

MURDOCK'S PICTURE AND LOVE LETTERS

Caused Murder of Woman and Suicide of the Murderer in Chicago.

Murdock Is a Hamilton Man--Jealousy the Cause of the Double Tragedy.

Chicago, Sept. 12.—The love tangles of Mrs. Herman Westerfield, 151 Indiana street, the pretty 26-year-old wife of Herman Westerfield, culminated in a double tragedy yesterday, in which she was one of the victims. The other victim was the woman's boarder-suitor, who killed himself twelve hours after slaying the young woman when he learned that the police were on his trail. He was Edward J. Hildebrandt, 29 years old. The others concerned in the tragedy were an unsuspecting husband, and a former sweetheart, "Billy" Murdock, of Hamilton, Ont., with whom Mrs. Westerfield evidently kept up a correspondence after she married Westerfield three years ago. Jealousy was the motive which prompted Hildebrandt to murder the woman. With little or no success he had endeavored to press his attention on her. Then the discovery that she was maintaining friendly relations with another than her husband aroused Hildebrandt's jealousy. This discovery came in the form of a photograph and two letters from Murdock, received by Mrs. Westerfield on Monday afternoon. She showed the photograph to Hildebrandt, unconscious of the jealous rage it aroused. All the evening while she visited with neighbors on the front porch Hildebrandt stalked in a dark room. In the presence of another boarder Mrs. Westerfield talked with Hildebrandt when she went to the house to retire at 10.30. Hildebrandt engaged in the conversation a few minutes, not in the least displaying the jealous rage in his heart. It appears that during the evening he had stolen the letters written by Murdock from Mrs. Westerfield's room and read them. The letters were found, together with the photograph of Murdock, in the top of Hildebrandt's trunk. From all the evidence the police think Hildebrandt stole into the room of Mrs. Westerfield while she slept, about 1 a. m., placed the revolver to her temple, shot a bullet through her brain, and escaped out the back way. Mr. Westerfield is employed at night. For twenty years he has worked for the Rogers & Hall Printing Company, 132 Market street. When he returned home Tuesday morning he found his wife lying in bed dead. At first the husband did not suspect Hildebrandt. The police, however, upon hearing that he had passed the first part of the night in his room, considered his absence suggestive, and detectives were detailed to search for him. They learned from Mrs. Mary Dewort and Mrs. Ida Elinger, neighbors, that Hildebrandt was in love with his landlady. A story, looked upon as a threat by Hildebrandt, was told by Mrs. Dewort. "Just a few nights ago we all were discussing the Constantine case," said Mrs. Dewort. "Mrs. Westerfield jokingly asked Hildebrandt if he wouldn't hate

to be in Constantine's shoes, and the boarder remarked: "Yes, but if a woman turned me down as Mrs. Gentry did him I would do just as he did." Until Hildebrandt was reported to have committed suicide in a resort at 70 Peoria street by the keeper, Louise Mack, his whereabouts was a mystery to the police. Among his effects the police found a card bearing the address 76 Peoria st. Two detectives were detailed to the resort. "No such man is here," they were informed by the keeper, Miss Mack. "I will go with you to make a search of the house if you want to." The "buff" worked well and the detectives left. Later it was learned that Hildebrandt was in the house when they called. About 1 p. m. an inmate of the house informed Hildebrandt that two policemen were there inquiring for him. About the same time newsboys were shouting on the street: "Extra. All about the Westerfield murder." Hildebrandt went at once to a bathroom in the rear and shot himself in the right temple. He died instantly and the body was removed to an undertaking room, 239 West Madison street, where it was identified by Mr. Westerfield an hour later. The body of Mrs. Westerfield was taken to the Curtin undertaking rooms, 148 Wells street, where the double inquest was begun. Mr. Westerfield was amazed at the evidence of his wife's actions. "I did not suspect anything," he said. "This 'old sweetheart' is a revelation to me. I didn't know she corresponded with Murdock." The letters from Murdock were in most endearing terms. The envelope which inclosed his photograph also contained a slip of paper on which was written: "Here are 1,000,000 hugs and kisses." The salutations of the letters read: "My dearest, loving Maud," and usually ended with numerous crosses labeled "Kisses." From letters in Hildebrandt's effects the police learned that his home formerly was in New Orleans, where his parents now live, his father holding a high position on the police department. The young man evidently did not correspond with any relatives. Hildebrandt served as a volunteer sailor in the Spanish war. Until six weeks ago he worked as a painter in the machine shop of E. H. Wachs, 158 Indiana street. Later he found employment in the Turkish bath department of the Great Northern hotel. The woman's maiden name was Maud Ann Sorenson. An 8 year old daughter by a former marriage is said to live with Mrs. Westerfield's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nels Sorenson, 1265 Colorado avenue. There are four or five William Murdock in Hamilton, but the Times could not find that any of them is the man whose photo and letters were the indirect cause of the double tragedy. It is believed that the Bill Murdock referred to belongs to the floating population.



Ferdinand P. Earle and Family. The man who was mobbed at Munroe, N. Y., because he had shipped his wife and child off to Paris so he could marry his "affinity."

The Man In Overalls

Persons who send communications to The Man in Overalls should enclose their names, not necessarily for publication, but just to show that they are not fooling.

How would it do to engage a temperance evangelist to work among the aldermen?

Where do they get all the drink?

I should think the Mayor is getting very weary of his job.

Why should any Labor man favor the at-large system with its large over-drafts and political aldermen?

In the Herkimer street matter the city should sue the Railway Board for mercy.

Will the Queen Victoria statue unveiling day be a public holiday? We should know that ahead.

"Cramming" at school is objectionable. But the schools are overcrowded and crammed. The new blood are making quite a mess of things, and look how the money is being spent.

The Mayor might start a temperance lodge among the aldermen.

I am glad Dundas is going to have a little excitement in the shape of a shaft fight. The Valley City is a credit to us all and a disgrace to none.

The aldermen who voted against the ward system may be dubious as to their chances of election under that system.

I am a Labor man myself, but I always grow suspicious when I see Labor men pulling Tory chestnuts out of the fire. Excuse the homely phrase. Why should they object to the ward system?

The poor Jews have got it in the neck again. The Hague Conference might with profit have discussed the attacks on these people as a "disgrace to Christianity."

There will be no boozier aldermen elected under the ward system.

I half expected to see something like this in the papers last evening: "Ald. wishes to state that he was not the alderman that was drunk at the Council meeting last evening."

Those who object to the ward system are not afraid that the city's interests will suffer by the change. They are afraid that some party or clique that seeks gain at the city's expense will suffer.

That Vancouver riot reminds me somewhat of Hamilton's justly celebrated "demonstration" during the street car strike.

The Lusitania is making great time across the Atlantic. But wait till the aldermen gets aging and the Lusitania will be beaten to a standstill.

That Grit rain was worth a few votes for the candidate.

It looks as if the Railway Board will decide that the city owns the Cataract Power Co. another apology.

Did you ever get a kiss—I beg your pardon—a "spiritual vibration"?

The footballers are now in training, no more haircuts.

The Borden meetings are falling pretty flat. The same old speech over and over again is becoming rather tiresome.

At the next aldermanic election candidates should be asked to take the pledge.

Buy the Times.

SAFETY DEPOSIT BOXES. To rent at \$2 a year and upwards, for the storing of deeds, bonds, stocks, wills, silver and other valuables, at the TRADERS BANK OF CANADA.

Fresh Cut Mushrooms. Three baskets fresh cut mushrooms, Blue Point oysters, Crawford peaches, green ginger expected in a few days, preserved ginger, Jersey sweet potatoes, Bartlett pears, green peppers, cauliflower, pickling spices and pickling vinegar. Hein & Adams, 89-91 King street east.

CONCRETE GRAVES.

Bodies Will Last Long in Them When Hermetically Sealed. Atlantic City, N.J., Sept. 12.—Delegates to the American Portland Cement Manufacturers' Convention in session here reported the discovery that concrete-lined graves hermetically sealed would preserve bodies far longer than any other method except the embalming of the ancients. It was asserted that thousands of tons of concrete will be demanded for such use in the next few years.

A Jewish Horror.

Vienna, Sept. 12.—According to the reports received here, the disturbances which caused the circulation of alarming rumors in Roumania began at Kishinev, Bessarabia, during the night of Sept. 8. A band of rowdies which arrived there from Odessa were joined by a Kishinev mob, and committed fearful outrages in the suburbs. They set fire to a lumber yard into which the Jews, who were aroused from their sleep, were driven. The police, during the disturbances, were entirely passive.

POOR VANDERBILT.

Declared Insane by Jury—Fooled by "Bright Eyes." New York, Sept. 12.—Edward W. Vanderbilt, the aged retired merchant of Brooklyn, who married May S. Pepper, the spiritualist medium, is incapable of managing his affairs because of lunacy, according to a verdict returned by a Sheriff's jury in Brooklyn to-day. An application for the appointment of a guardian for Mr. Vanderbilt was granted. The hearing was held before a jury and a commission consisting of a physician, a lawyer and a banker. Much evidence was offered to show that Mr. Vanderbilt had received communications which he supposed came from the spirit of his former wife, now dead, through another spirit called "Bright Eyes," for which latter spirit Mrs. Pepper-Vanderbilt declared that she acted as a medium of communication with mortals. The jury retired yesterday at 3 p. m., and returned a verdict to-day.

JAPS WILL FIGHT.

They Refuse to Leave Bellingham at Anybody's Bidding. Bellingham, Wash., Sept. 12.—An anonymous letter received here warns all Japanese and Chinese in this city to leave at once. Japanese working at the canneries are armed and say they will resist any attempt to force them out of town. The Chinese, however, will not make a strong stand. E. B. Deming, General Manager of the Pacific American Fisheries, says if the Orientals leave the salmon canning industry is doomed.

GOT FIVE YEARS.

Hired Horse and Buggy, Sold Them and Then Disappeared. Belleville, Ont., Sept. 12.—Special — One year ago to-day Harry Symonds, Nanapan, hired a horse and buggy from A. Graham's livery here, saying that he was going to buy apples in the country. Instead of that he sold the outfit for \$80 to Mrs. Roy, a widow, from the city, and disappeared. A few days ago he was arrested at Gananoque and brought here. He pleaded guilty and this morning Magistrate Mason sentenced him to five years in Kingston Penitentiary. Symonds is 26 years old, and married, with three children.

Fine English B.iar Pipes.

The Glokak pipe gives the greatest comfort to the tongue and lips. They are made of the best quality of briar with sterling silver ferules. Glokak pipes are sold at peace's pipe store, 107 King street east.

ALLIES IN BALLOON SPIED MOORS' CAMP.

Large Force of Horse, Foot and Artillery Fell Upon It and Destroyed It.

Arabs Fought Bravely, But Were Overpowered and Fled From the Enemy.

Casa Blanca, Sept. 12.—The allied Franco-Spanish army to-day made a sudden and successful move on Taddert, where the Moors were massed in force. The camp of the latter was destroyed by bombardment, and the enemy was put to flight, leaving many dead on the field. The French lost one man killed and six men wounded. The attack was carefully planned, and was based largely on the observations of the Moors' positions made from a military balloon. The allied army, which was divided into two columns, left the camp at 6 o'clock in the morning, leaving several companies of infantry to defend the base at Casa Blanca. The first column was composed of four companies of regular infantry, several companies of sharpshooters, a battery of artillery and all the cavalry. The second column consisted of six companies of infantry and a battery of artillery. The march was skillfully carried out under the cover of a fog until within half way of Taddert, where the fog lifted and disclosed several large bodies of the enemy. The allies then charged several large bands of the enemy at the point of the bayonet, and, although the Moors resisted with all their old-time courage, they were finally compelled to retreat in the face of a superior force, and both of the columns of allied troops advanced on Taddert. After the bombardment of that place by the French artillery, as well as by the guns of the French cruiser Gloire, which fired 75 shells, the allied infantry advanced on the Moors' camp, where the enemy was making a last desperate stand. A short engagement followed, and the Moors fled in wild disorder, pursued for several miles by the irregular Algerian cavalry in the French service. The Moorish camp was destroyed. The exact loss of the Moors is not known, as they carried away many of their dead. The allied army later returned to Casa Blanca.

WILL THE LUSITANIA BREAK THE DEUTCHLAND'S RECORD?

Delayed By Fog at Grand Banks and Expected Before Seven To-morrow Morning.

New York, Sept. 12.—The titanic turbine Lusitania, of the Cunard Line, entered to-day on the final stretch of her maiden voyage, which may break all trans-Atlantic records. The newest greyhound of the sea was reported 100 miles east of Sable Island at 11:20 last night, and no further reports of her may be received until to-night, when the big Cunarder will enter the Nantuxet wireless zone. With eight hundred miles to be sailed at 11:20 o'clock last night, the Lusitania will have to make 24 knots or better until Sandy Hook light vessel is passed in order to excel the unbroken record of 23.15 knots, held by the Deutschland, of the Hamburg-American Line. The Lusitania will have fair weather for her last day's run, and every ounce of her propulsive power will be used to make up the time lost in the fogs off the Grand Banks. Driven at her top speed the giant Cunarder may be expected at the lights shortly before 7 o'clock on Friday morning, making the time for the trip a shade under five days and establishing the Lusitania as a four-day ship. Wireless despatches from the Lusitania show that the ship is running smoothly, and that her machinery has been shaken down so that her run from Sable Island to this port can be made at her high speed. The Lusitania of the Cunard Line planned to have the Lusitania at the end of the ocean racing line at 5 o'clock to-morrow morning, and despite the fogs they believe she will found at the lights near that time. While the Lusitania is expected at the gateway of the port as early as to-morrow, she will not slip through the Narrows until several hours later, when the tide runs full in the Ambrose channel. The Lusitania will be the first ocean liner to enter the port through the new fairway.

MUST STAY IN JAIL. CZAR STUCK TO THE SHIP.

Mrs. Radzyk Will be Held Till the Trial. Crown Attorney Washington had Mrs. Radzyk, the important witness in the Sunfield murder trial, before Judge Monck this morning, and he secured an order to keep Mrs. Radzyk in jail until the time of trial. The order was secured on the ground that she is a material witness, and that if she was let go until the time of trial, she might leave the country. Captain Depressed by the Grounding of the Imperial Yacht—The Accident Was Kept Quiet—Condition of the Vessel. St. Petersburg, Sept. 12.—No official announcement has been made here up to 1:30 o'clock this afternoon regarding the grounding of the Imperial yacht Herosoe off Hango, Finland, yesterday afternoon. The news has been withheld even from the ambassadors, no hint of the accident having been allowed to reach the public and the newspapers have been forbidden to publish a word on the subject under pain of heavy fines and imprisonment, as provided for by the recent drastic prohibition preventing publication of official news regarding the imperial family. The Associated Press, however, learns that the grounding of the yacht, on board of which were Emperor Nicholas and Empress Alexandra and their family, produced a depressing effect upon Captain Stagin, the commander of the vessel. The Herosoe is in an unfavorable position upon some rocks which are submerged at high tide, but exemplary order was maintained on board and news of the disaster being telegraphed to the naval authorities, a number of warships and a salvage steamer were hurried to Hango. At 10 o'clock last night the Imperial party left the Herosoe and were taken on board the dispatch boat Asia, while urgent orders were telegraphed to St. Petersburg to have the Imperial yacht Alexandra sent to Hango, where she is expected in the course of the day. His Majesty was urged to leave the vessel when she struck the rocks, but he refused to do so and waited until the Asia was ready to take him and the Imperial family on board. Though it has been suggested that the accident to the vessel was due to members of her crew, who purposely ran her on the rocks, it is claimed in naval circles here that the disaster was due to the narrowness of the channel between the islands of the Finnish Archipelago near Hango. ROWLEY NOT RELEASED. Ottawa, Ont., Sept. 12.—(Special)—The report from St. Thomas that Rowley, the defaulter, has been released is not correct. The department has not done anything in the matter. TRAIN HELD UP. St. Paul, Sept. 12.—The Great Northern Oriental Limited transcontinental train was held up by masked men near Rexford, Mont., early this morning. They dynamited an empty safe and robbed the mail car of registered mail.

COMMISSION REPORTS ON THE TORONTO TELEPHONE STRIKE.

Hours of Labor Too Long for Girls--The Listener---Conciliation Board Suggested.

Ottawa, Ont., Sept. 12.—(Special) — The report of the Royal Commissioners, Mackenzie King and Judge Winchester, into the Bell Telephone strike at Toronto last spring, just published, shows that the operators were overworked and underpaid. In addition to the changes made at the time by the Commission, the Commissioners say that the hours are still too long. Working of women at high pressure at work of this kind should be made a crime, as it is a crime against nature herself. In regard to the use of the "listener" by the company, the Commissioners recommend that the criminal laws applicable to news improperly obtained by telegraph operators or officials be amended to include telephone companies. The establishment of a permanent conciliation board of employers and employees is suggested to settle all difficulties as they may arise.

OBITUARY

Joseph Hargrove, Once Well Known Piano Man, Dead.

Joseph Hargrove, a resident of this city for many years, well known and respected, passed away at an early hour this morning after a short illness. Deceased was 78 years of age, and for many years was engaged in the sewing machine and piano business. One son, Samuel Hargrove, survives. The funeral will take place on Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock, from J. H. Robinson's chapel, and will be in charge of the Masons.

Robert Stevens, aged 35 years, died at the City Hospital last night, after a short illness. The funeral will take place on Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock from Dwyer's undertaking establishment.

TO HEAR BISHOP INGRAM. The Hamilton District Chapter of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew has arranged for 250 seats at the reception for Right Rev. J. H. W. Ingram, Lord Bishop of London, Eng., at Niagara Falls on Monday, September 23, and members of the Church of England who desire to go down to hear the bishop should leave their names with Mr. C. W. Heming, the secretary. A special train has been arranged for to leave at 6.30.

—Miss Fannie Morrison, deaconess of St. Thomas Church, is the guest of Mrs. F. W. Hovey, at Burlington.

OUR TWO BANDS

Will Take Part in Military Tattoo at Brantford.

Under the auspices of the officers, sergeants and Band of the 38th Regiment, of Brantford, a tattoo will be given in the Agricultural Park next Tuesday evening, Sept. 17th. There will be six bands taking part, and special fireworks display, and Hamilton's two bands, the 13th and 91st, have been engaged to take part. Bandmaster Robinson will be brigade conductor. A great many from each of the local corps intend to accompany the bands on the special excursion train, which will leave the T. & E. Station at Hunter Street at 7 p. m., availing themselves of the special low rate of 65 cents to visit their comrades in Brantford. The excursion will be open to the general public, and will be under the auspices of the two bands. Excursion tickets are for sale at Nordheimer's music store, 18 King west.

TOUCHED WIRE.

New Orleans, Sept. 12.—A. C. Trippie, a striking operator, was arrested last night on a charge of malicious mischief for interfering with the Associated Press leased wire. He stepped up to a key which was not in use, opened it and stopped the report while he called to the operators on the circuit and applied appropriate names to them. Trippie afterward admitted that he had done this.

PERSONAL.

Fred. H. Kirkpatrick, of this city, is visiting friends in London.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Martin, of this city, are visiting with Mr. Robert Stanley, London.

Mrs. H. P. Grundy and children, of Wainpigg, Man., are visiting her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Langrill, King street west.

Mr. G. W. Long, 202 Ferris street east, returned from the west yesterday, having had a most enjoyable outing.

Messrs. Melroy and Colbeck, of this city, will have charge of the services in the Calvary Methodist Church on Sunday next, the day being particularly an evangelistic one.

Brantford Expositor: Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Kingdon, of Boston, Mass., accompanied by Miss Gertrude Kingdon, and Miss Marguerite Kingdon, of Hamilton, have been the week-end guests of Mr. George E. Adams, Brant.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Jackson, of Montreal, have been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Corser, 105 King street west. Mr. Jackson left for home Monday last, but owing to illness of her brother, Mrs. Jackson will remain a few weeks longer.

James Watson, of Kansas City, Mo., left for his home yesterday after spending some days with his mother, Mrs. Watson Brass, 207 Hess street north. Mr. Watson has a large wholesale baking business and is doing well in the land of his adoption.

Invitations are out for the marriage of Miss Julia Margaret Read, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edmund H. Read, Grimsby, to Roland John Mortimer Hall, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hall, Oakville. The marriage will take place on Wednesday, September 18th, at St. Andrew's Church, Grimsby.

ALIMONY SUIT.

Judgment Reserved in Motion in Hamilton vs. Hamilton.

Judge Monck this morning reserved judgment in the alimony case of Hamilton vs. Hamilton. Mr. M. J. O'Reilly, acting for Mrs. Hamilton, asked that interim alimony be granted until the time of trial. Mr. E. H. Ambrose for defendant, John D. Hamilton. Mr. O'Reilly read the examination and affidavits. Mr. Ambrose argued that Mrs. Hamilton should return to her husband, inasmuch as, it was stated, he had offered to agree to a reconciliation several times. Mr. O'Reilly offered no evidence.

NICHOLSON-LIDDYCOAT.

A pleasant time was spent in the home of Mr. and Mrs. LeBarre, Catharine street, on Wednesday evening. The occasion was the marriage of Mr. Percy Nicholson to Miss Annie Liddycoat. The ceremony was performed by Rev. T. McLachlan, B.A., of St. James' Presbyterian Church, at 8 o'clock in the evening in the presence of a number of invited guests. The bride was attended by her cousin, whilst Mr. Nicholson was supported by Mr. George Avon, of this city. After the ceremony all present sat down to an enjoyable supper. The bride was the recipient of a goodly number of presents. Mr. and Mrs. Nicholson will make their home in this city.

One Thing a Man Finds Hard to

Procure is a good stop to sharpen his razor. The barbers tell us that we have the best assortment to select from that they have ever seen. Take a look at them, just inside the Market square entrance. For razors we excel—Parke & Parke, druggists, 18 Market square.

MISS DEAGLE INJURED.

Through stepping off a car backwards while alighting at King and John streets at noon to-day, Miss Deagle, daughter of Mr. Martin Deagle, 427 Cannon street east, had a nasty fall, and her head was cut rather badly. She was taken home in the ambulance, but will be about again before long.