

FIVE SLAIN ON  
LATELY FARM

Atrocious Murders  
by Two Swiss

PLANNED WEEKS  
France Astounded by Terrible  
Precocity of Young  
Criminals

LONDON, Dec. 29.—A revolting crime, planned and executed by youths of precocious criminal inclinations, was reported from Burgundy on Sunday. At July, a hamlet in the province, two Swiss lads massacred five of the inhabitants of a lonely farm. In a blooded greed of the farmer's savings. The crime was distinguished by unusual atrocity, being planned for weeks by two young cowards with no other motive than the desire of money. The lads, aged nineteen and sixteen, were engaged for outdoor work last week and boarded with the farmer and his wife. The household also including four little children, an old Italian man, a farm labourer, a boy employed as a shepherd, and a servant girl. The Swiss lads had given their satisfaction that when they asked a few days ago for their wages, they were presented by their kind master with double the amount due to them.

"As the family were about to sup on Friday evening the younger of the cowards asked the farmer, whose name was Verrieres, to go to see a sick bull which was in one of the stables. Hardly had he entered the stable when he had shot him in the neck with the neck with a revolver. Mrs. Verrieres coming up at the moment was likewise shot by the other coward.

Then the old Italian and the labourer were cut down with axes. The murderers, making their way to the house to seize the farmer's money, shot the servant at the door of the kitchen. They stabbed her and threw her body to a well. They had intended to kill a farm boy named Imbert, but only stunned him, and he was able to reach a neighboring farm and give the alarm.

THE ALARM.  
The occupant of the neighboring farm, M. Didier, answering a knock on his door, opened it, to behold Imbert, his face covered with blood, crying: "They are killing them all over there with their red axes, and they wanted to kill me too." M. Didier took two of his servants and hurried off to the farmhouse. The first thing they saw was the corpse of the farm hand, Bonny, lying in a shed.

On reaching the house he tripped over the dead body of the farmer, and, hearing a groan, he proceeded to the stable, where Mrs. Verrieres was cowering with the corpse of her husband near her. A knife lay close to the well, and on looking in, M. Didier perceived the body of the servant girl. In touching contact to the ghastly spectacle the four little children, were discovered in the dining-room, waiting for their supper, and their parents were nowhere to be seen, and Imbert, the little shepherd, related how they called him to look at some strange cart which was passing on the road, and suddenly saw the younger coward, one of the Swiss lads, with a bloodstained axe, which he raised over his head. Imbert darted off, but was wounded in the face, and trampled on with heavy sabots as he lay on the ground, until one of the Swiss cried: "Leave him, he is done for."

The crime had been carefully thought out for some time. Imbert remembers how that the two Swiss cowards tried to make him, their accomplice some time ago. They asked him whether he would like to be rich, and listed him the farmer had nearly a week locked up, but Imbert did not understand what they were hinting at, and they afterwards let him alone.

Meanwhile the Dijon police were active, all the residences of the district were searched, and the railway stationmasters were warned. That the two Swiss lads intended to cross the frontier was quite clear, and the officers had need to all hands, once across, their extradition could not have been applied for. On Sunday evening, however, they were taken at Saint-Innemer, where they were hiding in a wood.

The fugitives were first seen by a man who was out shooting, and who, suspecting that they were the culprits, followed his gun at them. He ordered them to walk before him to the village, where they were arrested by the gendarmes.

"WITHOUT MORAL SENSE."  
Amazing confidence has inspired the attitude of the two lads since their arrest. They merely complained of being tried when they were caught, and asked if they were to be sent to their homes in Switzerland. The operations of measuring and photographing them for identification afforded them considerable amusement, and to the police they described calmly and minutely, with every appearance of satisfaction, the terrible slaughter on the farm. They are officially described as being "totally devoid of moral sense." A letter was found upon them showing that they had planned another similar crime which had not been carried out.

MAD LOVE FOR  
YOUNG PIANIST

Countess Follows  
Him to England

ATTEMPT TO KIDNAP  
Wild Night Ride Round  
London in Infatuated  
Woman's Motor

LONDON, Dec. 29.—Behind the following advertisement, which appeared in the "personal" column of Tuesday's papers, lies an astonishing story of a wealthy woman's infatuation of a young musician:

"Will anyone who saw a clean-shaven man, almost shaved, who walked outside Frascati's restaurant, by a handsome and well-dressed man, on Tuesday, Nov. 20, about midnight, communicate with Mr. Bidden, Stead, solicitor, 11, St. Martin's-court, Westminster?"

A newspaper representative has ascertained that Mr. Magnus de Laine, a talented young New Zealand pianist, on his way back to England after a most successful tour in the Colonies, gave a recital in Vienna. Whilst there he was the object of considerable attention on the part of a number of female admirers.

One of them, a certain countess, a beautiful brunette of thirty or thirty-five, fell madly in love with the handsome young pianist with the wonderful eyes, and her attentions became so pressing that Mr. De Laine's friends "sprung" him away to England.

The countess was inconsolable, but when she heard that he was to play at St. James's Hall she hurried to England as fast as express and mail packets could bring her.

When Mr. De Laine stepped on the platform he was dismayed to find a prominent seat in the stalls had been taken for him. He was at supper at Frascati's with his mother and his agent, the lady appeared and took a seat at an adjoining table.

After supper she followed the party out into the street, and, addressing the pianist's mother, asked that she might be allowed a few moments' conversation with her son. Consent was so soon given that the infatuated woman seized the young man by his shoulders, pinned him against the wall, passionately declared her love for him, and begged him to elope with her in her car, a large high-topper one which was waiting close by.

After some struggling he was freed from the lady's embraces and hustled into a taxi-cab.

WAVELE SAYS CANADA  
WILL BE A GREAT EMPIRE

Predicts Wonderful Migration From United States in the Next Fifty Years—

Interviewed in New York  
(New York Herald.)

Expressing the conviction that within the next fifty years the surplus population of the United States would be forced to migrate to Canada, Mr. Jas. Donville, of St. John, N. B., member of the Canadian senate, in New York, last night, discussed present conditions in Canada. Mr. Donville has served thirty-seven years in the Dominion parliament and is exceedingly well informed upon Canadian affairs and their relation to the future of Canada and the United States. Incidentally, he predicted that Canada would become a great empire.

"Within the next fifty years," he said, "the United States will find it impossible to provide room for the settlers who seek homes within its borders. Canada is awaiting that time, for its undeveloped territory will be the magnet that will draw the overflow from the United States. We like Americans and their spirit of enterprise, and while our great Northwest is filling with Americans there is ample room for millions more, and the sooner they come the better we will be pleased."

"American capital is flooding the Canadian Northwest a profitable field for investment. Immense sums have been invested in timber lands, and the finest sawmills and railroads in the country are owned by Americans. There is much to be said about an export duty on wood pulp and pulp wood, but if such a duty is levied it will be a conservation measure, not in retaliation against the United States. If the United States needs our pulp it will come to us and pay our price, to our mutual advantage, just as we come to the United States for steel rails or any other commodity we need. We have no protective tariff in Canada, our tariff being for revenue only."

Mr. Donville said further that he did not favor the plan to establish a fleet for Canada in existing conditions. "It is, he argued, become antiquated within a few years, but the money required to build them never becomes too old for general use. There is no doubt that the Canadian fleet, if cut loose from the mother country, to join the United States in an alliance of peace and business unity, or to carry on a war against England, would be a great asset to both countries. While Mr. Donville expressed the belief that a Canadian empire would come, there was no way, he said, to tell how the Canadian fleet would be used to occupy North America before the end of the twentieth century would view the project.

per after due allowance is made for the motion of our planet, and by the same methods that have shown that the stars are drifting, we have learned that the sun is drifting in a direction, urging its way in the direction of the bright star Vega.

In one of his lectures, Professor Newcomb once remarked that he never felt a more delicious sense of repose than when, crossing the ocean during the summer, he could find a place on deck where he could be alone and enjoy the starlit heavens. Looking up at Vega, with Vega near the south, while later, when the clock of the engines, he tried to calculate the hundreds of millions of years the ship had been on its way, he made the same journey as the sun.

But the journey is one in which we are all unconsciously engaged, on our great ship Earth, as it circles the sun, which is drifting forward in the solemn procession of stars in the solemn imaginings of eastern lands, with their magic horses and enchanted spirits, and in comparison with the story told by the face of space, a railway train is a mere speck of matter, with no destination that will ever be reached, and how the celestial journey will end, even science cannot tell.

"A most fascinating discovery has been made by Professor Ross regarding a moving object of nine stars in the constellation of Orion. These stars represent literally a light of suns, all drifting in the same direction, with an average velocity of about twenty-five miles a second. These stars, marching in a widely extended ranks, by concerted plan, along a prescribed track, under the guidance of a moving object of nine stars in the constellation of Orion. These stars represent literally a light of suns, all drifting in the same direction, with an average velocity of about twenty-five miles a second. These stars, marching in a widely extended ranks, by concerted plan, along a prescribed track, under the guidance of a moving object of nine stars in the constellation of Orion.

LOST ALL HE OWNED  
WHEN HIS HOME BURNED

James Howell, of Pateraville, Had Narrow Escape—Three Hundred Dollars in Cash Gone.

Residents of Queens county who arrived in the city yesterday, brought word of a destructive fire at Pateraville. The dwelling of James Howell, an aged resident of the village, who he had lived in for many years, was completely destroyed. The occupant lost all his furniture and a purse containing \$300, representing his savings. The old man and his niece had scarcely time to escape from the house before it was in ashes. Mr. Howell has for a number of years conducted a grocery store at Pateraville.

The blaze originated from the stove-pipe near the front of the house, but did not start a fire had started. The old gentleman went to investigate and found the second story of the house was in ashes. The purse containing the \$300 was burned. Mr. Howell saved the \$100, but he had no insurance on his stock. The loss will be a heavy one to the old gentleman.

WEDDINGS

BROOKS-NEWMAN.  
BROOKLYN, N.Y., Dec. 28.—A pretty home wedding was that in this city on Saturday evening, when Miss Rose Newman, of No. 146 Hill avenue, this city, was united in marriage to Mr. Walter Brooks, of St. John, New Brunswick. The scene of the ceremony was in the front parlor of the Newman home, which was greatly decorated with flags, bunting, palms and ferns for the occasion. The Rev. Dr. Newell, the spiritual director, presided at the conclusion a reception followed, and the newly-wedded couple left on their honeymoon for a trip to Washington, D. C. and other surrounding places of that city.

DEATHS

MRS. JOHN HOPKINS.  
The death took place yesterday morning at her residence, 112 Union street, of Mrs. Sarah E. Hopkins, widow of John Hopkins. Mrs. Hopkins was native of England, was 67 years old and had been a resident of this city for many years. She leaves one brother and one sister, both in England, and a daughter, Mrs. M. G. Hopkins, of St. John, N. B. The funeral will be held at Bellevue, Ont. The deceased lady was highly esteemed by all who knew her.

GEORGE WALLACE BAIRD.  
CHIPPAN, N. B., Dec. 27.—George Wallace Baird, third son of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac W. Baird, died early Friday morning, the 24th instant, after a very brief illness of irremediable origin. He was scarcely four years old, a bright, intelligent child, showing wisdom beyond his years; exceptionally loving and obedient; a favorite in his home, among his friends and in his Sunday school class, where he will be greatly missed by his teacher and his friends. The funeral was held Sunday afternoon at half-past one and was largely attended. The services were conducted by Rev. D. McD. Clark.

DR. F. R. L. SECORD.  
The death is announced in New York of Dr. Fred R. L. Secord, eldest son of the late Jas. F. Secord, of this city. He is survived by his wife, one son and three daughters. Dr. Charles A. Secord of New York, J. Edmund Secord of Montreal, and George Secord of this city, are half brother and sister of the deceased. News of Dr. Secord's death was a great shock to his relatives, who had no word of his illness, and so presume his death must have been sudden. Many friends in St. John will read the news with regret. Dr. Secord's wife was a Montreal lady.

PLUNGED THROUGH  
ICE INTO RIVER  
NEWCASTLE, N. B., Dec. 28.—Last night near midnight Walter Scott of Montreal and a friend, Mr. Gould, returning from Charlton Drive through the ice between Newcastle and Nelson and had a narrow escape. Their shouts attracted Newcastle men, whose assistance they were required. Their horse, which had been in the water for twenty-five minutes, was rescued with great difficulty and danger as the ice was very thin. The horse belonged to Sergeant Stables. Mr. Scott, owned by the John Russell Company of Halifax, which was sunk by having been listed in the recent severe storm so as to admit water through the pipe under the guard, has been successfully raised and damage was found to be slight.

SANTAGO, Cuba, Dec. 29.—William J. Bryan sailed from here today for Jamaica.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—An invitation to address the Royal Geographical Society of Antwerp, Belgium, was received today by Commander Robt. E. Peary.

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GRAFT PROSECUTOR  
CHARGED WITH GRAFT  
Francis J. Haney Enters Action for Libel  
Against a California Millionaire.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—The formal complaint in the damage-suit of Francis J. Haney, the prosecutor in the San Francisco graft case, against William H. Crocker, the California millionaire, for \$250,000, on an allegation of libel, was filed here yesterday. Mr. Haney bases his action on an open letter bearing Mr. Crocker's name, which appeared in a New York evening newspaper on December 1, in which Mr. Crocker defended his action in first supporting Haney prosecution, and later withdrawing his support.

James M. Beck, counsel for Mr. Haney, said yesterday: "As soon as Mr. Crocker's letter was published, Mr. Haney telegraphed me to bring this suit. Mr. Haney, who nearly gave his life to the cause of exposing corruption in San Francisco, desires to settle once and for all time the question as to whether he conducted the prosecutions against the San Francisco grafters in an honorable and legitimate way. In the heat of the great contest in San Francisco many charges were made by irresponsible men against Mr. Haney, but when Mr. Crocker assumed responsibility for these charges and gave them wide circulation in a responsible organ of public opinion, Mr. Haney felt that his opportunity had come to have a jury of his fellow-countrymen determine the justice or injustice of the accusations against him."

In San Francisco the graft prosecutions have so divided its people into hostile camps that it would seem to be a matter of exceeding difficulty to secure a jury which would consider the questions involved with absolute impartiality. In New York, however, there can be no selfish interests in the issue, which grew out of the San Francisco graft case, and here, therefore, a jury can be selected which can impartially and fearlessly judge between Mr. Crocker's grave accusations and Mr. Haney's account of his stewardship as a public official.

SACKVILLE BIDDING  
FOR A NEW INDUSTRY  
Inventor of a Ball-bearing Wheel is Looking for the Best Terms.

SACKVILLE, N. B., Dec. 29.—Will the Pickering wheel be manufactured in Sackville? That is the question which brought F. G. Pickering and J. T. Cummings of New Glasgow to Sackville last evening to meet the new industries committee of the Board of Trade. It is possible that as a result of the discussion which took place and of another interview which is planned for next week the town may soon see the establishment of another industry. The wheel is the invention of Pickering, who is himself a Yorkshire man. It is a roller-bearing wheel and has many other new and strong points which make it far superior to the ordinary make of wheel. Pickering and Cummings are looking for a place in which to start a factory for the manufacture of the wheel. New Glasgow wants the plant. Amherst is seeking to have the location there. Moncton would also like the factory. Amherst and Sackville is not letting any possible new industries pass unheeded.

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CARDINAL SATOLLI  
IS NEARING THE END  
ROME, Dec. 29.—Cardinal Satolli, who is ill with nephritis, is failing rapidly today. Life is being prolonged only by the artificial administration of oxygen.

Advertisement for S. Kerr, Principal, featuring a portrait and text.