

JURY ACQUITS MME. STEINHEIL BEDLAM REIGNS WHEN VERDICT IS ANNOUNCED

Woman Carried Fainting From
Stand When Counsel
Concludes Address.

Paris, Nov. 15.—Mme. Margherita Steinheil was acquitted by a jury at an early hour yesterday morning of the murder of her husband, Adolph Steinheil, a noted painter, and her step-mother, Mme. Japy. The verdict was rendered at 12.55 a.m., after two and a half hours' deliberation, during which the jury summoned the president of the court for explanations, thus proving that the original majority was for conviction.

To some degree, sentiment and a stuffy, crowded court room favored the prisoner, and the delay caused much apprehension. With the first appearance of the jury, however, several of whom were smiling, an instinctive feeling of acquittal flashed through the court room.

A dramatic scene followed. The red-robed judges and counsel filed in and took their places. Every eye was riveted on the door through which the prisoner should enter, but she did not appear. M. Devalles, the presiding judge, turned to the jury and said: "Have you reached a verdict?" The foreman arose and replied: "On our conscience, we answer no to every question."

A salvo of "bravos" followed, and a perfect bedlam broke loose. M. Aubin, counsel for Mme. Steinheil, embraced his colleagues. Men in the rear of the house jumped and screamed for joy. "Bring in the accused," said the judge.

Fully two minutes passed before the black-robed figure with a white face appeared in the doorway, supported on either side by a gendarme. The woman swayed and seemed to be fainting, but in response to a wild outburst of cheers she lifted her head and looked about, smiling faintly in acknowledgment. Then she tottered forward and sank on the floor beside the rail.

When the judge pronounced the verdict her faint murmur of thanks was hardly heard.

An instant later M. Aubin was over the rail lifting her in his arms. The crowd surged forward in a solid wall, making the rafters ring with cheers. Outside the gloomy court house, tens of thousands, who had been waiting for hours, took up the cry. Special editions of the papers spread the news like wildfire through the boulevards, where thousands were waiting in front of the cafes, and the same scenes of rejoicing ensued.

After being tenderly assisted out of the room, Mme. Steinheil was conducted from the building by one of the numerous subterranean passages.

The ceremony of liberating Madame Steinheil occurred soon after her acquittal, and the woman, heavily veiled, entered a high-powered automobile and dashed away to an unknown destination.

The closing day of the trial was given over largely to the argument of M. Aubin, counsel for the prisoner, which extended far into the night. The court room, lighted with glaring chandeliers, was stifling hot. The jury became restless, and several women sitting in the rear shrieked and fainted. The prisoner was a pitiful spectacle and gradually fell forward, a cold sweat turning her livid face a ghastly green. A doctor administered restoratives, but before M. Aubin finished she collapsed in a fit of weeping.

When the judge asked her if she had anything to say she made no reply. Tears streamed from many eyes, and a minute later, as the jury retired, Republican guards gently lifted the limp figure and carried her fainting from the room.

The murder of the distinguished painter, Adolph Steinheil, and his mother-in-law on the night of May 21st, 1908, caused a sensation in Paris. They were found strangled in the residence in the Rue de Vaugelard. Madame Steinheil was found gagged and bound to a bed. When she recovered sufficiently from the shock, she gave a description of the assassins, who, according to her story, numbered four, including a red-haired woman. Later Mrs. Steinheil told many conflicting stories, and was herself arrested and charged with the crime. The motive was found in her hatred for her step-mother, and a desire to rid herself of her husband, in order that she might marry Maurice Borderel, a wealthy merchant, who had become infatuated with her. The hearing began on November 3rd, and dramatic scenes have characterized them throughout.

It is understood that the jury stood nine for acquittal and three for conviction.

**GETS JUDGMENT FOR
OVER MILLION DOLLARS**

**Southern Pacific Railway Wins
Action Against Develop-
ment Company.**

Los Angeles, Cal., Nov. 15.—By a decision given by Judge Houser, of the Los Angeles county superior court, granting the Southern Pacific Company judgment in the sum of \$1,405,927.43, that corporation is in practical control of the destinies of the rich Imperial valley in Southern California.

Suit was brought by the Southern Pacific Company against the California Development Company for payment on a number of promissory notes given to the road by officers of the Development Company, with the consent of its directors. The money raised on the notes was used to dam the disastrous flood of the Colorado river in 1904, when the Salton sea was filled and much of the Development Company's property inundated.

At the time the money was borrowed the Southern Pacific Company entered into a contract with the Development Company, which provided that the railroad corporation would appoint three members of the directorate of the Development Company with the addition of naming the president. The president was empowered to appoint the executive officers and chief engineers employed by the company.

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(Special to the Times.)
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The increased police force now en route to Hazelton and the result of the trial Saturday, it is generally believed, will put a check on any further demonstration on the part of the natives of the Skeena river, though a few of the worst agitators are working in other villages endeavoring to incite their fellow countrymen. These will be quickly gathered in and severely dealt with.

"There isn't the remotest possibility of the Indians in Northern British Columbia going on the warpath this winter and trying to drive out the whites. The authorities have the matter well in hand. There are four provincial policemen at Hazelton and they can count on the co-operation of between two hundred and three hundred resolute white men living within a radius of fifteen miles of the town. There are probably one hundred whites at Hazelton, the others comprising railway graders on the contract of Mr. Duncan Ross, ex-M.P., about six miles distant," said Mr. Frank Dockrill, a well known mining man, in an interview in Vancouver, who has arrived from the Kelowna mining district and who on his way out spent several days at Hazelton.

"The recent flurry was caused by the idle vapors of half a dozen Klappan Indians who got drunk and revived an agitation among their fellow-tribesmen about demanding compensation from the government for the extinguishment of the Indian title to the country. These Indians made a threat that they would stop work on the Klappan road and fixed a date when the whites must abandon the country. Their bluff was called and they were promptly rounded up and taken into custody. They are now quite penitent. In my opinion an example should be made of the chief offenders as a warning to the other swashes. All in all these people are sensible and the last thing they would like to see would be the exit of the whites."

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IN THE INTERIOR**

**Conference Will Be Held Re-
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Kamloops Line.**

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Fernie, Nov. 13.—The past week has shown a substantial increase in the output of the Coal Creek mines. The tonnage now being over 2,000 tons per day. The tonnage is now confidently expected to steadily increase, which means assured prosperity throughout the district. Many improvements are being made in the outside works also, the most important being the construction of the snow sheds from the mines to the tipple, which will greatly facilitate the handling of the coal in the winter.

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