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THAW'S FREAKS MADE HIM "CRAZY HARRY" IN PITTSBURG

LETTERS

FISHERIES FINAL. To the Editor of The Planet:

Dear Sir,-I am very glad to know

numerous seizures and confiscations of fish shipped from about the mouth of the River Thames, that some local officials should use their eyes in look-

DELMAS' BIG FEE

New York, Feb. 8.-Delphin M

W. K. MERRIFIELD.

Pittsburg, Feb. 9.—Two sisters of the late Wm. Thaw, father of Harry K. Thaw, were considered insane. One of them, Mrs. Wm. Hirsch, was subject to attacks of epilepsy both before and after her marriage.

Miss Harriet Thaw, who is in an eastern institution, several years ago was found diving in a cellar in Philadelphia among rats and dirt. She was starving. The late Wm. Thaw had left her \$500 per year for life. Earlier in her life she had been more liberally provided and became accustomed to luxury. This same \$500 per year is now being used to maintain her in the institution.

Stories of traits of Harry Thaw tending toward insanity continue to crop out. Some years ago his mother thought seriously of having him confined because of his attitude toward her. It was reiated that one of his tricks was to burn money when she took issue with him on any subject. He would usually continue to destroy greenbacks until the frantic mother would yield to him. He was often called "Crazy" Harry on account of his peculiarities.

A friend of his says of him; "Aside

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LOCAL

r. J. Reycraft, of Ridgetown, was the city on business yesterday. J. A. Dart, of Ridgetown, was regis-red at Hotel Garner yesterday. The A. I. McCall Company will according to law, instead of using lold their sanual meeting Monday tyening.

J. W. Mann of Raleigh, who has the law.

been so seriously ill with pneumonia was in the city to-day,

Come to the Conundrum Supper and concert at St. Andrew's church on Feb. 14. Free admittance. Supper

Ruropean plan.

The Advisory Board of the Kent Children's Aid Society will meet in Harrison Hall on Monday afternoon at four o'clock.

Lost, on Thursday evening at rink for on King street, watch chain with initiats W. R. C. Finder kindly leave at Planet Office and receive reward. A fine line of out glass just fresh from the factory, suitable for wedding and other presents, at E. J. MacIntyre's, leading jeweler and optician.

Prof. Matthews will occupy the gulpit in the William Street Baptist Church to-morrow. The managers of the church have received word that the will and the received word that the will and some of the largest ever paid in a criminal case in the state of New York. It is said to

the church have received word that Mr. Cameron, to whom a call was extended, will not be able to accept.

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J. S. Lane gave a very interesting talk on the poet Burns, at the meeting of the Young Peoples Society of the First Church last evening. The meeting was held in the vestry and was well attended.

A forty hours' devotion is being held in St. Joseph's Church.

This morning Rev. Fr. Prudhomme delivered a French sermon, which was been a French sermon, which was been was set the sermon of the company of

morning Rev. Fr. Prudhomme delivered a French sermon, which was appreciated as a masterly effort by a very large congregation.

Mrs. Axil Egland, of Bisby, N. D. is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. G. Colles, Wade street. Mrs. Egland has just returned from Ridgetown, where she attended the funeral of her brother-in-law, the late Frank Schleinker.

"Gaff Linkun," the new story by Mr. A. P. McKishnie, of this city, has just been put in the hands of the publishers, who have predicted a large sale for it. The plot of the story is laid in the vicinity of Morpeth, and many of the characters are well known locally.

Miss Jamieson, a returned mis-

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Miss Jamieson, a returned missionary from India, will address the congregation of the First Presbyterian church to-morrow evening on her work in foreign lands. She will also speak on Monday evening. Miss Jamieson has been addressing meetings in Windsor, Essex and Leamington.

Special per G. N. W.

Toronto, Feb. 9, -11 a. m.—Southwesteriy winds, cloudy, and a few snow flurries. Sunday, westerly winds and comparatively mild.

Robes wanted—One or two first class robes. Apply at Planet Office or address P. O. Box 128.

DRILL CRASHED INTO DERRICK

Force of Gas In Burgess Well Drives Drill to Surface

CAP BLOWN FROM TOP

The Burgess gas well in Tilbury, owned by the Maple City O.1 and Gas Company has done another owned by the Maple City 0.1 and Gas Company has done another treak stunt. Thursday night something happened away down in the subterranean vaults of the earth, and the explosion resulting blew the 1,700 pound drill 1,000 feet through the earth, through the 160 pound cap at the top of the well, and up 60 feet through the framework of the decriek. derrick.

some time a great deal of in-For some time a great deal of interest has centred in this well. Several attempts have been made to capit, but all so far have been futile. Previously, while drilling, the big 1,700 pound drill was lost about 1,000 feet down, and had to be abandoned there. Considerable difficulty was experienced in capping the well and the 160 pourd cap had only been on a few days when it was broken. a few days when it was broken two and blown from the surface

of the well.

Another attempt at capping the well was made a week ago. This time the work was uccessful for a time at least. Then Thursday night something happened. The notorious gas we'll probably felt that things were getting too quiet in this vicinity, and started in to create rome more notoriety for itself.

The gas came to the surface with terrific force, bringing the 35 foot drill with it. The cap at the top of the well was broken in two, and the drill was sent crashing through

To the Editor of The Pianet:
Dear Sir,—I am very glad to know that my fetter re Thames fisheries has amused my friend Mr. Peltier, fishery overseer. We will not quarrel. If Mr. Peltier will call at my office I might sing him a song worth a fish or two—that is the song, not the singing—and if he lives through the singing I will drive him up to where I shot the six pike, and dozens of others. It will only take an hour, as it is but six miles above Chatham. The place looks almost the same as when I shot them. It was not many years ago; just before our worthy law abiding fishermen began sweeping the whole river bed.

By the way, what does fishery overseer mean? Does it mean that the official shall look so high over the reeds and fish nets that he cannot see either the men who are fishing illegally or the boxes loaded with fish and labelled with false names to deceive all but the Yankee purchasers? One would think from the numerous seizures and confiscations of fish shipped from about the mouth

City Council as only containing "a hatful of gas," The owners have hatful of gas." The owners have had several offers to sell the pro-duct to other companies, but they are going to await further develop-ments. They claim they have the best well in the field.

A TERRORIST SHOT DOWN

Penza, Russia, Feb. 9.—S. A. Alexandrovsky, governor of Penza, was shot and killed by a young man as he was leaving the theatre Thursday night. In attempting to escape, the assassin also killed the assistant chief of police and a policeman, and wounded the manager of the theatre. The terrorist then shot himself and died in a hospital. The assassin was not identified. The bullets which he used subsequently were discovered to be poisoned

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tempt to capture the assassin, the manager was severely wounded.

The terrorist fied through what he evidently believed to be one of the exits, but found himself in the ladies' cloakroom. An attendant, realizing the situation, pointed to the stairs as a means of egress, and so soon as the assassin disappeared the attendant locked the door behind him. The stairs, however, only led to the loft, and the murderer subsequently was found there unconscious from a bullet wound.

Japs Honor Russ Soldiers.

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St. Petersburg, Feb. 8.—A despatch from Harbin, Manchuria, says that the Japanese are erecting two monuments on Peropelochny Hill, Port Arthur, to the memory of the Russian and Japanese soldiers who fell in the sieze.

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In proximity to the monument to the Russians, a Russian chapel will be built, bearing this inscription: "In memory of the heroes who met their death in defence of Port Arthur."

Jew Baiting During Election.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 9.—The elections at Gomel Thursday were accompanied by general anti-Jewish excesses, organized by the local reactionists. Jew-baiting began on the eve of the elections and continued the whole day. Bands of reactionists patrolled the streets in the vicinity of the polling places, clubbing the Jewish voters. The chief of police refused to intervene.

A receipt for money paid is not egally conclusive.

THE REASON.

When that girl fired at the target, why did the man standing behind her duck!

Because he was the man behind the gun, you stupid,

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THE THAW TRIAL

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tim that I didn't, I went with my mother and Thaw followed us. He asked me about my quarrel with my mother in London. I said it was a continuous quarrel between us; we simply couldn't get along. She wanted to come home to America, and I said she could come, but I was going to stay there and return to the stage, but the doctor told me I couldn't dance for a year. He said I was a minor, and that Thaw should have been more careful. He said he had a case in his office against Thaw, but the woman in the case was a very bad one. Then he said Thaw was a very bad man, and, above all things, I must be protected from him. Mr. White then said what he wanted was

to get Harry Thaw out of New York and keep him out, and said I must leave everything in Mr. Hummel's

"Then they sent for a stenographer, and the lawyer said I must not interrupt him in what he was about to say. I was very nervous and excited, and I think I began to cry. Then they began to dictate and put in a lot of stuff that I had been carried away by Harry Thaw against my will. I started to interrupt, but the lawyer put up his hands and stopped me. Dictated a Statement.

me.
"Several days later Mr. Hummel
called me up and asked if I had any
letters from Mr. Thaw. I said I did,
but I couldn't see what that had to
de with it. Mr. White also called but I couldn't see what that had to do with it. Mr. White also called up and said if I wasn't willing to help in every way they couldn't pro-tect me from Mr. Thaw. He said I must do just what Mr. Hummel said. So I made the letters up in a bundle and took them down to Mr. Hum-mel's office. He said he just wanted to hold them over Harry Thaw's head. "Then he asked me why I didn't

"Then he asked me why I didn't sue Harry Thaw for breach of promise. I said that that was absurd, for, if there had been any breach of promise it was on my part. He said that didn't matter. Mr. Hummel said a breach of promise suit was on my part. said a breach of promise suit would be a fine advertisement for me. I said I didn't want to sue anybody. This made Mr. Hummel very mad and angry and he told me I was fool-

ish."

She Signed Nothing.

"Mr. Thaw asked me if I had signed anything in Mr. Hummel's office, and I said I had not. He said that was funny, for if they wanted to cause trouble I must have signed something. I said I had signed absolutely nothing in Mr. Hummel's office. Mr. Thaw said Hummel was a shyster and I asked him what that meant. He said Mr Hummel was a disreputable man and no decent lawyer would have anything to do with him; that he was a blackmailer."

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Mrs. Thaw said, "A reputable lawyer" came to see her. She was not allowed to state the name, but it is generally understoed to be Mr. Longfellow, the Thaw family attorney.
"Mr. Thaw and I talked frequently about the matter, and Mr. Thaw said I had no business speaking to Mr. White again. He accused me of having had improper relations with Mr. White since my return from Europe. I said it was a lie, that I had not. He then said people would think me a blackmailer if I went to Mr. Hummel's office. He said the mere fact that Mr. White had Mr. Hummel as a lawyer was against Mr. White.
"One night later in November of 1903, Mr. White came to my hotel, greatly excited. He just walked up and down and ran his fingers through his hair for a time and then came and sat down beside me on a trunk and said: 'My dear child, what in the world have you told Abe Hummel about me?"
"I said I had told him nothing, ex-

M. Alexandrovsky, who was well-known as chief commissioner of the Red Cross in the field during the war between Russia and Japan, had just stepped out of the door of the theatre when a youth pushed his way through the crowd and shot the governor in the neck.

Seeing that it was impossible to get through the crowd outside the building, the murderer dashed into the theatre, firing wildly. In a second attempt to capture the assassin, the

"Soon after this I remember having ing signed some paper for Mr. White at his office in the tower of Madison Square Garden. I began to wonder when it was and telephoned Mr. White and asked him what the papers contained. He took me to Mr. Hummel's office. When a boy brought it in I reached for it, but Mr. White got it first. Then they turned the paper down so I could see my signature. Mr. Hummel got some matches and burned the paper. As soon as I saw Mr. Thaw I told him all about it."

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How Thaw Showed His Love.

"When you met Mr. Thaw in Europe, in what way did he show you his love for you?"

"He took me driving every day, he carried me up and down stairs when! I couldn't walk, and sent me fruit and flowers. He was very kind and attentive to me."

Mrs. Thaw said she was married April 4, 1905. Before this she persistently refused him because of her relations with White.

"Did Mr. Thaw, while you were in London, take you to see the Countess of Yarmouth?"

"Yes. She received me very kindly," she said.

"The first time I saw Stanford White after my marriage," resumed Mrs. Thaw, "was on Fifth avenue. I was driving in a cab, and as I passed him I distinctly heard him call out, 'Evelyn,' but I did not reply. I went back to the hotel and told Mr. Thaw He made me promise never to speak to Stanford White and to tell him whenever I saw him."

"When did you next tell Mr. Thaw that you had seen Mr. White?"

"Some time later. It was on Fifth avenue again. He did not speak, but atared and stared. I was so nervous I of into the cab without looking to right or left, and drove back to the Hotel Lorraine, where I told Mr. Thaw. He was much excited. He walked up and down and bit his nails."

Witness related other like instances

which added fuel to the flame in Harry Thaw's mind, and said that the reason Stanford White had sent her to school was because he realized that his attentions to her were hopeless.

Maligning the Dead. At one stage, District Attorney Jerome protested against this defa-mation of the dead.

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"I appeal to your honor," said the district attorney, "that this has gone far enough. Are there no limits to which the defamation of the dead may go? The prosecution has no chance to controvert one word of this testimony, and Stanford White is dead."

"Your honor," replied Mr. Delmas, "we contend that, in proving the state of this man's mind, we have the undoubted right to introduce evidence which tends to show that fresh fuel was saided to the fire in things this

which tends to show that fresh fuel was added to the fire in things this diendant heard from other sources. We will produce documentary evidence executed by Thaw himself, showing his condition. I have no desire to say one word against the memory of Stanford White that my duty does not compel me to say. My duty is to the living."

To this Mr. Jerome replied: "So far we have not the slightest evidence to show that the defendant was ever of unsound mind in his life. If there is evidence of the insanity of the defendant it should be introduced now, before this loose tattle of the Tenderloin goes on—tattle that, under the law, we are not allowed to controvert."

Justice Fitzgradd said the sugges-

yert."

Justice Fitzgerald said the sugges tion was a good one, and explained to the jury the legal provision, which, where insanity is pleaded as a defence, prevents the prosecution from controverting any statements made to the defendant.

Thaw's Will

Thaw's Will. Mr. Delmas then began the intro-duction of papers and documents. Among several papers handed to the witness to identify was Harry Thaw's will, in which he is said to have left

will, in which he is said to have left all his property to his wife.

A full half hour was consumed in examining the papers, which were finally marked as exhibits. Mrs. Thaw was then excused temporarily, to allow Miss Francis Pierce to be called to identify her signature as a witness to the papers,

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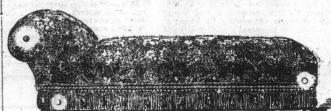
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