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FIVE BOYS DROWN

Fatal End to Row in Racing Barge on Frisco Bay.

BATTERED SHELL FOUND

Mute Evidence of Disaster in Darkness Due to Strong Ebb Tide and Heavy Swell—Make Search for Bodies.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 29.—Hope that five boys who went rowing on the bay Thursday were not drowned was abandoned late yesterday, when the battered remnant of the four-oared

barge in which they went out was picked up on the Berkeley shore. The boys who are thought to have been drowned are: Bert Fry, Frank McGuire, Owen Healy, Parker Ashford and Robert Haslett. All are residents of South San Francisco, and their ages range from 15 to 18 years.

The boys left the South End Rowing Club's house at 10 Thursday morning and rowed over to the Yerba Buena Training Station, to visit a cousin of the Haslett boys. When they started home there was a strong ebb tide running with a heavy swell. They were last seen shortly after 2 o'clock in the afternoon off Harrison-street wharf, about one mile out. At that time they were proceeding smoothly and displayed no signal of distress.

When darkness came on, and they had not returned to the boathouse, the alarm was given and patrol boats were sent out to search over the bay. The search was continued all night and today, being partially rewarded by finding the badly damaged barge on the beach in front of Berkeley, where it had been carried by the tide.

The boys were not members of the rowing club, but had gained admittance through the Haslett boy, whose cousin, J. Lundy, vice-president of the club, had given him the key and commissioned him to see that everything was all right at the boathouse.

Hearing nothing from his cousin, Lundy visited the boathouse last night and

learned that young Haslett had invited four of his friends to join him in a row. The boys had taken a new barge, valued at \$450, from its rack and from the lockers of the members they had provided themselves with swimming suits, leaving their own clothes in a heap on the boathouse floor.

KILLED BY ELECTRIC CAR

Los Angeles Man Hurlled 125 Feet When Auto Is Run Down.

COVINA, Cal., Aug. 29.—Professor F. A. Fitzgerald, teacher of music in the public schools here and known throughout the United States as leader of an orchestra, was fatally injured by an electric car while attempting to cross the tracks in his automobile.

He was hurled 125 feet, and was found in the ruined top of his machine in an unconscious condition, in which he remained until death came 12 hours later at the Los Angeles Emergency Hospital.

The British Consul at Tamsui reports that the total exports of camphor from Formosa, in 1907, amounted to 4,121,566 pounds, of which 2,482,202 pounds was sent to Havre, London and Hamburg, 1,655,200 pounds to America and 33,333 pounds to Madras.

TRUE TALE OF CARUSO OUT

ITALIANS SAY WOMAN WHO FLED WAS ANOTHER'S WIFE.

Tenor Said to Have Hired Husband to Kidnap Wife From Chauffeur Whom She Loved.

ROME, Aug. 29.—(Special.)—What is said to be the inside history of the domestic troubles of Caruso has been told here.

The woman, according to rumor, whose shortcomings Caruso affects to deplore, was not his wife, but a beautiful singer, who years ago left her home and husband. Caruso bought for her a beautiful villa near Florence. Last winter the husband threatened divorce proceedings, so Caruso and his innamorata planned to take up American citizenship in order to allow the latter to obtain a divorce and marry the tenor. When the opera season was finished in New York, Caruso went on a tour and the woman went to London. There the tenor was to rejoin her. Later,

however, she fell madly in love with the tenor's chauffeur, but when Caruso arrived in London for the opera season she went to live with him.

Flee With Driver of Car.

Caruso was at that time negotiating for the purchase of a beautiful place at Nice. Caruso had to remain in London for private concerts, and the woman went to the Florentine villa, but soon afterwards fled with the chauffeur to Nice, taking with her jewelry to the value of \$150,000.

Caruso went posthaste after the fugitive. He obtained possession of his two sons, but failed in his efforts to induce the woman to abandon the chauffeur.

Gets Help From Husband.

It is said that Caruso, in his despair, appealed to the legitimate husband of the woman, asking him to interpose his conjugal authority to convince the wife that she had gone too far in preferring an obscure chauffeur to the celebrated singer.

Advices from Rome add a piquant touch to the tale, which recalls an episode in Daudet's "Femmes d'Artistes." It is that the woman, whose name is Gilda Giachetti, was actually kidnaped by her own husband, who for several months had been a member of the Caruso household disguised as a chauffeur.

Enrico Caruso, his wife having deserted him, was in Paris one or two days this week. One day he was sitting at a table with a friend at the Cafe de la Paix, at a corner near the Place de l'Opera, perhaps the busiest place in Paris.

"I don't believe any one in Paris knows me," said the tenor. "I've sung here so little." The friend demurred, but Caruso offered to wager that nobody would recognize him in an hour. The friend took the wager, but lost, for of all the people who passed none took the slightest notice of the tenor, who sat with his hat off. When the hour was up the friend spoke to the waiter, who was bringing them drinks.

"This is the famous Caruso," he said, whereupon the waiter looked bewildered and then questioned: "Is he with the Italian Embassy?"

Caruso's friend says the tenor really is heartbroken over his wife's elopement and would welcome her back with open arms. His claim that he was glad she left him and all that is more pretense to save his face, and it would not be surprising to find he was looking for her in the hope of winning her back.

The Dutch government has granted a concession to the Amsterdam and North Holland Electric Tramway Company to build and operate an electric railway system in Holland.

HER RUSE TO KILL FAILS

Gets' Husband Down Well, Cuts Rope, but Water Is Shallow.

ROME, Aug. 29.—(Special.)—A diabolical ruse is said to have been resorted to by a woman of Lucre, named Monaco, for the purpose of ridding herself of her husband in order to live undisturbed with her lover. Working upon the husband's superstitious temperament she feigned that while sleeping she had had an apparition of her mother, who, pointing to the well in the garden, revealed to her that gold treasures lay hidden at the bottom, the possession of which would render them rich for the rest of their lives, if only they confided the secret to no third person.

Acting on her suggestion the unsuspecting spouse was lowered into the well by the wife, who at a certain point cut the rope precipitating him into the water, which, however, was not deep enough to drown him. Realizing this and hearing the helpless man's cries for help, the wife gathered a number of big stones and rained them down on his head.

Twenty-four hours afterwards some peasants from a neighboring cottage going to draw water heard the victim's moans and extricated him in a dying condition. The woman has been arrested.