

POISONER CALLS CONFESSOR FALSE

Pantchenko Accuses Prosecutors of Breaking Faith About Woman.

RETRACTS WHOLE STORY

Famous Russian Murder Trial Takes Strange Turn When Doctor Says He Did Not Give Poison to Count.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 4.—Dr. Pantchenko, who twice pleaded guilty to the murder of Count Yassili Bouturlin and his wife, prior to his death on the witness stand, made an elaborate confession of his guilt, later retracting parts of it and modifying other parts, according to the crowd in the courtroom today with a sweeping denial of his confession and a statement that he had been induced to make the admission of guilt on the promise that his mistress, Mrs. Muravieff, would be freed from charges and that he himself would be released from custody.

Pantchenko, who has been wavering in his confession for two or three days, followed the testimony closely. Yesterday, after the medical experts had testified that Bouturlin's death was due to poison and that the poison might have been diphtheria toxin, Pantchenko refused to answer whether he had injected diphtheria toxin. Today he denied he had done so and he retracted absolutely his original story.

Poisoning Is Servants' Gossip. Several witnesses were put on the stand today, including the servants of the Muravieff and Bouturlin households. These, testifying that the poisoning of Count Bouturlin had become backstairs gossip, even before the Count died. It was common talk that Pantchenko was always in need of money. According to the testimony, Mrs. Muravieff's servant boasted to the front door porter: "My mistress is soon to become rich. A servant of the magistrato whom she has named Dr. Pantchenko, and said to the porter: "He poisoned our master; now he does not come to see his wife."

GEN. PIET CRONJE IS DEAD

One of Heroes of Boer War, Who Surrendered at Paardeberg.

KLERKSDORP, Transvaal, Feb. 4.—General Piet A. Cronje, the noted Boer general, died today. Piet Cronje was commander of one of the Boer armies in the early part of the Boer war, but he was captured and held in prison for a year. He was released in 1901. He occupied a strong position at Magersfontein in the Orange Free State in December, 1899, and repulsed several reckless assaults from the British force under General Lord Wetherby, who suffered terrible losses.

NEW SCHEDULE TO

Seattle, Tacoma and Intermediate Points. Effective Sunday, February 5th, "O-W Owl" on O-W-R. N. "Pugot Round Route" will leave Portland at 11 P. M. instead of 11:45 P. M. as at Seattle, Tacoma, Centralia, Chehalis and all Puget Sound points. Sleeping cars open for passengers at Union Depot at 9:30 P. M. as usual and passengers may remain in these sleepers after arrival at Seattle and Tacoma until 8:30 A. M.

Walsh Loses Two More Votes. HELENA, Mont., Feb. 4.—The fourth week of the Senatorial deadlock ended Friday with the situation practically unchanged. The loss of two supporters and the absence of many adherents cut the vote of T. J. Walsh to 12, the lowest it has reached. G. Conrad showed a gain of two and was but three votes behind Walsh. The 2d joint ballot resulted as follows: Carter (Rep.), 21; Walsh (Dem.), 21; Conrad (Dem.), 17; scattering, 11. Necessary for a choice, 47.

BRIDE AND BRIDEGROOM-TO-BE IN COMING INTERNATIONAL WEDDING, AND CHURCH WHERE IT WILL BE HELD.



DECIES HAS FEAST

Great Variety of Costly Gifts Showered on Bride.

DIAMONDS IN MAJORITY

Vivian Gould's Father Gives Her Coronet of Diamonds and Necklace of Same Stones—Bridegroom's Relatives Lavish.

Lord Decies in the Seventh Hussars, his regiment, there is a silver tea service engraved with the names of the donors. The Marquis and Marchioness of Waterford have sent a set of Chippendale furniture, and the Earl and Countess of Pingall a pearl brooch. Gertrude, Lady Decies, sister-in-law of Lord Decies, has sent a gold dressmaker's bag, and the Marquis and Marchioness of Breadalbane a dressing case fitted with articles. From Mr. and Mrs. Malvina Drummond, there is a tea service of silver, and from Mrs. Stuyvesant Fish a gold toilet set for automobile.

FRIENDLY BOUT IS FOUGHT

Decies' Brother Shows Skill Against Drexel and Mills.

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—Some time before tea was served at a fashionable uptown hotel last afternoon, the Hon. Robert Berezford, brother of Lord Decies, put on the gloves with Anthony J. Drexel. It was just a friendly bout between the Englishman and the American in the Drexel home in Fifth avenue, no referee being provided, and Berezford's only stipulation was that he keep his engagement at 7 o'clock.

PUNCTUALITY MAY FREE

ALLEGED PORTLAND PICKPOCKET RUSHES TO BAY CITY.

James Gordon, Out on Bonds, Appears in San Francisco Court Exactly on Time.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 4.—(Special.)—The punctuality of James Gordon, an alleged pickpocket, released on \$2500 bonds in writing in Judge Shortall's courtroom from Portland precisely at 11 o'clock today to receive a 30-day sentence and execute his bondsmen, probably will result in the release of Gordon from the county jail on parole. Gordon was arrested August 31, 1910, by Detectives Murphy and McQuade as an alleged pickpocket and "confidence man." When he appeared before Judge Shortall charged with vagrancy he was sentenced to serve 90 days at the county jail. January 17 Gordon's appeal was denied by the Superior Court. Gordon's bondsmen, Patrick Sullivan of 177 Hartford street, and John F. Crowley, of 25 Mason street, asked for a continuance until February 4. The court granted the delay. When the case was called this morning Gordon was not present. Sullivan informed the court that he had received word from Gordon that he was on his way here from Portland. A delay was granted and an hour later Gordon rushed into court, suitcase in hand and breathless.

UNCLE SAM PROPOSES PEACE

Offer of Armistice to Be Accepted by Bonilla in Few Days.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—General Manuel Bonilla, leader of the revolution in Honduras, in all probability will agree to an armistice within a few days and accept the mediation of the United States to end the revolution. Commander Davis, of the American gunboat Tacoma, reported today that he had interviewed the revolutionary leader at Ceiba, tendered the good-offices of the United States and proposed the armistice. In reply Commander

ROOSEVELT NOT A REBEL BY TWIN

Humorist in One of His Last Manuscripts Calls T. R. Showy Charlatan.

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Burden Laid on Country With 28 Times Weight of Gravitation Is Definition Given of ex-President—Taft Brings Relief.

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—Mark Twain's opinion of Theodore Roosevelt is found frankly expressed in one of a number of private papers which have been collected here for disposal at auction at an early date and are found to contain some excellent indications of the late author's method of work.

"Astronomers assure that the attraction of gravitation on the surface of the sun is 28 times as powerful as the force at the earth's surface; and that the object which weighs 217 pounds elsewhere would weigh 6000 pounds there."



ABOVE, VIVIAN GOULD AND LORD DECIES IN TAXICAB (PHOTO COPY, RIGHT, 1911, BY AMERICAN PRESS ASSOCIATION); BELOW, ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH, 344 MADISON AVENUE.

WAR VICTORY SEEN

Rebel Chief in Honduras Says Revolution Is Won.

PUERTO CORTEZ TAKEN OVER

General Christmas Occupies City Vacated by Federals.

CAPITAL IS HIS GOAL

Starvation Tactics Will Be Used at Tegucigalpa, Where Government Is Expected to Make Its Last Stand—Gunboat Reported.

ALL ARNOLD CLEWS GONE

Girl's Brother Finds No Trace of Her at Philadelphia.

REVOLUTION WILL BE ENDED

United States Government Seeks Armistice in Honduras.

PETS CAUSE HOT WORDS

George Grey Killed by Lion.

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MILLION-DOLLAR PIER MYSTERY UNSOLVED.

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Progress Handicapped by Doubt as to American Policy—Islands Would Help in War.

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MADERO IS AGAIN SOUGHT

LAREDO, Tex., Feb. 4.—Francisco I. Madero has again appeared on the scene and the Mexican authorities are on the lookout for him at all points along the border near here.

VANCOUVER SOLDIER IS SENT

Lieutenant Davis, of Signal Corps, Goes to Mexican Border.

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