

## A NEW DEFENSE IN THAW TRIAL

### No Unwritten Law Plea in the Millionaire's Second Battle for His Life.

New York, Dec. 29.—One week from tomorrow Harry K. Thaw will be called a second time before a jury to make his defense to the charge of having murdered Stanford White. It is said there will be no further delay. Thaw and his attorneys are actively preparing for the trial, while in the district attorney's office the state's case has been ready for presentation for some time.

It is announced that Mrs. William Thaw, mother of the defendant, and who has been in very poor health, believes she will be able to come on to be with her son during the opening hours of his second fight for life and freedom. Other members of the family circle also are expected to reach the city during the week and will remain throughout the trial. The Countess of Yarmouth, the defendant's sister who is in England, is not expected to be present. Mrs. Evelyn Nesbitt Thaw, who is a daily visitor at the Tombs where her husband is incarcerated, will, of course, be one of the first arrivals in the court room on Monday next.

It can be authoritatively stated that the defense will be the same as at the previous trial, that Evelyn Nesbitt Thaw again will relate her story to the jury and that an imposing array of expert alienists again will undertake to establish the theory that Thaw was insane at the time he killed Stanford White, but that she so far recovered his mental balance as no longer to be a menace to the community.

#### Delmas Overrid It.

This theory was expounded at great length at the first trial, but it was practically abandoned in the summoning speech of D. M. Delmas, the California attorney, who made an almost direct appeal to the so-called "unwritten law."

In the coming trial, it is declared, there will be no mention made of a higher, or unwritten law, but the defense will adhere strictly to a plea of legal insanity. Having once felt the sting of District Attorney Jerome's skillful cross-examination on all phases of the Thaw experts will be in a much more secure position than they were at the first trial, when the prosecuting officer's wonderful knowledge of medicine fairly amazed, and in one case completely dumfounded a witness, Evelyn Thaw, it has been variously reported, would and would not take the stand in defense of her husband. No longer is there any doubt that she will do so.

Without her testimony it would be difficult for the defense to predicate a plea of insanity. During the first trial the entire structure of mental derangement rested upon the story of her treatment at the hands of Stanford White, told by her to Thaw one night in Paris, when he had asked her to become his wife. It was after he had heard this narrative that Thaw wrote the queer letters which were introduced in evidence, afterward that he made his will with its provision of a fund for the punishment of persons responsible for vice; after that he went to his home in Pittsburgh and acted so strangely that his mother was alarmed, and afterward that he shot and killed the man his wife had accused.

#### The Prosecution.

District Attorney Jerome, of course, will be prepared to combat the testimony of the insanity experts. His formidable hypothetical question, which was asked before the jury, was "if a row, will be taken out of the archives and polished up for use in rebuttal. The state's direct examination will be very brief. It will have added to it the evidence of James Clinch Smith, brother-in-law of Stanford White, who met and talked with Thaw on the night of the tragedy. Mr. Smith's testimony, which Mr. Jerome regards as highly important as showing a calm, collected state of mind before he fired the fatal shots, was taken before on rebuttal, having been discovered after the trial was well under way.

Daniel O'Reilly, one of Thaw's personal counsel, who served throughout the first trial, still is ill with the grip, but it is believed he will be well enough to attend the opening day of the trial.

Thaw is looking forward anxiously to the beginning of his new fight. He feels that all chance of further delay is past, and will enter the courtroom with the same confidence of equal which has marked his attitude from the first. The work of securing a jury will be more or less laborious and may occupy two or three weeks. It has definitely decided that the jury will be picked up throughout the trial.

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## Mr. John S. Townsend New President Of the London Travelers' Club

### Three Presentations Were Made at the Meeting on Saturday Night.

Three presentations were made at the annual meeting of the Travelers' Club on Saturday night, the retiring president, Mr. C. W. McGuire, Auditor J. L. Whitehead and Secretary Fred J. Lind, all being honored by their fellow club members.

The annual election of officers took place also, and resulted in the election of Mr. John S. Townsend to the presidency. There was a very large attendance of members.

The first presentation was that to the retiring president, Mr. McGuire.

Mr. Harry Buttery, one of the directors of the club, made the presentation and referred to the very successful



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manner in which Mr. McGuire had managed the affairs of the club. He had endeared himself to the membership during his two years of office, and the club members were anxious to show their appreciation of his services.

Mr. McGuire received a very handsome davenport.

He replied that he had only tried to do his best for the club. It was an honor in itself to belong to the club, which had given him a very great honor in electing him to the position of president. He thanked the members very heartily for their gift and wished them all a happy and prosperous new year.

#### Presentation to Auditor.

Mr. J. L. Whitehead was presented with a handsome leather-covered easy-chair. Mr. Donald Ferguson, the other "daddy" of the organization, Mr. Whitehead had acted as auditor of the club for many years, and was one of the most efficient workers in the club. Mr. Ferguson paid a tribute to his splendid services.

#### Secretary Remembered.

The next presentation was to Mr. Fred J. Lind, the hustling secretary.

who received a handsome gold watch, and two paid-up shares in the club, at the hands of Mr. A. H. Brenner, on behalf of the members. Mr. Brenner spoke of Mr. Lind's untiring efforts, and he thought it was the duty of the club to recognize such services. Mr. Lind made a brief response.

Mr. W. J. Strange and wife, the stewards of the club, were also presented with a substantial cash check in appreciation of their services.

#### Mr. Townsend Is President.

The election of officers was the next item of business. Mr. John S. Townsend, who has been first vice-president for the past two years, was unanimously elected to the position of president.

The retiring president, Mr. C. W. McGuire, conducted the newly-elected president to the chair amid the cheers of the members of the club.

Mr. Townsend is one of the oldest members of the organization and is exceedingly popular among the members. He thanked the members for the honor done him, and declared that he would do his best to make the club as much a success as it has been under his predecessors.

#### The Officers.

The election of the other officers then took place and resulted as follows:

Honorary President—Hon. C. S. Hyman.

Honorary Vice-Presidents—H. E. Buttery, Donald Ferguson, C. W. McGuire.

President—John S. Townsend.

First Vice-President—S. Frank Glass.

Second Vice-President—Art H. Brenner.

Secretary—Fred J. Lind.

Directors—George H. Dettler, Frank Lawson, H. W. Lind, Dr. J. N. Wood, A. H. Moran, Fred S. Fisher, J. M. Ferguson, Edwin Paull.

Auditors—J. K. Spry, and John T. Green.

"Bully" Ward and Dr. Jeff N. Wood acted as scrutineers.

A vote of thanks was tendered Mr. S. Frank Glass, who was chairman of the special committee. The honorary counsel, Mr. E. W. M. Fox was also tendered a vote of thanks, and Mr. Fred S. Brenner, and the different cigar manufacturers were similarly treated for pictures and cigars for smokers.

#### Club's Finances.

The finances of the club were found to be in a most flourishing condition, and the future outlook of the club is most optimistic. Preparations are being made for the extension of the club's premises.

A site has been secured, and it is expected that the new clubhouse will be ready as soon as the lease on the present premises expires.

Those present were: W. McGuire, E. W. M. Fox, Fred S. Lind, Geo. H. Dettler, F. H. Firth, L. Banghart, Chas. Abbott, Lyle C. Johnston, Fred S. Fisher, Edwin Paull, Donald Ferguson, Wm. Wright, Wm. Ward, Frank Lawson, S. S. Murray, J. M. Fox, H. E. Buttery, J. J. Dyer, A. H. Brenner, J. F. Harkness, J. T. Green, J. K. Spry, S. P. Glass, John Wood, E. B. Ferguson, J. S. Townsend, J. Loughlin, H. W. Lind, H. C. McBride, J. Colerick, Dr. J. N. Wood, Clem Garvey, R. Arkell, A. T. Edwards, A. L. Davis, W. Johnston, David Mills, John Stevely, Ald. S. Stevely, Dr. A. V. Becher, and others.

## FOREVER UNDER ONE FREE FLAG

### Stirring Address on Canada and Canadians By Sir Charles Fitzpatrick.

Ottawa, Dec. 29.—"Canada and Canadians" was the subject on which Hon. Sir Charles Fitzpatrick, K. C. M. G., chief justice of the supreme court of Canada, this afternoon addressed the Canadian Club. He contended the feature of the twentieth century would be the way Canada would develop. To men who could recall the way the principles of government had advanced since confederation, that advancement was of the greater interest from the period when the King governed there had been progress until the people governed and the King obeyed. The speaker devoted a few moments to quoting statistics comparing Canada's growth relatively with that of the United States, and said that what Canada needed was men, men to dig her tunnels and work in her mines. He had to remember that those knocking at their doors now would be the voters of tomorrow and the legislators of the next generation, for all must become Canadian citizens.

Sir Charles said he was not on hand to talk either jingoism or imperialism, but he thought that time had arrived when Canada's loyalty to the British Empire should be unquestioned.

The great majority of Canadians were neither imperialists nor jingoists, but were satisfied to be British subjects.

Sir Charles hinted that the Dominion should be filled up with men who, when looking for uplifting influences, would cast their eyes toward the east. He hinted that statesmen had now, in the immigration question, a momentous issue before them. He reviewed Canadian history and touched on what Frontenac, Montcalm and others had done for such cities as Montreal, Quebec, Three Rivers, etc. Both England and France had given of their heart's blood to uphold Canada, and now Canadians were a free, united people, wanting only to remain forever under the one free flag of the world.

President H. P. Hill presided and there was a large attendance, including Hon. J. P. Patterson and other cabinet ministers. A vote of thanks was moved by Mayor Scott.

The largest vineyard in the world is near San Gabriel, Cal.

The town of Orson, Sweden, is without taxes. The necessary revenues are derived from a forest reservation.

## PERILS OF PEACE SEEN BY EUROPE

### Growth of Socialism Disturbing Factor in Politics of the Old World.

London, Dec. 29.—Peace has its victories and its dangers, and the year just closing has been marked by remarkable developments of both. Europe rejoices today in the brightest political weather in which it has ever greeted the advent of a new year. The family of nations was never in sweeter accord.

Practical diplomacy of the wise, far-seeing, personal type has this year so fashioned international relationships that any breach in the prevailing harmony seems impossible. At a recent conference was largely a failure, and Europe rejoices in that—rejoices, be it understood, in the true interests of peace. Many will account it rank pessimism to rejoice in the triumph of common sense over altruism, but they may take heart in the fact that 1907 marks the beginning of a greater struggle between these two forces, the issue of which is more doubtful, and the progress of which threatens to disrupt existing political institutions in several countries.

#### Socialism's Rapid Growth.

The growth of Socialism this year in Great Britain, France, Germany, and Italy has been so rapid that it already has become much more than a mere disturbing factor in the domestic politics of each nation.

Its influence is so strong upon the existing British Government this year that it caused a shrinkage in values of 37 stocks on the London exchange amounting to \$1,500,000,000.

The Socialist cause in Europe draws its recruits from the opposite extreme of society. Its adherents among the educated classes exemplify more strikingly than any other group of men the great mass of their associates in Europe are followers of Socialism only for what there is in it or what they think there is in it for them. There is no denying, however, the tremendous growth of their political power. In the aggregate it has reached such proportions that a practical test of Socialism on a large scale than yet

has been tried seems well nigh inevitable.

There has been sufficient experience already, both in England and on the continent, to give a clear indication of the result, but one must be appalled by the prospect of a trial in which an ever unhappy country risks the experiment.

France has just had a lesson in the virtual bankruptcy of Brest, one of its most important ports, but the Socialist cause does not seem to suffer by the warning in the country at large. This, then, is one of the greatest dangers of peace which 1907 has developed to gigantic proportions.

#### Great Federation Scheme Urged.

Another utopian scheme in international affairs, inspired perhaps by the Christmas season, is occupying the attention of Sir Max Waite, who again urges the federation of the six great powers as within the scope of practical politics. He urges it can be accomplished by a common tariff and free intercourse between the nations.

He takes no account of the widely different economic conditions of the nations concerned. He does not concern himself with the fact that one can live in the same degree of comfort, for instance, in Italy, for when he said, required in England. He does not consider the necessity of the imposition of the same labor laws and the establishment of practically the same scale of wages in all the countries, nor does he see that the practical effect of his idea would be to reduce labor to the condition of that of the country lowest in the economic scale.

This plan, like others equally impracticable which are advanced in the name of Socialism, will continue to be solemnly debated, and the man in the street will consider his views on them of equal importance to those of the trained economist.

#### Conditions Please Francis Joseph.

Actual conditions in Europe in these last hours of 1907 are best summarized in the words of the veteran ruler, Francis Joseph, in his address from the throne on Saturday, when he said:

"The mitigation already noticeable in the last year of some instances of friction in the international situation fortifies my confidence in the efforts of all the powers to bring about a general peace and tranquility, and towards the consolidation of general peace by the cultivation of tranquil, reciprocal intercourse."

The Bankers' Magazine, in reviewing the financial year, points out that it has been disastrous in itself, and also follows several other years of severe shrinkage in values. The average fall in prices, despite the substantial recovery of the last month, has been 9 per cent. There has been no depreciation so great in the last twenty years. Consols and Indian funds fell 4 per cent, representing \$160,000,000. Twenty-six English railways lost \$7,000,000, or 5 per cent. Mines suffered most, South Africa, after steadily declining for several years, losing 23 per cent more in 1907.

## FACTS FROM FOREST

### Work of Rebuilding the Burned Flax Mill, Will Be Rushed.

Forest, Dec. 28.—The young men of Forest held an informal assembly in the hall here last night. Music was furnished by Cassello's Orchestra, of Port Huron.

The local postoffice staff handled a record heavy mail during Christmas week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Howard, of St. Louis, Mo., are here the guests of Mr. and Mrs. N. Tripp.

Miss Mary and Charlie Tripp, of Port Huron, are visiting here.

The present indications are that the municipal elections in Forest will go by acclamation.

Mr. C. Lawrie spent the holidays in Parkhill.

Mr. and Mrs. Curry are spending a week with friends in Toronto.

Miss Jessie McGibbon is visiting her sister, Mrs. McPherson, of Ridgeway.

Miss Edie McBean returned home today from Fiesherton, where she was milliner for the past season.

Miss Atcheson, of Detroit, spent a few days here, this week.

The entertainment given in the town hall on Monday evening by the Presbyterian Sunday School was a complete success, and the hall was packed.

The program was a source of much gratification to the children, while the programme of views and the illustrated lecture by Rev. C. Moffatt, of London, gave pleasure to both young and old.

Mr. Fraleigh, whose flax mill was destroyed by fire a week ago, has purchased from Mr. Cope, of Plympton, standing timber for a new mill, and has put his staff of hands to work cutting and teaming it in to town.

The work was begun on Tuesday and will be pushed forward until a larger and better mill is ready for operation.

Dr. George Webster is home from Chicago.

Dr. E. T. Huffman and wife were visiting in Aylmer.

Miss Hertel, of Berlin, and Miss Kennedy, of Toronto, spent a week here with Dr. and Mrs. Huffman.

Rev. Mr. Baldwin, a former pastor, preached to large audiences in the Baptist Church last Sunday.

Miss Cairns is spending the week in Cambriche.

Mr. Robson and Miss Jamieson spent Christmas at Ravenwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas, of Cambriche, spent Friday here.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Little, of Battleford, Sask., are spending the winter in this place.

The model school examinations for the grading of teachers' certificates were completed last week, all the Forest class were successful.

At the beginning of the year 1906 the total length of the standard gauge railroads in Germany aggregated 34,124 English miles, an increase of 21.3 per cent over the mileage length of ten years ago. The area of the German empire is 208,780 square miles, and it contains a population of 62,125,000. For every 100,000 inhabitants there is a mile of standard gauge track. The receipts from passenger traffic for the year 1905 amounted to \$163,775,750, exceeding by 62.4 per cent those of the year 1895. The passenger and baggage traffic contributed 25.16 per cent to the total receipts.

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## DEATH OF FAMOUS TAMMANY LEADER

### "Whispering Larry" Was Second Only To Croker and Welded Great Influence.

New York, Dec. 29.—Lawrence Delmour, for thirty years a power in Tammany politics, and the last survivor of the old school of district leaders, is dead.

Sixty-seven years old, and a chronic sufferer from myocardiitis, an attack of the grip which sapped his strength, and it was known two days ago that there was no hope of recovery.

#### DEATH IN THE WAVE.

New York, Dec. 28.—With one of her passengers dead, another seriously injured, and with her decks battered and scarred by tremendous waves, the Russian steamer Saratov arrived here today from Liban and Rotterdam.

The voyage was a continuous struggle with wind and wave. Heavy weather was encountered from the start, and 17 cabin and 82 steerage passengers were kept closely confined to their quarters.

On December 21, an immense wave broke over the bows and sweeping down caught two women steering passengers. So great was the force with which the wall of water struck the women that one of them was instantly killed.

The others sustained serious but probably not fatal injuries.

Known as "Whispering Larry," Mr. Delmour was for years one of the most influential and picturesque leaders in Tammany Hall. No member of the organization ever had more friends, and none was in more intimate touch with the lives of the men and women of his district.

Of striking appearance and of suave manner, he made friends wherever he appeared, and he was seldom forgotten. During his long regime as leader of the old twenty-ninth district, he was spoken of frequently as "the father of the district."

Everyone's business was his, and no want of his many followers was unnoticed.

Known for years of "Croker's most intimate friend," he was looked up to by all the other leaders and was eagerly sought by politicians and others who wished to obtain favors from the organization. He was consulted by Mr. Croker on all important occasions, and no appointment of any consequence was made, according to the old belief, until it had been submitted to him.

Typical of the Irish-American politician of the diamond stud period, Mr. Delmour was nevertheless a strong contrast to most of his associates. He was soft-spoken, from which arose his nickname; was almost apologetic in manner, and never spoke unless first spoken to. There was never the slightest suggestion of gruffness in his manner, and his many acts of charity led to the saying that "he had the biggest heart in Yorkville."

His generosity and loyalty to friends and relatives were proved on many occasions. In March, 1902, one of his relatives found himself indebted to the city in the sum of \$10,300. He was unable to pay it, and was greatly embarrassed. One day Mr. Delmour, unknown to the relative, appeared in the controller's office, deposited \$10,300 in greenbacks on his desk, and said:

"Scratch that little debt off the books, and advise it."

Like "Big Tom" Foley, Patrick Keenan and a few other well-known Tammany leaders, he was distinctly a New York man. The glove of Europe did not appeal to him. On his return from a European trip in September, 1906, he said:

"Berlin can't hold a candle to New York. Paris is a little better, but they're all side shows to New York. They're great on art, but let them have it. No art for me. Give me Broadway and what goes with it. There are pretty women over there, but

you can find them any place, and nowhere thicker or prettier than in New York.

Mr. Delmour came to America from Ireland in 1847, at the age of 7, and was educated in the public schools of the city. He was a pupil in the East Twenty-seventh street school, from which were graduated many youths who subsequently became prominent in politics and city affairs.

During his regime he had what was regarded as the "solidest district organization in the city." He was in absolute control of it. No one ever attempted to make a run against him. All his followers were "looked after," and not even the word of the leader of the Tammany organization could swing more than a handful of votes against him.

Friends of the old leader were surprised in July, 1905, to learn that he had quietly wedded Miss Jean Walsh, a nurse, who had attended him through a long, severe illness. Although there was a disparity of nearly 30 years in their ages, their married life was the happiest.

A monster kite is waiting in Nagasaki for the next hurricane. It is of the following dimensions: Fifty-seven feet from top to bottom and 180 feet, in circumference, with 31 guide lines. It took 2,900 sheets of tough paper to cover it and its frames are all unsplit bamboo.

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