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THE HYAMES TWINS.

A Chain of Damning Evidence Being Woven by the Crown.

A SILENT WITNESS IN THE CASE.

The Alleged Obstacle in the Weight Shaft Is Produced.

And it Appears to Have Been No Obstacle Whatever—One of the Defence's Pet Theories, Therefore, suffers a Severe Blow—The Crown's Elevator Experts Not Allowed to Testify—Brother-in-Law Aylesworth to be To-day's Leading Attraction.

The counsel for the Crown in this case of the Hyames twins spent a considerable portion of the time devoted to yesterday's session in lugging into the court-room various sections of the elevator and weight shafts of the Colborne-street warehouse, as well as other portions of the now notorious structure wherein Willie Wells met so tragic a death on the cold morning of January 18, 1910. In fact, during the afternoon's proceedings it appeared to the interested spectator as if Mr. Osler and his untiring assistants were determined upon bringing up the entire warehouse on the installment plan, and as Mr. Curry or Detective Cuddy would produce some new "alibi" of the ill-fated warehouse to be gazed upon and studied by the jury and its bearing upon the issue to be plausibly explained by the Crown prosecutor and William Aylesworth, the interest in this new venture against the unhappy prisoners became more and more intense, and caused His Lordship to inquire: "In fact, the owner gave the Crown permission to tear down the building?"

The Crown's New Testimony.

But these exhibits were far more than passing importance to the Crown's side of the case; in fact they may prove to be the "missing link" in the chain of evidence which the prosecution did not succeed in forging around the diminutive fellows with a manila for insurance who were seen near their own on the occasion of their last appearance in the prisoners' dock. Certain it is, however, that the introduction of one of these exhibits was directly the cause of a very considerable uneasiness on the part of the legal gentlemen who are appearing for the accused.

A Silent Witness.

It will be recalled that in the weight shaft where the obstruction to the weight is alleged by the defence to have occurred there is now a hole, saw marks on the wall showing that a small portion of the shaft had been removed. The witness, Haokeney proved that a piece of the shaft had been sawed out, and the defence contends that projecting from that place was the obstacle which served to check the progress of the weight and brought about its freedom from the hook that it might fall and crush out the life of the young man, whose timely death permitted his employers, the greedy little twins, to live in luxury and practical idleness until the cold hand of the law stepped in and claimed them as its just and proper prey.

Witnesses have testified that on looking up the weight at the defence noticed the presence of the obstruction referred to; and the missing piece, removed within a very few days after the death of the deceased young man, had never been found, it came to be practically admitted that the obstruction had never existed, and it remained for a witness of yesterday, Carpenter Aldridge, who had been despatched to the warehouse to remove certain portions of the weight shaft for the purposes of illustration, to find the much-wanted piece of wood that had been sawed out of the shaft. It is an insignificant appearing piece of well-worn lumber, but when fitted to its old place in the shaft corner, it looms up, from the prosecutor's standpoint, as an object of the greatest value. It fits into the saw-marks as perfectly as a glove into a shoe, is not proof enough to arrest a feather in its downward flight, let alone a ponderous iron weight weighing more than 500 pounds, and its discovery and the subsequent successful experiments in the presence of the jury certainly did not augur well for the future of the case of the pale-faced, tricky appearing chunks of humanity who used to be engaged in the conduct of a grocery warehouse and an alleged mercantile agency whose main feature seemed to be the realization of large sums of money through insurance policies on the lives of relatives and friends who, the crown claims, would kindly shuffle off this mortal coil at their own special instance and request.

The Discomfiter of the Twins.

The Hyams twins were much affected by the Crown's new evidence; and the joyous smiles which they had worn ever since His Lordship ruled out the testimony of the elevator expert of the morning, gave way to a look of pain and anguish as Mr. Osler piled up evidence after evidence in a practical manner that the theories of the defence respecting the weight shaft obstacles were, like the sections of the shaft now on exhibition, full of holes. It looked like blue enough for the Crown when the luncheon hour was over yesterday; some of its most cherished testimony had been knocked into a cocked hat by His Lordship and the twins, happy in the knowledge that matters were shaping to their own manner favorable to their cause, were all smiles and dimples when they filed in to court. They were guarded by a couple of powerful constables they had every appearance of the unconcern and stolidity of the usually accompanies a belief in an early acquittal of so serious, yet uncertain, a charge. But the gentlemen of the prosecution were by no means discouraged; they went about their task in the afternoon with vim and earnestness that augured not well for the prisoners and within the hour for adjournment had been reached, the impression among those who have followed the case from its beginning called seemed to be that the Crown had succeeded in placing its case in better position than at any time during the present or the former trial.

His Lordship Takes a Hand.

Many of the witnesses who have testified during the present trial have testified in making their testimony correspond with that given during the last Assizes or before the coroner. It is therefore necessary for the counsel to read former testimony that the witnesses might be asked either to affirm or deny the correctness of such previous statements, or course all this takes time and the counsel for the defence are wont to object to that mode of procedure, the result being that His Lordship is frequently called upon to render a decision which he frequently does by allowing that method of refreshing the witnesses' memory

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