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GRAFFAM TRIAL.

Prosecution Closed and the Defence Begun.

WILL TRY AN ALIBI.

Counsel Says It Will Be Shown That Graffam Was in Boston on the Day When Farmer Mosher Was Murdered--Accepts Evidence of Mrs. Mosher in Full.

Portland, Me., June 13--The state rested its case in the Graffam trial at the close of the forenoon session today and the defence made their opening and examined the witnesses this afternoon. James Connelan, junior counsel for Graffam, in the opening of the defence and that it would be shown by reliable evidence that Graffam was in Boston on Jan. 12, and that he was not the man who was seen going in the direction of Mosher's farmhouse on that evening. Connelan began the opening for Graffam in the presence of the largest number of spectators that has yet attended the trial. He referred to the government's testimony as a great network of inconsistencies, and spoke of the "apparent preparation and evident attempt to evade direct questioning" exhibited by many of the witnesses for the prosecution. He spoke of the testimony of Mrs. Mosher that the taller one who wore the overcoat killed her son and that the negro came into her room with blood on his arm and demanded her money. He said the defence accepted every word of Mrs. Mosher's testimony. Mr. Connelan referred to William Hands' story told on the stand this week as the most improbable thing ever heard in a court room, and added that the testimony of many of the government's witnesses was not worth considering.

He said that the defence would introduce reliable testimony to prove that Graffam was in Boston at the time of the murder. At a preliminary hearing in the lower court the government produced witnesses who swore to seeing Hands and Graffam in Saco and Portland on Thursday and Friday and Mr. Connelan stated that the defence would put these witnesses on the stand and see if they would tell the same story now in the face of the position taken by the prosecution. Deputy Sheriff Leach was called. He stated that after the arrest of William Hands signed this statement and said it was correct in every particular at the time but admitted that parts of it were untrue. "The statement was to the effect that Hands arrived in Portland on Thursday, Jan. 10, and while here spent in a stable and got his meals at a local restaurant. He said he rode from Boston to Portland on a passenger train and that he did not tell him the names of the places where he ate and slept but from the general description given by the witness who was able to recognize them and supplied the names himself with the approval of Hands. Later Hands told the witness he did not come to Portland until Saturday.

A. L. T. Cummings, a Portland newspaper man, then took the stand. He described the condition of the Mosher farmhouse and the appearance of the tracks the night of the murder. Hands once drove about the city with the witness and pointed out to him the places where he slept and ate after arriving in town. Thursday the witness asked Mrs. Mosher if she thought the man who killed her son was Graffam and the old lady replied that she did not think it could be the murderer was a taller man than Graffam. Deputy Sheriff Dunn testified that when Hands was arrested in Scarborough he told him the same story made good his alibi at the Mosher house as that brought out in previous testimony. His cross-examination brought out nothing. Sheriff Pearson then gave corroborative testimony regarding the statement made by Hands and court adjourned until tomorrow morning.

ESCAPED PRISONER FOUND UNDER CHAPEL PULPIT FLOOR

Missed from Maine Prison, He Was Captured--Fear Led to It!

Thomaston, Me., June 13--Chas. Moore, a 23-year man in the state prison, sentenced in 1888 from Cumberland county for breaking and entering in Portland, made careful preparations to escape from the institution last night. He was missing from his cell this morning and prison officials were confident that he had eluded the guard and had made good his escape from the prison. This afternoon, however, he was found secreted beneath the floor of the pulpit in the chapel. The officers believe he was afraid to make the jump from the end of a rope he had attached to the bar of a window, to the ground, and decided to hide away until offered an opportunity to escape from the building in an easier manner. When found, Moore wore a suit of citizen's clothes, made from hundreds of odd pieces of cloth.

Declared Bankrupt.

June 13--The run on the Dress Anestalt continued. The directors filed to declare the concern bankrupt to a private Dresden correspondent of the Associated Bankruptcy Agents about industrial banks and electric

IN TRYING TO SAVE THE ASSYRIAN TUG PETREL IS CRUSHED ON ROCKS.

Big Steamer Swung as if on a Pivot and Both Vessels Forced to the Rocks Broadside On--Other Craft Fled the Scene.

St. John's, Nfld., June 13--This afternoon the Leyland line steamer Assyrian, bound for Cape Race, swung around on the rocks with the tug Petrel on the inside. Both are now in a very critical position. The Assyrian is pounding to pieces. A northeast gale is raging, a heavy sea is making fast and it is feared that the two vessels will become complete wrecks during the night. The Petrel was engaged in an attempt to tow the wreck off but failed to move her. Subsequently one of the Assyrian's ropes became entangled in the Petrel's propeller. The Petrel, thus crippled, drifted inside the Assyrian, where she tried to repair the damage. A northeast gale was blowing at the time and this steadily increased. Finally the wreck started by the heavy seas, swung round as upon a pivot and embraced the tug. Both vessels were then forced broadside on the rocks, the seas sweeping over them. The crews of both ships left them, except the captain and two officers of the Assyrian. Even they are not likely to remain on board throughout the night, because the liner will probably have gone to pieces before morning. The steamer Algerine, which was lying fast on the weather side of the wreck, had to cut her lines and run round Cape Race for Trepassy, where she will harbor for the night. More than a hundred boats that were salvaging at the wreck fled in the same direction. All the coast folk landed and gathered in the light house, waiting to see what tomorrow would bring forth. All ship masters here condemn Captain Dingle of the Assyrian for not getting the ships in the vicinity to pull the liner off the rocks days ago, when the weather conditions were favorable, alleging that their combined pumps would have kept her afloat until she could be beached. Captain Dingle, however, contends that he has acted in accordance with the instructions of the underwriters. The entire cargo of champagne and other unsalvaged goods will probably go to the bottom.

THEY THINK IN BOSTON THAT BLONDIN, SUSPECTED MURDERER, CAME HERE.

Husband of Woman Whose Headless Body Was Found at Lowell--Story, Bad for Husband, Told by a Boston Woman.

Boston, June 13--Tonight there seemed a possibility that Blondin, husband of the woman whose headless body was found at Lowell, left Boston Wednesday morning at 8:45 in the steamer State of Maine for St. John, N. B. The steamer stopped at Portland, Eastport and Lunenburg. Blondin could not easily reach Canada from either of the latter ports and it is surmised that if he took this boat his destination must have been either Portland or St. John. It was impossible to tell anything about the passenger list as the board of the steamer which is not due back in Boston until Saturday. Boston, June 13--The theory that Margaret Blondin was murdered in a Green street house was given weight today by an interview between police inspectors and Mrs. Mary Hannigan, the landlady of the house. Mrs. Hannigan said that on Saturday, April 27, the day of Mrs. Blondin's disappearance, she was sitting in the hallway, near the front door, when, just a few minutes before 4 o'clock in the afternoon, Mrs. Blondin came in from the street and asked Mrs. Hannigan what time it was. On being told, she exclaimed, "My husband will kill me," and ran upstairs to her room. Mrs. Blondin had no sooner reached her room than her husband opened the street door and in a commanding tone requested Mrs. Hannigan to tell him how his wife spent the day. Upon being told that she spent the day quietly, as was her wont, he rushed upstairs as if he was in a furious temper and violently pushed the door open and then closed it with a bang, turning the key in the lock. The landlady heard some angry talk which was followed by a noise as if someone had fallen. After that all was quiet in the room and in about 10 minutes Blondin came out wearing his best clothes. He locked the door, not only by the ordinary fastening but with a padlock which he had attached that morning. Mrs. Hannigan went upstairs and knocked at the door but there was no response.

TWO KILLED, FOUR INJURED.

Head-end Collision, Passenger Train Crashed Into Freight.

Los Angeles, Cal., June 13--Two are dead and four injured as the result of a head-end collision on the Santa Fe system, six miles east of Williams, Ariz. The dead: Lee Perkins, of Williams, fireman. Jim Monahan, of Winslow, fireman. The passenger train was going at a lively rate when it crashed into a double header freight. Presented to King Edward. London, June 13--The Duke of Marlborough headed a deputation which, at an audience of King Edward today, presented his majesty with a suit of armor which formerly belonged to the king's champion. This historic armor was recently purchased by a committee who desired that it be presented at Windsor.

THOROUGHLY SATISFIED WITH ST. LAWRENCE CHANNEL.

Ottawa, June 13--Mr. Collingwood Scriber, deputy minister of railways and canals, has just returned from an inspection trip over the Canadian canals. He is thoroughly satisfied that the 14 foot channel on the St. Lawrence is everything that can be claimed for a 14 foot channel. There is no doubt that there is 14 feet of water all along the route.

JUBILEE DAY.

A Big Time for Y. M. C. A. Delegates at Boston.

A STRIKING FIGURE.

Father Nicholas Vassilief, a Delegate from Russia, Impresses the Assemblage--The Day's Proceedings--A Special Jubilee Service Held.

Boston, June 13--"Jubilee Day" at the international convention of the Y. M. C. A. began in the morning at Mechanics' Hall with a session picturesque and novel. After formal addresses by Cephas Brainard, of New York, President Faunce of Brown University and Rev. Francis E. Clark, the presentation of foreign delegates went on again. James Stokes, of New York, presided, with Christian Philadelpia, of Switzerland acting as master of ceremonies. A striking figure was that of Father Nicholas Vassilief, a delegate from Russia, gowned in the deep crimson silk of his office, a silver chain and crucifix about his neck. A special jubilee service in the Old South Meeting House, at which a commemorative tablet was unveiled, a reception by Governor Crane at the state house and a special service in Faneuil Hall served to fill out the afternoon. Scarcely had the meeting at the Old South church broken up when an equally large gathering assembled in Faneuil Hall with speakers from England, Hungary, Switzerland, India and Canada. Mr. Josiah H. Quincy, of Boston, presided. The delegates were welcomed by Mayor Hart and Lieut. Governor Bates. Lord Kinross, of Scotland, presided over the movement in England, echoed the appeal made last night that rooms be set aside in every army post and every navy dockyard, for the use of the land and sea forces of the Y. M. C. A. in his country. Other speakers were Lieut. Chas. Fermanud, of Switzerland, and the first general secretary of the world's committee of the Y. M. C. A., Mr. J. H. McMillan, of Toronto. In the evening a number of prominent railroad officials addressed a large meeting in Mechanics' Hall.

BRITISH TURBINE TORPEDO BOAT DESTROYER VIPER.

Comment on Trial Says That While Great Speed Was Had, Coal Consumption Was Enormous.

London, June 13--The Naval and Military Record, commenting on the three weeks trial of the British turbine torpedo boat destroyer Viper, which was conducted under regular service conditions, and during which she developed a speed of 30 1/2 knots and was pronounced capable of doing 31, says her coal consumption was enormous at top speed, which, the paper adds, mitigates against the plan which the Dover-Calais Company have adopted of building a series of turbine steamers and reduce the time of crossing between England and France to 35 minutes. The Viper's trial was pronounced to be completely satisfactory. Although she was handled by an inexperienced crew, she showed a remarkable immunity from breaking down. The Viper was steady in all weathers.

THE EXPRESS GOLD CASE.

Nothing Very Material in Evidence Yesterday--Witness Says Money Package Not Received May 29.

Moncton, N. B., June 13--(Special)--No very material evidence was given in the examination of John Dujay today on the charge of stealing the \$200 package of gold. Conductor McFadden's evidence was concluded and Albert Hebert, clerk in the Shediac boat and shoe office, who also looks after express matters for Agent Webster, was on the stand nearly all the afternoon. He remembered May 29th, but was positive that no money package was received that day for J. L. Guptill. The accused attended the train on which the bag of 200 monies was to arrive, but brought no money package or way bill for the same to the express office. The case will be continued tomorrow.

New Masonic Grand Master.

Halifax, June 13--(Special)--The concluding sessions of the Grand Masonic Lodge was held today. Dr. Thomas Treisman was elected grand master and W. H. Donkin, Amherst, deputy grand master. Other officers were Sen. Grand Warden D. H. Campbell, Halifax; Junior Grand Warden Wm. Oxley, Oxford; G. Treas. James Dempster, Halifax; Grand Secretary Thos. Mowbray, Halifax.

Last of Series of Duels.

Paris, June 13--A duel with swords was fought today in the Parc Des Princes, between General Richard, manager of the Petite Republique, and Max Regis, the anti-Semite mayor of Algiers. Regis was wounded in the wrist. The quarrel which had its encounter grow out of the recent duels of M. Regis with M. Lalande. Today's meeting closes the series of duels. The others have been averted by explanations.

PRESBYTERIAN ASSEMBLY DISCUSSES ELDERS FOR LIFE OR A TERM OF YEARS.

The Latter Plan Moved--Some Opposition and Many Amendments--Finally It Was Ordered Sent to Presbyteries --Dr. Macrae Received.

Ottawa, June 13--(Special)--The first business meeting of the Presbyterian General Assembly took place in St. Andrew's church today with the newly-elected moderator, Dr. Warden, presiding. The first hour was taken up with devotionals. Mr. J. W. McMillan, of Lindsay, was appointed joint clerk of the assembly in place of Rev. Dr. Warden. An application was made by the presbytery of Winnipeg for the admission of Rev. J. C. Madill, Congregational minister. Rev. Dr. Robertson favored the admission of Mr. Madill, which had the approval of Rev. Dr. Cavan and Rev. Dr. McLaren. Representation from Paris presbytery purporting to be in favor of Mr. Madill was read. Dr. McMillan said that the extract was wrong, that the minutes said that application should not be entertained. The moderator said that no change could be made in open court. Rev. Dr. Thomson said that Mr. Madill did not belong to the Congregational Union and he did not know how he was taken up at Winnipeg. The matter was referred to the committee on overtures. There was a discussion on the application of the presbytery of St. John to admit the name of Dr. Macrae as a constituent member. Dr. Macrae was principal of Moren College, Quebec. Dr. McMillan, of Woodstock, Ont., moved an amendment to the motion to grant the application to refer the matter to a committee, but on hearing from several members that the amendment was unnecessary it was dropped and the motion was unanimously carried.

Afternoon Session.

At the afternoon sitting, Rev. Dr. Thomas Sedgwick presented the report of the Halifax College, and suggested that the secular securities of the church, at present held by the college board on behalf of the various schemes, be consolidated in one fund, to be called the consolidated fund of the Presbyterian church in Canada, eastern section. Principal Pollock, of the Halifax College, moved that the assembly approve of the steps taken for the consolidation of the various funds, except the widows and orphans' fund, and that the committee be authorized to that end; that it expressed itself satisfied with the condition of the college and commended it to the church and to the presbytery. He expressed his appreciation of the work of the Rev. Dr. T. B. Kilpatrick, in the absence of Principal Patrick. This was Dr. Kilpatrick's first appearance in the assembly, he having come out from Scotland less than two years ago to take a chair in the college. He spoke of the work which is being done, in a speech which was marked by eloquence and enthusiasm. Stress was laid on the need for a varied

PRESIDENT SHAUGHNESSY, OF THE C. P. R., MAY TAKE THE MATTER TO COURT.

Yarmouth, N. S., June 13--(Special)--It is reported that a number of shareholders of the Yarmouth Steamship Company are not satisfied with the deal with the D. A. R., and will apply to the supreme court for an injunction, restraining the transfer. Scouring Country for Negro. Shreveport, La., June 13--Since yesterday when John Gray Foster, a prominent planter, was shot and killed by Prince Edwards, a negro employed on the Foster plantation five miles east of this city, armed posse of white men have been scouring the country for Edwards. There was a rumor that 15 or more negroes were in imminent peril of being lynched but unless sentiment changes, the disposition tonight would indicate that the majority if not all the prisoners will be let off with a whipping. Edwards, if caught, will be burned or lynched. [To Start Chinese Revolution. Honolulu, June 7, via San Francisco, June 13--Dr. Sun Yet Sen, the Chinese reformer, left on the America Maru June 5, for China, for the purpose of starting a revolution. His intention is to overthrow the emperor and destroy the Manchu dynasty. His plan is to have China ruled by a president, on lines after the government of America.

Baron Van Ketteler's Remains.

Berlin, June 13--Upon the joint request of the mother and widow of Baron Ketteler, Emperor William has caused a despatch to be sent to the German minister in Pekin directing that the body of his predecessor be disinterred and transported to Berlin. Gun Cotton to Esquimault. Quebec, June 13--(Special)--The Belgian of the Leyland line reached port this afternoon. She has 1,000 cases of gun cotton from the war office which will be sent to the naval authorities at Esquimault, B. C. The Belgian will take grain. Fire at St. John's, Que. St. John's, Nfld., June 13--T. E. Molleur's underwear factory was destroyed by fire last evening; loss \$40,000; partially insured.

CANADA NOT IN GERMANY'S FAVORED NATION CLAUSE.

Berlin, June 13--Canada is specifically excepted in the official announcement that the federal council, on the basis of the law of May 29, has decided, from July 30, to extend to the products of Great Britain and her colonies the most favored nation treatment.

CONFLICT AGAIN.

Strikers and Employers Tell Opposing Stories.

THE MAINE CENTRAL.

Italians Placed in Situations of Strikers--Men Say This Has Given Them More Spirit--Company on the Other Hand, Say Strikers Want to Get Back.

Portland, Me., June 13--The only change in the strike of the Maine Central track men today is that this afternoon section No. 1 of the Portland yard with the day and night coolers, 10 men, went out. This evening a foreman and 10 Italians arrived from Boston to fill these vacancies. Eighty Italians were sent to Bangor today. A statement was issued this evening by B. Lowe, one of the strike managers: "Since yesterday the situation is steadily improving. The men are standing down to the work ahead of them." The introduction of the Italians is putting into the men, and is taken by the men as a first-class acknowledgment on the part of the management that they simply can't replace us by competent men. "The sympathy of the public is being shown now actively, in the refusal to board the Italian; also by the prompt quitting of work by a few decent men, hired by a roadmaster who did not let them know they were being hired to take the places of men on strike. "The unbusiness of the men in the engine and train service is not made any less but rather increased by the introduction of the Italian. "The following statement was issued by the Maine Central management this evening: "Our reports from all over the line show that the men have realized their mistake in the matter and are tendering their services for re-employment. Very rapidly, which is an indication beyond question that they will be advised and that the actual conditions were grossly misrepresented. The Maine Central railroad has all of its tracks in charge of competent men and all of its trains are moving with the customary regularity. "The following statement was issued by the Maine Central management this evening: "Our reports from all over the line show that the men have realized their mistake in the matter and are tendering their services for re-employment. Very rapidly, which is an indication beyond question that they will be advised and that the actual conditions were grossly misrepresented. The Maine Central railroad has all of its tracks in charge of competent men and all of its trains are moving with the customary regularity.

NEW BRUNSWICK WINS INTERPROVINCIAL MATCH.

At the Front Throughout and Closed With Record Score--P. E. Island Second.

Sussex, June 13--(Special)--The interprovincial rifle match between the teams from the maritime provinces was held here today. The weather was fine and a great deal of interest was taken in the match by the citizens. Luncheon was served on the field and the victors were all delighted with the beauty of the valley. The following is the score, which shows that New Brunswick captures the cup for this year: New Brunswick. 300 yards..... 265 500 yards..... 211 600 yards..... 238 Total..... 714 Nova Scotia. 200 yards..... 238 500 yards..... 211 600 yards..... 219 Total..... 668 P. E. Island. 200 yards..... 232 500 yards..... 240 600 yards..... 226 Total..... 707 It will be observed that New Brunswick lead at every range, and their total shows that it is the highest total score on record. Capt. Guy Kinnear made a possible at 500 yards and leads in the aggregate with 97 points. Capt. O. D. Wetmore made 96 points. New Brunswick, in 1890, won the first match with 701 with the Sneider rifle. The record was beaten in 1894 by Nova Scotia when the Martini-Henri was used. Now New Brunswick has the record again. Lee-Zinids were used.

PRISONER IN COURT TRIES TO MURDER JUDGE.

Knocked Attorney General Senseless, But Finally Overpowered by Lawyers and Sp-ctors.

Chatham, Ont., June 13--(Special)--Andrew Epperson, a prisoner who had just been convicted of stabbing a woman and remained for sentence, made a desperate attempt to murder the judge and county crown attorney in the county court this afternoon. Epperson suddenly leaped from the prisoner's dock, seized a razor and dashed towards the judge. Constable Cape endeavored to stop Epperson but was brushed aside like a featherweight. Attorney Douglas then tackled the prisoner and was knocked senseless on the floor. Lawyers and spectators finally overpowered Epperson after a desperate fight. Speculation the Supposed Cause. Baltimore, June 13--Heavy financial losses incurred in speculation, it is asserted here, caused the suicide of Dr. Wm. Hudson Daly, originator of the "Embalmed beef" scandal.