

HOLMES' HEAD IN A HALTER

Or Very Nearly So, for the Murder of Little Howard Pletzel.

A Murder of Fiendish Cruelty—The Boy's Remains Unmistakably Found.

Indianapolis, Ind., Aug. 30.—Coroner Carter's jury has brought in a verdict that the remains of the body found in the chimney hole of the house at Irvington are the remains of young Howard Pletzel, and that he came to his death through the instrumentality of cyanide of potassium administered by H. H. Holmes.

Towards the conclusion of the inquest some interesting testimony was given by Druggist Navin, who said that he came to the store frequently during the first week of October, and several times purchased solution of cocaine, and one time called for four grains of morphia dissolved in a two dram vial of water. Mr. Navin readily recognized him by a photograph.

Druggist Perry sold Holmes at one time a pound of chloroform. This was on the 2nd of October. Holmes several times lounged about his drug store, accompanied by a boy who he said was his son, and for whom he bought candy. As recognized by the photograph, the boy was little Howard. Several dentists and doctors also contributed evidence that the remains were those of young Pletzel.

During the day Doctors Thompson and Barnhill cleaned up some of the bones found. The lower part of the intestines and stomach, with parts of the liver and spleen, were found; also the first vertebrae at the base of the skull, the Adam's apple and cheek bones. The physicians say there is no doubt that these are the remains of a boy of the age of Howard Pletzel.

In the charred mass that was pulled out of the chimney hole, fifteen teeth were found. Dr. O. J. Byrnan, dentist, was called in. He sorted the teeth and found seven upper and eight lower teeth. He identified the teeth as those of a boy of the age of Howard Pletzel.

It is supposed that when the stove cooled down, Holmes shoved the ashes into the stove. The stove was in the kitchen and Holmes was apparently not aware that there was an opening in the flue to the cellar beneath. It was the failure to find this opening that brought about this discovery of the charred remains.

A LONG DESCENT. One Workman Killed from a Scaffold—Others Narrowly Escape.

Cleveland, Ohio, Aug. 30.—Jas. Beckmeier, fell five stories, from the top of the World building to the sidewalk, and was instantly killed. The body of the falling man struck John Nickson, who was walking along the sidewalk, with terrific force, breaking the back and both legs of the latter. He is dying.

Two other men named Lewis and Cornish, who were on the scaffold with Beckmeier, had desperate struggle for their lives. Lewis was thrown from the scaffold and caught with his hands on a narrow coping under the windows. He managed to work his way along until he reached the fire escape, and was then easily rescued. Cornish clung to a rope for some time, and was finally rescued by a man in the building, who stepped out on the window ledge and swung him into the room.

Fongheepsie, N.Y., Aug. 30.—Miss solution, thanked the department for a dozen of the graded schools report upon the matter lying upon the teachers.

AGLIGENCE. This court this afternoon the case of Sharp v. harp is suing Mitoria Conservatory being balance debtor to the conservatory and for some lessons conservatory during the August. Miss for \$15 rent of a club concert and for breach of contract. plaintiff agreed to at the conservatory commencing September. litigant, saying on the ground that to hear it. The judgment for \$23.50 over the measure a settlement. litigation, saying parties were of the of know whether or d. The woman does "it" when quick out Sharp called out relation." J. B. appeared for the Belyea for defend-



Ayer's Pills advertisement. Text includes: 'I have taken Ayer's Pills for many years, and always derived the best results from their use. For Stomach and Liver troubles, and for the cure of headache caused by these derangements, Ayer's Pills cannot be equalled. They are easy to take, and are the Best all-round family medicine I have ever known.' Signed by Mrs. Mary Johnson, 388 Elder Ave., New York City. 'AYER'S PILLS Highest Awards at World's Fair. Ayer's Sarsaparilla for the blood.'

PATERSON SUCCEEDS SCHULTZ

As Governor of Manitoba—Will Be Sworn In On Monday.

Soo Canal to be Opened Sept. 9th—Nebraska Favors Alberta for Settlement.

Ottawa, Aug. 30.—Hon. J. C. Paterson, late minister of militia, has been appointed Lieutenant-Governor of Manitoba, and will be sworn in on Monday.

Monday, September 9, has been definitely decided on as the date of the opening of the Soo canal. There will be no official or formal ceremonies.

The imperial order-in-council prohibiting pelagic sealing in the vicinity of certain Russian islands is founded on an act passed in the last hours of the Rosebery administration. The order does not bring into force nearly all the restrictive regulations which the British government had power to promulgate.

Further Evidence of the Acts of This Past Master in Murder.

Indianapolis, Ind., Aug. 29.—The drug with which Howard Pletzel was killed, before his body was burned in the big stove in the Irvington cottage, was found buried in the barn. It was given to the coroner, who said: "If there is any killing to be done, this is the drug with which to do it." Boys digging under the Holmes house found the two feet of Howard Pletzel. They had been burned, but not destroyed, and were evidently too bulky to put into the chimney hole.

CHINA'S ASSURANCES. Of Bona Fides in the Kucheng Affair Are Received.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 30.—The Chinese minister to-day made the formal announcement of his intention to leave the United States next month for Spain, to which country he is also accredited.

A LITTLE FRENCH FUMING. Over the Waller Case—He "Should Have Been Shot."

Paris, Aug. 30.—The Estafette reports against the statement made in some of the American papers relative to the sentence and imprisonment of ex-Consul Waller, and says that if Frenchmen sold arms to enemies of the United States, Americans would never tolerate any interference on the part of the consuls of France. "We need not pay any attention to idle complaints of these American papers, indeed, Waller ought to have been immediately shot for his daring treachery."

OSBORNE, IDAHO, IN PERIL. Surrounded by Forest Fires and Communication Cut Off.

Wallace, Idaho, Aug. 29.—Osborne is surrounded by immense forest fires and is momentarily threatened with destruction. In response to a telephone message the fire department with the fire apparatus left to assist the special train and left to assist the neighboring towns in its peril. Osborne is in the Coeur d'Alene district, in a deep canyon, with mountains on both sides, which are heavily timbered, and more than likely that the town is doomed. They fear are strengthened by the fact that communication cannot be had with the threatened town by either telephone or telegraph.

DOCTORS OF THE DOMINION Want Enrollment on the British Register—A Mysterious Discovery.

Kingston, Aug. 29.—At to-day's session of the Canadian Medical Association it was recommended that a uniform standard of matriculation, education and examination for the whole Dominion be established in order that medical practitioners in Canada be placed on the British register, and the secretary was instructed to cooperate with the secretaries of the various provincial associations in the matter.

Napanee Mills, Aug. 29.—While a gang of men were digging for terra cotta clay on Wednesday they discovered under a foot of earth, the skeleton of a man, or woman, with a knife sticking in the breast. The knife is dagger-shaped, fourteen inches long and much eaten by rust. The skeleton and knife were placed away, but disappeared during Wednesday night.

Toronto, Aug. 29.—The Attorney-General's department has been asked to investigate another supposed insurance fraud. Mrs. Alice died at Whitevale, Aug. 15. She was insured for \$7,000 in the Equitable Life, on a policy taken in December last. There was no suspicion of foul play in connection with the death, but early in July another policy in the Home Life, of Toronto, was applied for, and the same physician who passed the first application passed this. While the policy was awaiting acceptance at the head office, the woman died. Upon investigation, it was found she had died from an acute form of consumption. An investigation is asked to ascertain if there was a deliberate conspiracy to defraud.

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St. Johns, Nfld., Aug. 30.—One of the leading lawyers here gives an authoritative opinion that the shareholders of the Commercial bank are not bound to pay the reserve liability, no provision to that effect being in the Act winding up the bank. The Act has already been found defective, and therefore it is probable so in this case.

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CRISIS AT CONSTANTINOPLE. The Grand Vizier Resigns and Things are Reported Serious.

Constantinople, Aug. 31.—The situation of affairs is so critical that the Grand Vizier, Said Pasha, has tendered his resignation, saying he declined to remain in office under the present conditions. Said Pasha, Grand Vizier, was reported, on June 23, to have tendered his resignation owing to the Sultan's rejection of some ministerial and administrative changes. The Sultan refused to accept his resignation, but it is stated that a coolness of his relations has since been apparent.

AWAITING HIS STATEMENT. The Department Will Do Nothing Until They Receive Waller's Reply.

Washington City, Aug. 29.—It is probable that no further action will be taken in the case of ex-Consul Waller until his statement, taken by Newton D. Eustis and Mr. Alexander, is received and examined. It is stated that the case will then be a purely legal one, and that the action of the department will depend on the lawfulness of the French military court and its actions and the legal status of Mr. Waller's contentions. The statement of Mr. Waller is also to be compared with the statements of Consul Wetter, of Tamateva, who has made a report to the department of facts gathered by him in Madagascar. There is yet wanting a copy of the record of the arrest and conviction of Waller, which the French government has promised. If it is not forthcoming, the case will be that much stronger against the French government. It has not arrived by the time the department is prepared to act on the case, as promised to Consul Wetter and Mr. Waller, the probabilities are that the French government will be asked to release the ex-Consul at once and to indemnify him for the wrongs he has suffered.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES. Moscow, Aug. 29.—Half the town of Yakovoff, Smolensk, containing about 4000 inhabitants, has been destroyed by fire.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 30.—Senator Mendonca, the Brazilian minister, has just received official notification from his government of the pacification of the state of Rio Grande de Sul, which has been in revolt for a long time past.

Colon, Colombia, Aug. 30.—Some 15,000 bunches of bananas, intended as a cargo for the George Dubois, were dumped into the harbor Sunday at Port Limon. The vessel arrived two days late and the fruit was badly damaged and consequently. The loss falls on the Matina Fruit Co.

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This is said to be the first time cholera has been known in the Hawaiian Islands. At the time of the Monowai's sailing, it was believed the disease was under control. There have been eight deaths from the disease, and it is said that only two cases remain. These are both in quarantine. Here, with such admirable facilities for quarantining even if cholera should get what might appear to be a foothold, it could be easily stamped out, the health officers say.

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