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STORY OF HETTY GREEN

Richest Woman Says That the Villian Still Pursues Her.

THE VICTIM OF CONSPIRACY

Thinks That Her Father and Aunt Were Both Murdered and Imagines That a Band of Conspirators is Thriving for Her Blood.

By the United Press.

New York, Dec. 24.—One of the most remarkable cases ever brought into the American courts promises to be that of Mrs. Hetty Green, one of the richest women in America, against the executors and trustees of her father's estate, involving millions of dollars. According to the story told today by her lawyer, William H. Clayton, Mrs. Green is in fear of her life. Glass, she declares, has been placed in her food, not six months ago; blocks of wood and stones have been hurled at her from windows as she was passing on the sidewalks, and on numerous occasions her life has been threatened.

Her story is a strange one as she has told her lawyer. Her family were old New Bedford people. Her grandfather was a trader and a whaler, and inherited a handsome fortune. Her mother's sister, an unmarried woman, Sylvia Ann Howland, accumulated by her own speculations a fortune of over \$2,500,000. With her Hettie Green lived when a young girl.

Hetty's father, Edward M. Robinson, had large business interests in this city and lived here. Her mother died when she was very young.

Mrs. Green's strange story.

Mrs. Green's lawyer said today that she tells the following story of the death of her father and her aunt:

She was called to New York on June 14, 1885, by an announcement of her father's sudden illness. She found him weak in mind and declared that he was in the clutches of some conspiracy. He could speak to her only in broken sentences, but impressed on her the truth of his belief that he was in the hands of conspirators. He warned her to beware for her own life and pleaded with her to marry her present husband, Mr. Green, in whom he had perfect faith. About his will he expressed great concern and told her that he wanted Henry Grinnell, of New Bedford; Mr. Green, and a member of the law firm of Lord, Day & Lord as executors. He feared that all was not well with the document and sent for it, but before it reached him he died. It was discovered when the will was read that instead of the three names appearing as executors whom he desired, the will named two of his clerks in this city and one in New Bedford, to each of whom he left \$100,000 for services. Instead of his daughter getting all, as she says he declared he wanted \$2,500,000 in trust to go to her heirs at her death. "She has often told me," said Mr. Clayton, "that if she could find who left her father's room before she reached it, when she found blood on him, she would know who was responsible for his death.

Scarcely had her father been buried when the young girl was called back to New Bedford. When she reached Miss Howland's bedside the dying woman was too far gone to recognize her.

Then, she says, another startling surprise came. Her aunt in her will, instead of leaving her all, left her \$2,500,000, bequeathed half to the city departments and several men whom she scarcely knew—politicians of the place. The other half was left to her in trust.

A Queer Nurse.

A Mrs. Price, a resident of New Bedford, now aged 80, has strengthened Mrs. Green's belief that her aunt was murdered for her money by a story to the effect that her nurse, Miss Howland, was killed by her while she was in the patient's room, giving her sixty drops of laudanum.

She remonstrated and the woman told her that such were the instructions given her; that she was to hide the bottles and keep the matter a secret. She showed her a pile of bottles in the chimney. Mrs. Price informed her family and a doctor from Boston was sent to the sick woman's aid. The laudanum had been stopped, but the woman was raving. He talked with Miss Howland's doctor, and then told her that he would have no more to do with the case. Soon after Miss Howland died.

Hetty Green believes that her aunt was murdered by a powerful band of conspirators, who were men of political influence in New Bedford. She believes that the same men are pursuing her today and are pursuing her children.

"Mrs. Green," says Mr. Clayton, "solemnly believes this story. Of its truth I know nothing. She is a clear headed woman and not a person to be easily led into wild hallucinations. She does not implicate her executors, but thinks the people are others more powerful. She has suspicions, but of whom I do not know."

Mr. Barling, the sole living executor, declares the story of the aunt's death ridiculous. "When she died," he said, "she left Mrs. Green a life interest in one-half of the estate and the other half to the town. But I shall not talk on this new story of hers. My lawyers, Everts, Choate & Beaman, will take care of all my affairs and do the talking."

Statement of Barling's Attorneys.

Late this afternoon the latter gave out the following statement:

"Edward Mott Robinson in his life time was a client of Everts, Southmayd & Choate. He died June 14, 1885. Henry A. Barling, Abner H. Davis and Edward D. Mandall, are named in the will as executors and trustees and we have since been their counsel. So far as we know, Mr. Barling, Mr. Davis and Mr. Mandall have at all times been faithful to their duties as executors and trustees. The litigation now going on are in actions begun against Mrs. Hetty Howland Robinson Green and others, simply to present the accounts of the executors and trustees and have them judicially settled. The examination of the accounts is pending before Mr. Henry H. Anderson as referee. The proceedings have been pressed in behalf of our client, Mr. Barling, and will be to the end. The statements published in the newspapers of the 23rd inst. in so far as they, by direct statement or by insinuation imply any wrong doing on the part of Mr. Barling or of the other executors or trustees, are untrue. None of the delays that have taken place in this litigation are owing to anything that Mr. Barling has done or desired." (Signed) Everts, Choate & Beaman.

SARCASM OF A MAYOR.

Reading's Chief Magistrate Indulges in a Little Plain Talk.

Reading, Pa., Dec. 24.—Mayor Shanahan was so greatly incensed by the verdict of the jury convicting Police Sergeant Quackenbush of assault and battery in arresting J. Keim Stauffer, a Yale college student, on the charge of obstructing the sidewalk, or corner cutting, that he is out today in an address to "The citizens of Reading," in which he reflects severely upon the court. He concludes his rather lengthy remarks as follows:

"How can an officer, not having divine power, discriminate between a gathering of aristocrats on a corner or of ordinary citizens? If the 'four hundred' of our city would tax themselves as such, my officers, although they are not instructed to distinguish between patrician and plebeian sidewalk obstructors, yet, being but men, and poor men at that, and having a due regard for themselves and a natural dislike for costly court suits, might still stretch a point in favor of the aforementioned."

CAMPBELL IS CHOSEN.

General Hastings Selects an Allegheny Man for Factory Inspector—Captain Delaney to Be Made Superintendent of Public Buildings—The Meaning of the Transposition.

Special to the Scranton Tribune. Harrisburg, Dec. 24.—The selection by Governor-elect Hastings of James Campbell, of Pittsburg, for factory inspector, and of Robert Watson, of Erie, for factory inspector, was practically decided upon last Friday, and was definitely announced today. Mr. Campbell, who has long been one of Senator Quay's trusted lieutenants in Allegheny county, is president of the Glass Blowers' association, and bears the endorsement of the labor organizations generally. His appointment was strongly urged by Chris L. Magee and also, it is understood, by Senator Cameron.

Governor Hastings had, at an early day, distinctly promised the factory inspectorship to Captain John C. Delaney, now of this city, but formerly of Lackawanna county. Captain Delaney's candidacy for this position had the active support of Senator Quay, David Martin and Lieutenant Governor Walters. The pressure of western Republicans for recognition afterward became so great that General Hastings was impelled to ask Captain Delaney if he would be willing to accept, instead of the factory inspectorship, the equally lucrative position of superintendent of public buildings and grounds. Rather than cause the governor-elect embarrassment, Captain Delaney consented to the substitution, and in consequence his friends are assured that the captain's name will be presented in due time for the latter position.

The political significance of Campbell's selection is variously interpreted, but it is interesting to note that many politicians herabouts take it to mean Cameron for senator in 1897, with a possible effort, on the part of the incoming administration, to control the Pennsylvania delegation in the next national convention for Hastings. It is pointed out that had General Hastings earnestly desired to redeem his promise to Captain Delaney he could have done so at the time he announced his cabinet, and thus could have avoided the later complications which impelled him to select a factory inspector from the western part of the state. The possibility of an ultimate estrangement between Hastings and the state organization is more frequently spoken of now than at any previous time. In any event, the politics of the near future will, it is believed, be replete with interest.

WIRE BREVITIES.

Masked men compelled Mrs. McQuillan, of Huron, O., to give them \$1,000 in cash.

With Confederate money a sharper has been working New Haven merchants for a week.

Detroit's police board will throw out the Bell telephones, and substitute a new system.

Life imprisonment in the sentence of Lewis Breshch, of Wheeling, W. Va., who killed his wife.

Ind. Season Dale and Albert Harden were smothered to death.

Nathan Foster, of Pana, Ill., has been arrested for the murder of Arthur Binon, at the same place.

Negro Steenson, the vice president's daughter, who is ill at Asheville, N. C., is somewhat better.

For embezzling \$15,500 from Mesa county, Col., ex-Treasurer W. J. Quinn goes to prison for five years.

Air time into the water mains at Newburg, N. Y., cut off the city's voluntary assignment at noon today.

Twenty-two minutes later the sheriff came around to attach the stock for a New York creditor, but Vocht's attorney stood him off with a revolver.

Circumstantial Evidence Strong.

By the United Press. Salamanca, N. Y., Dec. 24.—A rough lumberman giving his name as George W. Lepeck, of Warren, Pa., has been arrested at West Salamanca on suspicion of being one of the murderers of the two Shearman women of Busti, a week ago. The circumstantial evidence is strongly against the man.

Fell with a Lighted Lamp.

By the United Press. Fairmount, W. Va., Dec. 24.—Louis Hawkins, employed at the residence of ex-Governor Pierpont, tripped and fell while carrying a lighted lamp and inhaling the flames expired in about ten minutes. The accident occurred at 6.30 this evening. She was 27 years of age.

Quarrelled About a Woman.

By the United Press. Knoxville, Tenn., Dec. 24.—John Green fatally stabbed Ike Atkins this afternoon. They had previously quarrelled about a woman. Atkins was in custody of an officer when he was stabbed.

Lord Randolph Very Ill.

By the United Press. London, Dec. 24.—Lord Randolph Churchill reached the Victoria station at 7.30 this evening. He looked wretchedly ill. He was lifted carefully from the train and to his carriage.

Another Convict Released.

By the United Press. Harrisburg, Dec. 24.—The governor today issued a pardon to Charles Reyer, of Allegheny City, convicted of keeping a gambling house.

THREE NEGROES LYNCHED

Further Particulars Concerning the Quitoan Outrage.

A SEARCH FOR WAVERLY PIKE

One Hundred and Fifty Armed Men Scouring the Country—Verdict of the Corner's Jury—Everything Quiet.

By the United Press.

Savannah, Ga., Dec. 24.—A Quitoan special says: Fuller information concerning the killing of negroes in this county Saturday night by a posse in pursuit of the murderer of Joe Isom, shows that the total number of victims is three.

They are: Sam Taylor, Eli Frazer and Harry Sherod. The band of armed men, about 150 strong, is now at Red Bay, a swamp on the Ocolipo creek, about three miles above the scene of the murder. This swamp is surrounded and is being thoroughly searched by men and dogs. No trace of Waverly Pike, Isom's murderer, has yet been found, and the general opinion is that he has left this section and is now many miles from the scene of the crime. The body of men in pursuit of him are keeping up the search in a desultory manner and have not much hope of finding him in the neighborhood. An inquest was held this morning over the bodies of those who have been killed.

Justice of Peace Byrd, of the Morvin district, acted as coroner. The verdict of the jury was that Sam Taylor came to his death at the hands of E. W. Tillman, and the others at the hands of unknown parties. Tillman is a brother-in-law of Isom. Everything is quiet around Isom's house now and the probability is that the crowd still searching for Pike will disperse after tonight and that the worst of the trouble is over.

Later information says that Governor Atkinson has ordered the Valdosta Vidette to report here for duty. The troops will probably get here tonight.

LEHIGH VALLEY CASE.

Stockholders Protective Association Have Trouble in Securing Candidates.

By the United Press. Philadelphia, Dec. 24.—The Lehigh Valley Stockholders' Protective association, of which John Hutchinson is the chairman, is experiencing trouble in keeping itself intact. It had scarcely recovered from the shock of George D. McCreary's retirement before the chairman was informed by William E. Littleton, who was named as Mr. McCreary's successor, that he must decline to serve, for the reason that he is not a stockholder. Chairman Hutchinson and his fellow committeemen are disappointed that the vacancy on the committee had finally been filled by the appointment of C. H. R. Triebel, whose family for three generations have been Lehigh Valley stockholders.

The prediction was made today that President Wilbur and his board of directors would be re-elected with even the aid of the Packer estate block of stock.

WILL SUE THE PILOT.

Virginia's Proud Governor Is Very Indignant.

By the United Press. Richmond, Va., Dec. 24.—The Norfolk Pilot of Sunday printed a lengthy statement about the American Book company and the Virginia State Board of Education, in which it charged a corrupt deal between the book company and the state board by which the books of this company were put on the state list. It is charged by inference that Superintendent of Public Instruction Hon. J. B. Massey was bribed, and that Governor O'Ferrill and Attorney General Scott, the other members of the board, were guilty, at least of gross negligence.

Mr. Massey and Attorney General Scott are not in the city, but Governor O'Ferrill is very indignant at the charge against himself. He says that he will proceed against the Pilot for libel and will appoint a committee to investigate the charges.

STOOD HIM OFF WITH A GUN.

Episode of a Series of Failures in Milwaukee.

By the United Press. Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 24.—Receivers were appointed today for the Hub Clothing company, whose stock is worth \$80,000 and debts aggregate \$120,000; for the Chapman Carriage and Sleigh company, with assets of \$28,000 and debts of \$40,000; and Charles Vocht, jeweler, with assets of over \$15,000, who made a voluntary assignment at noon today.

Several Firemen Are Injured by the Break- ing of a Ladder.

By the United Press. Sunbury, Pa., Dec. 24.—The residences of Dr. Sheets and Martin Withington, Jr., at Northumberland, were burned tonight and several adjoining houses were damaged. For a time the town was threatened with destruction. By the breaking of a ladder during the progress of the fire several firemen were seriously hurt. Peter Rockefeller, of East Sunbury, had his leg broken at the knee joint and was burned and otherwise injured. George Seasholtz, of Northumberland, was generally bruised, but had no bones broken. A third man, whose name could not be learned, was also hurt. The loss is \$9,000; insurance \$5,000. The origin of the fire is unknown.

OSLEN'S LITTLE JOKE.

Threatened to Hang Himself and Was Accidentally Strangled.

By the United Press. Burlington, N. J., Dec. 24.—Andrew Oslen, of Florence, hanged himself last night. He got on a drunk, and while in this state went into the cellar of his house, and sitting upon a tin wash boiler, put a noose around his neck, telling his wife he would make her a Christmas present of his dead body. His wife had heard him talk in this way on several occasions and did not pay any attention to the drunken man. A few hours afterward she went into the cellar and found that he was trying to arise her husband had kicked the wash boiler from under him, and being unable to help himself, had strangled to

PEACE ON EARTH AND GOOD WILL TOWARDS MEN



BALKED BEFORE A TRAIN

Horrible Death of Three Persons Caused by an Obstinate Horse.

STRUCK BY A LOCOMOTIVE

Mrs. Anna Lewis, Miss Mary Lewis and William Lewis Instantly Killed—Two Other Boys Are Seriously Injured. Victims Terribly Mangled.

By the United Press.

Richland, N. J., Dec. 24.—Three persons were killed outright and two others badly injured by being struck by a south-bound express train on the South Jersey railroad here at 9.25 o'clock last night. They were in a carriage returning from church, and the horse balking on the track the vehicle was run down by the rapidly moving train before the occupants could escape. The victims were members of the family of F. Lewis, a farmer who lives near Richland.

The dead are: Anna Lewis, aged 50 years the mother; Mary, a daughter, aged 18, and William, a son, aged 16. The other occupants of the carriage, two sons, aged about 12 and 14 years, whose names have not yet been learned, were seriously injured, and were taken to Camden for treatment late last night.

The horse was barely across the track when it balked and it escaped injury. The front and rear wheels of the carriage being on the track, the locomotive struck the vehicle squarely and threw it and the occupants into the air. The body of Mary, the daughter, was found on the pilot of the engine after the train had been stopped. All the victims were horribly mangled.

But a short time before the accident occurred, the horse had balked on the West Jersey railroad tracks, 1,000 yards away, but it was led across in safety.

Richland is thirty-seven miles south of Camden on the road to Cape May.

ARTHUR UPBRAIDED.

John Burns Condemns the Brotherhood Leader for Refusing to Support Debs.

By the United Press. Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 24.—In an interview here today John Burns, the English labor leader and member of parliament, said:

"The decision of Judge Woods in the case of Debs is an outrage upon the common sense of America. It was prompted by his leaning toward corporations and was the tool of monopolists and capitalists. While Debs, as a general proposition, is an unsafe leader, he was exactly right in this case and deserves the support of every fair minded man."

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Overture for Letter Carriers.

By the United Press. Washington, Dec. 24.—The United States court of claims today handed down decisions in favor of forty letter carriers for whose time under the eighth-hour law, the claimants were located in Baltimore, Bay City, Mich., and Terre Haute, Huntington and Jefferson, Ind. The amounts varied from a few dollars to several hundred.

Mrs. Astor's Remains.

By the United Press. London, Dec. 24.—The casket containing the body of Mrs. Astor will be enclosed in a case of lead and sent to Liverpool on Thursday for shipment to New York two days continues to come in from all directions. It is estimated that the total loss of life by the storm will reach 120.

One Hundred and Twenty Dead.

By the United Press. London, Dec. 24.—Reports of the loss of life and damage to property from the gales which have prevailed for the last two days continue to come in from all directions. It is estimated that the total loss of life by the storm will reach 120.

Chelford Disaster Inquest.

By the United Press. London, Dec. 24.—The inquest in the cases of persons killed in the railroad disaster near Chelford on Saturday was opened at Chelford this evening. After the bodies had been identified by friends an adjournment was taken.

Miners Refuse to Work.

By the United Press. Maasillon, O., Dec. 24.—The Pocock miners refused to go to work this morning at the 9-cent rate. The outlook for general acceptance of the arbitrator's award is gloomy.

Hurt, came at Holland.

By the United Press. The Hague, Dec. 24.—The hurricane has caused great damage to shipping along the coast of Holland. The loss of property is enormous. The number of lives lost is not yet known.

CONGRESSIONAL

Louisianans are petitioning for the sugar bounty of 1894.

It is said that Congressman W. L. Wilson will turn his attention to law and literature at the end of his term.

A further hearing upon the proposed admission of Holland diamond cutters will be held at New York this week.

Senator Sherman proposes to require a constitutional amendment to make the president ineligible for re-election after 1888.

Lieutenant P. P. Powell, Ninth cavalry, has been transferred from Peekskill (N. Y.) military academy to Grove City (Pa.) college.

A contract for the construction of a submarine torpedo boat of the Holland type was completed today by the secretary of the navy.

A STAY OF SENTENCE.

Debs and His Associates Will Not Spend Christmas in Prison.

By the United Press.

Chicago, Dec. 24.—President Debs and the other directors of the American Railway union will have a chance to spend Christmas with their families, notwithstanding the fact that today was the day set for them to go to jail and begin serving their sentences for contempt of court.

Judge Woods this morning extended the stay of sentence to Jan. 4. At the request of defendant's counsel he also notified his original order so as to make the sentences cumulative instead of concurrent, the sentences in the government case to begin Jan. 8 and in the Santa Fe when the government sentenced them to have expired. Defendant's counsel made this request to facilitate the legal proceedings which will be instituted to free the men.

WANT THE CAPTAIN'S SCALP.

Commissioner Sheehan Thinks That Witness Schmittberger Should Be Expelled from the Police Force.

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According to the arrangements made by the seconds the Joures-Barthou duel will be fought with pistols at twenty-five paces. The duel was the main topic of discussion during the intermission and the deputies were still talking of the probable conditions when the sitting was resumed.

The previous question was demanded by the government as soon as the chamber came to order and was carried against M. Joures' proposal. Alexander Millerand, Radical, argued in a speech on General Murieer's bill that existing laws would enable the government to punish Dreyfus with death. Lawyer Leville, Republican, denied this. Eventually urgency was voted on the Murieer bill.

Bogus Butcher Bagged.

By the United Press. Clearfield, Pa., Dec. 24.—A United States marshal arrested Peter Kreher, a butcher and produce dealer of this place this afternoon for selling oleomargarine in violation of the law. Kreher was held for his appearance before the United States commissioner at Altoona on Wednesday, Jan. 2.

Charters Granted.

By the United Press. Harrisburg, Dec. 24.—These charters were issued today: The Beaver Savings and Loan association of Beaver, capital, \$2,000,000; the Shoemaker Steel company, of Pittsburgh, capital, \$1,800,000; the Bangor Improvement company, of Cambria county, capital, \$25,000; the Greater Bangor State company, of Bangor, capital, \$25,000.

STATE NOTES.

Two Wilkes-Barre fishermen caught eighty-four large pike through the ice in Ryman's pond on Saturday.

Although a man of wealth, Michael Stielz, of Concord township, Erie county, hanged himself because he feared he would be reduced to poverty.

An effort is being made to have the National Orphan's home of the Junior Order United American Mechanics located at Boiling Springs, near Carlisle.

George Zeltman, a Philadelphia peddler, fell headfirst from a third floor of a Barwick hotel to the corridor on the first floor and was severely injured.

Matthew Quin, convicted in Pittsburgh of the murder of John Fletcher, was sentenced to pay \$7,000 fine and to spend eleven years and ten months in the penitentiary.

The marriage of Demmon Wheelock, the Indian musician, leader of the Carlisle Indian school, and a Cherokee girl, new at the school, is announced to take place today.

J. F. Frampton, aged 30, of Saccetta, Elk county, died at Kane last evening in the office of Dr. Parker, from the effects of chloroform administered while he was having his teeth extracted.

WEATHER REPORT.

For eastern Pennsylvania, rain; warmer; southeast winds, becoming southwest.

JAURES -- BARTHOU FIGHT

The Statesmen Will Use Pistols at Short Range.

ROW OVER CAPTAIN DREYFUS

Socialistic Utterances of Deputy Jaures Causes a Commotion in the Chamber. The Sitting Adjourned in Confusion—A Duel Has Been Arranged.

By the United Press.

Paris, Dec. 24.—General Mercier, minister of war, introduced today in the chamber of deputies a bill providing the death penalty for such military traitors as Captain Dreyfus. Deputy Jaures, socialist, was delegated by his party to demand the abolition of the death penalty in the army. In the course of his attack upon the government he said that Dreyfus escaped the death sentence because the government feared the consequences of executing him.

Premier Dupuy reproached Jaures for voicing the theories of international socialism on a subject which should appeal to every Frenchman's loyalty. "You are the internationalists," shouted Jaures in his reply, pointing to the ministers. "You favor the internationalism of Hebrew capitalists whom you screen and protect. Yet these Hebrew capitalists, whom you adopt as your wards, are swindlers and scamps."

The chamber was brought to a high pitch of excitement by this harangue. The socialists cheered approvingly. The ministers interrupted the speaker frequently with their protests. As Jaures reached the climax of his charges, M. Barthou, minister of public works, sprang to his feet, and shouted: "You lie and you know you lie."

Jaures reply was drowned in a tumult which was stilled after five minutes by the president's bell. There were many calls for the censuring of Jaures, and eventually Dr. Brisson, the president, requested him to retract his accusations.

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