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## MRS. FARMER DIES IN CHAIR FOR KILLING MRS. BRENNAN

Condemned Woman, Just Before Her Execution, Gave a Statement Clearing Husband of Any Complicity in the Crime—Went Quietly to Her Death.

AUBURN, N. Y., Mar. 29.—Murmuring a prayer for her soul, Mrs. Mary Farmer was quietly led to the electric chair in Auburn prison shortly after six o'clock this morning and was executed for the murder of Mrs. Sarah Brennan at Brownville last April. The execution of this woman was the second of a series of executions in this state, and the first of a series of executions in this state, and the first of a series of executions in this state.

Led by Father Hickey and with Mrs. Dunnigan and Miss Gorman, the two women attendants who have been with her constantly since she was brought to Auburn prison, Mrs. Farmer walked unflinchingly to the death chair. Her eyes were half closed and she saw nothing of the death chair and the execution. In her hand she clasped a crucifix and as she was being strapped in the chair, Father Hickey stood at her side and offered prayers for the dying.

Dr. Gerin, the prison physician, said that the woman was dead after the first shock, but as there was still a tremor of muscular reaction two succeeding shocks were given. The statement which Mrs. Farmer prepared yesterday before she was taken to the electric chair, was written by herself and addressed to Father Hickey, who told her that if she could truthfully exonerate her husband she should do so. The statement signed in the presence of a notary and dated March 28, was as follows:

To Rev. J. Hickey—My husband, James D. Farmer, never had any hand in Sarah Brennan's death. I never saw anything about it till the trunk was opened. I never told him anything about it till the trunk was opened. I never told him anything about it till the trunk was opened. I never told him anything about it till the trunk was opened.

Mrs. Farmer was dressed in a plain black waist and skirt. Her hair was brushed severely back from her forehead and fell in two braids. Two or three locks out from the scalp so that the head electrode might be properly adjusted and the women attendants sat the left side of the skirt as far as the knee and cut the stocking. The last sacraments were administered and Mrs. Farmer said she was not afraid to die.

## LIVELY PROCEEDINGS IN IMMIGRATION CASE

Mr. McAlpine's Views on the Ottago Squirrel.

Charge Against the G. P. R., of Bringing an Insane Person into Canada, is Being Heard Today.

The Canadian Pacific Steamship Company is charged by the Government with bringing an insane person into Canada. The person in question was an immigrant who landed from the Empress of Britain about a week ago, and becoming violent, attempted to strike Dr. Ellis on the head with an iron bar. The complaint was laid in the police court last Thursday and the case commenced this morning. Dr. H. McAlpine appeared for the prosecution and J. R. Taylor for the defendant company.

During the session there were some personal remarks made by Mr. McAlpine to Mr. Taylor, which enlivened the proceedings. The charge is laid by J. V. Lantana, immigration commissioner, who will give evidence that the insane man was brought to Sand Point on board the steamer Empress of Britain.

Mr. Taylor asked for an adjournment of the case, saying that the steamer would be back in three weeks' time and he had been instructed by the C. P. R. solicitor at Montreal to ask for this adjournment to give them a chance to look into the case.

Mr. McAlpine objected to an adjournment saying that the witnesses for the prosecution were ready. Mr. Taylor said the penalty for bringing an insane person into Canada was a fine of \$1,000, and he could not see why the representative of the government should take such an unnecessary advantage over him.

Mr. McAlpine said that Mr. Taylor's remarks were ungentlemanly and uncalculated for. "I will, therefore, throw them back in his teeth. He is afraid to repeat them outside." Mr. Taylor again moved to the court that it was not fair to allow such insults to counsel.

The magistrate allowed Mr. McAlpine to call one witness. He was Dr. Charles A. Bailey, who testified that he heard of an insane immigrant arriving on February 19th, and on the day following he examined the patient in the provincial hospital, and found him suffering from epileptic insanity.

Mr. Taylor objected to the witness stating as to what condition the immigrant was in or might have been in before the time witness examined him. The witness said he did not feel it his duty to make the opposing counsel an expert on insanity.

## TWENTY ONE DROWNED FROM SMALL SLOOP

Passengers Lost Between Southern Ports

Cocoon Carrier Met Disaster Two Weeks Ago—Eight of Those on Board Saved Themselves.

NEW ORLEANS, Mar. 29.—A special despatch from Bluefields, Nicaragua, gives details of the loss of the sloop Kearsarge and twenty-one residents of Nicaragua, on the night of March 13 between Monkey Point and Grey Town, Nicaragua. Captain Cook, two sailors and five passengers reached shore in a small boat. The Kearsarge was a boat of about 75 tons. It went to Bluefields from St. Andrews Island for coconuts and took on twenty-five passengers at Bluefields, bound for Boca Del Toro, Colon, and Jamaica.

## PARIS HAS CASE OF SLEEPING SICKNESS

Missionary from Africa Found Unconscious

Arab Pirates Put Steamers Out of Business—Pope Opens New Picture Gallery—The Oxford-Cambridge Race

LONDON, March 29.—The steamer Kaiserin Augusta Victoria which arrived at Plymouth yesterday reports that owing to fog and heavy rain she was compelled to navigate by dead reckoning for 2,000 miles. The Edgworthstown Lightship was the first thing she sighted since March 23.

THE GREAT BOAT RACE.—PUTNEY, March 29.—The Oxford and Cambridge crews, which will meet in their annual boat race on Saturday next have been racing in the Putney for more than a week, and with the help of the weather splendid time has been made, Oxford breaking the record for the course and Cambridge establishing new time for a spurt from Putney to Hammersmith, doing the distance in 23 seconds faster than the previous best time.

AGONY OF A POPE.—The Pope surrounded by the Pontifical court, the diplomatic representatives and many members of the Roman aristocracy, inaugurated the new picture gallery of the Vatican yesterday. The ceremony was rendered more interesting by the fact that the Pope was the anniversary of the birth of Raphael. The Pontiff visited each hall, admiring and praising the pictures, which were distributed according to schools and periods.

ARAB PIRATES ACTIVE.—CONSTANTINOPLE, March 29.—Attacks by Arabs on steamers plying on the Ingra has been so persistent that the British line has been compelled to suspend service. A government steamer was riddled with bullets yesterday, several of the passengers being killed. The steamer carried a machine gun and had troops on board but the gun was put out of action.

SLEEPING SICKNESS.—PARIS, March 29.—A sensation has been caused by the report of a case of sleeping sickness in heart of Paris. The victim is a missionary of the Order of the Holy Ghost, who dropped unconscious in the Luxembourg Garden and was conveyed to the Pasteur Institute. The institute physicians state that the condition of the man is very anxious. He contracted the disease on the Upper Umbanga in Africa.

NURSE FINDS HER DEATH IN DYING WOMAN'S KISS.—Contracted Blood-Poisoning From Patient Whom She Had Tenderly Nursed.

CUMBERLAND, Md., Mar. 29.—Having become infected from a kiss bestowed by request of a patient, Miss Marian C. Spier, a trained nurse is dead at her home here. Miss Spier nursed Virginia Callan Carder, wife of Dr. Geo. L. Carder, a prominent society woman, at the Allegheny Hospital and displayed such a lovable disposition towards the sick woman that the latter asked the nurse to kiss her as she was dying. The request was granted and a few days Miss Spier was stricken with the same malady.

## THE THREE ST. JOHN SPORTS WILL BE DISCHARGED TODAY

THE BALKAN TROUBLE IS FINALLY SETTLED

Servia Forced by Other Powers to Back Down

Report That King Peter Will Skip Out and That Duke of Teck or Arthur of Connaught May Become King.

BELOGRADE, March 29.—Servia has surrendered completely to the demands of Europe and the tension of six months over the Balkan situation will come to an end this afternoon. The action of Servia probably will set the Balkan question at rest for many years.

The ministers here of Great Britain, France, Russia and Italy will today verbally inform the Servian government of their recognition of the annexation of Bosnia and Herzegovina by Austria-Hungary. They will advise Servia to consider this question closed and issue a circular note to all the powers, acknowledging this annexation and at the same time to assure Austria-Hungary of her peaceful intentions and revoking all claims to indemnifying concessions.

Servia undoubtedly will swallow this bitter medicine and follow the advice of the powers. LONDON, March 29.—Special despatches received here from Rome and Vienna give rumors that Peter, the King of Servia, and all the members of his family, are preparing to leave Belgrade.

The message from Rome says that King Victor Emmanuel has received a letter from Belgrade to the effect that King Peter and his sons are going to Switzerland. King Peter suggests that the youngest son of Prince Nicolas of Montenegro take the crown of Servia. The King of Italy, according to the despatch, does not oppose the abdication of King Peter, but he will urge that Peter's son, Alexander, succeed him. The despatch from Vienna says that an influential party in the Servian parliament is agitating against the Karaogorovich dynasty, the family of King Peter, and discussing either the Duke of Teck or Prince Arthur of Connaught as possible successors to the throne.

METHODISTS HEAR ENCOURAGING REPORTS

Baptists Will Exchange a Week Early to Avoid Easter—Ministers' Meetings.

The Methodist ministers met this morning in the parlors of Centenary church, with Rev. Dr. Flinders in the chair. There was a good attendance and encouraging reports were presented from the various churches. Special services have been held at Brookville during the last two weeks, as the result of which 16 persons joined the church yesterday.

Rev. D. W. Snider, of Mount Forest, Ont., ex-President of the Hamilton conference, gave an address on the proposed church union and the laymen's missionary movement.

Dr. G. M. Capbell was present and took part in the informal discussion which followed the address.

SECOND FLANAGAN DESERTS LONGBOAT

Will Now be Trained by Bill Davis, the Hamilton Indian.

TORONTO, Ont., March 27.—Mike Flanagan has been unable to devote the necessary time to the training of Longboat and with the consent of the latter and his manager, he turned the champion over to Bill Davis, who came down from Hamilton a day or two ago. Longboat ran his first big race under Davis and won it from a big field of starters in the Herald Stakes at Hamilton. Since that time Longboat has had a liking for his new redskin trainer and works hard for him. Some smart work will be put in on the roads hereabout for the remainder of the present week, after which the champion and his trainer will go to New York for a few days' work on the track at the Polo Grounds, where the marathon derby will be run a week from Saturday.

JAMES BOWES.

The death of James Bowes, the fourth son of the late James and Matilda Bowes, took place at midnight at the age of fifty-five, a his residence, 22 Moore street. The deceased was unmarried and none of the other members of the family survive him.

## Duncan Girl's Father Wants to Withdraw the Charge— Stated Now That Cocktails and Lager Beer Were the Only Drugs Used

FREDEICTON, N. B., Mar. 29.—A great crowd gathered at the police court this morning when the three St. John men, Logan, Kelly and McKinnon, were arraigned before Police Magistrate Marsh. To the disappointment of all, his honor decided that the examination should be conducted behind closed doors and the court room was cleared with the exception of the counsel, members of the press and those directly interested. The three young men appeared to feel their position keenly and quietly took their seats on the bench.

The case was quickly disposed of. Col. Marsh said that no charge had been laid against either Logan or Kelly, and this being the case, only one duty remained for him to perform, and that would be to discharge the two men from custody. He would have to hold them, however, as witnesses in case the charge against McKinnon was proceeded with.

P. A. Guibrie, who appeared for Sgt. Major Duncan, the father of the young girl, whom it was alleged McKinnon had drugged, stated that the father did not wish to proceed and asked permission to withdraw the charge against McKinnon.

Col. Marsh said that at the present time he did not feel that he could grant the request without the crown being first consulted, and would adjourn the court until 2:30, when he would give his decision. There is little doubt but that McKinnon will be also discharged, then and the entire case dropped. The general opinion here is that the unfortunate affair of Friday last was the result of too much cock tail and lager beer along with oysters and that no kind of drug was resorted to.

Col. Marsh's learned counsel, Solicitor General Foss on the way he had performed his duty in capturing the young men.

PURSUED BY HARD LUCK

Sailors Think the Steamer Paraguay is "Hoodooed."

PHILADELPHIA, March 27.—The tank steamer Paraguay, known in shipping circles as the "hoodooed" ship, was again brought to public notice yesterday when the State quarantine officials at Marcus Hook detained the vessel because seven crew members of her crew are suffering from a suspicious skin disease. For more than a year the Paraguay has traded between this port and Sabine Pass, Tex., with a regularity that led her owners to believe that she had at last lost her "hoodoo."

From the time she left the great lakes, more than eight years ago, to engage in the oil trade betw on Sabine Pass and Philadelphia, hard luck has pursued her. No other craft afloat has met with more mishaps than the Paraguay, which also bears the distinction of having had more matters than any other ship of twice her age. Since her arrival at this port the vessel has had ten commensals. Since coming here the Paraguay has cost her owners upward of \$800,000 in repairs, or more than enough to have built three vessels of her size.

AN EXCITING ELECTION

LONDON, Mar. 29.—A very great degree of interest is being manifested in the by-election for a member of parliament that is being held at Croydon today because the question of the voters, suffragist speakers have infused a comedy element into the campaign. The Conservatives expect a big majority as a protest against the naval policy of the government.

HER SECRET

of success, she said, was in keeping her capital busy. "You know," she added, "I never permit my rooms to lie idle. That would be losing the interest on the money I have invested in them. Not only that, but I would lose the interest on the money that the landlord has invested in them, for I have to pay the rent for the whole house at the end of the month, whether I have roomers or not." Her real secret, however, was the small want ad. Call main 2c.