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## ANOTHER ARDOR SENSATION IN HUD

Rev. Clarence V. T. Richeson Arrested for Murder of Avis Linnell His Former Fiancee.

## YOUNG GIRL POISONED BY DEADLY DRUG SENT TO HER.

Evidence Shows that Clergyman Bought Poison and His Arrest Follows—Victim was Choir Singer in Richeson's Church—What Mrs. Linnell Says.

Hyannis, Mass., Oct. 20.—"Thank God, I believe no mistake has been made." It was this exclamation that Mrs. Edgar Linnell, mother of the little music student and Sunday school teacher Avis Linnell received the news today that Rev. Clarence V. T. Richeson had been arrested for the murder of her daughter. In seeming extension of the alleged act of the former Hyannis pastor, however, Mrs. Linnell later voiced the belief that Mr. Richeson was not accountable.

"He must have been out of his mind," Mrs. Linnell said, when she recovered from the temporary breakdown that found her reception of the news in a highly nervous state and occasional interruptions by her daughter, Mrs. Vida McLean, of Brockton, Mrs. Linnell told of certain peculiarities of Mr. Richeson, which she noticed while he was a caller at her home during the time he held the pastorate of the Baptist church here.

"Mr. Richeson, whom I loved as a son even before he became formally engaged to Avis, worried us often by attacks which he had at our house," she said. "Although they did not appear to be serious they left him in a highly nervous state and he was often forced to leave the table because of them. He worried about this trouble and once broke his engagement with Avis, giving his physical condition as the reason. Their engagement, however, was renewed and Avis I firmly believe, was engaged to him when she died.

**Loved When a Child.**  
Between Mrs. Linnell and Mrs. McLean the story of the acquaintance of Avis Linnell and the young pastor was told. Avis possessed a fine voice, was a singer in the Baptist church choir, when Mr. Richeson assumed the pastorate there four years ago, he was only fifteen years old then. The new minister showed marked attention to the child and within a few months was calling at the Linnell home.

"At first I objected," said Mrs. Linnell, "but only because I thought Avis was too young. I liked Mr. Richeson and thought him an admirable man, and finally consented when Avis told me that she loved him and that they were engaged. The wedding was set for last October, but Mr. Richeson's attacks troubled him and he broke the engagement, saying he would renew it if he found his physical condition warranted. He became engaged to Avis again but they never set a date after the first failure.

The talk led around to the visit to Boston last week of Mrs. Linnell, when she saw Avis for some hours, and also met Mr. Richeson. "My little girl seemed in the best of spirits and appeared happy in her relation with Mr. Richeson," Mrs. Linnell added. "The minister told me at that time that reports that he was engaged to Miss Violet Edmunds of Brookline were untrue.

"So gay and light hearted did Avis appear that day that one would think the child had not a care in the world," said her mother. "Her music lessons were delightful to her and everything was pleasant. Not a word or sign did she give to indicate her condition."

## EARTHQUAKE AND VOLCANIC ERUPTION CAUSES LOSS OF MANY LIVES.



An earthquake of equal force with the one which destroyed Messina shook the town of Acireale and the surrounding district at the foot of Mount Etna on October 16.

The district is not thickly settled, but in Agrigoreale fifty persons were killed and more than two hundred injured.

## STUDENTS AND ARABS GAVE POLICE CLASH IN MONTREAL.

Attempts of Police Captain to Arrest Ringleader of McGill Men on a Time Leads to Trouble.

Montreal, Oct. 20.—Capt. Baker of No. 10 police station, is suffering tonight as the result of a mixup with McGill students this afternoon. Following the annual sports, the students paraded east along St. Catherine street, snatching fruit from in front of grocery stores and pulling the trolleys off the cars.

## THE POLICEMAN BEATEN. MANY CASUALTIES.

At the corner of Peel and St. Catherine streets, Captain Baker and two policemen attempted to check the students and Captain Baker seized one young man evidently a ringleader. He was immediately set upon and struck twice with a heavy stick once on the back and once on the left side. The blows are painful him severely and he has consulted a physician.

## ST. JOHN WILL LOSE A CHRISTMAS BOAT; MONTREAL GETS IT

Virginian's Last November Sailing will be from Montreal Instead of this Port—Season Lengthening.

Montreal, Oct. 20.—Montreal will get a big share of the Christmas transatlantic trade according to announcements made today that two of the largest vessels on the St. Lawrence route, the Laurentic, of the White Star Line, and Virginian, of the Allan Line which will arrive in port tomorrow, will make one more round trip between Liverpool and this port in November, making their final departure from Montreal only a few days before navigation officially closes and insurance policies lapse.

## HOPE FOR SOLUTION OF MOROCCAN TANGLE

Paris, Oct. 20.—The cabinet council today approved certain additional instructions to the French Ambassador at Berlin. M. Cambon, relative to the French concession to Germany in French Congo.

## PLEDGES HIMSELF TO A HIGHER WAGE IN MINES

Wheeling, W. Va., Oct. 20.—Former President T. L. Lewis, of the United Mine Workers of America, who is announced as candidate here today that a part of his platform before the next convention would be a demand for an increase in the rate for mining. He stipulates the miners would ask \$1 a ton for pick mined coal, and 75 cents a ton for machine work.

## REBELS WILL SPLIT CHINA IN TWAIN

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## IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT ADMITS LOSS AT HANKOW.

Revolutionaries are Considering Advisability of Making City in Central China Capital of the Empire to Supplant Peking—Imperial Troops are Badly Beaten.

Peking, Oct. 20.—It is apparent here tonight that the imperial government knew the result of the battle at Hankow between its forces and the rebels for more than 24 hours before it became public here. Reports of the rebel victory gradually leaked out during the day, but the first positive account of the defeat of the imperial troops was delivered to the foreign legations tonight by the Associated Press. It created a profound impression.

The success of the revolution has been considered here to hinge upon the result of the first encounter, as its moral effect would be far reaching in China, as probably nowhere else would be the case, when the fugitive imperialists reach the main army, which is mobilizing near Sin Yung Chow, the news of the repulse, it is believed, will utterly demoralize the troops, while on the other hand the news as it goes along the Yangtze River will probably result in further important adhesions to the rebel cause.

## WILL PROBE RYDER CASE AT SUSSEX

Coroner Wallace Will Hold Inquest Into Death of Man Whose Body Was Found in Woods.

Sussex, Oct. 20.—Coroner F. W. Wallace of this place, has received orders to hold an inquest into the cause of the death of William Ryder whose body was found on Jordan Mountain with three bullet wounds in the region of the heart, last week.

## WILL EXHUME CORPSE.

Chief McLeod has summoned the following jury on the case: City Hall, Howard Keith, Flynn Campbell, City Manning, Fletcher Oldfield, Ambrose Manning and C. W. Kay. These accompanied by the chief will drive out to the scene of the tragedy tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.

## DECREASE IN TRADE AT THE "SOO" CANAL

Ottawa, Oct. 20.—Statistics of Canadian canals to the end of September, indicate a heavy decrease, almost all of which is at the Soo. Total tonnage was 28,416,569 a decrease of 5,245,039 tons.

## SUAREZ IS SURE OF ELECTION IN MEXICO

Mexico City, Oct. 20.—Though the so-called Reyes revolt in Tabasco and Southern Yucatan is not regarded generally as important, the federal government and population of the peninsula are in a panicky state. Troops are held at Merida, the capital of Yucatan with a train ready to transport them to disaffected points should the report of an uprising prove true.

## WOULD FORCE G. T. P. TO BETTER TERMS

Winnipeg, Oct. 20.—At the Trades and Labor council last night a resolution was passed, copies of which were forwarded to Premier Borden, the members of the cabinet and western parliamentary representatives urging the government not to make grants to the Grand Trunk Pacific in the building of a National Transcontinental Railway until the company agrees with its employees to grant them the same treatment as to hours, wages and other conditions as other railway companies in the same locality accord to their employees.

## THE SUNBURY-QUEENS RECOURT

Fredrieston, Oct. 20.—Judge Wilson has announced that he will give his decision as to the objections lodged in the Sunbury-Queens recount on Thursday next. If the objections are disallowed the recount will proceed.

## NEW JUDGE APPOINTED.

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Sympathy with Rebels.

Shanghai, Oct. 20.—As viewed from here the Chinese who are not openly identified with the loyalists or the revolutionary cause, appear like a flock of sheep hesitating and pretty certain to follow the majority when they are sure of the probable outcome. Everything depends upon the result of the first few battles.

Local sympathy is generally with the rebels, who will be supplied openly with funds if they seem in a fair way to win. Up to now the revolutionary element here have conducted their campaign with great strategy.

There are practically no Manchus in this section. Two English newspapers here now speak of "Constitutionalists" instead of "Revolutionaries."

It is expected that the plans of the rebels do not contemplate the destruction of bridges over the Yellow River. On the contrary their object is to lure the imperial troops south and then bring about an uprising in North China, thus forcing imperialists between two fires.

A New Capital.

The ultimate purpose is to make one of the cities on the Hsu River, the capital of the empire. Such a location would be ideal and have many advantages over Peking, which is removed from the center of population.

The Manchus are strong at Nanking and Hangchow, but all other towns in the district are distinctly revolutionary in sentiment, particularly Si Chow, which is the seat of a great modern university.

Many train loads of refugees from Nanking and Hangchow arrive here daily.

There are a total of 18 foreign warships at Hankow and others are proceeding here. Many foreign vessels are also at other ports on the Yangtze River. The American ships at Hankow are the gunboats Villa-Lobos, Helena and El Cano. The French cruiser Duplex has been sent to Nanking. The American torpedo boats Salsburgh, Barry and Dale are here.

Revolutionist Success.

Hankow, Oct. 18.—When the fighting ceased Wednesday evening the revolutionists took up a strong position. Reinforcements for the rebels arrived during the night and early this morning (Thursday) a force fully 5,000 strong, commenced an advance on the imperial encampment. The revolutionists conducted cautiously. On the march the rebels burned hundreds of tents, leaving an ambush. The loyalist infantry met the rebels at a standstill. The rebels were able to dislodge a rebel field gun which has been made the special object of attack.

When the republican scouts reached the imperial camp they found it deserted. The main body entered waving banners and shouting in jubilation. The loyalist retreat was so hurried that they left many tents and cartloads of baggage and ammunition.

The rebel army is now entrenched in the camp which is three miles from Hankow. The loyalists have halted seven miles further north where they are awaiting reinforcements.

Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 20.—As the night advanced rain which had fallen intermittently all day, increased, making it practically certain that the fourth game of the series between the New York Giants and Athletics, scheduled for this city tomorrow would be again postponed.

Local Forecaster Bliss holds out no hope of clearing weather during the night and states that showers will continue in his locality all day tomorrow.

Plan for Two High Courts for Canada.

Ottawa, Oct. 20.—In government circles a proposal is mooted to divide the supreme court of Canada into two sections, east and west, though there is much doubt as to whether it will be carried out.

Hon. Robert Rogers, Minister of Interior, is one of those who favors the proposition as designed to lighten the cost of litigation of the west.

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Mr. R. L. Borden will take a brief holiday early next week.