

DID WIFE KILL HER HUSBAND?

Sensational Murder Trial Begun at Lyons, N. Y.

Woman's Father and Mother to Testify Against Her,

But She Declares Her Innocence and Expects Acquittal.

Lyons, N. Y., April 5.—Calmly asserting her innocence and belief in her ultimate acquittal, Mrs. Georgia Allyn Sampson was placed on trial to-day before Justice A. B. Rich, of the Supreme Court, on a charge of shooting and killing her husband, Harry Sampson, a nephew of Admiral Sampson, at the Allyn homestead, near Macedon, N. Y., on last November 1st.

There was a large throng of townspeople gathered in the Wayne County court house to-day to attend the opening of the case against the young defendant, which promises a deal of mystery before the jury shall determine the evidence.

Harry Sampson was shot following a quarrel with his wife over a letter she had received from a young man in Rochester, and it is the State's contention that Mrs. Sampson killed her husband with the rifle which was found in the pantry re-cooked and the discharged shell half ejected.

No powder marks were found on Sampson's clothing or body. The defendant told her mother, Mrs. Allyn, that she was upstairs when the shooting took place.

Mrs. Allyn, mother of Mrs. Sampson, it is expected, will testify that she heard Harry say during the quarrel, "I would rather die than live another day with Georgia."

District Attorney Gilbert has pinned the whole of the State's case on the testimony of the defendant's father and mother and her family and Dr. Hamilton, a gun expert.

From the mouths of the State's witnesses, the defence possibly will seek to show that Mrs. Sampson was not down stairs when the shooting took place, but on the second floor of the Allyn homestead, where both the Allyn and Sampson families lived when the shot was fired, and the husband staggered into the Allyn dining room and fell dead at the feet of his mother-in-law. He spoke no word after being shot.

One hundred and thirty-six talesmen answered the roll call when Justice Rich opened court, and the work of selecting the jury, which is expected to occupy several days because of the numerous relationships and close friendships that exist in this community, was commenced.

District Attorney Gilbert said to-day that he believed the case would be concluded within two weeks.

Not once during her long incarceration in Wayne County jail has Mrs. Sampson indicated any apprehension over the outcome of her trial, but has declared: "I am innocent and that's all there is to it."

Attorney George Tinklerpaugh and Assemblyman Hamm represented Mrs. Sampson in court.

QUITS CHURCH.

Not Room in Kingston For Two Congregational Churches.

(Special Despatch to the Times.) Kingston, Ont., April 5.—Rev. Chas. Villiers, pastor of the First Congregational Church, caused a sensation at yesterday's service when he announced without any previous notice, his intention of retiring from the pastorate at the close of his third year. In explanation, he pointed out that Congregationalism in the city is in a position of humiliation, Bethel Church, the other congregation, being without a pastor. His idea was that by resigning, he would leave the way open for a union of the two congregations, that would permit one pastor preaching to both.

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BOOM HAS BEGUN ACROSS THE BAY.

Chicago Millionaire Buys Carroll Property—Many Agents Taking Options on Land.

JUMPED TO DEATH

Mobile, Ala., April 5.—Mrs. Carrie Cain, aged 18 years, last night jumped from a burning launch into Mobile River and drowned. She was in the launch with Jefferson Saxton and family. The vapor of leaking gasoline caught fire and the boat was soon in flames. Mrs. Saxton, her son and her daughter and Mrs. Cain jumped into the river. Lieut. Bender, of the U. S. revenue cutter Winona, manned two life boats and saved all but Mrs. Cain after Saxton had saved himself and daughter by steering the blazing boat into a slip.

FINE DRIVEWAY

From Fort Erie to Queen Victoria Park, Niagara Falls.

To Raise \$200,000 For That and Other Purposes.

(Special Despatch to the Times.) Toronto, Ont., April 5.—The Niagara Falls Park Commissioners have been given authority to issue an additional \$200,000 debentures in addition to the \$100,000 issued by them last year. The biggest work on hand is the construction of the very fine driveway from Fort Erie to Queen Victoria Park, about 20 miles. The total debenture indebtedness of the work up to the present is \$700,000, inclusive of park and driveway. By 1912 it is expected that everything will be done, all the expenditures completed and the undertaking will be beginning to pay back the sums expended. In addition to the ordinary expenditures on the roadway a sea wall will have to be built to protect the bank of the river, a very expensive undertaking. There are also several bridges to be constructed.

BOARD OF CONTROL.

Hamilton Deputation Trying to Find the Bill.

(Special Despatch to the Times.) Toronto, Ont., April 5.—Hamilton's desire to have a Board of Control, which fell by the wayside in the Statute Revision Commission last year, is by no means dead. Mr. Allan Studholme raised the ghost of the clause which came before the Private Bills Committee last year in the same committee the other day, and as a result the whole thing was again opened up in private conference before the Provincial Secretary this morning. Mayor MacLaren, Aldermen Perrine, Allen and Farmer, and City Solicitor Waddell were introduced by Mr. Studholme and remained in conference with the Minister for some time. It was generally understood that an endeavor was to be made to find out just where the fault lay in connection with the smothering of the Hamilton clause last year.

The Hamilton men pointed out that everything in the city was favorable to the scheme, and that as a vote on the power question would be coming up shortly and the proposal would have to be submitted to the people, the present was a favorable time for the submitting of the vote.

The Minister replied that the reason the plan had not gone through last session was because the Statute Revision Commission had not got so far yet. He hoped, however, that the matter would be cleared up this session.

It is understood that a special effort will be made before the House adjourns on Thursday, and that Gordon C. Wilson will introduce the measure, otherwise it may take some years.

COL. BERTRAM.

Dundas Man Will Command Bisley Team This Year.

Ottawa, April 5.—Col. A. Bertram, lieutenant-colonel commanding the 3rd Canadian Mounted Rifles, and a member of the Canadian Bisley team, which will soon be selected. The team will go to England early in June.

BY TROLLEY

Chicago, April 5.—Direct connection between Chicago and New York by trolley became a reality last night when a two-car train pulled into Pullman over the tracks of the Kensington and Eastern Railroad, completed less than fifteen minutes before. The line spans the last gap in the system of interurban railroads, which stretch across the continent to Chicago from the eastern seaboard and a trip to New York over lines operated by electric power is now possible. The route is round about, it is true, but it is there, and the dreams of electric railroad promoters have been realized.

Geo. E. Tuckett & Son Co. Tuckett's special Turkish cigarettes make a smooth, sweet, aromatic smoke, and are guaranteed absolutely pure. They have cork tips and are sold for 15 cents a box at peace's cigar store, 107 King street east.

D'ARVILLE GOES DOWN.

Learned Prophet Gets No Honor in This City.

Two Crap Shooters Fined \$10 Each by Magistrate.

Patrick Mulvale Committed on Charge of Intimidation.

Telling fortunes may be profitable in some places, but it is not in this city. Professor D'Arville was found guilty on Saturday and this morning he appeared for sentence. "D'Arville," said his worship, "I'm going to fine you \$200 or nine months. A man who has brains and some education, such as you, should not make a living by defrauding the public. You are able to earn your living in a better manner than by taking money from the simple and innocent people the way you do."

D'Arville took his dose with a smile and once more tried to explain the difference between fortune telling and prophesying, but he was hustled off to a cell, and later taken to the jail. D'Arville told the police he hadn't enough money to pay his fine and didn't expect to get it.

Yesterday afternoon at Sunday School time the police swooped down on a crap game on Liberty street, near the G. T. R., and arrested three men. Two of them were assessed \$10 this morning, for playing and the third was dismissed. Constable Brauman had charge of the raid, and had at his disposal Constable R. Duncan and two of the new men, P. C. Campaign, jun., and P. C. Goodman. The quartette of officers started to stalk the players and had almost surrounded them when Constable Duncan showed himself. "There's a cop," shouted a sentinel, and the gang scattered. Constable Campaign did a little running and managed to get hold of Thomas Murphy, 441 MacNab street north, and John Walsh, 85 John street south. Constable Goodman caught John Hendrick, 145 Walnut street. This morning the three appeared in court after a night in the cells, and pleaded not guilty. The officers swore that they saw dice rolling and heard finger snapping, but they could not swear to seeing money change hands. "We might have been playing marbles for all they know about it," said Walsh, but Magistrate Juffs told them there was enough evidence to put them on their defence. Hendrick took the stand and said that he had never (Continued on Page 10.)

ENDS IN LAW.

Albert Almas Issues Writ Against Charles H. Herman.

Albert Almas, the well-known barber, James street north, has instructed M. J. O'Reilly, K. C., to issue a writ against Charles H. Herman, former proprietor of the Cecil Hotel, for \$800 under an agreement. Herman, the plaintiff alleges, agreed to buy the White Star Hotel from Frank Post, and wanted to make use of the property adjoining. Almas alleges that a written agreement was entered into by him to surrender his lease, for five years, for the sum of \$700. Almas claims that \$100 was paid down to bind the bargain. Almas then moved and fitted up another place, on James street. In the meantime the deal fell through for the sale of the White Star Hotel, and Mr. Herman declared the whole thing off. Not so with Mr. Almas, however, and he intends making Mr. Herman live up to the terms of the agreement, if he can.

HAD TO QUIT.

Rev. Mr. Whiting Too Ill to Take Evening Service.

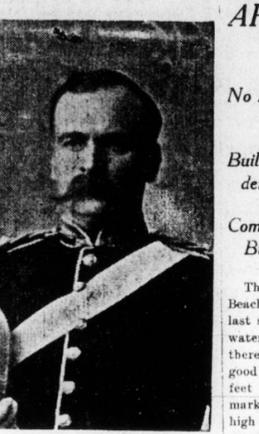
Rev. Richard Whiting, of Centenary Church, who contracted a severe cold some days ago, but has been sticking to his duties with his usual determination, was forced to give up yesterday. He preached at Centenary in the morning, but was so much worse in the afternoon that he had to take to his room. Rev. J. Roy VanWyck, of Westminster Presbyterian Church, came to his assistance and took the evening sermon. Mr. Whiting is not seriously ill, but will have to keep to his bed for a few days.

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St. Petersburg, April 5.—Preliminary preparations are being made for a round of state visits by the Emperor to the Scandinavian ports and possibly to London in the early summer. According to the plans His Majesty will leave in June aboard the Imperial yacht Standaard, escorted by a division of the fleet and torpedo boats and will go to Stockholm, Christiania and Copenhagen and perhaps thence to England to return King Edward's visit during the summer. In any event it is regarded as certain that this is the first extensive Imperial trip projected since 1901.

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LIEUT.-COL. BERTRAM. Who has been selected to command the Bisley team.

Is Settled for all Time

Beamsville, April 5.—(Special)—Municipal councils may come and go, but from now on the Beamsville water supply goes on for ever. Such was the final settlement made on Saturday afternoon here with Senator Gibson. The question of tapping springs on the Senator's land at the mountain to feed the reservoirs has been a bone of contention between him and the various councils for several years. At a meeting behind closed doors on Saturday afternoon an amicable arrangement was reached, and now everybody is happy. Senator Gibson, C. H. Connor, of St. Catharines, and John Jennings, of Toronto, on the one side, and Reeve Davis and the council on the other side, adjusted the settlement.

A SCARE.

Passengers on 9.10 Radial Car Had Exciting Time.

Passengers on the 9.10 car from this city, on the Radial Railway, had an exciting time last night, and firmly believed, as did the crew, that there had been a shooting affair. As the car was near the Beach Road Crossing, a rig was seen to be right by the track. A crash seemed imminent, but just at the critical moment the horse was pulled around, the buggy careened over on two wheels, cleared the car, righted itself and evidently was driven rapidly away just as two loud reports added to the excitement. The car was stopped, but no trace of anything out of the usual could be found.

MISSIONS.

Many Addresses Yes'erday on the Great Convention.

Missions and the great missionary convention of the laymen held in Toronto, was the theme of the sermons in many churches of the city yesterday. In St. John Presbyterian Church last evening stirring addresses were made by Messrs. W. F. Campbell and J. H. Horning, both of whom attended the convention, and who spoke ably upon the work done and the objects of the movement.

In All Saints' Church the rector, Rev. Canon Forrester, delivered a very fine address on the same subject. In Central Church in the evening Rev. Dr. Lyle gave an appropriate address upon "A Chapter From the Life of the World's Greatest Missionary."

ARE BUSY AT THE BEACH.

No Danger of Flooding, as Water is Low This Year.

Building Operations Already Under Way, and Demand Good.

Commissioners Having the Old Birely Property Cleared Off.

There will be no flooding at the Beach this year. In comparison with last spring, the water is low. The high water mark on the trestle bridge, where there is seldom any "sea" and where a good idea can be formed, is about three feet higher than the present water mark. To-day houses on the Beach are high and dry, that could not be reached except by rowing or wading to them last April, May and June. The winter's accumulation of snow was not great, and most of it is gone, so that, while the water is almost sure to be higher before the turn comes a couple of months hence it cannot be high enough to cause any annoyance.

The ice banks on the lake, which were quite large, have now disappeared. Building operations are already in progress on the Beach. There will be a number of new houses, some of them a superior sort. The demand for houses is quite brisk, too, a number having already been leased. There have also been several sales, and a number of places are being offered, both for sale and rent.

112 YEARS OLD

New York, N. Y., April 5.—The death of Mrs. Fannie Friedman at the age of 112 years was reported to the Health Bureau here to-day. The woman, who was born in Hungary January 3, 1797, died at the home of her daughter in Harlem after a few days' illness. It was her boast that she never had a doctor in her life and one was not called in until Friday. Five children, fifty-four grand children and 18 great grand children survive her.

KILLED FIXING HIS 'PHONE.

Man Tries to Cut Connection and Silence the Bell.

Heavy Trolley Current Was on Telephone Wire.

Man Falls at His Wife's Feet and She Gets Shock.

Chicago, April 4.—While attempting to end some trouble with a telephone, John Shelden was electrocuted in his residence at 539 Centre street, Elgin, last evening. Shortly after dinner the telephone began ringing wildly. Mr. Shelden went repeatedly to the phone, but could hear nothing but a buzzing noise. His efforts to communicate with central were unavailing. Sometimes the bell would stop ringing for a moment, but only to begin again.

Mr. Shelden and his wife had planned to pass the evening at the residence of a friend. Living with them is Mr. Shelden's father, who is 82 years old, and he was greatly annoyed by the constant ringing.

Mr. and Mrs. Shelden decided that they would stop the noise before leaving the house. He secured a pair of shears to cut the wire.

"Are you sure that will stop it, John?" asked Mrs. Shelden.

"It certainly—" replied Shelden, as he put the shears to the wire, only to fall back dead without a cry.

Mrs. Shelden thought at first that her husband had merely fainted, and she summoned Dr. Telton and Dr. Sisson. The physicians declared that he had died instantly from the effect of an electric shock.

When Mrs. Shelden tried to catch her husband as he was falling, she also received a shock, but was uninjured. The death of her husband affected her greatly, and the physicians were obliged to devote their attention to her and to the aged father, who became so excited that his condition is regarded as critical.

Investigation by the telephone company revealed that the wire leading into the house had become crossed with a large electric wire from a trolley road, and the full current was carried into Mr. Shelden's house.

PASSED AWAY.

Estimable Hamilton Lady Died at Smithville Yesterday.

A host of friends in Hamilton and vicinity will sympathize with Mr. Alex. M. Snyder, 194 Main street east, in the death of his wife, Mrs. Jessie Ellen Snyder, nee Walker, which took place at her mother's residence in Smithville at 10 o'clock last night. On Christmas afternoon Mrs. Snyder gave birth to twins and never regained her health. She was born in Smithville and was a music teacher there for a number of years. Mrs. Snyder was an energetic worker in the Presbyterian Church, and her sweet disposition made her a favorite with all with whom she came in contact. Mr. and Mrs. Snyder were married six years ago in Portland, Ore., where Mr. Snyder was engaged in newspaper work. Shortly after they came to Hamilton Mr. Snyder joined the Herald staff, and later going into the electrical business with his brother at 13 John street north.

Beside her husband she leaves four children, the eldest five years of age. The funeral will take place from the T. H. & B. station at 3 o'clock on Wednesday afternoon. Rev. Beverly Ketchen, of the MacNab Street Church, of which Mrs. Snyder was about to become a member, conducting the services.

MURDER CHARGE.

Inquest Into the Death of Alex. Warwick at London.

(Special Despatch to the Times.) London, Ont., April 5.—The inquest into the death of Alexander Warwick commenced this morning before Coroner MacLaren, when the jury viewed the body and adjourned until Wednesday evening. Ward appeared before Magistrate Love in the police court this morning on a charge of murder. The case was adjourned until April 13th.

RAILROADS FIGHT OVER THE BEACH.

T., N. & W. Wants to Expropriate G. T. R. Lands For Its Electric Line.

The Toronto, Niagara & Western Railway will have difficulty in securing a right of way over Burlington Beach. It wants to expropriate part of the Grand Trunk property from the filtering basins to Burlington along the lake shore, and also the swamp lands near Fitch's Hotel. This would necessitate the crossing the railway tracks at the Beach road and if the right of way along the lake side is secured, it would mean the wiping out of a hundred or more shacks, owned by the Grand Trunk and leased to summer residents of the sand strip. The city was consulted this morning, and City Engineer Barrow was shown a plan of the proposed route. He could not see where the city was interested, and the two companies will have to fight it out. The Grand Trunk will vigorously oppose the electric com-

LOCAL OPTION.

Hamilton Power Bill Had Dangerous Clause

About Submission of By-Laws at Any Odd Time.

Toronto, Ont., April 5.—The temperance interests have taken alarm at certain possibilities in a bill introduced some time ago by Sir James Whitney. The bill applied particularly to Hamilton in relation to its power questions, and by it municipalities were allowed to take special votes at any time without waiting for the arrival of the regular election time. The temperance people saw in this a possible menace to their cause, as it was possible that by the operation of this act local option or reduction by-laws might be submitted at a time when it would be difficult to get the people out to vote, and when the liquor interest might have special opportunities to kill the measures.

This morning Rev. Dr. Chown, Rev. Dr. J. H. Hazelwood (West Toronto), and Miles Vokes saw the Provincial Secretary with regard to the act. The Government had, however, already foreseen the possibility contained in the Premier's act, and a small clause was inserted in the Provincial Secretary's newly announced act, amending the License Act. This clause contains the following words: "Nothing contained in any act passed at the present session of the Legislature shall apply to or affect the provisions of sub-section 2 of section 141 of the Liquor License Act." This effectually disposes of the difficulty and renders the temperance cause secure from surprises.

BUSH WANTED.

Money Coming to a Former Hamilton Club Waiter.

Because some money is coming to him through the death of an aunt in Australia, relatives in England are endeavoring to find John Bush, who lived at 38 Bay street north, this city, the last time they heard of him. Bush was a waiter, and was employed at the Hamilton Club. After leaving that place he set up in business as a waiter at private dinners, luncheons, suppers, etc., and also undertook the care of furnaces.

JIMMY BAUM

May Be at Bennett's Theatre the Week of the 19th.

Manager Jack Appleton, of the Bennett's and Savoy Theatres, has wired Jimmie Baum, the actor-author, of Portsmouth, Virginia, to come to this city for a week's engagement at Bennett's, beginning Monday, the 19th inst. Up to this afternoon he had not received an acceptance.

Provincial Detective Miller paid a visit to Crown Attorney Washington's office this morning and the two were closeted for some time. Detective Miller was interviewed on leaving and was asked if there was anything new in the murder case.

"There is more daylight on the murder, but we can't do anything," he replied. "We are satisfied that our theory is correct, but we have no evidence yet to substantiate it."

The Parliament of the Transvaal has approved the constitution without revision.

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It looks as if the promised boom in property on the north side of the bay has set in. Within the past few days agents have been around trying to buy up the most desirable water front property, and some fancy prices have been offered. A building boom is also in sight. It is announced that a wealthy man who resides in the fruit section will put up a \$5,000 house this season, and several other first class residences are already being arranged for. A line of ferry boats around the bay is assured, and the talk of an electric road is renewed.

A deal that has just been closed ensures an early and good start on the north side boom. Acting for Mr. A. W. Brown, Mr. J. L. Connell has just closed with Mr. John Hewitt, the Chicago millionaire, for the purchase of the Carroll estate. Mr. Hewitt has given in-

structions to Munro & Meade, architects, for the laying out of the property and the erection of a number of substantial residences. It is also said that Mr. Hewitt, who has been in the city for some days, will erect a fine summer house there for himself. Mr. Hewitt is a Grimsby man who is now president of the Michigan Printing Press Company of Chicago, the largest manufacturers of printing presses in America. It was he who built The Village Inn, at Chicago; also the Grimsby wharf. He has a farm near that village, stocked with buffaloes, deer and rare specimens of imported animals, and when he takes an idea to boom a place he does it well. During last week the representatives of not less than five real estate firms were through the section endeavoring to secure options, and in some cases they were successful.

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pany's move, and it may have the backing of the Beach residents, who declare that another railway across the sand strip will spoil it as a summer resort.

Engineer Montgomery, of Toronto, who has the contract for installing the air pressure system to pump water to the east end mountain top, is in the city to-day consulting with City Engineer Barrow about the work, which will be begun shortly. Mr. Barrow says that although the job will not be completed until the fall, some of the residents will have water this summer.

So crowded are the insane asylums of the Province now that before a new patient is admitted the municipality seeking to get the patient in is obliged to remove one from the asylum to the House of Refuge to make room. Hamilton has such a case on its hands now, and the House of Refuge Committee will

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