

IS THIS MORE UNWRITTEN LAW

Baseball Player Shoots and Kills Vaudeville Singer.

Had Confessed to Improper Relations With Murderer's Wife.

Assassin Would Have Suicided But For His Little Boy.

Fort Worth, Texas, March 15.—Fred Morris, a baseball player, last night shot and instantly killed Otto H. Meyer, a vaudeville singer, in a room in a local hotel, after having obtained a written confession that his relations with Mrs. Morris were improper.

The two men came to the hotel together and were assigned to the same room. Shortly after they had retired the shots were heard. Meyer was found lying in a pool of blood, while Morris, upon the approach of the hotel authorities, calmly announced: "I guess I am the man you are looking for, I think the police need me."

After he and Meyer had reached the room, Morris declared, he read an incriminating letter, the significance of which Meyer admitted. He then forced Meyer to write and sign the confession, and then told him that he intended to kill him.

"Meyer extended his arms," said Morris, "and told me to shoot him through the heart, so that all would be over at once. I did as he suggested, and would follow him beyond the grave except for the fact that I have a little boy, who, I think, needs me to look after him."

Both men are from Deaton, Texas.

BOSTON PARADE.

Demonstration Against the Sentences of Gompers and Others.

Boston, March 15.—As a demonstration against the sentences of imprisonment upon the labor delegates, Samuel Gompers, John Mitchell and Frank Morrison, in the now prominent Buck Stove & Range Co. case by Judge Wright in the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, more than 5,000 members of labor unions paraded here yesterday.

A large meeting was held in Faneuil Hall, where a resolution was drawn up, in which it was alleged that the courts were biased and the laws directed at one class only. Judge Wright was accused of using "intemperate and bitter language to representatives of organized labor," and it was said that he "was not a fit person to handle the case."

Copies of the resolution were sent to President Taft, Vice-President Sherman and Speaker Cannon.

FIRE AND SWORD.

Persian Cutthroats Burn and Pillage Villages.

St. Petersburg, March 15.—A despatch to the Novoe Vremya from Julfa, on the frontier of Persia and Russia, says that 1,000 Persian Government horsemen and 500 infantry men are marching on Julfa from the Persian bank of the Araxes River, devastating the villages in their path and shooting down the people. Already ten villages, four of them inhabited by Russian subjects, have been pillaged and burned. The troops are ruthlessly killing the fleeing peasants. Many women, carrying their children on their backs, attempted to swim the Araxes to the Russian side, but they were shot down. Three hundred homeless families have taken refuge on an island in the river opposite Julfa.

SAFETY DEPOSIT BOXES

To rent at \$2 a year and upwards, for the storing of deeds, bonds, stocks, wills, silver and other valuables.

TRADERS BANK OF CANADA.

BECK BILL WOULD HOLD UP THE WORK

Crown Point People Discuss Annexation--Board of Education Members Score Stewart.

It looks as if the Beck bill, which is intended to prevent any Council from granting any franchise for longer than a year, will, if it becomes law, hold up the building of the new car sheds and shops. Officials of the Dominion Power & Transmission Company say that the bill becomes retroactive, dating from March 1. According to this bill the by-law granting the company the right to lay tracks on Sanford avenue and Wentworth street to connect with the car sheds would have to first be submitted to the people. The city officials are firmly of the opinion that the bill, in its present shape, will never pass the House. They say it would cause endless trouble.

Mrs. Thomas W. Watkins and Mrs. Robert Evans called on Mayor McLaren and left with him a petition to be signed by His Worship and the aldermen. It beseeches the Ontario Government to establish a Provincial institute or industrial home for the reception of feeble-minded girls and women, unmarried, between the ages of 14 and 45, and to provide for the custodial care of such women. The Mayor says he thinks it is a good idea, and that there should be an institution of this sort.

T. J. Stewart, M. P., was in the city over Sunday, and ran foul of the members of the Board of Education. A statement was made by one of the mem-



JOHN LENNOX, Commodore of the Royal Hamilton Yacht Club for 1909.

BIRRELL IS ON THE JOB.

Detective Bleakley Declined to Accept License Inspectorship.

Toronto, Ont., March 15.—(Special.)—Once again the Ontario Government has had a newly appointed officer in the license department to a query as the license department before really beginning work. John Bleakley, whose appointment to the license inspectorship of Hamilton was announced on Friday, has refused to accept the position, just as Henry Sheard did after his appointment to the license board of Toronto.

"We do not know anything about it, except that Mr. Bleakley has refused to act," was the reply made by an official of the license department to a query as to the situation. "There is no doubt that Mr. Bleakley accepted the position, but evidently has now changed his mind about it."

"Certainly, there is. Mr. Birrell was not notified, and you will no doubt find him in his office in Hamilton to-day." The Provincial Secretary was not in his office this morning, and no information concerning a possible nominee could be obtained.

BIRRELL STILL ON JOB.

"Well, you haven't moved out yet, Mr. Inspector," was the greeting a Times man gave Mr. Birrell this morning, when he entered the latter's office.

"No, I have not retired yet," said Mr. Birrell, "and I have not received a scratch of a pen from the department giving me any indication that there is likely to be a change."

"I see by a report in the morning papers that you vacated the office on Saturday."

"I have not done anything of the sort. Naturally I am anxious to find out which way the wind is blowing, and to that end have not been doing much in the inspecting of hotels. I have not received a complaint from the department job, that Detective Bleakley has been advised to lay low and wait for changes in the Hamilton police force; that R. C. Pettigrew, James Kingdon and James Sturdy are being booked for Birrell's job."

CANON CODY'S LECTURE.

A rich treat is in store for the public on Wednesday evening next, at the Conservatory of Music, "Irish Social Life a Hundred Years ago," is the subject that will receive masterly treatment at the hands of this scholarly and eloquent divine.

EX-CHIEF MALONE

Making the Best of It in the Kingston Tailor Shop.

(Special Despatch to the Times.) Kingston, Ont., March 15.—Ex-chief of Police Malone, of Simcoe, has been enrolled among the employees of the tailor shop at the penitentiary. The prisoner is taking his lot philosophically, and is making the best of it.

LUNCHEON SCHOLARS.

London, March 15.—Ambassador and Mrs. Reid entertained the American Rhodes scholars at the luncheon today. The students were accompanied by Dr. and Mrs. Geo. Roberts Parkin and several Oxford professors. The members of the American embassy also were present. Toasts were drunk to King Edward and Pres. Taft and a silent toast to Cecil Rhodes was proposed. The luncheon was followed by a concert.

Every Drop

Of this season's maple syrup we guarantee absolutely pure and made from this season's sap. The run so far has been very light, consequently quality limit; it's thick, bright and the flavor perfect. Marmalade oranges are still of a good quality, large, bright stock. They will soon be done. Don't delay ordering.

Large, ripe pineapples, spy apples, comb and extracted honey.—Bain & Adams, 89-91 King street east.

STUDY OF BIBLE.

Kingston, March 15.—The historical or critical method of studying the Bible rather than the theological or traditional method was strongly advocated in a sermon preached in Brock Street Church yesterday by the pastor, Rev. T. E. Burke. He preferred the historical method, because it was the scientific and religious method.

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KINRADE TRAGEDY IS ALL ABSORBING

Although the Intense Excitement of Last Week is Over the Interest is Maintained.

Friends Characterize the Treatment the Family Has Been Subjected to as Cruel in the Extreme.

Hardly Likely That the Inquest Can be Concluded in One More Session—May Recall Members of Family.

For the first time in two weeks Hamilton has an opportunity to sit back and calmly survey the Kinrade tragedy after a welcome relax from the tension imposed by the intensely thrilling and dramatic climaxes of this sensational murder mystery. The city is deserted by the army of newspaper correspondents, attracted from all over the country by this remarkable case, and it is taken for granted that there will be no further developments until Coroner Anderson's jury sits again to resume the enquiry which was brought to such a dramatic close on Friday evening, when Florence Kinrade, at the end of a three hours' grilling cross examination by the inexorable Blackstock, emitted that piercing scream, "I see the man, I see the man. He will shoot me; he will shoot me."

The belief is general here that the real crisis will be reached on Friday evening next. It is also believed to be the crown's intention to place Florence Kinrade on the stand again, and perhaps her mother also. A prominent criminal lawyer, "else he would have objected to much of the irrelevant stuff that was gone over, time and time again."

FAMILY RETAIN MR. STAUNTON.

The Kinrade family have retained George Leach-Staunton, K. C., to look after their interests at the inquest, and when the jury meets again, Mr. Staunton will be there. Not the slightest objection has been made by any of the family yet to the way the enquiry has been conducted. Mr. Thomas Hobson has been present in the family's interest at

all the sessions, but has offered no objections to any of the questions asked any of the witnesses. He has allowed the crown examiners to repeat, time and again, in the most pointed manner, questions that have been answered unhesitatingly already and has never once sought to prevent the subjection of the members of his client's family to questions which even some of the jurors afterwards characterized as being heartless. "Stern duty is heartless" anyway, said one of the foremost lawyers in Hamilton when discussing the case after Friday's examination of Miss Florence, and Mr. Blackstock saw nothing but duty.

The very fact that Mr. Hobson allowed Miss Florence to undergo a three-and-a-half-hour grilling on Friday, on the very same question, very largely with which she was tortured on Wednesday, has had an effect upon the public mind. "It is unmistakably evident that Mr. Hobson is absolutely certain that the family has nothing to hold back; has no desire in the matter except the clearing up of the tragedy," said a prominent criminal lawyer, "else he would have objected to much of the irrelevant stuff that was gone over, time and time again."

Friends of the family feel, however, that the Kinrades have submitted to enough up and down the corridor outside on Friday evening was the climax. While her hysterical cries, sounding almost like maniacal laughter, rang through the building, Ernest Kinrade pushed up and down the corridor outside the room where his sister was being cared for, and denounced the officials who were responsible for the terrible experience his sister passed through. Different papers, too, have taken the matter

up, and declared that the probing in this case is unprecedented in the history of coroner's juries. Some of them refer to it as "the third degree in public."

Members of the family, too, are annoyed at the sensational reports that have appeared in some papers, principally the American yellow journals. There is little chance of getting any satisfaction out of them through the courts, but it is said that there is a way of proceeding against the local correspondents on charges of criminal libel, and that an attempt will be made. The family complains that one of the worst offenders has been a Detroit afternoon paper, and Mr. Staunton's first statement in connection with the matter was that he would notify the newspapers that they would be held responsible for all the libellous reports which have been published about Miss Kinrade and other members of the family.

MONTROSE WRIGHT COMPLAINS.

C. Montrose Wright, Florence's fiancé, is one of those who complains bitterly about the treatment his sweetheart has been subjected to, and in an interview he said: "Mr. Blackstock might as well have asked the girl the direct question as to cast such insinuations as he did in his last question, and great heavens, man, do you think that if that girl knows more about the case than she has told, or who shot her sister, or that if she, as some people are base and vile enough to insinuate, had shot her sister, that she could bear up under the agonizing torture of seven hours on the stand? Why the greatest criminal on earth would give way under such pressure. I'm so firmly convinced that that girl is innocent that—that—" and Mr. Wright was unable to give adequate expression to his thoughts.

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ST. KITTS LICENSES.

Report That They Will be Cut Down to Twelve.

St. Catharines Mayor Very Sick With Pleuro-Pneumonia.

(Special Despatch to the Times.) St. Catharines, Ont., March 15.—A rumor has been going the rounds here this morning that the Provincial Secretary has sent instructions to the City License Commissioners in response to the request of the City Council expressed in a resolution at its last meeting, to accede to the wishes of the people and grant but twelve hotel licenses for the ensuing license year, instead of the nineteen, as at present. The Chairman of the Board could not be found this morning to have the report confirmed or denied. Commissioner Hudson, however, said that as far as he knew no definite instructions had been received. Commissioner Dunlop, when called up on the phone, said he had heard nothing of any such instructions. Both of the Commissioners, when spoken to, however, left the impression on the mind of the correspondent that they expect some such favor. Mayor Campbell is very ill at his home on Church street, of pleuro-pneumonia. He was reported this morning to have passed a fairly good night.

THE MAN IN OVERALLS

Easter openings. Come out, ladies. Good Friday is next in line. Keep quiet and let others do the worrying about the tragedy.

The Saturday market will soon be worth getting up in the morning to see. Flowers bloom in the spring, etc.

Now, who was Mr. Birrell's executioner? Is his decapitation to go thundering down the ages as another Hamilton mystery?

Suppose the pumps were to give out, wouldn't it be awful, Mabel?

Is Mr. Barker earning his money down at Ottawa this season? He is strangely silent.

Some people are already talking about moving down to the Beach. What do you think of that?

Those people who are so positive they have got the right theory should claim the \$2,000 reward.

If the Tories cannot trust Allan Studholme with Hamilton business, what's the matter with Dan Reed or Gordon Wilson?

Now here is Adam Beck with a bill to close the courts against the people. This country is getting more like Russia every day.

Some of my contemporaries seem unable to get type big enough or black enough for head lines with which to scream loud enough.

The aldermen who did not attend the car barn meeting may be able to prove an alibi.

But then Mr. Hendrie may be able to pay his own way, and would rather do that than sponge upon the Province.

After having read some of the reports of the Kinrade tragedy inquest in the Yankee papers, I agree with the Windsor Record that "they are a disgrace to journalism."

The Spectator, I understand, still sticks to its theory that when the ice breaks up in the bay it sinks to the bottom. Gets waterlogged, I suppose.

The man who shot Constable Smith would confer a favor by calling at the police station and identifying himself.

C. Montrose Wright is the goods all right. A lover any girl might be proud of.

CUT HIS THROAT.

Attempt to Kill Man and Conceal Crime by Fire.

Dying Man Gave Name of Assassin Who Attacked Him

Monticello, N. Y., March 15.—Bernard Solomon was found dying from terrible wounds in his house here to-day, the circumstances indicating that an attempt had been made to kill him, and that the dwelling had been fired in an effort to conceal the crime. Thomas Walsh, in passing, discovered the house on fire, and found Solomon in the attic with his throat cut and several long knife slashes on the body. The wounded man was hastily dragged from the burning house and given stimulants to revive him. In a moment of consciousness he gave the police the name of a man who he said had tried to kill him and had set fire to the house. The dwelling was burned to the ground. While it was still ablaze the police went to work on the case, and made a number of arrests. It is believed that the crime was committed in the barn adjoining the house, as a trail of blood led from the barn to the house, and upstairs to the attic chamber.

U. S. CONGRESS.

Opening of Extraordinary Session of the 61st Congress.

Washington, March 15.—Precisely at noon to-day the extraordinary session of the 61st Congress called by the President for the purpose of enacting tariff legislation, began. The Senate already has to its credit a brief session of the new Congress, this being customary following the incoming of a new administration, in order that Cabinet and other appointments might be confirmed. As is always with the convening of a new Congress, great crowds were attracted to the Capitol, but only a small percentage of these were able to gain admittance to either chamber.

SELECTING A MAYOR.

Los Angeles, Cal., March 15.—The City Council is in session to-day for the purpose of selecting a successor to former Mayor Harper, who resigned last Thursday night, facing an election on his recall, the first election of the kind ever held in any American city for the recall of a mayor. Since his resignation was accepted on the following morning by the council, the city has been without a mayor.

MR. BEST IN LONDON.

Mr. T. F. Best addressed the men's meeting in the Y. M. C. A. auditorium, London, yesterday afternoon. His subject was "Heroes of the Yeld." Major Winn, of the London Infantry School, was chairman. The London Y. M. C. A. Sunday afternoon men's meeting has the largest attendance of men in Canada, upwards of 500 attending regularly.

LEFT \$2,000 TO CHURCH.

Kingston, March 15.—The late Mrs. William Braden, of Williamsburg, bequeathed two thousand dollars to the trustees of Princess Street Methodist Church. The bequest came as a great surprise to the congregation.

FERRY LINE.

Boat to North Side of the Bay This Summer.

Woodman Brothers are pushing along arrangements for the ferry service which they propose to run on the bay during the summer. They have arranged for a boat which will carry 100 people and for a pavilion boat for pleasure purposes, which will have a large carrying capacity, and a deck surface of 170x26 feet. It is the promoters' intention to give a four-trip service during the summer. The boat will leave the foot of Hughson street, sail to Brown's wharf, and then call at points as far west as Rock Bay, including the R. C. Cemetery. It is the intention of the Messrs. Woodman to ultimately give a full north side service.

STOLE \$196.

D. Fairchild, Tiffany Street, Victimized by a Robber.

Burglars entered the home of D. Fairchild, 12 Tiffany street, on Saturday between 7 a. m. and 7 p. m. through a back window, and stole \$196 that was hidden between two mattresses. The police are investigating.

LEFT ESTATE OF \$82,000.

Wills Probated and Estates Entered for Administration.

In the list of wills entered for probate, that of James Thomson, lumber dealer, is valued at \$82,407.66. The widow, Louise Thomson, is given a life interest in the estate. After the death of the widow, the two daughters, Mary Louise and Muriel Ernestine, and the son, John A. C. Thomson, will divide the estate, share and share alike. The estate is made up as follows: Household goods and furniture \$1,500.00 Stock in trade \$13,757.75 Horses, wagons \$682.00 Office furniture \$75.00 Book debts and promissory notes \$10,580.36 Money secured by life insurance \$5,000.00 Bank stock and other stocks \$7,168.00 Cash in bank and on hand \$8,985.15 Real estate \$5,000.00 \$82,407.66

The will of John Hanrahan, who kept the Nelson House for years, has been entered. The estate is valued at \$21,207. To his brother, James Hanrahan, he left \$2,000, and the balance to his wife, Elizabeth Hanrahan. Among the items are: Real estate, \$2,500; cash in bank, \$14,460.27; Britannia Athletic Park Association, one share, \$100; stock in trade in the Nelson House, \$4,000.

Henry O'Reilly, banker, who died a few weeks ago, leaves the whole amount of his estate, \$10,391.93, to his wife. The following is the rest of the wills entered for probate:

- Talbert Carey, Freeport \$6,764.22 John Whittaker, Sarnia \$3,991.99 Philip Wastick, Ancaster \$8,191.50 Jo'n Burgess, city \$428.69 Richard Webber, Glanford \$8,121.36 Mrs. Mary Ann Nelligan, city \$3,888.00 Mrs. Ernestine Bull, Waterdown \$3,670.30 Mrs. Martha Eliza Hunt, city \$4,274.11 Joseph Mason, city \$6,892.83 John Parkin, Binbrook \$7,537.00 Mrs. Ann Ray, Waterdown \$5,475.99

Administration has been applied for in the following estates: Robert Thomson, city \$160.00 James Stradwick, city \$95.00 Mrs. Ellen Rutherford, city \$918.35 Benjamin Temple, city \$1,133.33 Thomas McNoah, city \$137.00 Mrs. Margaret Temple, city \$3,400.00 Arthur C. Jones, of Barton \$5,094.00 Miss Agnes Grant, city \$1,875.77 Mrs. Catherine Sullivan, city \$272.00 Thomas P. O'Connor, city \$160.00

THOS. HOBSON ON KINRADE MURDER.

Made No Objections to Blackstock's Questions Because Family Had Nothing to Hold Back.

From now until Friday night, when the coroner jury meets again, to probe the Kinrade murder mystery, the detectives will devote their time to hunting up new evidence, in the hope of throwing some light on the mystery. They are reported to be working on a new theory. Although they have clung to one central theory since the inquest opened, they have had in mind at least two others, and that is clearly shown by the wide scope of the investigation. The local officers declared to-day that there was positively nothing new, and Provincial Detective Miller, who has charge of the case, was not at police headquarters this morning. Before coming to Hamilton on Saturday he had an interview with Hon. J. J. Foy, the Attorney-General. When asked immediately after if there were any new developments, he declared there was not.

REPORTERS REFUSED NEWS. Reporters called at the home of Nurse Walker this morning to enquire as to the health of Mrs. and Miss Kinrade. Mrs. Walker came to the door and said that the nurse was ill and would see no one. Asked if the family were staying with her, she said she could not speak as to that, and she refused to say anything about their condition. While the newspapermen were at the door Miss Florence Kinrade put her head cautiously

ROUND-UP CONTINUES.

A "Regular" Given Three Months at Hard Labor.

Grimby Farmer Found Visit to the City Expensive.

B. B. Morden Committed For Trial at Higher Court.

The vag. round-up goes merrily on, the police drag net resulting in three cases in the police court this morning. Constables Cameron and Barrett have been doing plain clothes duty for the past week, and their efforts have been wholly confined to gathering in the suspicious characters that haunt the side streets and saloons and pick up a living by begging. Their work has been done in an intelligent, careful way, and Hamilton people have reason to congratulate themselves that these two officers have given them a measure of relief already.

The disappearance of Thomas Dixon will be the cause of considerable rejoicing amongst the hotel proprietors. This worthy has an unconquerable aversion to hard work, and previous to his arrest spent his time hanging around saloons. F. C. Cameron reported that Dixon would not work as long as he could get a living by begging. "I have made enquiries and found that this man has been sleeping in stables and box cars," said the officer.

"Have you any possessions, such as a trunk?" asked the magistrate. "No, I sold it about two months ago," replied the vag.

"I have no confidence in a man who has no clothes other than those on his back," remarked the magistrate. "I guess we will have to take care of you until the warm weather sets in. You are sentenced to three months in jail with hard labor."

Hugh Walsh pleaded not guilty when charged with vagrancy. James Buchanan, for his idleness was the fact that he was unable to secure work, he explained. "Have you got a trunk?" asked the magistrate.

"Yes, sir, in Brantford," answered Walsh. The magistrate then took the address of the house where the trunk is supposed to be, and remanded Walsh until inquiries can be made.

One of the most surprised individuals in the court room was James Buchanan, when charged with vagrancy. "Had he not worked until a week ago? The deuce! A man should be able to take little holiday occasionally."

"Have you a trunk?" queried the court. "I have, and it is stored just across the street," replied the indignant one. "I'll give you a chance to get to work, but don't forget what will happen if you come back here without the magistrate, as he dismissed the case."

Edgar Kitchen, a Grimby farmer, came to Hamilton Saturday afternoon with \$32 in his pocket and a determination to find a "time" in his head. Yesterday afternoon about 6 o'clock P. C. Clark came across him in an alley off

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SICK IN JAIL.

Sad Fate of a Canadian Undesirable in Detroit.

Detroit, Mich., March 15.—Delay in the receipt of deportation papers may cost the life of a Canadian girl from St. Thomas, Ont., who now lies in serious condition in St. Mary's Hospital. The girl was locked up in the county jail by the federal authorities on a charge of being an undesirable. Details of her case were sent to Washington and deportation papers asked for, but it was not until a few days ago that they arrived as far as can be learned. In the meantime the girl fell ill with a kind of tuberculosis, and grew worse rapidly and was removed to the hospital. If she recovers she will be sent to her home.

INVESTIGATING AT GODERICH.

Crown Attorney Washington was seen to-day by a Times reporter, and showed an inclination to discuss the weather, rather than the murder, about which he was asked several questions. Speaking of the despatch in a morning paper, that Miss Kinrade stayed at a hotel a week in Goderich and the reference to the Elliott and Robinson families, Mr. Washington remarked that this would seem to contradict some of the statements that the girl made on the stand on Friday afternoon and evening. "We knew about Sadie Chambers and the other family of Robinsons long ago," said the Crown Attorney, "but we do not know that she stayed there. However, I will know the whole facts of her stay in Goderich in a very short time."

"How is that?" he was asked. "Goderich is my native town," he said, with a smile, "and I am having some private enquiries made that will be accurate." He expects word in a few days from this source, and stated that he would bring witnesses here, if necessary.

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