

THAW'S FACE IS FLUSHED AS WITNESS WELLS WHIPS

Sensational Turn in Case of Sanford White's Slayer Who Now Seeks to Disprove Insanity Charge— Former Landlady Tells of Revolting Episodes in Which Thaw Figured as Principal— Testimony in Marked Contrast to Testimony of Alienists.

White Plains, N. Y., July 27.—Harry K. Thaw sat in the Supreme Court here today and heard a woman's testimony that made his pallid face flush. He saw a pearl handled dogwhip exhibited, and he heard the witness swear that she had seen him wield it on young girls. The witness was Miss Susan Merrill Thaw, who was in court and heard most of the testimony which was of such a nature that Justice Mills proceeded to his presentation with the warning that "no woman should stay in the court room unless she is willing to hear everything." Two girls left the room. The witness was Miss Susan Merrill Thaw, a boxy, pink-cheeked woman of about 35 years, and she opened a new chapter in the life of Sanford White's slayer. She told of alleged acts of his between 1902 and 1903, when he was a young bachelor about New York, before the tragedy on Madison Square roof garden that resulted in his being placed in the asylum for the criminal insane from which he is now trying to escape by proving himself sane. Her testimony was in marked contrast to that of two alienists who went on the stand and gave Thaw a clean bill of mental health. Her testimony was that during the three years named, she kept in succession two New York lodging houses where Thaw rented rooms under assumed names and to which he brought at various times more than two hundred women. Thaw's former counsel, who she said passed as Thaw's wife, received \$7,000. At this point in the testimony a mysterious package was brought to court yesterday by Clifford Hartridge, Thaw's former counsel, was unwrapped and a pearl handled whip about 3 feet long was flashed into view. With this before the eyes of court and spectators, the woman related a series of stories about finding Thaw on several occasions lashing the girls upon their bare backs and bodies. Thaw, she said had posed as a theatrical agent and had lured the girls to his rooms with promises of engagement. When she remonstrated with him his excuse was that the girls weren't smart enough and could not fill their positions and "deserved a beating." She testified further that Thaw had frequently behaved in a violent manner in her presence and that she considered his acts irrational. District Attorney Jerome had full charge of the case for the state today and it was he who brought out the damaging testimony against Harry Thaw. Mr. Jerome's testimony was stopped when Mr. Jerome intimated that it might injure innocent persons. Under cross examination by Charles Morschauer, counsel for Thaw, the witness was attacked fiercely. He succeeded in bringing out the fact that she had been recently arrested on a charge of perjury after an unsuccessful suit to recover \$100,000 damages from Thaw. The woman emphatically denied that she kept any of the money that passed from Thaw through her hands. "Then why did you stand for all this from Mr. Thaw?" asked Mr. Morschauer. "Oh, I felt sorry for him," was her answer. Evelyn Nesbit Thaw slipped quietly into court during the proceedings today but did not testify. She smiled at Thaw several times during the afternoon, but he paid no attention to her. Aside from the Merrill woman's testimony, the alienists took up the remainder of the proceedings and testified in Thaw's behalf. Dr. Evans, who made a report two years ago declaring Thaw insane said today that he had reversed his opinion, this gave Mr. Jerome an opportunity for telling cross-examination. He brought out the wide divergence of the expert's opinion two years ago and now, but Dr. Evans was quick to explain that the report made two years ago was the private guidance of Thaw's attorneys and had contained only such medical evidence as would tend to support the contention that Thaw was insane at that time. Harry Thaw may take the stand tomorrow.

LATHAM IN MID-CHANNEL AGAIN FAILS

Dover, July 27.—Hubert Latham's second attempt to fly across the English Channel ended in a disastrous way. Almost at the moment of victory his monoplane fluttered down into the sea, two miles beyond the Admiralty Pier, like a bird with a broken wing. A host of people crowding the water front saw the fall and for nearly half an hour they were kept in suspense, not knowing whether the daring aeronaut had met disaster or had again been rescued from the water. A flock of large and small craft raced to the scene of the disaster, and a pinace from the British battleship Russell picked up the unlucky flyer and put him aboard a French torpedo boat destroyer. After a surgeon had attended to his injuries, Latham was brought ashore and he was taken to the Lord Warden Hotel. His face was bandaged and bleeding and his nose was broken. The machine, badly wrecked, was hoisted from the boat to the dock. Latham's flight to the moment of his sensational mishap, in some desperate climb, Bleriot's little flyer, under speed, being only 20 minutes in the air from the time he left the coast of France. Apparently he steered a straighter course than Bleriot as he was making directly for Dover when he fell. The disastrous ending of the flight furnished a dramatic scene. Thousands of people had gathered here, many of them carrying telescopes, marine field glasses and cameras. Soon two French torpedo boats which preceded the aeroplanes were seen approaching at a furious pace, thick clouds of smoke puffing from their funnels. Dover, July 27.—Fourteen minutes after six an alarm was discovered heading straight for the centre of the town. The rapidity of its flight was evidenced by the quickness with which it grew larger and assumed bird-like outlines. Suddenly it began to slacken speed, at the same time gliding toward the surface of the ocean. It fluttered a few times and fell like a wounded eagle. The aeroplane dropped with a lateral incline to the sea. There it floated, although only two wings were visible. The excitement while the boats were darting to the rescue was intense, but soon a fleet of all kinds of craft had gathered around the wreck. It was nearly 8 o'clock when a torpedo boat came alongside to the Prince of Wales pier to land Latham and his machine, which was seen to be much larger than Bleriot's little flyer and the crowds cheered the bandaged hero enthusiastically. He was followed to the hotel by thousands, all cry-

HUSBAND KILLS RIVAL LOVER IN OPEN COURT

Little Rock, Ark., July 27.—Leveling his revolver over the head of United States Senator Jeff Davis, who sat at the counsel table in the circuit court here today, W. Y. Ellis, of Pine Bluff, Ark., shot at Nathaniel P. Willis, proprietor of an institution for the treatment of inebriates at Indianapolis. A court attaché knocked up Ellis' arm just as the weapon was discharged and the bullet was embedded in the wall. Willis ran to make his escape by way of the door with Ellis' pistol in his hands. Ellis rested his pistol against the door jam just as Willis ran out and fired a second time. The bullet pierced Willis' heart and he fell to the floor. His mother, who had started to throw herself between the men, knelt and clasped the expiring man in her arms as he breathed his last. Sheriff Robert immediately seized Ellis who surrendered the fatal pistol to Judge Fulk. Willis had brought suit against his divorced wife, now Mrs. Ellis, for possession of his child, born to his wife before she was divorced several years ago.

COLONIA HAS ALREADY 050 MILES PAGED

New York, N. Y., July 27.—A message received this afternoon from the commercial cable steamer Colonia, which is engaged in laying a new cable from St. Johns, N. P., to New York, says that up to noon today the steamer had paged out 1,050 miles of cable. When the message was sent the Colonia was in lat. 36.44 N., long. 69.54 W. and experiencing good weather. The physician in attendance tonight reported that Latham had three stitches in his forehead and two in his nose, but he did not believe that the aeronaut was greatly hurt. Latham returned to Calais by the night boat. Miss Hazel Saunders, of Boston, is visiting Mrs. Francis Kerr of this city.

C. B. MARTIN HAS NOT AS YET MADE DECISION

New Brunswick's First Rhodes' Scholar Not Yet Decided About Manitoba Professorship.

Ottawa, July 27.—Chester B. Martin, of the Archives Branch, who has been offered a professorship in the Manitoba University, was asked tonight if he would accept the position. He replied that he was as yet undecided. Mr. Chester Martin has many friends in New Brunswick, who will be interested in the invitation he has received to the chair in history in Manitoba University. Mr. Martin was a pupil in the St. John schools and is a graduate of the Provincial University. He was the first Rhodes scholar from this Province, and his brilliant career as a student in History at Oxford attracted much attention. He carried off two important University prizes in his field, and at the completion of his course was awarded the Brassey fellowship, of one hundred pounds sterling. With this he was assigned work in Canada in connection with the history of the Selkirk colony and as the work of the Selkirk fellowship was renewed for a second year. In pursuit of these investigations he came upon many unpublished papers in possession of the Douglas (Selkirk) family, and his study will have considerable historical importance. While carrying on these researches into the planting of the first Red River colonies of the Canadian Archives at a salary of \$1,200 a year. It is well known that Mr. Doughty desires him to remain with the department and to spend one or two seasons with him in England and France, examining documents connected with Canadian history. Mr. Martin is himself fond of research work, but probably would not care to bury himself in an office where there is little opportunity to be more than a specialist in one department in the history of one country. It is safe to say that his choice would have been to return to Oxford as a resident fellow, with employment as a teacher and opportunity to prosecute larger historical inquiries. The offer of a professorship in a University which is undoubtedly destined to be one of the most important Canadian institutions of learning, must, however, have great attractions. It happens conveniently that Mr. Martin has been working on the historical event at this moment of the greatest interest in Manitoba, which is making preparations for the great Selkirk Centennial. The salary of the professorship offered to Mr. Martin is said to be \$2,500. Mr. Martin is not the first Rhodes scholar from Canada to have a professorship offered him. Mr. Rose, who remains in Oxford as a fellow in classics, might have had a chair in this country. Mr. Bates of Nova Scotia returned to take a chair at Acadia College, and the first Alberta Rhodes scholar is on the staff of the Provincial University at Strathcona.

\$100,000 WAS FIRE DAMAGE AT PETERBORO

Peterboro, Ont., July 27.—The Peterboro Lumber Company's mills on Burnham's Point, Ashburnham, together with a large quantity of lumber, were destroyed by fire early this morning. How the fire started is not known. The loss will be about \$15,000, with insurance less than half. While the mills were still burning fire started in the large storehouse of Florence and Company, on Simcoe street, adjoining the G. E. P. tracks. The building was a frame one and the contents were of an inflammable nature with the result that the whole thing was destroyed. The loss on the building and contents is between \$25,000 and \$50,000. Insurance unknown.

SILVERDART TO BE TRIED AT PETEWAWA

Montreal, July 27.—The third battery of Montreal, heavy artillery, will experiment at long range next week at Petewawa Camp, with the flying machine "Silverdart," which has been sent from Baddeck, N. S. The idea is to use the machine to find the ranges for the big 4.7 guns, which will be fired over 5,000 yards.

LETTER FROM MR. MOSHER.

Government Candidate in Recent By-Election Thanks Electors For Big Vote. To the Editor of The Standard:—Sir:—Permit me through the columns of The Standard to express my sincere thanks to the electors of St. John county for the large vote given me on the 20th inst. Though the party of which I was the candidate did not succeed in carrying the seat, yet it is gratifying that a constituency which has hitherto rolled up majorities from three hundred and fifty to six hundred against the present administration, gave my opponent a bare majority of fifty on Tuesday the 20th inst. In the parish of Musquash, where, at the last general election my colleague and myself were beaten, I received a substantial majority. In the parish of Lancaster, I succeeded in cutting down the usual Opposition majority by over fifty per cent. To the electors of the parish of Simonds I extend my sincere thanks for the magnificent majority which they gave me. Only once before in the history of this parish was a majority given to a supporter of the present administration. In my home parish of St. Martins, outside of Lunenburg, I succeeded in cutting down the usual Opposition majority by over fifty per cent. This, however, is but the temporary success of a certain class of tactics which I feel assured it will be impossible for the Opposition to successfully repeat. To Mr. Bentley, my successful opponent, I extend my congratulations. I sincerely thank the committee and my friends in each parish for the hard work in which they engaged in my behalf. To those workers, let me say that although beaten this time, should the party again do me the honor of selecting me as their candidate, I will go into the fight with renewed vigor and will win. Though not an elected representative of St. John county, I shall always be ready to exercise such influence as I may possess to advance the welfare and interests of the several parishes. I remain, Yours faithfully, JUDSON P. MOSHER. St. Martins, N. B. July 27th, 1909.

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FREDERICTON MAN DEAD AT HALIFAX

Robert Davies, Retired Dry Goods Merchant, Passed Away— International Railway Award Appealed. Special to The Standard. Fredericton, July 27.—Word was received here today of the death in Halifax of Mr. Robert Davies, one of this city's best known citizens and for years a leading dry-goods merchant here. The deceased was 77 years of age and leaves a wife and daughter. For several years he was connected with the firm of Miller & Edgcombe and later went into the business himself with Mr. M. Tennant under the firm name of Tennant & Davies, which afterwards became Tennant, Davies & Clark. Mr. Davies retired from active business life some five years ago and this year paid a visit to his native county—England—and this summer reached Halifax, where he has resided since. The remains will reach here on Thursday morning, the funeral taking place from the train. The St. John River commissioners will arrive here tomorrow at noon. In the afternoon the commissioners will inspect the booms and the following day the inquiry will be resumed. Among the arrivals in the city this evening is Mr. Geo. E. Currie of New York. The award of \$5,000 recently granted in the arbitration proceedings in re International Railway Co., came up today before Judge Barry on return of the summons of appeal. F. R. Taylor appeared for the New Brunswick Railway Company and W. R. Ervine and F. B. Lowell for the International. The appeal is made on the ground that the award was excessive. His Honor adjourned the case for three weeks to take into consideration some important matters involved.

BELLOCSE SENATOR IS ARRESTED

Baltimore, Md., July 27.—United States Senator William J. Stone, of Missouri, was for a short time under arrest at the central police station here charged with assaulting Lawrence Brown, a negro porter, on a buffet car. Police Lieutenant Coleman in addition to Magistrate Gramman and on his authority released Senator Stone on his own recognizance for a hearing tomorrow afternoon. The Senator was charged when he ordered lunch in the buffet car. Brown was offensive and he rebuked him. The man afterward failed to serve the senator, and when again rebuked was impatient whereupon the senator says he struck him in the face with his open hand. Senator Stone had been in Philadelphia and was en route for Washington.

ITALIAN WAS KILLED BY A LOCOMOTIVE

Welland, July 27.—A Grand Trunk yard engine struck a handcar on which there were several men in the yards this morning, killing an Italian named Eppenalone, the man's head being crushed. The rest of the men escaped by jumping. The handcar was on a curve and a freight train running in the opposite direction had obscured the view. Eppenalone has one brother in this country.

CROOKS NOW OPERATING AT COCAGNE

Special to The Standard. Cocagne, N. B., July 27.—Professional crooks are evidently operating in this section. Following the robbery at Calhoun's a short time ago, P. R. Goguen's store at Cocagne was entered Saturday night or Sunday morning and robbed of ten dollars cash and a quantity of goods. An attempt was made to blow open the safe and the door was drilled but the burglars were frightened away or found the job too hard as they did not accomplish their purpose. Some suspicious characters have been reported lately in country districts traveling from place to place.

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St. John's, N. F., July 27.—The Canadian Pacific Railway steamer Montrose, London, via Newport for Montreal, reported from Cape Race this morning after an enforced halt of four days for the purpose of effecting temporary repairs following a collision with a giant ice pillar. The plight of the steamer which is conveying passengers and freight from Europe to Montreal was not known here until today, when the British warship Brilliant reported standing by the Montrose for four days off Cape Race and helping to repair the damage. Those repairs, which necessarily are of but a temporary nature were not finished until midnight and the Montrose got under way early this morning. So far as is known here, no persons were injured. Recalling from the impact with the towering mass of irregularly formed ice the Montrose was seriously crippled. Both bows were telescoped and the hawse pipes entirely destroyed. The forepeak was flooded, but except for the compartments in the bow of the ship, the water did not cause much damage.

TAFI LEADS IN CHEERING AT FIRST CONGRESS OF AIR

President a Witness to a Remarkable Two-Man Flight at Fort Myer. Orville Wright Breaks Brother's Record for Time and Distance, Established Last Year at Le Mans and Adds Laurels to Intrepid Brother's Invention. Washington, D. C., July 27.—The world's aeroplane record for two men was broken in both time and distance this evening in a beautiful flight of one hour, 12 minutes and 40 seconds, upwards of 50 miles, and at a speed averaging about 40 miles an hour by Orville Wright at Fort Myer with Lieutenant Frank P. Lahm, of the Army Signal Corps as passenger. The former record was made last year by his brother, Wilbur, at Le Mans, France, with Professor Painlove of the French Institute as passenger. That flight was one hour, 9 minutes and 31 seconds. Wilbur was an eager spectator of today's flight by his brother. The cheering which heralded the setting of a new mark in the conquest of the air was led by President Taft in person, who had sat, an intensely interested spectator throughout the flight and who insisted at its conclusion upon personally congratulating the brothers upon their success. This success was all-important to the Wrights in that it completed the first of two crucial tests of their machine imposed upon them by the United States government, the so-called endurance test, requiring them to remain in the air one hour with one passenger. Orville did nearly 13 minutes better than that and could have kept on for three hours and a half, the limit imposed by the gasoline capacity of the supply tank. The other test, that for speed, will be completed with tomorrow, weather permitting, when Orville is to take Lieutenant Benjamin Foulois of the Signal Corps on a cross-country flight to Alexandria an return, a total of ten miles, over a measured course, and at a speed required to average 40 miles an hour. Orville made the test that flight this evening, but it was almost dark when he last alighted after a flight which would have carried him twice across the English Channel. Everybody present today realized that upon Orville Wright's last attempt to navigate the air with a passenger, Lieutenant Selridge was killed and he himself was terribly injured.

MADRID BUSY PROCLAIMING MARTIAL LAW

Madrid, July 27.—The cabinet held a long session today and decided that the situation in Catalonia is so grave that it necessitated the proclaiming of martial law at Barcelona. King Alfonso was not present at the meeting, he having returned to San Sebastian from Ferrol. Barcelona, July 27.—Barcelona is now under martial law. Serious rioting has occurred following the declaration of a general strike yesterday against the military and the despatch to that country of large bodies of troops. Several persons have been killed and a large number wounded. All commercial activities are proscribed and service on the tramways and railroads as well as cab and carriage service has ceased. There is great uneasiness here and fear of much more serious disorders. Trouble is also reported from the interior towns.

MAY APPOINT COL. TAYLOR'S SUCCESSOR

Special to The Standard. Kingston, Ont., July 27.—It is understood that while in England, the Minister of Militia will arrange for a successor to Lieut. Col. Taylor as commander of the Royal Military College.

WELCH NOW OWNS TRACK. EXPLOSION KILLS ONE.

Readville, Mass., July 27.—Andy Welch, of Hartford, Conn., has bought the interests of his partner, Orlando Jones, of New York, in the Readville race track and is now the sole owner, according to a despatch from Mr. Welch received by Secretary Jewett of the track today. Work on the improvements at the track which have been suspended for a month will be resumed immediately. Boston, Mass., July 27.—The explosion of a gas stove after having escaped from a constable in Georgetown, was recaptured in Toronto, yesterday and brought here by Constable Lawson, was sentenced to jail for trial; but before the constable was ready to start for Milton jail, he made his escape through a window, and is again at large. It is alleged that Reid forged a cheque for \$95 and cashed it at an Acton bank. Boston, Mass., July 27.—The explosion of a gas stove caused the death of Mrs. Emma Queen, aged 72 years on the fourth floor of the building at 764 Shawmut Avenue, Roxbury. The woman was working about the stove when her dress caught fire from the blowing out of the gas flames and she was fatally burned before help could reach her.