

LET'S WOMAN GO

Court Will Not Hold Negroress for Extortion.

PLATT'S MEMORY IS BAD

Aged Millionaire Is Unable to Give Total of Money Paid.

ORDEAL IS A TRYING ONE

He Admits He Feared Mrs. Elias and Gave Her \$7500 Last Month

NEW YORK, June 10.—Mrs. Hannah Elias was today discharged on motion of Assistant District Attorney Rand, at the conclusion of the testimony of John H. Platt, the old millionaire, who caused her arrest for extortion.

Mr. Platt proved a disappointing witness. To questions bearing directly on the charges on which the woman's arrest had been made, he answered repeatedly, "I don't know." His helplessness, and his apparently unimpaired memory, surprised those who attended his examination. He did not remember whether he had given Mrs. Elias large sums of money during the last ten years, as charged, and did not remember signing certain papers in connection with his charges against her.

The ordeal was a trying one on the old man, and his replies became scarcely audible toward the last. As soon as he had left the witness chair, Assistant Attorney Rand said:

"Your Honor, I think the parties to this miserable scandal ought to be allowed to stew in their own grease. There is no evidence before me that will possibly serve to hold the woman on a charge of extortion. I recommend that she be discharged." The Magistrate thereupon discharged the woman.

Negroes Hoot Platt.

Immediately afterward Mrs. Elias was rearrested on a writ in the civil suit originally brought against her by Mr. Platt to recover \$300. She was released in a few minutes on \$5000 bail. Several thousand persons, among them hundreds of negroes, attracted by the case, thronged the building and stood in the street outside. When Mr. Platt, feeble and trembling, and apparently dazed, was helped out of the building, the crowd hooted and hissed.

Mr. Platt was the first witness. He said he was 82 years old and had lived in New York City since 1856. He first met Hannah Elias at the time the volunteer firemen came on from San Francisco about 25 years ago. Some time later he signed the woman at a third-avenue massage establishment, through an advertisement, and had kept up the acquaintance since. His relations with her had been of a tender character and he had bought for her a house and had given her large sums of money.

"She was your mistress?" asked Assistant District Attorney Rand.

"She was not my mistress," replied Mr. Platt.

Asked if he had not signed a paper some time ago in which he said Mrs. Elias had extorted hundreds of thousands of dollars from him, Mr. Platt replied he could not remember. He had signed a certain paper several nights ago, but did not remember signing a longer paper which Mr. Warren gave to him.

He Feared Exposure.

Mr. Platt would not give a direct answer to a question as to whether he had sold the woman more than \$500,000 since January, 1896, but did remember that he gave her \$7500 last month. This payment was made, he said, because Mrs. Elias told him she was being sued and would have to go to court and expose him unless the money was paid. He could not recall the names of the two men, whom the Assistant District Attorney named, as bringing the suit. She did tell him she was taken to court she would be obliged to testify as to her relations with the witness.

"What were these relations?" asked Mr. Rand.

"Business."

"Did you not pay her because of relations of a more tender character than doctor and patient?"

"I had relations with her and paid her sums of money," replied Mr. Platt.

"I gave her the money because she said she would be put out."

At the request of Mr. Rand, Platt read the third paragraph of the complaint in the suit brought against Mrs. Elias, and said it was "all right."

"Then you were afraid of her?"

"I gave her the money to keep things quiet."

"Did you give her the money willingly?"

"Yes."

Declines to Cross-Examine Her.

Magistrate Ommen then took the witness in hand, but Mr. Osborne, counsel for Mrs. Elias, objected to the manner in which questions were framed on the ground that the Magistrate was putting the answers in the mouth of the witness. Magistrate Ommen did not press the point, and as Mr. Osborne declined to cross-examine the witness, Mr. Platt was excused.

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District Attorney Jerome, in speaking of the failure of the grand jury to return an indictment before adjourning today against Mrs. Patterson, said:

"I do not believe the grand jury has refused to render an indictment. In fact, I know they have not. I attribute the fact of not filing an indictment to some error in presenting the indictment to the foreman of the grand jury."

STILL ELUDE THE POSSE.

Colorado Bandits Have Probably Changed Their Course.

NEWCASTLE, Colo., June 10.—Numerous reports that the large posse which is pursuing the two remaining Denver & Rio Grande trainrobbers were about to close in on them were received today, but the latest information received here tonight is to the effect that at no time today has the posse been within rifle range of the hunted bandits.

It is now believed the men have escaped into Gunnison County, which is in the opposite direction from that in which they were going when the posse encountered them yesterday and shot one of their companions. The chase is being continued.

The body of the dead bandit killed yesterday, it is said, bears all the marks of a published description of George W. Hendricks, alias James Keith, A. S. Keith, George W. Kaiser and George Hess, who is wanted for the robbery of the Wells-Fargo Express office at Spark Hill, N. Y., on April 12, 1894.

Charge Against Healy Dismissed.

NEW YORK, June 10.—An indictment which caused the arrest in Chicago a few weeks ago of John J. Healy, the Alaska mineowner, has been dismissed by the Court of General Sessions. The indictment was procured on a charge that Healy had placed to his account \$5000 belonging to the Central Alaskan Exploration Company, of which he was president. District Attorney Jerome explained that if any crime had been committed it was outside the court's jurisdiction.

Americans Meet Emperor.

SEOUL, June 10.—M. Hayashi, Japanese Minister to Corea, who returns to Japan June 12, has had a farewell audience with the Emperor, who also received United States Minister Allen, Commander Hugh Osterick, United States Navy, and officers of the United States cruiser Cincinnati; Edwin V. Morgan, United States Consul at Dahu, and Mr. Messerv, manager of the American mines at Utsan.

Liver and Kidneys

It is highly important that these organs should properly perform their functions. When they don't, what lameness of the side and back, what yellowness of the skin, what constipation, bad taste in the mouth, sick headache, pimples and blotches, and loss of courage, tell the story.

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Gives these organs vigor and tone for the proper performance of their functions, and cures all their ordinary ailments. Take it.

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HOME OF THE "RELIABLE PATTERNS"—THE DESIGNER 10c, or 80c A YEAR, POSTPAID TO ANY ADDRESS. THE MARK OF EMPHASIS IS PLACED OVER THIS FACT—ABSOLUTELY EVERY ARTICLE IN THIS STORE REDUCED DURING THE GREAT DISLIDGMENT SALES. A FEW CONTRACT GOODS ALONE EXCEPTED.

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CREDIT DEPARTMENT Our credit department is at your service at all times. Charge accounts facilitate shopping, and will be found a great convenience. Office on third floor.

We cordially invite our patrons and the general public to make use of the additional convenience of our telephone system whenever a personal visit is inconvenient, and feel confident that purchases can be made in this manner with absolute satisfaction. Call "Private Exchange 12."

BEEN OUT TO THE ROSE SHOW YET? Better plan to take it in today—afternoon and evening. Multnomah Field is ablaze with the pride of Oregon—Portland Roses. Every resident of this beautiful City of Roses should attend. Grand parade of floral-decked carriages in the afternoon.



TODAY Ends 2d Week ... OF THE GREAT ... DISLIDGMENT SALES! Easier to Tear Down Than to Build Up! WE ARE DOING BOTH AT THE SAME TIME—TEARING DOWN The Old Departments and Building Up New and Larger Ones—Adding New Ones, Too!

Every department tells its own tale. The bargains are limitless and matchless. New price revelations for tomorrow that would almost stagger belief were it not for the well-known reputation for honesty and integrity this house so deservedly bears. There is no restriction from the face of the price ticket. And, remember, only ten shopping hours today, for THIS IS THE STORE THAT CLOVES AT 6 P. M. EVERY BUSINESS DAY OF THE YEAR—SATURDAY INCLUDED.

Thousands of general clearing price concessions not mentioned here have been created by this emergency. Again we impress upon you the fact that (contract goods alone excepted) ABSOLUTELY EVERYTHING IN THE HOUSE IS REDUCED IN EXTRAORDINARY DEGREE. A few of Saturday's underpricings:

Wise Women Will Buy Laces Today First floor opportunities in the Lace Store. A large lot of pretty, new Venise Bands and Gallons, the most-wanted sorts of trimming the Summer dresses, very fashionable and serviceable. Never were laces more wanted or worn than this season, and these should melt away today as dew before the sun, at these prices. A choice of either cream or white shades, values in the lot are marked to sell for 5c, 4c and 3c the yard. Better laces were never sold at these prices in a regular way. Today you may choose at the yard.....3c EVERY PIECE OF ALLOVER LACE IN OUR STOCKS IS MIGHTILY REDUCED. Renaissance Lace All Overs, Ve-

nise, Duchess and Valenciennes, Cluny and Medici All-overs, fancy net patterns, all in white or cream tints. Black Venise, Chantilly and Medici styles in all-overs for trimming on waists, yokes, sleeves or panels, all reduced from usual prices—now on sale at, and up, 2 yards.....40c \$2 Embroideries 93c First Floor. Today we present an embroidery bargain event of exceptional interest. We will sell the wanted puffings and all-over embroideries in cambric and swiss, some slightly mussed from showing, but with in good condition. Regular values, today only, at the yard.....35c Women's 25c Kerchiefs Today 15c Dainty white embroidered Handkerchiefs, with scalloped or hemstitched edges, new and pretty effects. Special today, 15c

Wonderful Ribbon Value 4 1/2 and 5-inch width, very fine, all silk Ribbons in solid colors, brilliant taffetas. Special today at, yard.....5c Neck Pompons 13c All the newest effects in Neck Pompons, blacks, whites and all the latest seasonable, wanted colors. Special today at, each.....10c New Collar and Cuff Sets, all smartly reduced, 25c, 40c and 50c now for sets worth much more. Ladies' Fabric Gloves AT APPRECIABLE REDUCTIONS—First Floor. Newest styles in Summer Listes, all reduced 25c, 40c, 50c. Children's fine Silk Gloves, 50c

Today—Last Day of the Half-Price Sale of Women's Fashionable Suits and SUMMER WAISTS Suits at Exactly Half-Price Dress and walking styles, in blouse, Eton and jacket effects, handsomely trimmed in very latest effects on which Fashion has stamped approval. Materials embrace chevrets, etamines, Venetians and imported fancy mixtures in all desirable colorings for Summer wearing. Navys, black, tan, castor, browns and novelty mixtures. All go at an unrestricted half-price sale, forming what is beyond all question in honest, reasonable minds the GREATEST CONVENTION OF SUIT VALUES PORTLAND EVER KNEW!

TEACHERS' EDUCATIONAL CONTEST Total Vote to 4 P. M. Yesterday: FOR TODAY'S VOTE TO 4 P. M. SEE SUNDAY'S PAPER. Total Number votes cast346,147 Number Teachers voted for 235 MISS C. F. ALLEN leads with41,273 MISS SUZA JONES second, with39,711 MISS WINIFRED MOSHER third, with39,035 The 15 Leaders in Order of Standing at 4 P. M. Yesterday. Miss C. F. Allen, Failing41,273 Suzo Jones, Highland38,711 Winifred Mosher, Harrison39,035 Kate Padden, Atkinson34,615 Mrs. Hiltabedel, Albina Central24,365 Mrs. E. Kane, Williams-Avenue21,902 Matilda Weiss, Thompson19,512 Miss L. K. Strout, Chapman18,829 Ella Lavenson, Atkinson16,183 R. R. Steele, High10,418 Ruth Rounds, High10,084 Helen Crane, Failing9,966 Verdi Monroe, Portsmouth8,317 Mrs. J. M. Potter, South Portland7,896 Bertha Moore, High7,573

Positively Last Day of the Wholesale Slaughter of Seasonable Dress Stuffs Saturday—In the Annex. Every piece of our large and down-to-date stock sharply reduced. And in addition to marking down every piece in the stock we have selected SIX EXTRA SPECIAL LINES And placed them on bargain tables at only a fraction of their regular value. LOT 1—Comprises 75 pieces of Voile, Etamine, Heather Tweeds, Mohair Melanges, Granite Cloths and neat mixed effects. Regular price 50c—SPECIAL at, yard.....35c LOT 2—45-inch all pure wool Crepe Voile Etamine, in cream, champagne, pearl gray, royal and navy blue, Havana and seal brown; also black. Regular price \$1.00—SPECIAL at, yard.....50c LOT 3—50 to 54-inch Sailor Suiting; new, stylish fabrics, in neat checks, stripes and nubbed effects; also a large assortment of granite weaves. The colors are all new and desirable. Regular price \$1.50 per yard—SPECIAL at, yard.....89c LOT 4—60 pieces of fashion's favorites, such as silk and wool Crepe de Paris, Chiffon Voiles, Eolienese, Crepe de Chine, in cream, pink, pearl gray, champagne, tans, modes, browns, navys, resedas—in fact, almost every color made for dressy gowns. Nothing can be more appropriate. Regular price \$1.50 per yard—SPECIAL at.....97c LOT 5—London Twines, Nubb and Boutonne Voiles; also Novelty Tweeds, in good assortment of street colors. Regular price \$1.50—SPECIAL at, yard.....99c LOT 6—56 pieces of high-grade novelty dress fabrics—French Tweeds, Crepe Twine Voiles, Boutonne Voiles, illuminated Lattice Etamine, in both evening and street colors. Regular \$2.25 to \$2.50 values—SPECIAL at.....\$1.49 To add to the interest, we have mercifully reduced the staple lines, including creams, blacks and every-day colors. The items below may give you a line of how great these reductions are—and varied: \$3.50 French Venetians, Broadcloths, Priestly Cravenettes, Rainproof Meltons, etc. SPECIAL\$3.08 \$3.00 Broadcloth, Venetian, Rainproof Venetian, Harringbone and Melton Suiting. SPECIAL at.....\$2.64 \$2.50 English Mohair, Sicilians, Novelty English Mohairs, Prunella Coverts, Clay Worsteds, French Zibeline and Rainproof Coverts. SPECIAL\$2.19 \$2.25 English Mohair Sicilians, Brilliantines, in plain and fancy weaves; broadcloths, worsteds, meltons, French covert suitings. SPECIAL\$1.94 \$2.00 English Broadcloths and Venetian Worsteds, English Tailor Suitings, Sicilians, Voiles, Crepe de Paris. SPECIAL\$1.69 \$1.75 Venetians, Voiles, Etamines, Meltons, Chevrets, Serges, Sicilians, Brilliantines, Twine Cloths, Basket Weaves and Scotch and English Mixed Suitings. SPECIAL.....\$1.45 \$1.50 Venetians, Meltons, Tweeds, Panama, Basket Cloths, Serges, Chevrets, Voile, Mistral and Twine Etamines, Crepe de Chine, Crepe de Paris, Brilliantines, Sicilians and Canvas Weaves. SPECIAL at.....\$1.25 \$1.25 Venetians, Chevrets, Serges, Voiles, Etamines, Sanglier Cloth, Granites, Melton, Armure, Panama Crashes, Crepe, Alpaca, Sicilians, Mistrals and Brilliantines. SPECIAL at.....\$1.05 \$1.00 Serges, Chevrets, Panama Crashes, Voiles, Alpaca, Sicilians, Etamines, Henriettes, Crepe de Paris and Granite Cloths. SPECIAL at.....85c

Matchless Sale of Waists—Dainty White Waists \$4.38 Now for our \$7.50 and \$8.50 WAISTS Superb Summer Waists, in white, Jap and China silks, peau de soies and laces. All the newest and freshest of the new season's favorites. The collection is too great and varied to admit of description in detail. Suffice to say they embrace every new idea in fashion, make and trimming effect that is favored by the leading approved fashion-makers. They must be seen to have their value appreciated.

Good News for Belated Women Who failed to obtain one of those handsome Ready-to-Wear and Tailored Hats yesterday at 93c WE CONTINUE THE SALE TODAY Positively the last chance today to obtain one of those splendidly fashionable Hats; values up to \$4.00 in the lot—now ones added for today's selling from our own matchless stocks. A word of the Hats: They are every one of the very newest and latest of the advance Summer styles. An immense purchase embraces French Sailors, Turbans, Continentals, etc., in all the season's most popular colors, which include champagnes, white, navys, browns, reds and blacks. Hats that become every face, equally charming on miss or matron. A superabundance of styles in the vast choosing—positively the greatest aggregation of chic, smart Hats ever brought to Portland at an underprice. Under usual conditions there's not one but would bring twice to four times today's price. Not a Hat that could be sold under \$2.00 and bring back the money it cost. Most of them are grand values at \$3.00, \$3.50 and \$4.00. Today affords the last chance to purchase at..... 93c

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