

Men's Suits, Boys' Suits, and Boys' Overcoats, MACKINTOSHES.

ROBERT E. WILLIAMS,

Opposite the Diamond Roller Mills, THE DALLES, OREGON.

DURRANT CONSPIRACY

Smythe Alleged to Have Made a Confession.

MORE OF THE VILLAINOUS SCHEME

He Denounced Some of the Testimony of the Prosecution as Absolutely Unworthy Belief—Deuprey Talks.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 29.—General Dickinson resumed his argument on behalf of the defendant when the trial of Theodore Durrant began this morning. He blamed the police for not making a closer examination of the belfry where Miss Lamont's body was found. The examination, he said, might have shown some clue that would have put the police on the track of the real murderer, instead of compelling them to accuse an innocent man of the crime. With reference to Martin Quinlan, he said he believed the fact had been established that Quinlan's testimony was not worthy of belief.

Oppenheim's testimony was picked to pieces and the conclusion drawn that Oppenheim was not telling the truth. Phillips, who corroborated Oppenheim's testimony, was said to have "so bad a reputation at Victoria, B. C., that little credence should be given to what he said."

Dickinson said he had but little to say about the testimony of Miss Cunningham. He said that he preferred that she should be convicted of treachery and deceit by words that came from her own mouth. He said that her story was unnatural, improbable, disconnected and absolutely untrue.

Dickinson closed by appealing to the jury to bear in mind that the strength of the chain of circumstantial evidence was only equal to its weakest link. The pivotal point in the whole case, he said, was Dr. Cheney's roll-call, which shows that Durrant was at the Cooper medical college on the afternoon that Blanche Lamont was murdered. The whole case centered around the call, which he believed had been amply corroborated by Dr. Cheney and the student who called the roll. He said the prosecution had produced no testimony which proved that Durrant, whose character had been good all his life, had suddenly been transformed into a monster, when it is alleged he strangled Blanche Lamont. He urged the jury to disregard all public clamor and opinions of the press in arriving at a conclusion, and then, he said, the defense would be satisfied, no matter what the verdict might be. Dickinson concluded his argument at 11:50, and then, on motion of District Attorney Barnes, a recess was taken until 2 o'clock, when Attorney Deuprey will make the closing argument for the defense.

Deuprey is still weak from his recent illness, and will not speak for more than two hours. A recess will then be taken until tomorrow morning, when District Attorney Barnes will make the closing argument for the prosecution.

UNPARALLELED WEATHER.

Great and Destructive Storms Prevailing in Michigan.

DETROIT, Oct. 29.—All records of the weather office for years were broken by Monday's cold wave and Northwest gale. In Detroit in the morning the thermometer was 28 degrees. The wind attained a fearful velocity, so much so that the sand dunes at St. Joseph were shifted and hundreds of tons of sand

blown across the railroad tracts. From numerous points in the state came the report of wind and snow storms and bitter cold weather. From Schoolcraft it is reported that sand and dust storms of great fury prevailed for 48 hours, the air filled with sand which makes it difficult to be out of doors. No such weather has ever been experienced and thousands of dollars of damage has been done to the celery crop in Kalamazoo and at other points through the state. The Newberry celery crop is utterly ruined. Reports from the upper peninsula at Sault Ste Marie, state a general snow storm is prevailing in that region.

Opposed to Utah's Statehood.

SALT LAKE, Oct. 29.—The Tribune prints a column article today, stating that circulars are being sent out from Ogden to all voters in the territory for the purpose of defeating statehood. The circular is headed: "The Danger of Statehood." It deals largely in statistics, showing the cost of running the state government, and closes by saying that statehood will add \$500,000 to the burden of the people. It is claimed that the circulars are sent out by Fred J. Kiesel, who was a democratic member of the recent constitutional convention and that a list of voters had been obtained from the records of the Utah commission.

Athletic Club Officers Arrested.

HOT SPRINGS, Oct. 29.—Manager J. Vendig and Secretary Wheelock, of the Florida Athletic Club, were arrested this afternoon on warrants charging them with conspiring to commit a breach of the peace. Both were promptly released on bonds. This is another shrewd move to head off the attorney-general, who was preparing to have them arrested upon a similar charge and carried to Little Rock for trial. If Fitzsimmons succeeds in getting here, there will be a "mill," unless the governor should run in a squad of militia, which is not probable.

Woman Suffrage Voted Down.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Oct. 29.—The convention today voted down the woman suffrage amendment with a decisive vote of 121 to 26. George D. Tillman made a great speech declaring that by enfranchising women with a property qualification the white people could carry elections by fair and honest methods and by no other way could they do it. He characterized the suffrage plan of Senator Tillman as a temporary fraudulent makeshift.

For a Short Campaign.

KANSAS CITY, Oct. 29.—The Kansas City Commercial Club, the city's most influential organization of business men tonight adopted a memorial to the executive committee of the national democratic and republican parties, earnestly requesting that the national conventions be held not earlier than three months previous to the election of 1896.

Racing in Texas.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Oct. 31.—The San Antonio Jockey Club has decided to hold a four days' meeting, beginning November 19. Liberal purses will be hung up, and at this meeting will end the racing season in Texas. A large attendance of horses is assured.

Eckels Not a Candidate.

CHICAGO, Oct. 29.—Controller J. H. Eckels, who passed through Chicago last night, stopped long enough to disclaim any aspirations for the gubernatorial nomination in 1896. Mr. Eckels and ex-Congressman Cable represent the faction of the Illinois democracy which is opposed to Governor Altgeld.

Caught at Last.

NEWPORT, R. I., Oct. 29.—James G. Van Allen has been arrested on a writ charging him with the alienation of his wife's affections, sworn out by Colonel S. Colt, and he has given \$200,000 bail.

THE END DRAWS NEAR

Durrant Case to Go Before the Jury Thursday.

TO BE CHARGED THIS MORNING

District Attorney Barnes Draws a Horrible Picture of the Motives Prompting the Crime.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 30.—District Attorney Barnes today began the closing argument on behalf of the state in the trial of Theodore Durrant. The courtroom was crowded to its utmost capacity and close attention was paid to the speaker. Mr. Barnes spoke, in part, as follows:

"The individual who perpetrated the hideous murder, with which the defendant stands charged and which has harrowed the soul and frozen the blood of this community, is no ordinary criminal; and his crime in every aspect in which it may be considered is without a parallel. It was not committed under a blind and furious impulse to revenge some real or fancied wrong to his person, his property or his character, nor from motives of gain, nor in the commission of robbery, nor yet under the hot spur of jealousy, that hell of the injured lover. It was in every sense a cold-blooded, vicious murder. It was without the slightest provocation or apparent excuse or palliation. The assassin chose for his victim an innocent and helpless maiden, in years almost a child, almost a stranger in our city, a simple school-girl, temporarily residing with a relative and engaged in the struggle to obtain an education as a teacher in the normal school. She was undeveloped in mind, pure in life and thought, pure and unsuspecting in nature, and presenting in body none of the qualities which are supposed to arouse the evil passions of the seducer and libertine. For the scene of his dreadful assault the murderer selected an evangelical church dedicated to the worship of God, a temple where the doctrines and life of Jesus Christ were taught and illustrated in Sabbath assembly, in midweek prayer meeting and in social gathering. He took the life of his victim, not with the savage mercy of the quick pistol or the silent knife, but he tortured her with the lingering process of strangulation, driving his cruel fingers deep into the tender flesh of her slender throat; and so fiercely did he do his devil's work that the stigma of his crime remained until the discovery of her corpse, clearly discernible as the cause of death, not only by the expert surgical examiner, but by the most unlearned observer. What other, if any, wrong was done her before her soul exhaled and went to heaven we do not know.

"The advancement of nature decomposition baffled investigation and made knowledge impossible, but we know that either living or dying, or dead, she was taken by him up the steep stairs of the steeple of the belfry of the church, where he supported the poor body with blocks of wood, and left it there to rot in nakedness and wither in the cool western wind that swept through the lofty spire. He hid the remains where he believed they would remain undiscovered and receive no promise of Christian burial. There he left her. She was dead, but he fancied himself safe from detection and exposure. The heaven-pointing spire of the Redeemer's church was his only confidant and accomplice. No human eye had witnessed his assault upon Blanche Lamont. No ear had

heard her first shriek of terror and amazement as this monster fell upon her, or the last stifled moan of dying agony that preceded the awful silence of her final rest. None, save the God whom he feared not, had seen him as he extended the naked and slender form on the belfry floor, laid the thin arms across the undeveloped bosom, propped the head and straightened the meager body in the dust. Not a human being had beheld his retreat from the awful presence of the death which was his work, and the secret was safely locked in his own breast. There lay the speechless and untestifying corpse, and what was it now to give him fear? It had been nothing but a girl after all, and concerning her there would be the same old story to which he could help give currency—the same old story of a vanished girl, a distracted family, an ineffective and perfunctory search among the houses of ill-repute, a reluctant conclusion that this little one, like others of Eve's daughters, had gone to her moral destruction; a picture turned to the wall a name never spoken and oblivion, personal and social, for poor lost Blanche Lamont. And he was right for the moment. The wrath of the God whose law he had violated, and whose temple he had desecrated, seemed to slumber. The murderer went his guilty way with his undivulged crime, unscathed and unwhipped of justice, while his victim lay in the spire that points its slender finger to the sky as if reproaching its ruler for his unmoving indignation."

The Importation of Mexican Cattle.

DALLAS, Tex., Oct. 30.—The executive committee of the Texas Livestock Association adopted the following:

"Whereas, Largely exaggerated reports have been put into circulation as to the importation of Mexican cattle into Texas: and,

"Whereas, Such reports are calculated to depreciate values in Texas cattle; therefore, be it,

"Resolved, That after a careful investigation of the matter, this committee feels justified in making the statement that the importation of Mexican cattle along the border from October 22 to December 31 of this year will not exceed 100,000 head, and consequently will not in the least affect prices, or in any way prove detrimental to the cattle interests of the state."

BARNES STILL ARGUING.

Case to go to the Jury Some Time Tomorrow.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 31.—District Attorney Barnes this morning resumed his argument on behalf of the prosecution in the trial of Theodore Durrant. He attacked the methods of the defense in the cross-examination of Mrs. Crosset and Mrs. Noble. A fictitious strap was shown to one and deceptive questions asked of the other. While he said he despised such methods, he said the prosecution had been strengthened by them as the witnesses had not been entrapped. So far as Martin Quinlan's testimony and his character were concerned, Barnes said he contended both were good. He said Quinlan told his story before either Mrs. Leak or Mrs. Crosset were heard of. Quinlan's testimony was corroborated by the statements of both women.

Barnes compared Durrant with other notorious criminals of both ancient and modern times. As compared with Durrant, Barnes said Cain was a mild and peaceable citizen; Professor Webster, the Harvard instructor, who murdered Dr. Parkman, was a George Washington of murderers, and Holmes, the multi-murderer, who is now on trial in Philadelphia, is a gentleman and scholar.

When the court took a recess until 2 o'clock Barnes informed the court that he would probably close his argument at about 4. The court then asked the jurors whether they preferred to be charged at once and retire to make up a verdict, or be charged tomorrow morning.

Juror Truman arose and said the question had been considered by the jury, and the members decided they would rather not be charged until tomorrow morning. As the judge's charge is quite lengthy, it is not expected that the jury will retire before tomorrow noon.

Futurity Stakes for 1897.

NEW YORK, Oct. 31.—The amount added by the Coney Island Jockey Club to the Futurity stakes of 1897, which closed January 2, 1895, with sealed entries, will be \$8750, divided as follows:

To the winner, \$3500; second horse, \$1000; third horse, \$500; breeder of winner, \$2000; breeder of second horse, \$1250; breeder of third horse, \$500.

Pennsylvania Defeated Brown.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 30.—The university of Pennsylvania football eleven defeated Brown university this afternoon 12 to 9.

HOLMES' WEARY TRIAL

Takes a Humorous View of His Situation.

APPEARS TO BE CHEERFUL

Barnes is Still Arguing the Durrant Case—Draws Fearful Comparisons—The Charge Will Be Lengthy.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 31.—When privileged persons had been admitted today to the courtroom in which the trial of Holmes is proceeding, there appeared to be almost as many women as men present. Holmes was as calm and unmoved as ever. He was placed in the dock at 10 o'clock, and had a long and earnest colloquy with his counsel. Holmes was apparently offering suggestions. He appeared brighter and more cheerful than any time since the trial began, and after counsel resumed his seat, he chatted and laughed with two court officers. The first witness was Sidney I. Samuels, a member of the bar at Fort Worth, Tex. He invariably referred to Holmes as the "individual." Holmes smiled broadly whenever the term was used. District Attorney Graham produced a note, identified by Mrs. Pitzel yesterday, as one that Holmes had pretended to pay at a St. Louis bank, for which he got \$5,000 from her. Samuels said the body of the note was in his handwriting. In the latter part of April or early in May, 1894, there was in Fort Worth a man known as H. M. Pratt, overseeing the erection of a three-story structure, as agent for Benton T. Lyman, the supposed owner. Pratt saw witness and tried to negotiate a loan of \$16,000 by mortgaging the property. The note was drawn up and signed by Benton T. Lyman. Subsequently Pratt claimed to have lost the note, and told witness he would draw up a second note. The note was never indorsed, nor the loan made.

Graham sought to prove that the note was never a legal document. Inspector Gerry, of the insurance company, was re-called, Graham saying he proposed to prove by him that Holmes was much married, and that Miss Yoke was not his lawful wife, and is, therefore, incompetent to testify.

Gerry said he had seen at the prisoner's house in Wilmette, Ill., a woman representing herself as Mrs. H. H. Holmes. He identified the photograph of her. She was not Miss Yoke. Last December witness told Holmes, in prison, of his visit to Wilmette. Holmes said he wanted to write a letter to his wife and did so, asking witness to mail it. Holmes told witness he deposited \$1000 of the insurance company's money with Mr. Blackman, of Chicago, his real estate agent, so "Mrs. Holmes" could draw upon it.

The defense entered a formal objection to all the evidence of Gerry concerning Miss Yoke, but it was overruled.

A GRAND DISCOVERY.

If Genuine, It is the Greatest Boom of Medical Science.

LAWRENCE, Kas., Oct. 31.—Prof. L. I. Blake, of Kansas University, has discovered a remedy and preventive of diphtheria, if the results of experiments already tested are to be relied on. It is a mixture of salt and water, about two-thirds of the weight of the mixture being salt, through which an electric current has been passed. This produces chloride of oxygen and ozone in an active state. The mixture is used as a gargle. Experiments have been tried in a number of cases, and it is said to instantly and completely kill the microbes.

Trifling Accident.

PORT TOWNSEND, Wash., Oct. 31.—The collier San Francisco, from San Francisco for Tacoma, went ashore twice in the fog last night, while coming up the straits. After remaining aground she was floated off without injury. The accident was occasioned by the fog whistle at Point Wilson not blowing.

A. G. Bartley of Magic, Pa., writes: I feel it a duty of mine to inform you and the public that DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve cured me of a very bad case of eczema. It also cured my boy of a running sore on his leg.

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Mosler Breezes.

Mr. J. M. Carroll has returned from Portland. He reports the exposition good. Amos Root and wife went to Portland to see the exposition. Lee Evans and wife and I. D. Evans have returned home. They also give a good report of the exposition. Mr. R. Solenger has returned home. He was hurt, but not seriously. Mr. Will Johnson has also returned from Rufus.

Mr. A. M. Creed and family have moved to Hood River, where they intend to spend the winter. All enjoyed themselves at the wood chopping. Mr. G. L. Carroll's school was out Friday.

Rev. Dennison delivered a good sermon at No. 52 Sunday.

RUSTLEN.

A quiet meeting was held in this city yesterday, so it is said, which several foreign capitalists attended. The meeting was held to discuss the matter of building a railroad into Klickitat county, and steps will be taken, it is said, to ascertain the amount of grading required to build a road from Columbus to Goldendale, and the probable cost that such an undertaking would entail. The gentlemen who were present at the meeting represent a great amount of Scotch capital, and came to The Dalles seeking investment. Their names are Col. G. Howard Baker, C. Sydney Harward, G. H. B. Smythe and D. Mc Richards. All but the last named gentleman went East on last night's train. Mr. Richards stopped in The Dalles, where he will remain for some time. It is said some interesting developments may be expected in the near future.

Someone has been telling Editor Ireland, of the Observer, that the portage road between Columbus and Chipman's Pocket, below The Dalles, will surely be built by the time the cascade canal will be open for traffic. At the same time there will be built at least one steamer for the upper river, with connections to Portland and Astoria. This enterprise has been hanging fire for a long time, and the people of Eastern Oregon would be glad to see some actual work done upon the line, which would be a foundation for a belief in the completion of the undertaking. That the road would pay big revenues there is no question. It is rumored also that the capitalists who own the Washington and Columbia River Railway—known as the Hunt system—are interested in the scheme.

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