

the 15th anniversary of their marriage Nov. 10th. A number of friends unceremoniously arrived at their home on that day to wish them many more happy years were graciously received and enjoyed. The guests availed themselves of the opportunity to present gifts appropriate to the occasion. Mr. J. Chapman, of the fisheries department of Moncton, was here last week.

MONCTON

Moncton, Nov. 16.—Mrs. A. M. Seely, North Sydney, is spending a few weeks in town, the guest of Miss Mary McPherson.

Herbert Sinclair, of Newcastle, is spending a few days in town with his wife, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Elmer. Miss Iva Fairweather is in Shediac, the guest of Miss Beattie Wortman.

Mr. J. J. Walker has gone to Montreal to spend some time with his daughter, Mrs. Charles Meyers.

Mr. J. H. Rogers is visiting relative St. John.

Mr. Ella Crocker, of Hopewell Cape, is spending a few days with Mrs. B. Taylor.

On Friday evening Miss Helen Jameson entertained a number of friends at a table party.

Mr. Allan Troy spent part of the week at relatives in Newcastle.

Miss Hazel Lockhart, who has been spending the last six months in the west, returned home. She was accompanied by her sister, Mrs. George McKenzie, who will spend some time here with her mother, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Lockhart.

Mr. Edgar West is spending a few days in Hillsboro with his daughter, Mrs. Bruce Steves.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Gross are also in Hillsboro, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. Lander.

Mr. Lindley Carter received her friends the first time since her marriage at the home of Mrs. Samuel McKee. Mrs. Carter was given in green ottoman silk and assisted in receiving by her sister, Mrs. Harriet Moore, and Mrs. McKee. Mr. Condon and Mrs. W. C. Paver presided in the tea room and were assisted by Mrs. Thomas Jones, Miss Margaret Dougan, Miss Eva Chapman, Miss Minnie Hunter, Miss Mabel Hunter and Mrs. ne Malcolm. The rooms were attractively decorated with pink and white carnations and chrysanthemums.

Mr. George Purdy, of Springfield, is spending a few days in town with Mr. and Mrs. Angus McLellan.

Mr. and Mrs. David Pottinger left on Monday for Ottawa.

Mr. and Mrs. McLean, of P. E. Island, returned to the park in the city.

Mr. W. C. Weaver entertained at bridge Saturday afternoon, when the guests were Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Paver and New York, won the first prize and the second, Mrs. Harry Gordon.

Miss Dorothy Williams, Miss Stewart and Miss Grace Harris, were the winners. Among those present were Mrs. Edward, Miss MacDougal, Mrs. George, Mrs. James Dugan, Mrs. A. E. Sweeney, Mrs. A. R. Myers, Mrs. McKee, Mrs. C. T. Purdy, Mrs. E. J. Jones, Mrs. Thea, Miss Thorne, Mrs. Birmingham, Mrs. Reid MacManus, Mrs. McAdison and the Misses Douglas, Miss Emma Sangster has returned from Avilla, where she was the guest of Mrs. B. L. Harris.

Mr. B. L. Harris is spending a few days with friends in Ottawa.

Mr. J. Carroll has returned to his home in St. Stephen after a pleasant stay in town.

Mr. Violet Goodwin has returned to home in Bathurst after a pleasant visit with her aunt, Mrs. W. Hayes.

George Doolittle, of the Bank of Montreal, has been transferred to Avilla and leaves in a few days for that place. Mr. R. E. LeMoine, of the same bank, has been transferred to Stratford.

Mr. Harry W. Anderson received for the first time since her marriage on Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Anderson was wearing a gown of black and white dress of embroidered net and was assisted in receiving by her mother-in-law, Mrs. Anderson, who was wearing a gown with a train and a black and white dress. Miss Elizabeth Crockett assisted in serving the tea. Miss Doyle wore black-voile with black and white. Miss Keith, black and white with black and white. Miss Crockett, white marquisette and blue with black hat. Mrs. Malcolm wore white and black with black hat. Mrs. Fraser, who was wearing a pearl gown and a black velvet hat. Miss Dorothy Lawson presided at the table.

At a meeting of representatives of the city council, board of trade and Moncton council of trades and professions, the matter of a revision of the present assessment law was discussed at length.

The trades and labor council advocated an increase of 10 per cent on the present rate, similar to the rate in Vancouver and other cities. It was finally decided to refer the matter to the city council to endorse the petition passed by the Union of New Brunswick Municipalities. Newcastle asks the legislature to pass an act vesting municipalities authority by a vote of a majority of the rate payers to improve the water supply, or in the case of a water supply, or in the case of a water supply, or in the case of a water supply.

The complaint of the delegation from the board of trade and Moncton council was that the lands in Moncton are taxed excessively, but the burden of taxation is on improvements, personal property, etc.

At a meeting of the Moncton Tramway Electric City & Company today made a test of nature, which is now at the city boundary on the Petricodale river bridge. The test was satisfactory, there being a pressure of 100 pounds, with only one inch on the line between the wells and a distance of seven or eight miles.

The test was made in the presence of the city council, including Dr. Anderson, O. P. Boggs, Mitchell Ritchie, and others.

Moncton, N. B., Nov. 19.—Charles Elliott, well known gunsmith and sportsman, who passed away at his home, Main street, this morning, after seven weeks' illness.

Mr. Elliott came to Moncton from St. John thirty years ago and was in business here during that period. He was highly esteemed. He was former prominent member of the Moncton Club and was well known to market all over the province. He was sixty years of age and is survived by two sons and two daughters. Arthur W. is in the navy; Charles Vincent, at home. The others are Mrs. E. W. Chastler, Edson; Miss Vivian Frances, at home.

A. Fryers received word of the death of Mrs. Sarah A. Coates, widow of John Coates, which occurred Saturday at her home in Coates's Mills, Kent county. She was sixty-four years of age. Two daughters, Mrs. E. A. Fryers and Mrs. Nickerson, and one son John T. L. Brackman, reside in Moncton. Mrs. Tony McNair, of Buctouche and Mrs. Elizabeth McLean, Lincoln (N. H.), are sisters. Albert, another son, is at home in S. Cutler who makes her home in

SPECER FAKING, SAY ALIENISTS

Murderer Enraged at Testimony

Fellow Prisoner Tells of Admissions by Defendant

Gave as His Reason for Killing School Teacher That "Dead Tell No Tales"

Evidence About Completed and Case Likely to Reach Jury Tonight.

Springfield, Mass., Nov. 23.—It is the expectation of attorneys for the commonwealth and for the defense that the case of Bertram O. Spencer, charged with the murder of Miss Martha B. Blackstone, will be in the hands of the jury by tomorrow night. The commonwealth plans to tomorrow forenoon to complete its rebuttal testimony with the calling of two or three alienists and the defense will follow this with brief testimony in rebuttal.

The lawyers have agreed to allow two hours to each for argument and if there are no unexpected delays or interruptions the jury will be charged and given the case tomorrow evening.

When Dr. C. P. Hooker, county physician, who examined Spencer in the Springfield jail, took the stand this forenoon, the defendant glared at him. When the witness testified that he had said to the prisoner, "Spencer, you are faking," Spencer rose to his feet and angrily denounced the witness, declaring that Dr. Hooker had tried to poison him at the jail. After officers had overpowered the prisoner he was quiet for the remainder of the day and appeared to pay little further attention to the testimony.

Admits Faking.

Several witnesses for the state testified today that at the time they knew Spencer he appeared in normal mental condition.

A convict from the state prison, Horace J. St. John, who was sent to the Bridgewater State Hospital for insanity, after, as he testified, he had feigned insanity, was put on the stand late today.

One day, according to the witness, when Spencer was sitting on a cot in the hospital and drew as well as Spencer, did not seem to be very insane. He was dressed in draw and various queer notions with his head and body and told the witness that if he did not do those things the doctors would think he was sane. St. John said he was convinced that Spencer was feigning insanity.

Witness said he told Dr. Elliott, superintendent of the insane department of the Bridgewater Hospital, what Spencer had said; that he wrote to Dr. Elliott last August and talked with him about it last month. The witness was sent back to Charlestown prison on Oct. 27. One of the witnesses said he asked Spencer why he killed Miss Blackstone, why he did not merely hit her and make his escape. He said Spencer replied, "Dead people talk no tales."

Cross-examined St. John said that while at the Bridgewater institution, Spencer had told stories of insanity on the part of the guards, but that in one case when Spencer had declared a guard had hit him, Spencer admitted to witness that he had struck him. Asked why he feigned insanity, witness said he thought he would like Bridgewater better than Charlestown.

Sane, Say Alienists.

The first alienist called by the state, Dr. Leonard A. Baker, first assistant physician at the Bridgewater Hospital Insane Department, testified that he had observed Spencer almost daily while he was at Bridgewater. He declared Spencer mentally defective to a certain extent, but not insane. He said he was present when the prisoner, St. John, told Dr. Elliott his opinion of Spencer.

Dr. H. C. Quinby, superintendent of the Worcester State Hospital, was examined at greater length.

Attorney General Swift read a long hypothetical question covering Spencer's movements on the night of the murder and asked the witness if these acts coincided with those of a sane man.

"They are consistent with the actions of a sane man," replied Dr. Quinby.

Asked another hypothetical question, including most of Spencer's confession of numerous robberies in addition to the murder, witness said that a person committing such acts and describing them in this manner, was able to distinguish between right and wrong and knew there was a penalty for his acts.

"Assuming all this to be true, what do you think of such a man?" asked the attorney general.

"I think he is not insane," said Dr. Quinby.

The last witness of today was Dr. D. H. Fuller, of Boston, a visitor for the State Board of Insanity. He said he went to Bridgewater in February last to investigate reports that Spencer was being ill-treated. He could not at that time reach

WILL SIR EDWARD GREY RESIGN FROM CABINET?

Report in London He Will

Foreign Secretary Nettled at Criticism of His Secret Policy—Dyce Talked of to Succeed Him—Other Ministers Likely to Follow if He Goes Out.

London, Nov. 23.—The belief prevails in political circles that Sir Edward Grey, secretary for foreign affairs, will retire from the cabinet after his eagerly expected expiration of foreign relations on Nov. 27, in the house of commons, and that James Bryce, ambassador to the United States, will succeed him.

The resignation of the foreign secretary will almost certainly be handed to the prime minister should any lack of confidence be shown in his policy during the debate which will follow his statement on Monday.

Sir Edward Grey, who, during the earlier years of his occupancy of the office, received the almost unanimous support of all parties, has recently been the subject of continuous attacks from the opposition but by men of his own party, of rather the extreme radical element in that party.

The secrecy with which diplomatic negotiations have been carried on has aroused the ire of the Radicals, who latterly have received some support from the more moderate Liberals. The disclosures regarding the Anglo-German conversations with respect to Morocco and the statements that these two countries were on the verge of war have given the Radicals another opening, and they are now, it is believed, pressing for the retirement of Sir Edward.

"We won't be drawn into war without knowing the reason why," declared the Radical leader, Mr. Asquith. "The Radicals favor an Anglo-German understanding, and hence Sir Edward Grey of backing their efforts in this direction, either by his own design or through the influence of anti-imperialist officials in the foreign office." Lord Curzon, secretary of state, and Reginald McKenna, the home secretary, will likely follow him.

Bryce, the Likely Successor.

James Bryce is the man thought most likely to be his successor as he would be supported by the entire Liberal leadership when the Unionists attacked him for the part he took in the negotiations on the subject of reciprocity between Canada and the United States.

By a tacit understanding the Unionist leaders support the government's foreign policy, or at least refrain from criticizing it. They like the moderate Liberal, "foreign office," Lord Curzon, secretary of state, and Reginald McKenna, the home secretary, will likely follow him.

The lobby in full of rumors of other troubles besetting the government. It is said in Unionist quarters that the cabinet is not so able to satisfy John Redmond's Home Rule demand which has increased through fear of the growing O'Brienite strength in Ireland, and the Laborites are dissatisfied with the findings of the royal commission last August, with respect to the railway strike. They blame the cabinet for failure to secure recognition of the unions.

The prime minister, it is true, is under heavy obligations to avoid a crisis during the king's absence, but it may be beyond his power to do so.

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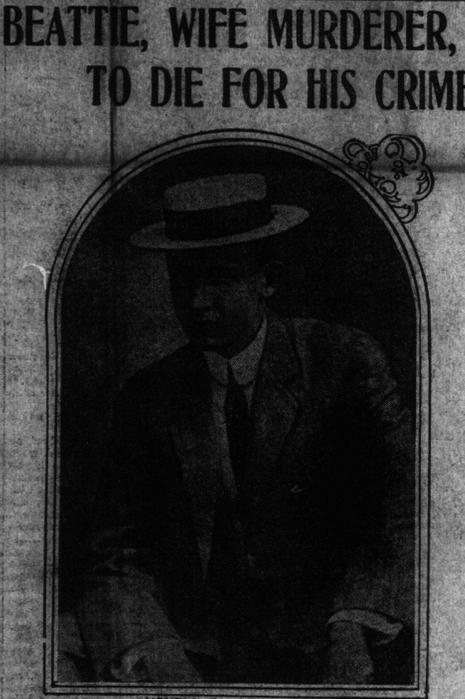
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HENRY C. BEATTIE, JR.

BEATTIE, WIFE MURDERER, TO DIE FOR HIS CRIME

Richmond, Va., Nov. 23.—Taking a pathetic leave from his family Henry Clay Beattie, Jr., made ready to take the final plunge into eternity. Tomorrow before the sun is an hour high he will have paid the penalty demanded by the law for the murder of his young wife. This is the only case in which a man has been sentenced to die for the murder of his wife.

For a few brief moments today Beattie, owing to his unusual features, attracted a crowd of on-lookers. He was dressed in a dark suit and a white shirt with a high collar. He was looking directly at the camera with a steady gaze.

At the coroner's inquest the weapon was identified by Paul Beattie, a second cousin of young Henry, as the weapon he had purchased for Henry with money furnished by the latter. Beattie was arrested immediately after the shooting. This was on July 21, and on Aug. 10, one month after the day of the murder, the trial was begun before Judge Walter A. Watson, in the picturesque little Chesapeake county court house, sixteen miles from here.

The jury was made up almost entirely of farmers, and on this fact Beattie based his claim that he had been convicted, not for the murder of his wife, but because of his relations with Beulah Binford, a notorious young woman. He insisted to the jury that he had never had any relations with Binford, and that she had been a prostitute.

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For a brief time Beattie's story was given some degree of credence, but within a day or two suspicion began to point to him, and he was kept under the closest surveillance. Bloodhounds, taken to the scene of the crime, refused to leave the place, circling around the bloodspot on the road.

Beattie, it eventually transpired, had thrown the shotgun into the bushes of the automobile after the shooting, but in passing over some railroad tracks set for from the scene it had been jolted out and was picked up later by a negro. This, Beattie declared, alleged had belonged to the mysterious highwayman, proved the means of sending the young man to the electric chair.

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"REDEVE," Rider Haggard's Thrilling Tale of Chivalry, Love and Adventure, Will Begin in The Semi-Weekly Telegraph, Saturday, December 2.