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ALLEGED FORGERY

St. Thomas, Ont., April 12.—Dr. Edmonds, veterinary surgeon, of this city, has entered an action for forgery and perjury against his deceased wife's mother, sister and brother. He charged that will, purporting to leave his wife's life policy for \$1,000 in the Chosen Friends to her mother, is a forgery and that the parties concerned perjured themselves in testifying in court to its validity. The case comes up on Tuesday.

MILLER GOES DOWN FOR LIFE

Detroit Murderer Tried, Convicted and Sentenced in Record Time.

The Fiend Examined by Experts and Pronounced Perfectly Sane—No Counsel.

Detroit, April 13.—Joseph M. Miller the confessed murderer of Carry M. Jennett, is now serving a life sentence in Jackson prison for his crime. In less than 72 hours after the commission of the crime, Miller was arrested, tried, convicted, sentenced and lodged in the prison where he must pass his remaining years. This forms a record never before equalled or even approached in the history of Michigan criminal trials.

Wednesday night Miller met his victim by appointment, and inside of an hour had beaten her life out with a hatchet. Within an hour after the girl's identity was established Thursday morning Miller was arrested. He denied all knowledge of or connection with the crime.

At noon Friday he confessed to the prosecuting attorney and other officials that he had committed the murder and on the afternoon of that day he was arraigned in the police court on the charge of murder and waived examination to the Recorder's Court. Yesterday morning Miller was arraigned in the Recorder's Court, when his attorney asked that he be examined as to his sanity. Three alienists of the highest rank in the medical profession of Detroit, examined him, and on the opening of court in the afternoon testified that he was sane.

Testimony was also given by the murdered girl's brother, police officers and others to establish a proper court record. Miller himself made a statement to the court, similar to his confession of the day before, except that he said he merely intended to frighten his victim with the hatchet he hid near the place of murder and not to kill her.

Judge Murphy sentenced the unfortunate man to the extreme penalty fixed by the laws of Michigan, and the first train after that carried him to prison.

His crime designated as that of a denizen by the judge and foreseen by his counsel, who congratulated the police and prosecuting officers for their admirable work in bringing a brute to justice. Joseph M. Miller's last ray of hope was divorced yesterday from his mind as he sat in the prisoner's box, trying with his handkerchief and trying to hide his face from the gaze of scores of piercing eyes.

SERIOUS CRIME.

A little colored boy, aged seven, and so small that his head didn't show over the railing of the prisoner's docket, was found guilty of setting fire to a barn on Thames street, belonging to Mrs. Miller. The lad was remanded till Saturday but was so young that the Magistrate wouldn't order the boy to be locked up.

OFF TO SOUTH AFRICA.

Toronto, April 13.—Eight teachers for South Africa departed on Saturday evening, taking the night train to Montreal. They are Misses Florence J. Wilkinson, Toronto; Auguste Hoover, Toronto Junction; Bertha Brydon, King; Catherine McLennan, Toronto; Edna E. O'Brien, Nobleton; Maud MacFarlane and Eleanor Young, Peterborough; and Margaret D. Scott, Hamilton. The ladies will go to Halifax, whence they will sail by the Corinthian for England. At the station they were given a send-off by a number of friends.

SUSPENDED SENTENCE.

Chas. Rogers appeared to stand trial on the charge of stealing a buck-saw from J. M. Pike. J. M. Pike acknowledged owning the saw. James Milner testified that he had paid Rogers 15 cents for the saw. Rogers Houston asked Rogers what should be done. Rogers asked for leniency, saying he didn't want to die in prison. Judge Houston—Prison seems to be the best place for you. You are worse to yourself than the keeper of the prison is. When you are in prison, you look splendid but, as soon as you get out, you begin drinking. I will release you on suspended sentence. The Judge told Mr. Pike that he could take the saw, but Mr. Pike didn't take it.

BOER LEADERS AT PRETORIA IN TOUCH WITH KITCHENER

Midnight Cabinet Council at Mr. Chamberlain's House, and Unwonted Sunday Activity in Official Circles in London—Public Hopefulness Increased—Kruger Modified Peace Conditions—A Boer Conference at Utrecht.

Pretoria, April 12.—Acting President Schalkburger, Generals Louis Botha, Lucas Meyer and Delarey, Mr. Steyn and General De Wet arrived here this morning on a special train from Klerksdorp.

INCREASES HOPE.

London, April 13.—The announcement of the presence at Pretoria of the Orange Free State and Transvaal leaders and generals, who have been at Klerksdorp considering terms of peace, caused a decided increase in the hopefulness of the public concerning the possibilities of peace. The expectations aroused by the conference at Pretoria have been further heightened by the movements of Mr. Chamberlain, the Colonial Secretary, and other members of the Cabinet in London, and evidences that important despatches are passing between Lord Kitchener and the Government.

SUNDAY ACTIVITY.

A conference of members of the Cabinet was held last night at midnight in Mr. Chamberlain's house. Mr. Chamberlain, Mr. Brodick, the War Secretary, Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, and the Duke of Devonshire, president of the Council, were present. The conference terminated at 1 o'clock this morning, and to-day Mr. Chamberlain and several of the Colonial Office officials were in their offices. Messengers passed between them and Sir Michael Hicks-Beach at his residence. At half-past one o'clock this afternoon, Mr. Chamberlain drove to Buckingham Palace and remained with King Edward for two hours. During the afternoon messengers carried despatches from the Foreign Office to Lord Salisbury, who is in office. Mr. Balfour, the Government leader in the House of Commons, was at Hatfield House. These outward signs of Sunday activity have not been supplemented by any authentic or official statement. The question most discussed thus far has been whether the peace negotiations would effect the Government's financial proposals, which promise to be submitted to Parliament to-morrow. The fact that Sir Michael Hicks-Beach was engaged in his office nearly all day to-day is interpreted by the morning papers as a modification of the budget statement.

COMMUNICATED TO KITCHENER. There appears to be no doubt that the Boer leaders have communicated the results of their deliberations to Lord Kitchener. Attempts will be made in Parliament to-morrow to draw out what information the Government has on the South African situation and to learn its intentions, but it is not known that the Government can forecast the probable outcome of the negotiations. The instructions sent to Lord Kitchener are believed to be only provisional in character.

TO MAKE FORMAL PROPOSALS.

London, Monday, April 14.—The comparatively brief duration of the conferences at Klerksdorp is regarded as an indication that the Boer leaders found little difficulty in agreeing upon some basis of negotiation. The transfer of negotiations to Pretoria, where both Lord Kitchener and Lord Milner, the British High Commissioner in South Africa, are at present, is interpreted by the morning papers as meaning that the Boers are prepared to name formal peace proposals. The latest reports received here from the Boer headquarters at Brussels and The Hague declare that the delegates will raise no opposition if honorable terms are granted, and that the Boer leaders in South Africa have agreed to accept the maximum obtainable.

KING TO THE WAR OFFICE.

London, April 12.—A special despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company from Dover says that a King's messenger, with a despatch for the War Office, arrived this evening from the continent by way of Calais.

KRUGER'S PEACE TERMS.

Edinburgh, April 12.—The Evening News, of this city, whose editor is in close touch with Mr. Kruger, declares "on the highest authority" that the Boers are prepared to accept the following conditions:—

"They will not make absolute independence a cardinal feature, if they can come to a satisfactory agreement as to future internal government."

"The banishment and confiscation of property proclamation must be canceled and confiscated property must be restored to its owners with remuneration for private stock and property destroyed or taken by the British."

"Full recognition of state debts contracted before and after hostilities and up to the date of the annexation proclamation issued by Lord Roberts."

"The language question to be mutually agreed upon."

"Amnesty for the Cape rebels."

"The release of all political prisoners."

"A date to be fixed when all prisoners of war will be returned to South Africa."

ONERS OF WAR WILL BE RETURNED TO SOUTH AFRICA.

"The offices of one or two friendly powers to be accepted to superintend the carrying out of the terms of peace."

(The editor of the Edinburgh paper is Hector Macpherson, one of the most able of Scotland's journalists. He only recently went to Holland and interviewed Kruger.)

A CONFERENCE AT UTRECHT.

Utrecht, Holland, April 12.—Dr. Leyds, the Transvaal agent, and other Boer leaders, had a long conference yesterday evening. Dr. Leyds afterwards asserted that the meeting was not connected with the conference proceeding at Klerksdorp, Transvaal Colony. Peace, however, he added, could not be concluded without previous consultation with the Boer representatives in Europe.

TALMAGE HAS PASSED AWAY

The Noted Preacher Fell Asleep on Saturday Night After Long Illness.

Doctors had Given up Hope Will Burial Take Place at Brooklyn.

Washington, D.C., April 12.—Rev. T. DeWitt Talmage, the noted Presbyterian divine, died at 9 o'clock to-night at his residence in this city. It had been evident for some days that there was no hope of his recovery, and the attending physicians so informed the family. The patient gradually grew weaker until life passed away so quietly that even the members of the family, all of whom were watching at the bedside, hardly knew that all was over.

The immediate cause of death was inflammation of the brain. Dr. Talmage was in poor health when he started away from Washington for Mexico for a vacation and rest six weeks ago. He was then suffering from influenza and serious catarrhal conditions. Since his return to Washington some time ago, he had been quite ill. Until Thursday, however, fears for his death were not entertained. The last rational words uttered by him were on the day preceding the marriage of his daughter, when he said "of course, I know you Maud." Since then he has been unconscious.

At Dr. Talmage's bedside, besides his wife were these members of his family: Frank DeWitt Talmage, Chicago; Mrs. Warren G. Smith, Brooklyn; Mrs. Daniel Mangam, Brooklyn; Mrs. Allen E. Donnan, Richmond; Mrs. Clarence Wyckoff and Miss Talmage, Washington. While arrangements for the funeral have not been finally completed, the family have about decided to have the body taken to the Church of the Covenant here on Tuesday, where services will be held.

The body will then be conveyed to Brooklyn where interment will be made in the family plot in Greenwood cemetery, probably on Wednesday.

PRISONER TELLS

Chas. Russell, the man who pleaded guilty last week to a charge of stealing 20c from Geo. Griffith, appeared this morning for sentence. Judge Houston told the man that in his own confession he was liable for stealing 20 cents and getting 80 cents on false pretenses. I am told that you practised similar tricks here a year ago," continued the Court.

"I never was in Chatham till last October," said Russell. "I have been painting a house for my uncle, John Russell, who lives south of Northwood. Last Monday, I put my wife and children on the train and then met Archie Patterson. We got to drinking."

The Judge—I hear some of the drinks are not paid for. The prisoner—That's what I saw in the papers yesterday. I had \$23 when I started. I played cards in a hotel till three o'clock in the morning. The Judge—Where is that hotel? The prisoner—It is over by the Park.

The Court—Well I guess we will have to hold you for a while. The Judge remanded the prisoner for a week to enable the police to investigate the prisoner's statement as to the card playing.

Rev. T. T. George occupied the pulpit in the Methodist church at Blenheim yesterday. During his stay in Blenheim he was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. James Hendershott.

DIED OF LOOKJAW

Hamilton, April 11.—Martha A. Roach, six years of age, daughter of Mrs. Geo. Roach, 486 Macnab street, north, stepped on a broken lamp chimney ten days ago, and cut her toes. The wound was stitched at the city hospital, and after healing, the stitches were removed on Tuesday last. Blood poisoning resulted later, and her jaws set firmly. Yesterday death relieved her sufferings, which were intense.

THE CANADIAN 4TH CONTINGENT

Two of the Commands Have Been Assigned Col. Boulanger and Williams.

The Fortunate Officers—Great Rush for the Coronation Contingent.

Ottawa, April 13.—The Governor-General returned from New York to-day, and doubtless the nominations for commands in the fourth contingent will now go forward to the War Office without delay—that is, presuming the selections have been made by the Minister of Militia. The report that two of the commands have been assigned to Lt.-Col. Williams and Lt.-Col. Boulanger is corroborated. There has been talk of the two other commands being offered to officers of the third contingent now in South Africa. This may be probable in the case of Lt.-Col. Cameron, but it is not likely that Major Merritt will be taken from his present position of second in command.

As to the coronation contingents, applications continue to pour into the department, and the Minister of Militia is no doubt having an interesting time with these, who would fain influence him politically as to the selection of the officers. Of the 22 commissions in the contingent it is said two will be given to the mounted police, and of the remaining 39 commissions nine will be given to Ontario officers. Toronto, April 12.—Lieut.-Col. H. M. Pellatt, Queen's Own Rifles, to-day received a telegram from Major-General O'Driscoll, Italy, offering him the command of the Canadian contingent at the coronation of King Edward. The colonel telegraphed back that he would have much pleasure in accepting. He will proceed to Ottawa to-morrow night to confer with the Major-General and the Minister of Militia as to the details of which at present he knows nothing.

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