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Chicago Negress For Many Years Concealed Her Secret.

MOTHER TELLS STORY Why Lillian Beatrice Watkins Committed Suicide-Back of the Girl's Story is a Tragic Narrative of Race

Conflict Which Brought Aching liearts to a Score.

Chicago, Ill .--- Lillian Beatrice Wat. Lins, a beautiful negress, who for years passed herself off as a white girl, killed herself when her cup of bitterness became full to overflowing. A man had fallen in love with her, and passionately loving him in roturn, she confessed her secret to him. He gave her \$15,000, married another girl and a month later blew out his brains in Washington Park. The girl in planning of her own death adopted his method, even to sending a bullet crashing into her right temple.

Back of the girl's death is a tragic story of a conflict of race which brought aching hearts to a score of persons. As the young girl lay in a north side undertaking room a negress bent and withered, leaned over the body and wept.

She was the girl's mother, who in order to allow her only daughter to associate with white folks, had given her up and passed her daily on the street without a sign of recognition. And yet the golden baired octoroon loved her dark skinned mother, and on secret visits to her home invished affection upon her.

Thomas F. Kennedy, the motive for whose suicide in Washington Park on January last had been a mystery until now, was the man who fell in love with the ill-fated girl. She returned his love and told her mother that they were engaged and that she intended to keep her race a secret, but she worried so over possible discovery that one night she sobbed out the truth. Kennedy left her and a month afterward married Gwendolyn Reese. Four weeks after his marriage Kennedy was found dead in Washington Park, only a few blocks from his home where he had furnished elegant apartments for his bride.

Lillian Watkins the last year had in living at the home of Samuel Phinney, No. 376 Dearborn ave.

and Mrs. Phinney never suspect-

that the girl was a negress. Miss atkins was employed as a stenoupher in the First Trust and Savags Bank, and all of her fellow workers thought she was a Causcas ian. On one or two occasions friends had remarked that she had rather a dark skin, and Miss Watkins always turned the subject by remarking carelessly that she had Hindu blood, as her grandfather was a Hindu.

She studied at the University of Chicago. At one time she lived at the Virginia Hotel and for a few months was a guest at the Warner

## TAG WITH A FLOATING MINE. & Norwegian Vessel's Dire Peril in

a Typhoon.

Capt. Larz Anderson of the Norweglan tramp steamer Eklund put into the port of Chefoo on the north China coast a while ago, with a tale about how his ship had played tag with a floating mine and a typhoon out of the arm of the Liaotung peniasula.

The experience of the Norwegian captain was novel only because it combined the typhoon and the floating mine. Other ships in the China sea up between Shantung and Korea have struck the deadly engines sown by the Russians and Japanese alike during the war. Although the wa - cas been over some years, floating mines are still bobbing up in the paths of ships.

According to Capt. Anderson the Ekl nd was out of Chinnampo, Korea, bound for Taku, when about 2 o'clock on the first afternoon, the lookout on the bridge sighted the floating mine off to the starboard about half a mile ahead. The glass had been failing rapidly all afternoon and Capt. Anderson knew that a typhoon was coming up out of the southeast.

The roaring column of wind struck the Eklund within ten minutes after the mine had been sighted. For the next three hours Capt. Anderson and his crew of twenty-six were casting dice with death every minute. if the typhoon didn't sink them they were certain that the mine would, only one death would be quicker than the other.

It was inky black all about and the rain fell in torrents. Capt. Anderson and two sailors lashed themserves to the rigging way up near the nose of the boat to keep an eye open for the mine. The rest of the crew simply went below and, and waited to hear the crack of doom.

The captain tied himself to the stanchions of the bridge where his hands could reach the engine room signals. He could not thear the voices of the lookouts at the bow. for the wind blew their words out to sea, but he could plainly distinguish the two figures between the whips of spray and the murk of the clouds.

Before the storm had been on for an hour Capt. Anderson saw both lookouts at the bow turn in their place and frantically signal, holding up their hands and pushing them away from them with the violence of desperation. Anderson promptly pulled the signal for reversed engines and although the boat was only going at half speed it slackened so suddenly that it began to lose head.

The bow slewed, and then a great comber rose up alongside and crinkled high over the starboard rail. The captain cast one hasty glance at the wave and tried to right his bow so as to meet it. He wasn't quick enough, the wave came and with it the mine.

"There the thing sat on the top of the wave," said Captain Anderson in detailing the adventure afterward. 'It looked like a hedgehog all curled up and asleep, with the glass prickles sticking out in all directions. To break one of those tubes of glass would be set off enough gun cotton

## ESCAPED CONVICT DEPUTY SHERIFF.

Model Citizen for Eleven Years-**Identity Disclosed by Former** Fellow Prisoner.

Williams, Ariz .- "No necessity for that," said Frank Sherlock, as H. E. Woods, a ranger, covered him with a revolver and declared him under arrest. Sherlock had been recognized as Charles Bly, a convict who rode away from the New Mexico penitentiary on the warden's horse elev-

en years ago. Ever since his escape the fugitive has lived an exemplary life. For eight years he served as a deputy sheriff of Mojave County, and in that time had run down many desperate criminals. He was held in the highest esteem by his fellow townsmen, and the revelation that he was an escaped convict came as a shock to the entire community.

Recently Sherlock became a successful contractor and secured contracts at Nelson, 'riz. A workman in tattered clothes approached him later and appealed to him for work. A moment later the stranger extended his hand and said: "Why, hello, how are you?" The supposed stranger was a fellow convict who had served in the ponitentiary when Sherlock allas Bly, made his escape. Sherlock gave him a job but discharged him later.

This incensed the ex-convict and he betrayed Sherlock. The next day Captain Christian, of the New Mexico penitentiary arrived and started for Sante Fe with Sherlock, where he has two years to serve on a four year sentence for horse stealing. Because of his exemplary life the citiens of his home town will make an effort to secure his pardon.

### DENTISTRY FOR DOGS.

## Cost of Filling and Scraping a Canine's Teeth.

London, England .- An observing reporter of a local daily on overhearing two ladies discuss the relative merits of their pet dogs' teeth at the Peking Palace Dog Show, started upon a tour of investigation among fashionable West End dentists and made the important discovery that several well known dental surgeons made a large income by attending to the teeth of their client's pet dogs. Said one:

"I frequently attend to the teeth of pet dogs belonging to my clients, and that practice is common in our profession. Scraping dog's teeth is a simple enough and almost painful operation. I have on several occasions cleaned a dog's hollow tooth and filled it. Only once have I taken a wax impression and supplied false teeth, and the dog soon got rid of them. The instruments are the same that we use for human beings. "Show dogs are brought to me for

their teeth to be scraped or stopped. as a decayed tooth means loss of points in competition. My scale of prices is: Scraping a set and cleaning, £1, 1s.; refilling and cleaning one tooth, 5s.; making a bicuspid or incisor, 17s. 6d.; making a canine and grinder, £1, 1s. I have never supplied a full set of teeth for a dog. and could only give a fancy estimate, but the work could not be done properly under 25 guineas."

# MANIAC KILLS TWO; FIGHTS GREAT POSSE.

Leads a Desperate Running Fight Out of Federal Asylum in Washington-Two Slain.

Wasington, Sept. 24 .--- Andrew Lightfoot, a demented mulatto "trusty" of St. Elizabeth's Federal Asylum for the insane, suddenly be came violent on the grounds of the institution With a crowbar he slew Patrick Maloney, the keeper of the grounds; then killed Millie Follin, another inmate, and shattered the arm of Elizabeth Robertson, an insane woman, who sought to intercept him. Later, in a running hattie, he dashed for the swamps or the outskirts of the Capital City, where he fought a great posse of pursuers with sticks and stones, until he was shot twice and brought to earth.

Lightfoot, so nearly white that he scarcely could be distinguished from a Caucasian, had been confined in St. Elizabeth's for eight years. He was a soldier in the Philippines, and with several other troopers he was brought back from the Far East to be confined in the Government asylum

Apparently the man had been improving for several years. He seemed so rational that Dr. Fitch of the asylum, patrolled him to "trusty" work, and, under Maloney's supervision, he was detailed to rake the lawns and keep an eye on the other patients in the men's ward during their recreation hours.

Lightfoot was watching a score or more of male infants in front of the men's pavilion. Maloney by his side, had been prying up a stone with a crowbar.

Suddenly, with a yell, the mulatto grabbed the implement from the keeper's hands and, before Maloney could swerve away, had brought it crashing down upon his skull. Maloney went down in a heap, dead instantly.

As his first victim fell, the maniac began yelling wildly. Brandishing the crow-bar above his head he swung it furiously in circles and started on a dash toward the boundary of the grounds.

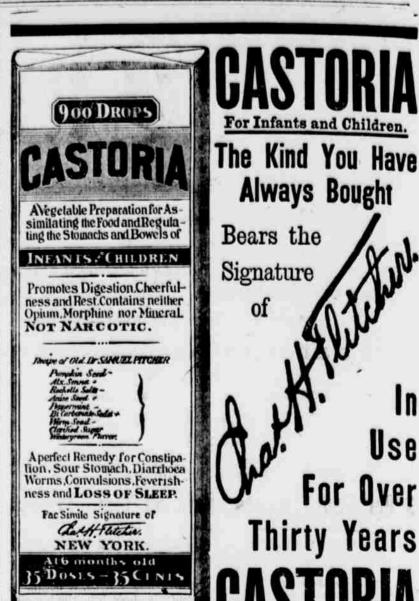
Millie Follin, a white inmate, was in his pathway, and as he came rushing upon her, he brought the iron weapon down upon her head, shattering the woman's skull and killing her instantly. Then the maniac ran for the river at the foot of the lawn and for the tree-grown, swamp beyond.

Elizabeth Robertson, another woman patient, more than seventy years of age, was returning from the river side when Lightfoot saw her. He ran from his course, raised the crow-bar and struck at her head. She fell to one side and the crowbar, missing her head, struck the arm she had flung up to ward herself against the blow. Her arm bones were shattered.

# DROUGHT IS BROKEN.

#### Heavy Rain Sets In in Central West in Time to Save Fall Pastures.

Berwick - George H. Catterall. Catawissa-William G. Yetter. West Berwick-R. M. Smith. Bloomsburg...William Coffman. Centre-Daniel Mordan. Bloomsburg-Rev. J. R. Murphy. Briarereck-J. K. Adams. Chicago, Sept. 24 .- The drought of three months' duration throughout the Central West was broken by a heavy rain which began falling



Jury List for September Court Pine-Jacob Webb. GRAND JURY

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Briarcreek-Charles Masteller.

Berwick-Charles bracer Locust-Jacob Fink, Sugarloaf-T, A. Ruckle, Bloomsburg-A. V. Kressler, Berwick-Claude Kurtz,

Catawissa-Jeremiah Yeager. Beaver-Jacob Baker, Jr.

Bloomsburg-Calvin Girton. Orangeville-W. E. Sands. Cleveland-W. M. Cleaver.

Bloomsburg-Daniel Tierney. Greenwood-Jonas Ager.

Catawissa-J. L. Walter. Centralia-John Leam. Conyngham-W. H. Honabach.

Bloomsburg-Henry Knorr. Conyngham-H. D. Kostenbauder.

TRAVERSE JURORS-First Week

Jackson-Edward Sones. Conyngham-Geo. W. Weller, Mt. Pleasant-John R. Thomas.

Sugarloaf-J. B. Sutliff.

Franklin-Samuel Raup.

Catawissa-Henry Shane.

Berwick-Charles Brader

Madison-J. E. Cotner, Centralia-James Murphy, Sugarloaf-Alfred Hess. Locust-Adam Rarig. Sugarloaf-O. F. Cole. Bloomsburg-R. R. Hartman. Catawissa-Thomas E. Harder. Cleveland-Charles Kline. Catawissa Borough-E. B. Guie, Centre-J. H. Hughes. Berwick - William Harry. Catawissa Township-Oscar Leighow,

#### A Frenk Rose Bush,

In

W. R. Wilson, the president of the Huntingdon Borough Council, has an oddity at his home on Miffilm street in the form of a perfectly white rose blooming on a rose bush which has borne only red roses and on which ail the other flowers now blooming are red.

The rose is a climbing rambler, and about eight teet from the ground up the side of the house the one perfeetly white rote has grown, standing out prominently among the red ones surrounding it .- Philadelphia Record.

A Stone in Which 20 People Live, During the course of the centuries the enormous stone known as Yermoloffs Rock has been so tunnelled

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Hotel, Thirty-third street and Cottage Grove avenue.

Mrs. Ida Watkins, the girl's moth er, lives at \$571 Forest avenue, With tears streaming down her face she told the story of her daughter's struggle to obtain recognition as a white.

"My child's misfortune was that she was born with a white skin and golden hair. Oh, how proud I was of my little baby when she lay at my breast and I saw her delicate skin and golden tresses. I little thought of the shame and misery it would cause her later in life. Her father was a white-skinned mulatto and Lillian was even whiter than he.

'Until my little girl was sixteen years old she always passed as a col ored girl. Then a schoolmate put it into her head that she could pass as a white girl, and she came home and told me that, while she still loved me, she wanted to be known as a white girl and asked me not to reconize her as my daughter. I thought my heart would break and we both cried for hours, but finally I saw that Lillian's happiness depended on the sacrifice and I made it.

"Then Lillian became converted to the Catholic religion and entered a convent in Buffalo, N. Y. She wanted to take the veil but became ill and confessed to the priest that she was a negress. I was living in Hamilton, Ohio, at that time, and Lillian came home. A few months afterward she came to Chicago and then sent for me. She explained gently that she was known as a white girl and would have to visit me secretly. She gave me \$50 a month for my expenses and came to see me three times a month. When we passed on the street we did not recognize each other.

'Then came my daughter's great unhappiness. She passionately loved Thomas Kennedy and she told me that he loved her. She told him her secret and they parted. He married in a few weeks and a month afterward shot himself. He gave Lillian \$15,000. She has left me all of this money in her will, and in her will wrote that I was her nearest and dearest relative. So you see she did love me although my skin is black."

Miss Watkins shot herself in her com at the Phinney home. She eviently had deliberated a long time ere she committed suicide.

to blow the ship to slivers.

"I saw the wave curl with the mine right at the crest, then it broke and came down over the starboard rail. About forty tons of water more or less, hit the bow and shoved our nose under water until the water came ut to the bridge.

"I thought we were never going to come up. And, sir, that mine went right over the boat on the top of the wave, passing so near the bridge that I could have reached out and touched it. It slewed off over the port rail and disappeared behind the ship."

That was all the captain of the Eklund saw of the floating mine. When the typhoon passed he found the two lookouts still lashed to their posts dead. Otherwise the ship and the crew were unhurt.

Man is the Superlative.

We speak of good men and bad, of great men and small, but man, real man, is the superlative, and whenever you come across the real thing you will find a man after your own heart, generous, unselfish diligent in good works.

The really good man has no time in which to be bad, and being interested in good works, he does not feel incline. to waste his time and talent doing that which is not worth while.

Man have gained the center of the stage and posed in the limelight for a brief period who were not good through and through, but not for long

There are prominent men, prominent in finance and trade, who are not very good through and through. Some of these continue to splutter and fare for a good while, but the world is not shocked if they suddenly ly disappear, nor are they greatly missed when gone.

It is the man of sterling worth who is missed, and is sincerely mourned. Seek therefore, to meet and know men of sterling worth.

#### College to Breed Dogs.

A farm at Stamford, Conn., has been acquired by the Columbia University and will be utilized in connection with the work of the department of zoology. The idea of the farm is to provide for the faculty of soology a mita bleplince for the breeding of de 3, pigeons, guines pigs, mice, etc.

### PLANTING EYELASHES.

Hair of One's Head is Threaded Along Edge of Eyelid.

Paris, France .--- "Planting eyelashes" is the latest torture which women endure for beauty's sake. The operation which is "very delicate and painful," is this described in the Paris Health Journal:

A long hair is singled out of the patient's head. A needle is threaded with it and forced in and out of the skin along the edge of the eyelid. forming a series of loops. These loops are then cut at the extremeties and the rows of lashes thus obtained are curled upward with curlers. When the operation is finished the patient has to spend twelve hours with an oiled bandage over the eyes. The process for the manufacture of eyebrows is similar.

400 KEPT FROM SUICIDE.

Persuaded to Live by Salvation Army Officers,

Chicago, Ill .--- Five of the Salvation Army officers, among them Brig. Alexander McMillan, the founder and head of the famous "Anti-Suicide bureau," has left Chicago to take command in various parts of the United States.

Within a year or more since the Anti-Suicide Bureau was started exactly 400 men and women have applied for advice at the headquarters. According to the army officials a large proportion of these would have taken their lives if the bureau had not intervened.

#### **Balloon** Parties for London.

Luodon, England .--- The "balloon party" is said to have arrived, and. indeed, there are hostesses who boast the possession of a tame balloon for the entertainment of their guests.

#### Helium Really Liquefied.

London, England.-Prof. Ohnes has telegraphed to Prof. Dewar confirming the statement that he has succeeded in liquefying helium.

at noon and continued all afternoon and evening.

Corn is made and well cured in most welds, but the rain will be of great value to fall pastures.

Ship's Gun Bursts; 13 Dead. Toulon, France, Sept. 24.-During gunnery drill one of the big turret guns on the French armored cruiser La Touche Treville exploded with terrific violence, completely wrecking the after turret and killing outright the entire gun crew of thirteen. A number of others were seriously injured.

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Fowls per lb., 10@14%c. DRESSED POULTRY - Turkeys per 1b., 16@25c.; Fowls per lb., 10@ 14c.; Chickens, Phil., per Ib.,

18@22. VEGETABLES-Potatoes, Jersey. per sack, \$2.00@52.15. ONIONS-ellow, per basket, 60 @ 75.

Bloomsburg-Charles D. Brobst. Mt. Pleasant-G M. Ikeler. Orangeville-Carl Fleckenstine. Fleckenstine. Berwick-C. J. Courtright. Benton Township-T. E. Edwards. Centralia-Robert Welsh. Roaringcreek-Alfred Hoagland. Madison-D. N. Williams. Pine Twp—Thomas Y. Stackhouse, Mifflin—Joseph Cleaver. Pine—Isaac Trivelpicce. Conyngham-Jacob Benner. West Berwick G. G. Chrisman. Scott-E. A. Brown. Bloomsburg-L. D. Case.

Orange Township-William, C. White Samuel Y. Keller. Main-Benjamin Kreisher Berwick-McClellan Cope, Rob. Reedy, West Berwick-Horace Yeager. Catawissa-Edward Brosious, Franklin-Clark Yost. Bloom burg-John Scott. Hemlock-George Irvin. Locust-Benjamin Waters. Catawissa-John Overdorf. Hemlock-Edward W. Ivy. Beaver-A. F. Rupert. Conyagham-Lewis Kustenbauder. Catawissa-Charles P. Pfahler. Bloomsburg-C. B. Gunton, Conyngham-Isaac Beaver. Berwick-Hurl Davis. Berwick-E. C. Morehead. Briascreek-Samuel M. Petty. Centralia-W. W. Heffner. Catawissa-George H. Sharpless. Main-F. P. Gruver. Berwick-Harry East. Berwick-H. R. Oliver, Bloomsburg—Moses Tressler, Berwick—Theodore F. Berger, Fishingcreek—Robert E. Whitenight, Centralia—Patrick Curran. Bloomsburg—H. B. Sharpless. West Berwick—W. A. Linden. Conyngham-Daniel E. Fetterman. Berwick-John E. Traugh. Centre-C. E. Drum.

West Berwick-William Fairchilds. Mifflin-H. W. Houck. Benton Borough-John S. Baker.

SECOND WEEK. Conyngham-John Kertin. Centralia-John White, Berwick-Eugene Doty. Mt. Pleasant-George L. Johnson. Berwick-R. W. Hoyt. Scott-Ellis Ringrose. Hemlock-Edward Sterner. Mifflin-Edward Green. Jackson-Deaner Deuts Jackson-Deaner Davis. Jackson-Deaner Davis. Bloomsburg-Charles M. Hess. Roaringcreek-Alvin Rhoads. Berwick-Francis W. Roup. Bloomsburg-A. J. George. Locust-John Hughes. Berwick-Perge Current Berwick-Percy Curran. Greenwood-J. H. Johnson. Benton Township-Wesley Roberts. Berwick-J. B. Evans. Berwick-Walter Sult. Catawissa Borough-John Fox. Berwick-M. C. Hetler. Berwick-Rev. J. K. Adams. Centralia-Martin Barrett.

that it resembles a g-gantic rabbitwarren. In its Interior, says a Russian paper, live five families, numbering no fewer than 30 people. The stone is in the Caucasus, within half a mile of the Georgian military road.

The Jap's Increase,

As a result of its war with Russia the area of Japan's territory was raised from 189,000 square miles to 283,000 square miles, and her popuiation increased by 10,000,000.

Americans are known as a dyspeptic people. The extent of this disease may be inferred from the multitude of so-called "medicines" offered as a remedy. They are often in tablet form and have no value except as palliatives of the immediate effects of dyspepsia. The man who used them may feel better but is surely getting worse. They do not touch the real cause of the disease. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery is a medicine specially prepared to cure diseases of the stomach and organs of digestion and nutrition. It is not made to give temporary relief but to effect permanent cure. In ninety-eight cases out of every hundred it cures perfectly

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