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LIARD RIVER INDIAN WITCHCRAFT CASE IS HEARD TODAY IN ASSIZE COURT BY JUDGE AND LOCAL JURY.

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Police last summer in an advanced state of decomposition but still bearing the marks of the freezing even though a year or more had elapsed since the time of the incident.

Three Acquitted

On court assembling at 10 o'clock this morning to deal with the charges of witchcraft murder against Five Liard River Indians, L. W. Patmore, counsel for the crown, announced that, after carefully considering the case, he had decided that there was not sufficient evidence to warrant the charge being proceeded with against Jimmie, Dan and Clem Loot and therefore he would have no evidence to tender against them. He asked that these three men be arraigned first and then that the charges be proceeded with separately against Big Alec and Edie, the woman.

His Lordship ordered that a jury be empanelled for the case of Jimmie, Dan and Clem. After this had been done and a verdict of not guilty had been duly returned, after Mr. Patmore's statement, these three men were discharged.

The charge against Big Alec was then proceeded with and at noon, when court adjourned, the taking of evidence from Edie, who is also charged with murder, had been completed. It is alleged that Big Alec incited Edie to commit the murder and thus he is being charged with the act himself.

Edie's story to the court, which was delivered through Mary Allen, Indian wife of a white trapper, was that Big Alec had urged her to tie up Moccasin, the man who was killed, in order to drive the witch from him, it having been suspected that he practised witchcraft against Edie's father and others. Edie admitted tying Moccasin on the ice of Thirty Mile Bar by his hands and feet. It was her story that Moccasin was quite willing to be tied and had offered no resistence saying that he did not care. Later, Moccasin had been untied, when it was believed the spirit had left him, and an attempt was made to thaw him out beside a fire. He died the next morning, however, and was subsequently buried.

Juries Empanelled

The jury which was called to automatically bring in a verdict of not guilty in the cases of Jimmie, Dan and Clem Loot consisted of Steve King (foreman), G. A. Kelsey, D. Scherk, Fred Gilhuly, J. Naylor, E. Davidson, R. E. Benson, W. H. Derry, J. E. Dyer, A. T. Parkin, W. Gratton and J. Harris. About all the crown had against these three men was that they had assisted in burying Moccasin after he was dead.

When Mr. Patmore asked that the case of Big Alec be next proceeded with, E. F. Jones, counsel for the defence, made objection on the grounds that Edie, also charged with the murder, would be one of the main witnesses against Big Alec and this would handicap him in defending her. To meet this situation, Mr. Justice Macdonald ordered all jurymen not engaged in the Big Alec case to leave the courtroom until tomorrow morning and keep themselves clear of hearing of the case until that time. The difficulty was pointed out that, if Edie should be tried first and convicted, she would be legally dead and unable to give evidence in a case following.

It being decided to proceed with the Big Alec case, the following jury was empanelled: J. A. Smith (foreman), M. M. MacLachlan, M. McArthur, F. W. Wesch, D. Scherk, Fred Gilhuly, H. F. Glassey, Frank Salter, J. E. Dyer, W. Gratton, P. J. Ryan and H. McEachern. The crown stood aside W. H. Montgomery, G. W. Rudderham, James Hunter, C. J. Lindquist, J. T. Ballinger, J. Naylor and Steve King. The defence challenged Mrs. Emily Morris, E. Davidson and W. H. Sherman.

Summary of Case

In giving the summary of the crown's case against Big Alec to the jury, L. W. Patmore explained that one who incited to murder was a principal to the act equally to the person who committed the murder. It was proposed to show in the crown evidence that Big Alec believed in witchcraft and counselled Edie to tie Moccasin up and leave him out in the cold because he had bewitched Edie's father. This she finally consented to do and Moccasin froze to death as a result. Subsequently the body was buried and later dug up and identified by a white trapper, Fred Allen.

Mary Allen was sworn in as interpreter and Edie was called to the stand. Edie, on being directed to the witness box, first took her place by sitting down on the floor out of sight of the court. After she had been instructed to stand up in the conventional manner, the administering of the oath through the interpreter proved to be a lengthy proceeding. Finally, the witness was sworn to the satisfaction of the court with the assistance of Inspector Sandys-Wunsch.

Edie's Story

From Edie was gradually brought out the story of how she had been counselled by Big Alec to tie Moccasin up as a relief from the witchcraft which it was alleged he was practising. She admitted that she had tied Moccasin by the hands and feet and left him outside on the ice for three days when an attempt was made to thaw him out but he died. The defence was that Edie had not intended to kill Moccasin but to drive out the ghost. The incident of his being tied up and subsequent burial was described in detail but not without many difficulties in the interpretation.

Court adjourned for the noon recess at 12.15 and resumed at 1:30 this afternoon when Fred Allen was put on the stand. This witness did not see the tying but, subsequently, assisted the Mounted Police in finding the body which he identified as that of Moccasin.

The case is still proceeding this afternoon. With the decision to separate this and the case of Edie, the latter will not be opened until tomorrow.

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LAND ACT.

Notice of Intention to Apply to Purchas Land.

In Prince Rupert Land District, Recording District of Prince Rupert, and situa'e at Shannon Bay, B.C., Massett Inlet, Q.C. Island.

TAKE NOTICE that James Fielding Strang, of Sunnyside, B.C., occupation cannerman, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—

Commencing at a post planted 14 chains south 35deg. west, more or less from southwest corner of Lot 1548; thence south 30 chains; thence west 30 chains, more or less, to water's edge; thence following meandering of beach to point of commencement, and containing 45 acres, more or less.

JAS. FIELDING STRANG,
Applicant.
Per Wm. G. Mitchell.
Agent.

Dated July 7th, 1925.

LAND ACT.

Notice of Intention to Apply to Lease Land

In Prince Rupert Land Recording District of Prince Rupert, and situate at Bartlett Point, Wales Island, British Columbia.

TAKE NOTICE that Anglo-British Columbia Packing Company Limited, of Vancouver, B.C., occupation Packers, intends to apply for a lease of the following described lands:—

Commencing at a post planted on the south shore of Bartlett Point, Wales Island, at high water mark; thence in an easterly direction along high water mark forty-eight hundred feet, more or less, to a post marked No. 1.E.; thence southerly 10 chains, more or less, to low water mark; thence in a westerly direction along low water mark forty-eight hundred feet, more or less; thence northerly 10 chains to point of commencement, and containing 75 acres, more or less.

ANGLO-BRITISH COLUMBIA PACKING CO. LTD.,
Applicant.
Per Walter E. Walker, Agent.

Dated July 18, 1925.

LAND ACT.

Notice of Intention to Apply to Lease Land

In Skeena Range 5 Land District, Prince Rupert, B.C., and situate 100 yards north of Winter Harbor, Pearse Island, B.C.

TAKE NOTICE that the Canadian Fishing Co. Ltd., of Vancouver, B.C., occupation, Salmon Canners, intends to apply for permission to lease the following described lands:—

Commencing at a post planted at high water mark 40 feet from rock on shore line; thence east one chain; thence north one hundred and twenty chains; thence west to shore line one chain; thence in a southerly direction following the shore line to point of commencement, and containing twelve acres, more or less.

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LAND ACT.

Notice of Intention to Apply to Lease Land

In Prince Rupert Land Recording District of British Columbia, and situate at the mouth of Massett Inlet, about 4 chains north from the northeast corner of Indian Reserve No. One, Graham Island.

TAKE NOTICE that I, Eugene H. Simpson, of Massett, British Columbia, occupation packer, intends to apply for a lease of the following described lands:—

Commencing at a post planted about 4 chains north from the northeast corner of Indian Reserve No. One, Graham Island, thence northerly 3 chains to low water; thence following low water mark 160 chains in a westerly direction; thence southerly 3 chains; thence easterly 160 chains, to point of commencement, and containing 48 acres, more or less.

EUGENE H. SIMPSON,
Applicant.

Dated June 30th, 1925

LAND ACT.

Notice of Intention to Apply to Purchase Land.

In the Land Recording District of Prince Rupert, and situate at Awum River, Awum Bay, Massett Inlet, Q.C. Islands, B.C.

TAKE NOTICE that Mrs. James Fielding Strang, of Sunnyside B.C., occupation married woman, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—

Commencing at a post planted at high water mark, Awum River; thence 5 chains north; thence 10 chains west, more or less to northwest corner Lot 1547; thence 30 chains south; thence 15 chains east; thence 40 chains north; thence 5 chains west; thence 15 chains south to point of commencement, and containing 50 acres, more or less.

MRS. JAMES FIELDING STRANG,
Applicant.
Per Wm. G. Mitchell.
Agent.

Dated July 7th, 1925.

LAND ACT.

Notice of Intention to Apply to Lease Land

In Cassiar Land District, Recording District Prince Rupert, B.C., and situate north of Dogfish Bay, Portland Canal.

TAKE NOTICE that the Canadian Fishing Co. Ltd., of Vancouver, B.C., occupation, Salmon Canners, intends to apply for permission to lease the following described lands:—

Commencing at a post planted at high water mark, 100 yards south of Indian smoke houses; thence northeast one chain; thence southeast one hundred and twenty chains; thence southwest to shore line one chain; thence northwest following the shore line to point of commencement, one hundred and twenty chains, and containing twelve acres, more or less.

THE CANADIAN FISHING CO. LTD.
Dated 30th May 1925

LAND ACT.

Notice of Intention to Apply to Lease Land

In Skeena Range 5 Land District, Recording District Prince Rupert, B.C., and situate ¼ mile north of Wales Island Cannery, on Wales Island, B.C.

TAKE NOTICE that the Canadian Fishing Co. Ltd., of Vancouver, B.C., occupation, Salmon Canners, intends to apply for permission to lease the following described lands:—

Commencing at a post planted at high water mark, near point ¼ mile north from Cannery on Wales Island; thence north one chain; thence west ten chains; thence south to shore line one chain; thence east following the shore line to point of commencement, and containing one acre, more or less.

THE CANADIAN FISHING CO. LTD
Dated 30th May, 1925.

STRUCK NEGRO WITH JACK KNIFE

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such a place as this it might be presumed that the intent was to commit murder. Otherwise, his action was so careless that it constituted murder. The evidence of the crown was that accused, while he might have been drinking, was sober enough to realize what he was doing. The defence that he did not remember anything that had transpired was an old one. He had a motive for giving such evidence—namely that of saving his skin. There was no motive for the crown witnesses to testify as they had done. Against the evidence of the accused, there was the evidence of the disinterested white witnesses to be weighed. If the jury was satisfied that accused was in control of his senses, it would be their duty to return a verdict of guilty on the first count; if he was not in control of his senses, then he was guilty under the second count.

Judge's Address

In charging the jury, Mr. Justice D. A. Macdonald said the evidence was not difficult. The only problem was that presented by the defence of drunkenness for it seemd clear that accused had attacked with a knife. The law now provided certain excuse for a man under the influence of liquor. On both counts under the indictment it was necessary to establish intent. If the jury believed that accused was too drunk to have formed intent, then it would be their duty to acquit. Against the accused's defence of drunkenness, there was the evidence to be considered that he had been crouching in the shed when arrested. He might not have done that if he had been very drunk. It was the business of the law and the court to preserve peace and order in the country and the fact that Agarde was not pressing the charge was not to be taken seriously. The jury should remember that a Peruvian in this country should be given as fair a trial as a Canadian would expect in Peru.

The jury then retired and returned with ten minutes with its verdict.

The two negro women, who were taken from the steamer Prince Charles yesterday morning by the police on suspicion of having been involved in drug charges, were later released, there having been no case against them.

In the city police court this morning the driver of a delivery car was taken before the magistrate and cautioned. No charge was laid against him but he is known to be a fast driver and was told he must slow down.

In the city police court this morning M. Angener was fined $25 for being intoxicated.

LAND ACT.

Notice of Intention to Apply to Purchase Land.

In the Land Recording District of Prince Rupert, and situate at Big Falls Creek which flows into Ecstall River about 18 miles from its mouth.

TAKE NOTICE that Clifton P. Riel of Prince Rupert, B.C., occupation lumberman, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—

Commencing at a post planted at the southwest corner of Lot 635, thence 20 chains southerly; thence 20 chains westerly; thence 20 chains northerly; thence 20 chains easterly to point of commencement, and containing 40 acres, more or less.

C. P. RIEL,
Applicant.

Dated August 14th, 1925.

LAND ACT.

Notice of Intention to Apply to Purchase Land.

In the Land Recording District of Prince Rupert, and situate at the mouth of Big Falls Creek which flows into the Ecstall River about 18 miles from its mouth.

TAKE NOTICE that John A. Smith of Prince Rupert, B.C., occupation lumberman, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—

Commencing at a post planted at the southwest corner of Lot 635; thence 30 chains northerly; thence 30 chains westerly, more or less, to the Ecstall River; thence 30 chains southerly; thence 30 chains easterly, and containing 90 acres, more or less.

JOHN A. SMITH,
Applicant.
Per C. P. Riel, Agent.

Dated August 14th, 1925.

LAND ACT.

Notice of Intention to Apply to Purchase Land.

In the Land Recording District of Prince Rupert, and situate on Big Falls Creek which flows into the Ecstall River about 18 miles from its mouth.

TAKE NOTICE that Prince Rupert Spruce Mills, Limited, of Prince Rupert, occupation lumber manufacturers, intends to apply for permission to purchase the following described lands:—

Commencing at a post planted about 10 chains northerly from the southeast corner of Lot 635; thence 40 chains northerly; thence 40 chains easterly; thence 40 chains southerly; thence 40 chains westerly to point of commencement, and containing 160 acres, more or less.

PRINCE RUPERT SPRUCE MILLS, LIMITED.
Applicant
Per C. P. Riel, Agent.

Dated August 6th, 1925.

IN PROBATE.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

In the Matter of the Administration Act; and
In the Matter of the Estate of Jack Christoff, Deceased Intestate.

TAKE NOTICE that by order of His Honor F. McB. Young, made the 14th day of July, A.D. 1925, I was appointed Administrator of the estate of Jack Christoff, deceased, and all parties having claims against the said estate are hereby required to furnish same properly verified to me on or before the 30th day of August, A.D. 1925, and all parties indebted to the estate are required ti pay the amount of their indebtedness to me forthwith.

NORMAN A. WATT,
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