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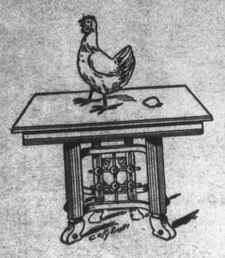

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HOLMES GUILTY

The Verdict a Surprise to Many People.

THE JURY WERE UNANIMOUS.

A Decision Reached by Them as Soon as They Entered Their Room—Holmes Retains His Nerve—Application Made for a New Trial.

Philadelphia, Nov. 2.—Seats in the Criminal Court were at a higher premium yesterday morning than at any time since the Holmes trial began. The series of theatrical incidents which crowded upon one another all week, culminating in Friday's climax, when without evidence, relying on the supposed weakness of the Commonwealth's case, had such an effect on the public that before 7 o'clock yesterday morning there was a pushing, surging crowd in the corridors, waiting and hoping to gain entrance.

Contrary to all expectations, the consensus of opinion on Friday and yesterday morning seemed to be that Holmes would be acquitted. Nine out of every ten persons questioned on the subject, be they lawyers or laymen, agreed that the murder of Pietzel had not been brought home to him beyond a reasonable doubt. Even bets were being freely made on his acquittal. When the jury filed into court a moment after ten o'clock yesterday morning they looked tired and unkempt, and there was a perceptible growth of beard on every cheek.

At 10.15 o'clock Mr. Rotan, junior counsel for the defence, came into court, and asked Judge Arnold for a few moments' indulgence, saying that he had just received word from a neighbouring drug store that his colleague, Mr. Shoemaker, was ill there, and he desired to join him. Mr. Rotan himself showed the strain under which he has laboured. Dark rings encircled his eyes, and his face was pale. He returned a half hour later, and said he had found Mr. Shoemaker under the care of a physician, suffering from complete nervous prostration. He called this to the attention of the court in view of a point of law regarding the Commonwealth's right to make the closing address to the jury, when the defence presented no evidence. Mr. Graham, however, ended the question by offering to waive his right to the last speech, and there will be but one address on each side instead of two by the prosecution.

Mr. Graham's address was begun at 10.55 o'clock. He opened by referring to the relief with which the jury must contemplate the approaching end of the trial. "I am going to ask you," he continued, "to give me your best attention, and your best thought, while I reason with you about the evidence. The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is the prosecution in this case, and it asks no victim. If you are satisfied when we have done that this prisoner did not commit this crime, you must and ought to acquit him. My task is to point out from the evidence the fact conclusively that this prisoner at the bar did this murder—so conclusively that there must be no doubt lurking in your mind—so that you, as conscientious jurors, shall find but one verdict, a verdict of murder in the first degree. The Commonwealth is bound to prove its case from the initial step down to the last syllable of evidence. The Commonwealth has done so. One by one we have established each link, making the chain complete and perfect." "This strange trial is drawing rapidly to a close. The question is, has the Commonwealth made out its case? I have tried to convince you that it has. I appeal to your manhood to do what is right. As the crier asks you, so do I say, 'Stand together, good men and true.' I know the courage required for your duty. I ask you to stand as men, and if you believe this man is guilty, aye, though it involve death, be true to your conscience, and find a true and a just verdict. I ask you to do your duty as men, even though it be repellant. To face the issue, to face the duty, and accept the consequences like men. If you have a doubt this man is entitled to the benefit of it; but not such a doubt as arises from the performance of an unpleasant duty. I ask you to remember this testimony; I ask you to remember that it is uncontradicted, unchallenged, admitted. In the face of that testimony there can be but one conclusion—that this man is guilty in the manner and form as he stands indicted."

When court reconvened there was not an inch of space in the court-room or the gallery above that was not occupied, and the doors were locked to prevent the entrance of more. One of the peculiar features of the trial has been the number of society women present to witness the proceedings, and yesterday there were more than ever before. In ordinary murder trials there are few, if any, women present. The afternoon session was begun at a quarter to three o'clock, when Mr. Rotan, after a moment's conversation with Holmes, began the argument for the defence. He was very pale, but self-possessed, and received admiration for the pluck and endurance with which he fought practically single-handed against the mighty force of the Commonwealth's evidence, and the skill and experience of the district attorney. His colleague, Mr. Shoemaker, who throughout has taken the inferior part in the conduct of the case, was absent on account of his illness, and Mr. Rotan was entirely alone. There was a pathetic note in the way he began. "Gentlemen of the jury, there is probably no one in this court-room who can fully appreciate the responsibility that rests upon my shoulders. Yet each of you have a much greater responsibility." He immediately entered upon a discussion of the evidence, and said the defence plainly admitted that the body found in the Cohowhill street house was that of Pietzel, and that he and Holmes had been conspiring to defraud insurance companies, and at the time of this occurrence had such a scheme on hand. They also admitted, Mr. Rotan said, the story of Holmes' wanderings around the country with Mrs. Pietzel. They had offered no defence because of their confidence that the Commonwealth had not made out its case, and when the jury had analysed the evidence they would find the facts more consistent with the theory of suicide than murder.

Mr. Rotan concluded his address at 4.30 o'clock, and Judge Arnold charged the jury. He began with the usual definition of the various degrees of murder and manslaughter, and read several passages from the penal code of Pennsylvania. He instructed the jury to direct their thoughts to the question whether the prisoner had committed murder, and if so, of what degree. "If the Commonwealth had proved that it was a wilful, deliberate, and premeditated murder, then he was guilty of murder in the first degree. A number of witnesses have been called, and the testimony is known as circumstantial. Of this kind of testimony I will say many of the most important cases are proved by such evidence. I do not think I exaggerate when I say half of them are decided on such evidence. All evidence is more or less circumstantial. The difference is only in the degree of it." After reciting illustrations of this the judge continued:—"In the case of killing by poison, experience shows that nearly all such cases are proved by circumstantial evidence. These questions must be determined by you in this case:—First, is Pietzel dead? Second, did he die a violent death? Third, If he did, did the prisoner kill him, or did he commit suicide?" The judge reviewed the evidence at length, and, continuing, said:—"Now, was it a suicide or a murder? It is argued by the counsel for the prisoner that it was suicide. If it was so the natural impulse would have been to notify the police upon discovering the body. But he says he did not do so because he wanted to make it appear as an explosion, so as to defraud the insurance company. The next step was told by Miss Yoke. The prisoner cross-examined her himself." Here the judge quoted from her testimony concerning Holmes' return to the Eleventh street house on Sunday afternoon of the murder. "If upon all the evidence you are satisfied that Pietzel was killed by Holmes, by means of chloroform, it is a case of murder in the first degree. If persuaded by the argument of the counsel that it was suicide, and not murder, then you must acquit. If, after hearing this testimony, you are unable to make up your minds that he is guilty; if you feel a hesitancy, a doubt, you must give him the benefit of the doubt, and acquit him; if not, you must find him guilty of murder in the first degree. If you have any impressions in your minds of anything read in the newspaper or spoken in this court about cases other than the one on trial, the murder of B. F. Pietzel, pray dismiss them from your minds, and consider the case with the utmost care. You may now retire and consider your verdict."

Thus, at 5.40 o'clock in the afternoon, Holmes' fate passed into the hands of the jury.

Henry H. Holmes was convicted of murder in the first degree at 8.51 o'clock last night for killing Benjamin F. Pietzel. He coughed slightly when he heard the word. That was the only sign. The jury retired to deliberate at 5.40 o'clock in the afternoon. According to one of their number they had reached their verdict before the doors of their room closed upon them. For hunger's sake they ate their supper first. Then they took a ballot, and without hesitation every man of the twelve answered "Guilty of murder in the first degree." But however atrocious the crime, however fiendish the criminal, it is hard to send a man to the gallows in one minute's time. So, for decency's sake, they talked about the case for a seemly period, about an hour and a half. Then word was sent into the court that they had agreed. This was at 8.15 o'clock. It took a half hour to get the court in readiness to receive the verdict. Such things are not done too quickly. Holmes spoke to his counsel, Rotan and Shoemaker, in the cell-room before he was taken back to Moyamensing prison. To them he said:—"I feel that this condemns me. It was an unjust trial." He would say no more than that. Immediately after the announcement of the verdict, the usual application for leave to file a motion for a new trial was made. District Attorney Graham did not oppose the motion, and Judge Arnold fixed the 18th of this month for a hearing. The principal reason urged will be lack of time for the preparation of the defence. Should a new trial be refused, an appeal will be taken to the Supreme Court, and argument heard at its next sitting in this city, January, 1896. So, even if everything goes against him, Holmes has yet some time to spend on the earth from which he is alleged to have sent so many fellow-mortals. The verdict was a surprise to many persons, who did not believe the crime had been fastened upon Holmes beyond a reasonable doubt. When these heard it they said:—"Well, it was on general principles, and it's just as good." That is not the meaning of the law, but in this case everybody agrees that "it's just as good." Up in Gilmanton, N.H., there are two old people, his father and mother. And he has also two brothers and two sisters. Not one of his kin was heard from during the trial. When the jury went out, an indefinite recess was taken. Judge Arnold said he would remain in the building until midnight if necessary, and if no verdict had been reached by that time he would come to court at 10 o'clock this morning. Nobody believed there would be occasion for this. There were many bets made that the verdict would not be in last night, and more as to its nature. At twenty minutes to nine there was a bustle of movement in the packed court-room, and it became known that the jury was coming in. A moment later Judge Arnold took his seat. District Attorney Graham and his assistants entered, and the jury filed solemnly in, and took their seats in the box. Then, amid an oppressive silence, Holmes was brought in and placed in the dock. For a moment there was not a sound. The silence was literally painful, and every heart in that crowded room throbbed faster. The man who was about to hear his doom pronounced stood erect in the dock, with the same death-like pallor, which could grow no deeper, on his face. He stared at the jury blankly, his hands clasped behind his back. Once or twice he moistened his lips with his tongue. There was no other sign of agitation. Then from the deep-voiced court clerk came the awful words:—"Jurors, look upon the prisoner; prisoner, look upon the jurors. How say you, gentlemen of the jury? Do you find the prisoner at the bar, Herman W. Mudgett, alias H. H. Holmes, guilty of the murder of Benjamin F. Pietzel, or not guilty?" The condemning syllables came promptly from the foreman, "Guilty of murder in the first degree." "Hem," uttered Holmes, clearing his throat, but his shrunken form never trembled, his lips betrayed no emotion, his marvellous nerve had not forsaken him. There was only a tighter clasp of the hands folded behind him. Then he slowly sat down, and at the request of counsel, the jury was polled. As each name was called Holmes wrote it on the margin of a newspaper in his hand, and the fingers holding the pencil did not shake. The verdict was formally read by the court. The motion for a new trial was received, and after Judge Arnold had spoken a word of regret to counsel for the defence because of last Monday's occurrence, when they withdrew from the case, and appreciation for their arduous but fruitless labours, Holmes was taken to his cell-room, and a few moments later to the prison. Then the jury were thanked for their attention and labours, and sent home, the court adjourned, and the most extraordinary case in the annals of American courts was ended.

Mr. Haggart and Dr. Montague will address a meeting at Smith's Falls on November 14th.

A vault in the Roman Catholic cemetery at Kingston was broken into on Saturday night, and two bodies were carried off. There is no clue to the perpetrators, but medical students are blamed.

A New Line to Montreal.

New York, Nov. 1.—Dr. W. Seward Webb, President of the St. Lawrence & Adirondack Railroad, has arranged for a new line to Montreal. He is to lease in perpetuity a branch of the G. T. R. from Valleyfield, a point north of Malone and near the present terminus of the St. Lawrence & Adirondack, to Beauharnois, Que., this branch being about ten miles long. He will then build a line twenty miles long from Beauharnois to Caughnawaga, where the new Canadian Pacific Railway bridge crosses the St. Lawrence. From Caughnawaga he will use the Canadian Pacific tracks to Montreal. The line to be constructed, for which contracts are already being let, is to be known as the Southwestern Railway. It is intended that the line shall be ready for use next summer.

TOPICS OF A WEEK.

The Important Events in a Few Words For Busy Readers.

CANADIAN.

Burglaries are becoming numerous in St. Mary's.

A free dairy school is to be established at Winnipeg by the Manitoba Government.

The petition for the curfew bell will shortly be presented to the London City Council.

Curran, the Dominion Goverment employe at Regina, charged with incendiarism, has been sentenced to five years.

Mrs. Andrew, the fifth victim of the fire at the Queen's hotel in Hamilton ten days ago, died on Saturday at the hospital.

The report of Engineer Keating on Hamilton's water works recommends changes that will cost the city about $275,000.

The eighteenth annual convention of the W. C. T. U. of Ontario closed its sessions Friday in Hamilton. It was decided to meet next year in Pembroke.

The Executive Committee of the Toronto City Council, refused by six votes to three to submit to the popular vote a by-law for closing saloons 9 p.m.

A Brooklyn, N.Y., manfacturer of vaseline, visited Ottawa last week to interview the Government and to suggest a change in the Canadian tariff on his goods.

Mr. James Mansergh, the eminent English engineer, who has been engaged to report on the Toronto water supply, arrived at this city on Saturday night from New York.

The revenue of the Montreal Street Railway Company for the past six months amounted to $713,114, an increase of $191,790 on the corresponding six months of last year.

On Wednesday Mr. John Mitchell, of Dorchester township, celebrated his 102nd birthday. He is still active and in good health and is in full possession of all his faculties.

The duties collected at the Port of Toronto for the month of October amounted to $338,735.96, against $271,643.86 in October of last year, being an increase of $66,890.10.

Mrs. W. C. Macleod, of Woodstock, Ont., has presented two thousand five hundred dollars to Chalmer's Presbyterian church, of that place, and one thousand dollars to the Woodstock General hospital.

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Mr. Frank J. Nicholson, a well-known baker, of Cornwall, Ont., was accidentally shot by his companion, Mr. H. Yates, a merchant of Cornwall, while duck-shooting on Lake St. Francis. Mr. Nicholson died when about half a mile from the shore.

The quarterly report of the Department of Trade and Commerce gives details of a gratifying increase in Canada's trade during the first three months of the fiscal year. The live stock and dairy trade has been the chief gainer by this improvement in business.

As regards the proposed line of fast steamers between England and Canada, Mr. Chamberlain will shortly see Mr. Huddart, the promoter of the scheme. It is not considered likely that the Imperial Government will give a direct subsidy, but it will give the line the carriage of a portion of the mails on paying terms.

The big steel dredge of the firm of Larkin, Connolly & Co., now at Kingston, valued at $85,000 has been seized in satisfaction of judgment of $95,000 held by the Government. The sheriff of Montreal has also been instructed to seize the stock held by N. K. & M. Connolly in the Richelieu & Ontario Navigation Company.

The Toronto garrison paraded Sunday afternoon for divine service. The weather was fine, and thousands of people watched the march of the troops. The total number of men in line was 2,041. Major General Gascoigne, the newly-appointed commander of the Canadian militia, viewed the troops. The service was held in Massey hall, and the Rev. Canon Du-Moulin preached the sermon.

The suit of the Equitable Insurance Company against G. E. Alger for the cancellation of a policy on the life of his late wife came to an abrupt termination on Saturday at Osgoode hall, when Mr. B. B. Osler, on behalf of Alger, consented to a judgment cancelling the policy. At the conclusion of the case Alger was arrested on a charge of fraud and taken to Whitby gaol. The preliminary investigation will take place on Friday.

At the Police Court in Hamilton, Magistrate Jelfs admitted that he had not the power to indict Mr. P. C. Allan, of Toronto, for perjury, and the charge was dismissed. Mr. Allan threatens to sue the Police Magistrate for false arrest. Against the advice of the Crown Attorney the Magistrate committed Mr. Allan's son-in-law, A. J. Ralston, for forgery. The Magistrate and Crown Attorney had a heated argumed on the latter.

A suit was commenced in Osgoode hall Toronto, by the Equitable Life Insurance Company against Ellisha Alger, of Pickering township, to recover $7,000, the amount paid on a policy on the life of Mrs. Alger, his wife who died last August. The body of Mrs. Alger was exhumed last September, as there were suspicions that she had been passed by Dr. Fancery, of Whitevale, under an arrangement with her husband while suffering from chronic consumption. Dr. Francey left for the States when the investigation was commenced, but came to Toronto a few days ago under a safe conduct from the Ontario Government to give evidence, which, it is stated will be of a highly sensational character.

UNITED STATES.

The United States uses annually 1,000,000 pounds of fur in making hats.

George Q. Canon, has translated the Books of Mormon into the Hawaiian language.

Mgr. Satoli, the Papal delegate, has received notification of his elevation to the cardinalate.

The new system of operating canal boats by electricity has been successfully tested at Tonawanda, N.Y.

The State Veterinary Department of Iowa has decided that tuberculosis in cattle is not hereditary.

Mr. John W. Foster, who acted as agent for the Chinese in the peace negotiations is an advocate for foreign missions.

John S. Bolton, a blind man in Philadelphia asylum, has built for himself a folding bed, in the back of which is a mirror, before which he stands while shaving.

The Duke of Cambridge, upon his retirement from the post of commander-in-chief of the forces, has been gazetted chief personal aide-de-camp to the Queen and honorary colonel-in-chief to the forces.

The post of poet laureate is still vacant. Swinburne and Morris are out of the running, the former for his early radicalism, and the latter for his socialistic tendencies. Alfred Austin is mentioned favorably for the position.

SHORTIS IS GUILTY.

The Jury Say he Knew What He was Doing when he Shot John Loy.

Beauharnois, Que., Nov. 2.—(Special.)—Saturday witnessed the closing address to the jury in the Shortis murder trial, Mr. Donald MacMaster speaking in behalf of the Crown.

Judge Mathieu then charged the jury, his charge being somewhat against the prisoner. He clearly explained the law regarding homicide and insanity, expressed the opinion that the evidence adduced before the Waterford Commission was exaggerated, and ruled out that portion of the medical evidence which was based upon the prisoner's acts and statements subsequent to the murder, holding that it was not legal testimony, since the law required that, in order to prove that a person was insane at the time he committed a murder, the opinion thereon could only be based on his acts prior to and contemporaneous with the crime.

The jury retired, and it was decided that the court should meet in the morning and receive the verdict.

The court was crowded this morning when the judge took his seat on the bench to receive the jury's verdict, which was that the prisoner was guilty of the murder of John Loy on the night of March 1st last, and that at the time he committed the crime he was not labouring under natural imbecility or disease of the mind to such an extent as to render him incapable of appreciating the nature and quality of his act, and of knowing that it was wrong.

The prisoner heard the verdict wholly unmoved, and his father, who occupied a seat in front of the dock, also bore up well. This being Sunday, the death sentence was not pronounced. It will be passed to-morrow morning.

MR. RAYSIDE'S SUDDEN DEATH

From Apoplexy of Glengarry's Former Representative.

Cornwall, Nov. 1.—(Special.)—Mr. Jas. Rayside, ex-M.P.P., died this morning at his home, "Inkerman Cottage," South Lancaster. The news of his death, although not unexpected, has caused deep regret throughout the Counties of Stormont, Glengarry and Soulanges, where he was held in the highest esteem by all classes, irrespective of politics or creed. About two years ago Mr. Rayside's health began to fail, and while attending the session of the Ontario Legislature in 1894 he was so poor that he had to come home. For many weeks he stayed between life and death, but finally his naturally strong constitution triumphed, and he was able to go about again, though almost the shadow of his former self. Since then he has been about his business most of the time, but with occasional bad turns, and hopes were entertained that he would overcome the disease with which he was afflicted. On Wednesday afternoon, however, he was seized with a fit of apoplexy, which terminated fatally this morning. The members of his family were mostly away from home, but at no great distance, and gathered before night, to find husband and father still conscious and able to recognize them, though in a few hours he lost consciousness.

Mr. Rayside was 59 years of age, having been born in April, 1836, in Montreal. His father, who was an architect, came from the Island of Bute, Scotland, and his mother from Ayrshire. At an early age he was taken to Martintown, Glengarry County, by his grandparents, and afterwards learned the trade of carpenter and joiner in Cornwall, and engaged in business as a millwright for several years. In 1862 he went to British Columbia, where he accumulated considerable wealth. Returning, he married Miss Margaret McDougall, North Branch, whose family were among the pioneers of Glengarry. The issue of the marriage was four daughters and two sons, all of whom are living, the eldest son being the well-known Rugby player of Queen's. Mr. Rayside entered public life in 1868 as Councillor in Charlottenburg. He was also Reeve of the township, and in 1882 was elected to the Ontario Legislature for Glengarry, filling that position until last year, when, his health not permitting, he declined to contest the constituency, and was succeeded by his friend, the present Patron member, Mr. D. M. McPherson.

Mr. Rayside was a staunch and lifelong Reformer in politics, and in religion a Presbyterian. In 1872 he identified himself with the lumber trade, being for many years in partnership with Archibald McArthur of Lancaster, doing business in different parts of Glengarry and Soulanges. The firm separated a few years ago, Mr. Rayside continuing to do business in Coteau and Maxville. In 1880 he removed from Martintown to South Lancaster, where he continued to reside until his death. In person Mr. Rayside was a fine specimen of a Glengarry Highlander, over six feet in height, and stout in proportion. In manner he was kind and genial, and a friend once he was a friend for ever.

The funeral will take place on Sunday at 12.30 from South Lancaster to Martintown, where the remains will be interred. A very large gathering of sympathizing friends will no doubt pay a last tribute of respect by being present.

$2,000 Verdict.

Welland, Nov. 1.—In July last Mrs. Elizabeth Graham, a widow, of Buffalo, was leaning over the iron railing observing Niagara Falls, on the Canadian side, when the railing gave way. She fell, turning over, a distance of 54 feet, and then rolled over some 150 feet further. No bones were broken, but she sustained severe injuries, internal and external, for which she claimed damages against the commissioners of the Queen Victoria Niagara Falls Park, alleging neglect in not preserving the railing in a safe condition. The jury yesterday awarded her $2,000. Mr. A. B. Aylesworth, Q. C., and Mr. F. W. Hill appeared for plaintiff. Mr. German for defendant.

At Chatham, N.B., Joseph Doherty shot and killed Arthur Luke. The shooting was the result of a street row.

The grave of the late Hon. Honore Mercier at Montreal was decorated with flowers yesterday, the anniversary of his burial.

A banquet was given at the Manning House by the lawyers of Windsor to Judge Killam of the Superior Court of Manitoba, who is in that town on a visit.

The case against Stephen Bradley of Stokes Bay for unlawful detention of the salvage from the wrecked schooner Severn was concluded at Wiarton. Judgment was reserved.

The case of Irvine v. McCauley was continued at the Cobourg Assizes, after a "stay of proceedings" of 21 years' duration. All the original parties to the suit are dead. Judgment was reserved.

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