

SHOOT HER BETRAVER.

Then Pretty Bertie McConnell Attempted to Kill Herself.

THE DEATH OF BOTH PREDICTED.

She Declared That Harry Thompson Had Ruined Her Life and Determined That He Should Die with Her—A Sad Story of Love and Revenge.

COATESVILLE, Pa., March 23.—One of the most shocking tragedies that has ever stirred the people of this place occurred on Saturday, when pretty Bertie McConnell, of this city, and barely 30 years of age, shot Harry Thompson, a traveling salesman for the Singer Sewing Machine company, while in a hotel in Lancaster. She boarded an express train after the shooting and returned to this place, where she attempted to end her life in the same manner. The double crime is alleged to have been the result of Thompson having deceived and betrayed the young woman. Both Miss McConnell and her victim are in a critical condition, and will probably die.

The young woman is the daughter of John McConnell, a well known citizen of this place, and possessed of a disposition and personality that won for her many friends. It was two years ago that she met Thompson. She was then employed in a dry goods establishment. Thompson seemed to find favor in the young woman's eyes at once, and this soon led to a friendship that quickly ripened into love.

Thompson visited the young woman frequently. He told her his home was in Harrisburg, where he lived with his mother. In time, however, it was gossiped about that he was a married man. This charge he denied. The young woman evidently had faith in her lover, for about two months ago she left town with him, and it was current report that they had married and were living quietly and happily in Lancaster.

That this was not true became known only last Monday, when Miss McConnell returned to Coatesville, and to some of her closest friends made known that she had been deceived and ruined by Thompson. While here she purchased a revolver, and on Friday returned to Lancaster with what now appears to be a determined resolve to avenge herself.

She went to their room in the Keystone House, and none but she and Thompson knows what took place there. They evidently quarreled, but none of the hotel attaches heard any shots fired. It was not until morning that the discovery was made. Thompson was found in bed with a bullet wound in his head and the bed clothing saturated. He was conscious and refused to tell who shot him. When questioned as to his wife's whereabouts he replied that she had gone for a doctor.

It became known soon afterwards that Miss McConnell had left the hotel and came immediately to her home in this city. She went upstairs, and placing the revolver against her breast fired. The bullet missed her breast, but passed through her lung and lodged in the back. She then told of her attack on Thompson. She said he had ruined her life, and as she had nothing to live for she wanted him to die before he could bring ruin and disgrace on others.

Thompson, some time after the shooting, was removed to his brother's home in Lancaster. Notwithstanding he was informed by his physicians and the magistrate that he was going to die, he positively refused to disclose the circumstances of the shooting, saying that he knew nothing of it. Thompson shows remarkable nerve. "If I am going to die," he said to the magistrate, "let me die in peace. I don't want to be bothered by you."

Thompson stubbornly refuses to allow the physicians to probe for the bullet, telling them his injuries are slight and that he will soon "pull through." He has a very ugly wound on his left eye, from which the brains slowly ooze. The doctors have probed the wound to a depth of three inches without succeeding in finding the ball.

Policeman Henk, of Lancaster, arrived here yesterday with a warrant for Miss McConnell's arrest, but owing to her critical condition the warrant was not served. Thompson has a wife and two small children living at Harrisburg. Mrs. Thompson says her husband tried to get rid of the girl for over a year, but that she followed him wherever he went. Bertie called at Thompson's home in Lancaster, and after his removal to Harrisburg, in a letter to him, the girl offered to furnish \$500 to get a divorce from Mrs. Thompson in order that he might marry her. Thompson's wife has been advised that her husband will die.

LANCASTER, Pa., March 25.—Harry Thompson, the man who was shot Saturday morning, still lies at the home of his brother, No. 14 South Duke street, in a precarious condition, while his would-be slayer, Bertie McConnell, also covers between life and death at her father's house in Coatesville. He still persists that he knows nothing about the shooting.

The Church and the Workingman.

TEBBE HAUTE, Ind., March 24.—Engene V. Debs spoke in the First Baptist church of this city Sunday night on the relations of the church to labor. The auditorium was crowded to the doors, and hundreds were turned away. Mr. Debs spoke of the church as an institution being almost solidly arrayed against labor, but rejoiced that there now seemed a desire to discuss social questions. He declared that if the golden rule were applied by all the church people to the labor question it would be solved in twenty-four hours.

Ex-Confederates Eligible.

WASHINGTON, March 25.—Senator Hill's bill to remove the restrictions against the appointment as officers of the army or navy of persons who held commissions in the regular army or navy before the rebellion, and who subsequently took part in the war on the side of the Confederacy, which passed the senate during the height of the excitement over the Venezuelan boundary question, passed the house yesterday after two hours' debate, with but one dissenting vote—that of Mr. Boutelle, of Maine.

A Message of Peace from Salisbury.

LONDON, March 25.—Lord Salisbury has sent a reply to the memorial in favor of Anglo-American arbitration of the Venezuelan question adopted by the Peace society at a meeting in Queen's Hall. Lord Salisbury says: "I am glad to be able to inform you that this question is receiving the consideration of the government, and that proposals in the direction indicated by the memorial are now before the government of the United States."

ITEMS OF STATE NEWS.

SCRANTON, Pa., March 24.—The home of Henry Ryman, at Dalton, this county, was burned Sunday night, taking fire from some unknown cause. An invalid daughter, aged 30 years, who occupied an upstairs room, was burned to death.

MEDIA, Pa., March 23.—A jury in the common pleas court awarded Thomas Lattimer \$4,900 against the Chester Tractor company. Lattimer was a passenger in one of the company's cars going from Chester to Angola and had an arm and leg broken in a collision.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., March 24.—Bert Smith, a butcher, living at Avoca, was returning to his home last night when he was shot from ambush by two men. His unknown assailants then robbed him of \$30. There is no clue to their identity. Smith's injuries are not serious.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., March 23.—On and after April 1 the miners in Centre, Clearfield, Cambria, Jefferson, Bedford and Indiana counties, in this state, and in the Cumberland region, in Maryland, will be paid forty-five cents per gross ton or forty cents per net ton. Notices to this effect are now being posted throughout this section.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., March 23.—A very sad shooting affair took place in a patch of woods below this city. Patrick Mahan and Eddie Richards, each 19 years old, were shooting with a Flobert rifle. Richards shot at a sparrow, when Mahan was in the line of fire. The bullet struck him in the left temple and killed him instantly. Young Richards is heartbroken.

SCRANTON, Pa., March 23.—Cardinal Sattoli and a distinguished party of other Catholic ecclesiastics participated in the consecration yesterday of Rev. Dr. Michael J. Hoban as coadjutor bishop of the Scranton diocese. The consecration was by Sattoli, who was assisted by Bishops Thomas McGovern of Harrisburg and Thomas D. Beaven of Springfield, Mass.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., March 24.—George Windisch, the Pittston wife murderer, was sentenced to be hanged yesterday. When Judge Woodward asked him if he had anything to say why sentence should not be pronounced he said: "I am not guilty of the murder. I don't want my case taken to the supreme court. Let them hang me, and be done with it."

GREENSBURG, Pa., March 23.—An explosion of fire damp occurred in the Ohio and Pennsylvania Coal mines at Port Royal, this county, killing Alexander McDonald, the fire boss, aged 35, and William Davis, aged 15. The mine is about 300 feet deep, and the explosion shook the earth around the mouth of the mine. It was caused by the fire boss carrying a lamp into an unused part.

POTTSVILLE, Pa., March 23.—Frank Adams, of Tower City, at the last term of the criminal court, was found guilty of beating Benjamin Zelders, from the effects of which the latter died, and was sentenced by Judge Albright to pay a fine of \$300 and undergo an imprisonment of one year. On Saturday he was released from prison on \$1,300 bail, and will begin another trial in May.

HAZLETON, Pa., March 24.—Mrs. Peter Milosky was found in a dying condition in her home at Beaver Brook yesterday by her 10-year-old daughter. The woman exhibited signs of poison, and from marks upon her face and body it is believed she was treated with violence. The woman died without making a statement. Until the coroner holds an inquest nothing can be learned as to the cause of death.

WEST CHESTER, Pa., March 23.—Deputy Coroner Russell held an inquest upon the body of Daniel Queen, the colored man who died in the hospital, and rendered a verdict to the effect that he came to his death from a gunshot wound. James Tobin, the burglar who fired the fatal shot, will be given a hearing tomorrow. The commonwealth will urge a conviction on the charge of murder in the first degree.

PITTSBURG, March 23.—A disastrous fire Saturday night in the smelting department of the copper works of the Pennsylvania Salt Manufacturing company at Natrona caused a loss estimated at \$300,000. The buildings destroyed covered nearly four acres of ground. The output of the plant was about 100,000 ounces of silver and 3,000,000 pounds of copper a month. The fire started by the blowing out of a furnace, the hot metal igniting with some waste near the mouth.

PITTSBURG, March 23.—Fire in the Atlantic refinery yesterday caused a loss of over \$100,000. The fire spread to the tanks, and the burning oil rushed down and spread in streams of fire over the properties. The water poured on the oil had no effect, and only served to scatter it. The fluid rushed over the tracks of the Allegheny Valley railroad and blocked all traffic. The telegraph and telephone wires and poles near the refinery were burned down from the intense heat. Altogether 125,000 barrels of oil were destroyed, most of it refined.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., March 23.—Frank Shafer, a young colored man, on whose confession four men and two women were arrested for the dastardly murder of eight Hungarians, and one, Neise Miller, found guilty in the first degree, made a further confession Saturday, in which he said his previous statement was entirely false. He also says that Miller is innocent. The affair occurred on the mountain, near here. Dynamite was exploded under a boarding house in which were sixty Hungarians, and eight of them were killed and many injured. Miller's attorneys have applied for a new trial.

HARRISBURG, March 23.—Almost every politician of note in Harrisburg was in court on Saturday to hear the conclusion of the suit for libel brought by ex-Councilman Disbrow against President of Select Council Rudy and William H. Brennan, who issued two circulars against Disbrow before election, charging that he organized a disorderly meeting at which rum flowed, and another that he had acted suspiciously while a councilman. The jury returned a verdict of guilty of libel on the disorderly meeting count and not guilty as to the councilman's actions. Disbrow was also convicted of libeling Rudy.

LANCASTER, Pa., March 24.—William Miller and Charles F. Tinker, who were arrested last week charged with having murdered William Miller, the night watchman at the Champion Blower and Forge works, and then firing the building, were given a hearing before Alderman Deen yesterday afternoon. The murdered man was the father of one of the accused. The theory of the prosecution is that Miller beat his father into insensibility, and, after robbing him, applied the torch to the building. A score of witnesses testified to the suspicious conduct of young Miller and Tinker on the night of the fire. Miller was held for court.

Ambassador Pannetoe Going Home.

LONDON, March 25.—It is reported here that the British ambassador at Washington, Sir Lullin Pannetoe, will shortly come to London to discuss with the government certain features of the Venezuelan question.

TWO MINING FATALITIES.

Thirteen Killed at Duhoon and Two Rescuers at Adrian, Pa.

DUBOON, Pa., March 24.—A terrific explosion of gas occurred at the Berswyn White shaft in the eastern limits of the city yesterday, and thirteen miners were killed. The mine is a new one, which the company has been opening up and working crews in shifts to push the headings out in various directions for big work later on.

Eighteen men went on at 7 o'clock in the morning, fourteen going into the north heading and four into the south heading. At about 10 o'clock the four men were sensible of a shock, and a few minutes later the mine boss came to them and told them something had happened, and that they should get out as soon as they could.

When the party, then consisting of five, reached the foot of the shaft they were nearly overcome by the gas and were hurriedly taken up in the cage. As the work of rescue proceeded it was found that the shock in the north heading was so terrific that two of the bodies were mutilated almost beyond recognition, but the balance had evidently been suffocated by the foul gas. The dead are:

George Harvey, married, no children; Henry Harvey, married, two children; Harry Smith, married, two children; James Graham, Sr., married, large family; James Graham, Jr., single; Lindsey H. Bradley, married; John Monroe, married, two children; Jesse Postlethwaite, married, three children; George Postlethwaite, married, large family; Andrew Nowak, David Bell, Reuben Noble and George Ainsley, all married.

PUNXSUTAWING, Pa., March 24.—The gas in mine No. 1, Adrian, exploded Tuesday night, and the mine is on fire. It is impossible to get into the mines any distance, although the explosion occurred two miles back. Shortly after midnight the fire boss heard an explosion, and yesterday morning the men going in to work were overcome. Eleven men have been brought out, with two dead. The dead are Isaac Jones, married, with three children, and Joe Lawrence, widower, with eleven children. Both these men were rescuers.

All Seven Were Murdered.

ALMA, Wis., March 25.—An investigation just concluded shows that the seven members of the Oldhouse family, who were found dead in the ruins of their burned house on the 6th inst., were murdered. An inquest was held at the time and a verdict of accidental death was returned. Yesterday the bodies were exhumed. It was found that two bullets had penetrated the skull of the father, and that the mother's skull had been crushed and that the head of one of the children had been crushed in. A revolver was found on the bed near the mother's side, and a shotgun lay near the body of the husband, whose remains were found near the front window. A fracture in the skull of one child was evidently made with a hammer, which was found near the body. There is no clue to the murderers. The object was evidently robbery.

The Wages of Sin.

PHILADELPHIA, March 25.—Pretty Annie McGrath, 18 years old, lies dead at the morgue, and 55-year-old Samuel P. Langdon is under arrest. He is a son of Richard Langdon, one of the oldest and wealthiest coal operators in the Huntingdon coal regions. The couple have been living together as man and wife at 2925 Girard avenue, where the girl was found dead in bed on Monday night. The police are reticent, but it is evident that there are suspicions of poisoning. Langdon is married, but is separated from his wife. A year ago Miss McGrath's brother killed his 8-year-old daughter and then committed suicide at his home in this city.

Struck Dead in Mid-Air.

GUTHRIE, O. T., March 24.—While two painters were at work, seventy-five feet from the ground, on the spire of the Baptist church in the little town of Grand, a thunder storm sprung up and a flash of lightning struck the spire, knocking away the scaffolding, splitting the spire, and leaving Somers and Ford pinned to the roof dead. Their clothing was ignited, and for ten minutes the bodies were seen burning in mid-air. Heavy rain finally extinguished the flames, and three hours later the remains of the painters were brought from the steeple, charred and almost unrecognizable.

Mr. Bayard Censured.

WASHINGTON, March 25.—At today's session of the executive council of the American Federation of Labor the subcommittee on the eight hour day problem submitted its report. It recommends that May 1 be set as the day to inaugurate the eight hour plan throughout the country, and that the carpenters be selected as the union to make the test. The committee recommends a strike of all carpenters' unions that are forced to work overtime, beginning on the day that the eight hour plan goes into effect.

A \$40,000 Shortage Alleged.

LEXINGTON, Ky., March 25.—The Midway Deposit bank, one of the best business institutions in central Kentucky, is in trouble, and Cashier W. M. Shipp and Bookkeeper C. W. Stone have been discharged pending an investigation. There has been suspicion of crookedness for a long time, and an expert was employed, who alleges that there is a shortage, which it is believed will foot up \$40,000.

Mrs. Drayton Wins Her Suit.

TRENTON, March 24.—Charlotte Augusta, wife of J. Coleman Drayton, received her decree of divorce from Chancellor McGill yesterday. The decree was filed in the office of the clerk in chancery, and states that it is allowed on the ground of desertion. Mrs. Drayton, before her marriage, was Augusta Astor, the third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Astor.

General Markets.

NEW YORK, March 24.—European cables quote American steers at 92.90c, dressed weight; refrigerator beef at 55.75c. Calves steady; poor to prime veals, \$4.90-5.25. Sheep and lambs very quiet, but steady; poor to prime sheep, \$4.50-5.45; common to choice lambs, \$4.50-5.15. Hogs steady at \$4.60-5.00. New York dairy, 11.30c. Eggs firm; fresh, \$2.50-2.60; good, \$2.40-2.50; rough fat, \$2.30-2.40. Southern, 10.50-11.00c.

A WEEK'S NEWS CONDENSED

Thursday, March 19. An explosion at the Ladin-Rand powder mill at Rifton, N. Y., destroyed two buildings and killed five men.

Captain Wborg, of the steamer Horsa, and his two mates, who were sentenced to prison in Philadelphia for Cuban filibustering, have been released on bail pending a new trial.

General Calixto Garcia and a party of Cuban insurgents left Somers Point, N. J., for Cuba on the steamer Bermuda early yesterday morning.

The "Curfew" bell is to ring at Omaha, Lincoln and South Omaha, Neb. Children under 15 must not be alone on the streets after 8 p. m. in winter and 9 p. m. in summer.

John J. Swan and Daniel Brown, former keepers at the state insane asylum at Fairhurst, Del., were sentenced to one year imprisonment for killing Leon Flisa, an inmate.

George W. Dice, on trial at Atlanta, Ga., for counterfeiting, assaulted Inspector Murphy in the courtroom.

A train robber who held up a train near Tulare, Cal., was riddled with bullets and killed instantly. He is thought to be one of the Dalton gang.

Arrangements have been perfected for a joint debate on the silver question between Secretary Hoke Smith and ex-Speaker Crisp, in several Georgia towns.

T. H. Sprague, a wealthy New Zealand sheep owner, secured a divorce at Lisbon, N. D., yesterday. An hour later he married Miss Mary Hall, of England.

A. K. Ward, the noted \$300,000 swindler, is lying at the point of death in a Memphis hospital, closely guarded.

Dr. Frank March and wife, Mattias Schneider and Peter Schouh, under arrest at Chicago for counterfeiting, have confessed.

At Milwaukee last night John Holzinger, 25 years old, shot his young wife and her mother, killing the latter. The wife was suing for divorce.

Congratulatory telegrams from all sections were delivered at the residence of General Neal Dow, in Portland, Me., yesterday. It was 92d birthday anniversary.

On the night of Feb. 18 Charles Rodman was killed by a hidden assassin at Anthony, Kan. Now Mrs. Rodman confesses that she paid a man named Clark \$50 for the crime owing to her husband's brutality.

Monday, March 23.

Mrs. Lucy Watkins was fatally burned and four other colored persons seriously injured by a lamp explosion in a New York tenement.

The hearing in the case of John L. Hart, accused of having been implicated in the Laurada filibustering expedition, was postponed in New York.

Colonel Eadie, of the Salvation Army, whose coming resulted in Ballington Booth's withdrawal, has been ordered back to England by General Booth.

Julia Bird, her daughter Charlotte, the latter's infant daughter and C. Biquette, all Indians, were burned to death as the result of a drunken carousal in the Bird's home at Hayfield, Wis.

Tuesday, March 24.

William H. Webster, chief civil service examiner, died in Washington yesterday, aged 67.

By the loss of the ferry steamer Pearl in Brisbane river, Australia, forty-seven persons lost their lives.

Must Use The Knife.

Said the Surgeon, but Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy was taken and the Knife Avoided.

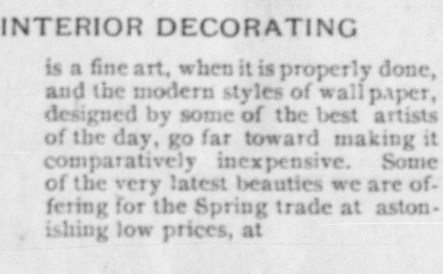
The Union and Advertiser of Rochester, N. Y., recently published the following interesting account of how William W. Adams of 127 South Avenue, that city was saved from a painful operation by the use of Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy.

Mr. Adams said: "Three years ago I was taken with kidney disease very badly; at times I was completely prostrated; in fact, was so bad that the day was set for the doctors to perform an operation upon me. But I decided I would not submit. I had been put in hot water baths, and, in fact, nearly every means was tried to help me. Upon the day set for the operation I commenced the use of Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy, and from that moment began to gain, and it was not long before I was entirely cured and have had no return of the trouble since. My weight has increased and I never was so well as I am now. I have recommended

DR. DAVID KENNEDY'S FAVORITE REMEDY to many people, for it saved my life."

In speaking to Mrs. Adams, she said "About a year ago I was in a feeble state of health, being completely run down. I had doctored considerably, but without permanent relief. One day one of my neighbors advised me to take Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy, which I did. My trouble was dyspepsia, and for a long while I was unable to be about at all; but after taking a few doses I was completely cured, and now enjoy good health."

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