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MURDER MOTIVE IN DUAL TRAGEDY.

Mrs. Mitchell Told Her Husband Of Intention to Get a Divorce From Him.

HE FLEW INTO A TERRIBLE PASSION

In Awful Rage He Brandished Knife Over Her Body and Threatened to Cut Her Head Off.

YET WIFE WOULD NOT BELIEVE.

All This Was Some Days Before the Awful Crime—Facts That Came At the Inquest Today.

A motive for the murder of Mrs. Ed. H. Mitchell in bed at her home yesterday morning, and the suicide of her husband in the bath behind West street, shortly afterwards, was found today. Yesterday at 10 o'clock Mrs. Mitchell, who had a date with Mr. Fred T. McGarrin to settle upon the division of their property preparatory to Mrs. Mitchell's filing a suit for a divorce.

Wednesday evening last Mrs. Mitchell told Mr. McGarrin of her intention to get a divorce, and he received the news not calmly, but flew into a rage. He seized Mrs. Mitchell around the waist, threw her to the floor of the room, planted his knee in her chest to hold her there, and then reached into a table drawer near at hand, and took the carving knife. He told her then he was going to cut her throat, but after five minutes of pleading, he released her. While he held her pinned to the floor waving above her the brandished knife, he kept his lips in his mouth and the hot coals falling from this burned through the skin of her cheeks and neck.

Thursday afternoon she told the story to Mrs. Geo. Moore, an old friend of the family, and Mrs. Moore asked Mitchell what he meant by such a statement. To her surprise Mitchell declared he was in dead earnest and meant business, and what he did was all right.

"THOUGHT HE WAS BLEEPING." Mrs. Moore pleaded, with Mrs. Mitchell to leave her husband and the home at once, but Mrs. Mitchell declared her husband was only bluffing, and would not leave her. Thursday afternoon Mrs. Moore and Mrs. Mitchell went up town to meet Mitchell at the corner of Second South and Main streets, leaving them to return to her home on Sixth street.

Mrs. Mitchell met in an apartment with Attorney McGarrin in regard to settling up the property division. Mrs. Mitchell promised Mrs. Moore to call yesterday and tell her how the property matter came out.

There was a peculiar story of the inquest's devotion brought out in the inquest this morning. All of the relatives of Mrs. Mitchell were examined, but none of them would say that she had ever complained of being unwell, or told tales of his cruelty. It was not until the last few weeks that she ever made complaint, and then it was in a fearful letter, telling her sister of her plans for a divorce. Even then she did not give reasons. All witnesses who had been at the Mitchell home testified as to how well it was kept, and in what neat order. Most of them testified that the story that she was a husband as Mitchell had so good a wife.

SANE UNTIL JULY 4.

Of the character of Mitchell, all witnesses agreed that he had not shown a single sign of insanity, prior to July 4 of this year. His talk, they said, was always rational, and his manner not that of an insane man. He had never been talked of as a subject for the insane asylum until July 4. However he had one peculiarity which has always distinguished him. This was an occasional and sudden behavior, often terminating in an outbreak of anger.

MISTRUSTED HIS WIFE.

He had a notion, too, of Mrs. Mitchell that led him to mistrust her. He had nursed it for years, and had spoken of it many years ago to friends. It caused much of his strange conduct towards her, and especially his watchful supervision of her. It was this feeling which was breeding up the family income, keeping him in the dark regarding its expenditure, and that this was for the purpose of some day leaving him suddenly to return to her former home in Europa, in which a fig he was driving timber. It was this intention of Mrs. Mitchell to run away from him some time, and leave him alone. Once at Europa, she wrote a letter and mailed it with a view to his being notified of her intention to do so. He at once flew into a rage and attacked her, despite the explanations that the train was just going, and it was only a note to her sister. She sent it to the depot by her brother-in-law, Isaac Hubbard.

NOT CAUSE OF INSANITY.

The theory put forth by a morning paper that the mental derangement resulted from an accident in Europa, in which a fig he was driving timber, was pressed by the prosecuting attorney, but witnesses declared that his moodiness and tendencies to anger were as pronounced before as after the accident. They date back clear to the marriage, over 20 years ago, and could not read, and was rather stoop shouldered, but his manner never led to irrational actions of talk.

STARTED ON FOURTH JULY.

The present trouble, which culminated in the murder and suicide Monday morning, began on the Fourth of July. Prior to that date Mrs. Mitchell went to Europa to sell the property belonging to the family. On arriving she sent the following affectionate letter to her husband:

how you are well. I am not feeling well today. . . . From your loving wife, S. A. MITCHELL.

The omitted portion of the letter merely states that she has an offer of \$500 for the Europa home, which she could leave a year ago to come to Salt Lake.

WRITTEN BY THE SHERIFF.

On the Fourth of July Mitchell appeared in Europa after his strange disappearance from Salt Lake. He was held by the sheriff, after declaring he had walked from Salt Lake City. The case at the time was written up extensively in the papers. He saw Mrs. Mitchell on the street on July 5, but did not stop, which indicates that he took the train for Salt Lake that afternoon, he returned to the depot to say good-bye, but left Mr. Hubbard with whom he was on the way to the depot to go down town to suitors. He took the 10:30 A. M. train to Springville, and on into Salt Lake, while Mitchell disappeared. It afterwards being ascertained that he had taken the San Pedro train to the city.

"TO SWIM IN BLOOD."

When Isaac Hubbard found Mitchell in Europa on the Fourth he invited him to come home and have something to eat, which Mitchell refused. He then told him to go to the depot to say good-bye, and was going to swim in the river, which he had done before. Asked where he had slept the night before, he declared in the Europa hotel. When told there was no one running the hotel at that time, he said he had slept in the Europa hotel. He became alarmed by this time, and reported the affair to the town marshal. An effort was made to arrest Mitchell but he could not be found.

FIRST SIGN OF TROUBLE.

When Mrs. Mitchell returned to Salt Lake on the 5th, she found Mitchell in the city, the San Pedro train having arrived just before her.

A TELL-TALE LETTER.

On July 5, two days before the tragedy, she wrote to her sister at Europa in which she said she was going to get a divorce. The letter, which was addressed to Mrs. Hubbard, was not delivered until the 10th. The letter read:

"Dear Sister and Brothers—You're just received, and in reply will say I reached home all right. I'm home just as usual. I'm not feeling well. We are having lots of trouble, the reason I have not been able to write. I have entered my complaint and it will be heard at the beginning of the week in court. But please don't say anything about this. It is soon enough for them to know when it comes out. So please keep cool and let things go. I will tell you the rest when things are over with which will write more news, with love. I can't write more now."

—S. A. MITCHELL.

This letter with the other testimony carries the trend of events right up to the day before the tragedy, and seems to explain it satisfactorily.

MANY WITNESSES AT INQUEST.

The coroner's jury which was empaneled yesterday afternoon made a personal inspection of the premises and the bodies at Evans' undertaking parlor, and then adjourned to the courtroom of the Peace Data T. Smith, who is acting as coroner.

The jury consisted of William Evans, Sidney Phillips, and Willie Green. Officer Palmer was present with the butcher knife which was found in Mitchell's room, and not in the dead woman's neck as it was reported. The knife was a small razor with which Mitchell hung himself.

The witnesses were Donald Keenan, a newsboy who sold Mitchell a paper Sunday morning, and Ed. Ashby, who first entered the house, Mrs. Hannah Ashby, the aged woman who discovered the dead body of Mrs. Mitchell on making a call Monday noon at the home of Isaac Hubbard, a brother-in-law of Mrs. Mitchell, who lives at Kureka, Mrs. Hubbard, a half sister of Mrs. Mitchell, Oscar Hershey, a railroad man at Kureka; Mrs. William Shee, a neighbor; John William Smith, a nephew living at Europa, and Mrs. George Moore, a friend living in Salt Lake.

Officer Palmer testified to the neat appearance of the home, and the indications that it was well kept. He also testified that he had seen the footprints of the bodies and his theory of the crime. He held that the crime was committed in the morning after daylight, and that Mrs. Mitchell had a complicated and sudden behavior, often terminating in an outbreak of anger.

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HAD EXPECTED MURDER.

Mrs. Ashby told the story already narrated to reporters for the press of her visit to the place and her discovery of the body. She said she expected the murder to occur. Mitchell had been wrong for some time. She had seen him acting in a very peculiar manner, and had been very much concerned. Mitchell would sit for hours with his face in his hands, brooding over fancied troubles.

PREPARING FOR DIVORCE.

Mrs. William Shee's testimony was valuable, and it showed Mitchell's conduct in the days before the tragedy. She testified that Mrs. Mitchell came to her Friday evening before the murder, and in a very worried manner told her that Mitchell was in one of his tantrums, and had been very much concerned. She could not stand it and was going to have a divorce prepared. Monday morning she intended to see Mr. McGarrin about it. Generally speaking, she said she always found Mitchell well balanced and rational.

THREATENED KILLING.

John William Smith testified that at Europa on the 5th he met Mitchell and Mitchell declared there was going to be a killing, and that there would be one dead, may be two. That night Mitchell slept at his place, but left in the morning before anyone was up. He knew of many acts of violence on Mitchell's part. Once he had wrenched Mrs. Mitchell's arm, another time attacked her with a small knife, and he had given her a black eye, and a blow. He was positive, though, that there was never a sign of irrationality about Mitchell, and that his talk was always coherent and sane. Mitchell said she had a knife, and was going to use it. Smith advised Mrs. Mitchell to secure a divorce.

Mrs. George Moore said the Mitchell on Thursday, when Mitchell talked rationally, but threatened murder to Mrs. Mitchell and justified his horrible action of the night before. Mrs. Mitchell had described it to her in the words of the Mitchell, and had shown the burns caused by the tobacco from Mitchell's pipe, on her face and neck. She had known the family well at Europa, and had known Mitchell as a temperate man, who drank but slightly and was never intoxicated.

MEETING OF RELATIVES.

Asst. County Atty. Hanson has called a meeting of the relatives of Mitchell at the depot, children and all.

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OLD GLORY WAIVED AT ST. GEORGE.

Stars and Stripes Flung to the Breeze on the Fourth as On Other Days.

TRIBUNE STORY WHOLLY FALSE

But There Was No Public Celebration, As Town Was Just Emerging From A Smallpox Epidemic.

Under a Double Column screamed the Tribune this morning made the most of an attempt to brand the "Mormons" with disloyalty by calling attention to the fact that at St. George, Utah, there was no public celebration of July 4, because, forsooth, the city "is dominated by the hierarchy."

In the labored article following, the sheet attributes this exhibition of "un-Americanism" to the influence of President Joseph F. Smith and cites as its authority in the matter the Dixie Advocate, published at Cedar City. From this paper it further criticizes the city authorities for their inattention to the day, and particularly for "the absence of the old flag piece on the hill and the absence of Old Glory in its accustomed place." The criticism, however, closes with an apology and the announcement that "at 10 o'clock in the morning, the flag was not out, but it was flying at half mast at 4 p. m."

CAN'T COLLECT REPORTER'S FEES.

In the friendly test case brought by Atty. Samuel McDowell to determine the right of county clerk Eldridge to collect \$3 as reporter's fees in all public cases filed but not closed before the law authorizing the collection of the fee went into effect, was decided by the four judges of the district court sitting en banc yesterday and the decision was handed down by Judge Armstrong today. The court holds that the fee does not apply in this case and the clerk is ordered to file the final decree of collection in the estate without the collection of the fee.

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ENTOMBED MINERS.

Explosion in Welsh Coal Mine Cuts Off 180 of Them.

Cardiff, Wales, July 11.—An explosion occurred today at the Walsley colliery, Rhondda Hill, while 180 men were in the pit. Communication with them is cut off.

WOUNDED MAN WALKS MILES.

San Francisco, July 11.—With a bullet hole through his hip, penetrating his left lung—a wound that ordinarily means instant death or which brings the end within a very few minutes—James King walked several miles from a cave behind Twin Peaks, where he had shot himself with suicidal intent, to his room at 50 Howard street. At the Central Emergency hospital, his surgeons, while making an effort to save his life.

TO ENJOIN MORAN.

Suit Filed Against South Temple Street Paving Contractor.

Judge Thomas Marioneaux filed an injunction suit in the district court this afternoon against P. J. Moran, the South Temple street paving contractor, and Ferguson, to restrain them from unloading dirt from said street to plaintiff's premises at 52 east Broadway street. A temporary restraining order was issued by Judge Moran and an order to show cause returnable July 22.

FORGED SLEEP'S NAME.

That is the Charge Against Louis Norton—"Bad Eye" Arraigned.

Louis Norton was in Judge Diehl's court again this morning on the charge of forgery. This time he is accused of forging the name of G. G. Sleep, to a check for \$140, and cashing the same. He was held to await the action of the district court.

PATENTS FOR WESTERNERS.

Washington, D. C., July 11.—Patents issued:—

Utah—Wilhelm G. Danielson, Logan, disk bearing for plows.

Idaho—John D. O'Brien, Mullane, hose coupling.

Oscar F. Allen has been appointed lieutenant of the Neg. Force county, vice O. W. Loggett, resigned.

MAJOR GENERAL COUNT SHOUVALOFF OFF ASSASSINATED.

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BETRAYED JAPAN'S MILITARY SECRETS

Capt. A. E. Bougouin, a Frenchman, Sentenced to Ten Years' Imprisonment at Hard Labor.

FOUND GUILTY ON SIX COUNTS

Sent His Information to a Complot At Shanghai Who Telegraphed It to The Petit Parisien.

CONCERNED MOVEMENT OF TROOPS

His Arrest Was on Charge of Being a Russian Spy—His Interpreter Made a Full Confession.

TOKYO, July 11.—The judgment in the case of Capt. A. E. Bougouin, the French resident who was sentenced yesterday to 10 years' imprisonment at hard labor on the charge of being a Russian spy, declares the accused was engaged in searching for and reporting military secrets. The counts follow:

First—Last November Bougouin ascertained the departure of a certain division and sent a cipher message to Kessler, a Frenchman of Shanghai, who telegraphed the information to the Petit Parisien. In November a certain action effected a landing and certain cavalry. Bougouin mailed the facts to the same newspaper.

Second—The departure northward by rail of a certain division was ascertained and reported to the same newspaper.

Third—A division reported its destination in January and another division was moved northward. The facts were reported to Capt. Dehery of Paris through the mail pouch of the French legation.

Fourth—The composition of various military detachments of Capt. Arthur Kessler at Shanghai and reports ascertained by Bougouin and reported to Capt. Dehery in the same manner.

Fifth—The organization of a new division, the recruiting of regiments at Seoul, were ascertained in February, the dispatch of regiments from Yokohama, the recruiting at Nagoya, and the dispatch of regiments from Taketoyo, were reported to Capt. Dehery in the same manner.

Sixth—The formation of certain bodies at Hiroshima was reported to Capt. Dehery in the same manner. The presence of a fleet of 30 transports at a certain point in April was reported to Kessler at Shanghai and cabled to Capt. Dehery.

Additional information concerning the courses of transports was reported by letter.

Seventh—The judgment declares that Bougouin sent his interpreter Makl to ascertain the movements of troops and that Makl confessed his guilt.

The judgment declares that the information received by counts two and three related to the northward movement of the investing army of Port Arthur after the capitulation of that fortress, and previous to the battle of Mukden. The decision declares that Bougouin constituted an important military secret.

ELKS ARE COMBINING BUSINESS WITH PLEASURE

Buffalo, N. Y., July 11.—The Elks attending the 44th annual convention, which opened today began to combine business with pleasure. The opening session of the grand lodge at the Teck theater and the preliminary contests of hand and foot were the features of the day. Atty. Gen. Jules M. Meyer, representing the governor, welcomed the delegates to the state. Mayor Erasmus C. Knight and Willard H. Tielman, exalted ruler of the Buffalo lodge, also made addresses of welcome, William J. O'Brien, Jr., of Baltimore, Grand Elks of the world.

Following the opening session the grand lodge went into executive session to receive the reports of officers and elect officers for the ensuing year.

While several spirited contests are on, a large number regarded the following grand exhibit:

Grand exalted ruler, Robert W. Brown, Louisville, Ky.; grand esteemed leading knight, E. Tomlinson, Wheeling, W. Va.; grand exalted ruler, Charles W. Kauffman, Hoboken, N. J.; grand esteemed leading knight, Edward McLaughlin, Boston; grand secretary, Fred C. Robinson, Dubuque, Iowa; grand treasurer, John K. Teague, Charleston, Pa.; grand trustee, Mass. J. John D. O'Brien, Lynn, Mass.; grand trustee, one year, Dr. W. H. Haviland, Butte, Mont.

GREAT SHOOTING.

Sergt. Kerr of Canada Makes the Highest Possible Record.

Billy Kerr, July 11.—At the National Rifle association meeting now in progress here Staff Sergeant Kerr, Canada, in the Staff competition, seven shots at 200 yards made the highest possible score, and then made 12 consecutive bull eyes and one more. Twenty consecutive bull eyes are necessary to beat him.

NEW JAPANESE LOAN.

Indications Are that It Will be Heavily Over Subscribed.

London, July 11.—Since the hour they opened today the banks charged with the issue of the new Japanese loan of \$200,000,000 have been rained with applicants. The indications are that the loan will be heavily oversubscribed. The rush is even greater than on the occasion of the last loan.

VICE-ADMIRAL BIRILEFF

Appointed Head of the Russian Admiralty.

London, July 11.—A dispatch to a news agency from St. Petersburg today announces that Vice Admiral Birileff has been appointed head of the Russian admiralty in a succession to Admiral Avellan, who resigned.

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COFFEE STATISTICS.

New York, July 11.—The annual statistical report of the New York coffee exchange covering the coffee year ending June 30, according to the Journal of Commerce, shows that the total sales during the year amounted to 23,583,750 bags, against 24,300,000 bags in 1904, and 22,000,000 bags during 1903-04, 22,000,000 bags during 1902-03, and 22,000,000 bags in 1901-02.

A BOY COMMITS SUICIDE.

San Francisco, July 11.—Walter St. Clair