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JOHN CONSIDINE ON TRIAL

For Murder of Chief of Police Meredith Last June—State Introduces Some Damaging Evidence—Tom Considine Fired First Shot—John Condidine Threatened Meredith, Saying "I'll Fix Him."

Seattle, Nov. 6, via Skagway, Nov. 11.—A jury was secured yesterday for the trial of John Considine, charged with the murder of Chief of Police Meredith last June.

In opening its case the prosecution in hopes to prove that Considine forced Meredith, causing his resignation as chief, that sometime prior to the shooting a friend of Considine said to him, "John, don't make a botch of it," that Tom Considine fired the first shot,—thus following the theory that six shots were fired.

Before beginning to hear evidence the jury was taken to view the premises where the shooting took place.

Dr. Olstrom was the first witness. He described the autopsy on Meredith's body.

Police Sergeant Peer followed as the next witness. He testified that Meredith, as chief of police sent him to the People's theatre to notify Considine to stop selling whiskey to women and children; that when he delivered the chief's message Considine said: "Tell the — — — — — — he dares not come down here or I will fix him and I get him and get him right." Before Peer got through with his testimony the defense attempted to show that what Considine really meant by his threat was that he would expose Meredith in the police investigation then going on and that Meredith was taking advantage of Considine.

Fred Bechdalt, a newspaper reporter, testified to talking with Considine the evening before the shooting, at which time Considine used strong language against Meredith and later said he was heeled for him. On cross-examination the witness said Considine had said he was afraid Meredith would murder him.

Harry Smith said he had overheard a conversation between Considine and John Cort but had heard no mention of Meredith's name.

Arguments as to the admission of such evidence occupied the remainder of the day.

BULLER IS A HERO

Was Made a Scape Goat by the War Office.

London, Nov. 4, via Skagway, Nov. 11.—So great has been the revulsion of popular feeling toward General Buller, since he became the war office scapegoat that he is cheered to the echo wherevee he appears on the streets of London. On the other hand Lord Roberts, until recently the popular idol is greeted with groans and hisses.

WALKER IN HOC.

New York, Nov. 4, via Skagway, Nov. 11.—C. N. Walker, president of the Policy Holders National Association of America, with headquarters at Chicago, was arrested here today on an old embezzlement committed years by him several years ago.

ON WAR PATH.

Tucson, Arizona, Nov. 4, via Skagway, Nov. 11.—The Yaqui Indians have left their reservation and are raiding ranches and murdering their owners. The condition is such as to demand attention from United States troops which have been ordered to the seat of trouble.

HE HAS FAITH.

Ottawa, Nov. 4, via Skagway, Nov. 11.—R. G. McLeod of the Dominion Geological Survey, responds through the Press of Canada to those who claim the days of the Klondik are numbered. He asserts as a scientist that the era of prosperity in the Yukon has only begun.

RUSSIAN FAMINE.

Petersburg, Nov. 4, via Skagway, Nov. 11.—Russia is taking special precautions to suppress information regarding the failure of her crops and consequent widespread disterss among her poor.

THE OIL KING.

Cleveland, Nov. 4, via Skagway, Nov. 11.—J. D. Rockefeller has donated 40,000 marks towards the erection of a telescope church in Berlin, Germany.

WOULD RETIRE.

London, Nov. 4, via Skagway, Nov. 9.—Lord Roberts wishes to retire and pass the remainder of his days in India.

THE JESSUP MYSTERY ENTIRELY CLEARED

Missing Man Traced to the 16-Mile Roadhouse Where He Made Transfers of His Mining Property to E. A. Woods, the Roadhouse Keeper—The Documents Were Brought to Dawson and Remained in the Possession of W. Walsh, From Whom They Were Secured by Detective and a Nugget Representative—Fac-Similes of Jessup's Signature as Found in the Gold Commissioner's Office, and of the Transfers of the Mining Properties—Signatures Are Identical—The Anonymous Letter Also Explained.

I here By Sell and Transfer all of My Right in Creek Claim 36 Below Disc on Nine Mile Creek for the Sum of one Dollar and Constideration this the 28 Day of Sep 1901

E E Jessup

Royal's Signature E. E. Jessup

I hear By Sell and Transfer all of My Right in Creek Claim above D E A Woods for the Sum of one Dollar and Constideration this the 28 of Sep 1901

E E Jessup

THE Jessup mystery is a mystery no longer. The above fac-similes are the important links which the detectives and police have been searching for weeks. The signature on the side is taken from the stub book in the gold commissioner's office and was written by Jessup when he took out his miner's license.

The transfers, of which fac-similes are also presented, were made on the backs of the grants of the different claims which Jessup owned and were turned over to E. A. Woods of the 16-Mile Road House. It will be seen that the signatures are identical.

The full particulars covering the entire case are given in the accompanying article.

As stated in Saturday's issue of this paper, the Nugget herewith presents the whole facts regarding the disappearance of E. E. Jessup, secured only after considerable investigation and no little expense.

Yesterday afternoon a Nugget representative, accompanied by Mr. J. F. Kellas, the well-known secret service man, who was formerly in the employ of the government but who is now acting in a private capacity, and who has been working on the case for some time, made a trip to the Cassman claim on Monte Cristo Hill. Mr. W. Walsh, the man who had possession of the papers which had been transferred to E. A. Wood, the proprietor of the 16 mile road house, by Jessup, is employed on the claim named. From Mr. Walsh the story was learned as it had been told him by Mr. Wood. The story was substantially as printed in the Nugget of Saturday and fully verified every statement made in that issue.

Jessup appeared on the river bank opposite the 16 mile road house the morning following his disappearance from Dawson, which was the 26th of September, instead of the 26th of October, and called to Mr. Wood, who went across in a boat and brought him across to the road house. Jessup stayed with Wood until the afternoon of the following day, when he left to proceed upon his journey. Just before leaving Jessup told Wood that he was short of money, but that in return for the accommodation he had received he would transfer to him his property, as he was compelled to leave town and could never return, as he was liable to a term of years of imprisonment for some violation of the law. What his crime was he did not state, but left the impression that it was of such a serious charcter that it would forever debar him from returning to this territory.

Shortly after Jessup's departure Wood came to Dawson for provisions for his road house and meeting Walsh on the street told him of the circumstance and gave him the grants which he had received from Jessup and asked Walsh as a friend of his to look them up for him. Walsh has been busy ever since that time and has not had an opportunity to look the matter up. He very kindly acceded to the request of the reporter and Mr. Kellas for the loan of the papers while the case was being investigated and it thus gives the Nugget the opportunity of publishing the above fac similies of the transfers of the three following described claims:

No. 65,200, issued Mar. 25, 1901, for creek claim No. 28 above on Hunker; grant No. 66,115, issued May 1, 1901, for the upper half of No. 4 above discovery on Quartz; and grant No. 66,729, issued July 11, 1901, for the upper half of No. 36 below discovery on Nine mile creek.

"By the way," said Walsh, after he had turned over the grants to the reporter, "Did you hear anything of a letter written to Diebold?" "Yes, I heard of it," responded the reporter. "Did you know anything about it?" "Yes, replied Mr. Walsh, Mr. Wood gave me the letter at the same time he gave me the grants, asking me to post it. I carried it around with me for several days and finally gave it to Robt. Gilmore, a teamster working on Monte Cristo Hill, to post."

"How long ago was this?" queried the reporter.

"Shortly after I came to work on the Hill, about the 1st of the month."

This statement, given voluntarily, the subject being brought up by himself, cleared up any mystery which might have been construed around the anonymous letter. The date of the letter, the 25th of Sept., tallied exactly with the dates on the transfers, and a further proof of the authorship in the fact that one of the transfers was written with a blue pencil with which was also written the note. The other two transfers were written in ink.

Mr. Diebold, to whom the latter was written, stated positively that the letter was written on a subject which was known only to himself and Jessup.

It concerned a claim which Jessup had purchased (the location is not given) and for which the purchase price was $1,400. Jessup paid $700 down and the balance was to have been paid at a given time. A surveyor was sent out to survey the claim and after the survey was made it cut the claim down to 29 feet. Upon learning this Jessup refused to put up the balance of the money and the claim was allowed to lapse, and it was of this transaction the following letter, which is here reproduced, was written:

Friend Diebold — Left that grant and all papers with Black & Woodworth. They said that they did not think that they could do away with it so you can get it staked over again, the 29 feet. You can find out when it runs out.

CRAMPS TO SLUMBER

Is Soothing Effect of Hootch on Al Rodeman.

In the police court this morning there was but one drunk up for sentence. An individual giving his name as Al Rodeman declared he had suffered from cramps and had taken four drinks of whiskey—to alleviate his pain. The brand must have been of the slumber variety as shortly after the fourth shot he sought the soft side of a steam boiler and went to sleep, where he was found by the police and escorted to the skookum house. The assessment levied was $5 and costs with no chance to appeal to the board of revision.

Could Not Hold Her.

Fairplay, Col., Oct. 19.—Mrs. Ella Vallie, who was accused of complicity in the murder of her husband, was discharged from custody at the conclusion of her preliminary hearing, no evidence having been produced to confer with the crime.

Charles Baker, who is chaeged with the murder of Vallie, on whose ranch he had been employed, waived examination, and was bound over for trial.

Kelly & Co., the pioneer druggists, sell Pabst's Malt Extract.

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EVERYTHING IS REPUBLICAN

Tamany Given Body Blow by Election of Reform Candidate Seth Lowe Mayor of New York by 40,000 Majority—Even Colorado Falls Into Republican Line With Big Majority.

New York, Nov. 6, via Skagway, Nov. 11.—Returns from the numerous state elections held yesterday show sweeping Republican majorities while New York City elected Seth Lowe, the reform, anti-Tammany candidate, mayor by 40,000 majority. Justice Jerome, Republican, was chosen district attorney of New York state. The majority of the state supreme court judges and other officers elected are also Republicans. In other states the Republican tickets were elected by the following majorities: Rhode Island, 6000; Iowa, 30,000; Massachusetts, 70,000; New Jersey, 10,000. Kanasa, Connecticut, Colorado, Utah and South Dakota are all Republican by safe majorities. The Democrats were victorious in Mississippi, Kentucky and other Southern states so far heard from.

ATTEMPT TO ASSASSINATE

Empress Dowager of China Ended in Failure.

San Francisco, Nov. 4, via Skagway, Nov. 9.—The Empress Dowager of China had a close call from assassination. The court was on the return trip to Pekin when she was assailed. The would-be murderer was killed by an attendant before he could carry his design into effect.

Minister Wu has been recalled.

THE KING'S THROAT

London, Nov. 5, via Skagway, Nov. 11.—The Lancet, the leading medical journal of Europe, denies that there is anything the matter with the King's throat, and also denies that any operation has been performed or is needed.

TROTTER'S SOLD.

London, Nov. 2, via Skagway, Nov. 11.—The breaking up of William C. Whitney's stables commenced today with the sale of six thoroughbred horses. Watershed, the late winner of first money at Cambridgeshire, brought 26,000 guineas.

WILL CELEBRATE.

New York, Nov. 3, via Skagway, Nov. 11.—Americans in Turkey are making great preparations for the reception of Miss Stone on her deliverance from the Bulgarian brigands—when such deliverence shall have been accomplished.

PEACE REIGNS.

Washington, Nov. 4, via Skagway, Nov. 11.—General Chaffee cables from Manila that the insurrectionist forces on Cebu island have laid down their arms in compliance with the general demand of natives for peace.

DRAGGING ALONG.

Washington, Nov. 4, via Skagway, Nov. 11.—Witnesses in rebuttal are now being heard in the Schley court of inquiry.

NO BRYANISM.

Madrid, Nov. 4, via Skagway, Nov. 11.—Spain has enacted a law prohibiting the free coinage of silver.

BOTHA STILL IN THE RING

Attached British Force With Loss on Both Sides.

London, Nov. 4, via Skagway, Nov. 9.—Reports of a sharp engagement near Brakenlaadte have been received. Botha with a force of 1,000 men attacked Col. Benson's rear guard. Two guns were captured and Col. Benson himself killed. Eight other officers and fifty-four soldiers and non-commissioned officers were killed. One hundred others were wounded. The Boers lost between three and four hundred and finally were compelled to retire without the captured guns.

INQUIRY ENDED.

Washington, Nov. 4, via Skagway, Nov. 9.—The Schley inquiry has come to an end. Admiral Dewey says he would rather go through another Manila Bay battle than be president of another court of inquiry.

A huge mass of evidence must be waded through before the decision can be given.

RAGING GALE.

London, Nov. 4, via Skagway, Nov. 11.—A fierce easterly gale is raging in the English channel today and many wrecks are being reported. The carcasses of many animals are being washed ashore near Deal. There are reports of other serious marine disasters near there.

INDEMNITY.

Madrid, Nov. 3, via Skagway, Nov. 11.—The Moorish government today paid Spain 41,000 pesetas indemnity for a boy and girl captured last May by Moorish coast brigands.

BACK FOR TRIAL.

Colfax, Wash., Nov. 3, via Skagway, Nov. 11.—W. F. Knowles, forger and bad check operator, was arrested at Newport News, Va., and returned to this place, the scene of his former shady operations, for trial.

ASSAULTED JAP.

Washington, Nov. 2, via Skagway, 11.—Japanese Vice Consul Hayashi has made a diplomatic complaint regarding the assaulting of a Japanese boy by Seattle big school pupils.

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Clearance Sale of Men's Irish Frieze Storm Ulsters. Former price $25, $30 and $35, for..... 15.00