

Court Will be Held Every Night Until Jury is Completed.

NINE HAVE BEEN CHOSEN

New York, Jan. 7.—At the close of three court sessions, which marked the first day of the second trial of Harry K. Thaw for the alleged murder of Stanford White, nine tentative jurors had been selected out of fifty-seven talesmen examined by District Attorney Jerome, for the prosecution, and Martin S. Littleton, for the defense. All of the men in the jury box



MARTIN W. LITTLETON.

Brilliant young lawyer who has charge of Harry Thaw's case as chief counsel.

are subject to preemptory challenges, of which each side has thirty. In view of the difficulty experienced last year in discharging five jurors after they had taken the oath of service, it was agreed this time not to administer any oaths until both sides finally are satisfied with the full panel.

Legal insanity at the time of the tragedy is to be the sole defense. This was made clear at the very outset of the proceedings, when Mr. Littleton formally served notice that the former plea of not guilty was amended by the specification that the defendant was insane when the homicide was committed.

The occupants of the jury box are: 1—Chas. E. Gremmels, ship broker. 2—John R. Hatchet, cigar dealer. 3—George B. Morewood, importer. 4—Floyd S. Sanford, bank manager. 5—James E. Conway, hotelkeeper. 6—William E. Brower, decorator. 7—Arthur R. Naething, baker. 8—Maurice Bouvier, exporter. 9—George W. Cary, drygoods dealer.

Of the above men it was generally predicted that several will be challenged.

Three court sessions, including an evening sitting from eight to ten o'clock, are to be held daily until the jury is completed. How long this will take neither District Attorney Jerome nor Thaw's counsel would hazard a guess. Mr. Jerome said also that it was impossible for him to estimate the duration of the trial, as much would depend upon the course of events.

The trial opened with little or no ceremony, and there was distinct evidence of a slackening of public interest. Admittance to the courtroom was rigorously restricted, and all day long there were vacant benches in the curtained quarters given over to spectators. The only women allowed to be present are the members of the defendant's family and newspaper writers.

Mrs. Evelyn Thaw was again the center of interest, even to the exclusion of the defendant himself. She was followed by throngs of curious persons as she entered and left the courthouse.

COUNTESS ASKS FOR DIVORCE

Harry Thaw's Titled Sister Begins Suit Against Earl.

London, Jan. 4.—The failure of another alliance of the English nobility with an American woman of wealth became public when the Countess of Yarmouth, who was Alice Thaw, of Pittsburg, a daughter of Mrs. William Thaw and a sister of Harry K. Thaw, whose second trial for the murder of Stanford White will begin Monday in New York city, applied to the divorce court for an annulment of her marriage to the Earl of Yarmouth.

The Hartford family, the head of which is the Earl of Yarmouth's father and to the head of which the earl is heir, he being the eldest son of the sixth Marquis of Hartford, is one of the oldest and proudest of the British nobility. The notoriety brought upon the family through its indirect connection with the Thaw murder case was galling and this climax to the eldest son's marriage to Alice Thaw is a bitter pill. The Marchioness of Hartford, who has stood by her daughter-in-law throughout her troubles and has exerted herself to reconcile the couple, is prostrated with grief.

Major Jenkins' Prize Sword Destroyed Columbia, S. C., Jan. 6.—The sword presented to Major Michah Jenkins by the people of South Carolina, through President Roosevelt at the Charleston exposition in 1902, for gallantry as a member of the Rough Riders in the Spanish-American war, was destroyed in a fire which burned Major Jenkins' home, together with other valuables.

STABBED WIFE IN BED

Frank Smith, of Easton, Then Attempted Suicide.

Easton, Pa., Jan. 6.—Frank Smith, son of City Controller Chester Smith, murdered his wife and then attempted to commit suicide. Smith and his wife had been separated for some time. The husband forced admission to the house occupied by his wife and her sister. After securing a carving knife Smith stole to the room occupied by the two sleeping women and plunged the weapon into his wife's heart, killing her instantly. Smith left the house and going to his father's residence, several blocks away, told him of the crime he had committed. The startling information unnerved the father and before he could regain his composure the son attempted to kill himself by gashing his throat and abdomen.

The physicians say that Smith will recover.

He charged his wife with infidelity and this is the only known cause for the tragedy.

Mrs. Smith was about twenty-five years of age and her husband is about the same age.

THUG SENTENCED

Negro Assailant of Women Gets 33 Years in Penitentiary.

Scranton, Pa., Jan. 7.—Robert Perry, the negro, who confessed to assaulting three different women with a bludgeon during the past two months, pleaded guilty before Judge Edwards to three counts of assault with intent to rob and one charge of larceny, and was sentenced to thirty-three years in the penitentiary.

This is the maximum penalty prescribed by the statute.

One of Perry's victims, Miss Belle Osborne, is permanently disfigured facially, and still suffers from internal hemorrhages of the ear. Miss Carden whom he struck in the forehead is suffering from concussion of the brain. The other victim, Miss Lulu Thiel, was struck in the back of the neck and escaped serious injury.

Perry said his motive was robbery. This is not believed by the police, as their investigations showed that he was receiving fourteen dollars a week as a teamster and had \$1000 in bank.

LIABILITY ACT VOID

Railroads Not Responsible For Negligence of Employees.

Washington, Jan. 7.—In an opinion by Justice White the supreme court of the United States held to be unconstitutional "the employer's liability law," which makes railroads and other common carriers responsible to employees in accidents due to the negligence of fellow servants or to ineffective appliances.

The decision of the lower courts was affirmed.

There were two cases before the court, one of them that of the administratrix of a locomotive fireman killed on the Illinois Central road near Memphis, Tenn., and the other that of the administratrix of a fireman killed on the Southern Pacific road in Nevada.

The railroads fought both cases in the trial courts, and in each case obtained a verdict on the ground of the unconstitutionality of the law.

FINDS \$12,000; GIVEN \$500

Draughtsman Returns Package to the Owner and is Rewarded.

Pottsville, Pa., Jan. 6.—Lawrence Prickett, a draughtsman, returning from a holiday visit to New Jersey, picked up in a Pullman car a package containing \$7500 in gold bonds and \$4500 in negotiable paper.

He ascertained the owner and returned the money by express. Saturday his honesty was rewarded by the gift of a \$500 United States gold bond from the owner.

Jar Cut Throat of Paderewski.

Cincinnati, Jan. 7.—Ignace Paderewski, the famous pianist, had a narrow escape from death here. But those who fumed and fretted at Music Hall because the pianist was an hour late did not know about the accident until the concert was over. Paderewski was being shaved by his valet in his private car in the railroad yards here, when a switch engine bumped into the car. The jolt sent the razor into the musician's throat. Fortunately the valet turned the blade sufficiently to avoid any vital spot, although a considerable gash was inflicted. Paderewski lost considerable blood, but no serious results are anticipated.

Recovering From Long Trance.

Mont Clair, N. J., Jan. 4.—Edward Shea, who lay in a trance for nearly a month, is recovering from his curious affliction. He has regained consciousness and expects to be fully recovered within a short time. During his trance he says he had vivid visions and talked with persons who had been dead for a long time. His case puzzled physicians, and his recovery came as suddenly as his affliction.

Fatal Accident On Battleship.

San Diego, Cal., Jan. 7.—In an accident on the battleship Nebraska, now at this port, several men were injured. Only meager information is as yet obtainable. The accident appears to have been caused by loss of control over a crane, which swept through a group of sailors. One report is that two were killed and their bodies swept overboard.

Body Turned to Stone.

Hagerstown, Md., Jan. 6.—When workmen disinterred the body of Mrs. Sarah Geist, in the Mennonite graveyard, at Ringgold, this county, for removal to Waynesboro, they found it turned to stone. Even the folds of the dress were hardened so that they remained as when the body was buried, eleven years ago.

PETTIBONE ACQUITTED

Western Miners' Leader Not Guilty of Steunenberg Murder.

Boise, Idaho, Jan. 6.—An end of the prosecution of the men charged with the murder of former Governor Frank Steunenberg, except the cases of Harry Orchard and Jack Simpkins, came with the acquittal of George A. Pettibone and the discharge of Charles H. Moyer, president of the Western Federation of Miners, both charged with conspiring with William D. Haywood to murder Steunenberg. Moyer will return with Pettibone in a few days to Denver. Haywood was acquitted last summer, and Moyer will not be tried. Only two men on the Pettibone jury voted for conviction.

The case of Orchard, confessed assassin of Steunenberg, and chief witness against Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone, is in the hands of Prosecuting Attorney Vanduyn, of Canyon county, Idaho. No statement as to the future procedure in the case has been made, but it will be called during the next term of court at Caldwell, when it will probably be finally disposed of. Simpkins is still a fugitive.

TWICE CALLED DEAD

Ohio Woman Has Strange Attacks of Catalepsy.

Bellefontaine, O., Jan. 7.—After being twice pronounced dead, Mrs. Lucinda Carrothers, of this city, still lives and is moving about the house in her usual good health. A week ago Mrs. Carrothers was taken violently ill. She sank steadily and two days later the attending physician pronounced her dead. While the body was being prepared for burial the jar of a moving chair aroused her and she arose apparently none the worse for her startling experience.

A similar attack followed the next day. Again the family was certain that death had really occurred. Preparations were made for interment and relatives were summoned. While this was in progress Mrs. Carrothers again came back to life, and has been in good health ever since.

MORE CAPITOL CHARGES

Warrants to Be Issued For Huston, Sanderson and Casse.

Harrisburg, Pa., Jan. 7.—Three men already under indictment on charges of conspiracy in connection with the furnishing of the new state capitol, are to be confronted with additional charges of false pretense.

Counsel for Congressman H. Burd Casse, of Marietta; Joseph M. Huston, and John H. Sanderson, of Philadelphia, were notified by District Attorney Weiss that additional suits would be brought against their clients before Alderman Caveny.

Warrants will be issued immediately after the information has been brought for the arrest of the defendants and they will be required to come to Harrisburg, furnish bail and waive a hearing for court.

POISONED BY CHEESE

Three Families Violently Sick After Eating Bad Food.

Upper Sandusky, O., Jan. 4.—Three families of Wharton, O., twelve miles west of this city, ate cheese for their breakfast and soon afterwards were taken very ill. In the family of Clarence Bell, all five members are very sick and the two younger children are dying.

Four members of the Wheeler Cryder family are suffering great agony. Several members of the J. F. DeLong family are among the sufferers and are not yet out of danger.

New Marriage Rules For Catholics.

Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 6.—A pastoral letter to be issued early in the approaching Lenten season by Bishop Canevin, of the Pittsburg diocese of the Catholic church as well as other bishops, will impose new regulations governing marriages upon all who profess the Catholic religion. The letter will give full force and effect to the rescript of Pope Pius X, promulgated among Catholic clergy of the world several months ago, providing that no priest of one parish shall unite in marriage persons who are residents of another parish. The purpose is to throw around the marriage ceremony greater safeguards than ever before.

Woman Died On a Train.

Reading, Pa., Jan. 4.—Mrs. Lewis Bibbeheimer, aged sixty years, of Mahanoy City, died suddenly on a Reading railway passenger train near Mahanoy City. Shortly after boarding the express the woman became ill and expired before the train reached East Mahanoy Junction. The remains were taken from the train at that place and given in charge of Dr. Seligman. It is supposed that Mrs. Bibbeheimer's death was brought on through hurrying to get to the station.

Sleeping Child Puzzles Doctors.

Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 7.—Physicians are puzzled over the illness of Mary Dolan, the two-year-old daughter of Matthew Dolan, of McKeesport, this county. The child sank into a sound sleep at noon last Friday and all efforts to arouse her since have been without result. She had been sick for several days and was being treated for grip.

Grief Causes Suicide.

Camden, N. J., Jan. 4.—Joseph E. Tatem, a wealthy resident of Collinswood, N. J., committed suicide by shooting himself in the head. Grief over the death of his wife a year ago is believed to have been the cause.

Aged 112, He Mourns Fiance of 120. San Francisco, Jan. 6.—Captain Dittmond, aged 112 years, is mourning the death of Mrs. Woods, aged 120, whom he had hoped to marry.

A WEEK'S NEWS CONDENSED

Wednesday, January 1.

Albert Zein, thirty years old, of Philadelphia, committed suicide in the basement of the Pennsylvania railroad station at Pittsburg by drinking carbolic acid.

Director Frank Ridgway, prominently known in connection with the United States weather bureau, died in a hospital at Pittsburg of typhoid pneumonia.

Two foreign miners were probably fatally injured and two dwelling houses partly wrecked at Willock, near Pittsburg, when a keg of blasting powder became ignited from an open lamp which one of the men was fastening to his cap.

Thursday, January 2.

The report of Coroner Stein, of Lackawanna county, Pa., for 1907 shows 101 deaths in and about the mines.

The 131st annual session of the New York state legislature began at noon Wednesday. James W. Wadsworth, Jr., was re-elected speaker of the assembly.

While alighting from the rear end of a trolley car on which he was stealing a ride, Francis Gallagher, fifteen years old, of Philadelphia, was crushed to death by another trolley car.

Friday, January 3.

Two men were run down and killed by a Pittsburg & Lake Erie passenger train in Pittsburg.

Dr. Nicholas Senn, one of the most widely known surgeons in the United States, died in Chicago.

Robbers flew open the vault of the McCurtain, Okla., State bank, secured \$3000 in gold and silver and escaped, leaving no clue.

The Cumberland Presbyterian church and three store buildings at Coal Centre, Pa., were destroyed by a fire which threatened the destruction of the entire mining town, fifty miles south of Pittsburg.

Saturday, January 4.

The Erie shops at Susquehanna, near Binghamton, N. Y., have again been put on full time.

Sarah Burton and her son Arch, negroes, were shot and killed at Blackville, Ark., by Deputy Sheriff Barnes and City Marshal Britt Jones while resisting arrest.

Rev. Father Denis J. Stafford, D. D., pastor of St. Patrick's Catholic church, in Washington, and one of the most noted divines in the country died at the Providence (R. I.) hospital following an operation.

After suffering for ten days with facial neuralgia, which had settled in an ulcerated tooth, Mrs. Anna Reimann, of Philadelphia, died in her husband's arms in a dentist's office.

Monday, January 6.

A reduction of ten per cent in the wages of all its employees was posted at the Crane Iron works, Catsaquia, Pa.

Thomas L. Pierson, acting judge of the second criminal court at Newark N. J., dropped dead at his home from apoplexy.

Martin Wezlarz, of Philadelphia while walking on the railroad, was struck by a train at Redington, Pa. and perhaps fatally hurt.

The world's record for quantity and average price of loose leaf tobacco has been broken at Lexington, Ky. where 1,800,000 pounds were sold for \$10.30 per hundred.

Thirty-two deer, comprising the herd in William G. Rockefeller's private park at Greenwich, Conn., have been rounded up and shipped to a Pennsylvania purchaser.

Tuesday, January 7.

Peter Hicks was held up at the point of a revolver at Chester, Pa., by a colored man and robbed of \$9.

Ten of the thirty hot mills of the Shenango (tinplate plant at New Castle, Pa.) resumed operations, giving employment to 1000 men.

A bell cast in Paul Revere's workshop was destroyed in a fire which burned down the Congregational church at Wiscasset, Me.

Attempting to cross the street in front of a trolley car in Philadelphia, Miss Luella Smith, colored, was run over and both legs were cut off.

Commander Harry H. Hosley, U. S. N., who took the dry dock Dewey from Newport News to Manila, and who since his return has been supervisor of the harbor of New York, died in New York.

PRODUCE QUOTATIONS

The Latest Closing Prices in the Principal Markets.

PHILADELPHIA — FLOUR quiet; winter extras, new, \$4.10@4.25; Pennsylvania roller, clear, \$4.30@4.45; city mills, fancy, \$6@6.20. RYE FLOUR quiet; per barrel, \$4.75@4.80. WHEAT steady; No. 2 Pennsylvania red, \$1.03@1.03 1/2; CORN steady; No. 2 yellow, local, 72@73c. OATS firm; No. 2 white, clipped, 56 1/2@57c; lower grades, 55c. HAY quiet; timothy, large bales, \$19@19.50. PORK steady; family, per barrel, \$19.50. BEEF quiet; beef hams, per barrel, \$26@27. POULTRY: Live steady; hens, 14c; old roosters, 10c. Dressed steady; choice fowls, 13c; old roosters, 9 1/2c. BUTTER firm; extra creamery, 34c. EGGS firm; selected, 34@36c; nearby, 31c; western, 32c. POTATOES quiet; per bushel, 70@73c. SWEETS firm; per bushel, 40@45c. BALTIMORE — WHEAT firm; No. 2 spot, \$1.03 1/2@1.03 1/2; steamer No. 2 spot, 98 1/2@99c; southern, 98c@1.03 1/2. CORN firm; mixed spot, 65 1/2@66c; steamer mixed, 60 1/2@61 1/2c; southern, 60 1/2@61 1/2c. OATS firm; white, No. 2, 56 1/2@57 1/2c; No. 3, 56@56 1/2c; No. 4, 52 1/2@53c; mixed, No. 2, 54@54 1/2c; No. 3, 52@53c. BUTTER firm; creamery separator extras, 29 1/2@30c; held, 22@23c; prints, 30@31c; Maryland and Pennsylvania dairy prints, 17@19c. EGGS easy; fancy Maryland, Pennsylvania and Virginia, 27c; West Virginia, 26c; southern, 24@25c.

Live Stock Markets.

PITTSBURG (Union Stock Yards)—CATTLE steady; choice, \$5.60@5.75; prime, \$5.30@5.50. HOGS lower; prime heavies, medium and Yorkers, \$4.75; pigs, \$4.65@4.70; roughs, \$4@4.25. SHEEP steady; prime wethers, \$5@5.25; culls and common, \$1.50@2.50; lambs, \$5@7.40; veal calves, \$3@3.75.

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