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A TRAGIC ROMANCE.

A MURDER MYSTERY YIELDS A STARTLING REVEAL.

Dark Doings of an Alleged Lord Somers, of Fabulous Canadian Estate. NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y., March 4.—Quiet Ontario county just over the border, has been started from its accustomed serenity by a murder foul and mysterious.

The local interest in the tragedy, which was first aroused by the discovery of a dead body in the lonely woods in Princeton on February 21, and the identification, after the examining of the remains on Saturday, rose to a fever height when Reginald Birchell was arrested here yesterday.

This morning Dominion Detective Murray placed Mrs Birchell under arrest, and tonight the couple are prisoners in the Clinton jail, held for the grand murder of Frederick Benwell. Douglas Kelly, the other member of the party which set sail from Liverpool just a month ago, is under the surveillance of the Canadian police.

The story of Birchell's career in the Dominion and the dark tragedy which is now coupled with his name, is one that Emily Gaborian would love to handle. It is this: In the fall of 1888, an Englishman, with his wife came to Woodstock. He came with the avowed purpose of learning farming, but he did not take to the plow, and in May last decamped with his spouse, leaving several creditors behind. He claimed some times to be Lord Somers, at other times to be the son of Lord Somers, of England. His champagne life was enormous; he spent money freely. His wife looked like a lady of fortune, and lived as would a lady of the world.

He disappeared mysteriously as he came, in May of 1889, and has not been heard from until now. The man who made it made on the susceptible community of Woodstock was that his name was Birchell, and that Somers was his father's title. His letters, which were addressed to R. Birchell, care Somerset & Co. in 1889 Birchell was adjudged bankrupt in England.

He is an egotist, and if the intep and lands are the true insignia of blue blood Birchell's blood must be the bluest. His finger nails are carefully kept, brilliant as marabilla. It is his fancy, they have seen, for the flesh upon them, apparently, is as soft as a girl's. His hair is as dark as a raven's wing, his forehead is broad and low, and his eyes are covered with a light moustache. His nose is as delicate as a cameo, and from far above gleams a pair of eyes, which, when your correspondent saw Birchell this afternoon he was dressed in a fashionable suit of English tweed, from one pocket of which he produced a small brooched handkerchief suggested that Mr. Birchell liked not only royal purple but fine linen as well.

As for Reginald Birchell's wife, she is a fair-haired, blue-eyed little creature, with an air of refinement from the top of her pretty head to the tip of her dainty shoes, and the soft voice and charming manner of speech characteristic of the English well-bred woman.

He who connects these two mysterious personages with the dark tragedy of the Princeton Falls? Listen to the story that Douglas Kelly told to the press for the first time. For the first time came together for the first time, and each had a slight acquaintance with the Birchells. According to Kelly's story Birchell tried to induce Kelly to go with him to America. Kelly had been connected with some stock-raising scheme in New Zealand. When Birchell learned this his ardor became almost impetuous; he wooed Kelly as a lover would a girl, and pictured scenes of gold the Eldorado that awaited him. He gloved in his descriptions of the perfected stock farm he owned in Woodstock, Ont.; told of the pleasant pasture lands, the stock that was waxing fat upon them, and then capped his tale by saying that all his stables were lighted by electricity.

THE M'KINLEY BILL.

CAUSES SERIOUS DISTURBANCE AMONG IMPORTERS.

It is an insult to honorable business men. The French Government has begun negotiations with other governments on the subject.

PARIS, March 7.—The McKinley bill, now before the United States Senate, is causing considerable alarm in France. The bill provides for the appointment of an expert to decide on the value of imported silk goods and imposing a severe penalty if the valuation of the expert should be in excess of that of the importer.

Prominent business men say the bill places importers under the thumb of a body of officials who may act as they please, and inflict a heavy penalty upon them without giving them a chance to defend themselves. They style it a gratuitous insult to honorable business men.

The French government has begun negotiations with the United States on this subject, also the governments of England, Italy and Switzerland.

BRITAIN, N. Y., March 7.—A 16 o'clock this morning the railroad people brought the bodies of those killed in the accident near Bay station, into the Central depot, and they were taken in charge by the coroner. All the bodies, with the exception of Mrs. J. D. Bancus, were taken to the morgue.

That of Mrs. Bancus was taken to the undertaker's room. She was 23 years of age and married only a week to-day.

Of the five bodies taken to the morgue one of them was unidentified. One was found to be J. W. Flynn, of Canton, Ohio, and the other is believed to be John S. Powers, of Pittsfield, Mass.

The coroner will empanel a jury to hold a thorough inquest.

A TENEMENT FIRE.

THREE CHILDREN NEARLY CREMATED BY FIRE.

They were left in bed by their mother. Three children were nearly cremated by a fire in their room at 845 Oxford street.

Boston, March 7.—The three young children of Moses Feldman, a Russian Jew pedler, will probably die as the result of suffocation from a slight fire in their room at 845 Oxford street this morning.

Feldman, with his wife and four small children, lived in two very small, barely furnished rooms in the attic of the two-story tenement house, No. 25 Billerica street, West end. They were very poor and there were not one bed in the room.

This morning at 8.30 Mrs. Feldman went down stairs leaving the four children in the bed. A passer by discovered smoke issuing from the bedroom window and rang an alarm. Three of the children were taken from the room more dead than alive by the firemen, burned, blackened and nearly cremated.

The fourth child escaped in some manner from the room and was found lying on the sidewalk.

It is believed one of the children set the fire while playing with matches.

FROM OTTAWA. Behring Sea Negotiations Progressing Favorably.

OTTAWA, March 7.—Advice received by the government from Washington, indicate that the Behring sea negotiations continue to progress favorably.

THIRD EDITION.

IN THE MARINE COURT.

Capitan Riche-Loss His Certificate For Six Months—The Mate R. A. Ellis, Louis His Master Certificate For Three Months—A Mate's Certificate Recommended For Ellis.

Capitan Smith, R. N. R., delivered judgment into the cause of the stranding of the bark Tanjore today. The following is the decision:

The court having carefully inquired into all the circumstances attending the stranding of the Tanjore, and having carefully considered and weighed all the evidence, are of opinion that the stranding of the said vessel was brought about by the negligence and indifference shown by the master, G. L. Riche, in not going on deck to relieve the pilot and take personal charge of the vessel when it reached the vicinity of Little River.

The master should have been constantly on deck when approaching the pilot lights (which are compulsory) to notice the progress of the ship and to verify his position by cross bearings when he was hoisted to the mast.

The evidence proved that the master did not make use of one of the most necessary safety guards, namely that of the lead, as no cast was taken previous to the stranding. A proper and efficient lookout was not kept and none of the officers of the ship took proper and reliable bearings of the lights, which according to the evidence, were in sight for 24 hours before the vessel struck.

The court is of opinion that the master gave no instructions to the officers and according to the statement of the mate he acted upon his own responsibility after the pilot left the vessel.

The court considers the master did not observe those necessary precautions which it was his duty to do, and practically all was left to chance, as the mate was not present to give his orders when the safety of the ship required his personal supervision.

The court is not able to accept the theory which has been propounded, with reference to the tide catching the vessel on the port bow and so preventing her head from paying off, the testimony of witnesses acquainted with the locality being opposed to it. Had it been the case, the whole body of the vessel would soon have felt its influence as she had a speed of two or three knots and the helm would have acted in the right direction. It is more probable that the mainmast was filled as the vessel's head paid off.

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LOCAL MATTERS.

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