SAYS HE DID NOT MURDER MISS MULLINS

Cambridge, Mass., April 3—Vehemently declaring his innocence on the charge of murdering Annie Mullins a year ago, Dionysios Spiropoulos, alias James Manter, the Manchester, N. H., barber and his companion and accuser, Peter Delorey, were brought into the district court today and bound over without bail for a hearing ten days hence, after which they were photographed and measured and then locked up in the county jail. It is possible that the grand jury which has a special session on Monday, may consider what up to last night was one of the most mysterious murders which has taken place in Middlesex county for many years.

The legal proceedings instituted as the result of Delorey's announced confession last night in which he admitted that he was with Spiropoulus when they enticed the Cambridge domestic into the field, where he said the Greek, killed her, moved swiftly today, the two young men, boyhood in appearance, but shackled at the station of the police, were taken into court, then to headquaters and finally closing their activities for the day when the cell doors closed on them in jail.

Both were represented in court by counsel, but Judge Almy refused to let either plead and remanded them until April 13th. At the police headquarters while the measurements were being made, Spiropoulous became excited and repeatedly declared that he did not kill the woman, that he knew nothing of it, and that he would tell the truth in court through a Greek interpreter. Delorey's father and sister were present during the court proceedings and spent a short time in the police headquarters. They seemed much agitated over the situation of the young man.

The police tried hard during the day to obtain something from the Greek, but he refused to say anything except to declare his innocence. It developed during the day that the two young men wrote to Ballerica early in the morning of the day the body of Miss Mullins was discovered and three hours before it was found, they told Delorey's aunt that a murder had been committed. It was stated that it was this clue which resulted in their arrest.

TWO MINUTE INTERVIEWS

John McCann, jr.—I consider the move toward giving each of the city wards the power to exclude the licensed sale of liquor within its limits as founded upon a very unfair principle. I am not a drinking man myself and I recognize the evils of the unrestricted sale and use of intoxicants, but I believe that the only fair basis of treatment is to keep the liquor out of the country altogether.

To put one man out of a business and leave others in it only a few blocks away is not only unfair to that individual as a citizen, but it will not bring about the end sought for by the plan's promotors.

I will venture to say that two-thirds of the people in Lorne could not tell, if asked, where the liquor stores within the ward are situated.

Ald. Scully—"West Side was promised a harbor bridge in 1889 when the Act of Union was consummated. We haven't got it yet but things look better. In '89 we were paying eighty-four cents on the hundred dollars in taxes. Now we are paying twice as much and have to pay ferry tolls as well. Carleton might as well be thirty miles from St. John as far as freight rates are concerned. If there was a harbor bridge, the rates would be cut down to a fraction. With Navy Island bridge a reality through trips on the street cars from King Square to Seaside Park will be possible."

J. Fred Belyea—"In my opinion one reason why rowing in St. John is not what it used to be is that the press has not given this sport, or others for that matter, the support that it has deserved. There haven't been writers who could describe a sporting event so that the person reading the account can see the event. Perhaps the fault isn't entirely with the reporters. The papers, as a general rule pay little attention to sport. Another thing that makes sport poorer than it used to be is the cigarette habit. When I was a youngster you didn't see boys of fifteen and sixteen running around with cigarettes stuck in their faces. It was easier to train an athlete in those days."

Rev. (Dr.) W. C. Kierstead, of the U. N. B.—The present system of judging intercollegiate debates seems to me admissible of improvement. At present there are three judges, each of whom rates the two teams at his own valuation. These valuations are then added and the team with the advantage in the total is given the decision.

Under these circumstances it is possible for a team to have two of the three judges in its favor, and yet to lose the debate. This was the case in the recent meet between Mount Allison and the U. N. B. Two of the judges gave the U. N. B. the larger number of points, but the third gave Mount Allison such a large majority that the latter won the debate. Mr. F. J. Sweeney, one of the judges, gave the U. N. B. team an advantage of two points, while Speaker Clark gave them ten or twelve more. Judge McLeod, the third, however, put Mount Allison to the good by thirty points, more than counter-balancing the others.

The three-judge system seems to me a good one, but I think the proper method would be to go upon a majority of judges, and not upon a majority of points.

A Pleasant Surprise.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Chisholm were taken greatly by surprise Friday evening, when a number of friends called upon them and presented them with a handsome parlor lamp and table. Mr. Chisholm thanked the company in a very fitting manner. Music and games were enjoyed and refreshments were served.

ASSAULTED GUARD AND ESCAPED, ONLY TO BE CAUGHT

Special to The Standard.

Fredericton, N. B., April 4.—The O'Brien robbery case at Moncton has caused another sensation when Bugler Woods, of "H" Company, this city, was on the witness stand at Moncton and gave evidence against O'Brien. The latter "peached" on Woods as a deserter from the Halifax Garrison, so that it came out that Woods had deserted from Halifax before enlisting here. On his return to this city from Moncton Woods was placed under arrest as a deserter from Halifax.

Last night, Corp. Gomme, who was also a witness against O'Brien was in charge of the guard and when he was in the cells during the night, Private Otty, a friend of Woods, who was a member of the guard rushed into the cells, overpowered Gomme, and with a blow on the head rendered him unconscious. Then Otty liberated Woods and they made their escape along with Private Smith, the other member of the guard.

The alarm was given by Gomme, when he revived and today an armed picket was out searching for the trio. During the day the military authorities learned that three men had been seen walking down the railroad tracks towards Fredericton Junction after midnight and an armed party was sent out with a pair of horses to try to overtake them.

They were captured tonight four four miles north of Fredericton Junction. The three men were met going down the track, surrounded, and made prisoners.

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to get polled against them the majority of the votes on the voters' list. But now a change has come over the spirit of their dream, for we require only a majority of the votes cast."

Those Bars.

A few days ago I read an editorial saying that the taking away of screens from the front of bars could be easily got over by putting the bars in the back of a building. Those people barked before they knew what they were barking at, for sub-section 2 of section 8 says everything must be removed "which interferes with a full view of the bar room from the street."

Devil's Kindling Wood.

"The liquor merchants are cute enough to leave the dregs of liquor in the glasses on their bars, knowing that the boys will come in and drink them, and develop into future customers. We are asking that this be stopped, and also that inderdicts be kept out of bars altogether. Many an interdict goes home drunk on liquor bought for him in the rum shops."

The drinks sold in beer shops with a $1 license, Mr. Robinson characterized as "the devil's kindling wood." "Oh, how anxious Jimmy Ready, Sheehan, Comeau and Raymond of the Royal were that the poor grocers of St. John should not be ruined by the taking away of the beer licenses. They said to themselves, "we'll simply transfer some of our 'Oh, be joyful' into the beer shops, and the knowing ones can go there and get what they want.

"In Chicago, Pilsener beer is looked upon as intoxicant. It should be here. The beer shops should be placed upon the same plane exactly as the saloons."

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Mr. Anthony's Address

Rev. S. W. Anthony delivered a very interesting address in the Tabernacle Baptist church last evening on the proposed amendments to the Liquor License Act and the effects of their application in the city of St. John. The speaker differed with those who, because they did not get prohibition refuse to make the best of what was given. He went thoroughly into the amendments pointing out the great benefit which would result from early closing on Saturday and the advantage of the change in regard to the number of votes required for local option. He spoke of the growing temperance sentiment in the city which would be tested in Lansdowne, Lorne, Dukes and Victoria wards on the same day as the civic election. Their ambition at present is to confine the sale of liquors to the central part of the city.

Mr. Graham's Address.

In the Saint Matthew's Presbyterian church last night after the regular service Rev. A. A. Graham was the speaker in the interest of the local option compaign. Mr. Graham reviewed the work done by the committee in their preparations before meeting the Government and read the amended clauses relating to the sale of liquor in St. John. Mr. Graham says that they had no complaint against the Government's treatment and that they were dealt very fairly with. Some of their requests were not granted, as in regards to the closing hours of the saloons. Their deputation asked that every bar be closed at 9 o'clock every night as they do in Nova Scotia and 12 o'clock on Saturdays in the months of June, July and August. They then asked that the bars be closed at 5 o'clock Saturday all the year around as it was at that time the workingmen were paid off and this would give them a chance to deposit their money with their thrifty wives. This argument was applied to their request to have the bars close at 12 o'clock on Saturdays in the months of June, July and August, as in these months the working week closes at 12 on Saturday .

Mr. Graham then went on to discuss and explain the Liquor License Act.

MODJESKA IS EXPECTED TO DIE SOON

Los Angeles, Cal., April 3.—Madame Helena Modjeska, the famous actress, lies unconscious at her home at Bay Island near Newport, Orange County. Late this afternoon Father Steeters of St. Joseph's church, was called to her bedside to administer extreme unction in case the patient regains consciousness.

All hope of the recovery of the actress has been abandoned. Since last midnight she has been sinking rapidly. For many hours her life has been sustained by artificial means.

IT LOOKS LIKE NINE-INNING BASEBALL

The make-up of the Inter-Society League now is: St. Joseph's, St. Peter's, St. John The Baptists, Fairville A. O. H., St. Roses having withdrawn at the league meeting held on Saturday evening.

Longer Games.

If the daylight bill is passed, the fans will get much better value for their money than they have at the evening games in the past. With an hour more of after-work daylight, it will be possible to play nine-inning games throughout the season. This is what the inter-society league will put up if Parliament makes the change.

The election of officers for the ensuing year took place at Saturday's meeting. Hon. R. J. Ritchie was again elected president. Mr. R. J. O'Brien of St. John the Baptist association is treasurer, and Mr. Edward Barry, of St. Joseph's society is secretary.

New Officers.

The clubs have elected their managers as follows: St. Peters, Edward Mahoney; St. John the Baptist, R. J. O'Brien; St. Joseph's, Esmonde Barry; Fairville, A. O. H., James Downey. Charles McCormick will be captain of the St. Peter's nine, and Edward Simpson of the St. Joseph's.

On the question of grounds, the teams were evenly divided. St. Joseph's and St. John the Baptist's favor the Victoria Grounds, while St. Peter's and Fairville, hold out for the Shamrock field. As a compromise it was decided to adopt the grounds for which the lowest price is asked.

HOUSE WILL HAVE VERY SHORT WEEK

Fredericton, N. B. April 4—The report of the Agricultural Commission will be submitted during the present week and will be the groundwork very largely for the Government's new progressive agricultural policy.

Budget Debate Continued

When routine work is finished tomorrow afternoon ,the budget debate will be continued by Hon. H. A. McKeown, who is apparently bent on making one last plunge for the vacant judgeship by a ssuming the role of financial critic. Mr. Robinson is surely the leader of the Opposition in name only.

Either Solicitor General McLeod or Chief Commissioner Morrissy will follow Mr. McKeown in the debate They will likely be the next two speakers from the Government side of the House and it is expected that there will be a night session Monday evening when either one will speak as well as the next speaker from the Opposition, likely Mr. Robinson.

Other Business

As the Central Railway inquiry report, the Agricultural Commission's report, the Highway Act and other maters are likely to cause more or less debate, the Government is anxious to get the budget debate along as rapidly as possible.

This will be a short week in the Legislature as the House will adjourn on Thursday until the following Tuesday for the Easter vacation.

B. OF R. E. HEAD HERE; ORDER NUMBERS 1500

A meeting of the local branch of the Brotherhood of Railroad Employees was held in the city on Saturday. It was largely attended and the members listened to excellent addresses from Mr. A. R. Mosher, grand president, of Halifax, Mr. Charles Cole, president, of Moncton, Mr. W. N. Colliers, grand vice-president, and Mr. P. C. Sharkey. Mr. William Howard was in the chair.

Mr. Mosher expressed himself as opposed to strikes as a means of attaining the Brotherhood's ends. He would like, he said to see the men all over the I. C. R. taxed only the poll tax system, as they are in Halifax. He spoke approving of the increases lately given to other branches of the civil service, and said that the railroad men should be next in line.

Mr. Mosher leaves tonight for Moncton and goes thence to P. E. Island in the course of his tour of the I. C. R. and the P. E. Island railroad. The new schedule of wages is now before the officials at Moncton, but has not been adopted at Ottawa, as a section of the estimates.

The Brotherhood has been in existence only six months but has already 1,500 members.

TRYING TO BRING IN POLITICS

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sanity and at least riotous conduct in the institution which is situated in one of the best residential quarters of the West Side.

WAS IT WORTH WHILE TO SPEND SO MUCH TO KEEP ME OUT OF THE COUNCIL FOR ONE YEAR? It is hinted today that my opponent of 1909 is to receive some consideration from the Dominion Government. I do not know whether the suggestion is founded on fact or not but I AM SURE THAT IT MUST REQUIRE SOME EXTRAORDINARY PRESSURE TO INDUCE A GENTLEMAN WHO HAS NEVER HAD THE SLIGHTEST DESIRE FOR PUBLIC LIFE, WHO HAS SAID THAT IF ELECTED, HE WILL NOT ATTEND ANY MORE THAN THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETINGS OF THE YEAR to leave the attractions of his private practice.

A Distinction.

Of course it is the privilege of any man to offer and it is the right of others to ask him to do so, but I have always felt that there is a CLEAR DISTINCTION BETWEEN THE MAN WHO HONESTLY THINKS THAT HE CAN IMPROVE THE EXISTING ADMINISTRATION OF AFFAIRS and the one who allows himself to be nominated SIMPLY TO GRATIFY SOMEBODY'S SPITE OR ULTERIOR MOTIVE. It will not take much analysis to decide to which class the suggested candidates belong.

You know, of course, that I have taken STRONG GROUND AGAINST THE SURRENDER TO THE C. P. R. OF THE SHORE RIGHTS ON THE WEST SIDE IN EXCHANGE FOR THE 1600 FOOT STRIP DOWN THE BAR, WHICH THEY GOT FROM THE CITY UNDER A PROMISE TO DEVELOP IT—A PROMISE WHICH HAS NEVER BEEN KEPT. It was about the Christmas holidays that our civic committee had a meeting with the Minister of Public Works who then expressed the view that he would be able to get the strip from the C. P. R. without compensation. I TOLD HIM THAT I DOUBTED THIS but he insisted that he was doing so much dredging for the C. P. R. at various points that there would be no difficulty. The next thing the Council knew the Minister wrote the Mayor suggesting that we make the exchange. HE ADMITTED THE C. P. R. WOULD NOT YIELD THEIR HOLDINGS DOWN THE BAR AS HE HAD EXPECTED SO CONFIDENTLY. The committee was strongly opposed to this proposition and in reply to a letter of the Mayor's stating that he did not think the exchange to be wise, the Minister wrote a sharp letter threatening to WITHDRAW THE ESTIMATES FOR DREDGING WHICH WERE THEN BEFORE THE HOUSE, IF HE DID NOT CONSENT. THE MAYOR AND OTHERS WERE SENT TO OTTAWA TO FIND OUT WHAT THIS SUDDEN CHANGE OF ATTITUDE MEANT.

Offered A Change.

THEY CAME BACK WITH THEIR VIEWS REVERSED BUT WITHOUT A REASON TO OFFER FOR THE CHANGE except that the minister required it and there was no use holding out if we wanted the improvements to go on One of the delegation said it was evident that the WHOLE THING CENTRED AROUND A CERTAIN CONTRACTOR GETTING SOME DREDGING TO DO BUT HE DID NOT SEE THAT WE NEED WORRY ABOUT THAT. This philosophical view prevailed and the Council has pronounced favorably to the scheme of exchange. I, with a minority of the Council opposed it and the Telegraph ascribed our opposition to politics THOUGH THE SUN CLAIMS THAT A MAN MAY BE HONESTLY OPPOSED TO THIS DEAL WITHOUT MAKING IT A POLITICAL QUESTION. It was not a political question five years ago when the C. P. R. were trying to acquire the same territory AND I OPPOSED IT THEN. It was not a political question with Mr. John Bertram, the chairman of the transportation commission, who approved of my attitude, and swung the then Common Council into line against it thus defeating it. But the Telegraph of today propounds a new doctrine. Dr. Pugsley may say one day that the C. P. R. should not have exclusive rights, as he did. He may even suggest, as he did, that the city's conveyance to the Government should provide that the Government should not convey the property to any one or give any permanent rights respecting it without first asking the consent of the city. Dr. Pugsley next day may change his mind and threaten to stop the supplies if we do not submit to his dictation as he had done. That would no be politics according to the Telegraph. But if any member of the council should FAIL TO CHANGE HIS VIEWS AS QUICKLY AS THE QUICK-CHANGE MINISTER — that would be politics according to the "no graft, no deals" organ of Dr. Pugsley. Now this newspaper suggests the election of a council which would be composed entirely of Liberals. Why?

Is There to be a Change?

IS THE MINISTER ABOUT TO MAKE ANOTHER QUICK CHANGE IN THE MATTER OF HARBOR COMMISSION and is the new proposition to be so bad that it cannot SAFELY LAID BEFORE A COUNCIL WITH EVEN A CONSERVATIVE MINORITY IN IT? Must every member be ready to swallow any dose which Dr. Pugsley may prescribe? Is that the reason why the new harbor commission scheme is to be carried by a vote of the council instead of by a vote of the people? I fell in with that view a few days ago not seeing the drift of events, but I now feel that the ONLY SAFETY OF THE CITY LIES IN THE SUBMISSION OF THE SCHEME TO THE PEOPLE THEMSELVES.

What safeguard would there be for the city in a Common Council chosen at the dictation of part owners of the Telegraph who at the same time are large contractors with the Minister of Public Works in this constituency? When I go to the people I shall not appeal to Conservatives alone, but to the LARGE ELEMENT OF THE LIBERAL PARTY WHICH IS DISGUSTED WITH THE MACHINE RULE IN ITS RANKS AND WHICH DOES NOT SEE ANY NECESSITY FOR DRAWING FEDERAL LINES IN A CIVIC CONTEST.

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We received this week a number of new models in costumes of the most artistic design and finish yet shown—and these in all the new shades and materials from $17.50 the suit, to $60. We want you to see these costumes—perfect in every detail, some models that are almost plain and others handsomely trimmed in various choice styles—not too elaborate but each one chosen to meet the requirements of women who dress well.

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LONGSHORE TROUBLE AT BOSTON

Boston, April 3.—Claiming that Boston is paying altogether too much to longshoremen freight handlers in comparison with other Atlantic ports, the shipping people of Boston late today made a final and flat refusal of the demands of the longshoremen for higher wages.

They recently presented new schedule of wages and upon the schedule meeting with rejection a short time ago, voted to go on strike on April 12, if it was not accepted by that time. At a final conference today at the office of the International Mercantile Marine, which con- 2—Longshoremen. Gnir-O h9P3 ztN trols a number of steamship lines in the Boston-Europe-Mediterranean service the agents maintained that Boston was paying 50 per cent. higher wages than Baltimore, approximately 20 per cent. more than Philadelphia and considerably more than New York and that the high wages paid here had resulted in a loss of much shipping.

The agents maintain that they will favor a withdrawal of some of the steamship lines from Boston rather than submit to an increase in wages. The longshoremen will hold another meeting tomorrow night to discuss the situation.

MacLauchlan Inquest.

The inquest into the death of Mrs. W. W. MacLauchlan will take place this evening. Mr. M. G. Teed and Mr. E. P. Raymond will represent Dr. Spangler. Matters may take a more serious turn than was expected. Dr. Emery, who issued a medical certificate and then withdrew it, will have an opportunity to explain. It is understood that an attempt will be made to show that Mrs. MacLauchlan's death was due to the rubbing of a blood-clot into the brain.

MANITOBA GETS C. A. A. U.

Special to The Standard.

Toronto, April 4—President Merrick of the C. A. A. U. announces that the Manitoba A. A. A. had accepted the C. A. A. U. championships and that they accordingly will be held in Winnipeg July 15 and 17. Athletes from all over Canada will be in attendance.

Caracas, April 1—(via Willemstad, April 4)—It is reported that the new president, J. Vincente Gomez, may turn over the presidency temporarily to J. A. Velutini, the second vice-persident of the republic. It was to Gomez that President Castro handed over the reins of office when he left for Europe on November 23 last. Less than a month later Gomez overthrew the existing government, appointed a new cabinet and himself became president.

A caved-in sewer on March street has been reported to the Water and Sewerage Department.

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