

BAD DAY FOR THAW

Three Experts Declare He Is a Paranoiac.

DANGEROUS TO SET HIM FREE.

Dr. Austin Flint Says That There Is No Hope of Recovery For Stanford White's Slayer.

White Plains, N. Y., Aug. 4.—Dr. Austin Flint, Dr. William Hirsch and Dr. Amos T. Baker, three of those medical men known as alienists, who have become such a familiar part of modern criminal court procedure, united in the supreme court to make it unpleasant for Harry K. Thaw, who killed Stanford White, was adjudged insane, but now demands his release from the Mattewan asylum as a mentally normal man. All three testified that he was insane and beyond hope of recovery.

Mr. Jerome read portions of the hypothetical question. What he read



DR. AUSTIN FLINT.

took in the Longfellow letter and the rambling communications found in the Tombs, as well as the Thaw family history.

Then District Attorney Jerome asked the witness to consider, besides the facts, the twenty-four pages of data and newspaper clippings submitted to Delphin Dolmas.

"Considering the facts stated in the question and these different writings are you able to state an opinion of the defendant's mental condition?"

"I am."

"What is it?"

"He is insane."

"What is the form of his insanity?"

"True paranoia."

Dr. Flint defined true paranoia.

"The disease is not accompanied by mental deterioration," he said, "or any mental irregularity except in so far as the mind is dominated by the delusion or separate delusions."

"Is true paranoia a disease from which a person can recover?" Mr. Jerome asked.

"No one can ever recover from true paranoia. In the case of paranoia, a paranoiac never thinks he is insane. He always believes he is sane."

"As to concealment of delusions, what about that?"

"It is very common. Not only do the victims conceal them from laymen, but often from experts, and they may conceal them for many months. A paranoiac believes in his delusions and he also believes that he is very intelligent. He believes that if he can find a fair minded alienist he can convince him that his delusions are not delusions."

"In regard to paranoiacs who have killed under the influence of a delusion, is there likely to be a recurrence? Is the mind of that person likely to be focussed on some one else?"

"A persecuted paranoiac is the most dangerous of the insane. Paranoia is never found in a person of untainted heredity. Very often a paranoiac takes it upon himself to be a reformer. He believes that he is destined to reform the social system."

Dr. Flint said that when paranoiacs did commit homicide they always chose a public place for their act; the more people present the better—wanting the world to see them accomplish their self styled righteous acts.

"The murder of Stanford White was a classic paranoiac's murder," declared the witness. "The murder is always done theatrically, and the more heroic of the paranoiacs are often willing to die rather than admit insanity."

Dr. Flint said that before Evelyn Nesbit Thaw testified against her husband at the first week of the hearing she had volunteered before him and counsel to give any information they wanted.

Dr. Hirsch pronounced Thaw a "degenerate paranoiac" and absolutely incurable.

Dr. Baker said that in his opinion Thaw was not only insane now, but a paranoiac and a dangerous person to be at large.

Bequest of \$2,000,000 to Pope.

Rome, Aug. 4.—The will of the late Don Carlos, the pretender to the throne of Spain, leaves to the pope works of art and money to a total of \$2,000,000.

Short Sermons For a Sunday Half-Hour

REASON IN RELIGION

By Rev. Charles E. Jefferson, D. D.

Text: "Come, now, let us reason together, saith the Lord."—Isaiah 1, 18.

The greatest of the Hebrew prophets puts these words into the mouth of God. The Almighty is represented as bewailing the fact that men do not think enough in their religion. "Israel doth not know, my people doth not consider," so runs divine arraignment. According to Isaiah, God wishes men to think, and He wishes them to think with Him. The weakness of religious people in all generations has been that they have not thought enough.

It is wicked not to think. A man gives up his manhood who does not think. We are unworthy who do not think. We are unworthy of the Christian name if we are too timid to scrutinize and investigate and reason about every doctrine which the religion of Jesus teaches. Suppose that thinking does lead you into doubt. Doubt is oftentimes medicinal. There is more faith in honest doubt than in a creed about which you are afraid to think. Doubt is an experience which belongs to a growing life. A man must fight his way through doubt to the clear and sunlit spaces which lie beyond. He can do this only by hard and honest thinking. "Come, let us reason together," saith the Lord.

This has been the exhortation of the Almighty from the beginning. In the fullness of time Jesus came, and in Jesus we hear God saying, "Come, now, let us reason together." Jesus was always reasoning. It has been said that He never argued, and that is true if He never argued in the form of Occidental syllogisms; but in the deepest sense He was always arguing. His whole speech was a reasoned argument. His questions are mightier than syllogisms and compel the mind to reason. "Is not a man better than a sheep?" "What think ye? If a man have a hundred sheep and one of them be gone astray, doth he not leave the ninety and nine and goeth into the mountains and seeketh that which is gone astray?"

The priest, the Levite, the Samaritan: Which now of these three thinketh thou was neighbor unto him that fell among the thieves?" "When the lord of the vineyard cometh, what will he do unto those husbandmen?" "If ye, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more will your Heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask Him?" The Christian religion is God's voice saying "Come, now, let us reason together."

Many a man is not a Christian because he is not willing to reason the matter out with God in Christ. If our convictions are becoming flabby it is because we do not think. If the old distinctions between right and wrong are fading out it is because we have ceased to reason with God. If the sense of sin is to-day disappearing from the hearts of men it is because they are too busy to sit down and meditate with God. I have heard men bewail the fact that they had no time to get acquainted with their wives and children. This indeed is tragic to have no time to get acquainted with one's self. We never know ourselves until we think about our life with God. Let us, then, spend more time in reasoning with Him. Let us pick up the things which we have lost. Let us sit down and think about that man which we fully intended to be and which, alas, we have never yet become!

Entering Into Joy.

What a blessed and glorious thing human existence would be if we fully realized that the infinitely wise and infinitely powerful God loves each one of us with an intensity infinitely beyond what the most fervid human spirit ever felt toward another, and with a concentration as if he had none else to think of! And his love has brought us into being, just that we might be taught to enter into full sympathy with him, receiving his—giving our own—thus entering into the joy of our Lord.—Thomas Erskine.

In Thy Truest Heart.

Thou wakest morning by morning with the love of God oversteaming thee. Give thyself for the day to His love; to speak words or to leave them unspoken, to do acts or to leave them undone, as thou thinkest in thy truest heart that the God who loves thee wills for thee.—Dr. Pusey.

The Best in Him.

A man is specially and divinely fortunate, not when his conditions are easy, but when they evoke the very best that is in him, provoking him to nobleness and stinging him to strength.—Mable.

The Fire Ordeal.

Great happiness is the fire ordeal of mankind, great misfortune only the trial by water; for the former opens a large extent of futurity, where as the latter circumscribes or closes it.—Richter.

Truest Wisdom.

A loving heart is the truest wisdom.—Dickens.

WOMAN SAVES FIVE GIRLS.

Ida Lewis, Heroine of Lime Rock, Adds to Her List of Rescues.

Newport, Aug. 4.—Ida Lewis, "the Grace Darling of America," who from Lime Rock lighthouse, off this harbor, had saved the lives of eighteen persons, has just added five more lives to her splendid record.

Ida Lewis is sixty-eight years old and for thirty years has kept burning the light of Lime rock, helping and succeeding her father, Captain Hosea Wilson. Through angry seas she has rowed to lift the drowning in her tossing boat, and the American congress and foreign societies have decorated her with medals.

A steamboat from New York, the Commonwealth, raised so heavy a swell at Fall River that she upset a boat in which five girls had gone out for a row.

Ida Lewis from her eyrie at the south end of the harbor saw the girls' danger and jumped into her lifeboat, the Rescue.

With a bravery and vigor remarkable in a woman of nearly threescore and ten she rowed to the girls and one after another lifted them into her boat.

ROCKEFELLER TICKET WINS.

John D., Jr., and His Wife Pleased at School Election Result.

Tarrytown, N. Y., Aug. 4.—The Rockefeller ticket has won in the school election here and Mr. and Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, Jr., proved themselves worthy students of practical politics.

The name of William E. Knight, a New York lawyer, was substituted for that of Charles M. Ramsey, a former president of the board of trustees. Some opposition developed to Ramsey, who lives on the Rockefeller estate, so John D., Jr., eliminated the opposition by the pleasingly simple process of eliminating Ramsey. With Knight, who got 101 votes, the full complement of electors, the ticket held the names of Mrs. Ellen M. Milton, who got 100 votes; Oscar Bodleston, 101 votes, and Lawrence W. Sanders, 99 votes.

After the election Mrs. Rockefeller expressed herself as pleased and was promptly nominated by the board as a visiting committee member.

Mrs. Milton and the other members of the board are friends of Mr. and Mrs. Rockefeller, and the president of the board is M. C. Ailes, superintendent of the Rockefeller estate.

TAFT FOR GOOD ROADS.

President Favors a Highway From Washington to Richmond.

Washington, Aug. 4.—President Taft has again indicated his interest in good roads, the latest expression being elicited in connection with a movement for better highways in Virginia, this taking shape in an immediate plan for a road from Washington to Richmond. In a letter on the subject the president says:

I regard this as part of the general good roads movement in the country and I have pleasure in saying that there is no movement that I know of that will have a more direct effect to alleviate the difficulties and burdens of the farmer's life, will stimulate the traffic and add to the general happiness of the people more than the establishment of good roads throughout the country. I do not think that, because this may have been stimulated by people using automobiles, it is to be frowned upon, for while persons using automobiles are by no means the most important in the community the fact that their sharp interest has focussed the attention of the public on the movement entitles them to credit.

I have no doubt that, within the authority which is his, the secretary of agriculture will be glad to assist by recommendation and practical advice the methods to be pursued in good road building in Virginia.

RECTOR AND ORGANIST DROWN

Double Tragedy Attends Sailing Party in Fisher's Island Sound.

New London, Conn., Aug. 4.—Rev. H. L. Mitchell, rector of the Episcopal church at Plymouth, Conn., and Clarence Blakeslee, organist of the same church, were drowned in Fisher's Island sound. The clergyman lost his life trying to save the boy.

Mr. Mitchell had been camping near Nonuk and Blakeslee was one of a party of six boys he had taken out in a catboat. Blakeslee was knocked overboard by the boom and the minister went after him, but neither reappeared again. The boat with the remainder of the party was picked up by the United States transport General Ayer and towed into this port.

PRIEST TO CARRY A GUN.

Judge Tells Him to Keep It Loaded and Use It on Persecutors.

Utica, N. Y., Aug. 4.—Complaining that he had been continually persecuted by members of an opposition faction in his congregation, persecutions which culminated in an unsuccessful effort to kidnap him, Rev. Father Suck today appeared in the city court here and made application for a permit to carry a revolver. In granting the permit City Judge James K. O'Connor said: "Take it, father; keep your gun loaded, and do not be a bit backward about using it to defend yourself should you again be attacked by any of these ruffians."

MAYOR JOHNSON OUTVOTED.

Cleveland Rejects Ordinance For Three Cent Fare Franchise.

Cleveland, Aug. 4.—The Schmidt ordinance providing for the grant of a franchise insuring three cent fares on the city street car lines was defeated at a referendum election here by a majority of 3,982. The total vote was 30,944 to 34,926. The Schmidt ordinance was fostered by Mayor Tom L. Johnson.

SHOT AT LAWYER.

Former Actress Tries to Kill Friend at Waldorf.

COUSIN OF BENJAMIN HARRISON

Mary Scott Castle Fires at William B. Craig in Hotel, but His Fountain Pen Deflects the Bullet.

New York, Aug. 4.—Just when the crush in "Peacock alley" in the Waldorf-Astoria was at its height a smartly dressed woman tried to kill William B. Craig, a lawyer. She fired a shot from a bulldog revolver point blank at his breast, and but for a silver incased fountain pen in his vest pocket, which deflected the bullet, it would probably have entered his heart.

The woman who did the shooting was Mrs. Neville Castle, a notable figure in the smart set of San Francisco. As Miss Mary Scott she created a sensation nine years ago by going on the stage.

The man she tried to kill comes from the Pacific coast, is a member of the Rocky Mountain club and numbers among his friends John Hays Hammond, United States Senator Clark, F. Augustus Heinze and many western mining millionaires.

A wild infatuation for him on the part of Mrs. Castle was responsible for the attempted murder, according to Mr. Craig. On the other hand, Mrs. Castle declared Craig had grievously wronged her, and, driven to desperation, she had sought to punish him.

Mrs. Castle's life has been one of romance. As Mary Scott she gave society a shock when she joined the company of Tim Frawley at the California theater, in San Francisco, Jan. 9, 1900. She made her debut as Fay Zulath in "The Princess and the Butcherly," a part created in New York by Mary Manning.

All of the coast "Four Hundred" turned out for the debut. She was the daughter of the late H. H. Scott, and her brother, Lieutenant H. Scott, now of the coast artillery, married a daughter of the late Admiral William T. Sampson. Mrs. Castle used her maiden name of Mary Scott on the stage.

From the west she came to New York, where she appeared at Proctor's in a vaudeville skit called "In Washington's Time." While playing here March 25, 1901, friends of the young woman had police headquarters send out a general alarm for her. She had mysteriously disappeared, and her friends dreaded suicide. Her cousin, Mrs. Fred Goodwin; Mrs. Eugene Delmar, an intimate friend, and Lawrence Griffith, another cousin, joined in a search that lasted for days.

She finally returned to her friends. Mrs. Castle married in 1898 Neville Castle, an attorney in New York. He lost his fortune and went to the Klondike. His sister-in-law, Mrs. Walter M. Castle, figured in an international scandal when arrested at the Cecil hotel, London, Oct. 6, 1896, on a charge of shoplifting. She was held in the unusual bail of \$250,000.

Minister Bayard interested himself in her case, and as a result the Castles came home and she entered a sanitarium. One of her connections, Albert Castle, lived then in Philadelphia. Mrs. Neville Castle, during the early days of her stage work, let it be known that she was a cousin of the late President Benjamin Harrison.

Mrs. Craig, wife of the lawyer whose life was attempted, told the police that Mrs. Castle had fallen in love with her husband and had urged him to give up his wife for her. Mrs. Craig insisted that both she and her husband had befriended and protected the woman.

"She seemed to be insane upon the subject of possessing my husband," Mrs. Craig said.

At the police station after being locked in a cell Mrs. Castle said:

"I have known Will Craig since we were babies, and if he hadn't told me so himself I would never have believed he would want to quit me. He has visited my studio many times."

She then went on to say that she had waited for him at the Waldorf and that after he had refused to talk to her she had fired. Even after her arrest she pleaded with Craig to stand by her, but he appeared obdurate. He said he was weary of Mrs. Castle's attentions.

CZAR'S DAUGHTERS LAND.

They Go Shopping at Cowes and Attract Crowds About Them.

Cowes, Aug. 4.—Two daughters of Emperor Nicholas came ashore here on a shopping expedition. They went about on foot and appeared thoroughly to enjoy the curiosity their presence excited in the crowded streets of Cowes.

Finally, however, the crowds about them grew to such proportions as to inconvenience them, and the police prevailed upon the grand duchesses to take a carriage.

Kills Two Others; Then Himself.

Chicago, Aug. 4.—Stephen Elser of Steelton, Pa., shot and killed his brother-in-law, George Goritz, and his sister-in-law, Mrs. Kate Goritz, and then committed suicide on the street here. He said that Mr. and Mrs. Goritz attempted to induce his wife to leave him.

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