

MRS. WESLEY SCOTT COMMITTED FOR TRIAL CHARGED WITH MURDER OF AGED HARVEY SCOTT

Preliminary Hearing Was Conducted Before Squire Chittick.

COMES UP IN OCTOBER

At the Fall Assizes—Evidence Heard in the Case Today.

Mrs. Wesley Scott was formally committed on the charge of murdering Harvey Scott at the preliminary hearing of the case before Squire Chittick at noon today.

"Although I may have sympathy with this woman," said the squire, "there has been no evidence produced that I consider would justify me changing the charge that now stands against her, and I cannot do other than commit her before a higher tribunal, to stand her trial on this charge. I therefore commit her for trial without any further comment."

The evidence given by him before the coroner on Friday last was read to him and its correctness certified to. The Post-Mortem.

Dr. J. R. Armstrong, a practicing physician at Thorndale, performed the post-mortem on the body of Harvey Scott on Monday, Sept. 13. He stated during part of the examination, "The bullet, he testified, entered behind the lower part of the right ear leaving a little lower down, behind the left ear and farther back than the wound of entry, partially severing the spinal cord where it enters the brain, and death was instantaneous."

"When were you sent for?" asked Crown Attorney McKillop. A—About 8 o'clock in the morning, and on going to the house I found the body lying on the ground outside the door.

Q—Did you speak to the accused, Martha Scott? A—Yes, I did. I asked her where was the gun she had shot him with. I was standing in the living room, and I followed her into the bedroom. She got the revolver and gave it to me. In getting it she was between me and the cupboard, with her back toward me. This was in the east bedroom.

Q—What did she say when she gave it to you? A—I don't remember her saying anything.

Q—Did you examine the condition of the revolver? A—Yes, I found that one cartridge was empty, and that the other chamber was loaded with the revolver to Joseph Vining, who afterwards gave it back to me. I then turned it over to High Constable Hughes.

Constable Gumb, of Thorndale, testified that he saw the body on which Dr. Armstrong performed the post-mortem. The body was that of the late Harvey Scott.

The High Constable. High Constable Hughes was then called, and identified the revolver shown as that produced on the 13th inst., and was the same revolver as was identified by Wesley Scott.

Mr. Joseph Vining testified to the correctness of the evidence given by him at the inquest, though he remarked that he was not sure whether Arthur Scott, Alfred's son, had gone into the house or not.

Widow of Deceased. Mrs. Susan Scott, the widow of Harvey Scott, was then called and testified that the evidence given before the coroner was quite correct.

Minnie James, the adopted daughter of the late Harvey Scott, also bore testimony to the correctness of the evidence given before Coroner Hughes.

Alfred Scott was the last witness called to testify to the correctness of the evidence given at the coroner's inquest.

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FATE OF BLYTHE STILL UNDECIDED

Court of Appeal Will Hear Application on Behalf of Wife Murderer.

Toronto, Sept. 20.—The court of appeal will hear on application today by Mr. T. Robinson, K. C., on behalf of Walker Blythe, for a reserved case or for leave to appeal.

Blythe is at present in custody under sentence of death for the murder of his wife early this year. According to the evidence given at the trial before Mr. Justice Riddell, Blythe beat his wife with a poker while under the influence of drink, and she succumbed to her injuries. An examination of her body revealed old marks indicating that she had been previously subjected to brutal treatment.

Blythe should have been executed last spring, according to the sentence pronounced upon him, but he was reprieved on two occasions, the last one till October 1 next.

The prisoner's lawyers claim that Blythe intended merely to chastise his wife, as he used the thin end of the poker, and also that he only struck her on the thigh. His counsel has made this in their successful application for the last reprieve as evidence of the perfectly good-natured intention with which he administered the blows which resulted fatally.

MRS. SCOTT APPEARS ILL

Mrs. Scott, as she appeared at the preliminary hearing this morning, more than justified the comment that have been current about her ill-health. She was dressed in the same simple black dress and hat that she wore when arrested, but the flush of excitement had died from her face, and left it ashen. She seemed intensely tired, and sat with her head resting on her hands, and as the inquiry proceeded she swayed slightly in her seat, as though the effort to hold herself erect was almost beyond her. In the light of the courtroom her face looked drawn and haggard, and there were deep wrinkles on her forehead. Her eyes were dull and lusterless, giving to her face an almost vacant expression. And never for an instant did the hearing did her face light up with any show of interest. She did not appear to be nervous, and as she left the courtroom her step was steady, though her figure was bowed somewhat, and the general impression she left on those who crowded the courtroom was that of a woman bent with utter weariness, rather than the trouble of a great crime hanging over her.

WOMAN ACCUSED OF KILLING BABE

Mrs. Maud Turner, of Toronto Placed Under Arrest.

SORDID CRIME CHARGES

Alleged To Have Done Away With Another Woman's Infant, Having Received Sum of Money.

Toronto, Sept. 20.—By the arrest last evening of Mrs. Maud Turner, alias Miller, on a charge of murder, the police believe to have the person who will be able to clear up the mystery surrounding the finding of a five-days-old female child Thursday afternoon on the New York Central tracks at Niagara Falls.

On the body of the infant which was found at the Falls, there was a piece of adhesive plaster with the name "Autheurs" on it, which showed that the child had evidently been born in a hospital where all babies are thus marked after birth. With this information the police went to the Burnside Home, the maternity department of the General Hospital, and found that on Saturday, the 11th of September, a Mrs. Autheurs had given birth to a child, and that on the evening of the same day a woman answering to the description of Mrs. Turner had gone to the hospital and taken the child away.

The police also found that some time ago an advertisement had appeared in a Toronto paper offering to adopt any number of children for the consideration of \$100 each, and the next day an advertisement also appeared, this one having been inserted by Mrs. Autheurs, stating that she wanted somebody to adopt a child of birth. Mrs. Autheurs then communicated with Mrs. Turner, (Continued on Page Eight.)

THE WEST INDIAN TRADE COMMISSION

All Members With Exception of Lord Balfour Gathered at Capital.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Ottawa, Sept. 20.—All members of the Canadian-West Indian trade commission are in Ottawa with the exception of Lord Balfour of Burleigh, who will come tomorrow for the first Canadian meeting of the commission. Sir Daniel Morris and Sir John Dickson, who were in Ottawa, and two Canadian commissioners, Hon. William Fielding and Hon. William Patterson, at a meeting of the commission were held this morning. The first meeting of the commission will be held in Ottawa, chiefly from officials of the Government who are in touch with the trade interests of the West Indies and Canada, where meetings will be held, and the board of trade and any one else who desires will express views and give evidence. After Toronto there will be meetings in Montreal, St. John and Halifax. These meetings will all be open to the press and public, and any one will be heard who desires it. It is expected that the Canadian sittings will be concluded during the first week in October. The commission will then separate to meet at the convenience of the Canadian representatives, who will have to give their time to the business of Parliament. It is probable that the sittings of the commission will be resumed in the West Indies some time during the winter or next spring.

ST. THOMAS LADY IS NEW SECRETARY

Miss Lindop Chosen by the Y. W. C. A. of This City.

Miss Ethel Lindop, of St. Thomas has been appointed secretary of the Y. W. C. A. of this city.

She took charge this morning. The appointment has been vacant for some time, and since then the directors have been looking about for a suitable person to take charge of the work. Miss Lindop was selected, and was immediately placed in charge. She is a graduate of Alma College, and is highly spoken of in her home city.

\$50,000 FIRE AT MONTREAL

Montreal, Sept. 20.—The Canadian Paper Box Company's premises in St. Elie Lane, were badly damaged by fire yesterday afternoon, the loss being estimated at \$50,000. A large force of Poles were at work at the time, but they managed to make their escape.

BOARD OF CONTROL MAY COME UP

Important Matter Likely To Be Dealt With at the Council Meeting Tonight.

ACT PROVIDES FOR IT

All the City Has to Do Is to Have Its Council Pass a Necessary Resolution in Regard to Matter.

The council will meet tonight, and there is little business to be transacted. The most important matter for consideration will be the resolutions on a board of control, and the public utilities commission.

The resolution on the board of control will be merely to have an expression of opinion on the advisability of governing the city by a board. Mayor Stevely is of the opinion that in view of the consideration this subject is receiving among the citizens generally, it would be a proper thing to allow the ratepayers to vote on it.

Take a Vote. "I understand there will be a resolution asking that a vote be taken on the question submitted to the council this evening," said Mr. Stevely. "It will merely be an expression of opinion on the matter, and the people will be given an opportunity of expressing their views on the subject."

"The resolution on the public utilities commission will be in accordance with the act passed at the last session of the Legislature. It will provide for the management of the water and power business by the one commission. It will be enlarged to five members, four of whom will be elected this year."

Committee Reports. The reports of the standing committees will be brief, and there will be nothing controversial. The power committee will meet this afternoon, but the only important matter will be to call for tenders for paint for the poles to be used on the streets for wiring.

It does not look like a long session.

PEARY NEAR YDNEY COOK AT SANDY HOOK

Rival North Pole Heroes Within Few Hours of Home City.

Sydney, N. S., Sept. 20.—The Arctic steamer Roosevelt, with Commander Robert E. Peary and the members of his party on board, passed St. Paul's Island, 65 miles north of here at 9 o'clock this morning. The Roosevelt is expected to reach Sydney about 5 o'clock this evening.

The Danish steamer Oscar II, with Dr. Frederick A. Cook on board, was reported by wireless 65 miles east of Peary's island at 9:55 this morning. The captain of the Oscar II was notified by the office of the Scandinavian-American Line here to anchor off Sandy Hook all night, and not to come up the harbor until tomorrow morning.

The revenue cutter will leave to meet the steamer at quarantine at 8 a.m. tomorrow. This will enable the plans for Dr. Cook's reception to be carried out unchanged.

SUDDEN DEATH OF A NEWSPAPERMAN

Correspondent of the Advertiser Drops Dead in a Chatham Hospital.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Chatham, Sept. 20.—While cleaning a shot gun, preparatory to cleaning hunting, Percy Watson, aged 18, who resides at 413 Park avenue, this city, met with a fatal accident. He was in the act of loading his gun when the load struck him in the knee, penetrating to the bone. Dr. Hall was summoned and attended to his injuries. It is not yet known whether amputation will be necessary.

Dropped Dead. Wm. Bell, 23 years of age, dropped dead last night at the Public General Hospital, where he had been for some time under medical treatment. Death was due to heart failure, following an illness of considerable duration. The deceased was a native of Kircubright, Scotland, and came out to this country a couple of years ago. He was for about a year connected with the staff of the C. Austin & Co. dry-goods store, and later had been associated with the advertising department of the Daily News. During his short stay here he had made many friends, to whom the news of his sudden death caused an inexpressible shock. His relatives in Scotland have been notified.

Accidentally Hanged. Rochester, Sept. 20.—Alben Anderson, 13 years old, is dead at Shortsville. While performing gymnastic exercises in his father's barn on a rope tied to a ladder, he accidentally hanged himself.

Steamers Arrived. Sept. 19.—Reporters at New York: At Liverpool—Baltic, from New York; Cincinnati, from Hamburg; St. Louis, from Southampton; Celtic, from Liverpool; California, from Glasgow; Minnesota, from London; Genoa, from London.

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At Southampton—St. Paul, from New York. At Naples—Paris, from New York; Moltke, from New York.

At Genoa—Verona, from New York. At Boulogne—Nordam, from New York. At Hamburg—President Grant, from New York.

At Cape Race—Friedrich der Grosse, from Bremen; Caronia, from Liverpool; Oceanic, from Southampton.

At Quebec—London, from Glasgow; Manxman, from Avonmouth; Orkla, from Newcastle; Ionis, from Newcastle. At Dover—Lapland, from New York. At Father Point—Mount Temple, from Antwerp.

RED HAT FOR FALCONI. Rome, Sept. 20.—It is stated that Monsignor Falconi, the apostolic delegate at Washington, will very probably be made a cardinal at the January consistory and that he will be succeeded by Monsignor Aversa, the apostolic delegate to Cuba.

GRAND LODGE I. O. O. F. Seattle, Wash., Sept. 20.—The Sovereign Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Oddfellows of the United States and Canada, opened today with 25,000 members from every state in the union present. A great procession will be held on Wednesday, when 20,000 men, in regalia, led by the patriarchs militant, will march through the downtown streets.

LONG-LOST CREW TURN UP SAFE

Word Comes of Stranding in the Wilds of Baffinland.

HARPOONER PLAYS HERO

Fights His Way to the Moravian Settlements Through Terrible Northern Winter.

St. John's, Nfld., Sept. 20.—The pluck and hardihood of a young Scotch harpooner, David Ritchie, who crossed the stormy waters of Hudson Strait alone in an open boat to the Moravian settlements on Northern Labrador, was the means of bringing, as from the region of the dead, word of the safety of the eight members of the crew of the Scotch whaling ship Snowdrop, which was lost in Frobiisher Strait, Sept. 18, 1908. Further particulars of the hardships of the crew reached here tonight, the first since definite news of the Snowdrop was given on Wednesday from Indian Harbor, which point Ritchie reached on Dr. Wiffen, T. Grenfell's missionary schooner, Lorna Doone.

The Snowdrop was given up for lost with all on board last December, when a bottle was picked up off the coast of Scotland, saying that the ship was sinking.

With eight men the Snowdrop had left Dundee, Scotland, early in June, 1908, for a season's trading among the Eskimos of Baffinland. She made a good trip and secured a cargo of bear-skins, walrus hides and one whale, and was returning when she was wrecked in Frobiisher Strait.

The crew managed to reach the coast of Baffinland in an open boat, short of provisions. The Arctic winter approached, cutting off the last small chance of a stray whaler coming along to pick them up, despite efforts were made to cross the Hudson Strait to the northern coast of Labrador in an open boat, but each time gales or big icefields drove them back to the barren shores of Baffinland.

The men were now in an allowance of one ship's biscuit a day, and were suffering bitterly when they reached an Eskimo settlement, where they spent the winter.

With the coming of the brief summer of those northern latitudes, Ritchie decided to make an attempt to reach civilization to bring succor for his comrades.

With an Eskimo guide he travelled on foot and by dog sled 500 miles, until he reached a spot on Hudson Strait favorable for camping. There he found a boat and fought his way through drift ice and storm single handed to the Labrador coast, where he found a Moravian settlement.

Ritchie says that all the crew are well except one, whose feet were badly frozen.

DILLON MUST DIE ON NOVEMBER 19

To Be Executed For the Murder of Constable Shea at Montreal.

Montreal, Sept. 20.—John Dillon, book agent, who killed Constable Shea on April 6, 1908, was found guilty of murder by the jury in the court of King's bench here Saturday, and sentenced to be hanged on Nov. 19.

Dillon was the leading actor in one of the most dramatic crimes ever perpetrated in Montreal. For several hours he kept at bay 100 armed policemen in his boarding-house on Manoe street, and it was only after being wounded by many bullets from the policemen's guns that access to his room was finally obtained.

In addition to shooting Shea dead, Dillon severely wounded Constable Foucault, a Carpenter and Constable Foucault. Dillon showed no concern when the death sentence was announced. His lawyer will ask for commutation to life imprisonment.

JESSE MOYER KILLED.

Utica, Sept. 20.—Jesse Moyer, of Chas. Lake, was killed on Friday last while deer hunting, and it was supposed that he was shot accidentally by his own rifle while crawling under a fallen tree.

LIKES CHILDREN.

Chicago, Sept. 20.—When Samuel B. Lingle yesterday gave a picnic to 53 children belonging to tenants of the flat buildings owned by him, it transpired that Lingle is an exception to the ordinary landlords, who do not like to rent apartments to families with children. Lingle not only does not object to tenants with numerous offspring, but actually advertises for such lessees.

THE WEATHER.

TOMORROW—FINE AND WARM.

FORECASTS. Toronto, Sept. 20.—8 a.m. Moderate to fresh east to south winds; fine and warm today and on Tuesday.

TEMPERATURES. Today. Yesterday. Stations. 2 a.m. Min. Low. High.

London, Saturday. 52 45 70
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Victoria. 50 40 60
Calgary. 44 36 60
Winnipeg. 52 44 72
Port Arthur. 44 32 72
Perry Sound. 54 44 68
Toronto. 54 44 68
Ottawa. 54 44 68
Montreal. 54 44 68
Quebec. 54 44 68
Father Point. 48 38 60
Faneau. 48 38 60
New Westminster. 48 38 60
Kamloops. 46 36 62
Vancouver. 46 36 62
Prince Albert. 38 28 64
Moosejaw. 42 32 62
Saskatoon. 42 32 62
Halifax. 44 34 64

WEATHER NOTES. The pressure is decidedly high in Eastern Canada, and comparatively low in the Western Provinces.

ALD. BEATTIE AND FERGUSON FOR MAYORALTY CANDIDATES

Will in All Probability Be the Seekers of the Chief Magistrate's Chair in 1910—It Is Said, However, That There May Be a Dark Horse in the Field.



Mayor Stevely.

Ald. Beattie would not deny that he was a probable candidate, saying that all things were possible.

Two years ago he was prominently mentioned for the position but the candidature of ex-Ald. Matthews spoiled his entry into the lists. He remained as member of the council since then, and will no doubt run for the position of mayor at the end of the year.

Ald. Ferguson in Field. That Ald. Ferguson will be his opponent is also certain. Some time ago he announced that he would be a candidate for the place, and since then he has not changed his mind.

The decision of Ald. Beattie to run was arrived at, it is stated, when Commissioner F. J. Darch decided not to enter the lists. Mr. Darch was prominently mentioned for the position, and seriously considered running, but pressure of business has made it impossible for him to be a candidate at this time.

Water Supply Low BUT IS INCREASING

Present Compressor Is Too Small and the Well Water Is Running Away.

The city water supply is none too great just now. At the present time there are only 9 feet 6 inches in the reservoir, but it is gradually increasing.

The citizens of London would have been worried had they known the condition of the water supply last week, said Engineer Moore. "The reservoir was very low, but the return of cooler weather, and the Fair being ended, we are in a much better position."

"We are still using the smaller compressor. I have tried all over Canada to get a good compressor, but have been unable to do so. I guess we will have to make do with the one we have, as they are not manufactured in Canada. We will try and get one if possible."

The present compressor is the one loaned to the commission by those interested in the McGregor wells, and while doing satisfactory work, is only half the size required here.

CHAS. FORD, OF COMBER, COMMITTS SUICIDE

Found Hanging in His Barn—He Had Been Melancholy Through Ill Health.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Comber, Ont., Sept. 20.—Early this morning the body of Mr. Charles Ford, an employee of the M. C. R., had committed suicide by hanging himself in his barn. He left his house as usual before 7 o'clock, apparently for work on the section. As he did not put in an appearance, search was made and the body was found as above stated by his youngest son. The deceased was about 60 years of age and had been a highly respected resident of Comber for many years.

The only reason that can be attributed for the deed is the fact that the deceased had not been in the best of health for some time, and was inclined lately to be melancholy. The deceased leaves a wife and five children, three sons and two daughters, who have the deepest sympathy of the whole community.

FELL FROM BRIDGE

George N. Ward, of Tillsonburg, Killed at Detroit.

Detroit, Sept. 20.—While at work painting the iron girders on Belle Isle Bridge Saturday afternoon, George N. Ward, aged 27, of Tillsonburg, lost his balance and fell to the roadway, 20 feet below, fracturing his skull. He was taken to St. Mary's Hospital, where he died yesterday without regaining consciousness. The young man's parents arrived here from Tillsonburg and took charge of the body. Ward was unmarried.

GREAT FINDS IN TIBET

Russian Expedition Located Ancient City—Relics of Buddha Worship.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 20.—Col. Kozloff's Mongolian expedition, equipped by the Russian Geographical Society, has returned after twenty months of exploration in the region of the Andos Mountain range in Tibet.

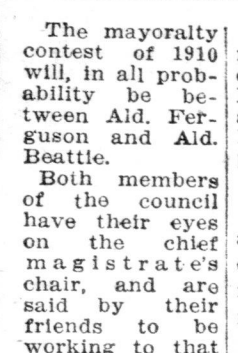
The chief discovery made was of the ancient city of Kharakhot, called by the Chinese Sian-chi, which the Manchurians destroyed more than 500 years ago.

The explorers found a great quantity of relics used in Buddha worship, a metal figure of Buddha perfectly preserved, and perfectly preserved manuscripts on canvas and silk in the Chinese, Manchurian and Tibetan languages.

MIKE HOOK'S WILL

The Entire Estate Left to Dead Wife's Sister.

Detroit, Sept. 20.—The will of the late Michael Hook, formerly of the Tecumseh House, London, Ont., leaves his estate to the sister of his dead wife, Emma Cline, Allentown, Pa. Under the law of Michigan, the estate went to Hook and his sister-in-law equally. According to the dead man's last testament it all goes to the sister-in-law.



Ald. Beattie.

Many other names have also been mentioned in connection with the chief magistracy, among them being Hon. Adam Beck. The latter is not a possibility owing to the fact that he has a contract with the city at the present time.

A Dark Horse. There may be a dark horse loom up at the last minute, however. Many citizens declare that a change is necessary in public life, and they will run a citizen's slate. Nothing definite is being heard on this subject now, and it is more than likely that the field will be left to Ald. Ferguson and Ald. Beattie.

Practically all of the aldermen will seek re-election. Ald. Beattie and Ald. Ferguson may be considered out of the running for the aldermanic board. Ald. Parsons has definitely announced that he has had enough. Ald. Gerry has also expressed a desire to retire, though he may reconsider his determination and run again.

Will Seek Re-election. Ald. Stewart has announced his retirement, but the rest will run. Ald. Stevenson, Garratt, Moorhead, Fitzgerald, Saunders, Rose and Cooper will seek re-election.

As a result there should be some new faces on next year's aldermanic board.

In the board of education, Trustees Westervelt, Teasdale, Weekes and Hunt retire. It is probable that all will seek the position again.

WM. FAULKNER HURT IN SERIOUS RUNAWAY

Was Driving Into the City When He Met With an Accident.

William Faulkner, a middle-aged man, who lives just outside the city, had a very narrow escape from being killed on Saturday afternoon while he was coming into the city.

He was driving down the hill near High street, when part of the harness broke and the horse took fright and dashed down the hill.

The wheel struck the curb and Mr. Faulkner was thrown from the alighted on the back of his head on the cement sidewalk. He was rendered unconscious, and for a time it was feared that his skull had been fractured.

Dr. Becker was called and found that the skull had not been fractured, but that the skin at the back of the head had been terribly cut and bruised and that Mr. Faulkner was most severely shaken up. The city ambulance was called, and he was taken home. The horse continued to run until it reached the Wellington street bridge where it was captured.

WATER COMMISSIONERS TO BORE MORE WELLS

Likely That Water Supply Will Be Brought Up to Capacity of the Pumps.

The water commissioners will probably take up the question of drilling more wells after Hon. Adam Beck completes the four he has undertaken to put down.

He will give the city 3,000,000 gallons of water, and it has been suggested that half a dozen more wells be sunk to bring the total amount of water in sight to the full capacity of the machinery to be installed, viz., 4,500,000 gallons of water.

It is pointed out that the wells can be drilled cheaper now than at any other time, as the rig is on the ground, and it will take little or no extra expense for moving the rig.

3,000,000 Gallons of Water. "As I promised I will give 16 wells which in total capacity of three million gallons of water," said Hon. Adam Beck. "The capacity of the pumping plant will be four and a half million gallons. Now, I think the water commissioners could drill four or five wells in the district between my wells and the hospital wells. These would give enough water to supply the pumps at their capacity. They can be drilled at a less expense now with the drill on the ground than they can be at any time later. It will do no harm to have the water in readiness to be used when necessary."

Have More Wells. Mayor Stevely was spoken to in regard to it, and he agreed that it would be a good idea to have more wells drilled.

"Once drilled it would be no expense to maintain them, and then if anything happened at Springfield, we would have sufficient water to supply the city independently."

The matter will be brought to the attention of the water commissioners.