

HUGH LYNN'S WORST ORDEAL

In a Westminster Tramcar With a Crowd Who Openly Discussed His Fate.

Errors of His Defence—Average People on Crime and Criminals—Executions.

From Wednesday's Daily. (As Hugh Lynn, the Savary island murderer, rode from Vancouver to Westminster on the tramway on Saturday night, he faced and broke down under a harder ordeal than that terrible scene in the court room when they told him he must die. The car was crowded and comments of a rather brutal nature reached the doomed man's ears. Within his easy hearing several of the passengers talked of his crime and fate, saying that he deserved what he was going to get. To those who did not know him he was pointed out; that, too, in his plain view. There were women who forgot their sex and talked loud enough for the murderer to hear it all. Lynn squirmed under the fire and tried to hide his face by pulling his hat down over his eyes. He finally burst into tears and exclaimed to his guard, "They are all against me!" He may have shown some mercy to his victims, may have taunted them as they stood by his death; but the man whose heart does not give off some spark of sympathy for the prisoner and his plight is made of material that leads men to take just such rides with manacled arms.

There is a funny thing about crime and its detection. It is the way the rank and file of people criticize prisoners for their foolish devices to escape and their failure to give certain kinds of evidence at their trials. I hear a reputable business man say, "If that fellow Lynn had only killed the kloutch and deserted or killed the kid he would have been all right," and also, "What an idiot he was to go on the stand and own up." I do not believe any one was ever convicted of a crime within my immediate range of observation that did not have a very number of really good excuses as to how he could have escaped. But the criminal never lived who did not have a fence down or a hole in his armor somewhere, and the brightest of them fall down on the simplest things. They devise a scheme for wickedness that a person would praise for its cleverness, but something as simple as the alphabet beats them.

Any impression that the theory of the crown was wrong in the Savary island murder case was removed when Lynn took the stand and told his story. His evidence corroborated it even as to details. His manner, his speech, his made poor Green kill Taylor and then came to the front and killed Green in self-defence. He tripped himself on the self-defence story by giving himself sufficient time outside of the store between the two killings to have escaped. The court pointed this out very clearly in the charge. On the afternoon of the last day Lynn cried with his mother did. When asked he simply colored up, and had a firm voice. They spoke. His mother was not present in the evening, which probably accounts for his bearing up. It is a hard matter to size Lynn up, but the chances are that he will have to be carried to the scaffold. People who have known him and his life state that there was not that in his make up which nerves men to murder from any motive, and believe he was drunk. He will very likely make a full confession before he dies, and that will probably show that he was after money. He only got \$110, some furs and a few articles which he said he took because he knew the men were dead and thought perhaps he might need. The impression is general that the jury added the recommendation of mercy to save his neck. Of course it meant nothing legally, but will go to Ottawa to the minister of justice. He, too, will very likely disregard it.

There is something unspeakably horrible about an execution. You are impressed by the utter hopelessness of the thing for the dead man and the deliberation with which he is taken out and killed. I believe if the whole people had to take a hand in such affairs that executions would end.

A SUDDEN RECALL

French Ship Duguay-Trouin Back in Port Awaiting Orders.

From Tuesday's Daily. The French warship Duguay-Trouin which left here yesterday afternoon for Honolulu, is again at anchor at Esquimaux harbor, she having been recalled last evening by a cable from Paris to await orders. When the cable was received the ship was several hours on the way down the coast, and instructions were sent to the west coast operators to signal her and direct her to return to port. She was overhauled at the cape by one of the operators, who went out in a small boat, and shortly after midnight was in Esquimaux again. The reason for the sudden change of plan is rather hard to tell, but the Korean trouble offers the most reasonable solution. France has interests in the Orient which will need protection in the event of trouble of any kind. Mr. Snowden, French consul, said this afternoon that the vessel had simply been recalled to await orders from Paris, and that the orders had not yet been received. Wherever the ship is sent it is probable that her movements will be kept secret.

PROVINCIAL EXHIBITION.

Meeting of the Association—Show to be Held October 1 to 6.

From Tuesday's Daily. The directors of the agricultural association met in a public hall on Wednesday night and took initiative steps towards holding the annual exhibition. President Milne presided and there was a fair attendance of directors. The date of the exhibition was fixed for the first week in October, from the 1st to the 6th. A committee, of which Mr. R. Seabrook is the chairman, was appointed to revise the prize list, and this committee will meet tonight to begin its work, which it will conclude in a few days as it is necessary that the prize list should be printed and distributed at once. Committees on printing and on transportation, and one to confer with the

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be much purer. The feature about the whole matter was that it was impossible whatever was done to increase the pressure. They should consider the question of raising the water to the higher levels. The motion was carried when put, Ald. Harris objecting. Ald. Dwyer was at the same time granted leave to introduce a by-law to raise a certain sum of money for the work.

The following report was received: The special committee appointed to take into consideration the matter contained in the communication from C. Bossi and P. A. Paulson, president of the Sayward Mill Company, report as follows:

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ROMANCE OF A WINDOW.

An Old German Officer Tells a Love Story of William I.

There is a very cozy corner in one of the east side Vienna cafes which has been reserved for years every evening for eight officers of the German army, now living in this city. They sit about a round table—their "stammtisch," as it is called—a name given in all German restaurants to a table occupied regularly by one set of men.

The council then went into committee on the cemetery by-law. There are 90 sections in the by-law and it was read and passed section by section. The committee rose, reported, and the by-law was passed. It was 11:05 o'clock when the council adjourned.

BOARD OF TRADE.

Increase in the Value of Exports During the Fiscal Year.

From Tuesday's Daily. The first meeting of the new council of the British Columbia board of trade was held this morning at the board of trade building. A very encouraging report relating to the exports from the province was presented by Secretary E. J. worthy. It showed that the exports during the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1894, were valued at over two million dollars more than were the exports for the fiscal year of 1892-3. The exports for the last fiscal year amounted to \$7,843,958, against \$5,642,737 for the previous year.

The following telegram was received, and it was decided to notify Mr. Gore of its contents: "Ashcroft, B.C., July 21, 1894. 'Board of Trade, Victoria, B.C.' 'Re Ashcroft ferry. Facts must have been misrepresented to Mr. Gore. Ferry acknowledged by every one to be a complete failure. Urge government to construct suitable one at once. See petition at land office, P. W. FOSTER.'"

The board's attention was called to the proposal to have an exhibit of Canadian products at Sydney, Australia. The members considered this a Dominion question.

The annual report was taken up, discussed clause by clause and referred to a special committee consisting of A. B. Gray, G. Leiser, T. S. Futcher, the president and the secretary. The secretary will call for tenders for printing and binding the report.

The council acknowledged the receipt of the following letter from Mr. Earle: "Ottawa, July 17, 1894. 'F. Elworthy, Esq., Secretary of the B. C. Board of Trade: 'Dear Sir: I beg to acknowledge the receipt of yours of the 6th inst., transmitting a resolution of the board of trade to Fraser river, in reply to my letter of the 2nd inst. I beg to say that the British Columbia members waited upon the government in reference to the scheme. They agree as soon as the matter is placed before them in any kind of practical shape to give their consideration. I presume the provincial government will take steps to place reliable information in the hands of the Dominion government at an early date. Yours very truly, 'THOMAS EARLE.'"

A number of circulars from the Prisoners' Aid Association of Canada were received and filed. The association asked the board to endorse the proposed prison reform legislation, which among other things provides for the establishment of a reformatory for young men. A memorial to the Dominion government asking for these reforms was enclosed.

'Standing committees were appointed as follows: Fisheries—Robert Ward, Matthew T. Johnston, J. H. Todd, Henry Croft and A. H. Sealie; Manufactures—T. B. Hall, G. Leiser, D. R. Ker, W. Templeman and F. J. Claxton.

Harbour and Navigation—R. P. Ritchie, John Irving, H. H. Hall, J. G. Cox and H. E. Connon.

Public Works and Railways—A. L. Gray, W. H. Ellis, Jos. Hunter, A. L. Belyea and B. B. Marvin.

Finance—W. C. Ward, A. J. C. Galton and H. E. Heisterman.

Mining and Property—Joshua Davies, C. T. Dupont and J. H. Brownlee.

Agriculture and Forestry—H. Boslock, C. E. Renouf and H. A. Paulson.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

Tenders for Water Pipes Received—New Police Court Clerk.

From Wednesday's Daily. The board of aldermen met last evening, the mayor and all the aldermen being present.

Tenders for the supply of 310 tons of cast iron water pipes and 312 tons of special castings were received from the following: Robert Ward & Co., \$40.41 per ton; Turner, Beaton & Co., \$32.385 per ton for the whole; Albion Iron Works, 312 cents per pound; Findlay, Durham & Brodie, \$33.55 per ton; R. P. Rithet & Co., \$12.248.25 for the whole; James Crawford, \$12.250; Martin & Robertson, \$30 per ton for pipes, and \$34 for special castings; B. C. Iron Works Company, \$12.530. The tenders were referred to the water committee and commissioner.

After a dozen or more ballots had been taken Francis Page was appointed police court clerk.

There was some discussion respecting connections with the sewers. The general opinion was that connections should be built to the lines of the sidewalk during the construction of the sewer, the property owners to be charged for the connections.

Ald. Wilson moved that all connections should be built to the line of the sidewalk as the work progresses, according to the municipal act. The motion was adopted.

The cemetery by-law was reconsidered and finally passed. The revenue by-law was read a third time.

Ald. Vigilius moved the mayor, Ald. Harris and the engineer be appointed to pass on the plans for the James Bay causeway.

Ald. Humphrey thought someone outside the council should be on the committee. He thought A. C. Gamble, the Dominion government engineer, should be asked to act with the mayor and city engineer.

It was finally decided that the committee named in Ald. Vigilius's motion be adopted and Mr. Gamble be asked to act with them.

The council adjourned at 9:40.

Heavy Loss.

Washington, July 25.—Knox's immense warehouse with two hundred horses, a number of vehicles and a quantity of furniture, together with nearly a dozen adjacent structures, was burned this morning. Three firemen were killed and six injured by falling walls. The loss is \$300,000.

GORMAN ATTACKS

An Unusual Scene in the Senate Chamber

The Democratic Policy Does Some Plain to the President

Washington, July 25.—The Senate chamber was the scene of an unusual scene today as it is in historic reminiscence of a more striking spectacle which took place there.

Knowledge that Senator Gorman was to be present, and that he would take up the tariff bill, had attracted a large party of the political leaguers who take combats of political glibness.

Mr. Gorman was in the chamber without a note or refer to the tariff bill, but he was there for nearly three hours, and during that time he gave his most powerful address in his career.

He began by referring to the tariff bill and the proposition that it was the duty of the Senate to pass it. He then went on to discuss the tariff in general, and the effect of the tariff on the people.

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