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MIDDLTON IN OTS RECENT YEARS.

Judge Finkle of Woodstock Gave Him
All the Law Allowed.

Two of His Wives Were in Court
Ready to Testify, But the Culpit
Threw Up the Sponge After the
Toronto Victim Had Been Heard
—Hard Labor Goes With the Sentence.

Woodstock, Sept. 28.—(Special to The World).—Unless Reginald L. Middleton can survey a line around the penitentiary yard at Kingston, he will be unable to pursue his chosen occupation as a chief engineer on new railroads for the next seven years. Today Judge Finkle gave him the maximum sentence for the crime of having two wives, remarking that the wife who was with him there were three or more partners of his joys and sorrows, the sentence could have been made 14 years.

Middleton is a wreck. Instead of looking like the healthy and jolly engineer of a new railroad, as he did when he blew into Woodstock, he looks like the "before talking" picture on a patent medicine advertisement. He expected to get five years for his wife-winning specialty and the thoughts of a solitary confinement have worried him out of his appetite and he has become remorseful.

When he went into the dock to-day the effect of his mental suffering was apparent. He was traveling on the same remaining portion of his colossal nerve and it collapsed before the half of the evidence against him was in. He had entered a plea of "not guilty" and the case went on after a consultation with his lawyers, which came unexpectedly, he switched and pleaded guilty.

The sentence was announced by the judge, who addressed the prisoner and roundly scolded him for his conduct, saying that he was a clever man and capable of much higher things. He had wrecked the lives of two women and to a great extent his own life, but he hoped that on the expiration of the sentence he was about to impose upon him, his manner of living would be entirely changed. He thought that he had some feeling of shame left in him and would do better. "I see no reason," said the judge, "why I should abate your sentence in the least, and accordingly I sentence you to the full extent of the law, which is seven years at hard labor in the provincial penitentiary."

Not a muscle in the prisoner's face betrayed emotion when the long sentence was pronounced upon him. He looked like a man who had given up all hope of doing any life. Like a statue he stood and gazed aimlessly at the judge. Then he set down into the officers of the law escorted him back to jail.

The Toronto Wife's Evidence.
The most interesting witness called by the Crown was Lillian Munro of Stratford, Ontario, Middleton's first wife. As the lady stepped to the witness box the spectators craned their necks to look at her. She was pale but self-possessed and answered the questions put to her in a low but clear voice. She told of her marriage on Dec. 27, 1892, to Middleton, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Mr. Jackson, a Unitarian minister, at his house on Spadina-avenue, Toronto. She knew the prisoner several years before he committed the crime, which was secret. She could not

pleasure experienced by France in the part she has taken in effecting a suspension of hostilities between Spain and the United States, Middleton testified. During her conversation Middleton professed deep repentance for his misdeeds and to the pastor he avowed his intention of endeavoring to live a better life. He had a good term and after then to lead a good life. To The World's reporter Middleton said he expected the judge would give him five years.

United States Delegates Got Down to
Business Yesterday.

The Gauls Gives an Outline of the
Position of Both Sides in the
Negotiations — Hitch May Occur
Over the Disposal of the Philip-
pines—Spanish Delegates to Make
the Best Bargain They Can.

Paris, Sept. 28.—The United States Peace Commission went into session at 11 o'clock this morning.

The Gauls says: "In spite of the mystery surrounding the matter we are able from a high source to give an outline of the position of both commissions. While the Americans have instructions which are much more precise than those of the Spaniards, there is a diversity of opinion in regard to the Philippines. Senator Gray is a very ardent Democrat, and consequently belongs to the party which repudiates expansion. He opposes all annexation and his opinion, therefore, totally differs from that of the other four commissioners, some of whom would be content with a cooling station at the Philippines, possibly Cavite, while others, like Senator Davis, and the great majority of the whole of the archipelago.

The Gauls, however, believes that the merchants, by mutual concessions, will come to an agreement and that they will all be largely influenced by Major-General Merritt's report on the situation.

The instructions to the Spanish Commission, still according to the Spanish Commission, to hold out and make the best terms possible. Madrid is well aware, it appears, that the conferences, the best have only to please the Spanish people and the only hopes entertained are that the Americans will be able to do so. Popular sentiment in Spain, it is added, thinks it better to abandon the Philippine Islands than to keep them under conditions rendering them ungovernable.

Spanish Commission's Secretary.
Tangier, Morocco, Sept. 28.—The Spanish transport General Valdes has arrived here with Senator Ojeda, the Minister of Spain's Secretary, who has been interrupted on account of his appointment as Secretary of the Spanish Peace Commission. Senator Ojeda will leave for Paris on Friday next.

FRENCH HOSPITALITY EXTENDED.

Foreign Minister Delcasse Will
Bring the Commission Together
at Breakfast This Morning.

Paris, Sept. 2.—This afternoon the American Peace Commissioners assisted at the first formal function in France, their reception by the Minister of Foreign Affairs, M. Delcasse, through M. Vignaud, who acted as interpreter. M. Delcasse only speaking French. The party chatted briefly upon generalities and the Minister finally assured the commissioners of the great

remember who introduced them. It was three days before her father or mother knew of the marriage, but on the night of the wedding Middleton went to her house and remained there until Dec. 30, when he left for Ottawa. Witnesses joined him in Ottawa in March and they boarded together at the Capital until July, when Miss Munro returned for a few weeks' visit to Toronto. Then she went to Buffalo, where Middleton had gone in the meantime. They remained there until November. In June, 1894, they separated and have since lived apart.

Mr. W. F. Munro's Testimony.
William F. Munro, the father, was called and testified to Mr. Jackson being present at the wedding in the First Ukrainian Church. He examined the letters put in and which have already been published and said they were Middleton's. Witnesses had been in Ashbury Prison, but had not seen Middleton, but saw his keeper who said he was there.

"Did you forbid your daughter to live with Middleton after returning from Canada?" asked A. S. Ball, who was defending the prisoner.
"I wrote a letter. I'll show you the letter."

"No, tell me."
"I will tell you in my own way, not in yours."
"No, you will tell me in my way."

Mr. Munro said he had never written to any of Middleton's employers or to his daughter. He was working after he left the prison. He had spoken to Lawyer Smoke of Toronto concerning Middleton. He wanted him kept away from his daughter, but said he did not want a divorce.

Loves His Last Wife.
Middleton loves his last wife and she loves him. The death of their baby last week has brought their hearts even closer together. He has written her many letters, containing burning words of love and devotion, and she has answered him in the dock he received a letter from her, in which a lock of hair was enclosed. He kissed the token of affection and read the letter over and over, while damning testimony against him was being given.

Middleton's Will.
An interesting document in the shape of a will of Middleton's was produced and he left all kinds of valuable securities that he owned in his Toronto wife and daughter. On the envelope which contained it was some pathetic poetry, regarding what was going to happen.

Mr. A. Jackson, now of Maynard, Miss, formerly of Toronto, and Rev. Canon Hicks of Windsor, proved the will. Middleton's wife and daughter were present. The will was a simple one, and was signed by Middleton. A. S. Ball asked its withdrawal, but the Hon. said that no such charge had been laid before him and he could not withdraw it. The whole matter was in the hands of the Crown for disposal.

It was with a dejected mien that Middleton went back to his cell at the jail, but he bore up better than the jail authorities expected. The prisoner took a light lunch and sent a short letter to Mrs. Thomas in Hamilton.

He then received Rev. Mr. Jackson, with whom he had a long talk. During their conversation Middleton professed deep repentance for his misdeeds and to the pastor he avowed his intention of endeavoring to live a better life. He had a good term and after then to lead a good life. To The World's reporter Middleton said he expected the judge would give him five years.

STAND ON THE COMMISSION.

Celebrated English Editor Writes
About the Invasion From the
Westward.

Paris, Sept. 28.—William T. Stead, the famous English editor, referring to the arrival here of the Peace Commission, writes: "The New World has invaded the Old World. The Paris Peace Commission, the Continental, is the headquarters of the army of invasion. It is a Pacific invasion, a peace invasion, and it is being met on conquest and annexation, at least upon appropriations and an extension of their borders."

The struggle now going on between the French authorities and the Exposition Commission brings forcibly home to the European mind the great question of the future. It is a miniature reproduction of a conflict of the forces which looms even more gigantic before the eyes of mankind.

Rouen, therefore, the New World office Commissioner-General Peck, the American must have room to spread himself and his warms at the World's Fair where, with Paris, he will salute the new century, and the allocation of space in the Exposition is far too small.

Nothing is Impossible.
"The amiable French Minister's expectation with a polite shrug. 'It is impossible! What would our friends, the Americans, have us do? Germany and Great Britain are also imperiously clamoring for more space. We have already allotted to the United States all we can spare. It is impossible! Quite impossible!'"

"Impossible!" thunders the Commissioner-General. "Don't you see that I told you, four years ago, I told you, only 330 acres against 750 in Chicago. But, our needs are great. Room! make room for the Exposition, great Western world!"

"What can be done?" Three hundred and thirty-six acres cannot be stretched like elastic. All the space is appropriated. If Uncle Sam is to have a share, he can only have it at some one else's expense. But Commissioner-General Peck and his staff have set their hearts on which they have to get. The Americans are quite remorseless, ruthless, relentless in their demands. Chicago, the perpetual Peck, and New York, in the person of Woodward, backed by McKinley and the whole United States, are determined that no power gets left in the scramble for space it shall not be Uncle Sam.

Crowding Out Everybody.

"They are hustling around at a great rate, negotiating, bullying and one by one they are reported killed and several others injured."

feels it is being crowded in its own ground—perhaps even crowded out of its own ground—by the Western conqueror. "What is going on in the Exposition grounds is going on on a grand scale all round this planet. The shrill cry of the world has suddenly brought every one face to face with each other. In the markets, in the colonies and on the high seas the Old World is beginning to realize that perhaps there may no longer be enough to go around, that somebody is going to get left, and that that somebody is not going to be the New World."

"This conviction is coming home slowly to the French, but they have learned the same. The result is immediately to increase the defence paid to the United States by the French and nothing succeeds like success. The difference in the attitude of the French to the Americans since Manila and Santiago is more marvelous than anything. Formerly the French were a year ago sneered at the dollar-hungry Yankee as their forefathers scoffed at the nation of shopkeepers across the Channel are running over each other in a race as to which can first fall on Uncle Sam's neck and embrace him. If by any possibility any species can be discovered in the exhibition, of course it will be made over the sister republic rather than to Germany or Great Britain. Is not the American Commissioner-General ready to erect a statue to Lafayette in bronze if he can only get space to set it up? The Minister of Commerce is ready to make Foreign Affairs outside each other in paying exceptional compliments to the American Commissioner; nay, it is even hinted that a new naval power had been decided to France on the payment of a minimum tariff, a reciprocal concession being, of course, anticipated by the other side."

Eye-opener for France.
"The war between Spain and the United States was a revelation to the average Frenchman in Paris, and it was contributing to the French mind the destruction of the Spanish fleet at Manila the scales began to fall from his eyes, and when Cervantes' fleet met with the same fate he realized that a new naval power had been decided to France on the payment of a minimum tariff, a reciprocal concession being, of course, anticipated by the other side."

Early in the war, the reports that the American fleet had been destroyed and that Sampson had been killed, threw the Parisians into a popular panic. In those days no one dared disguise his sympathies with Spain. But nowadays, all agree to forget that the other side is already convinced that there were never such friends of the Americans as the French.

"All this is very pleasant for the Americans in Paris, and it is contributing to the facility of the work of the Peace Commissioners. There is no trace of any disposition in official Paris to make any difficulties in settling the terms of peace. The only demand made to the Imperial expression of the United States comes from experienced observers of the editor of the Temps, who regrets the new departure, not because it affects France, but because it endangers the American Republic. The French are at present exhibiting to the world some deplorable results of dominant militarism, and their sign when they see the question of the new treaty, which leads to Caesarism. They declare that the annexation of the Antilles and the Philippine Islands would be the creation of a large standing army, the enrolment of a corps of functionaries—a military aristocracy, the destruction of the Republic and a total transformation of the latter and spirit of the Constitution."

Stand Pinks a Bubble.
"It was there again, when the some question as to whether the European powers actually proposed to intervene in behalf of Spain. The story was that they decided to do so, and were only stopped by the blunt intimation from Lord Salisbury that if they ever attempted such a thing as British intervention, they would be met by the orders of President McKinley. I have the highest official authority, both British and French, for saying that there was never any proposal from the European powers to intervene in Foreign Affairs at the time for intervention. I regret having destroyed the legend, but I am glad to set it right."

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Coins and Currency Amounting to
\$12,000 Stolen in an Indiana
Village.

Logansport, Ind., Sept. 28.—Flora, a village ten miles south of here, was the scene of a bank robbery and probable murder this morning. The perpetrators got away with \$12,000 in gold, silver and currency, after shooting the aged banker and leaving him dead at the bank entrance.

The only banking institution in the place is owned by W. H. Lennon, who has frequently had large sums on deposit from the wealthy farmers in that community. Opposite the bank stands his residence, and at 2 a. m. Lennon was aroused from sleep by a muffled explosion.

He awoke to find robbers were in the bank. He dressed himself to make an investigation. As he stepped from his front door to the veranda he was met by a band of robbers who ordered him to halt. The banker advanced rapidly into the street, despite the threats of the fellow to shoot. As Lennon started to enter the bank he was met by a second man armed with a shotgun.

Regardless of personal safety Lennon closed on the doorway, and, pushed to the last extremity, the robber fired. The range was so close that the full charge of shot struck the banker in the left breast and arm and from the chest. He sank to the ground without a word, and a few moments later three or four men rushed from the bank with sacks in their hands and were joined by the man on guard and the fellow who had shot Lennon. They ran rapidly away, and the citizens aroused by the shooting were on the scene before the robbers had got out of sight.

The badly wounded man revived sufficiently to give a brief account of the struggle with the robbers. A hasty examination of the interior of the bank showed that the big safe had been blown open with dynamite and the contents abstracted.

According to Mr. Lennon's statement, the funds amounted to \$12,000—\$5000 in gold, \$1000 in silver and the rest in currency. A posse gave pursuit with two bloodhounds. Some of the band escaped in a wagon, but one man was captured. He was a young man, about 20 years of age, and had \$200 and two gold watches in his pocket, but claimed that he was in search of work and had been in that vicinity for a week without money.

He was brought here to avoid a mob armed with guns and in a mood for lynching. He was turned over to the sheriff of Carroll County, who was positive that the two robbers, with the description of the stolen jewelry.

Dignan also had a pair of gloves, stained with blood, in his pocket, and he had been in the vicinity of the bank where he was arrested had bloody spots on it.

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