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HARTWICK ACTS LIKE MADMAN SPENT THE NIGHT SHRIEKING

Post-Mortem on the Dead Woman Shows No Weapon Used in Killing—Jury Views Remains.

Is James Hartwick, who it is alleged, killed his wife, insane or is he shamming?

Since his arrest on Monday near Thorndale, Hartwick has eaten nothing but a slice of toast. This he partook of this morning after much persuasion on the part of the jail authorities, who feared that he might be attempting to starve himself to death.

Acted Oddly in Liquor.

Neighbors and close acquaintances of the Hartwicks state that up to the time of the crime Hartwick never appeared insane except when under the influence of liquor. At such times he was wont to appear on the streets of Thorndale with a Bible in his hand, and attempt to preach to the crowds which gathered. After discussing religious matters in an apparently reverent tone of voice, Hartwick would break into blasphemy, it is said.

Found Can of Cider.

When High Constable Hughes arrived at the scene of the tragedy, which is a mile and a quarter from Cobble Hill, and three miles from Thorndale, yesterday morning, one of the first things he noticed in the squalid three-room hut was a 30-gallon milk can partly filled with cider, which had turned black from contact with the tin, and which was evidently of the most intoxicating nature. From the mute evidence of several cups which smelled strongly of cider, it was made evident that one, at least, of the two parties living in the house had been drinking the polluted stuff previous to the tragedy. Another evidence that Hartwick was accustomed to drinking the tainted hard cider was the fact that Mrs. Hartwick had on different occasions mentioned to neighbors that her husband always warmed up the cider for breakfast. Those who have partaken of hard cider in its pure state hold the opinion that a cup of liquid in the milk can was powerful enough to have caused intoxication of the most violent kind.

The Post Mortem.

The post mortem, which was conducted yesterday afternoon by Coroner Hughes, of Thorndale, and Dr. Ford, of the same place, revealed the fact that the murder was one of the most brutal and disgusting that has ever taken place in Canada. The woman's abdomen was literally torn to shreds, and she sustained other injuries which are so revolting as to be unprintable. Death was pronounced to have been

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Walks Into a Vat of Boiling Water Boy Scalded From His Waist Down

Walter Guymer, of 715 Adelaide street, was fearfully scalded from his waist down in an accident that happened at the bolt works yesterday afternoon. Young Guymer is 16 years old, and is employed at odd jobs about the place. In the building are a number of large vats full of water, which are used to cool the red-hot iron, and at times these become almost boiling. They are usually covered, but it seems that the cover was left off one yesterday, and the boy walked into it. His terrible cries attracted the attention of the men nearby, who at once came to his rescue. When removed to Victoria Hospital it was found that his limbs were fearfully scalded, and in many parts the flesh came away with the clothes.

In the case of scalds of this nature it is impossible to tell for several days whether the patient will recover or not, but the physicians state that if no complications set in the boy will likely come around all right, although he may never regain the full use of some of his muscles.

The Season's Coldest Dip Last Night Seven and Half Below Was Registered

But Weather Man Says a Mild Spell Is En Route From the West.

People in general, who were hoping that the cold spell would let up a little were most unpleasantly surprised this morning when they ventured out and found the wind blowing from the east. East winds are always unpopular, and this morning's cold blast being the coldest of the season, was responsible for a great deal of discomfort.

Last night was the coldest of the season so far, the thermometer reaching its level at seven and a half below zero. People felt it more, too, on account of the large amount of moisture in the air and the piercing wind which drove the frost through all coverings. However, relief is in sight. The weather man is handing out mild weather in the west, which is sure to follow here in a day or two. The weather for the last five days has been the coldest dip of the winter, and on three of the days the mercury has been well below zero. Commencing on Friday with the big blizzard which wrapped the whole country in snow, the temperature dropped to seven below zero. On Saturday it rose to eleven and a half above, and on Sunday commenced going steadily downward, reaching two and a half below yesterday and seven and a half below today. This is believed to be as far as it will go and a gradual rise is predicted.

Exploding Stove Imperils Household

The explosion of a coaloil stove at 394 Dundas street caused about $100 damage to books and wearing apparel. The stove, which was in a room occupied by Mr. Nelson George, exploded while the boarders were at dinner, setting fire to the curtains and books in the room.

Mrs. M. McVicar, who owns the house, had reason to go to the rear of the building. She noticed the blaze, and notified the boarders. Mr. George and others rushed to the room, and after a short but strenuous struggle, succeeded in putting the fire out. An alarm was turned in but the firemen had little to do.

Mr. George was severely burned about the hands and face, in addition to losing a lot of medical books and wearing apparel.

A young lady in the house was also burned, and fainted while they were fighting the fire. She was brought to, and suffers little from her experience.

HOSPITAL PLANS FIND FAVOR WITH THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE

Final Action Postponed Until City Architect Submits Estimates.

Nothing definite was done last evening at the joint meeting of the hospital trust and the special committee appointed by the council. The plans of the new isolation hospital were presented by Mr. A. E. Nutter, city architect, and were compared with those prepared by Mr. Victor Mitchell under the direction of the trust. The plans of Mr. Nutter seemed to find practically universal favor with the committee. They show an up-to-date hospital building, with plenty of light and ventilation, in both of which experts say that the original plans were deficient. The hospital trustees were afraid that the new building would cost more than the old, and they were particularly anxious to avoid that, as they desired a considerable portion of the $75,000 set aside for the isolation hospital, to make improvements on the present hospital. Ex-Mayor Judd pointed out that the land would cost about $15,000, and the cost of the buildings under the old plans would be $52,000, leaving $8,000 for Victoria. He was anxious not to exceed that sum, as it was necessary, he thought, to increase the revenue of Victoria to have the improvements made that he suggested.

Chairman Screaton of the hospital trust was of the opinion that the hospital plans as drawn by Mr. Nutter would cost no more than the old. While the hospital would be somewhat longer, it would not be so wide, and the cost would be less on that score. He liked Mr. Nutter's plans very much, provided they would not cost any more.

Ald. Rose was much in favor of the new plans. They gave plenty of light and ventilation, the former of which Victoria lacked considerably.

Ald. Saunders pointed out that the committee could do nothing, as there were no estimates of any kind available. He explained that Mr. Nutter had not had time to finish the plans, but if given part of a week he could give the committee the figures necessary. There were changes necessary to be made in the first plans, and he thought that this hospital, at least, should be build right, even if it did take a little of the money that the hospital trust wanted for the old building. He moved that Mr. Nutter be given until Monday to prepare the estimates, and that the joint committees meet Monday night to settle the matter. Ald. Beattie seconded the motion and it carried.

Those present were: Ald. Stewart, chairman; Mayor Stevely, Ald. Beattie, Ald. Saunders, Ald. Gerry, Ald. Rose, Ald. Booth, City Engineer Graydon, City Architect Nutter, Secretary Baker, and Chairman Screaton, J. C. Judd and Superintendent Heard, of the hospital trust.

The Highest Bidder Got the Berths Interior Minister Routs Opposition

Mr. Oliver Disposes of Charges Set Going By Mr. Ames.

Ottawa, Feb. 4.—To the misrepresentations, insinuations and veiled charges which have made up the Opposition's attack on the Government's timber land administration Mr. Oliver made a complete answer today. He showed that the policy challenged had until December last, when the new regulations were introduced, been followed for a period of 25 years, by the last Conservative Government as well as by the present Administration, and that it was based, not on the principle of securing the highest prices for the standing timber, but on the desirability of developing the lumber industry throughout the country. The difference between the two Administrations was that while the principle followed was right in both cases, the methods adopted by the Conservative Government were wrong. After proving that during the past eleven years the policy of the Government had been an unqualified success in the direction of developing the lumber industry and meeting the demands of the settlers Mr. Oliver dealt with the suggestion that the interior department had shown favoritism. He pointed out that in one of the transactions actually challenged by the Opposition the successful tenderer was a prominent Conservative of Prince Albert, and quoted from the list of tenders since 1896 to show that the tenders had ranged in some cases from $100 to $6,500 and $307 to $8,100, thus proving that the competition had been ample and adequate. Finally he took up the insinuations of Mr. Ames with regard to the Cedar Lake limit, and gave to the House Mr. Fraser's explanation of the circumstances connected with that transaction. It was an explanation which entirely disposed of the suspicions sought to be created by the member for St. Antoine. Mr. Oliver closed with a challenge to the Opposition to make definite charges instead of taking refuge in insinuations. The debate was adjourned on motion of Mr. Sifton.

BAD FREIGHT WRECK AT RIDGETOWN

[Special to The Advertiser.]

St. Thomas, Feb. 5.—About 9 o'clock last night a serious wreck occurred on the M. C. R. at Ridgetown station. An engine on a westbound freight became separated from the tender and ran on to Mull. One car was left standing on the track and five were derailed, of which four were demolished. The engineer and fireman barely escaped by jumping.

WILL PUSH WORK ON THE HOSPITAL

"The hospital trust seems anxious to take the money that should be spent for the erection of the Isolation Hospital and fix up Victoria Hospital," said an alderman this morning. "If they wanted money why did they not ask for it? When we are going to build the Isolation Hospital, I am in favor of building it right. There is going to be no botch work this time. The plans submitted by Mr. Nutter suit me all right, and I think they should be adopted, in spite of the objections raised by some of the hospital trust regarding the cost. London wants an up-to-date hospital, and no other will do."

By the simple process of cubing, City Engineer Graydon found out that the hospital drawn by Mr. Nutter would not cost as much as the former hospital would, by $3,000. While it is longer, it is much narrower, and the cost in any case could not be so much as the other plans would call for. If it cost about $50,000 there would still be a balance for the remodeling of the old Victoria Hospital, and the present Isolation Hospital, making them up-to-date in every respect.

"We intend to get this work done this summer," said Ald. Stewart, chairman of the special hospital committee. "I want to have a hospital ready for use by next January, and I think it can be done. As soon as the question of plans is decided on, we will get to work on the rest. We don't want any waiting."

SECOND FLEET FOR PACIFIC

United States Government Preparing To Reinforce Admiral Evans in Philippines.

Washington, Feb. 5.—The Government is assembling and preparing for dispatch to the Philippines another battleship squadron to join Admiral Evans' fleet.

It become known today, authoritatively, that the administration plans to have the Evans fleet return by way of the Suez Canal. But by the time Admiral Evans is ready to weigh anchor in the Philippines his fleet will have been supplemented by six battleships and two armored cruisers.

It is the plan of the navy board to divide the Evans fleet into two parts after its arrival in the Philippines. The first two squadrons will proceed homeward late this year or early next year by the Suez Canal, leaving the eight battleships of the last two divisions as a rear guard.

Strength Equal to Japan's.

These eight ships, supplemented by the six which will have arrived, will make fourteen battleships in the Far East. Japan has only fourteen battleships all together.

By the time the two rear divisions of Admiral Evans' fleet are ready to come home additional ships of equal force will have gone to the Far East to replace them.

Inasmuch as all statistics as to strength are figured from battleships, it will be seen that the United States will have in the Philippines a battleship squadron which, man for man, ship for ship, ton for ton and in weight of metal thrown will be equal to or slightly superior to the sea strength of Japan.

The Government believes that in efficiency, men and marksmanship the United States armada is the superior of any fleet afloat in the world, and to have a fleet in strength equal to that of any power with a naval base in the Pacific leaves the balance of power on the side of the United States.

The present plan is to make the battleship Nebraska, now on the Pacific Coast, the flagship. She is a new and magnificent vessel. The repairs to the Oregon and Wisconsin, both on the Pacific Coast, are to be rushed. The Idaho, which is about completed, will be rushed to the Pacific by midsummer. These four vessels can be supplemented before the end of the year by the Mississippi, now completed, and the New Hampshire, practically, completed.

EMBEZZLEMENT CHARGED

Traveler for a Strathroy Brewery Arpany Faces Serious Cnarge.

Strathroy, Feb. 4. — Herb Mee, a traveler for the Strathroy Brewing and Malting Company, was arrested last night at Petrolea by Chief Wilson, of this town, and brought before Police Magistrate Noble today on a charge of misappropriating certain sums of money belonging to the company. It is alleged that the amount will exceed a thousand dollars. Mr. Noble committed him for trial. Mee has been in the employ of the company for about two years, and was very popular on the road. He has a wife and young family.

CONFESSED HER PERJURY

Mary Robinson, Druce Witness, Admitted She Testified Falsely.

London, Feb. 4. — Miss Mary Robinson has made a full confession of her willful perjury in the Druce case, and has admitted the truth of the statements made by the defense during the trial of Herbert Druce on charges of perjury brought by George Hollamby Druce, who was striving to make good his claim to the title and estates of the Duke of Portland.

The master in chancery yesterday dismissed G. H. Druce's civil suit for the possession of the estate of the late Duke of Portland. The attorney for Druce appealed the case, and the appeal was allowed.

NEW CAPE COLONY PREMIER

John Xavier Merriman Succeeds Jameson the Raider.

Cape Town, Feb. 4.—John Xavier Merriman, a member of the Afrikander Bund, succeeds Dr. Leander S. Jameson as premier of Cape Colony. Dr. Jameson resigned on Jan. 31 upon the defeat of his party in the cape colony elections.

Mr. Merriman was a member of the Jameson raid committee in 1896 and drew up its report. He entered Cape politics in 1869 and was a member of the Moltens ministry from 1875 to 1878 and again in 1881. He was commissioner of crown lands in 1873-78 and 1881-84, treasurer-general 1890-93 and in 1898. He is a member of the Cape Parliament for Naguamaland.

He is 67 years old and is a farmer and surveyor. He is a son of Bishop N. J. Merriman of Grahamtown. He was born in England, but went to Africa with his parents at the age of 8. His education, however, was completed in England.

Photo by G. A. Henry.

MR. WALTER CRAIG,

Popular Young Londoner Who Goes to St. Louis to Fill Highly Responsible Position.

TO READJUST ALL AGREEMENTS

County and City Councils To Settle Questions of Courts, Hospitals, Etc.

This year will in all probability see a readjustment of all agreements between the city and county. The county council and the city council have already got together on the agreement regarding the jail maintainance, and it is probable that a solution of that problem will be reached. The board of education has called off the agreement between the city and county regarding the Collegiate Institute, and negotiations have been opened looking to a settlement.

Court House Property.

Last year the county council notified the city council that the county required the property near the court house, that was at present leased to the city. On that property there is a storage building used and built by the city, and also, a building used by the water commisson. Nothing was done last year by the city council, and the matter is still in abeyance. It is probable that a new lease will have to be arranged. That is another matter to be settled.

Hospital Patients.

The present agreement with the county regarding the maintenance of patients at Victoria Hospital expires in January next, and a new agreement will have to be entered into before that time. The councils have their work cut out for them.

In all cases the city is looking for more favorable terms. The county does not pay its share of the cost of the maintenance of county patients at the hospital, and the board of education is asking for an increased grant to the Collegiate Institute. Regarding the agreement for the maintenance of the county buildings, the city has been contributing handsomely, but the basis of the new agreement will be based on the number of prisoners, etc.

The matter of the lease of the property used by the water commission will hardly be dealt with for some time, at least.

Liberal Club Elections.

The South London Liberal Club will hold its annual election of officers on Friday evening next. A large crowd is anticipated, and it is expected that the contest for the offices will be keen. Refreshments will be served after the election. Every South London Liberal is asked to keep the date open.

THE WEATHER

TOMORROW—COLDER.

FORECASTS.

Toronto, Feb. 5—8 a.m.

Today—Gales, east and south; milder, with snow, turning in some localities to sleet or rain.

Thursday—Strong winds and gales, shifting to west and north; turning colder again.

Local Temperatures.

The temperatures recorded at the local observatory yesterday were: Highest, 11° above zero; lowest, 2.5° below zero.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations.	8 a.m.	Min.	Weather.
Winnipeg	14	12	Snow
Port Arthur	20	14	Snow
Parry Sound	—10	—24	Cloudy
Toronto	12	—10	Snow
Ottawa	—22	—22	Fair
Montreal	—20	—20	Fair
Quebec	—22	—24	Fair
Father Point	— 8	—14	Clear

Minus (—) means below zero.

The first column in the above tabe records the temperatures at 8 o'clock this morning, and the second column records the minimum temperatures during the 24 hours previous.

WEATHER NOTES.

The cold wave is now centered in the Ottawa and St. Lawrence Valleys, and the disturbance which was advancing from the Southwest States has reached Iowa.

Snow has fallen heavily in many localities from Alberta to Lake Superior, and heavy precipitation is indicated from Ontario to the Maritime Provinces, accompanied by gales.

Another cold wave is spreading into the Western Provinces.

YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURES.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Vancouver, 34—40; Victoria, 36—44; Kamloops, 20—32; Edmonton, zero—2; Calgary, zero—6; Battleford, zero—8; Port Arthur, 14 below—16; Parry Sound, 32 below—6 below; Toronto, 18 below—2 below; Ottawa, 20 below—10 below; Montreal, 18 below—14 below; Quebec, 20 below—6 below; St. John, 10 below—3; Halifax, 4 below—8.

OPENING OF THE LEGISLATURE MARKED WITH MUCH POMP

Speech From the Throne Declares Province of Ontario Prosperous and Outlines Legislation for the Session.

Toronto, Feb. 5. — The fourth and final session of the eleventh Legislature of Ontario was opened this afternoon, with all the pomp of civil, military and official display. It was a brilliant social affair. The weather has moderated greatly from the stinging cold of Tuesday, the thermometer showing a rise of about 30 degrees from last night's temperature, and this contributed greatly to the comfort of the crowds who gathered outside the Parliament Buildings, and the soldiers who formed the guard of honor, the Lieutenant-Governor's escort, and the saluting battery. Inside the chamber the scene was a striking one, the rich gowns of the ladies, the uniforms of his honor's staff, and the rich garb of the Toronto consuls, contrasting with the black robes of judges and the conventional frock-coats of the ministers and members. The corridors were crowded with hundreds unable to gain admission to the chamber.

At 3 o'clock his Honor the Lieutenant-Governor reached the buildings, being met at the door by Premier Whitney. He was escorted to the Speaker's chair, where he read the speech from the throne, after which his honor retired, and the Speaker took the chair.

After the three new members—Dr. Godfrey, of West York; A. E. Donovan, of Brockville, and C. R. McKeown, of Dufferin—had been introduced, the House adjourned.

The debate on the address in reply to the speech from the throne will be commenced on Thursday. The address

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Forty-five Degrees Below Zero Registered at Ballston, N. Y.

Wide Sweep of the Cold Wave—New York and Ontario Feel Its Full Effect.

Boston, Feb. 5.—The cold wave throughout New England continues today with lowest figures of the season.

Northfield, Vt., was the coldest spot recorded at 8 a.m., the thermometer registering 34 degrees below zero.

At Burlington, Vt., it was 26 degrees below.

At Pittsfield, Mass., 24 below.
At Eastport, Me., 10 below.
At Concord, N. H., 10 below.
At Boston, 2 below zero.

A New Record.

Ballston, N. Y., Feb. 5.—A new cold weather record for this section of the state was made today, when the mercury dropped to 45 degrees below zero. The continued period of cold has caused great suffering among the poor.

Ontario Is in It.

Kingston, Ont., Feb. 5.—Weather clear and bright, the air is very frosty. The mercury touched 30 below zero during the night.

Cornwall, Feb. 5.—The thermometer registered last night 36 below.

At 8 a.m., it was 25 below.

In Quebec.

St. John's, Que., Feb. 5.—It was 34 degrees below zero here at 5:30 this morning; 30 at 7:30, and 22 at 9 o'clock.

Countess of Yarmouth Gets Divorce

London, Feb. 5.—Sir Birrell Barnes, president of the divorce court, today granted the Countess of Yarmouth, who was Miss Alice Thaw, of Pittsburg, a decree nullifying her marriage to the Earl of Yarmouth.

The case was heard in private. At the time fixed for the commencement of the proceedings every one not actually engaged on the case was excluded from the courtroom. The case was practically undefended, and the hearing lasted for only half an hour. The countess, attired in a fashionable black gown, was present, but the Earl of Yarmouth was not in court.

Alice Cornelia Thaw, daughter of the late William Thaw, of Pittsburg, was married to George Francis Alexander Seymour, Earl of Yarmouth, at Calvary Church, Pittsburg, April 21, 1903. The marriage followed a rather brief courtship and stopped the earl's stage career, which had begun in private society theatricals at Newport and had later been more or less successful in a professional way. Lady Yarmouth has always been the favorite of the family, with her brother, Harry Kendall Thaw, whose second trial for the killing of Stanford White resulted in acquittal on the ground of insanity. She was present all through the first trial of her brother, but did not come to New York the second hearing.

10,000 MOORS FALL IN BATTLE

London, Feb., 4.—A London news agency publishes a dispatch from Tangier saying there has been a battle between the French and the Moors near Settat, Morocco, in which 10,000 Moors were killed or wounded and in which the French losses amounted to 160 men, including officers.

The Moors, with intrepid bravery, charged right up to the mouths of the guns until their corpses lay in piles on the ground.

Four Perish in Burning Farmhouse

New Richmond, Que., Feb. 4.—A very sad fatality occurred here this afternoon, by which four lives were lost. Shortly after 1 o'clock the residence of Andrew Campbell, aged 74, a well-to-do farmer, took fire, and he, as well as his daughter-in-law, Christine Anez, of St. Godfrey, aged 30 years, and her two children, aged, respectively, 2 years and 4 months, perished in the flames. The origin of the fire is unknown. Young Mr. Campbell was in his barn when the fire started, and can throw no light on the mystery. His mother-in-law, Mrs. Anez, escaped, but was so seriously burned it is feared she will not recover. The loss is estimated to be about $2,000. There was no insurance on the building or contents.

A NEW BLIZZARD NORTH AND EAST

Railroad men say that the blizzard which struck here this morning is nothing to the storm that is raging north of Stratford, and that traffic is practically paralyzed there. The soowfall is reported to have been very heavy, and the cold intense, rendering railroading most difficult and dangerous. The heavy snowfall has completely blocked the lines, many of which were just beginning to get in shape again after the recent heavy storm. Trains from teh east are also vity late and a heavy storm is in progress near Toronto. The storm seems to be centering in the north and east, as so far the southern lines have had no trouble.

SENTENCES HIMSELF

A Judge Handcuffed and Set to Work by His Own Orders.

Toledo, Feb. 4.—After completing his docket at the police court this morning Judge James Austin, jun., charged himself with disturbance, pleaded guilty and was taken to the workhouse, where he served the four hours' sentence he had imposed upon himself.

The usual ceremony used is transferring a prisoner from the station to the workhouse was gone through with, and shortly before noon Judge Austin was handcuffed to three other prisoners and carried to the patrol wagon which bore him to the jail. There his name was entered on the blotter and he was forced to change his clothing for the regulation prison garb. He next ate dinner with the other inmates, and after being locked in a cell for an hour, while the guards ate, he was assigned to the ice-sawing squad on the creek around the workhouse.

His hands and feet were nearly frozen. When he was told that his time was served this afternoon he left, saying it was the longest four hours he had ever spent.

His idea in serving the sentence was to learn how the men he sentenced live.

A Nasty Fall.

Helen, the 4-year-old daughter of Mr. O. H. Rnyder, of 21 Euclid avenue, was most painfully injured while playing at her home this morning. The little girl had climbed up on the back of a rocking-chair, when it upset, and she was thrown heavily to the floor. In the fall her head struck against the sharp corner of a piano, and a scalp wound several inches long, and requiring many stitches, was inflicted. At present the patient is progressing most favorably, and it is hoped she will be around again shortly.