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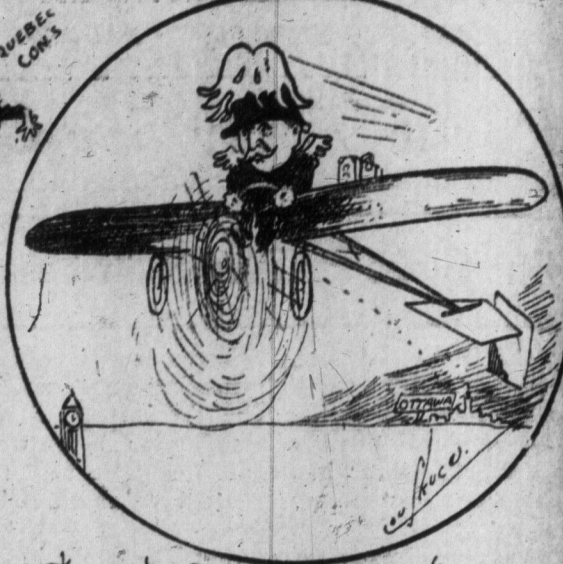
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Young Quebec Farmer Disappears After Attempting to Murder His Fiance, and is Believed to Have Committed Suicide — Revolver and Bloodstains Found on Wharf

OTTAWA, May 18.—The little village of Portage du Fort in Pontiac County, on the Quebec side of Ottawa River, west of this city, was thrown into a state of great excitement at an early hour this morning when the alarm was raised that a murder had been attempted there and that the perpetrator of the outrage had probably suicided.

Miss Jessie Dolan, aged 23 years, daughter of Joseph Dolan, hotelkeeper of Portage du Fort, lies at her home in a critical condition, the result of three shots from a .22-calibre revolver, and Gordon Hodgins, fiancee of the young woman, and a son of William Hodgins, a respected farmer of the district, has disappeared, having taken his own life, it is thought, as the revolver with which the deed was committed was found on the wharf near the village this morning, together with blood stains, which indicate the probability of his suicide and drowning. Searchers are at work with grappling irons endeavoring to recover the body. Mystery Surrounds Affair.

An element of mystery surrounds the whole affair. Gordon Hodgins, a handsome and popular young man of 24 years, holding a good position in a bank at Shawville, has been attentive to Miss Dolan for several years. Late last evening he arrived at Portage du Fort, presumably to call on her. Together they spent the evening in the parlor of her father's hotel, the young lady being an accomplished pianist and he the possessor of a splendid voice, and were heard by those in the next dining and playing.

About 11 o'clock three shots rang out and Hodgins dashed out of the hotel barbed, leaving his hat and overcoat hanging in the hall, where he had deposited them on arrival. Relatives rushed to the parlor and discovered Miss Dolan unconscious, shot three times in the head. One wound

in the chin, another under an ear and a third behind the ear. Has Chance of Recovery. A physician was immediately summoned. Dr. Hurdman of Bryson arrived a couple of hours later and was in attendance on the young woman all night. It is announced by him that she will recover if septic poisoning does not set in as a result of the bullet wounds.

Search was then made for young Hodgins and the party which set out soon discovered blood stains on the wharf at the village besides the revolver. People of Portage du Fort can assign no cause for the shooting. It is believed, however, that jealousy was the cause of the action taken by the young man.

JAPANESE ELECTIONS.

TOKIO, May 18.—Returns to-day from the election of members of the house of representatives showed that the Seiyukai government party scored again with an absolute majority of 203 members. The house, established by the constitution of 1889, is composed of 393 members.

Will Live With Son.

NEW YORK, May 18.—Mrs. Ava Willing Astor, first wife of Colonel John Jacob Astor, before departing for Europe with her daughter Muriel to-day on the steamship Oceanic, made it known that she intended to return later to New York to make her home here with her son, Vincent Astor, who will become the head of the Astor family next fall. Mrs. Astor expects to be abroad about three months.

BIRTHS.

PATTERSON—On Friday, May 17th, at 11 Bloomfield avenue, Toronto, to Mr. and Mrs. William F. Patterson, a son. Both doing well.

MARRIAGES.

MORTON-GENTLEMAN—On Thursday evening, May 9, 1912, at the residence of the bride's parents, 45 Melbourne avenue, Parkdale, by the Rev. C. O. Johnston of the Queen's Street Methodist Church, the marriage took place of Alice Maud, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gentleman, to Mr. William Herbert (Herb) Morton, Montreal, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Morton, Malakoff, Ont.

DEATHS.

ALLIS—On Saturday, May 18th, 1912, at his late residence, 2 Soho street, Robert Allis, aged 64 years. Funeral will take place Monday, May 20th, at 2.30 p.m., to Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

RISEBROUGH—At Newtonbrook, May 18th, Lucina Johnson, widow of the late Robert Risebrough. Funeral (private), Monday, May 20th, at 2.30 p.m.

SHORTT—Richard Shortt, in his 64th year. Funeral Monday, from his late residence, 22 Carlton street. Friends and acquaintances please accept this intimation.

Revival of Ocean Trade At Montreal

Montreal reports to Bradstreet's say trade there is steady in character. The feature of the week is the large amount of business already moving at the port. A large number of ocean and inland coasting steamers have already left with cargoes and a heavy season's business seems to be well under way. General business is active. Retailers report all lines of seasonable goods to be moving briskly, and wholesalers say excellent sorting orders are coming forward for all lines. A feature is the continued firmness in all cottons. The hardware trade is also busy. Reports state the year's building activity in this city will be far in advance of that of any previous twelve months. This together with the unusually heavy demand for supplies from other parts of the country indicate a record year's business in this connection. The western demand for general supplies is brisk and large shipments of goods are hooked to go forward by lake and rail freights. Country trade is reported to be fairly active. Roads are now in pretty good shape and the farmers are busy on the land. Receipts of products are fairly large. Prices are generally steady, although dairy products are easier following upon heavier receipts. Collections are generally fair to good.

Chalcidony in Shells and How Formed.

Beckite is a form of chalcidony that is found in concentric layers encrusting and replacing fossil shells. The problem of its origin has been studied by investigators for more than half a century, and has lately been taken up by James Strachan, an Irish chemist, with such success that he believes his solution is thoroughly demonstrated. His conclusion is that chalcidony is precipitated from silica-charged water by osmotic action in the gelatinous or colloidal matter contained in the shells. This precipitate replaces calcium carbonate, and the rings formed around the central disk represent periods of the chemical action. Banded flints have been similarly explained by Prof. Sollas.

Mr. Strachan has caused the precipitation in the laboratory, and has produced the mineral artificially, showing the chemical action of the gelatinous matter. These siliceous deposits form disease spots analogous to the calcareous deposits constituting pearls.

Bananas recently sold at seven for a penny in London's Covent Garden. Women take the place of newboys in many of the east Indian shippers turned out more than 1,700,000 tons of new shipping. There are 11 "White" rivers in North America.

A SLIGHT ERROR.

Two tourists were travelling in Spain, but they could not speak the native language, and found considerable difficulty in making known their wants. Eventually they came to a wayside inn, and decided that they would parake of roast beef with the usual trimmings. "How shall we manage it?" asked one. "Oh, we'll draw a picture of a bull!" replied the other. The waiter was handed the drawing, and left them, apparently to execute their order. Then he came back, but he had no steaming plate of roast beef and Yorkshire. Instead, he calmly handed them two tickets for a bull-fight!

Gold Coinage Now Planned For India

A proposal of much interest for the entire financial world has just been brought under discussion by the government of British India. The idea is not entirely new, but now seems the point of receiving official sanction heretofore lacking. It is, in substance, that the Indian mints be thrown open to the coinage of gold. It is not certain whether the opening of the Indian mints to the coinage of gold would increase the imports of gold, or whether some of the gold which would otherwise be hoarded would not be converted into coin. It is of some significance, as bearing out the contention of those who believe that India is ripe for a gold currency, that within the last few years the importation of silver has fallen materially, while the importation of gold has been rising. Gradually, as the consciousness

Curious Gas Well in Hungary.

Of all the wells in existence there is probably none so curious as one which is in Hungary. It is a gas well and is situated in Transylvania. Its chief peculiarity is that it can be heard but not seen. According to Harper's Weekly, the gas escapes by means of an iron tube with such terrific force that it produces a noise which makes it impossible to hear the human voice within a considerable radius. Many and diverse attempts have been made to regulate and utilize the output of gas from this well, but so far the only device which has succeeded has been to put an iron tube of twenty-five centimetres in diameter into the earth. Through this the gas has been escaping now for nearly three years. Engineers from various countries have been conducted to the spot and have thought out ingenious ways to make the gas available and to stop the dreadful noise caused by its escape. Every plan has failed. On one occasion the problem was believed to have been solved, but it was soon found that the gas had merely been turned aside in its course and was escaping in the same manner in adjacent territory after having followed a track for some distance below the surface. The gas comes thru the iron tube with the velocity of a cannon ball and it is estimated that there is a daily loss of a million of cubic metres, the value of which amounts to \$600,000.

Not Puzzle-Witted Is Retort of Taft

President contrasts \$40,000,000 surplus with \$50,000,000 deficit as end of Roosevelt's terms. NEAPOLITAN, Ohio, May 18.—President Taft addressed a large crowd, consisting mostly of farmers, here today, defending his reciprocity treaty and declaring he had redeemed all platform pledges. "Roosevelt says that I lack imagination and sympathy and am puzzle-witted," continued the president. "I am not so puzzle-witted but that I can conceive the difference between the fifty-million dollar treasury deficit at the end of Theodore Roosevelt's two terms and the \$40,000,000 surplus at the end of my first year as president." Mr. Taft declared Roosevelt should not be nominated because of the character of his campaign and because to do so would mean a violation of the third term tradition. He spoke against the judicial recall. Sir William Treloar in America. NEW YORK, May 18.—Sir William Treloar, former lord mayor of London, reached New York to-day on a business trip on the steamer Celtic. Sir William will visit various hospitals here, in which he takes an interest.

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