

NEGRO SEEN AT THE GATE AFTER MURDER

Little Girl Says She Saw West Near Miss Dunn's House Late on Afternoon of Tragedy

North Sydney, C.B., Dec. 23.—Six witnesses were examined to-day when the inquest into the death of Miss K. C. Dunn was resumed before Coroner A. R. Forbes.

The first man on the stand was John West, the colored man whose examination was commenced yesterday afternoon. West's evidence was practically a repetition of what he had given yesterday, except that he became somewhat confused regarding the place where he had been when he saw the man coming from Miss Dunn's residence, and running down the street towards the power house. He also stated that he had never seen the piece of blood-stained lead pipe nor the axe, both of which were given to him for examination.

Evidence of Alfred Willis.

Alfred Willis, another colored man who was arrested at Sydney Mines yesterday, was the next witness. He said he belonged to Guy's boro, told of his movements from the time of his leaving his boarding-house opposite the residence of Miss Dunn until his arrest yesterday at Sydney Mines by Chief MacNeil.

After working all day whitewashing and painting at Anthony's brick block at Sydney Mines, he left there on the five o'clock car for North Sydney. He left the car at the top of Regent Street and went at once to his boarding house, reaching there about half past five.

There was no one in the house at the time but Mrs. Connolly and her children.

Came in Together.

West and Connolly came in late and all had supper together. No one left the house again until Willis was taken away by the chief of police that night after the tragedy in Miss Dunn's house across the street.

Willis said he had not changed his clothes, excepting the removal of his overcoat, which he hung up on entering the house. After supper the time was passed in conversation, and the singing of several songs by the witness.

He said he did not know of the tragedy until told by John Matheson that Miss Dunn had been murdered. He had never seen Miss Dunn and did not know where she lived, as he had been boarding at Connolly's only a week. After leaving his boarding house with the chief of police Monday night he went down the street for a short distance, but was allowed to return later.

The following morning (Tuesday) when he left home, he told Mrs. Connolly that he could be found at Anthony's brick building, Sydney Mines, in case he was needed, and that was where the chief found him when he went to Sydney Mines.

Other Witnesses.

The other witnesses examined this afternoon were Wm. Connolly (with whom John West boarded) Mrs. Wm. Connolly, and Christine Kelly. The evidence of the Connollys corroborated that of Willis regarding his movements on the afternoon of the tragedy.

Christine Kelly, who is only 12, stated that she called at Miss Dunn's at half past three, and on leaving promised to call later in the afternoon. On her return about 5 o'clock, she saw West at the gate. He was in the act of putting on his gloves and had a couple of parcels on the ground at his feet. As she turned in at the gate she said West spoke crossly to her and warned her not to go in. She became frightened, and crossed to the other side of the street.

The evidence of Mrs. McLean and Rindress will be submitted in writing. An examination of Willis's clothing for blood stains revealed nothing conclusive.

British Society To Hold Tourney

The members of the British Society intend holding another card tourney at their rooms to-morrow evening.

Two valuable prizes have been donated and will be presented to the victors.

This tournament is not confined to members of the club or society, and visitors will be cordially welcomed.

PLENTY OF DEER ON SOUTH COAST

The Portia confirms the report published by *The Mail* last week that caribou are plentiful on the South Coast. The Portia brought along about sixty carcasses for consumption here.

Borden Reviews 6,000 Stalwarts In Canada West

Practical Demonstration of Whole-hearted Way in Which Canada is Helping Empire.

Winnipeg, Dec. 6.—Six thousand sturdy men of West Canada marched past in review before Sir Robert Borden, the premier of Canada this afternoon.

The march past was an impressive sight, and brought home very strongly to Winnipeg what the West is doing for the Empire.

"They are a magnificent body of men," said Sir Robert at the conclusion of the parade.

ODDFELLOWS ELECT OFFICERS

Volunteer Outport Members of the Order Pay Visit to Atlantic Lodge

At the meeting of Atlantic Lodge, No. 1, I.O.O.F., last night the officers were elected as follows:

C. W. Ude, Noble Grand.
A. F. Long, Vice-Grand.
E. A. White, Recording Secretary.
W. T. Quick, Financial Secretary.
W. J. Long, Treasurer.

Mr. George Grimes, the retiring noble Grand thanked the Lodge for their attendance during his term of office, which closed so satisfactorily. The Lodge was favored with a visit from Bros. Hicks and Wilcox, of Exploits Lodge, Grand Falls, who have arrived recently to take their places in the Second Nfd. Regiment.

A pleasing presentation took place during the evening, when Bro. E. D. Spurrell, on behalf of Mr. C. E. Crinkbanks, of New Glasgow, N.S., presented a large photo of that gentleman, as an appreciation and commemorative of his visit to St. John's. The Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the Maritime Provinces, and in doing so referred briefly to the pleasure afforded the brethren by his visit, and his good work accomplished as a result.

MAKE COAST HOT FOR ENEMY

Lines Now Close Up to German Trenches on the Sand Dunes—Situation Satisfactory Elsewhere.

(French Official Bulletin.)

Paris, Dec. 28.—In Belgium we continued to advance to the west of Lomazette, and we are actually at the foot of the Sand Dunes, on which the enemy has established his lines of resistance.

At a point south of Ypres we have cut a section of trenches near Holleke. In the region of Lens, near Arancy, the enemy yielded under our attacks behind yards of first line trenches.

In the Valley of the River Aisne and in Champagne there has been intermittent artillery fighting, which was particularly severe in the vicinity of Heims and around Perthes. Here the enemy directed their artillery fire against the positions to the west of Perthes, conquered and occupied by us.

On the height of the Meuse there has been slight progress by our troops along the entire front. In the Vosges the enemy bombarded the railroad station at St. Die, but the railroad service has not been interrupted.

In Upper Alsace to the northeast of Stenbach a counter attack of the Germans was repulsed.

TALK IS CHEAP—

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WORLD WANTS EXPLANATION

Who Can Explain Frame of Mind Which Makes Germany so Gullible?

(By Henry Dalby)

THE bells of the German churches are ringing, and the school children are getting a holiday to celebrate an alleged German victory in Poland, such a victory as the world has never seen before.

Unfortunately for the swagger German officer, he suffers from the serious embarrassment that the only way he can deceive anybody now is by telling the truth. There may or there may not have been some check or reverse to the Tsar's army; but if there has been the wonder is that Berlin did not keep quiet about it until the whole Russian host was in full retreat. Like the doctor, who while admitting that his patient was dead, claimed triumphantly that he had died cured; so Berlin, while showing in a dozen ways that the Kaiser's troops are retreating, always claims that they are falling back victoriously.

Lots of Victories.

Since the war began, Berlin has claimed absolutely nothing but victory after victory. There was some reason for boasting when the German army was rushing on Paris, but from the moment they reached the Marne, on the return trip, they were a beaten nation. They were going to carry all France with a rush, but they have never been within striking distance of Paris or of Calais, and they have been driven helter-skelter out of the territory of which they despoiled France in 1871.

Where They Failed.

They have not carried the war into Russia proper, and they are not yet in Warsaw. Most of the Germans in Poland are dead Germans. They have already betrayed the Austro-Hungarian Empire to its own destruction, just as they are betraying Turkey to utter ruin. They are being driven out of Belgium. They have murdered most foully a few civilians on the Yorkshire coast, and that is all that they have done in the way of overwhelming England. The British flag over nearly every German colony; the Tu-I has been driven bag and baggage out of Egypt. German shipping and German trade have been driven off the high seas.

And all the while Berlin has been claiming nothing less than one long series of victories!

What? What? What?

Robert Falconer, correspondent of the London Express at Amsterdam says that the question on millions of German lips is: "What is wrong something must be wrong. What is it?"

He quotes a Roumanian citizen, a prominent business man of Bucharest who has been travelling in Germany as saying: "You must not believe that sixty-five million Germans have become mad or simply idiotic on account of this war. A good many of them have retained their intelligence and their clear judgment."

He adds that the facts I have mentioned are to these same Germans perfectly obvious. How could it be otherwise. As the Bucharest man points out, the German armies have not only been beaten back, stopped, and more than decimated, but they have established a record for barbarity and crime which is probably without an equal in history. What is it that is wrong?

They Must Know.

Obviously they must know that something is wrong with these never-ending boasts of victory. They see nothing of the war, but the official and therefore, as they well know, incomplete lists of casualties of wounded, dead and missing; craps, trainload after trainload, of wounded and crippled victims of the war. The whole country reeking with blood and they must say to themselves: "If this is the kind of victory that Berlin boasts, what must defeat be like!"

Added to all, there is the ghastly silence about the men at the front, the agonizing, uncertainty, growing to despair.

What is wrong? There must be something wrong. What is it? Poverty, privation, hardship and worry about the absent ones. Are these always the signs of German victories? "There must be something wrong. What is it?" Are the ringers ringing the church bells because they believe these fairy stories from Berlin, or because they have orders from Berlin to ring? It looks like popular enthusiasm made to order, and "made in Germany," at that.

Russia Holds 350,000 Germans And Austrians

Vast Host of Officers and Men Captured by the Czar's Forces During Present War

London, Dec. 28.—According to a Petrograd despatch to Reuter's Telegram Company the number of German prisoners registered is 1,140 officers and 131,700 men; the number of Austrians registered is 3,166 officers and 221,400 men.

The Slav prisoners have asked for Russian naturalization, so that they may be sent against the Turks.

OFFICERS INSTALLED BY MASONIC LODGE

Interesting Ceremony at St. John's Lodge, Presided over by D. G. M. Clift Last Night.

The installation of the officers of St. John's Lodge, No. 579, R.E., A.F. and A.M., took place at the Temple last evening in the presence of a large number of Masons.

The District Grand Master, Bro. J. V. Clift, K.C., officiated, assisted by Deputy District Grand Master, Bro. James Stott, and the District Grand Master, R.S., Bro. C. R. Duder.

Follow the installation the usual congratulations were extended, to the return trip, they were a beaten nation. They were going to carry all France with a rush, but they have never been within striking distance of Paris or of Calais, and they have been driven helter-skelter out of the territory of which they despoiled France in 1871.

The collection for the Tasker Educational Fund was taken up and forty dollars realized.

The following were the officers installed:

W.M.—Bro. Hon. R. A. Squires, K.C. I.P.M.—Bro. R. A. Brehm.
S.W.—Bro. W. H. Charles.
J.W.—Bro. Gower Rabbits.
Chaplain—Bro. Rev. Canon Smith.
Treasurer—Bro. R. Wright.
Secretary—Bro. John Jeans.
S.D.—Bro. R. W. Jeans.
J.D.—Bro. W. G. Currie.
M. of C.—Bro. J. J. Windsor.
Stewards—Bro. W. F. Parsons and Fred Ellis.
Tyler—Bro. G. Morris.

Morwenna Arrives At Havre, France

Mrs. Jones had a cable yesterday from her husband, the well known Chief Steward of the Morwenna, wishing her a Happy Christmas and stating that the Morwenna reached Havre Sunday, after a passage of 13 days.

New Calendars

We beg to thank P. J. Raynes, 112 Gower St., for a very beautiful calendar for 1915.

We also acknowledge with thanks receipt of a specially interesting calendar from Mr. W. J. Pike, Special Agent for the Mutual Life Assurance Co. of Canada.

New Year's Concert, St. Patrick's Hall, New Year's Night, under the distinguished patronage of His Excellency the Governor and Right Rev. Monsignor Roche, V.G. —Performers, Misses Anderson (3), Mary Ryan, Emily Ryan, Mary Morris, Marie Devine; Messrs. T. H. O'Neill, J. M. Atkinson, A. Bulley, M. McCarthy, F. Devereaux, T. P. Halley, C. Fox, Stan. O'Leary, J. L. Slattery, and male chorus. Tickets, 40 and 20 cents. A number of seats reserved at Atlantic Bookstore. Performance at 8.15. Entrance by Queen's Road main door.—dec26,21

Oddfellows Offer As Volunteers

Messrs. Hicks, Wilcox and Porter of Exploits arrived yesterday to enlist in second Nfd. Regiment. All are members of Exploits Lodge of the Oddfellows. Four from the same Lodge volunteered last week.

United Sociable

Under the auspices of the United Societies of Wesley Church an entertainment and sociable will be held on New Year's night, January 1st, 1915, in Wesley Church Basement.

Candy will be on sale during the evening. Doors open at 7 p.m. Programme to commence at 8 p.m. Tickets on sale by the Committee and at the door. General admission will be 25 cents.

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- Pat. Leather, Black & White Top

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- Dongola, Self Tip.
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WEDDING BELLS

Harvey-Carnell

St. Mary's Church, Southside, was the scene of an attractive wedding when Miss Margaret J. Harvey and Dr. Arthur H. Carnell, M.D., C.M., practicing at Newtown, B.B., were united in the bonds of matrimony by the Rector, Rev. H. Uphill.

The contracting parties are well known in St. John's and both are popular with all their acquaintances.

The bride is a daughter of the late James Harvey and resided with her mother on Hamilton St.

The groom is the youngest son of the late John T. Carnell, Esq., who up to the time of his death was known to every citizen, and brother of Mr. Andrew Carnell, the present Manager of Carnell's Carriage Factory.

The wedding was quiet because of a death in the bride's family recently.

Mr. George R. Williams, brother-in-law, gave the bride away and Mrs. Williams was matron of honor, while Mr. E. Harvey of the Royal Stores supported the groom.

After the ceremony the party drove to the residence of the bride's mother where supper was enjoyed.

The bride is the recipient of a large number of valuable presents.

The Mail joins with other friends in extending congratulations.

Coming! The Jannusian, an interesting New Year publication which will be on sale to-morrow afternoon.

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Germany Has Still Four Million Untrained Men

Great Majority Are Advanced in Years and of Inferior Physique and Constitution

London, Dec. 28.—"We must place the number of Germany's untrained men, in the process of incorporation and training, in the region of 4,000,000 or thereabouts," says Col. Repeatington, the Times military expert.

These new men are inferior to the Germans now serving in the trenches in physique and constitution. Many are old, as warfare goes nowadays. A great majority are married and without taste or talent for soldiering. So we must expect a steady deterioration in the troops next year.

On the other hand the German military spirit will overcome many difficulties, and as the Germans recently have given Austria a million rifles for her Landstrum there must be no lack of small arms.

S.S. SAGONA GONE TO CHANGE ISLANDS.

The S.S. Sagona, Capt. Kennedy, has gone to Change Islands to free a vessel and not to Norris' Arm as stated by contemporaries.

Norris' Arm is in such a state at present that no steamer could get through the ice.

The Sagona may also visit Fogo before returning.

It was reported yesterday that a well-known citizen, who left by the Stephano last week had died suddenly on the steamer.

We made enquiries of members of the family and are pleased to be able to say that the rumour was not correct.

715 VOLUNTEERS

The following names have been added during the last few days:—

N. Jackson, Aaron Bryant, E. J. Branton, Alfred Haines, Cecil Green, Walter Keane, M. Broderick, G. McWhorter, Nicholas C. Whittycombe, A. W. Bishop, R. E. Hynes, L. Hynes, C. Piercy, Ray Spencer, I. L. Spencer, Wm. Parsons, T. J. Jackman, Sam Moore, E. F. Saunders, H. J. Clouston.

Miscellaneous Advertisements

FOR SALE—Sample Furniture at a Bargain. Apply C. H. BULLLEY, Renouf Bldg.—dec28,21

FOR SALE—One Male Patch Fox, in perfect condition. Apply to ALBERT HARVEY, Brigus.—dec28,28

FOR SALE—One Dwelling House, Store and Work Shop combined. Will sell at a bargain. For further particulars apply to W. J. DOVE, Chance Hr. East.—dec5,11

FOR SALE—A 15 H. P. Steam Engine, almost new. Just the thing for a small Factory or Lumber Mill. Will be sold at a bargain. For further particulars apply to G. MORGAN, Gazette Office, Board of Trade Building.—dec23,1w,eod

FOR SALE—We have a quantity of Large Dry Codfish, suitable for eating, which we are retailing at a reasonable figure. Anyone wanting eating fish should see this before buying elsewhere. FISHERMEN'S UNION TRADING CO.—dec18

To Let—That Centrally situated shop in the City Club Building, Water Street, now occupied by Mr. F. B. Wood, also basement of building. Possession given May 1st. Apply to the Secretary, the City Club.—nov21,61,sat,tues

WANTED—A Young Man to take charge of a Manufacturers' Agents' Office. Must possess initiative; be an experienced book-keeper, and be able to handle correspondence. Apply in own handwriting to "C.T." P.O. Box 922.—dec22,11

NOTICE.—Owing to the Conception Bay Convention to be held at Coley's Point the second week in January, there will be no meeting of Port de Grave District Council until that Convention is closed, when due notice will be given of the time and place of meeting. GEO. F. GRIMES, Chairman, Port de Grave District Council.

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