

FIRST EDITION

THE SCAFFOLD.

EXECUTION AT NEW BRUNSWICK.

BRIDGET DURGAN HUNG

The Culprit's Behavior, in Prison and at the Gallows.

HER CONFESSION OF THE CRIME.

How Mrs. Coriell was Murdered.

THE FINAL SCENE.

LAST WORDS OF THE MURDERESS.

Etc., Etc., Etc., Etc., Etc., Etc.

[SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE EVENING TELEGRAPH.]

FEELING AMONG THE POPULACE.

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., August 30.—The excitement which has pervaded this ordinarily quiet community for months, in consequence of the murder of Mrs. Coriell by Bridget Durgan, culminated to-day in the execution of the unfortunate woman.

MRS. DURGAN'S PRISON LIFE.

The few days preceding her melancholy fate differed but little from the earlier portion of her prison life, with which the public has been made fully acquainted from time to time. She continued to rise at 7 or half past 7 o'clock in the morning, and breakfast at 8. She ate heartily, though not excessively, and was regularly furnished by the Sheriff with all the little delicacies of the season, whenever she demanded them. Towards the Sheriff and his family, and Mr. Randolph, the prison-keeper, indeed, she exhibited a kind and grateful disposition, giving them much trouble than might have been anticipated under the circumstances.

CURIOSITY TO SEE THE CULPRIT.

The curiosity to see her remained unabated until the end of her career. It is said by the prison officials that at least thirty thousand persons visited her, although now and then the period of her incarceration. Many of these she condescended to notice, and some to converse with; but during the last few days she appeared soaverse to seeing strangers that an order prohibiting their admission was posted on the entrance to the prison, and at least two hundred persons were turned away yesterday. With those whom she received, she was unwilling to converse concerning the crime of which she had been convicted, always changing the subject when that unpleasant topic was broached.

SEE IS BREAKING DOWN.

Those who conversed with her yesterday found her somewhat more dejected than she was a short time ago, and she would rally herself and brighten up. When the subject of her approaching execution was touched upon, she continued to express her aversion to the prospect of remaining alone in her cell.

THE RELIGIOUS PROFESSORS.

Early yesterday morning she received a visit from Father Dugan, the assistant of Father Rodgers, and later in the day the latter clergyman passed some time with her in religious conversation and exhortation. During the visit she was attended by a lady, who, it is said, that she was quite tired of remaining alone in her cell.

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FIVE HUNDRED DEPUTIES.

As the law of the State requires all executions to be in private, and prohibits the presence of all persons except the Sheriff and his Deputies, and other specified officials, necessary to constitute each and every one of the five hundred witnesses of the execution a Deputy Sheriff, and this course was accordingly pursued.

THE MILITARY GUARD.

In addition to this large force, who could be called upon to preserve order, if need be, the Sheriff issued a requisition to Colonel Ulrich of the New Jersey Rifle Corps, to attend the presence of two companies of his command, which were accordingly present, surrounding the prison and keeping at a distance all who were not provided with tickets by the Sheriff.

[Second Dispatch.]

NEW BRUNSWICK, August 30.—The excitement attending the execution was even greater than had been anticipated.

The crowd commenced to collect outside of the prison at an early hour, and by 10 o'clock amounted to more than two thousand. Every available point on neighboring trees and house-tops was taken possession of. Five hundred who were furnished tickets by the Sheriff filled the prison yard, anxious to get a view of the scene.

A FAREWELL INTERVIEW.

Last evening the prosecuting attorney, Charles M. Herbert, had a farewell interview with the prisoner, and commented to her upon the confession made by Bridget to the prison-keeper, Mr. Randolph, which will be found elsewhere.

THE LAST REPOSE.

Bridget went to sleep at 1 o'clock this morning, sleeping three hours under the guard of the prison-keeper and two ladies.

CONFESSION OF THE CRIME.

At 6 o'clock this morning, Mr. Adrain, her counsel, visited her, finding her much dejected and in tears.

THE SHERIFF ENTERS THE CELL.

At 10 o'clock everything was ready, and the Sheriff waited on her in her cell. When he told her that the time had come, she exclaimed "God help us."

ON THE WAY TO THE SCAFFOLD.

At five minutes after ten she was led out and into the prison yard, where the Sheriff and Fathers Rodgers, Dugan, and Mizzell, she was dressed in a brown frock, narrow white collar, and gloves. There was a loud cry of "Hats off!" and "Down in front!" The crowd surged back and forth, and in the most unbecomely manner bridge was of the gate, and her face was down-cast, though composed, and her step firm.

AT THE GALLows.

The religious exercises at the gallows were very short, and as the priests were holding the crucifix before her, and whispering words of consolation, she exclaimed, "Don't let any Protestant hear what I say."

THE DEATH.

At fifteen minutes past 10, while the priests were whispering in her ear, the rope was cut, and after an almost imperceptible quiver, Bridget Durgan was no more.

THE REMAINS.

Her remains were subsequently consigned to the care of Father Rodgers for burial.

Later—Confession of Bridget Durgan—A Horrible Story.

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., August 30.—Yesterday afternoon, at the District Attorney's office, called upon Bridget at the jail, to bid her good-by. She said that she had no feeling against him whatever, that she had done what she thought was her duty, and that she must let Mary Gilroy go. Mr. Herbert assured her that he would only do what was his duty in the matter, and that she must let Mary Gilroy go. Mr. Herbert inquired to a question from Mr. Herbert, if Mary did not know that something was going on, she said that she did not know anything of it.

BRIDGET'S CONFESSION.

In regard to Bridget's confession, her statements made from time to time to the jailer, and by him detailed to Mr. Herbert, the District Attorney, are substantially as follows:— Bridget, a girl of 24, had been living with the butcher-knife and placed it in a convenient spot on the table, and then sat down to talk to Mrs. Coriell, who was sitting at the table for the old one she had on during the day, and threw herself on to the lounge. After conversing for a while, Mrs. Coriell fell asleep. Bridget then succeeded in getting into the room, and hid her over the head. Mrs. Coriell jumped up from the lounge, took up a large chair to defend herself, and Bridget, who was afterwards found; Bridget then grasped the knife and rushed upon her, Mrs. Coriell ran to the door to escape, but Bridget caught her and drew her back, and she came into the room she saw her little boy, and she heard her husband say "Oh my poor baby!" In the struggle the knife had been drawn through her hand, and when Bridget forced her through the sitting-room door, she heard her husband say "Oh my poor baby!" In the struggle the knife had been drawn through her hand, and when Bridget forced her through the sitting-room door, she heard her husband say "Oh my poor baby!"

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WASHINGTON GOSSIP.

The Trouble Between General Grant and the President—The Executive Order Relieving General Sheridan—General Grant's Powers Under the Reconstruction Act—His Part in the Execution of the Laws.

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SECOND EDITION

FROM BALTIMORE TO-DAY.

Suicide of a Colored Preacher.

POLITICAL MATTERS

Etc., Etc., Etc., Etc., Etc., Etc.

[SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE EVENING TELEGRAPH.]

BALTIMORE, August 30.—A colored man, name unknown, supposed to have been a preacher, from papers found on him, and about thirty-four years of age, was found drowned in the dock, at Flanagan's wharf, this morning. He had two stones tied to his feet. It is supposed that he committed suicide.

Hop at the Grove House.

At the Hop at the Grove House, which was held last night at the Chesnut Grove House, and was in every respect a complete success. It was largely attended by all the families residing at their country-seats in the neighborhood, who, with a number invited from the city, added to the guests of the House, for the evening. The entertainment was very generally enjoyed, and the participants departed with much satisfaction. The grounds were handsomely illuminated with Chinese lanterns.

From Montana.

St. Louis, August 30.—About one-half of Haywood's city, Montana, was burned on the 10th instant. Montana Rangers, under General Beem, are expected against the Indians in a short time. Five hundred dollars have been paid for three Indian scalps. No tidings have been received yet of the expedition which left Fort Hayes, Kansas, a few days since, to destroy the village of the Indians. The wife of Colonel Bankhead and twenty-five members of the 5th Regiment, have died of cholera at Fort Wallace.

The Prize Ring.