

FLORENCE KINRADE'S STORY UNSHAKEN



MISS FLORENCE KINRADE, As she appeared in the witness box when being examined at the inquest last evening.

When Brought Out by Crown Examiner Her History of the Murder Is Remarkable One.

Her Singing Trips Made a Peculiar Story--Looked Upon Jimmie Baum's Proposal as Jest.

Points Brought Out At the Inquest

T. L. Kinrade in his evidence testified: That the Kinrades were a most affectionate family and never quarreled. That he had never had an estrangement with his son Ernest. That all the members of the family were opposed to Florence going back to Virginia to sing on the stage. That he did not think he used the expression: "I have expected this for a long time," and if he did it was because he believed at the time that it was Florence who had been murdered. Florence Kinrade in her testimony said: That she had made numerous long trips with a Miss Marion Elliott, who "had made herself known to me," and with a Mrs. Kenneth Brown, of Syracuse, who introduced herself at Toronto. That Jimmie Baum, of Portsmouth, one of the moving picture company, proposed to her, but she treated it as a jest. That she had grown very tired of stage life and had abandoned it for good when she returned to Hamilton last December. That she had never had any trouble with any member of the family, but was always on the best of terms with all. That she saw the murderer the second time when she returned to the house; that he did not look like a tramp nor like a gentleman. That she had never seen the man before and that she did not know who he was. That "I would gladly tell if I could."



GEORGE TATE BLACKSTOCK, As he appeared when examining Miss Florence Kinrade at the inquest last evening.

SATISFIED WITH THE FIRST NIGHT

Seems to be the Feeling of Crown and of Kinrade Family Friends as Well.

Perhaps not less dramatic than the scene early this morning in the police court room, when Florence Kinrade, after the Crown counsel had leaned over and asked, "Now tell me who shot your sister," causing the slender girl in black to almost collapse on the witness stand, will be the second session of Coroner Anderson's jury to-night, when the investigation in the sensational Herkimer street murder mystery will be resumed. Nothing worth while has been revealed yet. They declare that the investigation has just begun, and that before it is ended every nook and corner will have been probed until the public are satisfied beyond doubt it is an unsolvable mystery or until Ethel Kinrade's murder has been explained and possibly avenged. The detectives are not at all disturbed because the first night of the investigation failed to reveal anything that can really be seized upon to assist in solving the case. In fact, they profess to be quite satisfied with the progress that has been made so far, and hint at further developments of an interesting nature before Coroner Anderson hands the case to the jury for its verdict. To-night more members of the family will go on the stand. The lawyers expect to examine Mrs. Kinrade, mother of the murdered girl, Ernest and Earl (Continued on Page 14.)



"No. 3," the antiquated police court quarters on King William street where the long session of the Kinrade murder inquest was held last night.

HEAVY FINES ON FIVE HOTEL MEN.

Theal Detective Has Been Working For the Provincial License Department.

At the Police Court this morning five city hotelkeepers appeared before Magistrate Jeffs in answer to charges of selling liquor after hours and breaking the Liquor Act. A. Frank Post, proprietor of the White Star, when called, pleaded guilty, and asked for clemency, as it was his first offence. "You are fined \$40," said the Magistrate. J. W. Nesbitt, K. C., appeared for John Staunton, proprietor of the Revue House, and pleaded not guilty to the charge of selling unlawfully on March 3. The Crown offered no evidence, but submitted a charge of selling on March 3. The defendant pleaded guilty and was fined \$40. In the Waldorf case a plea of not guilty was entered. Barnes, a private detective in the employment of the Ontario Government, testified that he had entered the bar-room of the Waldorf Hotel at 11 p. m. on March 4. "The bar-room was locked up about three or four minutes after 11 o'clock, and ten or twelve men were left at the bar," said Barnes. "Did you have any drinks?" asked Crown Attorney Washington. "Yes." "How many?" "Four." "Did any man come in while you were there?" "Yes, four." The witness was then handed over to Mr. Nesbitt, and put through a stiff cross-examination. Barnes stated that he was a Thiel detective, employed by the Government. Barnes' assistant, a local young man, whose nom de plume is "Tom Jones," (Continued on Page 14.)

THE ORANGEMEN.

Resolution of Sympathy With the King on His Illness.

Money For Missions of Protestant Churches in Quebec.

St. Thomas, Ont., March 11.—The first business of the Orange Grand Lodge this morning was the reading of an address of welcome by Mayor Geddes, supported by several aldermen. Responses were made by Mayor Baird, West Toronto Controller Hoeken, Toronto; Hon. James Duff and A. W. Wright, Toronto. A resolution of sympathy with the King in his illness was passed, upon the motion of W. A. Sherwood. The report of the Committee on Correspondence set out the objectionable features of Mr. Racine's bill, now before the Ontario Legislature, and the hope was expressed that the bill would not be passed. The Finance Committee will report the sum of \$800 to be equally divided between the missions of the Protestant Churches in the Province of Quebec.

FINE OUTLOOK

For Building Operator in Hamilton This Year.

From information gathered from local contractors, the outlook for building in the city is very bright for the coming season. It is expected that the year will see two new bank buildings on James street south, and another bank has acquired property on the corner of Barton street and Victoria avenue, and it is reported contemplates erecting a new branch. The property on James street between the Canada Life and the Landed Bank building was purchased some time ago by a prominent city law firm for a client. The contracts for many good class residences have been let, and work will be rushed as soon as the weather permits. In the past considerable dissatisfaction has prevailed in certain sections of the building trades because so much stone work has been imported. Local contractors are of the opinion that they could compete, if given an opportunity, in price and workmanship with any firm outside the city. The newly formed industrial committee, it is suggested, could use its endeavors to have Hamilton contracts done by Hamilton men. Some of Hamilton's finest buildings were built by local labor, and prove sufficiently that the work can be done as well here as elsewhere.

A BROKEN HEART.

Widow Succumbs While Preparing For Husband's Funeral.

Stroudsburg, Pa., March 11.—Grief over the death of her husband proved too much for Mrs. Samuel Bossard to bear, and she died suddenly yesterday of heart failure while preparing for the funeral. Bossard, who was a civil war veteran, died on Tuesday at Chester, Pa., and his body was brought home late at night. He was to have been buried yesterday, but now the children of deceased couple have decided that father and mother shall be interred together, in one grave, on Friday.

This Season's New Maple Syrup.

The first run of this season's maple syrup arrived yesterday from Mr. Guyett's maple bush at Binbrook, bright, thick, fine-flavored, every drop absolutely pure. We are getting a very limited quantity. Are filling small quantity orders only. Large quantity orders booked for future delivery. Don't delay ordering. Bain & Adams, 89, 91 King street east.

DECLINED CALL.

Kingston, Ont., March 11.—Rev. E. D. Sisco, editor of the Congregationalist, Toronto, this morning declined the call of the congregation of Bethel Church, here. A letter explaining his reasons is said to be following.

ARRESTED IN TORONTO.

Acting on a telegram received from Chief Smith, Detective "Twig" arrested Britton B. Morden, of this city, in Toronto, yesterday. Detective Campbell left for Toronto this morning and the prisoner will be brought here to-night for trial. Morden is charged by a local man with swindling him out of \$44. The two, it is alleged by the complainant, had a contract to publish a programme for a concert that was held in the Army in September, and Morden is accused of selling the advertisement spaces and keeping the money.

A Good House Pipe.

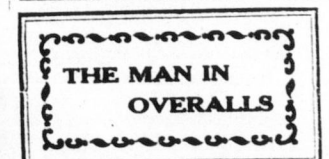
A chip meerschaum bowl, with a long cherry stem and rubber mouthpiece, makes a cool, clean pipe to smoke at home. They are sold for 25 cents at peace's pipe store, 107 King street east.

THE ZEPPELIN.

Friedrichshafen, March 11.—The Zeppelin airship made an ascension from here to-day. It is intended in the course of the manoeuvres to attempt the risky operation of descending on land.

King William street police station's grim old walls witnessed a remarkable scene last night—the greatest gathering of newspapermen Hamilton has ever known. Editors, reporters, illustrators, special correspondents and representatives of all branches of news work were there in scores. They came from Chicago to Montreal and all the cities of importance in this part of the province. There were enough of them to almost fill the inside part of the court room, and they were busy long before the Kinrade inquest opened. The rest of the old court room was filled with officials, jurors, witnesses and members of the medical and legal profession, city hall service and others who had pull enough to get tickets, the number of which the authorities had very wisely limited. The announcement that the general public could not be admitted to the court room had a good effect. There was not a very large crowd of the curious around the police station. Two or three hundred people, mostly young men and boys, assembled around the street door. They began to gather soon after 7 o'clock and some of them tried all sorts of pretences in an endeavor to get in, but with poor success. The crowd watched with eagerness for the arrival of the chief witnesses, while an air of intense expectancy pervaded the court room. The place was rather overcrowded, it being especially noticeable that a number who could have had no business there found their way in. In the outside crowd was quite a number of women. These were lined up on the south side of King William street, opposite the police station entrance. Coroner Anderson was early on the job. He was in the court room at 7:30 and Dr. McNicol, the coroner who began the inquest, was there also. EMINENT ALIENISTS. Professor Clark and Dr. Bruce Smith, the alienists who examined Florence Kinrade on Saturday last and assured the Provincial authorities that she was fit, physically and mentally, to go on the stand and tell her story, were present. MR. KINRADE ARRIVES. At five minutes after 8 o'clock Crown Attorney Washington, George Tate Blackstock, who conducted the examination; Thomas Holson, who appeared at the family's request, followed by T. L. Kinrade, father of the murdered girl, entered the room. Mr. Kinrade showed signs of the terrible ordeal he has passed through. The lines on his face have deepened, and he looked tired and weary. He stood at the end of the dock for a minute, glanced around the room, scanning the newspaper men at work, and then walked out into an ante-room. Before 8:15, however, Coroner Anderson called for order, and P. C. Lewis read the statutory announcement, after which the coroner called the roll. Every juror answered. Crown Attorney Washington informed Coroner Anderson that Mr. Blackstock would conduct the examination.

FATHER'S STORY. Mr. Kinrade Told About Family History—The Virginia Trip. T. L. Kinrade, father of the murdered girl, was the first witness to be examined. He stepped into the witness box before 8:15. Mr. Kinrade had been standing for half an hour or so when Mr. Blackstock, acting on the suggestion of his lawyer, Mr. Holson, proposed that the witness sit down. Mr. Kinrade at first replied that he preferred to stand, but he accepted the chair. "You are the father of the deceased?" asked Mr. Blackstock. "Yes." "What was her age?" "Twenty-four years." "Was she a person troubled with illness?" "Very little." "Apart from slight illness, was a person of good health?" "Yes." "Who are the other members of your household besides your daughter?" "My daughter Florence." "What is her age?" "Twenty-three years." She is my second daughter, and was of a lively nature. My youngest daughter, Gertrude, who is sixteen years of age. One (Continued on page 11.)



THE MAN IN OVERALLS

More noses going up. No need to double up now. Candy is a food, we are told. Some may have thought it was a drink. No wonder the judges are getting tired of the continual scrapping between city and county. Mr. Borden's militia estimates and explanations were such that even Foster could scarcely get up a kick. I hope you are taking good care of your horse these days. He needs the best attention. As I have often said, the hotel man who obeys the law has little to fear from the spotters. About the only way Toronto can get itself noticed in the papers is for it to go out and get itself arrested for disorderly conduct. In the meanwhile the Easter bride is quietly preparing her toggery for the fateful event and getting measured for the bridal veil. From the press notices our Allan Studholme is receiving. I fear he must be bribing the House reporters with bunches of coffin nails. Another popular feature of this justly eulogized journal is our Kickers' column. Open to all. Up to the hour of going to press, Hydro-Electric power prices were still an unknown quantity. Warden Gage is still waiting for the proof that Hamilton jail contains county poor. Now, ladies, don't be alarmed, the biggest half of this excitement is not so scary. You are just as safe here as are the women of Toronto or any other place. The police are doing their best, no doubt. The man who carries a concealed weapon should get it in the neck. Now, ladies and gentlemen, please allow the jury to have its say before you pass judgment in the Kinrade case. Christ's Church Cathedral Literary Society will hold an open meeting this evening at 8 p. m.

JACK HYDE ARRESTED.

Former T. H. & B. Clerk in Custody in Windy City.

A telegram was received last night by the T. H. & B. officials to the effect that John Hyde had been arrested in Chicago on a charge of larceny. John Hyde was chief clerk in the paymasters' department at the T. H. & B., and his duty was to pay the men. Through some investigations at the Aberdeen yards it was discovered that there were more men being paid there than appeared, to the naked eye, to be working for the company. A secret investigation by Detective McDonald confirmed the suspicion thus aroused, but a day or so before the warrant was issued for Hyde's arrest on a charge of stuffing the pay rolls the bird deserted the nest. For some time the whereabouts of Hyde was unknown, but he was at last discovered by letters he wrote to relatives, asking them to go to Chicago with the furniture. The police knew the man was in the windy city, but in just what spot they knew not. They were on his track for some time, but a short time ago the matter was practically shelved. The arrest of Hyde yesterday came as a surprise even to the T. H. & B. officials, and this morning they were not prepared to discuss their plans in regard to the case. Hyde's crooked operations covered the early part of last summer, and it is thought he got away with between \$500 and \$1,500 of the company's money. It is stated to-day that Hyde will be deported from Chicago. Papers were sent on to that city some time ago, to show that he is an undesirable person, he having served terms in Canada for criminal offences. It is likely that he will be brought to Windsor or Sarnia. Hyde was working on the street railway in Chicago. A Good Razor. We have them in your favorite make. We have all the leading makes in both the Safety and old English styles. Our stock of shavers' supplies is the most complete to be found anywhere. Parke & Parke, druggists. 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. There is plenty of room at the top, but most of us like crowds.