

SUICIDED IN A STATE OF DESPONDENCY

Was the Verdict in the Case of Michael Weatherbie

AT INQUEST LAST NIGHT

He Purchased the Carbolic Acid on Saturday Night and was Melancholy During Sunday.

The inquest into the cause of the death of Michael Weatherbie was held last evening before Coroner McNeill and a jury composed of William Sellers, (foreman), John G. Heartz, James Steele, James Harper, Hooper H. Horne, Frederick Evans, William Praught.

Mrs. Weatherbie sworn:—My husband took the poison between six and seven Sunday evening. I went up stairs to call him to tea. He was lying on the bed with a handkerchief over his face. He jumped up ran down stairs, drinking the poison. I ran outside. He called me to come in. I asked him what he had done, he made no reply. He complained that he was cold. I gave him some milk. When I came back from the neighbors he was falling off the chair. I sent for Brenton Garnum who brought his uncle with him. They went for Dr. Kelly but did not get him. Then I got Dr. McLaughlin. The doctor said he was dead when he came. My husband had not been well lately. He was not drinking. Every little thing seemed to worry him. He had been subpoenaed on liquor cases before he went away and was afraid that there was a warrant out after him. He appeared to be low-spirited. We lived on good terms. Don't know any reason why he took poison. He died within twenty minutes after taking the poison. Did not see him acting strangely Saturday night. We were married about nine years. Unless he spent his money before he went away and after, I don't know of

FANCY DRESS CARNIVAL

JANUARY 30th.

Hillsboro Rink

Get your costumes ready. All ticket holders in costume can skate free, others will pay 25c.

Prizes will be given for best Ladies' and Gents' Costumes.

Don't forget Friday, January 30th.

LADIES' RUBBERS GRANBY MAKE

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ALLIANCE BECOMING UNPOPULAR

Believed that Germany Wants to Make Trouble

GASTRO'S TROOPS BEATEN

By Rebels In an Important Battle—A Draw Game of Canadian—British Football.

ANGLO-GERMAN ALLIANCE UNPOPULAR

LONDON, Jan. 26—(Special)—The Anglo-German alliance becomes more unpopular every day.

The feeling is growing that the Berlin Government is doing its worst to involve Britain in a quarrel with the United States.

CASTRO'S TROOPS DEFEATED

NEW YORK, Jan. 26—(Special)—President Castro's troops have been defeated by the Venezuelan revolutionists in an important battle forty miles west of Puerto Cabello.

FOOTBALL AT PORTSMOUTH

PORTSMOUTH, Jan. 26—(Special)—The All-Canadian Football team played with the United Service team of Portsmouth in presence of about a thousand spectators.

The game was vigorously contested and resulted in a draw.

any other reason for his action. He did not drink after he came home. Was sick when he came home and was under doctor's care. He had made a threat when drinking to cut his throat. I hid the razor.

Leo Weatherbie—On Saturday evening father gave me a paper and ten cents and told me to go to McDonald and McKinnon's drug store. I got the parcel and gave it to my father who took it up stairs. Did not see him drink any of it.

Daniel McKinnon (sworn)—The boy Leo Weatherbie brought an order for Carbolic Acid. He did not sign his name to the order. Gave him one ounce. (Bottle produced and identified.) Saw deceased on Sunday afternoon standing alone on Rackham's corner. I spoke and he did not answer me. He was perfectly sober, tidy and respectable.

Dr. McLaughlin (sworn)—I called to see deceased shortly before 7 Sunday evening. Found the man dead. No external marks except a whitish stain on lips. Detected a faint odor of carbolic acid from his lips. Tried artificial respiration and other means for more than an hour but with no response whatever. My opinion is he died from the effects of carbolic acid.

Brenton Garnum, sworn—About twenty minutes to seven, Sunday evening, Leo Weatherbie came for me. I went in and saw Mrs. Weatherbie holding her husband in a sitting position on the floor. He appeared unconscious. I went home. When I returned he appeared to be gasping. I ran to Dr. Kelly's. He was not home. I went for Dr. McLaughlin and returned with him. I have not known deceased to be drunk since he returned from Nova Scotia.

Marshall Cameron, sworn—Sunday night Peter Weatherbie, a brother of deceased, came to the station about 7.45 in. taking me that his brother Michael had taken poison. Went to deceased's house with him. Saw the doctor and Mr. Garnum working with deceased. I detected odor of carbolic acid from his mouth. Found the bottle produced in his right hip pocket. The bottle was half full and tightly corked.

The jury brought in a verdict as follows: That Michael Weatherbie came to his death by drinking carbolic acid on January 25th during a fit of despondency or temporary insanity.

ALASKAN BOUNDARY TREATY SIGNED BUT KEPT QUIET

Probably Referred to a Commission—Laurier Had Charge of Negotiations—Board of Trade Statistics Favorable to the St. Lawrence Route—Maritime Premiers En Route to Ottawa in a Very Resolute and Hopeful Frame of Mind.

OTTAWA, Jan. 26—(Special)—It is believed that Hon. Clifford Sifton and Hon.



HON. DAVID MILLS.

David Mills will be Canada's Commissioners on the Alaskan boundary tribunal.

MINISTERS ARE RETICENT. The Ministers of the Crown have nothing to say for publication on the treaty which has been signed at Washington on the Alaska boundary.

Premier Laurier who had charge of the negotiations, is in Montreal.

IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT PRESSURE.

The British Government has been pressing upon the Canadian Government, for some time past, to enter upon some negotiations to have the trouble settled and the question disposed of, and the signing of the treaty on Saturday is a result of these negotiations.

PREMIERS EN ROUTE. MONTREAL, Jan. 26—(Special)—Messrs. Tweedie and Pugsley and Premier Peters went to Ottawa this morning in company with Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

Messrs. Murray and Longley of Nova Scotia proceed to Ottawa to-night.

OUR CLAIMS MUST BE SETTLED. Premier Parent says the occasion will be more than a formality, as the Provincial delegates intend to have a heart-to-heart talk with the Dominion Government and will not be satisfied with any mere promise to give the matter "serious consideration."

EXONERATES ST. LAWRENCE ROUTE. The report to the British Board of Trade of the year's shipping casualties shows that of 9,650 casualties to British shipping only seven are credited to the St. Lawrence, while in the river Thames there were 1,153 casualties.

None of the St. Lawrence casualties were serious or occasioned any loss of life.

This matter is likely to be strongly impressed on Lloyd's.

INDIGNANT CITIZENS MET WITH PROMISE OF SPECIAL MAIL TRAIN

At Meeting in Legislative Assembly Chamber—Government Management of Winter Service Sharply Censured As Worst in Twenty Years—Officials Very Reticent—The Resolution Adopted Demanding Our Rights.

The meeting yesterday afternoon of the Charlottetown Board of Trade, representatives from Souris, Montague, Summerside and Georgetown, and prominent citizens to confer with B. M. Armstrong regarding the mail service was very large, all the available space of the Provincial Legislative Assembly being filled. The chair was occupied by Vice President Nelson Rattenbury in the absence of the President, John Messervey.

Hon. D. Farquharson made the announcement that Mr. Armstrong had received a telegram from Minister Mulock, stating that we would have a special train in connection with the boat wherever she may be. But we are going to demand something permanent and not what may be changed to-morrow. He instanced how the delays occurred and again asserted that we are all united on a claim for a daily mail. Let us agree on certain things here to-day that shall be abided by. When the Minto gets stuck on the Georgetown route the Summerside people have agreed to let the Stanley go when she too gets stuck in the ice.

F. De St. C. Brecken said there was evidently a mistake in Mr. Farquharson's remarks. His hands had never been tied as to which way the mails were to be sent. The impression was in the city that his hands were tied but that was never so. In answer to a question he stated that he was told by Mr. Armstrong not to use special trains at any time. He obeyed

orders but he was never handicapped as to what route he should choose.

Joe Read M. L. A. gave personal instances where his mails had been delayed for many days and reached their destination much more slowly than passengers. We are not situated as the people on the mainland. Here our telegraph rates are five times as high as on the mainland; we are thus greatly handicapped. Therefore it is important that our mails should be delivered in a reasonable time at least.

He discussed the Cape Tormentine-Summerside route and claimed if the Stanley had been put on earlier in the season we would have had our mails regularly up till a short time ago. The whole question of the mail service must be looked into carefully.

Hon. H. Haszard referred to the great importance of the question and reminded Mr. Armstrong of the great disadvantage we have had for many winters past. He had looked upon the mail service of the past month as the worst for 20 years. In this matter of such great importance we had dropped our politics and are as one man. He could not account for the treatment we had received in the past.

R. B. Norton wanted to know where the blame lay. He would like to see the matter investigated to the bottom.

Superintendent Sharp said the fault did not lie with him.

W. F. Tidmarsh wished to have the blame in the matter fixed. He referred to the disgraceful state of matters as they had existed. The railway told him Saturday that if he wanted to go to Charlottetown he must arrange with Mr. Lefurgey who had hired the train. If this train was charged to the Postal Department both it and the passengers had paid for it. Whoever was to blame should be held responsible.

A. Lord, Agent Marine and Fisheries said the winter steamers were ready almost immediately after the Steam Navigation boats stopped.

Geo. E. Hughes M. L. A. would like to know why we did not have special trains this year after having them twenty-five years. The representatives have been repeatedly telegraphing to Ottawa and Mr. Armstrong must know why the matter was not set right. We want a daily mail service and a special train to connect with the mails wherever they land. It was generally understood that there was no head to the department here.

Nell McQuarrie K. C. explained that the hitch for the first two weeks at closing of

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SCOTLAND'S IS WELL HONORED

In Music and Verse at the Opera House

CROWDED TO THE DOORS

The Large Audience was Thrilled by the Sweet Melody of the Old Scottish Music.

Scotch music as potent as ever to thrill. Time and cares are not and pure enjoyment reigns. Right on time rang out the orchestra call. The promptness nearly lost me a seat. The strangeness over, the note of the evening was struck in the pleasure at finding the promise of promptitude fulfilled.

After a bright orchestral prelude "Burns and Scotland Yet," was sung by Mr. Stanley. It was in itself and in its rendition a happy opening. As a rule our audience does not rouse to enthusiasm before half the program is exhausted so this excellent number was dismissed with hearty applause.

The Band handled the Scotch songs and dances very nicely. The soloists are learning the art of singing their songs while playing, true expression results and enjoyment of the listener enhanced.

A bright quartet participated in by Misses McLean and Harris, Messrs. G. H. Moore and F. Stanley was not the least interesting of the varied and for once not too lengthy program.

Miss Amy Earle sang "The Auld House" very sympathetically and merited a recall. Major Galbraith has a beautiful tone on the coronet. The Blue Bells was a belle number, three well-played florid variations were all too little.

Miss Lefurgey is exceedingly happy in Scotch dialect and was warmly encored on both appearances. Miss Comstock though suffering from a severe cold upheld her reputation and kindly filled the number out by Mr. Cook's inability to take his part in the duet.

The wee barnies roused great enthusiasm as usual, the three prime danseuse to pipe accompaniment brought down the house.

Mr. Bradley contributed an acceptable tenor solo. Mr. Watts wooed Annie Laurie with his clarinet not without success. Miss Edna Sinclair for her ballad "My Laddie in the Scotch Brigade," received a warm encore.

Professor Vinnicombe, delighted with the performance of his most creditable

COL. LYNCH'S SENTENCE TO BE COMMUTED

Probably to Penal Servitude for Balance of Life

BUBONIC PLAGUE RAGING

In Natal—Mont. Pelee Creates a Panic in a Large Excursion Party.

LYNCH NOT LIKELY TO BE HANGED. LONDON, Jan. 26—(Special)—It generally conceded that the death sentence on Col. Arthur Lynch will be commuted to penal servitude for life, subject to further consideration after a term of years.

PELEE SCARES SOME EXCURSIONISTS. CASTRIA, ISLAND OF ST. LUCIA, Jan. 26—(Special)—The mail steamer Esk took four hundred excursionists to St. Pierre on Saturday.

While fully two hundred were ashore Mont. Pelee erupted and there was a panic for a time, but all got off safely.

BUBONIC PLAGUE IN NATAL. DURBAN, Jan. 26—(Special)—Bubonic plague is spreading so rapidly here that the natives are panic stricken and efforts will be made to prevent its spread to Zululand.

HEALTH FOR WOMEN. "Few things are more important to a community than the health of its women. It is strong is the fame of the mother says a proverb, the son will give laws to the people." Dr. Chase's Nerve Food is especially woman's medicine. By its action on the blood and nerves it gives strength and vigor to the delicate female organs and ensures their regular and healthful functions. It gives color to the pale, strength to the weak, and a rounded form to the thin and angular.

orchestra in turn delighted the audience with some bright variations on a Scotch theme, playing as his encore a muted number. Mr. Leslie Cook despite a cold, sang well, so well that an undeniable recall was scored to his credit.

Auld Lang Syne and The King closed a happy evening, memorable even among the excellent Scotch evenings its predecessors. The house was warm and comfortable. That it was thronged goes without saying.

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