

SAW DRUCE YEARS AFTER.

AGED WOMAN GIVES EVIDENCE IN GREAT PERJURY CASE.

Duke Had False Beard—Told Witness It Was Necessary in His Double Life—Mrs. Margaret Hamilton Testifies That Druce Told Her He Intended to Die.

London, Dec. 2.—The principal evidence in the Druce perjury case, when was resumed in the Clerkenwell Police Court today, was given by Mrs. Margaret Hamilton, an old lady of seventy. She testified that Druce and the Duke of Portland were one and the same person, and identified portraits of the Duke, whom she described as an old friend of her father's, and always had a false beard in his pocket. The Duke had at one time intended to marry her, she said, but her father refused his consent. On one occasion she had asked the Duke why he wore a false beard. He explained it was necessary to have a beard when he appeared as Druce.

"In 1864," the witness went on, "the Duke of Portland said to her: 'Madge, I am going to die.' 'You don't look like it,' she replied. Mrs. Hamilton then declared that her father had explained to her that the Duke of Portland was going to die, and she was informed that she was going to be a funeral. In 1866 she again saw her father and the Duke of Portland together in London, and on this occasion she said, chaffingly, to the Duke: 'I thought you were dead and buried.' She called him Druce and this annoyed him.

Continuing, Mrs. Hamilton testified that she last saw the Duke of Portland in 1876. The Duke then said that he felt very ill, and thought he was going to die. Mrs. Hamilton said to him, "I hope you will repent of all your sins," and to this the Duke answered, "Thank you, Madge."

The witness testified that the man she saw in 1876 was also T. C. Druce, of the Baker street bazaar. The Duke, she testified, suffered from an affection of the skin, and at one time he had a lump on his nose. In the course of her testimony, Mrs. Hamilton said that the fourth Duke of Portland was her godfather. She had been at Wedlock Abbey with her father as the guest of the fifth Duke, whom she knew well in his dual character. Mrs. Hamilton said, among other things, that when the Duke spoke of dying in 1864 she asked her father if she could get the corpse of the Duke buried, but her father replied that that would never do, as he must be put into the coffin. The Duke's comment on this remark was that anything would do to put in the coffin. The witness said also that in 1866 the Duke had shown her a bundle of handkerchiefs with coronets, worked in the corners, which he said his wife had embroidered in spite of the fact that he had made her promise that she never would use the coronets. The Duke cut the coronets from the handkerchiefs and threw them in the fire. One of the pieces of linen, however, did not ignite, and this Mrs. Hamilton kept for years until she was finally told by her solicitor that "there will be no more Druce case."

Mrs. Hamilton was under cross-examination in regard to the discrepancies between the evidence she gave to-day and that given before another court when the case was adjourned until November 29th.

GIRL BACKED OUT.

PLIGHTED TROTH BROKEN ALMOST AT THE ALTAR.

Two Days Before Wedding Was to Have Taken Place, Emma Ryan Flees From Her Intended Husband.

Buffalo, Dec. 2.—Shattering a romance extending over a period of eighteen months Miss Emma Ryan, who was to have been married to a wealthy Pennsylvania farmer on Thanksgiving eve, suddenly left her home at 190 Niagara street last Monday without confiding her destination to any of her friends. With her secret locked in her heart, Miss Ryan, who is a pretty young woman, fled from the brink of the altar after all arrangements had been made for the ceremony. It is said that the friends who were to make up the wedding party had already been notified. The departing bride-to-be carried her trousseau away in her trunk. James Crowley, of Union, Pa., had already arrived for the marriage, happily in the thought that the bride had been published twice and all the friends were positive that the marriage would be performed.

Miss Ryan had lived at 190 Niagara street for seven years. It was there that she met Crowley a year and a half ago while he was visiting relatives. Their acquaintance soon ripened into courtship and finally their engagement was announced.

It is said that they had planned their honeymoon, which was to have been spent in New York. After that they were to be at home at Mr. Crowley's farm. Crowley arrived in Buffalo last Saturday prepared to go through with the ceremony. He visited his fiancée again on Sunday, but Monday she was not awaiting to greet him when he called.

Mrs. John J. McCarthy, who conducts the hotel where Miss Ryan lived, is unable to explain the cause of the abandonment of the marriage plans. "I think she may have gone to visit her sister who lives somewhere in Michigan," said Mrs. McCarthy. "We all ex-

BUYERS CO. FIN; KILLS HIMSELF.

BURY ME ON QUIET, UNDER APPLE TREE."

Aged Recluse Prepares to Take His Own Life, But Postpones Act for One Year—Shoots Himself, and Leaves Letter for Neighbor.

Lockport, Dec. 2.—Racked by the pains of rheumatism, practically alone in the world, his coffin and rough box awaiting him on the upper floor of his house, John Davis, 82 years old, recluse, put three bullets into his head this morning. He was found, covered with blood, by Mrs. Fred. Mohr, a neighbor. On a table lay a letter addressed to her, reading: "Call Taylor & Reynolds's furniture store. No minister. Bury me on the quiet by the small apple tree near the house. Send for the coroner. Do it on the quiet. Cannot stand the pain. Have no show over me.

"Do not let the curious folks look at me to talk about. My suffering is awful. 'Wire H. E. Putnam, Cassadaga, N. Y., Chautauqua Co.' Davis lived on a little farm on Niagara road, alone and in misery. For years he had been suffering from the tortments of rheumatism, and, it is thought, anticipated self-destruction more than a year ago. At that time he bought a fine coffin, had a name plate duly inscribed, leaving only the date of death blank, and stored the coffin in a pine box in an unused room in the upper portion of his little home. The despondent man had used a hammerless revolver and had shot himself three times.

YOUNG FISH A FIREMAN.

The Son of Railroad Magnate Shovelling Coal.

New York, Dec. 2.—The Herald has received the following dispatch from Wichita, Kan.: After working four months as a way-bill clerk in the "Frisco freight office at Murkokee, Okla., Stuyvesant Fish, jun., son of the late President of the Illinois Central and former director of the Missouri Pacific and officer of the National Park Bank, of New York, is now employed as a fireman on the Rock Island road. His friends were surprised when young Fish took off his coat and set to work as an ordinary clerk, but that was nothing to their astonishment when they found him in a grimy, coal blackened suit, shovelling coal into the Rock Island engines.

HIGHWAYWOMAN IN HER SLEEP.

Accused Somaambulist Falls to Her Death From Window of Her Home.

Pittsburg, Dec. 2.—Mrs. Mattie Gilmore of Finleyville died at the South Side Hospital this afternoon of a fractured skull, and the police and hospital authorities are trying to figure out whether Mrs. Gilmore was a highwaywoman or merely a somnambulist. Mrs. Gilmore was an attractive and athletic young widow. A little more than a week ago John Walker, a Finleyville miner, met Mrs. Gilmore on a dark lonely road. He declares that Mrs. Gilmore held him up and took \$75, his two weeks wages, from him. The next day Mrs. Gilmore was arrested on a warrant sworn out by Walker charging her with highway robbery. Mrs. Gilmore was almost prostrated over her arrest. She declared that she remembered nothing about meeting Walker or holding him up, and insisted that if she had committed such an act it was while in a somnambulist state. In spite of this statement Mrs. Gilmore was held for court, and furnished \$300 bail.

TUNNEL IS OPENED.

First Train Passes Through Tube Under East River, New York.

New York, N. Y., Dec. 2.—The new subway tunnel under the East River between the Battery and Brooklyn, which connects the traction systems of Manhattan and Brooklyn boroughs, was formally opened to-day. Three steel cars, composing the first train, passed through the tube. This tunnel, which is considered one of the finest of its kind in the world, was begun on Dec. 19, 1902. The difficulties were enormous, and at one time, some engineers even advocated abandonment of the whole project. The under-river section of the tunnel is 4,365 feet long, to which are added several thousand feet by the Manhattan and Brooklyn extensions, where the tunnel really becomes a subway.

NO RAGGED PEOPLE IN CANADA.

Mr. John Lea Impressed With Canadian Self-Respect.

London, Dec. 2.—John Lea, Chairman of the Liverpool Distress Committee, in the course of a lengthy report on his recent visit to Canada, says that in Quebec and Montreal there are no great openings for the surplus labor of this country. In Toronto, with its more genial climate, there probably may be openings for skilled European artisans. Mr. Lea advises emigrants to go west. Canada has no place for kid-glove persons. The cost of food in Canada is much the same as at home. The same may be said regarding clothing. Mr. Lea did not see a man, woman or child in ragged clothing. He was much impressed with Canadian high tone of character and marked regard for the well-being of the women and children.

HALF MILLION WENT TO BAD.

HOW JOHN AND MRS. STUART'S FORTUNES DISAPPEARED.

The Maritime Sulphite Concern Gobbled Up All—Mrs. Stuart Was Being Advised by the Bank's Solicitor.

A Toronto despatch: The hearing of the suit of Mrs. Jane Jacques Stuart, of Hamilton, against the Bank of Montreal to have certain documents signed by her declared invalid was concluded yesterday, but not in time for Mr. Justice Mabee's judgment to be given. The suit involves \$250,000. In his closing speech Mr. J. F. Hellmuth said that his client was a trusting and confiding lady, who had acted implicitly on the advice of her husband, signing documents of importance without understanding their meaning, and she was surprised to find in order to liquidate the debt of \$125,000 the bank had seized the whole of her fortune. It transpired in evidence that Mr. Stuart had been acting throughout in the name of Mrs. Alexander Bruce, K.C., who was also acting on behalf of the bank. Mr. Bruce in his evidence said that in preparing the agreement and placing it before Mrs. Stuart to sign it did not occur to him to tell her to get independent legal advice.

A LONE HAND.

The Soo Black Hand Worked by Himself.

A Prominent Citizen Sought to Secure Money Under Black Hand Threat by Using Information Obtained Through a Connection by Marriage With One of His Victims.

A Soo, Ont., despatch: This afternoon Detective Wm. Greer, Toronto, in conjunction with Police Chief Downey, apprehended John McLeod, a prominent citizen of the Soo, in connection with the black-hand letters recently received by Soo citizens. The arrest of McLeod proves the innocence of the men Smith and Howard, arrested of a forgery charge, who were supposed to have connection with the case. Greer has been on the case about a week. The evidence against McLeod was so strong that he has made a confession, admitting having written letters to Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Millington, of Espanola, where Millington manages the Espanola Pulp & Paper Company. Greer has known for a week that Smith and Howard had no connection with the case, but he allowed that impression to stand to put McLeod off his guard.

MRS. BRADLEY TOLD DOCTOR SHE WOULD FORCE BROWN TO WED HER.

He Thought Her Father or Brother or Somebody Would Do Brown Bodily Harm—Another Doctor Says She Was Sane When She Shot Brown.

Washington, Dec. 2.—Mrs. Annie Bradley's trial for the murder of former Senator Arthur Brown, of Utah in this city, Dec. 18, 1906, was resumed at 10 o'clock to-day. Dr. D. K. Shutt, the jail physician, continued his rebuttal testimony begun Wednesday. Before Dr. Shutt began his testimony, District Attorney Baker submitted to the court the Government's prayers in the case, saying that they did not cover the case of murder in the first or second degree, that that point be left for instruction of the court. The prayers were not read. Dr. Shutt's testimony developed nothing new. Rev. David H. Utter, pastor of the Unitarian Church of Denver, Colo., formerly of Salt Lake, who performed the marriage ceremony between Mr. and Mrs. Bradley, then took the stand. Following a long conference between counsel and court, counsel retired from the room for a further conference, of

FIVE MEN KILLED.

Trolley Was Crossing Railway Tracks.

Waterbury, Conn., Nov. 29.—A shocking accident, in which five factory employees were killed, occurred about 6:30 this morning at the West Main street crossing over the Highland division tracks of the N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. R., when an extra Hartford-bound freight train crashed into a trolley car containing 25 persons bound for the pin factories in Oakville. The car was struck with great force at right angles directly in the middle, and the dead persons were all badly mangled. Six others were badly injured and had to be carried to their homes. The dead: Sarah Ryan, 26 years old; Annie Corcoran, 23 years old; Robert French, 20 years; an unidentified man, about 30 years; an unidentified woman, about 25 years. It is not yet known whether any of the persons injured will die. A hurried investigation by the coroner resulted in the arrest of Flagman John Flavin and Conductor John Dillon, of the trolley car. The motorman, Charles Leonard, was not held.

CONSUMPTION SANITARIUMS.

WANT ONE EACH FOR EASTERN AND WESTERN ONTARIO.

Woodstock Meeting Resolves to Ask Whitney to Establish Them—County and City Councils to be Asked to Take the Matter Up.

A Woodstock, Ont., special despatch:—At the meeting in the Court House here yesterday afternoon, it was decided to start a movement for the establishment and maintenance by the Provincial Government of two sanitariums, one in eastern and one in western Ontario. Communications will immediately be sent to the County Councils and City Councils of all the municipalities in Ontario, asking them to operate with the Western Ontario municipalities which have inaugurated the movement and appoint delegates to form a big deputation to wait on the Government and press the claim for such institutions. It is the idea to have the deputation go to Toronto before the beginning of the next session of the House so that if the proposal meets with favor legislation for the construction of the sanitariums will be passed this session and work done next year. The meeting was called to consider the advisability of establishing a sanitarium for the counties of Oxford, Perth, Waterloo, Wellington, Elgin, Brant and Norfolk, but after discussion, which lasted the greater part of the day, the larger proposal was decided upon, as preferable, as providing sanitariums convenient for a big proportion of the population of the province. If the Government does not take the matter up, then the other proposal will be gone into by the seven counties involved. These present yesterday were Warden Oliver and Mayor Patterson, of Paris, representing Brant, Wm. Hooper, of Perth; Dr. Lockhart of Hespeler, of Waterloo, and Miss Buenaaga, Fleming and Folden, for Oxford.

SEVEN MEN DEAD.

Terrible Result of Gas Explosion in a Boarding House.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 2.—Seven men are dead and two fatally injured as the result of a fire in a two-story brick rooming house at 1,002 Union avenue, caused by an explosion of gas early this morning. The seven victims were burned beyond recognition, and it is doubtful whether their identity ever will be established. The rooming house was patronized by transient white railroad laborers, and as the proprietor kept no register the names or number of persons are not known. Proprietor O'Connell says that his house would accommodate 200 men, but he does not believe there were more than 50 in the rooms when the explosion occurred. The explosion is believed to have been caused by a guest, who lighted

CRUSHED TO DEATH.

Hurled to Death by Yellow Car in Sight of Her Parents.

A Niagara Falls despatch: Returning from a Thanksgiving Day celebration with her parents and brothers, Alice Chapman, 16 years old, was struck by a yellow car at the Tompkins street crossing in La Salle at 9 o'clock to-night and instantly killed. The girl was thrown 40 feet into the air and her body was terribly mutilated. The girl, with her father, Harvey Chapman, of 1011 19th street, her mother and her two younger brothers, spent Thanksgiving Day at the home of Mr. Chapman's brother at La Salle. About 8:50 o'clock they left the La Salle house to return to their home in this city. They walked toward the Tompkins street crossing to board a car.

POLICEMAN DID IT.

Cousin of Italy's King Kidnapped and Tortured.

Naples, Dec. 2.—A dramatic and sensational kidnapping has occurred here, the victim being Marquis Giuseppe Cito, a member of the most ancient aristocracy and a cousin and aide of the King. The Marquis was seized and carried off to a grotto where he was tortured and a letter to the Marchioness demanding \$500 extorted from him. He was found half frozen and badly injured, and his condition is now considered desperate. One of his assailants was disguised as a policeman. The kidnapping of Marquis Giuseppe Cito has caused great excitement through the discovery that the organizer of the plot is in reality a policeman. On being arrested he confessed. The British Embassy is interested in the case, as Marquis Cito is a trusted antiquarian for several sovereigns, including King Edward.

FELL THROUGH THE ICE.

James Perry, a Settler, Drowned Near Thessalon.

Thessalon despatch: Mr. James Perry, a settler in the township of Wells, about twenty miles from Thessalon, was accidentally drowned yesterday. In company with Mr. David Foster, another settler, he was crossing Lake Petrolia, or Burrows Lake, as it is most frequently called. The ice broke and both went down. Mr. Foster, being the stronger of the two, and having an axe in his hand, was able to break the ice ahead of him and get to stronger ice near shore. He made every effort to save his companion, but the cold water soon chilled poor Perry so that he was unable to help himself and sank. The body was recovered, and is being sent for interment to his home some place near Collingwood.

MOTOR FIENDS PASSED ON.

Killed Man in Race at Baltimore, But Did Not Stop.

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 2.—During a race between two high-powered automobiles at an early hour to-day, James F. Grimes, colored, was struck and instantly killed by one of the machines. The cars were driven by Frank J. Brown, son of former Governor Brown, of this State, and James Elliott, a sporting man near Washington, D. C. Neither one stopped after the accident, but continued on their course. The police later arrested young Brown and his chauffeur. Brown did not deny being involved in the affair, but declared that it was Elliott's automobile that struck Grimes. He and his chauffeur were arraigned in court, and released on their own recognizances for a hearing next Monday. The police were unable to find Elliott.

ANGLO-SAXON GOOD-WILL.

References to Newfoundland Arbitration at American Society Dinner.

London, Dec. 2.—The American Ambassador, in a humorous speech at the American Society's Thanksgiving dinner, said the United States was enjoying universal good-will. Even Newfoundland, the wretched little "oldest colony" beyond the northern frontier, had good-naturedly agreed to arbitrate things instead of going to war. However the arbitration resulted, he was sure both sides of the frontier would take it smiling, after the habit of our race.

ONE-HALF MILE LONG.

Long Procession of Divorce Seekers Marches on St. Louis Court House.

St. Louis, Dec. 2.—The Monday rush of matrimonial milits at the court house is assuming alarming proportions, and the churches are commencing to take notice. Half a mile of dissatisfied wives, extending from the court house down Broadway, was the spectacle offered to an amazed public on Monday of this week. There were some men, too, but they did not count. In all there were 230 applicants for freedom, and in 710 cases there was no opposition put up by the other half of the mismatched pair.