

JURY DISBELIEVES MARY DEGAN, AND KATE HAMILTON IS SET AT LIBERTY

End of Dugan Inquest--No Cause for Fire Found--Beer Licenses in That Section a Cloak for Drunkenness and Immorality, Jury Say, and They Would See No More Issued--Fire Department's Work Upheld.

The coroner's jury to inquire into the death of Samuel Dugan in the Sheffield street fire on Wednesday night and also the death of Lillian Hayes, who died some days later as a result of burns received in the same fire Tuesday night, have returned their verdicts in the case of the woman, Kate Hamilton.

Bodied in the verdict were strong recommendations recommending that no beer licenses be issued in Sheffield street between Carmarthen and Wentworth streets, and in their opinion the licenses were used as a cover for immorality and drunkenness.

More Firemen Testify. Oliver Thompson, of No. 3 hose company, sworn, said he reached the fire about 11:45 o'clock. They then had a stream in the window of the shop. The door of the shop was broken about 11:45. "Myself and Mr. Nixon, of No. 3, crawled to the top of the stairs on our hands and knees. The heat drove us back. By this time the flames were almost out down stairs."

Continuing he said they crawled into a bed room and the heat and smoke drove them out. Later he and Mr. Keyes, foreman of No. 1, and Nixon went into the back bedroom. The bed clothes were turned back. They examined all the bedrooms and found nobody there. Previous to that they had not seen anybody come out of the stairs door. The door below was broken in before the examination of the bedrooms. The body of the fire appeared to be at the back of the petition back of the shop. He did not see any evidence of lamps in the shop.

Detective Patrick Killeen, sworn, said he had received instructions to bring Edward Armstrong to court, but had information that Armstrong had left for Nova Scotia. Laurence Mahoney, driver of chemical engine, sworn, said that there was no fire alarm on the part of the firemen at the fire.

F. J. Keyes, foreman of No. 1, told of being at the fire. The firemen answered promptly, and he thought the fire well managed. He thought it was from ten to twelve minutes after the department arrived that the outside door of the shop was broken. He did not think that Dugan could have been saved if the door had been opened immediately after the department arrived.

George B. Barker, book and ladder No. 1, testified that he arrived at the fire five to fifteen minutes after the alarm. He went into the beer shop; the door had been broken open before he arrived. He found the body under the door. The clothing was on fire. He called the chief and they got the chemical and put the fire out. The witness remarked at the time that the back of the wall behind the body was burnt but that the door of the shop was not. The fire was in the beer shop to the left going to the rear room. He did not smell oil or see any evidence of it.

The Coroner's Address. The coroner here announced that if anyone present knew of anything that would be of any assistance in the case, he would be glad to hear from them. No one coming forward, the coroner commended his address to the jury.

It must be borne in mind, he said, that after the loss of life on Wednesday last the exhaustive inquiry held was necessary. So much was known that two citizens had lost their lives, citizens whose reputations were of an unsavory nature, nevertheless, it was a loss of life. He had gone over all the evidence, but his facilities were no better than theirs as to forming an opinion. Evidence had been produced, however, to show that people of disreputable character, people of the lowest type, were frequenting the locality.

BRUTAL MURDER OF MAINE WOMAN

Mrs. Annie Bishop of Rockland Believed to Have Been Killed in Drunken Brawl--Two Arrests Made.

South Thomaston, Me., June 27--Mrs. Annie Bishop of Rockland, 45 years old, was found dead this afternoon at the home of James Maloney, in this town, with an ugly wound on her head and cuts on the fingers of the right hand. The walls of the room were spattered with blood, and there were many evidences of a struggle.

John Maloney, 40 years, the son of James, is under arrest on suspicion, and his father is being held as a witness. The woman's husband, James Bishop, is said to be at work in Rockland. The police claim that the Maloney had conflicting stories regarding the woman's death.

The first news of the tragedy came when James Maloney appeared at the home of Dr. B. C. Horne, about a mile from his own house and told the physician that Mrs. Bishop was dead.

Dr. Horne started at once for the Maloney house and upon his arrival found the body of the woman lying on a bed. The bed clothing was saturated with blood, and there were many stains on the walls. On the head was a deep wound or cut which had evidently bled freely, while there were cuts on the fingers and thumb of the right hand.

The room was in disorder and there were several empty liquor bottles on the floor. James Maloney admitted to Dr. Horne that he, his son and Mrs. Bishop had been drinking.

Dr. Horne notified coroner Judd and Sheriff Tolman, and they appeared on the scene within an hour. A brief examination of both father and son resulted in the arrest of the latter on suspicion, and the former as a witness. They were taken to the Thomaston jail and locked up, pending further investigation.

Coroner Judd took the necessary steps this evening for holding an inquest tomorrow after the autopsy is performed by the medical examiner. James Maloney is about 55 years old and his son, 18 years younger. They live alone in a small house on the outskirts of the town. Mrs. Maloney has been dead for some days.

Inquiries at Rockland this afternoon showed that the late husband, James Bishop, was at Stockton Springs, some distance up the Penobscot river, and an effort was made to reach him tonight.

F. M. TWEEDIE HOME FROM BRITISH COLUMBIA

New Brunswick Manager of Gold Mines on Pacific Talks Entertainingly of Princess Royal and Matters in General.

F. M. Tweedie, manager and superintendent of the Princess Royal gold mines, British Columbia, arrived in the city Tuesday.

Speaking to a representative of the Telegraph last evening, Mr. Tweedie said the mine was turning out well and extensive developments had been in progress for the past few years. The mine is on a beautiful site, about 400 miles north of Vancouver, from which place all supplies were obtained and the quartz, in which the ore runs about two and a half per cent, was shipped principally to Tacoma, about 600 miles south of the mine. The company, Mr. Tweedie continued, was 41 percent giving more attention to developing the mine, only shipping the ore as it came out, and two leads have now been established, running parallel about 600 feet apart, and a third, the smaller, but containing higher grade quartz--was 600 feet long, and the second had been tunnelled some 400 feet. Work was continued in two shifts night and day and the outlook for the mine was excellent.

The price paid for labor at the mine was \$3.00 a day out of which the mine paid \$1 for board to the company, there being nothing on the island but the mining camps. Prices in general were higher than in the east and Mr. Tweedie mentioned that copper change is practically unknown. The newspapers, of which there are several excellent specimens, charge five cents a copy. Salmon is available at ten cents a fish, and the season just beginning on the Fraser river is expected to be exceptionally good, the past three seasons having been only moderate and there being usually a large run of fish every fourth year.

The Maritime Provinces Association in British Columbia was mentioned by Mr. Tweedie as being a flourishing institution with a membership of more than 1,000. He said that negotiations were in progress when he left for special cheap rates for the summer, and the season just beginning on the Fraser river is expected to be exceptionally good, the past three seasons having been only moderate and there being usually a large run of fish every fourth year.

Good Words for Firemen. He took occasion to remark that all evidence of the firemen went to show that the department had acted promptly, and took occasion to say that he had good evidence to believe that the firemen were well managed. He believed the statements of the firemen as to the truth, and said he did not believe any one of them would tell anything but the truth.

The Verdict. The jury retired at 9:15, and just thirty-six minutes later returned with their verdict, as follows:-- The coroner's jury enquired into the death of Samuel Dugan, who died on Wednesday night, and the death of Lillian Hayes, who died some days later as a result of burns received in the same fire Tuesday night. The jury found that the death of Samuel Dugan was caused by burns received in the fire, and that the death of Lillian Hayes was caused by burns received in the same fire. The jury also found that the fire was caused by a gas lamp in the beer shop, and that the door of the shop was not opened immediately after the fire was discovered.

Former School Teacher. Death of Francis Gallagher Last Evening at Home Here. Late Tuesday night Francis Gallagher, one of the oldest and most respected residents of this city, died at his home, 108 St. John street, at the age of eighty-three years. Deceased was a native of Kings county, but had lived in this city for upwards of sixty years. He was a school teacher, but followed that profession for only a few years, when he became a surveyor, in which capacity he was engaged for many years. He was a man of high character, and was well known to all who knew him. He was survived by a wife and three children. The funeral will be held at 2 o'clock on Wednesday at St. John's church.

Miss Lucy Sprague. St. Andrews, June 27--Miss Lucy Sprague, who is popularly supposed to be more than 100 years of age, died this morning from a fall she received in her boarding house yesterday, in which she sustained the fracture of her thigh. She was the faithful housekeeper of the late Edward Westley, county judge of Kings county, and was a member of the Kings county society. She was survived by a son, Mr. John Sprague, and a daughter, Mrs. Mary J. Gallagher. The funeral will be held at 2 o'clock on Wednesday at St. John's church.

Alexander Colter. Frederickton, June 27--Alexander Colter, a respected resident of Kings county, died Monday morning, June 26, at his home, 108 St. John street. He was survived by a widow, one daughter, Mrs. Alexander Brewer, four brothers, Rev. J. J. Colter, of Fredericton; William, of Keswick; Richard, of Texas (U. S. A.); and Charles, of this place. His last wife, who was a sister of W. J. Watson, of St. John, West, and many friends here heard of her death with regret.

George N. Earle. Kingston, Kings Co., June 23--There passed peacefully to rest at an early hour Monday morning, George N. Earle, an old and highly respected member of this community. Although in poor health for many years, and one of the four years he had been in the end came suddenly.

Wedded at Rothersey. The marriage of Isaac E. Moore, principal of the Rothersey School for Boys, to Miss Ida Mary Brock, daughter of the late P. W. Brock, took place Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. The ceremony was performed by Rev. A. W. Daniel, assisted by Rev. Dr. W. O. Raymond. The bride was given away by her father, Mr. P. W. Brock. The ceremony was a simple one, and was attended by a number of friends.

Walsh-Hayes. Edward Walsh, of the Imperial Oil Company office, was married in the cathedral Tuesday morning to Miss Agnes Hayes. The ceremony was performed by Rev. A. W. Meahan. The bride was attended by her sister, Miss Mary McEwan, while the groom was supported by his brother, J. J. Walsh. The happy couple were the recipients of many handsome presents.

Ferguson-Johnstone. Fredericton, June 27--St. Paul's Presbyterian church was the scene of one of the most fashionable and pretty weddings of the season this afternoon, when Geo. H. Ferguson, son of John Ferguson, King street, and one of the travelers for the Hart Boat and Shoe Co., led to the altar Miss Margaret Johnstone, youngest daughter of L. W. Johnstone, George street, and one of the most popular young ladies of this city. The church had been beautifully decorated by a number of young ladies, friends of the bride, with potted plants and flowers and orange blossoms.

The bride looked charming, wearing a handsome gown of liberty duchess satin, with round court train and trimmed with Irish point lace, and with veil and orange blossoms. She carried a very pretty shower bouquet of roses and lilies of the valley. When the ceremony was commenced at

3 o'clock by Rev. Willard MacDonald the church was filled to the doors. The bride was the bride's sister, Miss Bona Johnstone, who later returned from the United States for the wedding. The flower girl was Miss Margaret Hall, niece of the bride. The groom was supported by Charles Holden Allen, while the ushers were Smith Barker, Arthur A. Shute, Kenneth Chestnut, John C. Allen and J. Stewart Campbell. After the wedding the guests repaired to the home of the bride's parents, where a reception was held. This evening the happy couple will leave for their wedding tour through the Annapolis Valley.

The presents received by the bride were numerous and beautiful. They included many handsome pieces of cut glass, silver, handsome china and furniture and attested the popularity of the bride and groom. There were handsome presents from the directors of the Hart Boat and Shoe Company, the office and traveling staff of the same concern and from the ushers. Among the guests here from St. John, Fredericton and who later was the coal trade on Robertson's wharf. He had three sons, of whom Wallace was the youngest, and one daughter, who is married in Montreal. Wallace MacFarlane left here when about sixteen years of age and after a college course began practice of law in New York and attained success. Under President Cleveland he was one of the district attorneys. He is about forty-five years of age.

Beckwith-Coughlan. On Tuesday evening, the 27th inst., a very pretty wedding took place here, a large gathering of people in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, where Arthur S. Beckwith and Miss Mary A. Coughlan were united in marriage by Rev. A. W. Meahan. The bride was attended by Miss Maggie McEwan, while Frank E. Nugent, supported the groom. After the ceremony the happy couple drove to their future home where a wedding supper followed, and where the bride and groom were entertained by their relatives. The ceremony was a simple one, and was attended by a number of friends.

Stackhouse-Knight. A quiet though pretty wedding was celebrated Wednesday morning at 10:30 o'clock in the presence of immediate relatives, when Helen, daughter of Mrs. Benjamin T. Knight, was united in marriage to Edwin Charles Stackhouse, while the groom was supported by his brother, Arthur S. Beckwith and Miss Mary A. Coughlan. The ceremony was a simple one, and was attended by a number of friends.

Harrison-Dale. Wednesday morning, in St. Luke's church W. Stanley Harrison was married to Miss Bertha Dale, daughter of Thomas Dale, for many years postmaster in the North End. The bride, who wore a beautiful travelling costume of blue, was attended by the groom's sister, Miss Beattie Harrison, and the bride's sister, Miss Beattie Harrison. The ceremony was a simple one, and was attended by a number of friends.

MARITIME PROVINCE YALE GRADUATES VISITS THE KINGSTON MACDONALD SCHOOL

George W. Massie and H. J. McLatchy of Fredericton to Get B. A. Degrees, and E. C. Weyman of Apohaqui, N. B.

Among those receiving degrees from Yale University today are six maritime province men.

Geo. W. Massie and H. J. McLatchy, both of Fredericton, who graduated last year from the University of New Brunswick, have each completed a very successful year in the senior class. Today they graduate Bachelors in Arts. Mr. Massie is looking forward to journalism work in the west, and Mr. McLatchy will enter the same line in this province.

E. C. Weyman, of Apohaqui (N.B.), has been studying political economy at the graduate school. He received a Master of Arts degree. Next year he will return to Yale for further graduate work, where he has received a scholarship and an assistantship in economics. Mr. Weyman has been granted a fellowship, and Mr. Taylor a scholarship. Both have assistantships at St. John's.

M. W. Martin, of Prince Edward Island, and gets a Ph. D. degree. He is in pastoral work in Ohio.

Carleton Man's Death. John Sleeth, of Carleton Granite Works, Died Tuesday. John Sleeth, of Sleeth & Quinlan, proprietors of the Carleton Granite Works, died at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon at his home in West End. In his passing from this life there has gone one who was well thought of by every one who knew him, both in his home life and in business circles. He was of quiet disposition, even character and whom it was a pleasure to number as a friend.

Mr. Sleeth had not been in good health for some time but only in the last three weeks was compelled to keep to the house. He was born in St. John 66 years ago and lived here all his life, serving his time as a granite worker with the late James McCormick and progressing steadily to an enviable place in the community. His death will be sincerely mourned by many.

Mr. Sleeth was an adherent of the Presbyterian faith. He is survived by four sons--John, in Douglastown (N. S.); James in Sydney (C. B.); Joseph and William at home--and two daughters, Mrs. William Thompson, of Bangor, and Mrs. Margaret Oulton at home here.

Obituary. Mrs. Mary J. Gallagher. Mrs. Mary J. Gallagher, wife of Thomas S. Gallagher, died Wednesday in Somerville (Mass.), after six days' illness. She was a member of the First Methodist church, and leaves besides her husband, three sons, one son and two daughters, three brothers and two sisters. Mrs. Gallagher was a sister of W. J. Watson, of St. John, West, and many friends here heard of her death with regret.

At the hour of closing all the children were marched to the assembly, where the closing exercises and a brief programme of music were held. Then came the interesting story of about children most of them here in the morning, and in summer clothing, skipping from the sheltering entrance hall, down the steps, into the street, where they were met by their conveyance to their respective homes. There was no confusion, no loss of time, every section came forth separately and in order, and all were away in the twinkling of an eye.

The altar was covered with white flowers, while on either side of the chancel was a bower of palms. The bride was given away by her father, Mr. P. W. Brock. The ceremony was a simple one, and was attended by a number of friends.

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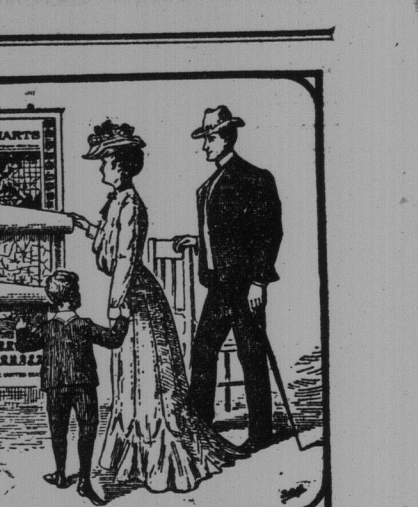
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