

WITNESSES FOR
MRS. BRADLEY

Aim of Defense to Show She Was Under Great Mental Strain

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They Had Interviewed Her Immediately After the Tragedy

One Could Not Say Whether She Was
Insane; Others Thought She

(Special) to the "News.")
Washington, D. C., Nov. 18.—Mrs. Bradley, in spite of test from her ordeal for a day, appeared somewhat more nervous when she entered the courtroom this morning than on Friday. Yesterday she attended divine service in full and seemed to be very much affected, especially by the singing.

Today court met at the customary hour and the defense began the examination of witnesses with the evident purpose of convincing the jury that the prisoner was laboring under great mental strain at the time of the shooting. With this end in view, a number of newspaper men, who interviewed Mrs. Bradley after the shots were fired, were summoned and the general trend of the answers submitted by them was

to the effect that the accused woman appeared to be suffering great mental strain.

EXPECTATION OF DEFENSE.

It is the expectation of the defense that it can be shown that no woman could have borne up under a strain so great as that from which she suffered without becoming temporarily unbalanced. Up to the present moment the accused by Brower, and the jury has not been touched upon except in veiled terms, but it is understood to be the purpose of the defense to show to the jury that Mrs. Bradley was a respectable and upright woman until she was seduced by Brower; that the relations between the two were such

as to have made it impossible for her to obtain employment even in a men-

ally capacity, and that as Brown positively refused to carry out his assignment, the military had no alternative but to execute him. She became convinced at the prospect of the future and during a fit of mental agony followed him to Washington and avenged her father's death by his execution. It is probable that the remainder of the week, at least, will be required to present the case of the defense.

SURROUNDED BY FRIENDS.

Washington, Nov. 18.—Mrs. Bradley found herself surrounded by friends when she went into court today to be charged with murdering former Senator Arthur Brown of Utah. The courtroom was full of witnesses for the defense and the court asked to be present today in view of the prospect of the beginning of testimony in her favor and several of them had come all the way from her former home in Salt Lake City for that purpose. In this class were included:

Dr. Eugene Whitney, who is expected to support Atty. Hoover's statement that Brown was not responsible for any criminal operations in the Lyons-Shrewsbury, the husband of a aunt of Mrs. Bradley, who became involved in the trial. Mrs. Bradley's mother, and Col. J. P. Hendon, Arthur Barnes and Col. Samuel King, all of whom are attorneys of Salt Lake city, and are expected to support the testimony of the relationship between Brown and Mrs. Bradley.

It was stated before the trial began that the witnesses introduced in Mrs. Bradley's behalf would be businessmen, mostly newspapermen and policemen who saw the woman soon after her arrest, and who will be questioned concerning the woman's appearance at the time of the woman, in the hope of creating the impression

that she was responsible for her actions.

REPORTER HAY.

James Hay, a reporter, who interviewed Mrs. Bradley at the police station on the night of the tragedy, was on the scene of the crime. The defendant, he said, appeared pale and agitated, and very much agitated. She was constantly moving about the room at the station, wringing her hands and repeating, "I don't know what she was doing for me."

He had cautioned her that anything she said would be printed, but she did not talk coherently and he had to leave her. She told him that she had two children, a son and a daughter, and that her husband, John Brown was their father. She denied that she came to this city to kill Brown. She declared she was a dissatisfied housewife and an outcast, and therefore should not expect any help from her friends or any help. Once during

During the interview she turned to the police station, called attention to some noise

"Did you form any opinion as to her

"I could not say whether she was sane or insane. She evidently, however, was in a motiveless state."

"Yes, I had my suspicion, but I could not say whether she was in-

A. P. CORRESPONDENT.
Charles Cottrell of the Associated

...who interviewed Mrs. Bradley immediately after the tragedy testified that the prisoner seemed unable to collect her thoughts. She told him she lived here from Salt Lake.

ly penitents. She did not volunteer anything merely answering questions. Asked by the defense if he had noticed anything peculiar about her eyes,

Mr. Cotterell testified he asked Mrs. Bradley if she had, just before the tragedy, asked former Senator Brown to

Mr. Brown's only answer was to grab his overcoat and start to leave the car. Mrs. Bradley told the witness

of the authors of this kind,