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GOOD MORNING, Dear Readers! Have you all had "La Grippe," "Influenza," or "Grippe Colds," this Winter yet? Call the Doctor in time!

# WEEPINGLY, PETITE MADELINE PATTERSON TELLS THE JURY HER PITIFUL STORY!

**Between Sobs, Wednesday, R. H. Holgate, Esq., Defendant's Counsel, Draws Out The Sordid Details Of Her Girlhood Days At La Plume.**

Not until after 10 o'clock Wednesday morning were the twelve men finally selected who are to determine the fate of Carl Howe, a chauffeur of Scranton, charged with statutory offense by twenty-year old Madeline Patterson, daughter of George Patterson, La Plume.

The legal "pyrotechnics" began early in the trial. After the preliminaries had been properly disposed of, and all the properties had been duly observed, Tuesday afternoon, Attorney Holgate, addressing Judge Searle said he would like to have a few preliminary questions disposed of before going further. He said he did not care to have the arguments made before the jurors and Judge Searle suggested that the mysterious motion might be made and argued before him in chambers. A recess was then taken, all attorneys, the court and stenographer, William Hamlin retiring to the chambers of Judge Searle.

There Mr. Holgate moved that District Attorney O'Brien be excluded from participating in the trial and also asked for the expulsion from the trial of Attorney Clarence Valentine. Mr. Valentine has been private counsel for George Patterson, father of the complainant, since the case got into the court nearly five years ago.

**"Preliminary Questions."**

Mr. Holgate argued that Mr. O'Brien was to all intents and purposes an interloper in leaving his own bailiwick to trespass on the jurisdiction of another district attorney of another county. "A district attorney," he said, "fully competent and capable to uphold the cause of the commonwealth." He rested his argument on the ground of lack of jurisdiction.

Mr. Holgate contended that under the act of 1850 relating to change of venue, a district attorney has no right to go into another county to prosecute any criminal case, for he is under salary and his services belong to the county paying him. He has no right, he declared to usurp the duties of the district attorney of Wayne county, whose duty it is to try the case. He objected also to the presence of Attorney Valentine as counsel for Patterson. He argued that Patterson is only a witness.

**District Attorney's Reply.**

District Attorney Simons answered Mr. Holgate. Mr. Simons held that the law as cited by Mr. Holgate related only to juries and cited the case of Commonwealth vs. Deitrick, of Columbia county, to sustain the argument. There was a change of venue in this case and the district attorney of Columbia county tried the case for the commonwealth, Mr. Simons said. The motion to exclude was refused by Judge Searle and the assembling of a jury to sit in the trial was then taken up.

A special venire of forty-eight jurors had been drawn for this trial. The selecting of the twelve men was marked with even more caution than at any of Howe's previous trials. The talesmen were submitted to a racking cross-searching by Mr. Holgate and on the slightest suspicion that a talesman might have talked the case over, even if the talk took place only today, that man was rejected by Mr. Holgate.

District Attorney Simons took charge of the jury, selecting for the commonwealth, because being an officer of Wayne county his acquaintance with Wayne county men would necessarily be more extensive than that of Mr. O'Brien. Mr. Holgate adopted similar precautions. Alongside of him sits Attorney F. P. Kimble, of Honesdale.

**No Boys Allowed!**

Believing that the trial involves phases of life and morals detrimental to the youth of Honesdale and vicinity, Judge Searle ordered that no boy under twenty-one years of age be admitted to the court room while the trial is on. Several women, however, were on hand Tuesday afternoon when the trial began. One minister, Rev. George S. Wendell, of the Baptist church, was also present. Judge Searle espied him in the audience and invited him to a seat at

the judge's stand, which invitation was accepted.

**Wednesday Morning.**

When court opened Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock, it took fully an hour to complete the quota of jurors, the last ones selected being William Jaynes, Canaan, and H. S. Simons, Sterling.

Dressed in a becoming suit of blue that showed off to best advantage the rich, red coloring of her cheeks, Madeline Patterson, took the stand, Wednesday morning, and told her story. In the morning a large hat adorned her head, but at the afternoon session it was removed.

Miss Patterson appeared timid and nervous and answered the questions of counsels in a low voice, accented by quivering tones, while on the stand. Jurymen bent forward to hear each word as it left her lips and seemed to watch every move. Her testimony was straightforward, and though at the morning session she did not touch upon the details that led up to the accusations, the impression she created was extremely favorable.

Looking more mature but still bearing the freshness of youth that bespeaks life in the open suburbs, she was the cynosure of all eyes as she entered the court room when the trial opened Wednesday morning and took her seat beside the counsel for the commonwealth.

The first impression made upon the spectators was one of sympathy, resulting from the impressive address of Attorney Valentine, to the jury in opening the case for the prosecution when he mentioned the name of Miss Patterson's mother lying in the graveyard, the loss of her brother by drowning a few weeks ago at Glenburn, and the need of protecting other motherless girls.

While Attorney Valentine was speaking, the young girl trembling in the chair a few feet away was seen to bite her lips and then, failing to keep back the tears longer, burst into sobs that swelled the eyes of many others in attendance. She finally gained control of herself and the trial resumed.

Another pathetic side of the case is the presence of the mother of the defendant, who has spent her all to save her son from the stigma of a convict's stripes. Howe's sister is also an attendant at the trial.

**The First Tilt.**

The first tilt between attorneys and Judge Searle occurred Wednesday morning, when, following an hour of almost continual wrangling over technicalities, the court rapped for order and exclaimed:

"Now gentlemen, don't get excited. You're not in Lackawanna county now. Let's try this case peacefully and orderly and we'll get along all right."

Despite this declaration, Attorney Holgate was on his feet with objections that were overruled as consistently as the protests were presented.

Dr. F. B. Davidson, Factoryville, a retired physician, aged 83, was the first witness called. He testified to the birth and age of Madeline.

The prosecution will rely for conviction on the acts alleged to have been committed between September 9, 1905, and December 7, 1906, during which time Madeline was under 16 years of age and incompetent legally to give consent.

**Wednesday Afternoon.**

Over the introduction, as evidence, of certain postals and letters that passed between Madeline and Carl, the attorneys wrangled interminably. Pleasantries were frequently exchanged by the learned gentlemen from Lackawanna county. Madeline was on the stand, almost all afternoon, the last witness for the prosecution being her father, George Patterson. The prosecution then rested, and the defense will open Thursday morning.

**Thursday Morning.**

The Thursday morning session of the trial was given over almost entirely to the examination of character witnesses, several of whom testified that Miss Patterson's reputation, as a girl, was not what it should

Attorney Frank P. Kimble,  
Honesdale Lawyer Who Is Assisting R. H. Holgate, Esq., In The Defense Of Carl Howe. . . .



have been. Attorney Valentine enlivened the proceedings by asking one of the witnesses whether it was a "religious" play he saw at the Star Theatre, Scranton.

The witnesses who went on the stand were Miss Edith Reynolds, a stenographer, Plymouth; Howard Briggs, Factoryville, a D. L. & W. R. R. carpenter; Lynn Holgate, La Plume, a son of Lawyer Holgate; H. W. Howe, La Plume; Arthur Schimpf and Roy Manchester, Scranton; and Asher Reynolds, Factoryville.

The defence opened their case at 9 a.m., without any preliminary address to the jury.

**EMULATES WOODROW WILSON**

**Professor Merriam Seeks Nomination For Chicago Mayoralty.**

The recent sudden change of Woodrow Wilson from the comparative quiet of the life connected with the presidency of Princeton university to the turmoil that is part of the governor of New Jersey's life may be duplicated



Photo by American Press Association.

CHARLES E. MERRIAM.

at this spring's mayoralty election in Chicago. The new educational candidate for political honors is Professor Charles E. Merriam of the University of Chicago.

Though he has not completed his first term in the city council, Professor Merriam has already made his mark in Chicago politics. He was the author of a resolution providing for a council commission to investigate the city's expenditures and on its passage was made chairman. The Merriam commission, as it was called, unearthed some evidences of contract graft and recommended relief.

As the direct primary system prevails in Illinois the alderman-professor must first secure the Republican nomination in a large field and then meet one or more Democratic candidates in the April election.

**A Mean Question.**

"Yes, it was George's idea to give me a silver spoon for every birthday." "How many has he given you?" "Why, twenty-two." "Why did he stop?"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

**TAFT A BOY SCOUT.**

Organization Makes President and Roosevelt Honorary Officers.

Washington, Feb. 15.—After electing officers for the ensuing year and discussing plans for the training of boys, the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America to-day adjourned their conference here.

President Taft and Colonel Theodore Roosevelt were elected honorary president and honorary vice-president respectively. Other officers elected were as follows: Collis H. Livingstone, of Washington, president; D. L. Lulancy, of Bristol, Tenn., first vice-president; Milton A. McKee, of Detroit, second vice-president; George D. Pratt, of New York, treasurer, and Ernest Thompson Seton, chief-scout; Daniel C. Beard, of New York, adjutant general; William Verback, of Albany, N. Y., and Colonel Peter S. Brown, of New York, were elected national scout commissioners.

Plans were instituted for the raising of forty thousand dollars to be used in the establishment of an effective organization for the interests of the Boy Scouts. Before the council adjourned \$20,000 of that amount had been subscribed.

**Funeral Of Adam S. Pride.**

Funeral services for the late Adam S. Pride, a veteran of the Civil War, were held in the Sunday School room of the Central M. E. church this (Thursday) afternoon at 2 o'clock, the pastor, Rev. Will H. Hiller, officiating. Captain James Ham Post, G. A. R., Comander Henry Wilson conducted services at the church and grave. Interment was made in the Soldiers' plot in Glen Dyberry. The pallbearers were John Fisher, J. Edward Cook, W. W. Wood, Graham Watts, Louis Leitz, Stuart Lincoln.

**Jurors Selected In Howe Case**

- 1. R. F. Warg—Merchant—Hawley.
- 2. George Mackie — Farmer—Seelyville.
- 3. Frank E. Gries — Farmer—West Damascus.
- 4. Frank W. Schuerholz — Merchant—Honesdale.
- 5. S. W. Swingel — Farmer—South Canaan.
- 6. J. N. Cole — Farmer—Lookout.
- 7. William Garrett—Farmer—Berlin.
- 8. William A. Brown—Farmer—Lebanon.
- 9. Virgil Smith — Laborer—Dyberry.
- 10. John Kline — Farmer—Seelyville.
- 11. William Jaynes—Farmer—Canaan.
- 12. H. S. Simons—Farmer—Sterling.

**Penn's Football Dates Are Approved.**

At the meeting of the Faculty Committee on Athletics Wednesday the question of the eligibility of Captain Schultz, of the baseball team, and of Pitcher Clarke, the Princeton graduate, did not come up for action. In view of the recent stand taken by Penn regarding the eligibility of athletes neither men will likely be allowed to represent the Red and Blue. In that case Schultz, it is said, will join either the Philadelphia Athletics or the Pittsburgh team. Clarke is a clever left-handed pitcher whom Coach Thomas says he could use in rounding out his pitching staff.

Following is the ratified football schedule. All the games will be played at home with the exception of the Michigan game, which will be played at Ann Arbor:

Saturday, Sept. 24—Gettysburg.

Wednesday, Sept. 27—Franklin and Marshall.

Saturday, Sept. 30—Dickinson.

Saturday, Oct. 7—Ursinus.

Saturday, Oct. 14—Villanova.

Saturday, Oct. 21—Brown.

Saturday, Oct. 28—State College.

Saturday, Nov. 4—Carlisle Indians.

Saturday, Nov. 11—Lafayette.

Thursday, Nov. 30 (Thanksgiving Day)—Cornell.

**BEST STORY OF THE DAY**

**Sure Enough.**

I believe in that French theory that children who are born foolish should be destroyed in infancy," declared the man with the fur overcoat at the big hostelry yesterday.

"That's all right," said the little man who was with him, "but what would become of the Keystone party if they did that?"—With apologies to Norman E. Mack's National Monthly.

**It Takes Time.**

"Has little Mrs. R. consoled herself over her husband's death yet?"

"Oh, no; no yet! You know what a long time these insurance companies take to pay!"

Cleveland Plain Dealer.

We must not sit down and look for miracles.—Eliot.

The people are enjoying good sleighing.

**POLITICIANS GUIDE.**

When To File Your Petitions—How Many Signers To Have And So Forth—Convenient To Carry In Your Card Case.

In response to a number of requests as to the number of county offices to be filled at the next election; the number of names on petition that each candidate must have; and when they must be in, we publish the following information, taken from Pennsylvania Laws Act of 1906; which is still in force:

**County Offices To Be Filled.**

Sheriff.

Prothonotary, Clerk of Court of Quarter Sessions and of Orphans' Court.

Register and Recorder.

Court Stenographer (To Be Appointed).

Treasurer.

District Attorney.

County Commissioners (three).

Clerk to Commissioners (To Be Appointed).

Jury Commissioners (two) (not to be elected this year.)

Auditors (three).

Surveyor ("held by virtue of seniority.")

Coroner.

Solicitor (To Be Appointed).

**Petitions To Be Filed.**

Petitions must be filed at least three weeks prior to the primary with the County Commissioners.

**Number Of Signers.**

Candidates for Judge: Two hundred qualified electors.

Candidates for offices to be voted for by the entire county: Fifty qualified electors.

Candidates for nomination for all other offices and for party offices: Ten qualified electors.

**Steel Corporation's New Men.**

James A. Farrell, the newly elected president of the United States Steel corporation, worked his way to the top from the lowest round of the ladder. Since boyhood he has been handling steel, but until his recent elevation was practically unknown outside the trade. Mr. Farrell's selection was not the result of sudden impulse, however. On the contrary, it is said that for several years J. P. Morgan and Judge Cary have had him in view for the place. Mr. Farrell joined the big cor-



poration in 1903 and helped organize the United States Steel Products company, of which he was made president. That company is the general selling agency of the steel corporation, and he was its head until his recent advancement.

Mr. Farrell is a native of New Haven and went to work in a wire mill there at the age of sixteen. That was thirty-two years ago. At twenty-five he secured employment with the Pittsburg Wire company and in a few years became general manager of that concern. Later he was superintendent of the Oliver Wire company, finally going to the corporation he now heads.