

BRIDGE REVERSED, LOUDER GIRL, FALLS AT SUICIDE

Gordon Dibsdaie, Aged 24, Shoots 16-Year-Old Christina Near With Shot Gun and Turns Weapon on Himself, But His Wounds Are Slight

TRAGEDY ON STREET AT ST. JAMES AND ADELAIDE

Slayer, Who, According to the Victim's Brother, Admitted Crime, Is Now in Victoria Hospital Under Police Guard

Riddled with shot fired at close range from a 12-gauge shot gun in the hands of her admirer, pretty 16-year-old Christina Near, daughter of William H. Near, 886 1/2 Adelaide street, died at 5.25 yesterday afternoon on a lawn near the corner of St. James and Adelaide streets.

Gordon Dibsdaie, aged 24, of 284 Oak lane avenue, who fired the fatal shot, walked down the street a few paces and, placing the gun against his side, pulled the trigger. The charge of buckshot entered his watch and set fire to his clothes, but beyond a few minor flesh wounds did no harm.

WANTED TO MARRY

Dibsdaie, who was employed at the car barns at nights as a repair man, had been calling on Miss Near for about two months. He was well liked and, desperately in love with her and recently had been so insistent upon marriage that his attentions became annoying.

WOMEN APPREHENSIVE

About 5.20 p.m. when he was coming up Adelaide street and at once started southward to meet her. The meeting took place about 150 feet north of the corner of St. James and Adelaide streets.

GAMBLING CHARGE FALLS THROUGH

Prove To Court No Money Was Used.

LITTLE GAME OF CASINO

Constable Positive He Saw Sparkle of Silver.

PULLED THE TRIGGER

Dibsdaie walked a few paces southward and then placing the shot gun just above his heart pulled the trigger. A watch in the breast pocket of the coat received most of the charge, a few of the shot inflicting minor wounds.

FOR TWO MONTHS

"Dibsdaie had been coming to our house to see my sister for about two months," said William Near, brother of the dead girl, to the Free Press. "He appeared to be a respectable young man of sort of chap. Lately he had been bothering her very much about getting married. She told him she was too young to even think of it, but he would not take no for an answer and they had several arguments about the matter recently."

P. C. Inch, of the motor cycle squad, had passed the scene of the shooting just a few minutes before. A hurry call was sent to the police station by neighbors, but people in the vicinity state that it was fully 15 minutes before any officers arrived.

DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE ACTIVE

LABOR OUTLOOK GOOD

COMING FROM WORK

RAMBLING AROUND WITH OLD DOC. PEP

June 1.—The news is that the Central Collegiate Institute is mighty like to be seized for debts and Col. Pence who lives near there grows the story for the reason that he considers it highly unlikely.

TRIED TO STOP HIM

Mr. H. Dawson, 329 Rattle street, who was passing at the time, made an attempt to prevent Dibsdaie from shooting himself, but could not reach him in time.

FATHER'S FAREWELL

Yesterday morning the father of the dead girl, who planned a trip to Victoria, kissed his daughter good-bye as she left for work. He did not intend leaving until the 5.40 G. T. R. train, but knew that this would be the last time he would see her before he left, and this was the last time he saw her alive.

As he boarded the train for Windsor he was notified by Gordon Waide, who hurried to the depot, that his daughter had been shot.

J. E. Dibsdaie, father of Gordon Dibsdaie, sobbed bitterly as he looked at his son through bars in the cage room at Victoria Hospital last night. He was not permitted to enter the room by the officer who closely guards Dibsdaie.

All veterans of the war remember many preliminary lectures on how their uniforms were made to be discarded.

Much talk occasioned by the mayor flatly contradicting a social woman who says that the city's morals are at a low ebb.

ACTING AGAINST FURNITURE FIRM

Suit For \$4,000 Entered Against Middlesex Company.

IN THE SUPREME COURT

Alec Leitch and James Gore, of Strathroy, Plaintiffs.

NO WAGE CUT FOR MAINTENANCE MEN

Canadian Railways Not Expected to Follow Suit of U. S. Lines.

Maintenance of way men on all Canadian railways have received an indirect wage cut through the abolishing of the eight-hour day.

Is no longer a novelty. Your neighbor gets tired of demonstrating his. You can now install your own at a small cost, and if you buy quickly you will have the advantage of the Free Press Broadcasting Service.

MADE IN CANADA

Complete with antenna and ready to install. Absolutely no extras.

School Picnic Street Car Schedule To Springbank

No Action Pending Conference With Board of Education.

REDUCE HOSPITAL EXPENSE

Health Officer To Have Control of Indigent Patients.

On the suggestion of Ald. Cunningham that no unnecessary expenditures should be permitted in connection with the school building program in the annex, No. 1 committee last night refused to grant any debenture issue pending a conference with the Board of Education.

There is no information there regarding public schools. We had better call Mr. Tanner's attention to that," suggested Mayor Wilson.

Do you know the city is paying for public schools of the annex \$12,124 more than the total amount of the taxes collected in that section?" queried Ald. Cunningham.

HOW ABOUT NEW SCHOOL?

"Yes, the board finds that the old Victoria School is quite all right for the present," declared Mayor Wilson.

INVESTIGATE MARKET

After listening to the complaint of a local grocer regarding conditions on the market, the committee decided that an investigation be made into the matter.

GRANTS RECOMMENDED

The following grants were recommended to the Council. All are provided for in the estimates: Victorian Order of Nurses, \$1,000, and \$300 for the purchase of a motor car.

COAL and WOOD

School Picnic Street Car Schedule To Springbank

No Action Pending Conference With Board of Education.

REDUCE HOSPITAL EXPENSE

Health Officer To Have Control of Indigent Patients.

On the suggestion of Ald. Cunningham that no unnecessary expenditures should be permitted in connection with the school building program in the annex, No. 1 committee last night refused to grant any debenture issue pending a conference with the Board of Education.

There is no information there regarding public schools. We had better call Mr. Tanner's attention to that," suggested Mayor Wilson.

Do you know the city is paying for public schools of the annex \$12,124 more than the total amount of the taxes collected in that section?" queried Ald. Cunningham.

HOW ABOUT NEW SCHOOL?

"Yes, the board finds that the old Victoria School is quite all right for the present," declared Mayor Wilson.

INVESTIGATE MARKET

After listening to the complaint of a local grocer regarding conditions on the market, the committee decided that an investigation be made into the matter.

GRANTS RECOMMENDED

The following grants were recommended to the Council. All are provided for in the estimates: Victorian Order of Nurses, \$1,000, and \$300 for the purchase of a motor car.

COAL and WOOD

40 CARS GOAL FOR GRAND TRUNK

Reserve Drawn On For Locomotive Fuel.

STRIKE LONG DRAWN OUT

No Information As To When Work Will Resume.

Another large supply of coal was today received by the Grand Trunk Railway from the Western lines, a train of more than 40 cars arriving in London at noon.

Officials of the railways are in hopes that the miners' strike will come to an end shortly so that they will be in a position to receive a quantity of coal to be used in the fall and winter months.

BULGARIAN PEASANTS ADJOURN CONFERENCE

MANITOBA NOMINATIONS

Winnipeg, Man., June 1.—The following U. F. M. nominations for the forthcoming provincial elections were reported last night:

Winnipeg, Man., June 1.—The following U. F. M. nominations for the forthcoming provincial elections were reported last night:

Winnipeg, Man., June 1.—The following U. F. M. nominations for the forthcoming provincial elections were reported last night:

Winnipeg, Man., June 1.—The following U. F. M. nominations for the forthcoming provincial elections were reported last night:

Winnipeg, Man., June 1.—The following U. F. M. nominations for the forthcoming provincial elections were reported last night:

Winnipeg, Man., June 1.—The following U. F. M. nominations for the forthcoming provincial elections were reported last night:

Winnipeg, Man., June 1.—The following U. F. M. nominations for the forthcoming provincial elections were reported last night:

Winnipeg, Man., June 1.—The following U. F. M. nominations for the forthcoming provincial elections were reported last night:

Winnipeg, Man., June 1.—The following U. F. M. nominations for the forthcoming provincial elections were reported last night:

Winnipeg, Man., June 1.—The following U. F. M. nominations for the forthcoming provincial elections were reported last night:

Winnipeg, Man., June 1.—The following U. F. M. nominations for the forthcoming provincial elections were reported last night:

Winnipeg, Man., June 1.—The following U. F. M. nominations for the forthcoming provincial elections were reported last night:

Winnipeg, Man., June 1.—The following U. F. M. nominations for the forthcoming provincial elections were reported last night:

Winnipeg, Man., June 1.—The following U. F. M. nominations for the forthcoming provincial elections were reported last night:

Winnipeg, Man., June 1.—The following U. F. M. nominations for the forthcoming provincial elections were reported last night:

Winnipeg, Man., June 1.—The following U. F. M. nominations for the forthcoming provincial elections were reported last night:

QUALITY SERVICE PRICE. Use ELASTIC Products. For Satisfactory Results. When refinishing your car use Kwikk Work Auto Finishes. SOLD ONLY AT THE PAINT STORE. Scott Paint-Varnish Co. Retail and Wholesale. 398 Clarence Street, Just Off Dundas. Phone 5870.

De Luxe Cafe. BEST FOOD. DELICIOUS MUSIC. DANCE AFTER THE SHOW. 180-2 DUNDAS STREET. Bert Thomas, Manager.

Clark's Economy Stores. FRIDAY, SATURDAY AND MONDAY'S BARGAIN LIST: Canned Corn, standard quality, 2 tins for 25c. Canned Peas, standard quality, per tin 25c. Canned Tomatoes, per tin 28c.

PETER FARGNOLI Coal and Wood Cartage. Local and Long-Distance Hauling. 601 Adelaide Street. Phone 6418. Phone Calls Daily Only.

COAL and WOOD. D. H. GILLIES & SON. Cor. Adelaide and St. Hurst. Phone 1818.

Automobile Insurance COMPLETE COVERING. F. J. HAMMOND & SON. Royal Bank Building. Phone 977.

COAL HUNT BROS. Fresh mined supply; all sizes now on hand. Phone 412. 276 WATERLOO STREET.

PURE CASTLE SOAP. Long bars, each 17c. Friday, Saturday and Monday.

CLARK'S ECONOMY STORES. 719 RICHMOND STREET. 574 ADELAIDE STREET. 764 DUNDAS STREET. 169 ADELAIDE STREET.

O'Brien College. 461 RICHMOND ST., LONDON. Are you interested in telegraphy, wireless or commercial bookkeeping, stenography, etc.? If so, join our day or night classes. College opens all summer.