

HAINS IS HARD HIT

Badly Tangled Again In
Cross Examination Today.

MAKES HIS OWN CASE WORSE

Contradicts His Testimony Repeatedly Under the Severe Fire of Questions by the District Attorney.

Flushing, N. Y., Jan. 6.—Thornton Jenkins Hains, writer of blood curdling sea tales, on trial for his life for complicity in the murder of William E. Annis by Captain Peter Hains, today was not the same eager, dominating Thornton Hains who so dramatically and glibly told the story of the killing at Bayside and of the domestic woes that, the defense claims, unseated the mind of the slayer.

Caught in traps by District Attorney Darrin in the cross examination, Hains raged on the stand, squirmed and twisted as his tormentor made him contradict his direct testimony in important details. He entirely lost his magnificent nerve and the major part of his memory.

The first contradiction was as to the first meeting with Annis. Yesterday Hains swore that on the way home from this episode the captain said to him, "I can't control myself when I see that man." Today he reiterated several times that not a word was said on the way home. When the former testimony was read out the witness remarked airily:

"That was after I got home. If I said it was on the way down, that was a mistake."

The next contradiction was a more serious one. As to the second meeting with Annis, he swore that his brother said "not a spoken word." Mr. Darrin obtained this flat footed declaration and then said:

"Didn't you swear yesterday that your brother said, 'There he goes; there he goes' that you said, 'Who?' and that he said, 'Annis?'"

"I told the best I knew. If I said it was so it was true. I don't remember now," explained Thornton Hains.

His memory was at fault when questioned about the motor boat trip on the Shrewsbury river. Yesterday he testified that his brother had made him stop the boat as it approached another. Today the witness thought that it was he who suggested running over to the other boat. "I do not remember all those details," he said.

Mrs. Annis entered the courtroom while Hains was repeating for Mr. Darrin the story of how Mrs. Hains made the alleged confession of her relations with Annis.

She walked direct to the center of the courtroom and faced the defendant. For more than a minute she stared intently at him.

After the confession was made, Hains said, he took the captain to his home. He tried to get the captain to eat, but he refused. The two sat up for awhile and then went to bed. The next day when he got up he read the "Dear Billy" letter.

"Did you read that letter in your house?" the court interrupted.

"Yes," replied the witness.

"I thought you said that you read the letter in the captain's house at Fort Hamilton," said Judge Crane.

"No, I read it under a lamp-post on the street outside the house."

"Did you testify that you read it under a lamp-post?" asked the court.

"Yes," declared the witness, "I think I did."

Hains said nothing about a lamp-post on his direct examination.

RED CROSS HAS \$475,000.

Of This \$400,000 Has Been Already Forwarded to Italy.

Washington, Jan. 6.—The Red Cross society announces that the total amount of subscriptions for Italian relief so far credited and received through the American National Red Cross is \$475,000. It says:

"The society first sent to Italy through the American ambassador in Rome \$70,000. Then sums of \$100,000, \$150,000 and \$80,000 were remitted.

"Subscriptions by states include the following:

"New York, \$105,825; California, \$80,017; Illinois, \$26,876; Missouri, \$25,052; Massachusetts, \$16,205; Rhode Island, \$11,000; Connecticut, \$7,315."

Widow of Governor Higgins Safe.

Palermo, Jan. 6.—Mrs. Higgins, wife of the late Governor Higgins of New York, who was said to have died in the earthquake, is safe here.

Canary Islands Again Shaken.

Teneriffe, Canary Islands, Jan. 6.—Another earthquake lasting nearly half a minute was felt here. The people were greatly alarmed.

A Writer of the Heart.
As a rule, the eulogists of the late Donald G. Mitchell try to prove too much. Not the generation that produced Ik Marvel nor the one following that has alone had the good taste and spiritual insight to read and appreciate "Reveries of a Bachelor." Young people of the present have not only discovered for themselves the treasure house opened by the genial Ik Marvel's pen, but often have made its riches known for the first to their seniors. The philosopher of the simple life found his audience early, yet no period has neglected him.

Even the embarrassment of literary riches poured out the last few years could not make the "Reveries" a back number. Readers who have their Kipling and Jerome K. Jerome by heart will turn to Ik Marvel for an antidote to weariness. One can be surfeited with flippancy as well as with sentiment. Ik Marvel's sentiment was of the wholesome sort. He wrote for the sound hearted, not the soft headed. His ideals appeal to the twentieth century, and possibly it will be more loyal to him than was the century which revealed him. To the present he is an entertainer; to the present he is mentor and confidant.

The new woman on the stage was evidently shipped "from somewhere east of Suez, where the best is like the worst," but what particular land is responsible for her can never be guessed from her taste in the matter of clothes.

It is a relief to learn from the manager of the Pullman company that the tipping of porters is purely a voluntary matter. Most travelers find it a case of "down with the dust" or no dusting.

Doubtless Standard Oil folk don't care a bit whether the newspapers call it "that \$29,000,000 fine" or \$29,240,000, but to the common people \$240,000 is not a trifle to be lost sight of.

If ever hostilities between congress and the president go too far the kaiser's fellow feeling will be likely to see the "psychological moment" before the czar's gratitude gets awake.

England also has its somebody who says things about other folks. Recently Premier Asquith called the house of lords "a set of irresponsible..."

Whether these big fines for hugging or kissing the wrong woman are excessive and confiscatory depends upon the woman in the case.

A Graceful Tribute to Poe.

The University of Virginia arranged to celebrate the centenary of the birth of Edgar Allan Poe on Jan. 19 in a manner to do justice to the memory of one of the truest poets America has produced. Distinguished representatives of literature in the old world were invited to participate in order to make the occasion something more than a local tribute, for Poe was once a student at the university.

The reading circle that has been delighted by the genius of Poe spreads over two hemispheres. It is most unfortunate that his weaknesses dimmed for half a century the imperishable beauty of the writings left at the tragic close of his short and stormy life. Equally with the statesman and the soldier, the poet, it would seem, is worthy of commemoration and regard because of the influence of his works upon the minds of men. The host of admirers of Poe will be rejoiced to know that at last it is proposed to erect a fitting memorial to their hero of song.

As we approach the Lincoln centenary it is well to recall the marvelous mastery of the English language acquired by one who had but a few months' real school training in his whole life. This country has produced no man of letters whose style is more worthy of study than Lincoln's. Born in a cabin and reared in the backwoods, the great emancipator became one of the greatest masters of English prose in the nineteenth century. Not alone his Gettysburg address, which every schoolboy and schoolgirl should know by heart, but his inaugurals and some of his letters and speeches are worthy of study as masterpieces of American literature.

The relation between aeroplanes and stock quotations is very cloudy, except that neither seem to regulate their ups and downs by schedule.

It turns out that the kaiser was merely trying to earn his salary by talking, and it takes a "heap big talk" to balance \$10,000,000 per annum.

The SPORTING WORLD

Johnny Evers May Quit.

Reports are now in circulation that Johnny Evers, the Chicago National's star second baseman, has played his last game with the Cubs.

In a letter received by a Chicago friend recently Evers declared positively that he would not play with the world's champions next season and



JOHNNY EVERS, STAR SECOND SACKER OF CHICAGO NATIONALS.

that he would not care if he never saw another baseball. To prove he is going to quit, Evers says it is his intention to ask Charles W. Murphy for such a mighty stipend that the president of the world's champions will not ask him to return. Evers' reason for giving up the game is that he has business prospects which will require his attention and pay him better than staying in baseball.

Cy Young Says He Will Stick.

Downcast over the trade whereby Lou Criger, his old catcher, goes to the St. Louis Americans and Spencer to Boston, but stating that he has no intention of retiring because of the change, Cy Young, Boston's "grand old man," comes out in an interview recently regarding the deal.

Cy said that he could hardly realize that Criger was to leave and that Spencer would be his receiver next year.

"I have pitched to Lou so long that he seems a part of me," said he, "and I am positive no one will suffer more from his departure from Boston than I. Criger is one of the grandest catchers that ever looked through a mask. So confident am I of his judgment that I never shake my head when he signals what to serve up to a batter."

Young said that the report that he will retire is without foundation and winds up by declaring: "You can say for me that I will never retire until my good right arm goes back on me. The Boston club has treated me grandly, and I mean to give them the best I have."

Kalamazoo Plans Big Meets.

Kalamazoo, Mich., is planning to give a great combination trotting and pacing meeting in 1909, similar to the one of 1908, and will endeavor to retain its dates in both the grand and great western circuits. It is probable that the first week of August will be asked for in the two associations, and if Kalamazoo is so far recognized there is little doubt that this harness racing meeting will be one of the greatest given in America.

Michigan horsemen generally recognize that the coming meeting of the great western will be one of the most important held by that organization in years, and it is believed that a special effort will be made to offer such inducements to racers of harness horses that many will remain in the west with their stables and not race down the grand circuit.

Britt and Summers to Fight Again.

Jimmy Britt of America is to have another tryout in London to prove whether or not his recent victory over Johnny Summers was a fluke. The men have been rematched to battle before the National Athletic club Feb. 22, and a purse of \$800, or \$4,000 in American money, has been hung up. Britt will prolong his stay in England to meet the engagement.

General Watts, 2:06 1/2, Not to Race.

It has been announced that General C. C. Watts, owner of the remarkable colt trotter General Watts, 2:06 1/2, holder of the world's record for trotters of that age, will not race his great trotter next season, but instead will place him at the head of a large breeding establishment that he is about to open in Lexington, Ky.

EPIDEMIC IN QUAKE CITIES

Typhus and Typhoid Follow Shock Ruin.

NEED FOR DOCTORS

Nurses and Hospital Supplies Also Inadequate.

RELIEF IS BADLY ORGANIZED.

Americans on the Scene Are Amazed at the Incapacity of the Italian Officials to Make Effective Use of the Millions of Money Pouring In From the Charitably Disposed People of Many Nations — Three Battleships and a Cruiser of Admiral Sperry's Fleet Are Now on the Way With Medical Supplies, Doctors and Provisions.

Rome, Jan. 6.—In spite of the glowing accounts given out by the Italian authorities here as to earthquake relief, reports from Messina, Palmi and Reggio today show that the situation in the ruined cities is appalling.

Typhus and typhoid have become epidemic, and the number of cases is so great that the staff of doctors and nurses is inadequate to cope with them.

Hospital supplies, disinfectants and provisions are not sent in sufficient quantity owing to the deplorable lack of organization on the part of the medical and health authorities.

Americans here and in Messina are amazed at the incapacity of the Italian officials to rise to the emergency. With millions of money at their disposal, sent by sympathetic givers from the United States, England and France, it seems utterly impossible to get supplies where they are most needed.

Large numbers of victims who ought to have been saved died of hunger, cold and neglect owing to the confusion. Much valuable time was lost, and the authorities overlooked many small villages in Calabria and Sicily, which remained for days unaided while the inhabitants starved. Even cities to which the survivors were conveyed, such as Rome, are suffering from disorganization.

Handicapped by low supplies, the authorities in the stricken cities fear that the epidemic will get beyond their control. It is even a greater menace than starvation. "Send supplies" is still the appeal.

Hundreds have died of hunger. Thousands have died of their injuries before aid could reach them. Fully 50,000 who were trapped alive in the ruins have burned or succumbed to wounds.

Temporary barracks will be erected outside of Reggio within the next few days. Material will be taken from the ruins.

The director of the Reggio gymnasium, who arrived here, says that the rescuers were forced to fight for their lives not only against ghouls, but against savage dogs, cats and pigs, which fought with the ferocity of wild beasts.

Robbers unhesitatingly knifed the rescuers, and the fighting often reached the proportions of a battle.

Earth shocks are continuing at Messina and Reggio. There were several at the latter place, which occurred at intervals of twenty minutes. One shook down many walls.

Instead of excavating in an endeavor to find the bodies buried beneath the ruins it has been proposed that every house in which it is believed persons are buried shall be covered with quicklime.

The horrors of the sanitary conditions in Messina are unspeakable, and only the roughest of surgical attention is possible.

In one hospital there are 400 wounded persons, without a single nurse. The piteous cries of the distressed persons for water were unheeded because of the lack of attendants, and several of them died.

The work of rescue is being pushed, and even now persons alive are occasionally dug out from the ruins. An old woman was released from the wreckage of the Church of San Francisco. She did not seem to realize that she had been buried for so many days. She explained that she thought she was entombed in the church after having died a natural death and that she was living in the hereafter.

The prompt dispatch of the American battleships, with the fleet commander, Rear Admiral Sperry, to offer

aid in the earthquake relief work has added to the public feeling of appreciation and gratitude.

The battleships designated as the relief squadron are the Connecticut, the flagship of the fleet; the Vermont and the Minnesota. They are on their way from Port Said.

In advance of these the American scout cruiser Yankton and the supply ship Culgoa are nearing Messina with medical supplies and provisions on board for the earthquake sufferers. They carry also a number of doctors.

It is expected that Reggio will be practically evacuated today, when the troops and sailors will be reduced all told to a thousand men. There are at present 3,200 soldiers and 1,000 sailors here.

Two aged men, each seventy years old, were abstracted alive from the ruins today. A curious fact is the proportion of old people found alive after days of burial. They seem to have greater powers of endurance than younger men and women.

Queen Helena has turned a portion of the Quirinal palace into a workshop, where a number of Italian women of high rank, dressmakers and working girls sit all day long in the greatest friendliness busily engaged in cutting out and sewing garments for the refugees.

The women are under the superintendence of the queen herself, who with her own hands often guides fingers unaccustomed to work of this kind. Each afternoon there is a rest period of one hour, when all the women take tea together, but as soon as the time is up the queen inexorably commands that the work be resumed.

THIRD RELIEF SHIP SAILS.

The Hamburg Takes \$300,000 Worth of Food and Clothing.

New York, Jan. 6.—Laden with twenty-five tons of clothing and thirteen tons of provisions, with which to clothe and feed the starving and half naked survivors of the Calabria and Sicily earthquake, the third relief ship, the Hamburg, sailed for Genoa and Naples.

The provisions include coffee, sugar, salt, biscuits, condensed milk, canned soups, rice, hominy, beans and peas. The clothing comprises every conceivable sort of wearing apparel for men, women and children.

The clothing and the food stuffs, which are worth \$300,000, are sent to the Italian Red Cross at Naples.

Wily, Wiry Castro.

Castro abroad appears to be of as much importance as Castro in Venezuela, dictating and bluffing. While he was at home, stirring up one power after another, curiously as to the manner of man he was became subordinate to indignation that he should be allowed to play fast and loose with treaty obligations and make a football of diplomatic dignity. He was a power in Venezuela and a maker of trouble for nations having dealings with that country. This was all the world cared to know.

Castro was not easily eliminated from Venezuelan affairs even though out of his country. Even in Caracas he had been a man of mystery. A couple of years ago he resigned his office, but when it suited him to take the helm again he simply returned to the capital and began issuing orders. Those who knew Castro best believe that his trip to Europe is simply another act in the drama he plays with consummate cleverness and almost Napoleonic audacity. Courage he undoubtedly has, for all the attempts of the powers of the world do not seem to scare him any more than one of the petty revolutions at home, and he may be a mere poser at best, but so far he has proved himself something more than a freak.

At last the Brooklyn pastors have bestirred themselves in the "red light" crusade. But Brooklyn's one time pulpit luminary, Henry Ward Beecher, used to say that more souls get to heaven from red light houses than from some Christian churches he could name neighboring old Plymouth.

That man who violated the "kiss, but never tell" code should pay the \$10,000 fine, if he has it, otherwise he is jagged for ten years.

Goloni Goethals' shovelers never waited an instant to find out whether Uncle Sam's "Panama" is on straight.

Castro went to Berlin to find peace, and he probably found company for his misery in the German capital.

If the Balkan orators could see how their doings are sidetracked in American newspapers by an auto cup race, they wouldn't be so cheery when shouting, "The eyes of the world are on us, my countrymen."

N. Y. CENTRAL'S NEW HEAD.

William C. Brown Elected Today to Succeed W. H. Newman.

New York, Jan. 6.—At the meeting today of the board of directors of the New York Central and Hudson River railroad William C. Brown, senior vice president of the road, was elected president to succeed William H. Newman, who resigned Dec. 22.

The new president of the New York Central is fifty-five years old and a native of New York state. He began his railroad career in Iowa at sixteen as a cutter of wood for the old log burning locomotives on the Western Union line. Later he learned telegraphy and became train dispatcher, division superintendent and general manager of various roads. In 1901 he was taken from the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy to become vice president and general manager of the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern, one of the Central roads, and in the following year he advanced to the vice presidency of the Central itself.

Unlike his predecessor, who is known as a "traffic" man, Mr. Brown is called an "operating" executive. Railroad men conversant with his career declare that there is no position in the operating end of a railroad, from section man to general manager, that Mr. Brown could not fill.

HARRY M'ILLAN ARRESTED.

Millionaire Once Engaged to Edna Goodrich, Now Mrs. Nat Goodwin.

Reno, Nev., Jan. 6.—On complaint of James Fay of the Palace gambling house J. Harry McMillan, a millionaire of Goldfield, was arrested and brought here on a charge of passing bogus checks for \$8,335 in settlement of gambling debts.

McMillan last summer announced his engagement to Miss Edna Goodrich, the actress, who has since been married to Nat C. Goodwin.

TO GET GAS MONEY BACK.

New York Consumers to Get Rebate In Few Weeks.

New York, Jan. 6.—United States Commissioner Shields, in whose custody \$9,000,000 was placed by the gas trust, is in communication with the cashiers of the seven banks where the money is deposited relative to its payment to the residents of the city following the eighty cent decision. He told the cashiers he thought payment would begin within three weeks or a month.

MARJORIE GOULD DEBUT.

Function Will Set a New Mark For New York Society Lavishness.

New York, Jan. 6.—A new mark for lavishness and splendor is expected to be set for society by the entertainment Mr. and Mrs. George J. Gould will give Thursday night at the Hotel Plaza to formally introduce their daughter Marjorie.

Two hundred and fifty guests have been invited to the dinner, which will eclipse the famous Bradley Martin affair of several years ago, but many more will be at the cotillon and supper to follow.

Dinner, dance and reception are expected to be the most elaborate ever given in New York.

DENIED NEY WAS EXECUTED.

Contentarian Dies, Declared He Was Son of Napoleon's Marshal.

Campbellsburg, Ind., Jan. 6.—Dr. E. M. C. Neyman, 100 years old, who maintained that he was a son of Marshal Ney of France, is dead.

Dr. Neyman was a man of mystery, stately and of military bearing. He was born in Paris. He insisted Marshal Ney was not executed, as supposed, being saved by Wellington and emigrating to South Carolina, where he lived as Peter Stuart Ney.

CASTRO IS WORSE TODAY.

Ex-President of Venezuela Very Weak After His Operation.

Berlin, Jan. 6.—Cipriano Castro's condition was much worse today as a result of the operation. His weakness makes it imperative that strict precautions be observed.

The way scientists keep telling us all about what microbes are up to one can infer that these gentlemen created the pesky things and trained them for experts at the job they are on.

Some of the verdicts to the effect that "the prisoner did not intend to commit a crime" would fit the case better if they stated that he did not intend to be caught at it.

Latest in Wireless.

I have a wireless rat trap. However strange it sounds. It makes the rodent swifter. When for the hole he bounds.

And in the rodent's judgment It wears the victor's wreath— It is a ten pound buldog. Who travels on his teeth.