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RUSSIA AND JAPAN AT WAR

The struggle between the two nations over Russian encroachment has commenced. Japan has used her torpedo boats with deadly effect on the Russian fleet off Port Arthur. Several Russian warships have been disabled or sunk and at least one merchantman captured: A transport with 2000 troops has been captured by the Japs and probably two large steamers. It is considered that Russia has received a severe naval blow by reason of the prompt and decisive action of the Japanese fleet. The United States has been asked and will declare strict neutrality and this step meets with hearty approval by Continental powers.

A Valentine's Night Party

Dainty heart-shaped missive with Cupids and arrows painted around the edges summoned the score or more young folks to the merry-making.

Along one end of a room was stretched a blue ribbon, from which were hung half as many silver hearts as there were guests. Each heart had the name of one of the party written on the back. When all were assembled the men were given a tiny bow and arrow with instructions to pierce whichever heart they chose as a means of selecting partners for a game of hearts which followed. This little game of archery broke the ice of reserve at once and made every one feel at ease.

The sentiment of the evening was carried out as far as possible in the menu. Ices were frozen to represent a bundle of arrows. The favors were heart-shaped boxes filled with heart-shaped confections. In every conceivable way some thought of the sentiment of the occasion was expressed.

To the Philippines to Wed

Mrs. David Ely Green, of Llewellyn Park, Orange, N. J., and her daughter, Miss Helen Green, have started for San Francisco, on their way to the Philippines. They will be met at Manila by Lieutenant Harold Clearman, of the Philippine scouts, whose engagement to Miss Green was announced last autumn, and their wedding is to take place in Manila shortly after Miss Green's arrival. She is an attractive young woman and is well known in society in New York and the Oranges.

Lieutenant Clearman, who was a member of the Seventh regiment before joining the regular army, is a son of the late John W. Clearman of New York, and a grandson of Dr. George Bell Wallace of this city. Lieutenant Clearman's father served in the army during the civil war and his paternal grandfather fought in the war of 1812, and his great grandfather in the Revolution

One Dollar to New York, Feb. 22

Monday, February 22, Washington's Birthday," the Erie will run a popular one dollar excursion from Port Jervis to New York, special train leaving Port Jervis at 7 a. m., arriving in New York at 10 a. m., allowing over nine hours in the city as the special train returning will leave Chambers street, New York, at 7.45 p. m. and Jersey City at 8 p. m. Here is a grand opportunity to take in the sights of Greater New York on Washington's birthday at one dollar for the round trip.

The real estate of the late P. A. L. Quick in Lehman, Delaware, Dingman, Milford township and Milford borough and shares of stock First National Bank of Port Jervis, in the Milford Bridge company and Milford Water company will be sold at public sale by the executrix, Tuesday, March 8th, at the Court House at 2 p. m.

THE JAGGER MURDER TRIAL

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paper wadding. Jagger cut some wads and put them in the cupboard. Later Jagger said, "Sam, your wife and my wife are gone and if we knew where we could go out and knock some one over for two or three hundred dollars it would be nice." I asked if he would murder for that and he replied: "No, but I might for a bigger sum." The cross examination confused the witness and he made some contradicting statements. He admitted that he told prisoner's counsel a different story and gave as a reason that he had since been advised to tell all he knew. Said that he had previously stated that the shells were wadded with white paper.

Percy Bartle, a boy who worked for Jagger last fall and for four days after the shooting, said prisoner's wife and family were absent the night of the occurance. Said Jagger had a single and double barrel shotgun and that George Jagger stayed with his brother Joseph the night of October 23rd.

Joseph H Thompson, a constable, was with Sheriff Andress when he arrested Jagger, and heard him say to his wife, "If you had been home this thing would not have happened." Jagger feared lynching. Witness identified a box of shells and had three empty ones he found in Jagger's house. Found buckshot in George Jagger's house and a gun standing behind a bed in Joseph Jagger's house.

Levi Howell had bought ground hog skins of prisoner last September. Five were offered in evidence. When tanning the skins some buckshot fell out of them.

Sheriff Andress testified to remark made by Jagger when arrested as above. Said Jagger was nervous and feared lynching. Said Jagger remarked as reason why his brother had not visited him in jail that they might shove him in jail too and that they had nothing to shove him, Jagger, in jail for.

Dr. John Kelly said he had trained dogs and owned several breeds. Had now two great Danes. Objection was made by the defense and the question of the admissibility of evidence showing dogs tracking men was argued by Mr. Hood for the state who cited cases in Kentuckey, Alabama and Texas.

Theo. Simonson, for the defense, contended that there was no precedent in New Jersey for admitting such evidence, that circumstances in the South were vastly different, that these dogs were not trained blood hounds, but Danes, that when dogs were used in the South they were put on fresh trails, while in this case there was a delay of several hours. The court excluded the offer as incompetent.

Sheriff Andress was recalled to give testimony as to Jagger's attempt to commit suicide. The question was argued by both sides, the prosecution claiming that inferences might be drawn the same as from attempts to escape. The defense argued there was no law for such evidence and that other motives, such as nervousness from long confinement, excitement in view of a trial, desertion by friends, might prompt the deed. The objection was overruled and the evidence admitted.

The Sheriff said at 4.15 he heard a knocking, went to the jail, found Jagger bloody and that he fell in a corner of his cell. Cuts were on right side of throat and both wrists.

Julius Beiser said, while sleeping in a cell adjoining Jagger's, heard him groaning, asked the cause and Jagger said he had cut himself with a case knife. Said Jagger had asked him to procure laudanum and also asked for a revolver.

Ira Stoll on his way home from Laytons the night of the crime saw Jagger on the stoop of his house about 8.30, and that Jagger mistook him for Moses Gumaer and asked for his mail. Told Jagger of the shooting and he asked witness to go with him to Bevans house He refused and Jagger asked him to tell Litts to come and go.

Miss Fannie Gumaer passer Jagger's house in a carriage about 5.45 in the afternoon of the day and saw Jagger in his yard.

J. V. Rosencrans was in the jail the day his sister called on Jagger. He asked after his family and said if he had had a revolver a day or two after he was locked up he would have shot himself.

The state then rested and the defense moved for the discharge of the prisoner on the ground that there was no evidence to show the guilt of the prisoner. The motion was denied the court holding it to be a question for the jury.

Mr. Simonson, opening for the defense, said they would account for prisoners whereabouts the evening of the crime, that he was home storing potatoes in his cellar, that his gun was at Joseph Jagger's where he had left it and it was hidden up stairs through fear that the children might meddle with it.

The defendant, George Jagger, then took the witness stand in his own behalf. Though somewhat improved was yet in a weakened condition. He testified as follows:

Am 42 years old, was born at Dingmans, Pike county, had lived in Sandyston since March, 1903, was married, had three children. Joseph Jagger rented property he lived on of Alton Reasor, 45 acres, house and garden. Sam Litts helped on the farm. Jagger farmed for his brother on shares. Last October had to get in corn and dig potatoes. Remember the shooting of Bevans and wife, but did not then know the day. Recognized gun shown as his, got it of John Crone. Is a 12 bore. Hunted wood chucks, and was coon hunting the Monday night before the shooting with my brother and Percy Bartlet. Went from Joe's house toward the river, gone about an hour, then went to brother's house to get some corn and left gun in hog pen. Next morning I took it to my brother's house and gave it to him, was loaded and Joe took the load out. Did not see the gun again until the day after the shooting. It was upstairs in the part of house occupied by my sister. She got it from her kitchen. Friday I was home, stayed Thursday night with Sam Litts, went home in morning, got my breakfast and was home all day. In forenoon made a potato and apple bin in cellar. After dinner put apples in the bin, then came up stairs and made rabbit snares. Some one came to the door and tried to open it. I said, "Who's there," he said, "Sam." He came in. I did not want him to see snares and told him to get box of shells and I put the snare in my pocket. We talked about threshing and looked at my work in the cellar. Litts went away with Percy Bartlet at 3.30 in a wagon, and I went to making snares and set two in the woods. Then did the night chores, and about dusk took the lantern, lit another light, set it in cellar and changed some fruit cans. Went to barn and carried 8 bushels potatoes and some apples from out kitchen, quit work about 7 p. m., carried lantern with me each time I went from kitchen to cellar. Shut hen house door when I quit work, went in house and did not go out again that night. Took off boots and socks and laid down on lounge. It was then 7.15. In a few minutes heard dogs bark and went to the door, saw wagon going toward Layton. Heard driver speak to horse and I laid down again. Twenty minutes after dogs barked again and I heard people going toward Layton. Dogs barked third time and I heard Frank Stoll, whose voice I recognized, say to horse, "Get up you old fool what the matter with you." Went to sleep again and dogs woke me and I went out and Ira Stoll told me Bevans was shot. While carrying potatoes in cellar a man with a moustache and a women with him went past in a wagon. Horse was a cream color. Before that a woman on horseback went past. After hearing of the shooting, I went over to Joe's and told him of it. We went to Bevans' got there about 9. Witness explained remarks made to his wife that if she had been here the thing would not have happened because he could have proved by her that he was home.

He denied conversation as testified to by Mrs Litts, and in response to questions by Mr. Martin gave his answers straight and without hesitation. Question by Martin. George you are charged by the prosecution with going to the Bevans house and shooting two shots through the window. Did you do it?

A. I did not.

Q. Did you go to the Bevans house prior to the time you heard of the shooting?

A. I did not.

Q. Did you ask your keeper for laudanum?

A. I did.

Q. What for?

A. I was restless, sick and all broken up.

Q. Why did you attempt suicide?

A. Everybody is against me and I have heard some people are going to swear false against me and thought the best thing to do was to end it all.

At this point he broke down and the examination was suspended.

Ella Hursh swore she met a carriage near Jagger's home about 6 p. m. October 23. Man and woman in it. Did not see Jagger at his house on any lights.

Moses Gumaer said same afternoon Jagger asked him to get his mail.

Flavius Major said about 7.15, October 23, he started with his sister for Laytons. Going by Jagger's house, a dog scared his horse and he said, "go on." Saw no lights in Jagger's house. His sister did not remember much of the incident. Mrs. Major, the mother, said it was ten to fifteen minutes past 7 when they left home.

Sally Gumaer said she met a woman on horseback near Sam Litts house.

Joshua Shay lives directly across the meadows from Jagger's house and both he, Laura Wilson and Cora Decker swore they reached home from Port Jervis about 7.10 the evening of the shooting. Shay said while putting his horses in the stable and doing work around barn and house they saw a light in Jagger's cellar and some one walking around the premises with a lantern.

Ira Stoll and Earl Hammond, who made a test, said a light at Jagger's could be seen from Shay's house. Mrs. Pearl Decker corroborated this.

Geo. Williams testified as to Jagger's owning a gun. Saw it at Joe Jagger's house. Saw a light at Jagger's house that night as testified to by him.

Joseph Jagger corroborated other witnesses as light being seen from Shay's.

The cross examination of George Jagger did not materially weaken his testimony and court adjourned until next Monday.

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And saplings planted here and there
About the yard, and boxed with care
As if to typify, in turn,
The youngsters caught and caged, to learn.

Around, the rolling pasture spread,
With woodland patches garlanded.
From which the breezes gladly bore
Sly invitations to the door.
Across the sills the bees' soft hum
Was mingled with the muttered sum,
And from their covert in the vale
In plaintive pleading piped the quail.

With basket and with pail equipped,
Clear-eyed, tan-cheeked and berry-lipped,
Athwart the pastures, down the road,
They trudged to learning's poor abode;
The pink sunbonnet, broad-brimmed straw
The bare brown feet that knew no law
Of fashion's last; the bundled forms
They laugh aloud at cold and storms.

What tales the scarred desks might relate
Of triumph gained with book and slate!
What lore the clapboards loose posses
Of feasts at noontime and recess!
And doomed how oft the panes to see,
Back up the road, and over the lea,
Haste boy and girl, new worlds to find,
The little school house left behind.

O, little county school! In vain
May critics hold you in disdain.
The greatest lessons that you taught
Were not by chalk and pencil wrought
As oped your door on fields and sky,
So, likewise just as wide and high,
You opened to the eyes of youth
The principles of love and truth.

E. L. Sabin, in Youth's Companion.

Valentine's Day and Customs

St. Valentine's day Monday.

The celebration of this day dates back to the Lupercalian feast of ancient Rome. During this February feast the names of girls were shaken in a box and drawn out at random by young men.

The early Christians held to the custom, only substituting the names of saints instead of women. The festival fell on February 14, the day sacred to the memory of St. Valentine, a Roman priest martyred in the third century.

The religious significance of the day soon wore off, leaving only the saint's name, and the old custom of choosing lovers by lot was resumed. The drawing of lots was superseded by the sending of anonymous love verses and letters.

From this sober beginning sprang the present laced, many-colored valentine containing a few lines of alleged poetry.

A number of customs, now largely obsolete, accompanied the old-time festival. Girls would pin five bay leaves to their pillows on St. Valentine's eve, believing that whatsoever man appeared in their dreams that night would marry them before the year was out.

Another, less agreeable, custom was to boil an egg hard, substitute salt for the yolk, eat the egg, shell and all, not speaking or drinking afterward. The first man seen by the luckless egg-eater next morning was fated to be her husband.

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IN PIKE COUNTY COMMON PLEAS COURT.

No. 8. October Term, 1903.

WILLIAM COOK
vs
ANNA A. COOK

In Divorce.
Subpoena and alias subpoena returned Respondent not found

To ANNA A. COOK:—

You are hereby notified to be and appear at our Court of Common Pleas to be held at Milford on the third Monday of March next (it being the return day of our next term of court) and answer the complaint of Libellant filed in the above case.

GEORGE GREGORY,
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NEW DRESS GOODS HERE

Weaves that promise much popularity this Spring are Scotch Fancies, Broadcloths, Venetians, Cheviots and materials of that kind. Sheer goods, such as Voiles, Etamines and Mohairs, will be strong in demand.

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