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Clara Ford Confessed to the Murder of Frank Westwood

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Evidence at the Preliminary Investigation—The Damaging Testimony of Detective Reburn—Her Supposed Daughter Takes the Stand.

TORONTO, Nov. 29. — The preliminary examination of Clara Ford, charged with the murder of Frank Westwood, was held yesterday. Mr. and Mrs. Westwood, Dr. Lynd, Stephen Leslie and Miss Ellen Watson, all witnesses at the inquest, testified to the shooting of Young Westwood, giving practically the same evidence as given at the inquest. The latter thought she saw the prisoner on Jameson avenue the night of the tragedy.

Detective Slemin was then put in the box and testified to the arrest of the prisoner. He found in her bedroom the suit of male clothes, a 38-calibre revolver and four cartridges. As she was handing him the weapon she said: "Oh, it's the Westwood case. I can prove where I was that night. I was at the Toronto Opera House and the play was 'The Black Crook.'" This statement was voluntary on her part.

Sergt. Reburn then took the stand. He said: "The prisoner was brought into the station about 4 o'clock in the afternoon of last Tuesday. In the detective office on the desk were the clothes and revolver. She was brought in and sat opposite me, I told her she was suspected of a very serious offence—the shooting of Frank Westwood. I cautioned her. She said she was at the theatre on the night in question with Flora McKay. I told her not to say anything that was untrue. She said that after she left the theatre she went up Yonge street. It was then ten minutes past 11. She said she did not know Frank Westwood at all.

"Florence McKay was then brought down and taken into the detective's bedroom and interviewed. Then I returned to Clara Ford. The stories of Clara and Flora did not agree, so I resolved to keep Clara in custody. With regard to the clothes she said they belonged to her. She said she gave Mrs. Crozier the fedora, and that is where Mrs. Crozier first came into the case.

"I had still another interview with Clara Ford. There was nobody else present. I said, 'Clara, I've got information that you weren't at the theatre; that you were at Mrs. Crozier's on that night.' She denied this, so I sent for Mrs. Crozier and Flora McKay. Then she commenced to abuse Mrs. Crozier for putting 'the lie' on her. I had another conversation with the little girl and as a result went back to Clara Ford. But before, in Clara's presence, the little girl said that they were not at the theatre, and that Clara had told her to say she was if anybody had asked her. Then Clara turned on the little girl, but I stopped her and told her to say nothing or it would be used against her."

"Subsequently when the Croziers had left I took her into the commissioners' room and she remarked: 'There's no use misleading you any longer in the matter.' She was warned again not to say anything.

"Then she said, 'I shot Frank Westwood.'

"What was your reason?" asked Reburn.

"About last July he tried to knock me down at the foot of Jameson avenue and assault me. He often teased me because I was colored. I went along King street to Dufferin and then down into a street, where I took off this skirt and this jacket. I put them under the crossing. I had the male clothes on underneath my dress.

"I could not tell what time it was. I saw Frank Westwood, and two more on Jameson avenue. I went down to the foot of Jameson avenue and stood in the dark on the east side. I saw Frank come down and go in the house. I went through the picket fence and into Mr. Westwood's premises. I got behind a tree and stood there for fifteen or twenty minutes. Then I went up and rang the door bell. There was a dim light in the hall. Frank Westwood came to the door and leaned out. Then I shot at him, but I never dreamed I was going to kill him. I only fired one shot, then ran down to the boat house and went back and got the clothes. Then at the foot of Dufferin street I went underneath the wharf and along the waterfront to the foot of Bathurst street. From Bathurst street I went to King street and from there to my house on York street. When I used to live up there I was teased and tantalized by the boys. I think it was all right to wear men's clothes. I had six cartridges. I shot Frank Westwood with one and at ducks with the other."

Clara also told the witness that she did not believe Frank Westwood recognized her when she shot him. She thought she was perfectly justified in shooting him, although she was sorry she had done it. Inspector Stark was then called in, and she repeated the story to him.

The next morning Reburn saw her again, when she remarked: "I guess my time's short."

Reburn suggested that she should get a lawyer, but she said that she did not want any. She said she was going to plead guilty and tell the whole story to the magistrate. Then she sent for Mr. Murdoch and he came.

While Reburn was relating this most damning evidence the prisoner sat motionless in the dock with her gaze fixed squarely on the magistrate. Her attitude seemed to be that of an injured woman rather than anything else. Her lawyer objected to the evidence as being irrelevant to the inquiry. His objection was noted.

Defendant was then committed for trial.

Wants to Hang Truskey.

WINDSOR, Dec. 3.—George Wilmot, in the employ of Baugh's foundry, Detroit, has made application to Sheriff Eiles for the job of hanging Truskey at Sandwich on December 14. Wilmot says he will do the work for almost nothing as he wishes to get the position of public executioner in Canada.

A Binbrook Farmer's Death.

HAMILTON, Nov. 30.—David Miller, a highly-respected and prosperous farmer, who has lived in Binbrook township for many years, lost his life by falling into a well while getting water for his horses. Deceased leaves a widow and three children.

Suspected Suicide.

CHATHAM, Dec. 3.—Mrs. A. Robinson, wife of Bailiff Robinson, died at an early hour yesterday from an overdose of laudanum, taken Saturday night, it is thought, with suicidal intent. An inquest will be held to-day.

Three Desperadoes Heavily Sentenced.

FORT SMITH, Ark., Dec. 1.—Thurman Balding, alias "Skeeter", Jesse Snyder and Will Ferris, all members of the Cook gang, were sentenced in the United States court. "Skeeter" received 30 years, and Snyder and Ferris 20 years each. The house of correction at Detroit, Mich., was designated as the place where they must serve their long sentences.

TOPICS OF A WEEK.

The Important Events in a Few Words For Busy Readers.

Murdock, Minn., was partly destroyed by fire Thursday night.

Several buildings in Colborne were destroyed by fire Thursday.

At Brockville James Quigg, aged 70, was married to Miss Boulanger, aged 16.

At the Czar's instigation elementary education is to be introduced in Russia.

The Government is asked to grant $4,000 to the Mount Elgin Industrial Institute.

The postal appliances exhibited by Canada at Milan took first prize against all Europe.

Bell & Co.'s tannery at Tilsonburg was robbed of $300 worth of furs on Thursday night.

Viscount Monck, formerly Governor of the united provinces of Canada, died on Thursday.

Rio Janeiro advices state that the epidemic which has appeared there is genuine yellow fever.

Mr. G. Lloyd, a St. Catharines traveller, died suddenly in Hamilton on Wednesday from apoplexy.

The Missouri Pacific will cancel all night passenger trains owing to the frequency of train robberies.

There was an earthquake at Huntingdon, Que., on Wednesday, which caused windows to rattle.

The export cattle business of Manitoba and the Northwest this year shows an increase of 100 per cent.

The woods are all on fire in the neighborhood of Kansas City. There has been no rain there for four months.

The estimates for Quebec province were brought down in the Legislature on Wednesday. The expenditures are placed at $237,094 less than last year.

Hon. J. C. Patterson has been renominated by the Conservatives of West Huron. No other name was mentioned.

J. Paul Charlton, son of Mr. W. A. Charlton, M.P.P., died in Lynedoch, Friday, where Mr. Charlton resides.

A despatch from Quito, Ecuador, tells of an earthquake there which killed and injured many people and destroyed buildings.

A Chicago despatch says the Western Passenger Association has been dissolved, Mr. B. D. Caldwell, the chairman, having resigned.

Lord Aberdeen was the principal guest at the St. Andrew's banquet in New York on Friday night and made a most appropriate speech.

The Calgary contested election case has resulted in Mr. Lucas getting his seat in the Northwest Legislature by a majority of one vote.

Two Southbridge, Mass., football players were killed and five others mortally injured by a train running into their waggon on Thursday.

Major McLennan, M.P., will introduce a bill in parliament to prevent Government contracts being given to any but British subjects.

As finally prepared, the list of Representatives in 54th U. S. Congress shows 244 Republicans, 104 Democrats, 6 Populists, 1 silver and 1 vacant.

A battle scene, in which sea and land forces will take part under the direction of General Herbert, will be a feature of the Ottawa winter carnival.

Dr. William Hope, sheriff of the county of Hastings, died on Wednesday morning. Deceased was 80 years of age, and leaves a widow and a family of three.

The funeral of Anton Rubinstein, the pianist, took place in St. Petersburg on Wednesday, and was attended by all the artists and musicians of the city.

An epidemic of diphtheria has broken out in Evelyn Female College, three-quarters of a mile from Princeton College, and the institution has been closed.

At Sand Beach, Mich., on Wednesday Fred. Dale, mate of the Celtic, was killed, being crushed between the boat and the breakwater. He has sisters at Forest.

Owing to the failure of the Labrador fisheries, several hundred families on Conception bay have nothing but potatoes to eat and are on the verge of starvation.

At Parry Sound on Friday a vote was taken on the repeal of the local option by-law. The prohibitionists triumphed by a majority of thirty and the by-law stands.

Mr. Robert Anderson, a talented young violinist of Montreal, who has been studying in Paris, has not been heard from for some months, and his friends are alarmed.

Orders have been issued by the American Sugar Refining Company to shut down all their refineries in New York, Boston and Philadelphia. It is said this will throw 50,000 men out of work.

On the eighth concession of Peel township yesterday a young man, son of Mrs. Maxwell, who owns the farm, got his right hand caught in a steam straw cutter and the hand was cut in pieces almost to the wrist.

A despatch from Lyme says that four of the crew of the schooner Annie J. Pardee of New Haven, ashore on Cornfield Reef, have been washed overboard and drowned. Three others are said to be clinging to the rigging.

While fighting fire in the No. 10 vein of the Nelson coal colliery at Shamokin, Pa., President McGinn, Frank Lutkin, Clinton Faust and James Mowery were burned by an explosion of gas, and at least two of them will die.

The Brazilian Government is unearthing a network of frauds committed during the Peixoto regime and entailing an enormous increase in expenditures in order to cover deficits in all departments, except that of Foreign Affairs.

The 230th anniversary of the Scottish Corporation took place in London and was a brilliant affair. Hon. Thomas F. Bayard, U. S. ambassador, occupied the chair, a compliment never before paid to a foreign representative.

Donald McKelvie, janitor of the Rathbun Company's offices at Deseronto, fell over the railing from the third to the second floor on Thursday, receiving a broken skull and not regaining consciousness until he died.

James Millar of Comber was leading a cow, when it jumped suddenly, throwing him into a ditch. He went at the cow with a club, and she pulled him against the fence, causing paralysis of the spine, from which he shortly afterwards died.

Chicago has been again compelled to borrow money to pay the salaries of city employes, now long overdue. The treasury is empty, and the Council has authorized the new Comptroller to borrow $475,621, giving a mortgage on the coming tax levy.

The Coroner's jury at Guelph on Thursday brought in a verdict of manslaughter against John Cass in connection with the death of John L. Johnson. They found that Alex. Katting was accessory to the offence, and condemned the landlords of the hotels that supplied the deceased with liquor after he was intoxicated.

A Big Electrical Concern Goes Under.

CHICAGO, Dec. 3.—The Great Western Manufacturing Co., one of the largest electrical manufacturing concerns in the country, having its general offices and warehouses in this city and an extensive factory at Duluth and branches in Pittsburg and Denver, passed into the hands of a receiver on Saturday. The concern has been embarrassed for some time.

AN ARMISTICE POSSIBLE

Japan Announces Its Willingness to Negotiate for Peace.

MARCHING UPON WEI-HAI-WEI

This Stronghold the Next Point of Attack—The Chinese Generals in Command at Port Arthur in Danger of Losing Their Heads for Their Defeat.

LONDON, Dec. 3.—The Chee-Foo correspondent of the Central News says: The prevalent impression is that the Japanese will abandon the march on Pekin. Part of the Japanese fleet has been seen in the gulf off Wei-Hai-Wei, but it has made no attack. It is reported that an army of 250,000 Chinese expects to intercept the Japanese on their march toward New Chwang.

The Chinese surrounded a detachment of 500 Japanese in a town recently and captured them. Probably all the captives were killed.

All traffic to the northward will cease in ten days, and the Japanese will have to be quick if they intend to attack Pekin in 1894. It is reported that the next attack will be made upon Wei-Hai-Wei, but General Chang, a brave and competent officer, commands the defence of this stronghold, and he is assisted by several foreigners.

A Chinese refugee from Port Arthur says that six generals had equal commands in the defence and all fought bravely, but the plans lacked combination, hence the defeat.

Two generals escaped, one to Chee Foo, where he is in hiding, and the other to Tien-Tsin. It is likely that they will be beheaded.

Part of the Japanese fleet was lately at Wei-Hai-Wei, but has since departed. The Chinese fear that if peace be concluded now the disbanded troops will plunder the whole country within their reach. Indeed the last reliable report is that Japan informed the United States Minister that she was willing to negotiate peace. China has done this; therefore, an armistice is probable.

The Times hears from Kobe: "The government has published a statement that Commissioner Detring was not properly accredited by China to negotiate for peace and that China must accredit a high official with complete powers.

U. S. CONGRESS ASSEMBLES.

The Work for the Ensuing Session Outlined—The Bluefields Affair.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—Congress assembled to-day. Most important among the bills, from a political point of view, are the four so-called "pop gun" tariff bills sent over from the House at the close of last session and reported favorably to the Senate on August 20. Mr. Jones, of Arkansas, and Mr. Harris, of the Finance Committee, have said that they intended to call these bills up and especially the sugar bill at the earliest possible moment, but it is not likely that they will urge them during the first week. As it now stands on the Senate calendar the House bill providing for free sugar was amended by the Senate Finance Committee by imposing a duty of 40 per cent. on all sugars.

The House bill providing for free coal was amended by the senate finance committee by imposing a duty on bituminous coal when imported from any country that levies a duty on American coal, this being understood to be directed chiefly against Canada. The House bill admitting iron ore free was reported by the senate finance committee without amendment, but the fourth bill as to free barbed wire was reported by a substitute providing for the free admission not only of barbed wire but of the materials which might enter into its manufacture.

In view of the recent complications at Bluefields, Mr. Morgan will take the earliest opportunity to bring to the attention of the Senate his bill relating to the construction of the Nicaraguan canal. This measure is bound to be the cause of much discussion and will be championed by Senators Morgan and Frye. There is thought to be but little doubt that it will pass the Senate, but its fate in the House is less certain.

The House bill to establish a uniform system of bankruptcy, which was favorably reported to the Senate on the 31st of July last, will be a matter of earnest discussion, and the anti-option bill may protrude itself early in the session. The House bills to admit the territories of Arizona and New Mexico to the sisterhood of states are also pending and Mr. Faulkner will endeavor to add these new stars to the flag before the fifty-third Congress dies.

A Football Player's Bad Injuries.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—The condition of Bahan, the captain of the Georgetown college football club, who was so seriously hurt in the game with the Columbia Athletic Club on Thanksgiving day remains about the same. His spine is fractured and the pressure on the spinal cord has produced paralysis from the chest down. He will be removed to the hospital to-day, where an effort will be made to remove the fractured pieces of bone. The operation is to be made as a last resort and his recovery is doubtful. The other players are either entirely recovered or out of danger.

A Cotton Cargo on Fire.

ST. JOHNS, Nfld., Dec. 3.—The British steamer Starlight, of West Hartlepool Captain Voss, bound from Galveston to Liverpool, cotton laden, arrived here yesterday with her cargo on fire. The fire was discovered on Friday morning. Measures were promptly taken to keep it under control and the ship at once headed for this port. The fire gained progress gradually, the deck became heated, and had to be constantly flooded with water. On arriving here pipes were constructed by means of which steam will be sent through the cargo. The work of unloading will be begun to-day.

A Charity Hospital Destroyed.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Dec. 3.—The charity hospital, a magnificent structure, erected at a cost of about $40,000, was discovered to be in flames, and owing to its situation outside the city limits was totally destroyed. There was no fatalities as the inmates succeeded in getting out. The fire was the work of an incendiary.

Won the Walking Wager.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 3.—J. M. Raport who left New York city May 10 last, on a wager of $5,000 that he would reach San Francisco on or before December 1, walking the entire distance without spending a cent other than what he earned on the journey, arrived here with six hours to spare.

Montreal Police Investigation.

MONTREAL, Dec. 1.—The investigation into the workings of the Montreal police force was continued yesterday. Chief Detective Cullen made the important admission that certain members of the force had received bribes from keepers of disorderly houses, but had been reduced from the ranks in consequence.

CANADA IN THE PANIC.

Advantages of Our Banking System as Seen by an American.

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—The Post has the following editorial: "Mr. W. C. Cornwall, of Buffalo, furnishes to Bradstreet's an article on the experience of Canada during our panic of last year. In the first place Canada had no panic because she had no cause of panic. She had no Sherman silver law in operation, pouring millions of treasury notes into circulation, whether they were wanted or not. The banks and not the government supplied the currency of the country as it was wanted, and redeemed it when it was not wanted.

The results of the two different systems stand in glaring contrast to each other.

The deposits in the banks of the United States fell off 20 per cent. between May and September, 1893, while those of Canada fell off only 3 per cent. The loans and discounts on our side of the line fell off 12 1-2 per cent. while on the other side the shrinkage was only 1 1-3 per cent. Savings bank deposits in the United States during the same time declined 8 per cent. and would have declined much more but for the enforcement of the 60 day rule. In Canada these deposits remained stationary or slightly increased.

In fact the only trouble in Canada was due to its proximity to us. It was a sort of induction from the great distuntance in the neighborhood, but Canada fortunately had the means of minimizing even this. Her bank system was so arranged that the demands for more currency could be met on every day and hour when it came and did not require the banks to put up $114 in order to get $90 of circulating notes three or four weeks after the event.

The difference between the two countries is stated by Mr. Cornwall thus: "The business conditions in Canada have been somewhat similar to our own during the time under consideration as to dull trade, etc., but with this vital and all-important difference that she has had no panic. This is due to the difference in conditions as to currency. Canada's bank note circulation, while it increased slightly, was on the 30th of June, 1893 (perhaps our hottest panic date), in round numbers $33,500,000, and in November, 1893, $38,000,000. Bank note circulation is limited by the capital of the banks, in round numbers $60,000,000, so that Canada had all this time a wide leeway which was not used."

IN REPLY TO GARDNER.

Sir Charles Tupper Again Denies the Existence of Pleuro-Pneumonia.

LONDON, Dec. 1.—Sir Charles Tupper, Canadian High Commissioner, has published a reply to Mr. Herbert Gardner's statement in behalf of the government, concerning pleuro-pneumonia in Canada. He says:

"The offer of Canada to pay the expenses of an inquiry by veterinary surgeons is made without qualification or question as to the cost or the result. I challenge the Board of Agriculture to deny that. If any of the alleged cases since 1890 had this pleuro-pneumonia, the disease must have appeared in many parts of Canada before this. No case was discovered before 1890 or since."

As to Mr. Gardner's advice that Canada henceforth gave notice of all cases of pleuro-pneumonia found within her borders, Sir Charles says: "He evidently has overlooked Canada's Contagious Diseases Act, which regulates such notifications. As pleuro-pneumonia has not existed in Canada, no notification has been given. The disease found among animals arriving in England was unknown in Canada and was due to the conditions in transit. Hence it is called transit pneumonia."

In conclusion, Sir Charles writes: "The Canadian Government feels aggrieved that the representations already made in London, and the information sent, proving that Canada is free from pleuro-pneumonia, has not led to the removal of the restrictions."

Cass to be Tried for Manslaughter.

GUELPH, Ont., Nov. 30.—The coroner's jury who has been sitting on the Johnson alleged murder case every night since last Saturday, has brought in a verdict of manslaughter against Cass, and Keating is held as an accessory. It will be remembered that Johnson, who was under the influence of liquor, struck Cass twice in the face at Borsche's hotel, when the latter clinched with him and they fell heavily to the floor, Cass on top. In the evidence it was shown that Cass struck the deceased several times while the latter was down, and that some onlookers who tried to pull Cass off were stopped by Keating. The affray lasted only about half a minute, but Johnson was dying when picked up. Drs. Caven of Toronto and Cormack of Guelph held a post mortem. Death, they said, was caused by a rupture of a blood vessel in the brain, caused by violence.

Burned to Death in a Guard House.

CHARLOTTE, N.C., Dec. 1.—Three negroes were burned to death in the guard house at Polkton, N.C. All were accused of stealing. Many citizens were aroused by screams from the guard house and hastened to the place, but were too late to save the prisoners. The building was all of wood, small but very strong, and burned rapidly. After the house burned down the charred remains were taken from the embers. Evidently the negroes tried to burn their way out, and losing control of the fire brought upon themselves their own destruction.

Triple Domestic Tragedy.

CHICAGO, Dec. 1.—Frederick Freisch quarrelled with his son-in-law, Theodore Eckhart, and the quarrel developed into a fight. Mrs. Eckhardt, seeing that her husband was getting the worst of the encounter, drew a revolver and fired at her father. The latter snatched the revolver from her hands and shot both his daughter and her husband in the head inflicting fatal injuries. He then fatally shot himself.

Drowned in a Waterworks Reservoir.

HANOVER, N.H., Dec. 1.—Arthur Camp, 18 years old, and John M. Marshall, aged 20, were drowned in the reservoir of the Hanover waterworks. They and a boy named Dewey were skating, when the latter and Marshall broke through. Camp hurried to the rescue, but was soon chilled and exhausted, and with Marshall went down. Dewey managed to crawl out.

A Montreal Man Disappears.

MONTREAL, Nov. 30.—J. S. Mayo, a prominent oil merchant of this city and well known to the trade throughout the Dominion, has mysteriously disappeared and no trace of him can be found. Mayo had been in financial difficulties and it is feared by his friends that he has committed suicide.

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