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The Prosecution Upset by Ruling Out of Important Evidence.

SCENE CAUSED BY MISS YOKE

Holmes Weeps When His Alleged Wife Appears to Testify—Detective Geyer's Story Cut Short—The Case Nearing an End.

Philadelphia, Oct. 31.—The first gleam of hope that has come to Holmes since he was arraigned for the murder of Benjamin F. Pitezel today broke through the rift of the dark cloud of damaging evidence in which he has been enveloped. His attorneys this afternoon succeeded in keeping from the jury all evidence bearing directly upon the murder of the Pitezel children. The decision of the court ruling this evidence out left the prosecution in confusion, and, in consequence, the district attoreny asked for time in which to rearrange his case. The court granted the request and the regular night session was not held, and the case went over until tomorrow morning.

Despite the decision of the court in refusing to admit testimony showing that Holmes killed the Pitezel children, District Attorney Graham is convinced that the evidence already presented to the jury will convict Holmes. Although the direct evidence possessed by the commonwealth that Holmes killed Pitezel is circumstial, so strong is this chain of presumptive testimony that, to any one who has followed it, there can hardly remain a doubt that on that Sunday in September, a year ago, Holmes killed Pitezel in the house at 1316 Callowhill street.

Notwithstanding the decision of Judge Arnold today, much indirect evidence has been introduced showing that Holmes unquestionably made way with the Pitezel children, and this, in every probability, will have weight with the jury, and even if unconsciously, will, in all likelihood, influence their minds in arriving at a verdict in the case before them.

When Holmes Broke Down.

The decision of Judge Arnold and the confrontation in the witness box of Holmes by the woman whom he deceived into believing she was his legal wife, and the break-down of the prisoner that followed were the leading features of the proceedings today. After several witnesses had testified this morning the name of "Miss Yoke" was called. Holmes had expected that the woman whom he had lured into marriage with the belief that he was single would be called upon to give testimony against him, but the prospects of her appearance on the witness stand completely unnerved him. He called eagerly to his counsel and urged with eagerness to object to the witness. In the meanwhile, however, Miss Yoke had taken her place in the witness stand. From his behavior as she did so it would seem as if Holmes really loved this woman. As she came forward his pallid face flushed to the brows and then the blood retreated, leaving him ghastly white. He looked appealingly at her, but she carefully avoided glancing in his direction. When the girl so evidently avoided even so much as looking at him, Holmes bowed his head and struggled with a sob that shook his frame, while he wiped the tears from his face.

He appealed piteously to his lawyers to have the witness taken from the stand. They combatted as well as they could the evidence of the district attorney that Miss Yoke was not his legal wife and was therefore competent under the statutes of this state to testify against the prisoner. The testimony that there was at least one and probably two other women with whom Holmes had gone through a legal marriage ceremony was convincing, and Judge Arnold allowed Miss Yoke to testify.

Miss Yoke a Star Witness.

Before she began her testimony Holmes' counsel stated to the court that the prisoner would cross-examine the witness himself. Miss Yoke was one of the star witnesses for the commonwealth, but beyond proving that Pitezel called on Holmes the night before the day he was killed, and that Holmes told her that he had an engagement with Pitezel on the next day and was absent from the house from 10.30 in the morning until 4.30 in the afternoon on Sunday, her evidence was not so damaging to the prisoner as those in the court room expected.

She seemed to have no knowledge of any of the events bearing directly upon the murder of Pitezel or the children. Throughout the period in which these events occurred she was constantly with Holmes, but he readily deceived her as to the reason for their hurried movements from city to city by specious lies.

During Miss Yoke's testimony Holmes recovered his composure, and when he arose to cross-examine her his voice was steadier and louder than it has been at any time since the trial began. His examination of the witness was not long, and he succeeded in abstracting from her some statements that were favorable to himself.

Detective Geyer's Story.

At this afternoon's session, Detective Geyer, who traced Holmes' movements with the Pitezel children, and discovered their bodies, was placed upon the stand. Geyer was expected to be the chief witness of the prosecution. He told of the conflicting stories related to him by Holmes of the manner of Pitezel's death. One of these stories was that the body found in the house on Callowhill street was a bogus corpse and the last one, and the one to which Holmes has since stuck to, was that Pitezel committed suicide, and that he discovered the body, and with it carried out the scheme to defraud the insurance company.

When Mr. Graham started to have the witness tell of the finding of the bodies of the Pitezel children the defense made the most stubborn fight that it has waged since the trial began.

Judge Arnold, without hesitation, decided that the killing of the children had no direct bearing upon the murder of Pitezel. He said that if Holmes was acquitted here he could be taken either to Toronto or Indianapolis to be tried for the murders committed there, and that he ruled the evidence out. Holmes had watched the face of the judge attentively while he spoke, and when he rendered his decision a gleam of relief passed over his countenance, and there came a sudden gulping in his throat.

Attorneys for Defense Rejoice.

The attorneys of the defense were joyful over the decision of Judge Arnold and they now affect to believe that there is a prospect of the jury returning a verdict of acquittal against Holmes as they claim no evidence has been produced showing directly that the prisoner killed Pitezel. On the contrary, Mr. Graham is equally confident that he has placed a noose around Holmes' neck by the evidence he has already presented.

Judge Arnold's decision has cut off the testimony of about fifty witnesses for the commonwealth from Indianapolis, Toronto and other places, and in consequence the prosecution will call but two more witnesses. One of these will be Dr. Leffman, an expert chemist who will testify to the effect produced by the inhalation of chloroform upon the system of a human being.

The defense has no witnesses except those of the commonwealth that they gave notice that they would call in their behalf. These will probably be disposed of in a comparatively short time and the closing argument in the case may be made tomorrow, and it may even be given to the jury tomorrow night. At all events there now seems no likelihood that the trial will extend beyond Saturday at the furtherest.

BROKEN RAIL ACCIDENT.

Six Passengers Are Badly Injured in a Wreck on the Philadelphia and Reading Road.

Reading, Pa., Oct. 31.—While the Philadelphia and Reading passenger train, which left here at 10.15 a. m. for Allentown, was running between Martstown and Shamrock, a rail broke. The engine, tank and front part of the baggage car remained on the track. The other part of the train, consisting of three passenger cars, left the track, and careened over on their sides against the embankment of the cut. Among those injured were:

Miss Mary Fritch, of Rock, Schuylkill county, leg hurt.
Mrs. Laura Hart, Paterson, N. J., hand slightly hurt.
Mrs. Esther Deyher, of Kutztown, leg bruised.
James Hote, Steelton, leg bruised.
Thomas Harris, Philadelphia, leg bruised.
George H. Mandell, of Reading, hurt about the hand.

NEWS FROM THE SHOWER.

Rain Is Welcomed in Various Sections Where Drought Has Caused Suffering.

Bellefonte, Oct. 31.—A steady, hard rain has been falling here since morning, with indications of continuing another twenty-four hours. The drought has been the most severe ever known in central Pennsylvania, causing great loss in crops and much sickness.

If the rain continues until tomorrow it will raise the waters of the Susquehanna sufficiently to enable the Clearfield lumbermen to float their held-up logs to the mills at Williamsport.

Altoona, Pa., Oct. 31.—The long continued drought has at last been broken in this section and everybody is rejoicing. Early this morning snow and rain combined began to fall, and this was shortly succeeded by a steady downpour of rain, which is still descending and bids fair to keep up indefinitely.

York, Pa., Oct. 31.—The drouth in this section is undoubtedly broken, for all day and evening there was a steady downpour of rain. Although the city was not affected materially by the want of rain, in various parts of the county farmers and others suffered considerably.

Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Oct. 31.—A steady downpour of rain struck this valley at noon today, and at 8 o'clock this evening there is no sign of a let-up.

The rain is a welcome one to the whole Wyoming Valley and is expected to fill the empty reservoirs of the water companies and furnish the various collieries which have been crippled for the past two months by the drouth, an abundance of water with which to resume on full time.

MISS FLAGER INDICTED

The Woman Who Murdered a Little Negro Will Be Tried for the Crime.

Washington, Oct. 31.—The grand jury of the district this afternoon returned an indictment against Miss Elizabeth Flagler, daughter of General D. M. Flagler, chief of ordnance of the army. She is charged with manslaughter in the shooting of Ernest Green, a young colored boy, last August, while he was picking up a pear from under a tree in the yard surrounding the Flagler residence.

Miss Flagler is now under bail in the sum of $10,000, based upon the proceedings before the coroner's jury. No new process will be necessary, the district attorney states, to secure her presence in court to plead to the indictment, and until a day is fixed for the trial, no proceedings will occur in the case.

TEXAS BANK LOOTED.

About $11,000 in Paper and Gold Secured by the Burglars.

McGregor, Tex., Oct. 31.—The First National bank was looted this morning at 2.20 o'clock. Entrance was gained through the door. The thieves opened the outer door by the combination. To the inner steel chest dynamite was applied, completely wrecking the safe.

The boty secured amounted to between $10,000 and $12,000 in paper and gold. The bank is fully solvent and will continue business.

HUMAN SACRIFICES OFFERED.

Fanatical Mexicans Burn Two Women and a Child.

Guerrero, Mexico, Oct. 31.—It is reported that the auxiliary judges of Tecapa, obeying the mandate of some of the saints who appeared to him in a vision, ordered the burning of two women and a child, which order was carried into effect by fifteen persons who believed in the heavenly vision.

All the parties implicated in the horrible affair have been arrested by order of the president of this municipality.

ACCUSED OF TWO MURDERS.

Charles Douglass Is Arrested at Jamestown.

Jamestown, N. Y., Oct. 31.—Charles Douglass was arrested this afternoon at his home in the town of Harmony, charged with the murder of Mrs. Winslow Sherman and Mrs. Cynthia Davis, which occurred in the town of Busti last December. The arrest was made on information sworn out by Horton V. Sessions, who has spent several months' time on the case, and who claims that his information is conclusive.

The prisoner refuses to talk.

Tragedy at Tiffin.

Tiffin, O., Oct. 31.—A terrible tragedy occurred at Green Springs, this county, this morning. Albert Fox, a prominent farmer of that vicinity, married Miss A. Kunsman on Oct. 1 and today a quarrel occurred over an illegitimate child of Fox's wife, for whom parentage the brother of the woman is charged. After learning the truth Fox shot his wife through the neck and fatally injured her and also shot his brother-in-law, the bullet passing through his hat. He then put a bullet through his own brain, causing instant death.

Nominated McKinley.

Columbus, O., Oct. 31.—Governor Hastings, of Pennsylvania, and Governor McKinley addressed a large audience at the armory tonight on the issues of the campaign. Governor Hastings, in his speech, repeatedly nominated Governor McKinley to the presidency, and to a suggestion from the audience that Pennsylvania's help would be needed to secure his nomination and election, he said that if Ohio began by making Bushnell governor and Foraker senator, Pennsylvania would assist in making McKinley president.

LIZZIE M'MILLAN TALKS

Assistant at Anti-Cruelty Society's Home Unburdens Her Mind.

CONTRARY TO LEGAL ADVICE

She Tells Her Side of the Story of Life at the Home for Waifs—Claims to Have Built Up the Institution.

Pittsburg, Pa., Oct. 31.—Commissioner Francis J. Torrence, of the state board of charities, continued his investigation of the scandals connected with the Pittsburg anti-cruelty society today. Mrs. M. J. Crawford was matron of the temporay home for waifs two months. She testified that Miss McMillan was tyrannical and that Secretary Dorente hampered her authority. This was the cause of her leaving. She saw nothing immoral at the home.

Lillie Zimmers, at one time an inmate of the house and a servant about the office, had never sen anything wrong about the place. C. M. Zimmers, father of Lillie, told the story how his somewhat wayward daughter fell into the hands of the society and spoke with bitterness against Dorente who took charge of the girl.

Lizze McMillan, Secretary Dorente's assistant, and who had attempted to horsewhip Executive Chairman Dr. Flower for talking about her, was then called.

Attorney McGarry responded by saying that he would offer a book showing her connection with the society. Mr. McGarry wished his client excused from testifying since it had been intimated that she is about to be indicted for her assault on Dr. Flower.

Mr. McGarry added: "As her attorney, I have advised her not to appear." Commissioner Torrence, however, ruled her a competent witness and insisted upon her testimony being offered. After consulting with Attorney McGarry Miss McMillan stated:

"Under advice of my attorney I refuse to testify, but shall file with you a book containing my financial conduct."

"So your refuse to testify further?" said Mr. Torrence.

She Could Not Keep Quiet.

Miss McMillan looked hard at her attorney's expressionless face. It was evident she was struggling with conflicting emotions. Finally she chose to satisfy her desire to talk, and said deliberately: "No, sir, I do not refuse."

She then began a statement of her connection with the Anti-Cruelty society's home for waifs. She denied positively Dr. Flower's statements concerning her illness, and spoke with pride as she detailed her success as a solicitor, her personal care for and improvement of the home, having built it up from a home of three rooms to a home of twelve rooms, and how she had cared for the many little outcasts that had been sheltered and protected. She had been given authority by a director, other than Secretary Dorente, and had not at any time exceeded the authority vested in her.

The stories regarding the elaborate menu served were answered by the statement that all of those delicacies were donated by merchants and others without cost to the society.

Witness dramatically asserted that she was the daughter of a Mason, and was being hounded and dragged down by Masons. She named persons whom she desired summoned to testify to her care of the home and the children. She then handed Commissioner Torrence letters from Henry C. Frick, of the Carnegie Steel company, and J. J. Vandergrift, testifying as to how she had treated visitors. Recess was then taken.

GREASE IN HIS CREAMERY.

A Luzerne Agriculturist Gets Into Trouble for Selling Unstamped Boarding-House Butter.

Harrisburg, Pa., Oct. 31.—The state agricultural department is now devoting considerable attention to the case of Mr. Kline, whose home is in Freeland, Luzerne county, but who has leased two creameries in Bradford. He has been engaged for some time in the manufacture of a first grade of creamery butter.

On Sept. 1 he began mixing the oleo with the creamery butter and selling it all as creamery. He was arrested, the butter analyzed and he was fined $1,000 and warned not to do so any more. Two or three days ago he shipped by night to a railroad some twenty miles distant from his house a consignment of fifty tubs, unmarked and unstamped which was a violation of the revenue law.

There was a railroad running to his place which he was in the habit of using, but this time he preferred one less public. The butter, amounting to 3,000 pounds, was seized and found to be oleo. The man is under arrest and the case will be pushed. The department is thoroughly in earnest in its determination to live up to the laws as they exist.

TWO INDIANS IN DEMAND.

They Are Badly Wanted by Lynchers for a Fiendish Crime.

Spokane, Wash., Oct. 31.—Chief Deputy United States Marshal Vinson returned here today from the Okanagon reservation, bringing news of a most horrible crime perpetrated by two Indians, named Chuk-was-kie and Pieckel-Petsy.

They stole a little 12-year-old girl—Mary, daughter of James Pole—and, taking her out in the mountains, they tied her Mezpah-like upon a cayuse and turned her adrift on the wild country to the north. For nearly two days the cayuse wandered aimlessly about the wilderness with the senseless victim firmly strapped upon its back.

Thus she was found Monday by a party of searchers out looking for her. The child was restored to consciousness with great difficulty, when she related the story of her terrible sufferings. The country is being scoured for the Indians, and if caught a terrible revenge is in store for them.

HE HAD FIVE WIVES.

Aged Wisconsin Bigamist Given a Sentence of Two Years.

Eau Claire, Wis., Oct. 31.—Peter LeClair, of Thorpe, Wis., was sentenced to two years at Waupun by Judge Bailey at Neillsville today for bigamy.

LeClair, who is 50 years old, had five wives, one in North Dakota, one at Rib Lake, Wis., two in Minnesota and No. 5 at Thorpe, the last one a 17-year-old girl, who made the complaint against him.

THE TROUBLE ENDED.

Philadelphia Stock Exchange Recovers from the Recent Relapse.

Philadelphia, Oct. 31.—The break in the Philadelphia Stock exchange yesterday in the local industrials was followed today by a reaction. Shortly after the opening today heavy selling orders in the Electric Storage Battery stocks made their appearance and before 11 o'clock the common stock had declined from 55 to 49 and the preferred, which in the first five minutes had jumped from 56½ to 60, had also dropped to 49. These were the only extensive losses recorded durng the brief period of renewed fright, for Welsbach light stock, dropped only from 86 to 82. United Gas Improvement company from 87 to 85½ and Pennsylvania Heat, Light and Power from 18 to 16¾.

Then came the rally. Certain interests gave protecting orders to their brokers and prices were soon gradually climbing upwards. By noon Electric Storage common had rallied to 54, the preferred to 56, Welsbach Light to 85, United Gas to 87½ and Pennsylvania Heat, and Light to 17. The recovery was accompanied by comparative quiet and to all outward appearances the trouble was at an end.

SHERIFF CARES FOR FITZ.

Governor Clarke Is Placidly Happy and Insists That There Will Be No Fight.

Little Rock, Ark., Oct. 31.—From all appearances Bob Fitzsimmons is not likely to be at liberty to participate in a prize fight for several days to come. Today's legal proceedings were brief and inconclusive, but htey indicate that, while Judge Martin will not strain the law against the lanky Australian, neither will he hurry the proceedings along in order to oblige the pugilistic contingent.

At 2 o'clock the pugilist and his manager appeared before Judge Martin in the circuit court. Mayor Waters, of the Hot Springs Athletic club, had telegraphed Julian that the attorneys of the club could not reach Little Rock until tomorrow, and consequently when the assistant attorney general, Mr. Hemmingway, requested a continuance until tomorrow afternoon because of the absence of Attorney General Kinsworthy, there was no opposition. The pugilistic party returned to the hotel in the custody of a deputy sheriff.

Under the law Fitzsimmons and Julian may be held in bonds not exceeding $5,000 each, to keep the peace, should the court so decide if they contemplate a breach thereof.

Governor Clarke was mildly and placidly happy this afternoon. "I have declared all along," he said in answer to a question, "that there would be no prize fighting in Arkansas on Oct. 31. As you see, there has been none. You will also see that there will be no prize fighting in Arkansas on any other date so long as I am governor of the state. The resources at my disposal are fully equal to any emergency, and prize fighters and their patrons will save time and money by keeping out of the state."

Hot Springs, Ark., Oct. 31.—Froth and vaporing have been the principal characteristics of the day which was to witness the great pugilistic combat for the world's championship between Corbett and Fitzsimmons. Corbett and his manager, William A. Brady, have decided to submit to the governor's authority by surrendering themselves in Little Rock tomorrow morning.

At a conference tonight between Stuart, Brady and Vendig, the purse for the O'Donnell-Maher fight was fixed at $4,000, winner to take all. The fight is announced to take place at 3 o'clock Monday afternoon.

The action of the authorities in relation to this battle will decide the question whether Corbett and Fitzsimmons may fight in public on Arkansas soil. Manager Brady's word must be taken for the statement that early this morning Corbett was driven from a private house, where he is stopping, to Whittington park, where he walked about the uncompleted ring in order to comply with the articles of agreement and thus be in a position to claim forfeit and championship.

Peter Maher, however, was not satisfied with Brady's, story and with Manager Quinn and a number of spectators, he waited in the park from 11 until after 12 o'clock, intending to challenge Corbett, should the latter put in an appearance. Their wait was without result, and almost chilled to the bone by the bleak winds they returned to the city.

Corbett and Brady, accompanied by Attorney General Kinsworthy and Colonel Martin, will leave for Little Rock at 7 o'clock tomorrow, and surrender themselves before the chancellor for a hearing on warrants issued at the instance of Attorney General Kinsworthy and the information attached to which sets forth that the fight in which the men proposed to engage may result in the killing of one or the other.

NINE FAMILIES HOMELESS.

Troy Is Visited by a Disastrous Conflagration.

Troy, N. Y., Oct. 31.—About 1 o'clock this morning fire started in Layden & Burk's drug store at West Pawlet, Vt., burne to death Mrs. Thomas Knowles and her two daughters, Kate, about 20 years old, and Anna, aged 15 years. The postoffice block, Copeland & Nelson's store, Beecher Brothers' hardware store, F. Johnson's dwelling and R. J. Roberts' block were also burned. Nine families were made homeless. A large portion of the business part of the town was destroyed.

The Knowles family lived in the upper part of the drug store. So rapid were the flames that only a portion of the family escaped. The origin of the fire is unknown.

NEW FRENCH CABINET.

Portfolios of the Bourgeois Ministry Have Been All Accepted.

Paris, Oct. 31.—M. Bourgeois has succeeded in forming a cabinet, all the portfolios having been accepted, with the exception of that of the foreign ministry. The new cabinet is constituted as follows:

Prime minister and minister of the interior, M. Bourgeois; minister of war, M. Cavaignac; minister of marine, M. Lockroy; minister of finance, M. Doumer; minister of justice, M. Richard; minister of the colonies, M. Combes; minister of public instruction and worship, M. Berthelot; minister of public works, M. Guyot-Dessaigne; minister of commerce, M. Mesureur; minister of agriculture, M. Viger.

CONFESSED HIS CRIME.

A St. Louis Man Who Stole in Order to Fee Bookmakers.

St. Louis, Oct. 31.—John W. Milby, secretary of the F. L. McGinnis Paint company, was arrested today, charged with stealing $30,000 from the concern. He was taken to the Four Courts and locked up.

He confessed his guilt to Chief Desmond, saying that he had been stealing for three years, covering up his crime by false entries in his books and taking the company's money in small amounts as often as a pressing need for funds demanded. The money he stole, he said, went to the bookmakers at the race track.

Professor Thomas Dead.

Philadelphia, Oct. 31.—Professor A. R. Thomas, dean of Harneman Medical college, died today from a complication of diseases. Dr. Thomas was born at Watertown, N. Y., Oct. 3, 1826. He was the author of a valuable work on "Post-Mortem Examinations and Morbid Anatomy."

EARTHQUAKE SHOCKS WEST

Hundreds of Citizens Rush from Their Homes in Alarm.

VIBRATIONS NORTH AND SOUTH

Clocks Are Stopped and Houses Are Moved from Their Foundations—Disturbances Felt in Many Cities. But Little Damage Is Done.

Washington, Oct. 31.—The Seismograph at the weather bureau headquarters recorded an earthquake shock of at last forty-five seconds duration here this morning at three minutes and fifteen seconds after 6 o'clock. The instrument is not sufficiently elaborate to indicate the exact extent of the vibrations or their direction, and makes no distinction between tremors in vertical and horizontal planes, but Professor Marvin, the expert in charge, says there is no doubt from the duration of the shocks as shown by the instrument that they were of sufficient magnitude to have been plainly perceptible to residents in this city. This is borne out by the fact that a number of Washingtonians discussed the novel sensations they experienced early this morning, long before it was generally known that a great seismic wave had traversed a considerable area of the United States.

In many homes dishes were broken and pictures fell from the walls, but, as far as can be ascertained, no damage has occurred to any of the public or private property. The shock was generally felt throughout the south and west and also in Canada.

Shock in Indiana.

Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 31.—Startling news was received here from different points over the state regarding the severe earthquake shock of this morning. The vibrations were from north to south. Hundreds of people ran from their houses in fright, but little damage was done.

At Noblesville people left their beds which were rocking like cradles and remained awake until daylight.

Northern Indiana was severely shaken. The shock at Anderson was severe enough to throw people off lounges, throw artcles out of cupboards and stop clocks in every part of the city. Several small structures were moved off their foundations and many large buildings were cracked.

Cincinnati, O., Oct. 31.—Several distinct shocks of earthquake were felt in this vicinity and other parts of Ohio just before daylight this morning. The city hall was severely shaken, the furniture being thrown about and several persons on duty ran out. Reports from Springfield and Columbus say the shock was felt there for a minte or less.

Omaha, Neb., Oct. 31.—Slight earthquake shocks were felt in this city, Beatrice and other points in the eastern part of the state this morning, no damage was done.

McKeesport, Pa., Oct. 31.—This town was shaken by an earthquake this morning shortly after 6 o'clock. Two distinct shocks were felt. The vibrations were from west to east. The shock was also felt at Pittsburg.

Pittsburg, Pa., Oct. 31.—An earthquake, the first noticeable in this vicinity in many years, was felt about 5.44 this morning. At Sewickly, it is said, clocks were stopped and windows shaken.

FORTUNE TELLER'S TRIAL.

Lancaster Woman Charged with Putting Spell on a Family.

Lancaster, Oct. 31.—The case of Mrs. Fanny Cosgrove, of this city, who was charged with fortune telling, was heard today and attracted a great deal of attention. The prosecutor was Abraham Herr, son of Jacob Herr, a well-known farmer of Bird-in-Hand, and a nephew of John Herr, whom the woman was charged with surrounding with evil spirits. The prosecutor testified that he went to Mrs. Cosgrove's house and she told him that his uncle, John Herr, had paid her a large sum of money to do harm to Jacob Herr. She said she and John had been to Jacob's house after night and had put quicksilver in the well and done other harm.

The prosecutor and his father called on the woman several times and for money she gave them a talisman to protect themselves against harm from enemies. The elder Herr corroborated his son and said that all the harm the woman predicted came true. He said that he believed in witches, signs, tokens, spells, etc. The defense denied all knowledge of the Herrs.

The jury found the defendant not guilty, but directed her to pay the costs.

CHAIN OF PRAYER.

Christian Endeavorers May Take Up a Unique Idea.

Boston, Oct. 31—President Clark, of the Christian Endeavor society, a week or more ago, suggested in a letter, the starting of a "chain of prayer," to reach around the world, in which every Endeavorer who chose, might form a link.

The plan was for the members to offer at least one short petition every day for each other, and for the Christian Endeavor cause. It was also suggested that special objects presented from time to time might be included.

The only condition in joining this "prayer chain" is that one shall believe in prayer. The idea is being accepted rapidly by the members of the society.

NOT STRONG ENOUGH.

Ruling That Marriage by Telegraph Doesn't Go.

New York, Oct. 31.—Immigration Commissioner Senner said today that there would be no marriage by telegraph or telephone for Albert Corri, of Chicago, and Katrina Jaeger, now with her three children at Ellis Island. Corri telegraphed to the commissioner Monday asking if such a ceremony might be performed.

"Marriage by telephone is too flimsy a sort of bond for a couple about to run up against such a divorce town as Chicago," said the commissioner.

Closing of Durant's Case.

San Francisco, Oct. 31.—District Attorney Barnes continued his closing argument for the prosecution in the Durant trial this morning. Just before the noon recess Judge Murphy asked the jury if a charge should be preferred tonight or tomorrow. Barnes concluded his address this afternoon. Juror Trueman acted as spokesman for the jury and said they preferred to wait until tomorrow.

Treasury Deficit.

Washington, Oct. 31.—The treasury deficit for October, from figures which will be officially announced tomorrow, will be approximately $6,300,000. The receipts will show $27,900,000, and the expenditures in round figures, $34,200,000.

Lumber Yard Fire.

Harrisburg, Pa., Oct. 31.—The lumber yards of Kramer & Stevenson, at Dauphin, were entirely destroyed by fire this afternoon, entailing a loss of $60,000, partially covered by insurance.

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Moreen Underskirt, trimmed with five-inch ruffle of same material, French yoke band, price $1.69; same skirt, with twelve-inch flounce. Price.$1.98

Moreen Underskirt (extra size), umbrella shaped, deep Spanish flounce, bound with velvet and faced at bottom, price $2.45; same skirt, with twelve rows of cords. Price.....$2.98

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MADE LOVE TO THE COOK.

She Claims This, and Now Wants $10,000 Damages.

Findlay, Oct. 31.—Carrie Gobrecht today brought suit against David McClelland to recover damages in the sum of $10,000 for alleged breach of promise. The defendant is 37 years of age, and one of the wealthiest farmers in Hancock county, while the plaintiff is but 20 years old, and for a year past has been employed in his mother's household as a cook.

In her petition the plaintiff asserts that soon after she became a member of the household McClelland began making love to her, accompanying her to church and social gatherings, and finally asked her to marry him and she consented.

WEATHER REPORT.

For Eastern Pennsylvania, showers in the early morning, followed by fair weather; winds shifting to westerly, cooler near the coast.