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MAY THE LOYAL SONS OF ERIN NE'ER REGRET THEIR WEARING OF THE GREEN

HE CALLED HIM DEAR WILLIE

Usual Bundle of Letters Appear in the Breckinridge-Pollard Case.

WIT UPON CROSS-EXAMINATION

The Fair Plaintiff Causes Much Laughter with Her Sharp Answers to Mr. Butterworth—Old Jim Rodes Was Not a Conventional Man—Many Proposals of Marriage—Colonel Breckinridge's Manner of Introducing Himself to Fair Women.

WASHINGTON, March 16.—The eligible who managed to run the gauntlet of doorkeepers into the court this morning were unusually numerous and distinguished in appearance. They were able to get an early sight of the principals in the case, for Miss Pollard and Colonel Breckinridge appeared earlier than has been their custom.

After the lawyers had rested their papers for a quarter of an hour, there was a ripple of great surprise, for no less a personage than the plaintiff herself walked around to the witness stand, took a seat directly facing Colonel Breckinridge and the whole court.

The plaintiff gave the details of her acquaintance with Colonel Breckinridge and their intimacy up to the time of separation in 1892.

THE LOVE LETTERS APPEAR. Such a case is not complete without the conventional package of love letters, and they were produced for Miss Pollard's examination. She identified the letters and twelve telegrams as from Colonel Breckinridge. The letters were not all of the amorous kind, they were friendly but not too much so. They were signed "Yours," or "Yours truly and sincerely," and had no headings. Some of the letters were read at the trial the other day. The next question came bringing on a scene.

"Miss Pollard," said Mr. Carlisle, "what were the conversations you had with Colonel Breckinridge about going to a sanitarium?"

"Oh, Mr. Carlisle, I hardly know how to say these things before so many men," said Miss Pollard plaintively, in her high voice. "I can't say them."

There was a suspicion of tears in Miss Pollard's eyes.

"Never mind—don't say anything—don't answer," said Judge Wilson, her principal counsel.

Colonel Breckinridge made reference in some of his letters, to sending some papers and Miss Pollard explained that "some papers" meant money—they did not like to refer to money in their letters.

After receiving a letter was read from Miss Pollard to Colonel Breckinridge acknowledging that she had published the announcement of her engagement and that she was sorry for it. This was evidently in answer to a letter from Colonel Breckinridge asking her to task for the publication. The letter began "My dear Willie" and was signed "Your loving Madeline."

The question asked by Mr. Carlisle was as to how long the illicit relationship existing between Colonel Breckinridge and the plaintiff and Miss Pollard answered, loudly and distinctly emphasizing every syllable: "From that night when he took me to Sarah Gass" in 1884, there never was any suggestion of the illicit relationship that miserable sin, until Colonel Breckinridge, with all his protestations and promises and vows of affection, left me on the 17th day of May, 1893."

FUN ON THE CROSS-EXAMINATION. Major Butterworth began the cross-examination. He persisted in saying that Miss Pollard was 13 when her father died, and Miss Pollard became annoyed. She had said she was 10 then. "I wish you would repeat that," Mr. Butterworth said, "it's very annoying." Her father had told her fairy stories, he had read her Shakespeare, history and pretty little poems. She was fond of all these things.

"You say your father taught you history," said Mr. Butterworth. "Did he teach you much history?"

"Not so much as Colonel Breckinridge told me afterwards," was the answer, and it took the erier nearly twenty minutes the stop the laugh.

Miss Pollard's answers were bright and somewhat witty and kept pace with the keen minded Major Butterworth. Nearly all her answers began with "Now, Mr. Butterworth."

It was while at Frankfort that James C. Rodes asked her to marry him after having seen her two or three times, and Miss Pollard told of the bargain through which she was obtained. "Mr. Rodes," she said, "was not a conventional man." This caused a laugh.

"Was this your first offer of marriage?"

"No, I had one the year before from Mr. Woods, but I had no more to do with that than you had, Mr. Butterworth." Colonel Breckinridge joined in the laughter over this ally.

Miss Pollard admitted that she was engaged to a Mr. Rosell while she was at the Wesleyan college in Cincinnati, during the continuance of her contract with Rodes. Mr. Butterworth asked Miss Pollard if Colonel Breckinridge had recognized her on the train at their first meeting, and Miss Pollard said: "He crossed the aisle and asked if he did not recognize me—and by the way, that's a common trick of his, recognizing people he does not know."

Mr. Butterworth tried to make the witness say that on the first night Colonel Breckinridge came to see her, he had brought a carriage at her suggestion, but Miss Pollard met it with "now, Mr. Butterworth, you know I

never said anything of the kind." Some more questions were met with earnest answers that made the spectators laugh, and then at 3:15 o'clock the court adjourned until Monday.

THE CASE OF JOHN Y. MCKANE.

His Attorneys Still Working for Release—Further Developments.

NEW YORK, March 16.—Further efforts were made this afternoon to secure the release of John Y. McKane from Sing Sing, pending the consideration and decision of his appeal to the supreme court of the state of New York. The convict's attorney appeared in the office of the clerk of the circuit court, and filed an application for a writ of error from the United States supreme court on appeal of McKane to the highest tribunal of the land.

The first official announcement of the amount of bonds that McKane has failed to account for to the town of Greenwald was made today by the board of audit for the town. They find that McKane had failed to account for at least \$200,000. Moreover, it was stated the board had discovered that McKane had illegally disposed of some of the proceeds from the sale of these bonds not accounted for.

Late this afternoon Judge Lacombe granted McKane's appeal to the supreme court.

STROUDSBURG LYNCHING.

Coroner's Jury Censures the Sheriff and Commissioners—Purveyor's Body Will Be Dissected.

STROUDSBURG, Pa., March 17.—The coroner's jury finished its deliberations in the lynching of William Purveyor this afternoon and brought in a verdict that the murder came to his death by being hung by parties unknown to the jury. Many witnesses were called, but the jury was unable to get any evidence. Those who admitted having witnessed the lynching refused to give information as it might tend to criminate them.

The sheriff was censured by the jury for his gross carelessness in permitting Purveyor to escape from the jail and the county commissioners also came in for their share of censure for their economy in discharging the watchman previous to the escape of the murderer.

The county authorities made preparations to bury the body in the cemetery here in the afternoon, but found that it would have to be kept, according to law, twenty-four hours, and if not claimed by friends in that time to be turned over to the board of medical authorities at the state college. The body was put in a neat coffin last night and placed in the corridor of the jail, where it was viewed by thousands.

The body was sent by express at 7 o'clock this morning to George Willitt, Philadelphia, to be used at the University of Pennsylvania for dissecting purposes.

The negro a week ago made a confession of the murder of Christian Eilers, and said he alone did the crime and that he intended to kill all three persons, Christian Eilers, his wife and John Shotznan. The motive was robbery. The escape of John Shotznan transferred him from carrying out his desperate crime.

As there was no doubt of the guilt of the negro and the carelessness in the handling of the prisoner by the jail authorities, the community generally sanctioned the action of lynching and seemed pleased that the desperado is placed where he will do no further harm.

District Attorney Williams will bring the matter before the grand jury at its sessions in the April term of court Monday.

AN INTERESTING WEDDING.

The Bridegroom Kills Two Men and Then Skips Out.

BEATYVILLE, Ky., March 16.—News was received today of a wedding in this (Lee) county yesterday that ended with a double tragedy. Miss Rhonda May, a popular young woman, was the bride. Grant Gamm, the groom, became insanely jealous because Joseph Dunsler, a former editor of the girl, was among the guests. After the ceremony he met Dunsler, who was accompanied by John Burns, a youth of 19, and began firing.

Both were killed, but it is claimed the shooting of Burns was accidental. A bystander was also slightly wounded. Cecil Red, leaving his bride, and has not been arrested. The young wife is prostrated by the excitement caused by the tragedy.

GRIM REAPER'S HARVEST.

William Frysinger, an extensive carpet manufacturer at York, Pa.

At Paris, General Idephonse Fave, a noted French artilleryman, aged 82.

St. Monopart, judicial liquidator of the Panama Canal company, at Paris.

Colonel A. J. Herr, one of the oldest members of the Dauphin county bar, died suddenly at his home on Front street at 8:45 last evening. Nephritis of the heart caused his death. He was born in Greenock in 1832. He represented Dauphin county in the house and senate several terms and was a leader in both bodies.

IN OUR OWN COMMONWEALTH.

Father Henry Faith hanged himself to a fence rail at York, Pa. county.

Fifteen suits of clothes were stolen from Joseph Mendezweig's store at Tremont.

A falling limb from a tree he was trimming at Leighton crashed young John Trevis's skull.

For an alleged threat to blow up St. L. Lehn's house at Palmira with dynamite, D. B. Heilman was arrested.

THE METHODIST CONFERENCE

Important Business of the Sessions Held at Harrisburg Yesterday.

RECEPTION BY THE GOVERNOR

An Entertainment Given by Fifty Pupils of the Carlisle Indian School. Speeches by Dr. Breckinridge, Dr. Ritterhouse and Others—Anniversary of the Veteran Ministers—Interesting Sessions.

HARRISBURG, March 16.—The business, social and musical affairs of the members of the Central Pennsylvania Methodist conference have been much engaged today. The morning and part of the afternoon were consumed in routine matters. At 3:30 Governor and Mrs. Patton gave a reception to members and visitors at the executive mansion and this evening fifty boys and girls from the Indian industrial school at Carlisle gave a musical entertainment at which Governor Patton presided and made a speech. Captain K. H. Pratt, superintendent of the school, and others also made remarks.

Dr. Breckinridge, of the Methodist Episcopal hospital, of New York, represented that institution. For four years two ladies of the conference, residing at Berwick, have given \$250 each year to maintain a child's crib, and a mother during the same time has given \$305 each year to maintain a bed.

Dr. Ritterhouse, superintendent of the Philadelphia hospital, stated the needs and work of that institution. In twenty-two months since opening they have treated 3,700 patients from sixteen Methodist conferences and nineteen other denominations. Ninety per cent of the treatment has been from Mrs. Jackson, of Berwick, has given \$5,000 to endow a bed, and Mr. Kinlow, of Newton Hamilton, has promised a like amount.

At 2 o'clock this afternoon the anniversary of the Prosemer's Aid society was held. Rev. W. A. Stephens, D. D., of Clearfield, presided. Rev. J. Benson Hamilton, D. D., of New York, spoke in advocacy of the veterans' movement, and was followed by T. M. B. Hicks, of Williamsport, who spoke of the poorly paid preachers, the average salary in this conference being \$700.

The reception at the executive mansion was a delightful affair, and this evening's concert by the Indian girls and boys was a treat.

M'COOK WAS ALL RIGHT.

His Action at Denver Is Approved by the President.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 16.—Late this afternoon instructions were telegraphed to General McCook by order of President Cleveland in substance as follows: "General McCook was only authorized to use the troops for the protection of government property unless the representation was made to him by governor of the state that the state authorities are unable to suppress the insurrection."

This is in effect an approval of General McCook's action in ordering troops from Fort Logan to Denver, but not to the extent of giving him discretion to preserve the peace, or of rendering assistance to the state militia in enforcing state laws.

PORTUGUESE HARBOR DAGAMA.

The Insurgent Admiral and His Officers on Board the Mindello.

RIO DE JANEIRO, March 16.—Admiral Da Gama and his eight officers are still on the Portuguese corvette Mindello, to which they were transferred from the French cruiser Magdon. The government applied yesterday to the Portuguese minister for the surrender of the insurgent admiral and his staff. The minister declined to give Da Gama up, and the cabinet then sent a dispatch to Lisbon repeating the application which the minister had rejected.

Admiral Da Gama was described in this dispatch as a military criminal and defaulter, having nothing in common with the ordinary refugee.

AFTER THE BONDSMEN.

City of Wilkes-Barre Wants \$61,000 Lost in Rockafellow's Bank.

WILKES-BARRE, March 16.—An important suit of the city of Wilkes-Barre against the bondsmen of F. V. Rockafellow, ex-city treasurer, was begun in the common pleas court here today.

It is to recover \$61,000 in cash belonging to the city that was lost when the defunct banker closed the doors of his bank. The bondsmen are John Welles Hollenback, Robert Mitchell and Isaac Livingston, who refused to make good the loss after Rockafellow failed.

BOTH FATALLY BURNED.

An Attempt to Rescue a Child Results Disastrously.

HAZELTON, Pa., March 16.—A fire of unknown origin broke out in John Konisko's home at Stockton this morning and the inmates were obliged to flee for their lives. Mrs. Konisko, in her excitement, forgot her babe, which was asleep on the second floor and ran back to get it.

While thus engaged her clothing took fire and before she escaped to the street both were fatally burned. The infant dying shortly after. The mother cannot live.

LADY LAW STUDENT.

The Application of Miss Ida Kost is Favorably Received.

CARLEISLE, Pa., March 16.—The application of Miss Ida Kost, of Mechanicsburg, as student of law, and which has attracted great attention, has been decided in her favor. Judge Sadler is handing down an opinion today said: "We have grave doubts as to whether

er by the laws of the commonwealth and the rules of this court provision is made for the admission of women to the practice of the law, but as the supreme court of our state has admitted a lady to its bar, we are not disposed to refuse the prayer of the applicant, and now, the twentieth day of March, the rule granted in this case is made absolute."

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lawyers in front of the judge's bench, and throwing their arms around Merrill, hugged and kissed him, the girl also embracing him. They then rushed into the jury box and began hugging and kissing the jurors. The jurors rushed from the box in wild confusion.

Foreman Armstrong had not received his kiss yet and made a dash for the door followed by the women. He succeeded in escaping into the street. The women next rushed upon Judge Garretson to show their appreciation of the girl's acquittal and attempted to kiss him. They were prevented, however, by the court officer, who forced them to leave the court room.

During this scene the crowd of spectators went wild with excitement. Judge Garretson had considerable difficulty in restoring order.

ACCUSES BAT SREA.

Adam Ross Testifies That He Killed His Brother at the Troy Election.

TROY, March 16.—The coroner's jury continued the examination of witnesses in the Ross election murder case this morning. Adam Ross second, a brother of the murdered man, was examined.

He testified in detail as to the killing, and testified that his brother was shot by "Bat" Shea.

NERVOUSNESS AT MEDIA.

Firebugs and Lunatics Render the Existence of the Citizens Too Exciting for Comfort.

MEDIA, Pa., March 16.—The case of John G. Smalley, charged with setting fire to nine different buildings in Media and vicinity, was given to the jury tonight after being on trial for four days and attracting widespread attention. The jury retired at late hour and a sealed verdict, should they agree, will be returned, as the court has adjourned till Monday.

During the trial this afternoon the court room was thrown into a state of excitement by the cry of fire and the ringing of the fire bells. In view of the court ordered the doors closed. There was a rush for doors and windows and the interruption continued until it was discovered that burning grass threatened the destruction of a lumber yard.

Just as quiet was restored a crazy man from West Chester, created a serious sensation by declaring himself to be John the Baptist, and he was turned over to the sheriff.

BAFFLED THE DOCTORS.

A Peddler Chose a Strange Form of Suicide That Worked Admirably.

INDIANAPOLIS, March 16.—Clinton Cooper, a peddler, died at the hospital last night, and his death developed a strange method of self-destruction. He was found ill in his room and sent to the hospital, where he was found in a low state of vitality, but no apparent cause existed for it. He was conscious, but refused to talk, and he swallowed medicine with great difficulty. He got no relief from the treatment, and it soon became apparent that he could live but a few hours.

When taken to the hospital he had a handkerchief tied loosely around his neck, and this was removed by an attendant just before he died. Underneath the handkerchief and almost buried in his neck was a small cord, and it dangled upon the authorities that he had been slowly dying from strangulation ever since he was found at his boarding house. There is no doubt but that he tied the cord, and that he contemplated this method to kill himself.

THE PLAGUE AT DANVILLE.

Thirty-four Cases of Small-pox are Now Reported.

SHAMOKIN, Pa., March 16.—Secretary Smith, of the board of health, has returned from Danville and reports that there are thirty-four cases of small-pox at that place.

A strict quarantine has been established.

WIRINGS BOILED DOWN.

A little earthquake shook Woodward, low.

By the ditching of a train near Mountain Home, O., the fireman, mail clerk and three trains were killed.

New Orleans anarchists threaten to blow up tobacco manufacturers if girls are not discharged and men hired.

Robbers murdered miserly Anthony Thomas and wife, of Biba, Ala., and then burned the house over their heads.

In her will bequeathing \$15,000,000 worth of property, Mrs. Hemenway, of Boston, gave Hampton institute a valuable farm. Trying to arrest Rev. Gordon, a negro desperado accused of murder, Detective Will Wallace was shot dead at Suspension, Ala.

AT THE FEDERAL CAPITAL.

The president has signed the East river bridge bill.