

Judge Declares Mental Condition of Stanford White's Slayer Has Not Changed and It Would Be Unsafe For Him to Be at Large.

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., May 26.—Harry K. Thaw, the slayer of Stanford White, must return to the asylum for the criminal insane at Matteawan.

This is the decision of Justice Morschauer, of the supreme court, in the matter of Thaw's application for release on a writ of habeas corpus.

In view of this decision Thaw's lawyers will apply for permission to place him in some other institution, and by stipulation with the district attorney the prisoner will be kept in the jail here until a decision is rendered.

Justice Morschauer's decision is as follows: "I am satisfied from the evidence adduced before me that the mental condition of Harry K. Thaw has not changed, and I find that he is now insane, and that it is so manifest as to make it unsafe for him to be at large."

"The people contend that Thaw was not deprived of his liberty without due process of law because he knew that if he chose to prove that he was insane when he killed Stanford White, and if the jury acquitted him on that ground, it became the duty of the court to order him committed to the state lunatic asylum until adjudged sane. He had the right to appear in person and to be represented by counsel, and he had the right to introduce evidence of his present sanity."

"Thaw had the opportunity to introduce evidence of his mental condition which he did not do; he should have known that the adjudication of the court would follow a verdict of not guilty by reason of insanity."

Passing upon the contention of Thaw's counsel attacking the constitutionality of the law covering the commitment of White's slayer to Matteawan, and that the court had no jurisdiction, Justice Morschauer quotes many decisions upholding the power of the court to commit insane persons.

Justice Morschauer's decision then continues: "I believe no injustice has been done to Thaw or will be done to him by depriving him of his liberty until such time as he can be discharged by the method prescribed by law."

"In view of the existing mental condition of said Thaw, the safety of the public is better insured by his remaining in custody and under observation until he has recovered, or until such time as it shall be reasonably certain that there is no danger of a recurring attack of the delusion, or whatever it may be."

"The writ is dismissed. The order remanding the said Harry K. Thaw can be settled on notice pursuant to stipulation."

After James G. Graham, his attorney, had shown him a copy of the opinion, Thaw for the first time since he entered Matteawan talked unreservedly on everything except his wife. When her suit for annulment of their marriage was mentioned he indicated that the interview was at an end.

SODA TANK BLOWS UP

One Man Killed, Another Fatally Injured and Store Wrecked.

Philadelphia, May 26.—Louis Leavin was killed and his brother Jacob probably fatally injured by the explosion of a soda water tank in their store in the northern central part of the city. The brothers were charging the tank when it burst, hurling them across the cellar. The floor of the place was ripped up and they were buried in a pile of debris. Louis died shortly after being admitted to the hospital. Both of Jacob's arms are broken and he is suffering from internal injuries.

Defaulter's Body Found In Creek.

Sunbury, Pa., May 26.—The body of a man in a bad state of decomposition was found in Shamokin creek on the outskirts of this city. Identification is uncertain, but from a watch found in one of the pockets it is thought to be the body of Francis M. Bloom head

bookkeeper of the Sunbury Trust & Safe Deposit company, who disappeared on May 6, and whose accounts were afterward found to be \$6000 short, according to a statement given out by the directors.

Mae Wood Out On Bail.

New York, May 26.—Mae C. Wood, the Omaha woman who sued Senator Thomas C. Platt for divorce, alleging that she was secretly married to him in 1901, was released in \$500 bail. Miss Wood is charged with perjury in the testimony heard in the divorce case. When the bail bond had been made out Miss Wood signed it "Mae C. Wood-Platt."

Led a Captured Deer By the Ear.

Harrisburg, Pa., May 26.—A deer that had been driven by dogs into the river near here was caught by Harry Stahler, keeper of a country store, and led by the ear to his stable. The doe was full grown and had been pursued several miles by the dogs.

Historic Church Damaged By Fire.

During one of the most severe storms that has visited Philadelphia in years the spire of the historic Old Christ church, on Second street, above Market, was struck by lightning and damaged by a resulting fire to the extent of \$15,000.

The famous old church was erected under a provisional charter granted by King Charles II to William Penn for the creation of the province of Pennsylvania in 1695. Old Christ's was the church of President Washington, President Adams, Benjamin Franklin, Betsy Ross, the Marquis de Lafayette, members of the Continental Congress and Revolutionary heroes.

Every precaution was taken to prevent the destruction of the historic pews, church furnishings and records, and they were covered with canvases and rubber blankets. Because of the extreme height at which the fire started, the firemen had great difficulty in reaching the blaze, which burned for nearly two hours. Before the flames were subdued they had burned the spire nearly down to the belfry.

Bryanites Beaten In Pennsylvania.

After one of the hardest fights within the party in several years, the Democratic state convention at Harrisburg, Pa., has decided not to instruct its delegates-at-large to the Denver convention for Bryan. It was a clean-cut victory for the Democratic state organization, headed by Colonel James M. Guffey, of Pittsburg, the Pennsylvania member of the national committee. The Bryanites, under the leadership of the executive committee of the Bryan Democratic league, had a large following, and they fought to the bitter end. The following were the successful candidates:

For Judge of Superior Court. Webster Grim, of Montgomery county.

Delegates-at-Large. James M. Guffey, of Pittsburg. J. K. P. Hall, of Elk county. Arthur G. Dewalt, of Lehigh county. John G. Harman, of Columbia county.

Alternates-at-Large. E. F. Blewitt, of Lackawanna county. S. M. Hoyer, of Blair county. B. G. Bromley, of Philadelphia. John P. Brew, of Erie.

Presidential Electors-at-Large. Joseph P. McCullen, of Philadelphia. Albert J. Barr, of Pittsburg.

Dog's Victim Is Dead.

The fate the doctors at the Pasteur institute predicted for him on Monday overtook William H. Marsh, of Brooklyn, Wednesday night, when the well-to-do manufacturer of water meters died of hydrophobia. His end was peaceful, as he was put under the influence of opiates and was kept free from pain to the last.

Mr. Marsh contracted hydrophobia while caring for an injured water spaniel. Unsuspecting at first, he became worried about his condition or Saturday, when symptoms resembling those of hydrophobia developed. By that time, however, the disease had

progressed so far that there was no hope of checking it.

Mr. Marsh bore up bravely, and busied himself winding up his personal affairs, until the paroxysms which began to seize him induced the administration of opiates. In his intervals of freedom from pain he bade farewell to the members of his family, who had gathered at his home and made final disposition of his business affairs.

Poison Sent In Gift Nearly Kills Two.

A mysterious case of a deliberate attempt to murder by poisoning was reported to the authorities at Charleroi, Pa. A box that contained a lot of oranges and a bottle of whisky was received by Mrs. Samuel Fredwood, the sender apparently living in Bellevue, a suburb of Pittsburg. Mrs. Fredwood ate the oranges, and a caller, Abraham Lewis, also ate an orange and drank some of the liquor. Both became violently ill and nearly died. The oranges were sent to Pittsburg for a chemical test. Mrs. Fredwood is unable to surmise who her enemy may be.

Two Boys Killed By Trolley Car.

David Rothman, thirteen years old, and Frank Culatto, eight years old, were killed by a trolley car at Baltimore, Md. The boys were riding on the rear of a wagon, saw the car approaching from the rear, and, apparently thinking there would be a collision, jumped from the wagon to avoid it. The car ran them down before they could leap from its path. Both boys were terribly crushed by the car fender, though in neither case was the skin of their little bodies broken.

Falls Off House On Fire; Latter May Die.

Falling from a two-story building that he was repairing at Lewes, Del., Edward Quillin, a carpenter, fell and broke his arm and knocked out several teeth. His fall was partially broken by his father, who was holding a ladder for him, and who also sustained severe injuries. As Captain Quillin, on whom the son fell, is an elderly man, it is feared that his injuries may prove fatal.

Fleet's Coal Bill to Total \$5,000,000.

Approximately \$5,000,000 is the estimate of the cost of coal used by the Atlantic fleet when it shall have finished its cruise around the world. Estimate of the cost of coal necessary to move the fleet from San Francisco to Hampton Roads by way of Honolulu, Manila and the Suez canal has been reported as amounting to \$2,039,000.

Elected Head of Reformed Church.

Rev. J. Spangler Kieffer, of Hagerstown, Md., was elected president of the general synod of the Reformed church in the United States. He defeated Rev. James Good, of Philadelphia, in a close contest.

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Drowned In Underground Stream.

Joplin, Mo., May 26.—George P. Andrews, twenty-eight years old, general manager of the Hero Mining company, was drowned in an underground stream when a scow carrying State Representative James Roach and Cyrus W. Wycoff, ground foreman of the Hero mine, captured. Roach was overcome in the fifteen feet of rushing water and rescued while floating face downward and unconscious.

Monument to Lincoln.

Washington, May 26.—The house committee on library ordered a favorable report on the bill which appropriated \$4,000,000 for the purchase of thirty-eight acres of land in this city and \$1,000,000 for a monument to Abraham Lincoln. The land is to be used for the improvement of the capitol grounds. The Lincoln memorial is to be located somewhere on the land to be acquired.

Death In His Slap Stick.

New York, May 26.—James Murphy, known on the stage as James Balnu, one of the clowns of the Hippodrome, is dead at the Flower hospital. Some days ago he was experimenting with a cartridge, which he had fixed into his clown's slap stick, hoping that the arrangement would serve to make a loud report whenever he used this comic weapon. The cartridge exploded and one of the veins in his neck was cut.

A Runaway.

When a team runs away it is usually the result of carelessness; the reins are loosely held, the horses break away and in a short time are beyond control. There is a runaway disease called "galloping consumption," and that runaway, like the other, is usually the result of carelessness.

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