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BETRAYING OUR
CANADIAN HERITAGE.

The North Sea is no place
for Canadian men-of-war.
Helping our mother-in-law to
build fences about her farm
while we have no fences around
our own crops is not the part
of a real husband. Canada is
a wife. The Canadian citizen
is her husband. His duty is to
her first. What of British Co-
lumbia and the enormous in-

Canada and to those parts of
the Empire in the southern
seas, to defend our interests?
If tomorrow British Columbia
had trade interests in the
growing markets of China, as
she is bound soon to have,
would we leave it to our great-
est rival to protect those in-
terests? Does a wise business
man leave it to his competitor
across the street to look after
his interests in a hotly disputed
territory while he employs his
own agents helping some other
rich and able friend to get or-
ders? Canada will, and always
must, stand by England, but
she must stand by Canada first
and last, or betray her heritage.

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terests which she must some
day have on the Pacific? What
of our own port of Prince Ru-
pert, bound to become the great
port of the Pacific for Oriental
trade because of the large sav-
ing in mileage? Are we to
have no protection? Are our
warships to be maneuvering
under the nose of Germany,
constantly rousing that nation
to greater efforts against us,
or should they be in the Pa-
cific, defending our interests
here? Or, let us suggest, must
we rely upon Japan, the great-
est competitor and the great-
est possible enemy both to

TOOK MAN FROM JAIL
TO BECOME OFFICIAL

Remarkable Instance of the
Workings of Conservative
Patronage System.

Ottawa, March 31.—Tonight
Mr. Kyte, Liberal member for
Richmond County, N. S., offered
an amendment to the motion to
go into supply censuring the
government for its action in the
Captain Landry case. The mat-
ter has been discussed several
times in the house, the opposi-
tion charging that Landry was
appointed wharfinger in Rich-
mond County while he was under
arrest upon a charge of forgery,
and that upon his conviction he
was liberated on a ticket of leave
so as to permit him to discharge
the duties of his office.

Mr. Hazen explained that the
appointment was a petty one, to
which Landry had been named
upon the recommendation of Mr.
Gillies, the Conservative candi-
date for Richmond at the last
election, and that he had been
removed from office when the
matter was drawn to the atten-
tion of the government.

Hon. C. J. Doherty, minister of
justice, said the ticket of leave
had been issued upon represen-
tation as to Landry's physical
condition, and without knowledge
upon the part of the justice de-
partment that he held any official
position. He denied that any po-
litical influence had been brought
to bear on the department.

Honor Sir Aemilius Irving.

Sir Aemilius Irving, K. C.,
L. L. D., was 90 years of age on
Easter Monday, and in honor of
their venerable treasurer the
benchers of the Law Society of
Upper Canada gave luncheon to
him at Osgoode Hall, Toronto.
Although time has left its physi-
cal mark upon him, his mind is
still clear and keen. He has lived
under the reigns of five sover-
eigns and even yet he discharges
his official duties nearly every
day. Sir Aemilius was born at
Leamington, Eng., on March 24,
1823, and accompanied his father
to Canada in 1834. Mr. Justice
Irving, of Victoria, is a son of
the veteran Hamilton lawyer.

Justice is what every man
wants, provided he may define it
himself.

FIREBUG CONFESSES
BIG LIST OF FIRES

Has Caused Million Dollars of
Losses in and Around
Winnipeg.

Winnipeg, March 31.—Far
worse than was even dreamed by
the local police is the terrible
fire record which James Dodds,
the firebug, set for himself when
he made a statement to Chief of
Police McPherson. The pyro-
maniac asked to have a detective
sent to his cell this morning, and
on his arrival said he wanted to
talk to the chief, as he had been
thinking over all of his work and
it had been bothering him since
his incarceration and he wished
to relieve his mind of the load he
was carrying.

When the chief arrived Dodds
immediately began to talk and
started by saying that he believed
he was responsible for at least
200 fires in Winnipeg and St.
Boniface during the past two
years. The biggest of these
which he claims to have been re-
sponsible for was the conflagra-
tion in the Radford-Wright build-
ing March 11, 1912, which caused
the death of seven persons, five
of them firemen. He said that he
stood and watched the bodies
brought out and helped to keep
the crowd back. This fire re-
sulted in \$250,000 damage to
property.

Dodds also claims that he
started the fire in the Rat Portage
Lumber Company on May 14 of
last year, which did damage to
the extent of \$40,000 and also
the McKittrick block last summer,
which was damaged for a similar
amount. On June 21 he says he
started blazes in seven vacant
houses in course of construction
on Kittson street, which resulted
in heavy damage. On June 22 he
set fire to the new convent being
built in St. Boniface and June 26
to the rear of the cathedral.

Dodds also says that he started
many of the big fires in St. Boni-
face and also in Winnipeg, and
many minor ones which did not
get a good start. His favorite
scene of action was vacant build-
ings or places which were not
carefully guarded and into which
he could get without a great deal
of difficulty or danger. It is es-
timated that he started fires which
in all will total over \$1,000,000
damages besides the loss of life

in the Radford-Wright catas-
trophe.

"Nothing could keep me from
starting the blazes," Dodds said.
It did not hinder his mania to see
the bodies taken out in his big-
gest blaze, but since he is in jail
he has commenced to worry over
it, and he gives his troubled con-
science as the reason for making
the statement.

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