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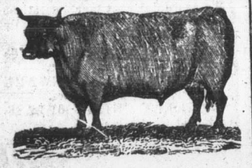

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LUCKEY "NOT GUILTY"

OF MURDERING HIS FATHER, SAYS THE JURY.

The Evidence Presented From Day to Day—The Salient Points Clearly Stated—Held to Answer the Charge of Murdering His Stepmother and Sister.

BROCKVILLE, April 18.—With the closing of the civil case of the Peck v. Bay of Quinte Railway and Navigation Company came the principal event of the assizes, the trial of Charles Luckey for the murder, on October 8, of his father, sister and step-mother at the village of New Bliss, in Kitley township, some 35 miles north of this town. Luckey, the prisoner, it will be remembered, was sent to the Central Prison for a term on a charge of larceny at Ottawa, and was released on the morning of the 7th of October. It is claimed that after his release he proceeded to Smith's Falls, then walked to his old home some six miles distant, and after murdering his relatives set the house on fire, the bodies of his victims being burned to a crisp. It is generally thought that the question of the prisoner's guilt or innocence will hinge largely on the ability of the prosecution to show whether or not a murder was committed, the bodies of the victims being burned to such an extent that Coroner Vaux, of Brockville, who conducted the inquest, was unable to discover any wounds. As a matter of fact, it would seem that the whole three bodies were burned to such an extent that a bushel basket would have contained them all.

When Luckey was brought into the dock it was seen that he had shaved off the luxuriant beard which he has worn since being incarcerated, and looked the least concerned man in the whole court

CHARLES LUCKEY, THE PRISONER.

room; in fact, this has been his demeanor since his arrest, and on no occasion since has he exhibited to the jail officials any concern in the case. He was represented by Mr. J. R. Lavell, of Smith's Falls.

The first important evidence was that of Isabella Parker, a daughter of one of the neighbors of the victims, who saw the smoke of the fire and went over to the burning building. She was the first person at the fire and tried to get in at the south door, but found it locked, and her father coming along kicked it in. At this time the fire was so hot that nothing could be distinguished in the house, but it was seen that one of the windows had been left open.

Andrew Parker, father of the witness and the first man at the scene of the tragedy, gave a mass of important testimony relating to the fire, the position of the bodies when discovered, the location of the fire and the condition of the house on previous visits. One item adduced and calculated to rather help the defence was in reference to the stove pipes in the Luckey house, which the witness testified were on the occasion of his last visit in anything but a safe condition.

Ansley Stewart, another of the neighbors who was present at the fire, gave important testimony, particularly with reference to the shoes which were found in prisoner's possession at the time of his arrest in Smith's Falls on the night of the tragedy. The boots were of a peculiar pattern, and Stewart says that to the best of his belief they were those worn by the prisoner's father on the day of the murder.

An attempt will be made to prove that the prisoner who was seen during the day in his stocking feet near the Luckey homestead, took these shoes from his father, and this is therefore an important point.

The court closed at 6 o'clock and will meet again at 9 a. m. to-morrow. There are fully 75 witnesses to be examined in the case, and the whole of to-morrow at least will be required for their examination. Mr. R. C. Clute of Belleville, is acting as crown prosecutor, and Mr. J. R. Lavell, of Smith's Falls, is defending the prisoner.

BROCKVILLE, April 20.—When the prisoner was brought in yesterday morning very little change was noticed in his appearance. He takes great interest, however, in the proceedings, and not a word of the evidence escapes him.

Silas Hitchcock was examined. He was one of the threshers, and said he saw old Mr. Luckey pass on the road going towards his home from the direction of Smith's Falls about half-past two o'clock in the afternoon. About 20 minutes after the old man passed he heard screams as if from a female voice. He thought the screams were repeated four or five times. It will be remembered in this connection that the prosecution infers that Miss Luckey was killed outside the house when she was on her way home, and that the screams heard were made by her when struck.

John Brunton, a young man, was among the first at the fire. The house was not burning outside when he reached there. Mr. Parker, Miss Parker, and a few others were there. He (Brunton) burst in one of the stoop doors. He kicked it open, and did not take time to try it with his hand. This is considered important, as it is understood the defence will try to establish the fact that the doors were all barricaded from the inside. Witness said a son of Silas Hitchcock was with him. He did not go into the porch as the flames prevented him. He could not tell what there was against the door when he kicked it open. He next helped to get some things out of the woodshed. He took out two axes, which were together. There were spots of blood on the handle. An axe was produced which was identified by the witness as the one he picked up. He said his finger caught in a split or a sliver in the handle, but would not say positively whether the blood spots he noticed were from the cut in his own finger or not. Cross-examined by Mr. Lavell, he said the axe was not scorched when he found it.

John Phillips, one of the threshers, who found the set of teeth in the yard, was called, but could not identify the teeth.

Some important testimony was given by Dr. Reeve, of Toledo, and Dr. Vaux, of Brockville. The latter gentleman conducted the inquest held on the remains. It was important for the reason that it is expected the defence will put up the plea that no evidence exists to show whether the victims were murdered or not.

Dr. Reeve saw the remains after they had been taken from the fire. They were all without limbs and headless. The chest of the girl was burned away, as was also part of the viscera. Mrs. Luckey's chest or abdomen was not opened. The frontal bones and arbital cavities in the upper jaw and lower jaw, with tongue protruding, of Mr. Luckey were there. So far as he knew, no regular post-mortem was held.

Coroner Vaux said he carefully examined all the bodies, but could not say that the lungs appeared to have been congested before or after death owing to the burned condition of the bodies. No attempt was made to see what appearance the internal organs had. The fire was not hot enough to spoil the general outline of Mr. Luckey's features.

The work of tracing the prisoner from the time he was released from the Central prison on October 7th up to the hour of his arrest was then taken up.

Guards Frank and James and Storekeeper Jeffries, of the prison, testified as to Luckey's entrance to the prison, his release, the amount of money he had when he left, and what he wore. He had no money except $12.65 given him by the prison officials, though when arrested he had something like twenty dollars on his person. The pair of boots given him at the prison were not the ones found on his feet when arrested, and the inference is that the ones he wore were taken from his father.

John Hanna, now of Winnipeg, testified to meeting Luckey in Toronto on October 7th, and travelled with him to Smith's Falls over the C.P.R. He and Luckey left Toronto together about 9 o'clock in the evening, meeting about 6 or 4 o'clock in the afternoon, and remaining together until the train left. The witness took his ticket to Irish Creek, and Luckey said he had one for Carleton Place. Witness stayed at his uncle's in Smith's Falls, and heard the clock strike five after he got to the latter's place. On cross-examination witness said Luckey told him before leaving Toronto that he had won $10 on a bet about his weight. They both drank from a bottle on the way down, but he would not consider Luckey under the influence of liquor.

In tracing the prisoner further two witnesses, Polk and Bolton, testified positively to meeting him on the road between Smith's Falls and the Luckey place, while another witness, Stevens, who was with Bolton at the time, swore he saw nobody.

In all some thirty-five witnesses have been examined for the prosecution, including Chief McGowan, who made the arrest, and many residents of Smith's Falls, who interviewed the prisoner and to whom he told contradictory stories.

BROCKVILLE, April 21.—At 10 minutes to 9 o'clock yesterday Justice Falconbridge, took his seat on the bench and the Luckey trial was resumed.

The first witness called was Mr. Lyle, of the second concession of Kitley, who testified to finding a boot on Sunday morning following the fire in the ditch on the roadside, about a mile and a half south of Smith's Falls. He identified a lace boot (the left) produced as the one he found.

George Wood, who lives at the toll gate on the Smith's Falls road, said he found a boot on Saturday—the day of the fire—about 11 o'clock, in the garden. He identified the right boot produced as the one he found.

Cross-examined by Mr. Lavell, he said he noticed a stranger passing about 7 o'clock in the morning. He had socks on, but no boots. His pants were tucked inside his socks. He had an overcoat on and was walking fast towards Luckey's. It was not the prisoner, but a tall, slim man.

Andrew Logan, deputy warden of the Central prison, produced Luckey's record while there.

Government Detective William Grier was next called. He detailed the steps he had taken to work up the evidence of the case. The most important part of his evidence was as follows: At Irish Creek the prisoner, commenting on McGowan's evidence at the inquest, said; "McGowan said I told him I was a mile and a half from the fire. I did not say this. To tell the truth, I wasn't a quarter of a mile away in the bush near my father's place when the fire took place."

Several witnesses were examined mainly with the idea of getting some knowledge of the kind of shoes usually worn by old man Luckey, this being considered an important point, as the prosecution evidently wish to show that the prisoner, when arrested, wore a pair of gaiters taken from the feet of his murdered father.

W. H. Moore, shoemaker, Brockville, said he measured the prisoner's foot once and would consider the boots produced too small for him. From measurements of prisoner's foot a seven would be small for him to wear. If he was taking his order for boots he would make nines.

Edward Devlin, a cattle buyer from Ottawa, who paid old Mr. Luckey some money two days before the murder and who was expected to identify some of the bills found on prisoner, was unable to do so.

William H. Frost, mayor of Smith's Falls, who had a conversation with the prisoner, was recalled and testified that he said to him: "You must have had some ill-feeling between you and your father when you would not go and help them when you saw the house burning."

Prisoner said: "Yes, I had a quarrel with my father."

Witness spoke to him about the killing outdoors and asked him how he came to kill his sister outside, under the apple tree. The prisoner replied that he did not kill her and that he was not within half a mile of the place. Witness was on the Luckey premises and saw what he thought were blood stains near the apple tree on the grass.

John J. Luckey, jr., a brother of the prisoner, testified as to the feeling between the latter and his father, in which it came out that while the old man thought more of Charles than the other children, Charles did not reciprocate to any great extent. In fact he blamed his father once for the bullet wound he carried in his back and which is now known to have been self-inflicted at Toronto.

Robert Peoples, Morton Mercier and Walter Dickey testified to the prisoner's antagonism against his father and brother, and the threats made by him that he would "come back and pay them."

The Defence.

This closed the evidence for the prosecution, and the defence then called their witnesses.

Charles Parker, Thomas Brown, George Morton and Andrew Mercier testified regarding the size of boot worn by Mr. Luckey, all declaring that he usually wore sixes, while those found on the prisoner were sevens.

James Robinson, a Quebec traveler, testified that he sold boots for G. Breslé, of Quebec; that he sold them in Smith's Falls, but those found on the prisoner were not Breslé's boots, as the arrangement of the nails was different.

Owen River, of Ottawa, the missing witness, turned up in the afternoon and was put on the stand.

Witness was a prisoner with the accused at the Central prison and worked in the same shop. He was brought forward by the defence to explain away the possession by Luckey of considerable money when arrested, and did it to some extent by detailing how the two used to peddle tobacco among the other prisoners. Witness sold the tobacco to Luckey at four plugs for 25 cents, and Luckey paid cash. Had seen Luckey with $4. Witness said he came out of the prison October 29, 1891, and had in his mouth at the time $13.65, which he had made on the tobacco deals. He had seen as high as $100 in the possession of a prisoner.

The court adjourned at 8 o'clock, the jury again being locked up for the night.

BROCKVILLE, April 22.—One of the most sensational murder trials ever held in the Brockville court-house was finished here about half-past eight o'clock last evening, when twelve good and true men filed into their places and rendered a verdict that Charles Luckey was "not guilty" of the murder of his father on October 8th last, on which occasion the prisoner's father, step-mother, and sister were found dead in their burned dwelling at New Bliss. The verdict had not been unexpected, and though the great majority of those who have watched the case closely seem to be of the opinion that the prisoner was guilty, all are equally willing to admit that the evidence against him was purely circumstantial, and that nothing had been shown which would definitely establish the fact that the victims had been murdered at all. The evidence for the defence continued from yesterday established practically nothing. In fact the attempt made to show that a tramp wearing red stockings was seen in the neighborhood of the Luckey place on the day of the fire was utterly disproven, several witnesses testifying that the party referred to passed through villages several miles from the Luckey place on the forenoon of the day the fire took place.

Mr. Lavell, counsel for the defence, who had not made a very favorable impression up to this time, surprised the audience by delivering an excellent address to the jury. He spoke over three hours.

Mr. Clute followed for the Crown, speaking an hour and a quarter, making an almost complete chain of circumstantial evidence; but, of course, failing to establish death by violence.

Justice Falconbridge's address occupied an hour and five minutes in its delivery, being finished at 6.05, when he left the court-room and went to his hotel for tea. His remarks were on the whole impartial, but leaning perhaps a little in the direction that a strong case had been made out against the prisoner. At 8.06 a messenger was sent to the hotel, and at 8.17 the jury returned with a verdict of "not guilty." As soon as the judge left the bench considerable applause was heard from a section of the audience. It had previously been announced, however, by the crown prosecutor that the prisoner would be held to answer the charge of murdering his sister and step-mother.

THE SHIPMAN CASE.

The Trial Postponed Until May 3 Next.

BROCKVILLE, April 20.—Yesterday the grand jury returned a true bill against Thomas Shipman for the murder of John Fitzsimmons at Daley's Landing, on March 24th, and against Albert Joels, Emma Joels and Thomas Shipman, for aiding and abetting the crime.

BROCKVILLE, April 21.—While the Luckey Trial was proceeding yesterday, Mr. Clute, Q.C., crown prosecutor, drew the attention of the judge to the Shipman case, which he thought could not be completed in a day. In view of the large number of witnesses on the Luckey case it would not be finished before to-morrow night and in that event it would be scarcely possible to finish the Shipman case this week. He also called the judge's attention to the Napanee Assizes next week.

Justice Falconbridge accordingly postponed the Shipman case till May 3 next and ordered the release of all the jurymen not on the Luckey case.

A Postmaster Absconds.

PENETANGUISHENE, April 21.—Louis J. Beaudoin was postmaster at the little village of St. Patricks, only about five miles from here, for a long time. He also kept a small store on a corner of the above village.

Everybody thought Louis an honest little fellow and trusted him without hesitation. So much confidence did they put in him that they elected him secretary-treasurer of a school section at St. Patrick, and never asked for bonds of any description.

To-day the trustees mourn his departure, for he has gone with about $200 of this section. He worked the scheme this way: The trustees had a note for $50 at the bank for three months and when it came due gave Louis instructions to go and pay this note and also to pay the teacher, but instead of doing this he, Beaudoin, forged names of the trustees, renewed the note, and never paid the teacher.

A Child Scalded.

HAMILTON, April 21.—A 2-year-old boy belonging to Patrick Fardy, 95 Caroline street north, was terribly scalded yesterday. When Mrs. Fardy stepped out of the kitchen for a minute the child went to the stove and pulled over a pail of boiling water, which poured over the poor little fellow, scalding his head, face, hands and breast. He was taken to the hospital and may not recover.

Similar Tastes.

The Father (suddenly entering room).—Well, I like that!

The Young Man (unabashed).—So do I.

The Boy Was On.

William came to see the small boy's sister oftener than anybody else, but George and one or two others appeared between times. Several evenings ago the small boy came in about 9 o'clock and, meeting his elder brother in the hall, asked who was in the parlor.

"I don't know," he said. "Some young man. I heard his voice, but didn't see him."

"What are they doing in there?"

"Oh, billing and cooing, I presume."

"I guess not," retorted the boy. "They may be Georging and cooing, or something like that, but no billing. I met Bill on the street as I came in, looking as black as a load of coal."

ONTARIO LEGISLATURE.

Work Done by Provincial Legislators During the Week.

TORONTO, April 15.—Proceedings in the House yesterday were short and uninteresting. A large number of private bills were introduced, however, and Mr. Meredith called in question the propriety of ministers of the Crown introducing private bills. Mr. Mowat, in reply, said he did not see any difference between ministers introducing public bills and private bills that had the sanction of the Government. A number of questions of merely local import were asked and answered.

TORONTO, April 18.—The shortest meeting of the legislature so far held this session was held yesterday, the whole proceedings occupying only about 10 minutes. The reception of petitions was the chief business, and nearly all of them prayed for temperance legislation. A number of bills were introduced and read a first time. A great many deputations also waited upon the government.

TORONTO, April 19.—At the Legislature yesterday the Budget debate was concluded. At the close, the House went into Supply for a few moments; the Opposition did not force a vote. A number of petitions praying for a temperance plebiscite were presented. A number of bills were introduced and read a first time. After the presentation of the report of the Minister of Crown Lands, Mr. Wood (Brant) resumed the debate on the budget, and he was replied to by Mr. Campbell (Algoma). Mr. Tait then took up the cudgels for the Government, and Mr. McCleary answered the Toronto member. Mr. Waters resumed the debate after recess, and the debate was continued by Messrs. Garrow, White, McMahon and McLenaghan. The motion was carried, and the House went into Committee of Supply. On rising, it asked leave to sit again and the House adjourned at 10.50 p.m.

TORONTO, April 20.—The tid-bit in the proceedings yesterday was the debate on Mr. Clarke's motion declaring against the minority system of representation which was obtained in Toronto. The debate was spirited, and was participated in by Messrs. Clarke, Davis, Tait, Mowat, Meredith, Hardy and Wood. Mr. Ryerson moved the adjournment of the debate. Sir Oliver Mowat's remarks were short; but they created a mild sensation. He admitted that the system was an experiment and that it had been a failure in Toronto. He also said: "I see no reason why we should continue or extend it. Measures will be taken for the abolition of the system and for the increased representation of Toronto." A number of private bills were introduced and read a first time. In answer to Mr. Waters, Sir Oliver Mowat said the question of whether the Legislature had jurisdiction to pass a retail prohibitory law was before the Supreme Court for settlement. Several motions for returns were carried, and then came on the debate on Toronto's representation. Mr. Waters' bill to amend the Municipal Act was read a second time. The House adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

TORONTO, April 21.—There was little oratory and much business in the house yesterday. When a number of the less important of the government measures had been given their second readings the house went into supply, and made rapid progress with the estimates for civil government, until the vote was reached for the salary of the new additional prison inspector, who has been appointed. There was a prolonged and interesting discussion before the item passed. A number of bills were given their first reading. Sir Oliver Mowat's bill respecting securities in the Surrogate Courts was read a second time, as was his bill dividing the office of County Attorney in the County of York and city of Toronto. Sir Oliver's bill to extend the time for the vesting of estates in heirs and devisees was read a second time. Mr. Dryden's bill to provide against the extermination of the plant ginseng was read a second time, as was Sir Oliver Mowat's to establish a land title office at Rainy River. The House then went into supply and passed a number of items. The House adjourned at 9:30.

TORONTO, April 22.—Private members' day yesterday was relieved by a single lively debate. This was on the second reading of the bill introduced by Mr. Sprague to relieve farmers of the operations of the Workmen's Compensation Act. The second reading, however, finally passed, and the bill was referred to a special committee. After routine, in reply to Mr. McColl, Sir Oliver Mowat said only those who had been committed to Houses of Industry under the 462nd section of the Municipal Act are to be considered prisoners. Mr. Meredith had the claims of Mr. Adam Scott, a superannuated teacher, put right by a promise from the Minister that he would get his full allowance refused by a clerk in the department. The bill to amend the Voters' Lists Acts, Mr. Balfour, was given its second reading and passed on to a select committee. Mr. Waters' Ditches and Watercourses bill was passed its second reading, Mr. Meredith coming out strongly in its favor. Mr. McKenzie's (East Lambton) bill to close stores on Saturday night at 10 o'clock, had to be withdrawn so violent was the opposition to it on both sides of the House. A number of private bills were read a second time, and the House adjourned at 5 o'clock.

At Goderich.

GODERICH, April 21.—The severest windstorm ever remembered here broke over Goderich yesterday. Fences were laid flat, trees were blown down and uprooted, windows were driven in, awnings torn down, and a general topsy-turvy state of things has existed all day. The Town hall was partially unroofed, two of the chimneys at the east end having been blown down, and shingles, rafters and plaster carried into the clerk's office. Injury was also done to the roof of the Goderich organ factory, Davis block and other buildings, the most prominent of which was the G. T. R. round-house. Several of the large windows of the court house were also blown in, and the court room was littered with broken glass.

The Hired Man Again.

HASTINGS, April 20.—The quiet village of Roseneath awoke yesterday to find a good-sized sensation in the shape of an elopement. John Blake, Mr. George McGiverin's hired man, ran away with his daughter, Mrs. Jerry Ellence, who is the mother of five children. Neither the woman's husband nor father suspected the pair until they were missing yesterday. The pair were traced to Cobourg, where they took the train for Toronto. The woman is 36 years of age and Blake is about 25 years old.

The Revolt in Catamarca.

BUENOS AYRES, April 8.—The revolt in the Province of Catamarca is gaining power. Within the last few days several encounters between Government troops and insurgents have been reported. Many were killed in the field on each side, and all the prisoners were shot. The insurgents have recaptured the railways. The Government is sending out more troops to protect State property.

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