

WOMAN AND SON ACCUSED OF MURDER

Girl Beaten for Neglecting Task and Later Bound to Floor in Attic

Chicago, Cal., June 23.—Helen Rumbel, 13 years old, beaten for neglecting a task, is dead in her home near Gridley. Mrs. Emma Rumbel, her stepmother, and Arthur Lewis, her stepbrother, were held by a coroner's jury to answer to a charge of murder, and have been rushed to the county jail at Oroville for safety.

Lewis and Mrs. Rumbel reported that the girl had committed suicide. An inquest instituted immediately developed that the girl's body was a mass of bruises and that her face in death remained black from the choking she had received. Mrs. Rumbel then told what is believed to be a correct version of the affair.

Helen, she said, should have milked three cows, but milked only two. For this, said her stepmother, she was beaten and then strapped to the floor in the attic, where she faintly.

Mrs. Rumbel explained that she made several trips to the attic, throwing cold water on the girl to restore her to consciousness, and that on her final trip she found the girl dead. It was testified that young Lewis, acting under orders, bound the girl to the attic floor and tied her hands. The child's father died two months ago.

After conferring with counsel, Mrs. Rumbel expressed the belief that the girl broke her own neck in a frantic struggle to free herself from a two by four-inch scantling to which she had been bound. She asserted that punishment was necessary because of what she termed Helen's stubbornness, but admitted she had overestimated the endurance of the child.

When she became convinced that the girl was dead she untied the ropes and summoned a physician, who testified that she told him the case was one of suicide and that she had cut the child down.

Medical examination showed that the victim had lived several hours after the flogging. Her torso was a mass of welts, her head was striped with fresh scars and torn flesh on her legs showed where strap buckles had cut into them.

More evidence concerning the brutality that caused the death of Helen Rumbel came from the lips of a younger sister, the dead girl's child told the officers that while Helen was in the stifling attic where her lifeless body was found, her cries of pain were heard by the sister, Mrs. Emma Rumbel, to be allowed to go and comfort the sufferer. These pleas, according to the child, were rebuffed.

In the late hours of the night Mrs. Rumbel awakened the girl and her brother and told them that Helen was dead.

Sheriff Webster has discovered where the rope with which it is believed Helen was choked to death was fastened to the studding in the attic. Marks on the floor of the body indicate that the rope was fastened about the neck.

VERNON HOSPITAL GRANT.

Vernon, June 23.—At the last meeting of the city council the finance committee reported recommending that the sum of \$500 be taken out of current revenues as a grant to the hospital. The report was adopted and the smaller towns of the valley are gradually starting little hospitals, and their former grants to this institution are discontinued accordingly. Were it not for the aid from the Federal government, the city of Vernon, and the municipalities of Spallumcheen and Coldstream, the hospital would be closed to-day, said the alderman. Equipment expenses have been extremely high, but they are now beginning to be pretty well equipped with surgical and other appliances, and relief from that cause will be looked for in the course of a year or so from now. Increased membership during the last few years had, of course, brought down the average cost per patient, but it keeps the directors all the time busy to meet expenses. One case from down the lake alone had cost them over \$200 last year.

PIONEERS MAY GATHER.

New Westminster, June 23.—Manager Keary, who has returned from a visit to the interior, contemplates another gathering of the pioneers of British Columbia, taking the qualifying period of pioneers as 1870. It is, of course, doubtful if such a gathering of old timers will ever be collected as assembled round the Fraser monument in the fall of 1908, as death has fast thinned the ranks, but so manifest was the pleasure among the old people on that occasion that the prospect is well worth trying. Happily in this city are still living the first president of the municipal council in W. J. Armstrong, and the first mayor in James Cunningham, a condition of affairs which no other city in the province can rival.

Doubtless Mr. Keary will make an effort to father that small band of survivors of the Royal Engineers corps whose headquarters were here, and whose garrison church still remains. There were thirteen present on that occasion, several feeble and worn, but keen to be present on that historical festival.

Six hundred of the 2,400 natives inhabiting the island of Rotuma, in the Pacific, have died of measles and dysentery in the past two months.

STORM SWEEPS WASHINGTON.

Washington, D. C., June 23.—A severe wind, rain and hail storm swept over Washington to-day. It blew sixty miles an hour about the capital, causing so much disturbance that the senate adjourned. President Taft, Clarence R. Edwards and J. W. Arbutt, were playing golf on the Chevy Chase links when the storm broke. For ten minutes or more the lightning flashed uncomfortably and the rain poured down in sheets.

WELCOME RAIN.

Minneapolis, Minn., June 23.—Reports received at railroad offices here indicate that relief by rains in the Dakotas, especially South Dakota, was very pronounced for a large part of the territory which had been threatened with a crop failure.

REPARATION FROM MEXICO DEMANDED

Revolutionists Force German Civil Engineer to Wait on Them Barefooted

Mexico City, June 23.—Because a group of revolutionists entrusted with the work of maintaining order at Stega De Metzlan, in the state of Hidalgo, forced Franz Reitter, a German civil engineer, to remove his shoes and then barefooted wait upon them like an ordinary servant, the German has demanded reparation from the Mexican government. He has also demanded indemnity for losses incurred by the companies for which Reitter was working. The government has ordered an investigation.

That he was not killed, Reitter ascribes to poor marksmanship. Another man was killed by the volley fired at him, he says.

The warehouse of the company is said to have been sacked and burned.

AEROPLANE RACE ACROSS CHANNEL

Birdmen Will Attempt to Fly From Calais Across to London

Roubaix, France, June 23.—With Vedrine in the lead, four aviators got away this afternoon in the Roubaix to Calais flight of the international circuit aviation race. Provost was ill and did not start. The rules provide for a stop at Dunkirk.

The winners of to-day's leg will receive a prize of \$2,000, given by the city of Calais.

The next flight will be from Calais across the English Channel to London, with stops at Dover and Brighton.

At Calais. Calais, France, June 23.—Vedrine arrived here at 2.16 o'clock this afternoon, leading the other competitors in the international race from the start at Roubaix. He was followed by Vidart at 2.46, and by Beaumont at 2.50. Vedrine left Roubaix at 1 o'clock, Beaumont at 1.06 and Vidart at 1.08.

Gilbert and Kimmelman, arrived a few minutes later than the first three. All reported that they had been buffeted terribly by a strong westerly wind.

The spectators were thrilled at Kimmelman's arrival. He was caught by a squall above the aerodrome and his machine plunged wildly up and down, but was landed safely amid great applause.

PLEADS GUILTY TO BIGAMY.

Percy J. Salter Will Be Sentenced at Vancouver To-Morrow.

Vancouver, June 23.—In the city police court this morning Percy J. Salter pleaded guilty to a charge of bigamy. Magistrate Shaw will sentence him to-morrow. The case against Salter, who committed the crime are not greatly different from the ordinary sad facts, where an unscrupulous man dupes a couple of women.

He is an Englishman and had married about five years ago a Miss Olive Wilson, by whom he had one son. A little over a year ago he came to Canada and left his young wife and baby in the Old Country. He lived in Victoria, but on October 16, 1910, he came to Vancouver and went through a form of marriage with Miss Evelyn Murray. They settled in Victoria.

A short time ago he sent his first wife \$50 and Mrs. Salter came out to join her husband, quite unaware that there was anything that would prevent her from living a happy life.

For a week or two after she arrived Salter managed to conceal the fact that he had another wife, but this was soon discovered by the first wife and his arrest followed.

DROWNED IN LAKE WINNIPEG.

Winnipeg, June 23.—A. J. Scarry, a Winnipeg youth of 22, working with his cousin the captain of the tug Fisherman, was drowned off the tug a hundred miles north of Selkirk on Lake Winnipeg on Saturday. He was climbing over the wood piled high on the deck of the tug, and fell over the stern, but as he was a good swimmer the captain declares he must have died of heart failure as his heart was weak.

QUEBEC CENTENARIAN.

Quebec, June 23.—Ambrose Guay, the oldest citizen of Quebec, celebrated his 10th anniversary Monday. Three hundred relatives took part in the celebration.

PAVES WAY FOR UNIVERSAL PEACE

Speakers at Pilgrim Banquet Refer to Anglo-American Arbitration Treaty

London, June 23.—The dinner of the Pilgrim Society last night in honor of John Hays Hammond, special American ambassador at the coronation, gave occasion for four speeches which were considered the best exhibition of after-dinner oratory heard in London for a long time. The speakers were Arthur J. Balfour, former Prime Minister; Mr. Hammond, Augustine Birrell, Chief Secretary for Ireland; and Chauncey Depew, former United States Senator. Covers were laid for 250. The army was represented by the American officers who took part in the home show.

There was a scene of enthusiasm when a message was read that as a result of a conference between Secretary Knox and Ambassador Bryce a treaty had been practically arranged for the arbitration of all differences between the United States and Great Britain.

After a felicitous reference to the presence of Mr. Hammond, Mr. Balfour observed that Americans had their problems of empire and other difficulties, just as Great Britain had, and they could not help being in sympathy with each other. Both countries were enamored of liberty, both had the same ideals, and surely it was predestined that in the world's history of the future they should work together, not by formal alliance, but by deep sympathy in aims and ideals for the cause of civilization and progress.

Special Ambassador Hammond, responding, said that it was a felicitous coincidence that the coronation of King George occurred at a moment so opportunistically auspicious for Anglo-American peace. He believed the arbitration treaty would speedily be followed by similar treaties with other powers, paving the way for universal peace.

Secretary Birrell proposed "The American Visitors," in response to which Mr. Depew made a felicitous speech.

NEARLY MILLION IN GOLD REACHES SOUND

City of Seattle Brings South Largest Shipment This Year From Alaskan Mines

Seattle, Wash., June 23.—Bringing nearly \$700,000 in treasure, the largest gold shipment to enter this port this year, the steamship City of Seattle, Captain J. C. Jansen, reached port yesterday morning from Skagway.

The first shipment of canned salmon to reach here this year from Alaska also arrived yesterday on the City of Seattle from the Funtah Bay cannery.

From Wrangell to Seattle, Captain Jansen, his officers and the passengers were entertained by a violently insane and musically inclined Chinese cannery hand en route to an asylum.

Of the City of Seattle's gold shipment, \$200,000 in bullion came from the Treadwell mine, while the balance, \$475,000, came from various interior points.

LOST IN VICTORIA.

Dr. Sloum Returns Here After Absence and Is Upset By Change.

So fast has Victoria grown and changed within the past few years that the old-timer, who has been away from the city for some time, is unable to familiarize himself with the town owing to the disappearance of many of the old landmarks, which used to loom up. Such is the position in which Dr. L. Mortimer Sloum, of Hazelton, finds himself in on his present visit to Victoria.

He first visited the Queen City of the West in 1878, in which year he brought the first load of snow from the Treadwell mine, which was recently wrecked off the coast of Dover, carried over sail in proportion, but now the Arctic Stream holds the record. She has 25,000 square yards of canvas, which when spread before a spanking breeze drives the ship along at a speed which at times has bested many steamers met during passages.

Capt. Dixon, who commands the Arctic Stream, is well known on this coast, having loaded cargoes at Portland and at Vancouver. He has been master of the Stream for six years and is proud of his ship, which he believes cannot be beaten by any vessel sailing the seas.

A very successful and largely attended meeting of the Epworth League of the Metropolitan church was held Monday. Mr. Clifford Robinson read a paper on the "Necessity of the Enforcement of the Lord's Day Act in British Columbia, and G. W. Wright gave an address on Church Union. A representative of the Reading Camp Association outlined the work done in the lumber camps and construction camps of B. C. by representatives of the association. It was decided to give the paper on the work in the lumber camps to be pushed with renewed vigor during the summer months. Dudley H. Anderson will have charge of the meeting next Monday evening.

On the following Monday evening Rev. Dr. Wadman, superintendent of the Methodist Episcopal missions in the Hawaiian Islands, will give an illustrated lecture on "Picturesque Hawaii."

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SAILER TIES UP AT INNER WHARF

ARCTIC STREAM TOWED INSIDE SUCCESSFULLY

Commences Loading Lumber at Canadian-Puget Sound Mills—Two Tugs Used

With the tug Dominion in the van straining away on a line made fast on the forecastle, swinging the big ship's bow around, and the powerful towing vessel, the British ship Arctic Stream, Capt. Dixon, was successfully taken from her anchorage in the Royal Roads yesterday afternoon through the entrance to the harbor, passed the E. & N. bridge and moored at the Canadian-Puget Sound Lumber Company's wharf, where she will load a million and a half feet of lumber for East London, South Africa.

Not a hitch occurred in the performance, which is staged about once a year. Capt. Cox, one of the local pilots, was in charge of the operation and the big ship was swung easily whenever it was necessary to negotiate any turns. If there had been any wind veering the task of bringing the ship into the upper harbor would have been rendered difficult, as she was only drawing eleven feet of water, and the action of wind on this "balloon" would have proved tricky for the pilot to combat against.

When abreast of the lumber company's dock the anchor was let go and the vessel was swung around, so that when she is ready to leave this port with her cargo it will not be necessary to turn the ship around when she is drawing about twenty-one feet. The boats just managed to "squeeze" through the E. & N. bridge and the ship's yards all cleared the steel girder.

Just about a year ago Victorians witnessed the bringing of a much larger vessel in the upper harbor, the British ship, the Arctic Stream, which also loaded timber for South Africa. Not since the

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MARINE ENQUIRY ON THE IROQUOIS WRECK

Mr. Justice Martin and Assessors Reid and Neroutsoff Commence Taking Evidence

(From Thursday's Daily.) Before Mr. Justice Martin and Captains Reid and Neroutsoff, as nautical assessors, in the appeal court room this morning, the marine enquiry into the loss of the steamer Iroquois, wrecked off Sidney April 10 last, was commenced. Mr. B. Jackson is representing the Dominion Government and E. V. Bodwell, K. C., is present on behalf of Capt. A. A. Sears and the owning company.

James Neroutsoff, who gave evidence at the former enquiries, was called and said he had not been aboard the Iroquois the morning of the wreck and did not know if she had cargo in her hold or not. When the vessel was out at sea, he had seen the steam from her whistle, exhaust, but heard no whistle. This was after she listed.

To Mr. Bodwell witness said he had never been on the Iroquois in bad weather nor could he say how high the hay on deck was piled. He did not know if it was above the railing. Had he reason to do so he would have gone on the boat that morning, for he had seen her out in rough weather.

To Assessor Reid—When the boat left the wharf and got out a short distance the port guard-rail was a foot below the water. The ship was not rolling equally when heading towards Shell Island.

To Assessor Neroutsoff—He had been on Canoe Pass in a row boat, and would have gone in a good-sized row boat or a Columbia river fishing boat under sail that morning.

The ship's boats recovered from the wreck are lying at the Dominion wharf and will be viewed by the court. There are many witnesses to be heard. Among those in attendance this morning were: Miss Margaret Barton, Th. S. Moss, John Bennett, passengers; George Woollett, Capt. Johnston, Capt. Berquist, Dr. Cummings, Mate Isbister and others.

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THREE SHOT BY WOMAN.

Opens Fire With Revolver in New York Streets—One Man Dies From Wound.

New York, June 23.—Acting Sgt. 23 years old and comely, met Anthony Fiverone, an admirer, in the street on Monday and upbraided him for not telling her that he was married. A crowd gathered as she berated him and by mutterings of approval urged her to shoot him. She whipped out from the folds of her dress a revolver, and fired three times. Each bullet struck a different man. Fiverone, who was one of wounded, died yesterday. The other two will recover. The girl fled to the roof of a tenement and fought off two policemen with hot pins. She was finally overpowered and locked up.

FAIL TO LOCATE HIDDEN TREASURE

Leader of Party Says Honduras Government Would Not Permit Landing

Los Angeles, Cal., June 23.—F. S. Burris, J. C. Mullin and the party of five treasure seekers, who chartered the steamer Eureka some weeks ago to go on a search for a fortune which they believed to have been cached by the late John Alexander Dowie, of Zion City, on the Central American coast, arrived in the port of San Pedro yesterday.

"Disappointed and disgusted," replied Capt. Burris to interviewers. "Some officious people started a story that we were filibusters, taking a shipload of arms of Honduras, and in consequence when we arrived at Amalapa, the Honduras government would not permit us to land.

"The American consul could do nothing for us, and so we gave up in disgust and sailed back to the United States."

GRADUATE'S VIEWS NOT ACCEPTABLE

Application for Ordination Into Presbyterian Ministry is Held Over

New York, June 23.—The ordination into the Presbyterian ministry of G. E. Bevens of this city, a graduate of the Union Theological seminary and of Yale University, has been deferred because some of Mr. Bevens' theological views were not acceptable to a majority of the members of the Brooklyn Presbytery. A committee of the Presbytery was appointed to confer further with the applicant for ordination between now and the next meeting of the Presbytery, which is to be held in September.

Mr. Bevens appeared before the Presbytery for examination and read a paper giving his views of Christianity and of doctrine. Questioned as to his belief in the divinity of Jesus Christ, he replied that it was in accordance with the union seminary standards. While he believed that Christ was nearer divine than any other man, he did not believe in His full divinity, however. He believed in the modern interpretation of religion as against the old superstitions and traditions. He was unsettled in his belief as to miracles.

OUTPUT OF MINES.

Nelson, June 23.—With a shipment from the Granby mine of 17,929 tons the Grand Forks smelter again appears in the ore returns for the past week. The total smelter receipts for the year to date are now \$33,373 tons, while for the past week the total is \$34,168 tons. The shipments for the week and for the year to date are respectively 38,352 tons and 884,873 tons.

GIFTS TO RETIRING EDITOR.

Toronto, June 23.—The Mail Printing Company yesterday presented A. W. Williams, retiring chief editor, who becomes registrar of the surrogate court, with a cheque for a year's salary, \$4,000, and the staff gave him \$200 worth of cutlery. Mr. Williams has been connected with the Mail and Empire for 39 years.

MONTREAL FIRE.

Montreal, June 23.—Fire broke out in the Dominion Cloak Manufacturing Company's warehouse early this morning. The loss totals \$12,000. The two upper floors were gutted, while the Smith Hardware Company suffered damage from water which poured down from above.

DOCTOR ACQUITTED.

Ottawa, June 23.—Dr. Alexander Outmet of Hull, charged with the murder of Mrs. Ethel Mary Spain by performing a criminal operation, was acquitted by Magistrate Coyette this morning. After considering the crown evidence for three days the magistrate decided it was not sufficient to send Outmet for trial.

NEWMARKET RACES.

Newmarket, Eng., June 23.—Lord Derby's four-year-old colt swynford, 3 to 1, to-day won the Princess of Wales' stakes, 1 1/2 miles. Mr. Fairlie's Lemberg, the odds on favorite at 4 to 6, was second, and Lord Derby's King William, 9 to 2, third. Great rivalry existed between Lemberg and Swynford since the latter beat the former in the St. Ledger last year. Lemberg turned the tables again, the Coronation cup at Epsom, over the Derby course on June 1, and to-day's race has again reversed that verdict.

OLD ALASKAN PLACES VISITED BY SPOKANE

Excursionists See Beauties of Northland—Steamer Sails Again With Big Crowd

(From Thursday's Daily.) Owing to the fact that perfect weather saved the time usually allotted on her schedule for fog delays the Alaskan cruising steamship Spokane, which has visited Sitka and Juneau, arrived here this morning from the coast. The Spokane was able to visit a number of out-of-the-way spots seldom seen by Northern tourists. On her last trip the Spokane succeeded in visiting Queen Inlet through Glacier Bay and obtained a view of Carroll Glacier. The Spokane is the first vessel to have visited Carroll Glacier in more than six years. A stevedore on the steamer reported that the tourists found the view of Carroll Glacier absolutely deserted.

To the Spokane belongs the distinction of being the first passenger vessel which has visited Sitka and Juneau, to the westward of Wrangell. In fact she carried also the first white women to visit this scenic wonder, an arctic scene long familiar to tourists familiar with the rugged grandeur of Norway pronounced the peer of the far-famed Scandinavian fjords.

When the passengers viewed Muir Glacier, the temperature was so high that they found it necessary to remove their wraps. Underneath they could hear the rumbling of subterranean streams, and they say there is every indication that the glacier is disintegrating rapidly.

Capt. J. E. Guptill, master of the Spokane, bought a baby hair seal at Tongass. This was found entirely devoid, is growing like a mushroom, and follows the captain about the ship.

After entering Glacier Bay, on the way north, Captain Guptill found such perfect weather that he decided to make the trip on through into Queen Inlet, which is rarely undertaken. Queen Inlet is named after the well known steamship queen, and its head is situated the famous Carroll Glacier, which takes its name from Capt. James Carroll, who years ago was master of the historic old steamship Al-Kil.

Owing to the fact that there was not a cloud in the sky the tourists were afforded a splendid view of the wall of ice a mile broad and more than two hundred feet high, which they saw from a distance of 300 yards. As the vessel was ahead of her schedule a call was made at old Fort Tongass, which was found entirely deserted and overgrown with weeds and nettles. Fort Tongass was the first military post established in Alaska after the territory was taken over by the United States, and long since been abandoned. The buildings since falling to pieces but, according to those on the Spokane, more than 100 fine tenement poles are still standing.

At Sitka this morning the Spokane departed from the outer wharf on her second Alaskan cruise. As has been stated before, every berth aboard the vessel has been booked for the following three trips promise to be equally as crowded.

FALKNER APPEAL.

Crown Counsel's Arguments Heard By Court.

(From Thursday's Daily.) Argument was concluded in the court of appeal yesterday afternoon on the application of G. L. Falkner for a new trial, and their lordships pronounced an early decision.

H. W. E. Moore, for the crown, put in arguments in reply to those advanced by H. A. Maclean, K. C., for the convicted man. Mr. Maclean replied largely on a point of law, and instructions to prefer a bill of indictment did not come from the attorney-general, but from a cabinet minister who was only acting for his colleague.

Mr. Moore cited a clause in the Interpretation Act which, he contended, gave an acting attorney-general all the power required in criminal matters, to the effect that if any power imposed or duty authorized upon the holder of any office as such the power may be exercised and the duty performed by the holder for the time being of the office.

If it were to be held that the endorsement by Hon. W. R. Ross instructing counsel to prefer a bill was beyond his power, Mr. Moore referred to the section 92 of the Criminal Code, which empowers crown counsel to prefer a bill, as had been done in the Falkner case by himself, acting as crown counsel. Mr. Moore pointed out that Mr. Maclean's authorities were all prior to 1900, when this amendment was passed, presumably to meet just such cases as the authorities dealt with. In any case, he pointed out to the court, prisoner's counsel had no authorities to produce where the acts of an acting attorney-general had been questioned.