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ISAAC G. OULTON.

The Mystery of the Miser's Death Deepens Day By Day.

May Have Been Due to Accident—The Man Kendrick's—Police
Doubt the Murder Theory—Inquest to be
Continued Tonight.

The circumstances of the sudden
death of Isaac G. Oulton are still
shrouded in mystery. The evidence
given at the inquest last night by Mrs.
Gillespie, Thomas Gillespie and the
two boys who were with him when he
found the body, tallied in all the im-
portant details, but presented nothing
of great importance touching the sus-
pected murder. The witnesses who
had been held in custody since the
night before, were released after the
inquest.

THE PREMISES SEARCHED.

All day yesterday the Oulton house
was surrounded by a crowd of morbid
curiosity seekers, but the place was
strictly guarded by the police, and no-
body was admitted without a written
order from the coroner.

During the afternoon a more thor-
ough investigation was made by Ser-
geants Hastings and Kilpatrick, Detec-
tives Killen and Officer Greer, who ex-
amined the premises as minutely as
possible, searching both for evidence
and for trace of the wealth supposed
to be hidden there. Nothing of defi-
nite value in either case was discovered.
Two old trunks of papers examined
revealed bundles of deed mortgages,
deposit receipts and unpaid promissory
notes aggregating thousands of dollars,
but all ancient.

THE INQUEST.

At eight o'clock last evening the
coroner's jury met in the North End
police station. There were present a
number of police officials, W. H. Trou-
man, who appeared for the crown, and
quite a few spectators. The only wit-
nesses examined were Mr. and Mrs.
Gillespie, their son Thomas and Willie
Marshall.

The evidence heard was practically
as has been published and very few
new facts were brought out. Gillespie
told of Oulton's habits of living, how
he got his meals, and described the
house. He accounted for himself on
Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and
told of going to Oulton's house and
finding the body.

Thomas Gillespie, the son, told how
he had accompanied his father to Oul-
ton's house and had entered with him.
The body was partly on the bed and
the feet were in the air, not resting
on anything. His father put a chair
under the feet and after feeling the
body said that it was warm. The in-
quest did not move the body nor see Oulton's
face. Did not see any blood or other
signs of violence.

Willie Marshall's evidence did not
bring out any additional facts but
simply corroborated the stories told by
the Gillespies in regard to finding the
body.

Mrs. Gillespie's story was practically
as has been published. She described
Oulton's habits as her husband had
done and told how she had discovered
the fire on the night of the murder.
Neither she nor her husband ever
talked of pressing the claims against
Oulton for the money he owed them.

Coroner Roberts did not question
Mrs. Gillespie in regard to the un-
known man who gave his name as
Kendrick. It was considered best
that the police should have some
further time in which to make en-
quiries before anything more concern-
ing this man should be given to the
public. Last evening Mrs. Gillespie
was taken to the central police station
to see John O'Brien, who is now under
arrest connected with entering the New-
man and Harrington houses. She pos-
itively stated that this was not the
man who had applied to her for a room.

About midnight the inquest was ad-
journed to meet in the same place at
8.30 this evening.

The evidence last night seemed to
show that no suspicion whatever could
be attached to any of the Gillespie
family. Their conduct throughout the
whole affair has been perfectly natural
and any slight contradiction in the
stories told by them could easily be
caused by excitement. They were re-
leased last night at the close of the
session.

NOT THE MAN.

The man who broke into Newman's
and Harrington's houses is not the same
as applied to Mrs. Gillespie for a
room in her house. Mr. Harrington
describes the person who was seen in
his house as being of medium height,
thick set, with square shoulders and a
round head. He was bare-faced and
wore a dark sack coat.

This morning when John O'Brien was
brought into the police court Mr.
Harrington at once exclaimed, "That's
the man." He was positive that
O'Brien, the prisoner, was the one
who had been in his house.

As Mrs. Gillespie last night was
equally positive that O'Brien was not
the one who applied to her for a
room it is evident that between the
two men there is no connection what-
ever.

CAUSE OF DEATH.

The cause of Oulton's death remains
as yet a great mystery as ever, and
while public opinion seems to be that
he was murdered the police are doubt-
ful in regard to accepting this theory.
It is believed that when Dr. J. H.
Scammell gives his report at the in-
quest this evening considerably more
light will be thrown on the matter.

While Dr. Scammell has made no
official statement as yet it is under-
stood that in his report tonight he will
say that when making the post-
mortem examination he found that the
nose had been fractured and another
wound received on the upper part of
the head. The positions of these
wounds are such that they could not
be caused by contact with any
one article, but they might be account-
ed for by a fall in which the deceased
man's head struck two objects or dif-
ferent parts of any one object. A fall
down stairs where his head would
come in contact with two or more
steps, or against the stove, should he
happen to strike first the top of the
stove and afterwards the pan in front
might have caused the wounds. This
shows that Oulton's death might pos-
sibly have been due to accident.

THE MAN KENDRICKS.

Thomas Gillespie today gave the Star
a detailed description of the man who
called himself Kendrick and who ap-
plied for a room in his house. Mr.
Gillespie says Kendrick was about
5 ft. 8 in. in height, but being a rather
slender build he seemed somewhat
taller. His complexion is dark and his
hair inclined to be curly. His face is
round rather than oval, with no
particularly prominent features. He
wears a dark moustache and is de-
scribed as a "dude." His hat was a
hard one with closely turned up rim
and the bow in the band on the hat
was worn on the right side instead of
the left as is usual. His coat was a
long dark one, made of light material,
with a high collar and somewhat re-
sembling a waterproof. When talking
Kendricks had a habit of keeping his
hands in his side pockets, but took
them out when he walked. His voice
was low and smooth and he was a
good talker.

In walking he carried
himself very straight and had the ap-
pearance of being well-to-do. One
evening when Kendrick had called at
the house Gillespie followed him as he
went away. The man turned down
Main street and after going a short
distance abruptly turned and retracing
his steps dodged into an alley in the
rear of Mahony's saloon. Mr. Gillespie
followed but could not find him.

A well-known North End citizen
spoke today of a man who lives at one
of the favorite up-river resorts, who
is well known to him, and who bears
a rather bad character. The descrip-
tion given of Kendrick would apply
to this man and during the past few
years his actions have been very
suspicious. He once served a term for
burglary and since living in New
Brunswick has on different occasions,
when in need of money gone away
from home for a few days and come
back with plenty of cash.

It was expected that the body of
Oulton would be buried today, but the
coroner has not yet granted the neces-
sary permit. The funeral will be to-
morrow and interment will be made in
Fernhill.

THIS WAS IN 1884.

The following is from an article in the
Coin Collector's Journal for February,
1884, and describes a visit to Oulton's
place:—

Our most curious adventure, how-
ever, took place today.

"Oliver," said my friend John, as
we sat at breakfast, "I have a treat
for you, my boy. I have just thought
of a curious old client of mine who is
half lunatic, half miser, who lives out
on the Mahogany road. He is called
'old Holt,' although his name is really
Johnson. He must have coins tucked
away, and tonight we'll pay him a
visit."

So as the shades of the evening fell
we went forth, and after some diffi-
culty found the house.

It was one of those half completed,
half ruinous wooden structures so
common in the maritime provinces;
the front windows were boarded up,
and no sign of life was visible.

Approaching the door, John gave a
thunderous knock with his cane. We
waited, but there was no response,
again and again he tapped, until I
thought he would beat the very panels
in.

"He never lets anyone in," he ex-
plained, "and it is only because I am
his counsellor, and know how his af-
fairs really stand, that I hope to be
more favored than his neighbors."

At last footsteps were heard ap-
proaching from within, betis and bars
were withdrawn, and the door slowly
opened, and a man appeared.

He was a singular figure, clothed in
leather breeches, and an old coat made
of a blanket, and having on his head a
heavy fur cap, although the weather
was oppressively warm, he looked
more like some far western trapper
than a dweller among civilized beings;
raising a guttering talow dip high
above us, so that he might see our
faces, he gruffly demanded our errand,
and the following conversation ensued:
"Good evening, Mr. Johnson."

"Oh! Squire H——, is that you?"

"Yes, I was passing with my friend,
and thought I'd give you a call."

"I don't want no callers, what be you
after?"

"I wanted to ask you if you had any
old coins," said he, suspiciously;
"what do you want with them?"
"I'm making a collection, and want
to see if I can't get hold of some that
I haven't got."

"Well, I may have a few, do you buy
'em?"

"Yes."
"Well, I never let no one come into
my house, but see! It's you, Mr. H——,
I don't mind. Come in, and I'll try
what I can find."

He threw open the door, and we en-
tered.

Now I thought I had seen abject
poverty in my rambles in New York,
but I had never seen the equal of this.
 ushering us into a large room, which
evidently served for kitchen, parlor
and bedroom in one, he introduced us
to his wife, a tall gaunt woman, whose
dress was not one whit behind her hus-
band's in peculiarity of style.

Furniture there was none, save a rick-
ety table, a stove and two old chairs;
a heap of straw in a corner served
them for a bed, (for they had no chil-
dren), and a glance at the table show-
ed that we had interrupted them in
their evening meal.

And what a repast! A bowl of melt-
ed fat and a great platter of Indian
mush—that was all! And yet this
man, my friend afterward informed
me, was worth over \$50,000.

We were in the house of a veritable
miser.

After many questions as to what we
paid for coins, etc., which John, by my
instructions, skillfully parried, he con-
ducted us into another apartment.

Here was furniture enough and to
spare, chairs, sofas, tables, mirrors, all
of the most expensive kind, piled one
above the other from the floor to the
ceiling, giving the room the appear-
ance of a second-hand dealer's shop,
but all hoarded, and nothing used.

Old Holt pulled out from this mass
a chest, and kneeling down, proceeded
to unlock it and raise the lid. Behind
him stood the plid wife, holding the
candle, which, casting its feeble light
upon her wrinkled features, and a pec-
uliar red turban that she wore on her
head, gave her the appearance of one
of the witches in Macbeth.

The chest was filled with curiosities
of all kinds, for old Holt had been a
great traveller in his day.

Chinese gods, curious fishes in bot-
tles, snake skins, whales' teeth, and
bugs of all kinds, not to forget a little
wash-leather bag of gold-dust, which
he informed us he had dug with his
own hands in California—we thought
the coins would never appear.

At last he found them, however, and
after much haggling, John purchased
the lot, and we took our departure,
well pleased at the results of our visit.

They were mostly foreign copper, but
from among them I got two very
fine Canadian medals of early date,
which in some curious way had drifted
into the old man's possession.

Obverse, Fame blowing a trumpet and
tying to the left above a precipice,
holding in the left hand a wreath; be-
low, in front of the British flag, a rib-
bon bearing the legend, Pariter in Bel-
la, stretched above a globe, bearing the
names Canada and America; to the
right, a grenadier; to the left, a sailor.
Crushed beneath the globe is a female
figure, representing Canada, her face
bearing an expression of agony; the
right hand pointing to a falling fleur-
de-lis, and the left to four small boats,
which are leaving the shore; T. Pingo P.

Reverse, Louisburg Taken MDCCLV.
III. Representation of the taking of
Louisburg by the British fleet.
Obverse, George II. King, laureled
head facing left.

Reverse, Canada Subdued. A female
figure, representing Canada, seated
weeping beneath a pine tree, behind
which is a beaver. In ex. MDCCCLX S.
P. A. C. in two lines.

These medals are originals and evi-
dently rare, and it was a matter of
much speculation upon the part of my
friend John as well as myself, during
our walk homeward, as to what pec-
uliar chain of circumstances could have
caused them to find their way to the
treasure chest of that perfect illustra-
tion of the typical miser, "Old Holt."

OLIVER OGILTREE.

A BLOODY BATTLE.

HONG KONG, April 25.—Advices re-
ceived here today from Wu Chou, un-
der date of Tuesday, April 22, an-
nounce that a bloody battle was then
proceeding between a force of imperial
troops on their way to Nan Ning and
a large force of rebels. The imperial
army attacked the rebels' encampment
in the Wu Chang hills, brought up two
Maxims and two twelve pounders and
finally scattered the rebels and cap-
tured their leader, Hung Yung Seng, who
was wounded. Subsequently the re-
bels captured two villages on the out-
skirts of Nan Ning and established
their headquarters in these villages.

TO CORNER EGGS.

CHICAGO, April 25.—The struggle
for the control of the eggs of the coun-
try has become the fiercest in the whole
range of farm products, says the
Record-Herald. Every corner of the
western states is being searched for
eggs by agents for Swift & Co., Armour
& Co., and a few smaller dealers who
have capital enough to enable them to
compete with these leaders of the
provision world. As a result of this
competition, prices paid to farmers are
rapidly advancing and every indica-
tion points to unprecedented high
prices for cold storage eggs next win-
ter.

BERESFORD ELECTED.

LONDON, April 25.—Rear Admiral
Lord Charles Beresford (Cons.) has
been elected without opposition to the
seat in the house of commons repre-
senting Woolwich, made vacant by the
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(Cons.)



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HOME INFLUENCE.

(Albia (Iowa) News.)

Some Albia women are forming a Come
Home Early club for their husbands. It's
about four feet long and shaped like a base-
ball bat.