

CHICAGO GIRL IN DESPAIR SUICIDES.

Maria Sexton Ends Her Life While Claspng Her Prayer Book.

Pathetic Letters of Appeal to Faithless Lover Read at Inquest.

Chicago, Oct. 5.—Spurred by the man she loved and with no parent or relative to whom she could turn for aid, Maria Sexton, 23 years old, 950 North Robey street, shot herself dead.

Claspng in one hand a prayer book with the pages open at the litany of the saints, and in the other a revolver with one of the chambers empty, her body was found early yesterday morning in an alley at the rear of 61 Augusta street. A flash of lightning revealed it to Joseph Zevertnik, 14 North Curtis street, a newsboy.

The tragedy followed a few hours after her last appeal to Joseph Gillespie, 57 Augusta street, to keep his promise to marry her. Failing in this she went home, her first impulse being to gain by writing what her words had failed in. She wrote two letters, pouring out in her words the struggles and remorse of a broken heart. The letters were read in the afternoon at the coroner's inquest in the presence of Gillespie, who had been arrested.

The police thought Gillespie might have been present when the young woman killed herself. He assumed an indifferent attitude and showed no emotion as Deputy Coroner Andrews read the epistles.

The first one the girl evidently had laid aside after writing it, and succeeded it with one of deeper emotion. The first letter read:

My Darling Joe: How can you be so mean to me now while I am in trouble. All of my friends have turned against me with scorn, and now you have forsaken me. You, the one man I love above all else in the world. I don't know what will ever become of me.

You always promised to stand by me. I always thought you loved me as dearly as any one could.

Darling, please return to me and be my loving little Joe. My heart is broken and my life is a wreck.

The second letter, which told the whole sad story, follows:

Dear Little Joe: I know you feel bad, but you have a comfortable home and relatives and friends to help you pass the dreary hours of your life; a good position and you are earning enough for any man to be satisfied with. You have no worry for the outcome of the future.

What have I? The cold shoulder from every one, no home, and the little place I now call home I'll have to part with, for I can't stay here any longer—clothes to be bought for myself and baby. Then to a hospital to work for my board, and God himself only knows what treatment I will get there.

And yet you can desert the girl you love or once loved. Joe, darling, you know I was as true to you as any girl could be. I told you the truth before you ever took me to your home. Why did you not leave me then?

It is not one that you are harming, but two. O, may God forgive you, shall be my prayer night and day.

Joe, please, for God's sake, return to me again, for it is killing me. I can't stand it if you don't return, sweetheart, and you will regret it the longest and last day you live.

Darling, sweetheart, please come to me. I love you. I love you with all my heart and soul. Please return to me. You don't know, and you never will know the anguish and pain you are causing me. My suffering is untold misery. Please come to me, Joe. Please come to me.

I remain your loving and devoted sweetheart. With love, hugs and a million kisses.

Marie Sexton.

The letter was marked "over," and on the other side of the sheet of paper was written:

Ah, truly those are the saddest words of tongue or pen. It might have been. It might have been. Everybody is loved by some one. Everybody knows that to be true.

Some have a father and mother dear, brother and sister, too. All this I remember since I was a babe so small, I have seemed to be the only one that nobody loves at all.

Gillespie told at the inquest of the young woman's visit to his house late Wednesday evening, and proved that he did not leave the house after she left. The jury exonerated him of the suspicion of having murdered the woman, but questioned closely among themselves whether there was any law by which he might be held as accessory. This being impossible, he was released.



Prince Charles Gustave of Thurn and Taxis, and sketch showing how he was killed by sliding down a balustrade.

DEATH CLAIMS A GOOD MAN.

Mr. Maitland Young Passed Away at Burlington

Was One of the Original Promoters of H. & N. W.

And Stood at Head of Profession as Accountant.

After an illness of considerable duration, during the last few weeks of which it was known that death was only a matter of time, Mr. Maitland Young head of the firm of Maitland Young & Sons, accountants, died yesterday at the family residence, Oak Bank, Burlington, and in his death there passes from the sphere of activity one of nature's noblest—a man of the finest type, splendid alike in physique, in mental calibre and in moral rectitude; who in an unassuming way wielded a great moral influence, and whose name will long be honored in Hamilton's history.

Mr. Young was a native of Greenock, Scotland, having been born there on the 21st of November, 1830. He received his early education in his native land, but came to this country when a youth of 19 years, and during the past 57 years had been closely identified with Hamilton's

Evansville, Ind., Oct. 5.—Inspector Williams issued telegraphic orders last night ordering the suspension of the license of the captain of the steamer Fred. Tartweg for ninety days in accordance with a request of President Roosevelt.

The offense charged against the captain of the Fred. Tartweg was racing with the steamer Alton, thereby endangering the Mississippi, on which President Roosevelt was travelling.

The Hartweg bumped into the President's boat with great force, causing it to veer and roughly jar those aboard, the President being thrown against the wall of his stateroom with considerable force.

West Springfield, Mass., Oct. 5.—The boarding mistresses of this town have decided to call a meeting for Monday night to form a boarding mistresses' union, the reason being the greater cost of living and the higher rents demanded. Some have already raised the price of board and rooms and in order that the price may be made general the union will be formed. Although this is a small town the boarding house business is thriving, for the many men who work in the Boston & Albany shops here also make it their place of residence and as most of them are single they have to resort to boarding.

Takio, Oct. 5.—A terrible explosion occurred this morning at the Takatsuki factory, while a number of girls were at work sorting shells and cartridges, which had been condemned. Sixty-three of the girls were killed, and over sixty others injured.

As this despatch is sent the factory is on fire, and a number of boats containing explosives are also burning.

W. Clifford Shelton was killed this morning by being run over by a train while crossing a railway bridge over the Rideau, in Gloucester Township. His brother, Harry Shelton, was killed near the same place, in a similar way about three months ago. The Sheltons reside in Gloucester Township.

Children who go to school are very likely to get things on their heads. Skiddoo will save you all worry. Apply it. It's cleanly to use; will not injure the hair; in fact, has a tonic effect, and best of all it does the trick thoroughly. Costs 25c. Sold by Parke & Parke, druggists.

Some fine briar pipes with long genuine amber mouthpieces, in handsome cases, are offered at peace's pipe store. You can select a good pipe from the large stock shown at 107 King street east.

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The Man In Overalls

Even the "Rotten Ross Government" did better for Hamilton than does the Whitney outfit.

Why all this talk about the Farrar sewer connection? Isn't he willing to do the fair thing?

But what will the Board of Works do if the School Board gets an extra \$12,000?

Has the Magistrate discontinued the \$5 drunk fine? In these flush times a V will never be missed.

It looks to a man up a tree as if this Hydro-Electric business is to land the city in more than one kind of a hole.

There are those who say that if Hamilton had not made the kick it did the York Loan Society would have paid every cent it owed. Did the ex-Mayor put his foot in it?

Now that the School Board is to pay my children's school fees, perhaps it will also save me the trouble of feeding them. Expense be bloused!

When aldermen talk about graft in open meetings it makes me think there must be something in it.

In case anything should happen it might be as well to insure the Fire and Water Committee. It might get overheated and go up in a blaze.

Dan Cotter's Barton fair was not exactly a world's fair, but everybody said it was a world beater.

You can rely on the Times.

The workman who has no children or whose children are grown up will have to turn in and buy books for my children. That suits me all right, all right.

This is boozers' night. Wet or dry, there will be a parade.

To-morrow is church day. Going!

A MEAN FELLOW.

A week or two ago I made a few remarks about women who drink. Perhaps a word about men who drink would not be amiss. While fewer men drink to-day than they did ten or twenty years ago, there are yet quite a crowd who turn up their little finger every now and again or when they get the chance. I don't blame a man for taking a glass of beer, if he can stop at that for any length of time, and if he thinks such does him good. I shall not judge him unless I see that it is doing him and his harm. The man who drinks does it with his eyes open, and he has many "awful examples" before him to warn him of his danger. The awful examples I leave to others. They are to be pitied as well as condemned. But the fellow I am after is the sort of drinker who keeps to his work more or less, is a first-rate workman, a jolly companion and popular with the men in the shop. He is free with his money on a Saturday or Friday night. Can tell a funny story or perhaps sing a song, keeping it up until long after he should be home with his wife and children. But this chap is quite a different person when he gets home. I know him and the neighbors know him. By the time he reaches home he is as sour as green apples. The poor little woman who has the misfortune to be his wife is greeted with a curse and his children shrink in fear from this jolly good fellow. When he feels that way he kicks the kids—the Lord help them!—and sometimes slaps his wife in the face, the miserable cur. He is generous to himself and chums with his money, but keeps his family pinched. You can see that in the children's faces, while the wife is becoming old before her time. I am not vindictive, and will shed no tears if it can be proved that there is no hell. But is this apology for a man who would fain pass as a decent man, to go unwhipped?

LITTLE ODDITIES.

Great security of men to work on the Transcontinental Railway.

London letter carriers resent statement that many of them are physically unfit for manual labor, and present heights and weights of 27 men from 140 to 187 pounds.

Scotland is said to have too much whiskey on hand. Well, a good many people have had too much of it in their stomachs.

The British Post Office business yielded last year £5,071,255 profit, while the Government telegraphs caused a loss as usual, the amount being £652,055.

Beware of the swindler who sends you word that he holds five shares of C. P. R. stock left you by a "relative," and asks \$5 for necessary expenses before you get them. Many have received his circular letters.

Unusual in Hamilton.

Another new departure in real estate in this city, is credited to the Frederick B. Robins, Limited, 75 James street north. This time they are making it possible for every one to own some property. They have placed aside one hundred lots that can be purchased by paying fifty cents a week. The lots, too, are in the east end, which is conceded will increase in value, since new factories are all going that way. An investigation of the proposition is worth while.

The Safest Way.

GIRL SHOTS MAN, IS HERSELF KILLED.

Scores of Women Shoppers and Others See a Tragedy In Brooklyn.

Was She Shot by Man In the Struggle, or Did She Shoot Herself?

New York, Oct. 5.—In the presence of scores of women shoppers and passengers on a trolley car a young woman, known to the police as Rosa Riportello, of Jefferson street and Central avenue, yesterday afternoon, encountered Alle Ripertello, of Norfolk, Va., in Fulton street, near Marcy avenue, Brooklyn, and after firing one bullet into his breast, engaged in a struggle with him, during which a bullet penetrated her breast, and caused death within fifteen minutes.

Riportello and the young woman, who for several years had borne his name, were taken to St. John's Hospital. The woman died as she was being admitted and the physicians expressed little hope of the man recovering.

From what the police could learn from friends of the injured man the shooting was the culmination of the girl's efforts to avenge her wrongs. She met Riportello about five years ago and lived with him for a while, but he deserted her and left Brooklyn three years ago.

While the young woman was making a search for Riportello he was prospering as a barber in Norfolk. He returned to Brooklyn last week to induce young barbers to go to Norfolk, and he had been in the borough only a short time when the girl learned of his arrival.

For three days she made a vain effort to locate him, but yesterday she learned something definite of his movements when a friend told her that the man would be at a barber shop in Fulton street, near Marcy avenue, in the afternoon. Riportello was in the shop when the woman appeared in the neighborhood, and as he stepped from the place and waved a farewell to two Italians the girl suddenly appeared and embraced him.

Trusting her aside, he stepped back toward the shop entrance, but he had not gone far when the girl fired. The bullet struck Riportello in the chest, just below the heart, but in spite of the serious nature of the wound he had strength enough to spring forward and grapple with the girl.

Before anyone could separate the two another shot was fired and the girl dropped to the pavement. Riportello fell across her just as Policeman Joseph Shepard, who had been a passenger on the trolley car, reached the sidewalk.

The girl died without regaining consciousness. Riportello was revived for a few minutes, during which time he declared the pistol was in the woman's hand when the shot which killed her was fired.

POLICEMEN TOO FAT; COULD NOT STAND DRILL.

Three of New York's Finest Fell Exhausted at Corrective Drill.

New York, Oct. 5.—The Tribune says: Three policemen dropped from exhaustion at the police school for instruction in the old 69th Regiment army yesterday while undergoing Commissioner Bingham's new corrective drill for those guilty of violating the code. They were attended by a police surgeon, and then sent to their homes. Two or three have to go through more drills before their sentences are completed.

Ignatius Divens, Walter Bellinger and William P. Mills were the patrolmen who suffered. Lieut. Jacob Brown is in charge of the school. Fifty patrolmen were at the session, nearly all of whom were serving sentences for infraction of the rules.

Last night callers at the homes of Divens and Mills were turned away. It was said that Bellinger was in danger of serious injury. The doctor who attended the men says their exhaustion must have been too patent to any observer. "They were too fat and heavy," said he, "and I am surprised that they were able to stand it as long as they did. Their lack of condition was so evident that it was only extraordinary games that kept them going."

Lieut. Brown, who conducted the exercises, said the drill lasted about two hours, and he supposed that it was due to poor condition that the three men gave out.

TO THOS. TAYLOR. ACTION DISMISSED.

Retiring Waterworks Employee Honored by Comrades.

Last evening the employees of the Waterworks Department presented Thos. Taylor, an old comrade, with a gold watch, chain and locket, suitably inscribed. To-day he left the employ of the city after a service of 35 years, to take up his residence in Nelson, B. C. At the impromptu meeting held last evening many expressions of regret were made at the severance of tie that binds the friendship of old workmates, and Tom Taylor has been a faithful and true friend to all. Mr. Taylor thanked his comrades in a neat speech, and bid each good-bye with a hearty handshake, at the same time assuring them that he will ever remember Hamilton and his friends.

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A foreigner named Distal Pancel, employed by Nicholson & Riley, contractors for the B. & H. Railway, brought an action for damages against the contractors. It was tried at the Toronto Assizes yesterday. The plaintiff's claim was that the foreman had sent him to thaw out some dynamite near a fire, and while doing so it exploded and as a result he lost an eye, besides several other injuries. The defence was that the foreman had given the plaintiff a box of percussion caps to thaw out and that while the plaintiff was building the fire, the caps fell out of his pockets and exploded. The jury dismissed the action with costs. S. F. Washington appeared for the defendants.

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TRADES COUNCIL.

Vote of Censure Passed on Some Labor Aldermen.

At last night's meeting of the Trades and Labor Council the following resolution was passed in regard to the Hamilton, Waterloo & Guelph Railway route through Dundurn Park:

"Resolved, that this Trades Council go on record as condemning the Labor party, particularly the Labor aldermen, who after making pre-election promises to oppose the parks route of the Guelph Railway, voted for the same."

Another resolution passed was in regard to school fees, as follows:

"That this council view with pleasure the action of the Internal Management Committee of the Board of Education in recommending to the Board that the school fees be abolished after January 1st, and hope that the Board will adopt the recommendation."

The following committee was appointed to co-operate with the Executive Committee of the Independent Labor party: Messrs. Rollo, Stevenson and Simpson.

An invitation from the Canadian Club to send speakers to the club meeting a week from Monday night, when the question, "To What Extent Shall the Asiatic Be Admitted to Canada?" will be discussed, was received. The following were appointed to represent the council: Messrs. Studholme, Atchison and Wilkes.

The sum of \$75 was voted to the Sheet Metal Workers' Union of Toronto, toward the costs of an appeal of a case to the Privy Council. Comrade Verville, of Montreal, against whom judgment for \$130 for slander was secured by a candidate for Parliament, was given \$10 toward the cost of an appeal.

The Municipal Committee was instructed to press for a full investigation, under oath, in the Nelligan matter.

IMPORTANT ACTION.

Mrs. M. J. Johnston, 140 Bold street, who is removing to the Pacific coast, has instructed Thos. Burrows to offer her entire household furniture and effects for sale by auction at 1029 Montague street, Oct. 7. The contents of ten rooms comprising the best furnishings, will be sold without reserve. This is a good opportunity to secure good goods at low prices.

Would Be Delighted.

To have you visit us to-morrow. Everything you can think of in table delicacies, fancy and staple groceries, you will find here, also an abundant supply of jump ducks, chickens, domestic and foreign fruits, oysters, cooked meats, strictly fresh eggs, pea-fed bacon and ham, comb and extra honey. Bain & Adams, 89-91 King street east.

EXHUMED BODY

To Examine into Ugly Rumors About Woman's Death.

Ottawa, Ont., Oct. 5.—At South Osogood yesterday, the body of Mrs. Thos. Burns, a young Englishwoman, was exhumed to settle ugly rumors that were being circulated around the district. Mrs. Burns died without medical attendance, and was buried within 24 hours. Her husband, who is not long in Canada, went to the funeral, and did not tell his wife's friends anything about her death. The laying out of the body is said to have revealed marks alleged to be from violence. An inquest is to be held after the stomach has been analyzed, for which purpose the coroner and police brought that portion to Ottawa last night.

A REMARKABLE SUCCESS.

Right House Sales Are Attracting Thousands.

The splendid October sale of household linens and the other great special sales now in progress at Thomas C. Watkins are drawing thousands of people to that old dependable store.

A great feature of Right House sale events is that everything offered is of dependable quality, and the savings are genuine, not mythical.

Monday's offerings at The Right House embrace nearly every department and present an unrivalled chance to supply every fall need now, at savings that are extraordinary at the beginning of a new season. Particularly does this apply to household linens. In the face of a rising market, The Right House buyers have secured the greatest stocks and the best values that ever came to Hamilton.

The October sale of household linens is in progress now. Get yours on Monday, and count some of the splendid bargains your own.

The Right House advertisement in this paper gives details of some of Monday's special bargains. There are dozens more at the store.

SPANIARDS COMPLAIN.

Paris, Oct. 5.—A Madrid dispatch says that the Spanish Minister of Foreign Affairs, Count de Allende Salazar, has instructed the Spanish Ambassador at Paris to complain to the French Government concerning certain actions taken by Gen. Drude in Morocco which forced the commander of the Spanish troops there to protest.

HITS THE BOARDER.

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