

CLOONAN SHED TEARS

While He Told His Tragic Story of the Murder of His Wife. THE DEFENSE PLEADS INSANITY. Judge Over Is Dissatisfied With the Samuel Simcox Will.

THE NEWS OF THE COUNTY COURTS

The trial of Dennis Cloonan for the murder of his wife was continued before Judge Single yesterday when the defense presented their case. The opening was made by Thomas Marshall, Sr., who claimed that the homicide was the culmination of a rage which was the outgrowth of a delusion and that the crime could be no greater than murder in the second degree.

Mrs. McMorrow and Mrs. McGovern, two neighbors, testified to seeing the defendant after the murder and he both looked and acted strangely. James Cloonan, a son of the prisoner, testified that on the evening of March 17 he got home at 5 o'clock and left home at 6:30, passing his father as he came in. His father was in his working clothes and did not appear any different than at other times.

The witness next saw his father after the killing on Webster avenue and asked him to come with him, and he did so until an officer arrested him. The prisoner had a blank stare in his eyes when the witness met him, but he was not drunk. The witness said his father drank a great deal and the drink affected his head.

He signed but said nothing. John Cloonan, the eldest son of the prisoner, testified that when his father came home he appeared moody and sighed a great deal. He did not wash himself as usual, but sat around moaning. Michael Cloonan corroborated the above. Gilbert Cloonan, the youngest son, testified that he knew nothing of the murder until his return home from the convent, where he was preparing for confirmation. During the testimony of the last witness the prisoner broke down and wept.

OFFERED UP PRAYER FOR MURDER.

It developed during the morning that immediately after the killing the prisoner went to the altar, knelt down and engaged in prayer. The arguments for the defense were made by Thomas M. Marshall, Sr. and P. S. Stone. They argued that the murder was not a premeditated one, but was the act of a momentary impulse, and that the prisoner was not greater than a second degree murder. District Attorney Burtch made a ringing argument for the prosecution, and the case was argued by the jury. The jury returned a verdict of guilty of murder in the second degree.

CLOONAN CONVICTED OF MURDER.

At 10 o'clock the jury brought in a verdict of murder in the first degree. There were very few persons in the court room when the night session opened, among them being the father and mother of the prisoner. Their faces betrayed more concern than that of the father. The jury filed in and took their seats and the verdict was read. The prisoner was pronounced each spoke in a firm and convincing tone of voice.

IN THE CRIMINAL COURT.

Some Defendants Acquitted, Others Convicted and One Heavily Sentenced. In Judge Collier's branch of the Criminal Court yesterday Thomas J. Bickler was tried for false pretense on information of William McMillan. The latter alleged that he enticed a clock for \$100 on the Duquesne National Bank for Bickler. When he presented it at the bank it was found to be a "hot" clock. Bickler was found guilty and sentenced to 18 months in the penitentiary.

REVOKED THE LETTERS.

With the Evidence Presented—Several Important Discrepancies Pointed Out. Judge Over, on the Orphans' Court, yesterday handed down an opinion deciding the case of the contested will of the late Samuel Simcox. The case is the one in which the defendant on the stand testified that Mrs. Simcox had forged her husband's signature to the will eight months after his death and that Monk had written the will and forged the signature of the other subscribing witness, who was also dead. Simcox died January 11, 1890, at McKeesport. The document presented for probate as his will was dated January 6, 1890. By all the states was left to his widow, Charlotte Simcox. He had made a will on January 4, 1890, but it disappeared and was not presented. It gave a life interest to his widow and the balance to his adopted daughter, Delle Simcox. The appeal from the probate was made by the defendant's lawyer.

JUDGE OVER IS DISSATISFIED WITH THE SAMUEL SIMCOX WILL.

Judge Over, in his opinion, reviewed the testimony taken in the case. In commenting on Monk's testimony that he wrote the will at Mrs. Simcox's instance on September 4, 1890, and that he signed his name as Joseph Wood's name as a subscribing witness, the Court said that Monk was not a credible witness, as he was a self-confessed perjurer. Standing by itself, the weight whatever should be given to his testimony on either side, the Court said further, the evidence advanced by the defendant to prove the execution of the paper admitted to probate. Continuing he said that the evidence advanced by the defendant to prove the signatures of Samuel Simcox and Joseph Wood was very unsatisfactory. The Court said that the signature of Samuel Simcox was not a credible witness, as he was a self-confessed perjurer. Standing by itself, the weight whatever should be given to his testimony on either side, the Court said further, the evidence advanced by the defendant to prove the execution of the paper admitted to probate. Continuing he said that the evidence advanced by the defendant to prove the signatures of Samuel Simcox and Joseph Wood was very unsatisfactory.

The Court commented on other testimony given by Mrs. Simcox as "credible" and said she was contradicted by Mr. Newlin, who said she had told him her husband had written the will at the instance of Mrs. Simcox, to whom Mrs. Simcox said she gave the first will, was not called as a witness. The Court said that it would have been an important witness for her had his testimony corroborated the evidence advanced by the defendant. A difference in the signature to the contested document, and the fact that the defendant's witness, Simcox, was pointed out. Other witnesses also had partially corroborated Monk's testimony. The Court said that the will was not fully authenticated.

IN UNCLE SAM'S COUL.

The second day's session of the United States District Court was a busy one. The case of George Grilling of the Ackerman case, indicted for sending obscene matter through the mails was continued. Judge Buffington overruled the demurrer of Attorney Albert, Grilling's counsel, and the case was argued by the jury. Mr. Alcorn contended that a communication or publication might contain coarse, vulgar matter, and yet not come within the purview of the act of Congress. The jury returned a verdict of guilty of sending obscene matter through the mails.

THE MURDER OF PHILIP DOMEN.

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FROM THE THIRD SAND

The Wildcat Well on the Cubbage Farm Is Dry in the Gordon. MEISE WELL IS REPORTED DRY. Production of McDonald Dropped Yesterday to 21,500 Barrels.

RIGGS BLOWN DOWN AROUND BUTLER.

There was another tumble at McDonald yesterday and last night the production was reported to be down to 21,500 barrels, a decline of 500 since Monday. There are only six wells in the list at the foot of this column, and these are supposed to be the only wells in the field which are making 20 barrels an hour or more. The combined output of these six wells is 180 barrels an hour or 4,320 a day, which leaves 17,180 barrels for the 100 odd wells in the field, which gives them an average of less than 40 barrels a day. Lynn Bunch's testimony that he wrote the will at Mrs. Simcox's instance on September 4, 1890, and that he signed his name as Joseph Wood's name as a subscribing witness, the Court said that Monk was not a credible witness, as he was a self-confessed perjurer. Standing by itself, the weight whatever should be given to his testimony on either side, the Court said further, the evidence advanced by the defendant to prove the execution of the paper admitted to probate. Continuing he said that the evidence advanced by the defendant to prove the signatures of Samuel Simcox and Joseph Wood was very unsatisfactory.

THE DEVONIAN OIL COMPANY'S TEST WELL.

The Devonian Oil Company's test well on the Cubbage farm in McCordy, located a few miles south and west from the Meise well, was drilled through the Gordon sand yesterday. It is reported to be a gas well. The Forest Oil Company's wildcat on the Gordon sand, located south of the railroad at 6 o'clock station, in the western part of the field, is reported to be a gas well. It is located two miles southwest of McDonald, and only a short distance from the Gordon sand. The well is owned by the Forest Oil Company, and is being drilled by the Forest Oil Company. The well is reported to be a gas well.

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OSCUATORY BLISS

Causes a Young Man to Be Arrested for Assault and Battery. WOBURN, MASS., May 3.—[Special.]—James Torrey, of Winchester, and Mary Stewart, of this city, attended a party last night and before they left the house James kissed the young woman. She made no objection at the time, but this morning, after thinking seriously on the subject, she came to the conclusion that her reputation would be ruined if, perchance, James should boast of his osculatory achievement. Therefore she had him arrested for assault and battery. James intends to defend his own honor and will contest the case.

THE EIGHTH VICTIM OF THE FIRE.

PHILADELPHIA, May 3.—Elliott M. Holmes, of Camden, N. J., one of the audience of the Central Theater on the night of the fire, died at the Pennsylvania Hospital this morning, after suffering great agony for nearly a week, making the eighth person whose life was destroyed by the fire. The combined output of these six wells is 180 barrels an hour or 4,320 a day, which leaves 17,180 barrels for the 100 odd wells in the field, which gives them an average of less than 40 barrels a day. Lynn Bunch's testimony that he wrote the will at Mrs. Simcox's instance on September 4, 1890, and that he signed his name as Joseph Wood's name as a subscribing witness, the Court said that Monk was not a credible witness, as he was a self-confessed perjurer. Standing by itself, the weight whatever should be given to his testimony on either side, the Court said further, the evidence advanced by the defendant to prove the execution of the paper admitted to probate. Continuing he said that the evidence advanced by the defendant to prove the signatures of Samuel Simcox and Joseph Wood was very unsatisfactory.

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MERCIER IN STAR CHAMBER.

The trial of the Ex-Premier of Quebec for hoodlum will be secret. MONTREAL, May 3.—Great interest was evinced to-day in the opening of the trial of Ex-Premier Mercier. Hon. Charles Langelier and Ernest Paquet on the charge of conspiracy in connection with the Langlais contract. Mercier was early in court and appeared in excellent humor, greeting Paquet with "Hello, Conspirator." Judge Cheveau, on seeing the bench, stated that the first case to be called would be that of the Mercier and Paquet, Langelier's being postponed until to-morrow. The Judge then stated that the investigation, which was only begun after the trial, was in private, and requested all except the prisoners' counsel and witnesses to withdraw. The press representatives asked whether they were included in this order, and were answered in the affirmative. They then retired under protest, along with several members of Parliament. The Judge subsequently stated that the press would be given such part of the testimony as the Court might see fit after each day's sitting. This action of Judge Cheveau created great indignation. The trial is likely to last some days.

MOVING AGAINST A REBELLIOUS STATE.

RIO JANEIRO, May 3.—The Government is taking active steps to put down the rebellion in Matto Gross. A flotilla of six warships, accompanied by a transport with a strong force of troops, will shortly set sail for Matto Gross to suppress the uprising. SPRING brings to many people, especially ladies and children, need for a strengthening medicine. As such, in teaspoonful doses for adults at each meal, Dr. Jayne's Tonic Vermifuge will be found most effective, and equally so in smaller doses for children; while as a worm medicine for the latter, it is of the greatest efficacy. Small bottles 35 cents and double size 50 cents. Buy of your druggist. my4,20

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