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Evidence Taken Yesterday In K. W. McKinnon's Trial

Examination of Furze and Other Crown Witnesses Admisability of Prisoner's Alleged Confession as Evidence is Being Considered.

George Furze, acquitted at the Supreme Court on Monday on the charge of breaking into and stealing goods from Reddin Bros. store, was on the witness stand at the trial of his alleged accomplice K. W. McKinnon yesterday from 10.30 till 3 p. m., with an hour an a quarter's intermission for dinner. His evidence was extremely contradictory and he was several times cautioned by the Chief Justice upon the seriousness of perjury. He finally testified on cross examination by the Attorney General who had permission to treat him as a hostile witness, that some of his sworn statements made to the Magistrate at the preliminary trial were true; among them, that McKinnon, Essory and himself were drinking rum in the Elks room opposite Reddin's tea room on the night of the robbery; that Essory pushed the glass out of the tea room door and turned a button inside and opened it; that the three entered and took bananas and ice cream, that they returned to the Elks hall and ate them; that they then went down through the tea room to the drug store, McKinnon striking matches, and fell around and grabed stuff out of the show cases; that McKinnon took a set of silver backed hair brushes and fountain pens, Essory taking a safety razor and long razor; that they took the stuff over to McKinnon's office, witness taking pipes and cigarettes; that Essory and himself put the goods in a hole under the barn on Alley Street where his father lived. He also testified that McKinnon had raised $2 on witness' overcoat and a brass spittoon to which he had procured rum. He had no conversation with McKinnon on the subject of the robbery in jail, nor with any one else.

Cross examined by Mr. Bentley Furze said that previous to the robbery he had been drinking heavily for three weeks, and was drinking on Friday before ar me. McKinnon. He had made a statement before the Magistrate that Dan McLeod was with McKinnon Essory and himself on the night of the robbery but this was not true. He further swore that he smoked about four packages of cigarettes a day and had used cocaine steadily for a year and a half, injecting it into his arm a couple of times a day with a hypodermic needle. He also used cocaine pills and snuff at times. He denied that he had ever threatened his mother with a knife or revolver and that he had gone to Regina for a few months last year at her request. His mother gave him $60 to come home from the west and he bought a ticket for $25.

Mr Bentley—Did you come home on the cars or under the cars?

Witness came home in the cars he said. He denied that he had done any stealing out West. He might have told people that Mr. Bentley—Did you tell people that you were in a hold up out West?

Witness— No.

Mr. Bentley—Did'nt you tel Arthur Vatcher that?

Witness—I might have told him something like that. He was looking for news and I gave it to him (replying to further questions) I have been married about a year. Was away four or five months and have been in jail since October.

Regarding the conversation with Mr. Reddin and himself in the jail, Furze maintained that Mr. Reddin told him McKinnon had made a statment, blaming the robbery on him. "Weeks also told me that McKinnon and Essory were putting the blame on me," he said.

Mr. Johnson then re-examined witness as to his use of cocaine producing a hypodermic needle he asked Furze to put it together but he could not do so. He wanted Furze to exhibit his arm with the needle marks, but witness declared there were no marks as it was three months since he used the needle.

Mr Ivan Reddin, the next witness called, testified to the particulars of the robbery. Cross examined by Mr Inman he enumerated the drug store staff and the hour at which they arrived to work. There are four keys to the store, in the possession of Mr. O'M. Reddin, Mr. George Reddin Mr. Burk the caretaker and himself. The key of the tea room door opening into the corridor is kept in the lock on the inside. Two other keys are kept in the office. Thirty or thirty-five people possessed keys to the Elks rooms and outer door on Richmond St at the time of the robbery. He could not say that the cake crumbs, cigarette butts and fruit rinds in the Elks room in the morning after the robbery came from the store or that the ice cream missed was eaten in the Elks room. He could identify the meerschaum pipe produced in court by a private mark which represented the co[illegible]

Mr. Inman: What was the [illegible]

Mr. Reddin: I will not tell [illegible] that.

Chief Justice: The question in this instance is unnecessary. But in certain cases it might arise where by that evidence would be required and you would then have to answer.

Mr. Reddin, proceeding under cross examination, said the goods were found on Alley St., by Policeman Walker, who put them in his pocket. He next saw them at the police station and did not have an opportunity to identify the pipe before Lad.

Daniel McLeod (sworn): I live at Hunter River and am acquainted with the prisoner in a casual way. I met him on Saturday, Oct. 9th, sometime in the forenoon at Bowa's Barber shop, Great George St. He spoke to me about a pipe he said he found on the sidewalk the night before, which he was going to give to me. It was a nice meerschaum amber stem pipe, and said, worth about $22. I said that must be the price by the dozen but he said no, that was the value of it. I thought at the time he was trying to take a "lift" out of me. After further conversation with McKinnon we went in my car to see his new house, opposite St. Joseph's Convent. I don't think we went into the house. I don't remember what we did after that. (Cross examined by Mr. Bentley): We had some drinks of rum together in Bown's Barber Shop before going in the car."

Clifford Down (sworn): I saw prisoner in my barber shop on Saturday, Oct. 29th. My brother and I and Dan McLeod were there at the time. I heard McKinnon say he found a pipe and that he would give it to McLeod as a present McLeod thanked him. I heard nothing said about where the pipe came from. McKinnon was never in my shop before. He did'nt show the pipe there. I was working on a customer at the time and I did'nt notice him going out.

Police Sgt. Peter Bradley (sworn) Identified overcoat and spittoon as the ones he took from the house of Wallace McDonald, Lower Queen St. (Cross examined): He knew the spittoon by some scratches on the bottom of it. He went to McDonald's house with a search warrant to look for liquor and found and took away the coat and spittoon.

John Burke (sworn): I attend to Reddin's tea room and to the Elks room, cleaning up both places every day. The Elks room contained some chairs, a couple of tables with playing cards and six brass spittoons similar to the one in Court. I missed two spittoons a few mornings after the robbery when cleaning up. I noticed the smashed pane of glass in the tea room the morning after the robbery. (Cross examined by Mr. Inman): Could not swear to identity of spittoon in Court. The other missing one has not turned up yet. I came to work on the morning of the 29th at eight o'clock. Mr. Doucette, Miss Mullins, Miss Moore and Mr. Geo. Reddin came next. Mr. Ivan Reddin came along about nine o'clock. Mr. D. O'M. Reddin comes at any hour he pleases. Mr. Murphy notified us about the robbery about twenty minutes to nine. I always locks the door from the tea room into the corridor before going home. The night before the robbery I locked it about 8.30 p.m.

Police Sgt. Jas. Walker (sworn): Identified articles in court as the ones he took from under the cooper shop of Furze's father. (Cross examined by Mr. Bentley): Did you search Dr. McKinnon's office?

Sgt. Walker: I searched it carefully but found none of the missing articles there. Dr. McKinnon was arrested on the morning of the 4th of November and the search was made that afternoon.

Constable Healey Weeks (sworn) I am constable for the whole province. I am acquainted with prisoner. I visited him in connection with this matter on Nov. 4th before he was arrested, at his new office on Kent Street opposite the Police Station. He had just moved in there from his old place opposite the Merell House. I noticed particularly a set of military hair brushes in his office, with white bristles on a white silver backed block. I did not know at the time that brushes had been stolen. I interviewed prisoner and he made a statement which was reduced to writing and which he signed.

The Attorney General wished to render this statement in evidence, but Mr. Inman objected, maintaining that the document should not be admitted against the defendant under the circumstances. He suggested that the case was similar to the Furze trial, and that the jury should retire until the admissability of the evidence was decided.

The Court granted this request and dismissed the jury until 10.30 this morning.

MacKenzie King May be Opposed In North York

TORONTO, Jan. 18—That Hon. W. L. M. King will have to fight for reelection in North York was intimated pretty clearly by a member of the North York Conservative Association who was in the city today. While J. A. M. Armstrong has not declared his decision to be the opposition candidate it is confidently expected that he will tonight announce that he will enter the lists.

Progress Made in Experiments for Diabetes Cure

TORONTO, Jan. 16. — Progress is reported to have been made in experiments, looking to a cure for diabetes, which Professor J. J. R. McLeod has conducted at the Toronto University laboratory for several months.

It was only a day or two ago that the first injection of extracts was given to a human being. This a boy of thirteen in the General Hospital. So acute is diabetes in young people that very little hope of recovery is in vain. It was as a last resort that permission was granted to the Toronto research men to experiment with this boy. So encouraging was the first treatment, it is stated, that there will be continued every day.

Eight Children Left Motherless by Mother Accident

TORONTO, Jan. 16. — Mrs. Winnifred Crone, aged 28 years, was fatally injured and her husband Harold Crone aged 35 were seriously unconscious when they were struck by a motor car as they were crossing from the curb to cross the streets, last night. Both sustained fracture of the skull, and Mrs. Crone expired a short time later in the hospital. Mr. Crone was reported conscious, and is said to have a chance for recovery. At the death of Mrs. Crone eight small children are left motherless.

The fatality was the result of a collision between cars driven by P. Burns and Edward Harris, both of Toronto. The Harris car is said to have run into the Burns car and, glancing off, skidded over the slippery pavement and struck Mr. and Mrs. Crone. Harris is under arrest.

YARMOUTH, N. S., Jan. 16. — Saying she was going to burn her baby, twenty-four hours old, Mrs. James W. Hudson, stuffed paper into the chimney of a lighted lamp, but a daughter, twelve years old, snatched the infant away. In the struggle Mrs. Hudson's clothes caught fire and she was badly burned about the face and breast. She was taken to the Yarmouth Hospital and shortly afterwards passed away.

Sask. Govt. Asks For Freight Reduction

(Special to The Guardian.)

REGINA, Jan. 17.—Without a dissenting vote a resolution urging upon the federal authorities the necessity for further reductions in freight rates was carried in the Saskatchewan assembly last night. Hon. Charles Dunning, announced that resolutions passed by the three Prairie Provinces, respecting federal matters will, where they are identical, be taken down to Ottawa by a delegation.

Moser River Women Found Drowned in Well at Her Home

SHEET HARBOR, N. S., Jan. 16. — Mrs. John A. Fancy, of Moser River, Halifax County, was found drowned in a well at her home on Saturday evening. Mrs. Fancy had been in ill health for some time which is supposed to have been the cause of the tragedy. She is survived by her husband, Mr. John A. Fancy, a very highly respected resident of Moser River, and four children, all girls. The eldest is fifteen years of age, and the youngest six years of age. The deceased was about forty years of age.

Patient Burned to Death When Fire Destroyed Hospital

YAMACHICHE, Que., Jan. 16. — Joseph Desaulniers, 65, a patient, was burned to death, and only the heroism of a young townsman saved three elderly women from perishing in the fire caused by the explosion of a furnace, that completely destroyed Hospice St. Anne here Saturday night. The convent is situated in the centre of the town, next to the parish church and for some time a general conflagration menacing the church and the town was feared, but this was averted.

Joseph S. Lafayette who was passing at the time of the explosion, rushed into the convent and rescued three elderly women, who were trapped on the third floor. Sister Marie Antoine, superior, directed the exit of the men, women and about 20 children in the institution without causing a panic.

Picked Up Dory With Provisions

NEW YORK, Jan. 16. — Captain Mitchell, of the steamer Rosalind, bound south, from St. Johns, Nfld., reported on reaching City Island today, that he had picked up a fisherman's dory, loaded with provisions, about fifty miles east of Chatham, Mass. The dory was thirty feet long and painted green. It bore no mark of indentification.

DEATHS FROM BAD LIQUOR

MONTREAL, Jan. 17. — Believed to have been killed by drugged liquor, the bodies of Harold A. Baylis, 31 years of age, civil engineer in the employ of the Phoenix Bridge Company and of an unidentified woman described as about same age, were found in an apartment at No. 1 Chestnut Apartment, 23 Lincoln Ave., in the west end of the city early this morning.

Abegweits Win Over Dorchester 8-1

The game between the Abegweits and Dorchester, played last night in Dorchester, resulted in a victory for the Abbies by a score of 8-1.

The game was fast with considerable individual playing and little combination. The Abbies used eight men. The first period ended 6-0, the second period 7-0. A goal each was scored in the last period.

The Abegweit line up was: Goal, Morgan; Defense, Kelly, Moore, Campbell; Forwards, Williams, McEarhern, Rodd, Callaghan.

Railway Unions Accept 12 1-2 Per Cent Cut

(Special to The Guardian.)

MONTREAL, Jan. 17.—Wage questions affecting 140,000 employees of the Canadian railways were settled harmoniously this morning as a result of a conference between union leaders and railroad officials held here. Representatives of the running trades agreed to accept permanently the twelve and a half per cent reduction introduced by the railways last July and which was accepted under protest at that time.

Believing His Suit Rejected, Jumps in Front of Train

MONTREAL, Jan. 16. — Believing that his suit had been rejected by a young lady, Miss Desinad Malcom, owing to the intervention of several persons, Lucien Pelletier, 24, of St. David, Levis County, jumped to his death in front of the Joliette train on Saturday afternoon as it was entering Laurentia Station, after shooting and seriously wounding Alderic Guilbaal, a hotel keeper of Lanoraie. The latter is now lying in a critical condition at St. Eusebe Hospital at Joliette.

American Ambassador to Berlin, Named

BERLIN, Jan. 17. — The German Government has announced its approval to the American Government's selection of representative A. B. Houghton of New York as ambassador to Berlin.

Moncton Child Found Dead in Bed

MONCTON, N. B., Jan. 15. — Eleanor Newcombe, the ten year old daughter of Willis C. Newcombe, manager of the Maritime Linen Mills here, was found dead in bed this morning, death being due, it is supposed, to an epileptic fit to which she had been subject. Life had barely left the body when the child was discovered, but all efforts of the medical attendant to resuscitate her proved unavailing.

Prince Sells Carpets

MOSCOW, Jan. 17. — Prince Tekintzi is a vendor of the famous Tekintzi type of carpets in one of Moscow's co-operative stores recently opened. He is a prince or "Han" in the neighborhood of Bokhara, in Turkestain, whense come carpets to those of Ispahan in quality.

He has fallen to his present low degree because of the Russians. First, under the ruthless General Skobelev, in 1881, the Russians defeated the Tekke Turcomans and completed the conquest of Turkestan, and this prince was captured by the Russians. Now, under the Soviet regime, he has lost his estates, where the carpets were made.

He was minister of foreign affairs at Baku until the Azebaijan republic was, over a year ago, converted to Communism by Moscow and became a Soviet republic. Then he was locked up and shipped off last spring to Kelmogort prison, near Archangel. Only lately he was released.

Y.M.C.A. Officers

The first meeting of the newly elected directors of the Y.M.C.A. was held in the Association rooms last night. The following officers for the year were appointed:—

Pres., J. A. Clark.
Vice-Pres., P. W. Turner.
Rec.-Sec., H. E. Miller.
Sec., G. H. Gorbell.

Chairmen of Committees: Financial, W. A. Stewart, (Chairman of Finance Com. and Treas.) Social Com., D. F. Bethune; Physical, J. A. McMillan; House, A. C. Duchemin; Educational, Dr. Ayers; Membership, Dr. Dewar; Boys' Work, A. A. Pomeroy.

A committee was appointed consisting of G. H. Gorbell, J. T. McKenzie and J. D. Jenkins to attend the annual Territorial meeting at Moncton Jan. 24th and 25th.

Mr. Gorbell was re-appointed Secretary and under his efficient management there is no doubt but that the Y.M.C.A. work will go forward successfully.

Irish Delegates Confer With British Cabinet

(Special to The Guardian.)

LONDON, Jan. 17.—Details of the transfer of authority in Southern Ireland to the provisional administration were considered here today. Eamon J. Dugan and Kevin O'Higgins, delegates on the Irish provisional government arrived here to confer with members of the cabinet relative to the investment of the new regime with governmental responsibility. The war office has announced that withdrawal of British forces in Southern Ireland will commence immediately.

Deny Rumor Geddes Is to Resign Post At Washington

WASHINGTON, Jan. 15. — At the British Embassy this afternoon an emphatic denial is given to the cabled report from England that Sir Auckland Geddes would resign his post as British Ambassador at Washington upon the conclusion of the Armaments Conference.

Wife Desertion in Canada Shows An Alarming Increase

TORONTO, Jan. 16. — Officials of the House of Industry have calculated that fully eleven per cent. of the families seeking and obtaining poor relief are cases where the husband has deserted his wife. "Of the 1,802 families aided last year," said Superintendant Arthur Laughlin, "there were 178 cases of wife desertion." Of the 6,000 families on the roll this year, the same ratio is found.

Wife desertion is becoming an increasing tendency from year to year, all public departments are forced to admit.

In a list of 364 families under the care of the Public Welfare Department of the city for medical attention, there are 41 that have been deserted by the father, and only two by the mother.

James Parley Leaders Begin to See the End

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16. — If the Shantung conversations make the progress hoped for by Conference leaders during the next two or three days, the end of the coming week may see all the issues raised in the Washington negotiations well on the way toward solution.

Confidence that the Shantung problem is nearing a settlement was apparent in most quarters tonight, the delegates feeling that with the other Far Eastern questions in abeyance, the separate exchanges between the Chinese and Japanese over the former German leasehold would be pressed forward rapidly. Neither of the two groups, directly interested, was prepared to say that an agreement was in sight but they evidenced a hope that fresh instructions from Tokio and Peking, expected hourly, might help materially to clear up the situation.

The naval negotiations also appear to be as good as completed the treaty text agreed to by the "big five" being regarded as virtually certain to meet the approval of the full Naval Committee, and of the Conference itself, sitting in plenary session.

PARIS, Jan. 17. — A native nurse in the employ of the American Red Cross at Goldingen, Latvia, lost ten sons in the war, her husband was shot by the Bolsheviki and her three daughters died last year. Still she goes about her work with a smile. "Nitchewo" is her consolation, which means among a million other things, "it can't be helped."

At her coronation as Queen of Persia in 1701, Sophia Charlotte wore jewels worth more than a million dollars.

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**Elks, important meeting this evening at 8 o'clock.

Poincaire Endorses The Genoa Conference

Attitude of French Government Towards Russia Facilitates British Plans for Rehabilitation of Europe.

PARIS, Jan. 17.—France's foreign policy under Premier Poincare embodies endorsement of the Genoa economic conference, according to semi official advices from the Quai Dorsay. Today Poincare it was authoritatively reported will recommend the conference to the Chamber of Deputies when he announces the policies of the new government on Thursday and will propose to go to Genoa himself. If this information proves correct the last obstacle to the Lloyd George plan for European rehabilitation will be temporarily removed and the conferences chances of success greatly augmented.

Premier Poincare has conceded a step further in his attitude towards the Russians. It was believed instead of insisting upon a guarantee from a Soviet government as a preliminary step to the Genoa conference the new premier it is understood will be satisfied if Russian guarantees are taken up as one of the first moves of the parley itself. The British view does not yet goe this far. Lloyd George intended the Russians should be admitted to determine what guarantees they would give for their participation in the rehabilitation of Europe.

Leipsic Trials of War Prisoners Unsatisfactory

PARIS, Jan. 16.—Surrender of the Germans, charged with offences in connection with the war, to the Allies for trial, is recommended in two resolutions adopted by the Allied Commission on War Crimes, made public today.

The Commission's first resolution finds the conduct of the recent trials at Leipsic unsatisfactory in many cases, and that the procedure of the trials was not such as to elicit the truth. There were acquittals where there should have been convictions, and light sentences instead of heavy, the resolution says.

The second resolution holds it is useless to submit further cases for trial by the Leipsic Court, and recommends giving effect to article 228, of the Treaty of Versailles, providing for ermany's surrender to the Allies if, any identified persons, charged with war offenses, for trial by the Allies.

King Congratulates Viscount Fitzalla

DUBLIN, Jan. 17.—King George has sent the following message to Viscount Fitzallan the retiring Viceroy: "I was gratified to have your telegram of the successful establishment of the provisional government of Ireland and I am confident that you will do everything in your power to help its members accomplish the task which lies before them."

Murder of Delorme Still Goes at Large

MONTREAL, Jan. 16. — A reward of $10,000 was offered here tonight by Rev. Adelard Delorme for information that will lead to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons who murdered his half-brother, Raoul Delorme, the 24-year old Ottawa College student, whose dead body was found with six bullet wounds in the head in a shack in the north end of this city onthe morning of Jan. 7 last. The reward will be paid immediately after conviction of the guilty parties.

Progress in the case was reported by the police today to consist in the discovery of an automatic pistol of the same calibre as the bullets funds inthe young man's head. It was found in an automobile said to have been seen around the district about the time the body was found. Other clues have also been followed with the result that much information is available for the second sitting of the Coroner's Court scheduled for Tuesday next. In the meantime the contents of the stomach have been analyzed and a report on this will be made to the coroner by medical experts tomorrow.

Much talk is heard around town of a sensational arrest which may be expected shortly in the case but no definite information as to this was forthcoming tonight.

Conservatives of North York in Session

NEWMARKET, Ont., Jan. 16 — In session here this afternoon to decide whether a candidate will be placed in the field in opposition A special committee of the North York Conservative Association is in session here this afternoon to decide whether a candidate will be placed in the field in opposition to Premier Mackenzie King, in the coming by-election.

Globe Trotters From Halifax Reached Ottawa Yesterday

OTTAWA, Jan. 16.—Two pedestrotters Fred Shubley and [illegible] Burkman, reached Ottawa tonight, having walked from Halifax a distance of about twenty-four miles, since morning. They expect to remain in Ottawa for a few days.

These two young men, both of whom are 21 years of age, have undertaken for a prize of $20,000 put up by sportsmen of the Maritime Provinces, to walk around the world and to complete the task in three years. They started from Halifax, N. S., on October 4th, 1921 and have walked about 1,100 miles so far. From Ottawa they will go to Kingston, Toronto, Windsor, Port Arthur, and the West. They will sail from San Francisco to Australia thence to China, Japan India, Asia, Europe; Great Britain and from there sail for Halifax. They expect to reach home again by December, 1924.

Antique Elevated Cars

NEW YORK, January 17. — New Yorkers who travel to and from their work on the elevated railway, or the "L" as it is familiarly called, have a new form of amusement. It is trying to guess the age of the cars they are riding in. The recent wreck on the Ninth Avenue "L" brought to light the fact that some of the cars now in use were built in 1879. The Transit Commission is considering the problem of the replacement of this antique equipment with modern steel cars.

The Weather, Temperature, Tide, Moon, Etc

TORONTO, Jan. 18.—Moderate winds. Partly cloudy and much change in temperature.

High tide this afternoon at [illegible] and tomorrow morning at [illegible]

Sun sets this afternoon at [illegible] and rises tomorrow [illegible]

Last quarter moon, Friday 20th, at 2 p. m.

Noozie the Sunshine Kid

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