a handwriting expert, was called by the prosecution, and swore that the handwriting in the 1896 documents was the same as that in those of 1877. He further gave it as his opinion that Beck, a specimen of whose admitted penmanship was placed before him, was the author of the letters. Thus far it was obvious that the prosecution believed Smith and Beck to be one and the same man, and that the case was based on this fact. In this lay Beck's hope and the loss of his counsel, for the Nor-

ment to appoint three commissioners, whose report pitilessly condemns the judge who sentenced Beck.

KING IN THE EAST END.

Proposal That His Majesty Reside in Greenwich Palace.

A scheme is on foot in England to revive the former glories of Greenwich Palace as a royal residence, the design of Sir Christopher Wren and Inigo Jones. With its terrace of a thousand feet in length, skirting the broad reach of the river, and with old Greenwich Park full of centenarian trees as a background, it is in every way a worthy home for the monarch of a great Empire. Queen Mary and Queen Elizabeth, both born there, and King Charles II. pulled down the ancient palace and erected the present stately and beautiful pile of buildings, according to the design of Sir Christopher Wren and Inigo Jones. With its terrace of a thousand feet in length, skirting the broad reach of the river, and with old Greenwich Park full of centenarian trees as a background, it is in every way a worthy home for the monarch of a great Empire.

So the case went trial, but to the consternation of Beck and Mr. Gill, his lawyer, the prosecution made no attempt to go into the question of identity, beyond calling Garin to swear that in his opinion Beck was the author of the decoy letters.

Beck is a man of fine courage, and all through the long years of his confinement he never ceased to protest and fight, as best he could against the terrible injustice which had been done him. On his prison garments was a mark signifying that the wearer had been imprisoned before. As a matter of fact, everyone seemed to take it for granted that this was Smith, in spite of the fact that this matter had been carefully avoided at the trial. He wrote to the Home Office again and again, and finally had the objectionable characters removed from his garb, but the Home Office took no further steps. Hence the recommendation of the commission that proper legal qualifications in officials here would have resulted in the discovery of Beck's innocence at the time. The Home Secretary did go so far, indeed, as to ask Sir Forrest Fulton for an opinion on the case, and this, naturally, was simply a reaffirmation of the judge's belief in the guilt of Beck. The man served his term, but fate had one more stroke to fling at him. Last January a recurrence of the crimes of 1877 and 1896 led to his re-arrest. He was again convicted, and Mr. Justice Grantman was about to pass sentence, when in a most dramatic moment the real criminal of 1877, of 1896, and of 1904, in the person of Smith, the Jew, was caught red-handed. The release of Beck followed immediately, and the intense feeling throughout England that this matter should be investigated led the Gov-

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