

January 22, 1907

CROWN'S CASE AGAINST COLLINS WILL END TODAY

Fourteen Witnesses Heard Yesterday—Prisoner's Stories Were Contradictory—His Actions Prior to His Arrest Were Peculiar and Suspicious -- He Carried Gold Watch With Initial M On It.

HOPEWELL CAPE, N. B., Jan. 21.—The proceedings at the Collins trial went on quite rapidly today, and only a few more witnesses remain to go on the stand for the crown.

More than a dozen gave evidence today. Interest in the case keeps well up, and the court room was again crowded. Collins sat quietly in the dock, but his face wore a serious look a good deal of the time.

Douglas A. Spinney, sworn, said he lived in Utopia, Charlotte county, and near the line of the N. B. Southern Railway. He had seen the prisoner on August 23rd last, between six and half-past six o'clock, coming down the road from Lake Utopia. Prisoner asked for something to eat, and witness told him to go into the house and get him a lunch. Prisoner said he had come from Carleton, and after taking the lunch started to go back on the road by which he came. Witness asked where he was going, and the prisoner saying, "To St. Stephen," witness told him to take the post road, which was the shortest. Prisoner when he saw him, had no valises.

To Mr. McKewen, witness said that the prisoner could be coming down the railway.

WM. J. DEAN.

Wm. J. Dean of the Parish of Musquash said he lived 15 miles from St. John, and about 25 miles from the home of the last witness, Spinney, by the railway. Witness said he kept a hotel and general store, his home being on the north side of the railway, the post road being between. He first saw the prisoner on Wednesday morning, August 22nd last, on the highway about a mile and a half to the east of his place. The prisoner was then walking on the highway westerly towards witness's place and he had no conversation with him. He next saw him that same night about 9 o'clock, with witness's son, Wm. Dean, coming up the steps of the verandah of Dean's house.

Witness said he had just brought in a load of lumber from St. John. He saw the prisoner, and he wanted to hire, and the witness said, "If he was a pretty good man he would hire him," and said anyway he could stay all night. The prisoner had a valise which the witness afterwards turned over to Detective Killen, the one shown in court being like it. Next morning witness saw the prisoner as he was wheeling wood from the yard to the house, and he saw him at the telephone, when he next saw the prisoner, answering a call from him. The question of Chief Clark referred to a man whom he described. The prisoner might have heard him talking on the telephone, and he was talking rather loud, though inside of the house, the prisoner being on the verandah. After answering Chief Clark, witness noticed the prisoner going into his coat and going out again with his coat on his arm. He had not had his coat when he was in the wood. Witness next saw him on the road travelling westward, being then 800 or 400 yards away. The prisoner did not take the valise with him.

Being cross-examined by Mr. McKewen, Mr. Dean said his son was not a witness. He learned from his boy that he had picked Collins up near Fairville. Witness further stated that he did not really hire Collins, and heard nothing about the prisoner saying he would leave his valise until later. When talking to Chief Clark over the telephone, witness closed the door leading to the hall.

To Mr. Skinner witness said he had gone to Watertown, Maine, shortly before the preliminary examination, and was living there now. He had spoken to the chief intending none to hear him. After the prisoner left in the way he did the witness called up the chief's office and told the chief to come as rapidly as possible, thinking that probably the prisoner was the man he was looking for.

A NEW WITNESS.

Mrs. Martha Turner, a new witness, of the parish of Elgin, a daughter of Mrs. Leeman, a former witness, was at her mother's at the time the prisoner was there in regard to the fishing trip and the prisoner's telling that the priest's horse had been stolen and heard Ann being in an "upset condition." Witness seemed somewhat mixed as to what the prisoner said his name was.

Joseph McCann, a railroad employee, said he was also foreman for the Union Ice Company, going to Spruce Lake when required, their premises there being about eight miles from St. John.

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He saw the prisoner first between six and seven o'clock on Tuesday, August 21st, at the ice house. He was travelling towards Musquash, and was carrying a valise, and he asked for a place to stop all night. Witness told him he did not know of any. Near evening, August 22nd, he again saw him a little nearer St. John. He (the prisoner) was on a team load of lumber with Wm. Dean, Jr., the prisoner driving. They were going to St. John, and the question of treating was spoken of, young Dean asking the prisoner for some money, upon which witness, some ladies also coming in, and took out some change and gave Dean. Witness did not see any more money, and on being asked Collins said he had no more. The prisoner and the witness went into Martin's, and in to the bar, afterwards going into the piano room, where Collins danced some and sang, Dean playing the piano. There were in the room the prisoner, Lynch, Dean and witness, some ladies also coming in. Miss Goggin afterwards came in. Witness left the prisoner in the room.

COLLINS HAD GOLD WATCH.

Daniel Lynch, laborer, St. John West, was engaged with Union Ice Company, last August, and was in the party in company with the prisoner at Martin's on the occasion described by the previous witness. He saw there, Collins showing a gold watch to Maggie Goggin, which he said the prisoner informed them, was a present from his girl, who had suddenly died, saying, "If he had suddenly died, the bride and groom, Mr. and Mrs. watch were hers. Did not know what the initials were, one looked like an 'M'." After putting the money and watch back in his pocket he took out a silver watch and looked at it. Witness next saw the prisoner in the police office at St. John.

WATCH HAD "M" ON IT.

Margaret Goggin, sworn, said she resided in St. John and had been living at Spruce Lake at John Martin's in August last. She saw and talked with the prisoner on Tuesday, 21st, when he asked for a night's lodging. She related the facts of the evening gathering spoken of by the previous witness, the prisoner being in the act of singing when she went in. After a time, witness stated, she and the prisoner, witness asked to see a watch and he opened it for her and said he had got it for his girl and had sent it to her at Halifax, it having been sent back to him on account of the girl being dead. She was not sure of the marks on the watch, but thought there was an "M" on the outside. The prisoner said they were the initials of his girl, and he had put it in size with the one shown by Watchmaker Leblanc in court.

To Mr. McKewen she stated that the design of the latter shown by Leblanc as being like that on Miss McAuley's watch did not bring to her mind the story of the watch.

COLLINS' CONTRADICTION STORIES.

Daniel Buckley of Spruce Lake said he saw the prisoner on Tuesday, August 21st, when he inquired the way to John Martin's, saying he was looking for a night's lodging. The prisoner told him he had only 30 or 40 cents, but had a watch, given him by his sister before he left England.

Charles Leeman said he lived at Flint Hill, Elgin, and was a son of Mrs. Ruth Leeman, a former witness, friend of the prisoner at his home about one o'clock on the day referred to, the prisoner coming as he said through the woods. This would be the night of the fishing trip, and he thought the prisoner was carrying two valises and a pair of reins, and told the story as related by witness mother.

Wm. A. Simpson, station agent I. C. R. at Pettitcodiac, was unable to swear to the identity of the prisoner, though he had a faint recollection of seeing a ticket for St. John on the day in question to a man whom he thought at the time was a sailor, and seems not to be a Canadian. If the prisoner at the bar was the same man, he should say he had changed a great deal. Witness could only say that the prisoner might be the man, being similar in size. The ticket he sold the man cost \$1.40, and the witness was paid for it.

Charles Carle, sworn, said he lived at Pettitcodiac, and that on the day while going to his work, he met a man carrying a valise, coming toward the wharf from Elgin along the track. Witness had some conversation with him and told McAllister to take him to Joyce's, the boarding house, to stay all night.

Thos. Heffron remembered seeing the prisoner at Dean's hotel on Thursday, August 23rd. The witness believed the prisoner was in a position to hear the telephone conversation at the time referred to, and he noticed while he worked unloading wood he kept his eyes on the window.

Mr. Skinner said he would not press as to the actual language used over the phone.

SAD DEATH OF SCHOOLBOY

Fell off Fence and Died in Few Hours.

Victim Was Lloyd Corkery, Seven Year Old Son of Jos. W. Corkery, of Main Street.

Thomas Lloyd Corkery, the young son of Joseph W. Corkery of 112 Douglas avenue, died last evening as the result of a fall received while playing near St. Peter's school yesterday afternoon. The boy had left his home for school shortly before one o'clock, and when he arrived at the school grounds engaged in games with a number of other boys, as was the custom before the afternoon session began. While climbing over a fence Lloyd fell backwards, striking on his head. He was carried to his father's home and was put to bed. His mother did not think his injury serious, as the distance from which he fell was not very great and there were few bruises on his head.

Dr. McInerney was called to attend the boy, and when he arrived it was learned that the patient was suffering from concussion of the brain, and that his injuries would prove fatal. His father was hastily summoned from his shop on Main street, and surrounded by his family and playmates, Lloyd passed away at six o'clock.

The boy was in his seventh year and was a bright boy. His father, in speaking of the sad affair last evening, said he had left the boy perfectly well at noon, and he could hardly believe that at supper time he was dead. Only about a month ago Lloyd, a girl, three years old, also being seriously injured by a horse which was galloping along Adelaide street, where he and a number of other boys were playing.

The friends of Mr. and Mrs. Corkery were shocked at the news of the death, and many of them called at the stricken household last night to extend their sympathies to the bereaved couple. Besides his father and mother Lloyd is survived by several young brothers and sisters.

TENNYSON SMITH CLOSES CAMPAIGN

Alcohol Was Convicted at Fredericton Last Night, After an Able Defense by E. A. McKay.

FREDERICTON, Jan. 21.—Tennyson Smith closed his campaign in this city this evening with the trial of alcohol. The house was full and all seemed to enjoy the entertainment. Warden McFarlane acted as judge, Percy Guthrie was clerk of the court and E. A. McKay counsel for the defense. The trial was a bottle of Beady's beer, and the charge that of robbery and murder. A jury composed of the following performed the important duty of judging the facts: C. A. Simpson, H. P. Liat, R. B. Wallace, H. V. Vanwart, M. Mitchell, John Moore, Wm. Minns, W. J. Osborne, R. L. Black, T. H. Colter, Judson Barker and W. Everett.

The witnesses included Edward Ashford, Rev. Mr. Berry, Harry Burdett, F. J. Todd, Coroner McEwen, Douglas McConaghy, who told a story quite appealing. The latter performed the act of making a rush for the prisoner and being stopped by Constable Ashford. Mr. McKay's defense was quite powerful and his technical objections, though they might be good in a court of law, were hardly persuasive under the circumstances. The jury, after retiring for ten minutes, brought in a verdict of guilty, which did not seem to surprise the vast audience present, and the execution took place accordingly.

Mr. Smith will go to Woodstock tomorrow, where he opens his campaign.

PORTLAND, Me., Jan. 21.—Charged with a most unusual crime, and one for which the penalty is life imprisonment for each, and previous to 1897 was death, two men were arrested in Washington county today by deputy U. S. marshals. They are Captain Albert M. Tower and Haskell Davis of Jonesport, the former master and half owner and the latter a seaman on the schooner "The Fish Hawk," which was sunk near Alden Rock, just outside Portland harbor, Sunday night, Dec. 27th. They are charged with sinking the schooner for the purpose of obtaining the value of an insurance policy for \$800. A hearing will be held before Commissioner Burleigh at Augusta tomorrow.

Federal officials tonight were unable to recall a similar case in this or a neighboring district. The warrants charged that on the high seas and in the admiralty and maritime jurisdiction of the United States "they did cast away and destroy a certain vessel, to wit, the schooner 'Fish Hawk,' with intent to prejudice the Marine Insurance Company of New York."

The schooner, loaded with 700 quintals of fish for Gloucester, was sailed out of this port by them Sunday afternoon, Dec. 27. The next morning they rowed into the harbor after a trying experience in a cold storm, which nearly cost them their lives and reported their schooner sprung a leak and sank off Alden Rock. Only the topmasts were out of water.

Within a week the wreck floated and drifted to Highland Light. There the bulk was examined thoroughly by Captain M. Seyver of Jonesport, who with his brother, O. D. Sawyer, owned a half interest, and two light keepers. It is alleged that they found that 3 inch holes had been bored in a circle in the centreboard casing and a section of the casing knocked out, causing the schooner to sink.

It is stated that the schooner was purchased a year ago for \$850, and Captain Tower later sold it for \$600. The Sawyer Bros. had no insurance. The schooner was 59 feet long and was built at Deer Isle in 1894.

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TWO CREWS SNATCHED FROM JAWS OF DEATH

Barge Captain's Wife and Two Babies Rescued With Others After Terrible Experience—Children, Wrapped in Dunnage Bags, Hurled from Life Boat to Rescuing Tug.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Jan. 21.—Twelve survivors of a terrible storm which raged on Long Island Sound from Saturday night until early today, reached here tonight. One of them, an infant boy, had been tied in a dunnage bag and hurled from a tumbling lifeboat to the deck of a tug. Another, a girl, three years old, also bound in a dunnage bag, was dragged through the seas and landed safely beside her brother.

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HURRICANE KILLS 4; FLOODS SUBSIDING

Damage at Buffalo Alone Will be \$1,000,000—Danger From Ohio Floods is Passing Away.

BUFFALO, Jan. 21.—The hurricane which swept the Niagara frontier yesterday has subsided and a more extended examination of the damage to shipping reveals the original estimate. At the port of Buffalo alone, however, it will be about \$1,000,000. The high waters of Lake Erie, recorded today, leaving some of the stranded lake liners high and dry on the sandy beaches. None of them appear to be seriously damaged.

The death toll totals four. Three persons were killed in the collapse of buildings and another was drowned in the lake while being brought to a place of safety.

CINCINNATI, O., Jan. 21.—After be-

ing stationary at 65.4 feet for a time, during the morning, the Ohio River at this point began to recede slowly this afternoon and at dark had fallen to 65 feet with all indications for a continuance of the fall. By the end of the week, it is thought, the danger will be passed. The aggregate damage will run far into the hundreds of thousands of dollars, this being distributed along several hundred miles of the Ohio River and its tributaries.

BANGOR SUFFERS \$23,000 FIRE LOSS

BANGOR, Me., Jan. 22.—An aggregate loss of \$23,000 resulted from a fire this morning in the wooden business building at the foot of Exchange street, owned by heirs of Ellen Sullivan.

The heaviest losers are Will B. Smith & Co., clothing, \$18,000. Others damaged mostly by smoke and water are E. H. McNamara, tobacco and cigars; Max Cohen, clothing; J. Byer, paint factory; Frank Gallen, lodging house; Nutt's barber shop, and Connors' employment agency. The damage to the building is \$3,000. The losses are practically covered by insurance.

TOOKEVILLE, Ky., Jan. 19.—Robert Lee's one hundredth birthday was celebrated today throughout the south. Elaborate programmes were carried out at Nashville, Birmingham, New Orleans, and many other cities.

NEW FERRY STEAMER LAID UP AGAIN

This Time It Is Her Steering Gear—Alderman Suggests Selling Her for Junk.

The \$100,000 beauty, the Ludlow, again met with disaster yesterday. This time the steering gear was damaged, and the ship was laid up. Alderman suggests selling her for junk.

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