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clothes with him and I insisted that he have them all marked with his initials so as to have no trouble in the Custom House. Burchell strongly urged him not to mark them, saying that in America clothes marked with initials were charged much more.

"I wish you would also say," said Col. Benwell, "the indignation of my son's improper relations with Mrs. Burchell. He met her only once before he went to America. That was in her father's house at Norwood."

LOVE AT FIRST SIGHT. Mrs. Burchell's Runaway Match with the Murderer.

LONDON, March 7.—A reporter went to Upper Norwood last night to see David Stephenson. He found him in bed, propped by the severity of his cough, a slight smile on his face, a white-haired man, 70 years of age, and the family fear the shock of love had a serious effect on his health. A doctor is attending him. Mr. Stephenson said: "I met Mrs. Burchell at a party given by her father at Woodstock. I was attracted to her from the first. Her marriage was in direct opposition to my wishes. It took place without my consent. My daughter first met Burchell at a party given by one of my intimate friends. They instantly became attached to each other, and had only been engaged three months when Burchell asked me to allow the wedding to take place.

"He gave as the reason for the sudden request that he had important business affairs in Canada which necessitated instant attention. I refused to consent to the marriage, saying it was too sudden to be proper.

"Burchell never mentioned anything about business, except to say he was a wealthy owner of large estates in Canada. He seemed a thorough gentleman and had plenty of money. I enquired and found he had been at Oxford University and was the son of a clergyman of the Church of England, living somewhere in Lancashire. He had a letter from an eminent churchman at Oxford, giving Burchell the highest character.

"I spoke to my daughter about the hasty wedding and advised her to wait until I had made exhaustive enquiries as to Burchell's character. She declined to do so, saying she would marry him, as she loved him dearly. Burchell did not broach marriage again. I considered that he was going to wait until I gave consent.

"One day I was surprised to hear my daughter had been married secretly the day before. Two of my daughters were present at the ceremony, which was by special licence. The couple never came to see me, but went direct to Canada. I received letters from both of them while they were there. They ultimately returned to England, and I forgave them. They lived in my house some time."

Mrs. Burchell in Mumm. NIAGARA FALLS, Ont., March 7.—Mrs. Burchell still remains at Baldwin's house in charge of an officer, the Attorney-General having written Magistrate Hill to allow the prisoner to remain here until further orders. Several lady correspondents of American papers have made efforts to get an interview with Mrs. Burchell but she has refused all of them.

The Alleged Murderer of Benwell Lodged in Welland Jail—Mrs. Burchell Held in Custody Pending Her Counsel's Efforts for Her Release on Bail.

ACRINGTON, Lancashire, Eng., March 7.—From enquiries made at Church it appears that the person accused of Benwell's murder is Reginald Birchall, son of Rev. Joseph Birchall, for many years rector of Church Kirk and near Dean of Wharfedale, and relative of a well-known and wealthy Lancashire family. Reginald Birchall was 24 last May and was educated at Oxford. A year ago he married a pretty actress. The father died in 1878, leaving Reginald a considerable sum of money.

BURCHELL WAS AT EAST WOOD. Brakenham George Hay saw Him There on the 17th.—Mrs. Burchell Remanded.

NIAGARA FALLS, Ont., March 7.—Rapist Helmut of London, who was a fellow-passenger of the Burchells, Benwell and Pelley in the British, accompanied Mrs. Florence Burchell into Magistrate Hill's court at 1 o'clock this morning and watched the proceedings in his fair client's behalf. Mrs. Burchell's petticoat and pretty figure was hidden by a dark green Newmarket lined with gold silk topped with a coachman's beaver collar and feathered hat with a lace veil concealing her blue eyes from the gaze of the spectators. When not talking to her counsel she kept her eyes riveted on the magistrate.

Detective Murray said that he was not prepared just yet to proceed further with the prosecution against the accused as an accessory to the crime and asked for a postponement. Burchell further remanded till 1 o'clock, as that would enable him to hear from the Attorney-General, to whom he had telegraphed, and that the evidence as a whole would warrant the magistrate to remand the woman. After some points of law were discussed between Helmut and the magistrate the latter said that he would remand Mrs. Burchell till 1 o'clock. When Helmut asked if he would be accepted he said if the evidence produced was of such a nature as to warrant the accused for trial she would have to be committed and he was powerless to grant bail.

Government Detective John Murray's Chain of Circumstantial Evidence. TORONTO, March 7.—When the Grand Trunk express from Hamilton pulled into Union Station at 8:30 last evening Government Detective John Murray and a well-dressed young man stepped off the cars and walked briskly to the Hotel Metropole, where they registered. The detective's companion was none other than Douglas R. Pelley, who considers himself one of the luckiest young Englishmen in the land of the living today in that he did not share a similar fate to poor Fred Benwell. Coroner McLaughlin's inquest was reopened at Princeton this afternoon at 2 o'clock and Mr. Pelley is subpoenaed as a witness. Even if Mrs. Burchell had been granted bail by Magistrate Hill on the charge of being an accessory to the murder before and after the fact, she would have been immediately re-arrested on a warrant, which was sworn out yesterday by County Crown Attorney Ball of Oxford, a constable being at the Falls for that purpose.

Mr. Pelley does not believe that Mrs. Burchell was aware of her husband's intention to murder Benwell, but he has no doubt whatever that the woman knew perfectly well that he was a confidence man of no mean order; that he lived by fleeing strangers, and young Englishmen in particular. Mr. Pelley gives as his reasons for suspecting the woman to be guilty of aiding her husband in his crooked work, the fact that on the trip over in the Britannic she spoke repeatedly to him about her husband's electric-lighted farm and palatial barns, his broad acres and grazing herds, his horses and carriages and his overseas and foreign on his "place" near Niagara Falls, a place that existed but in the fertile brains of Benwell and Burchell. "Of this part of the plot the woman knew everything," is the firm conviction of young

speaks to me before we got to Hamilton, saying she would have time to lay out these things for dinner. He spoke to nobody else before we reached Hamilton. His ticket was to Hamilton, a single ticket. It was train No. 10, due at the Falls at 7.10 p.m. and due to pass Eastwood at 3.38 p.m. He only had a ticket to Hamilton. I told him he could lay over there and take the St. Louis express. He got off at Hamilton. The next time I saw him he was on our train heading the conductor a ticket from Hamilton to the Falls. He came through to the Falls. I saw him speaking to News Agent James Duffy on the train. Duffy lives at Niagara Falls. I don't know what was said between them. I saw them when I was sitting in the smoking-car. I sat three or four seats from them.

"I knew the prisoner by sight before. I saw him once in Woodstock in 1888. He was the fall. I had a letter from him to him in Woodstock. Lord Somerset. Curiously drew my attention to him when he was passing. My home was in Woodstock then. I did not see him more than once in Woodstock. I saw him at Suspension Bridge, N.Y., since I saw him at Eastwood. I saw him two weeks ago to-night at Suspension Bridge. He was getting on the Grand Trunk train coming over the bridge to the Canadian side about 2.00 a.m. He got off the train on the Canadian side. There were three of them together; that gentleman [pointing to Pelley]—was one of them. The other party was a lady. The three of them got off on this side of the river. I have not seen him since that time till to-day and recognized him at once as the same party as got on the train at Eastwood."

The magistrate asked witness if he could recognize the cap the prisoner wore when he saw him at Eastwood. He thought he could. The cap was reduced and witness recognized it. It was then placed on the prisoner's head and witness was asked again if it was the same. He said it was. The placing of the cap on the prisoner's head brought out some laughter, the prisoner's face was covered with a broad smile. Witness said he saw the prisoner in the lock-up this morning.

The witness was cross-examined by Mr. Helmut. "I went to the lock-up with Detective Murray and Chief Young. They asked me if I could recognize the man that got on my train at Eastwood. I told them I thought I could. We went to the lock-up and I did recognize the prisoner as the same man. He had a bottle of liquor in his pocket. It was a white glass flask. It saw it in his hand between Harrisburg and Hamilton. He took it out of his pocket and looked at it and put it back. I did not see him offer any of it to anyone. He seemed to be sober."

Mr. Pelley was again called and testified: "I assisted Detectives Young and Murray to search the prisoner's trunk. We found the cap amongst the prisoner's things. I recognize it to be Burchell's. I have seen him wear it."

Chief Young and Detective Murray also testified that they had found the cap amongst the prisoner's traps.

The magistrate remanded the prisoner to Welland jail for seven days. The prisoner was then removed to a cell and Mrs. Burchell was seated the magistrate said: "Mrs. Burchell, I have brought you down to court to notify you that on request of the crown I shall remand you to jail for seven days."

Mrs. Burchell looked wistfully at the magistrate. Mr. Helmut was on his feet immediately and made an imploring address, claiming that there had not been a scintilla of evidence against her and that the magistrate was in duty bound to allow bail, which he said, he was prepared to give in any amount the magistrate saw fit to ask.

In spite of his strong fight for the woman's liberty on bail the magistrate would not do so. He said although he agreed with Mr. Helmut the responsibility had been removed from him. "The Attorney-General has stepped in. I must remand the prisoner until next Wednesday."

Mr. Helmut said it was an absurdity, that the Attorney-General could not possibly have understood the case and he did not consider it British justice that an attorney-general should have the right to control the evidence and demand that the accused should be locked up in jail without knowing if there was a particle of evidence to show that she was in any way connected with a felony, as in this case. The magistrate said he could not help himself and Mrs. Burchell would be remanded to Welland jail.

The lawyer raved and Mrs. Burchell wept. After consultation the prisoner was allowed to remain here until morning, under police surveillance, to enable her counsel to interview the Attorney-General and see if bail could be arranged.

Mr. Pelley, and he said so repeatedly to the reporter in his own words, gentlemanly as he is, however, shuddered at the thought of the woman, with her cultured and lady-like ways, having any guilty knowledge of her husband's intention to murder Benwell. But Officer Murray does not share these fine sentiments with Mr. Pelley, and he is convinced of the woman's knowledge of the whole crime. He also believes that the woman had ample time after her husband's arrest to "blame" the money which was taken from Benwell's person after he was murdered. And that is the reason why Mr. Murray so strenuously opposed the admitting of Mrs. Burchell to bail. Mr. Murray thinks, moreover, that in the interest of justice the case should at once be removed from the County of Welland to Oxford, where the actual crime was committed.

Mr. Pelley is very emphatic in his statements. He is about time the governments of both Canada and Great Britain stopped and put a stop to the so-called employment firms who operate in the English cities by trapping young men with money to go to the colonies to engage in lucrative farming by dowsy-worded advertisements. He says that the principal operators are Ford & Rathbone and Scott & Jackson. He himself was trapped by one of their agencies or runners. The man of the advertisement which he answered in The London Standard was "Mollerish." And this man, it is observed, appears at the bottom of several of these fraudulent affairs, as he has learned since. He is a much wiser and a much sadder young man than he was three months ago. He has not words strong enough to condemn Burchell as a scoundrel and a villain, but he murders or not. Mr. Pelley also learned from a money changer in New York that after Burchell left Woodstock last May he reached the American metropolis with about \$5000 in Canadian currency, which he had changed into English bank notes. This fact was recalled by the New York broker when Pelley and Burchell stepped into his Wall-street office after they got off the Britannic on Feb. 4 to get some American money for their English notes. Said the broker to Burchell: "Oh, you're the young man who changed so much money in my office a year ago on your way to England." "Yes," smiled Burchell. Mr. Pelley is anxious to know if Burchell on that occasion had found a victim in Canada or whether it was the proceeds of a transaction with an English man. Burchell answered in the affirmative. Mr. Pelley said he is anxious to aid the authorities in any way he can to ferret out the record of Burchell, who, it is believed, has worked his confidence racket now for a number of years. And it is more than probable that he has been run down at last. It was nearly midnight before Mr. Pelley got through with talking to the small army of reporters who called to hear his story. It should be here mentioned again that Mr. Pelley spoke repeatedly about Burchell inviting him down to a lonely place on the bank of the Niagara River. A man happily to be there at the time. "Now firmly believe," he proceeded, "that Burchell would have pushed me into the river had that person not been there."

"I have one of the strongest cases of circumstantial evidence I ever had in my life," said Detective Murray. "I would not be afraid to go to a jury with the facts to-morrow, so confident am I that they would convict the accused. I think, however, that had the arrest of Burchell been delayed, pending a despatch from me, the results would have been better. When I interviewed Burchell and his wife at Paris after their identification of the corpse, my suspicions were at once aroused that he knew too much. His hesitancy in answering questions, his change of color when the tell-tale cigar case was suddenly revealed to him with the name of his late companion written thereon, his frequent appeals to his wife to corroborate his replies to my queries, and his demeanor generally convinced me that if he chose to conceal a ray of light into the impenetrable mystery which at that time shrouded the manner in which Benwell had met his death.

Four of the most important witnesses have not as yet been called. By these Detective Murray proposes proving that Benwell and Burchell left Niagara Falls on the Southern division of the Grand Trunk Railway in company; that they were on the train after it had left the home of the catarract far behind, and that they alighted at Eastwood station, and started away together on foot, the witness who was acquainted with Burchell on his previous visit to Woodstock has already testified that Burchell boarded the east-bound train at Eastwood and that he was the only passenger who alighted. This will be corroborated by the evidence of the station master at Eastwood, who said that Burchell alighted at the only ticket booth at the village depot on that day. Still other witnesses will testify to observing Burchell and Benwell walking towards the 2nd concession and Burchell afterwards returning alone. The latter was attired in so picturesque and striking a costume that any person observing him could not help but be attracted; in fact, when he returned with his pants rolled up and covered with mud a number of boys around the station gazed him.

"This is not the first, nor the second, nor the third young Englishman that has been lured to this country by Burchell," said the detective, "and before this case is finished the fate of other Benwells who came to Canada to carve a name and earn a fortune may be cleared up. Some of the victims may have been among the scores of unrecognized humanity fished from the turbid Niagara and buried in Lawson's lonely cemetery, or they may have been lured to what will henceforth be known as the "Swamp of Death," and shot down from behind, as was poor Benwell. It is certain that he was killed in broad daylight between 11 and 3 o'clock of Monday, Feb. 17, and that the deed was perpetrated by Burchell, alone and unaided, with no eye to witness the deed but that of Omnipotence and perchance a stray hawk or owl perched in one of the cedar boughs above."

VERDICT OF MURDER. THE INQUEST AT PRINCETON—VERDICT OF WILFUL MURDER AGAINST BURCHELL. The inquest on the body of E. C. Benwell was resumed Saturday afternoon at Princeton. The crowd present was not nearly so large as on the previous day, but it was just as anxious. Pelley was taken to the cemetery, where the remains of poor Benwell were lying partially uncovered. Mr. Pelley, on looking on the face of the dead man, immediately recognized it as that of the murdered companion of his travels— from England.

When the inquest opened the hall was partially filled with people, a number of them being ladies, but the seating room was crowded of the previous day was absent. Mr. Pelley was at once put on the witness stand. He related the story of his meeting with Burchell in England, the arrangements under which he came with him to the country, his stay at Niagara, and is familiar to all. Some points of his evidence to-day are worth emphasizing. He swore that Mrs. Burchell on one occasion spoke to him about the famous farm at Niagara, explaining the difficulty to live in the house on the farm, as it was very lonely. Burchell frequently spoke about his farm and his business in the present way, but the habit of bringing them from the old country.

This evidence is important as affecting Mrs. Burchell and connecting her with her husband's murder. Burchell was always present when the arrangements were made by which Burchell and Benwell were to go to Niagara Falls to the farm to make preparations for the reception of the party, and on the Monday that Burchell and Benwell left for the farm she looked into a store in Buffalo at new wall paper, with a view to the habit of bringing them from the old country. The jury were locked up with the coroner for about an hour and a half, when they brought in the following verdict: The jurors of our sovereign lady the queen, empaneled by the coroner on the 12th of February, 1890, to enquire into the cause of the death of the young man found dead in the bush near Princeton, commonly called Benwell, who was shot to death by two pistol shots fired into his head from behind, one at or near the nape of the neck and the other a little behind and above the left ear, either of which was sufficient to cause death and the other had no reason to believe, and do believe, that the said shots were fired by the hand of Reginald Birchall, alias Somerset, with deliberate purpose and wilfully and feloniously committed murder, on or about the 17th day of February, 1890; and we are of opinion that Caroline Burchell, wife of said Reginald Birchall, was accessory to the murder after the fact. A. McLAY, M.D., coroner.

R. RUTHERFORD, foreman. FIVE Mysterious DISAPPEARANCES. LONDON, Eng., March 8.—The Scotland Yard detectives are trying to trace five mysterious disappearances of men and cases of disappearance of well-to-do immigrants, bound for Canada with all their valuable property with them. It is reported that within eight months past a Norfolk farmer realized on his property, and left England on his way to Ontario. He was last heard of at Toronto. Another case was that of a Cheshire farmer who emigrated, and was to reside on a farm in Lincoln, Ontario. Another son of a farmer in Shropshire, who sailed from England with the intention of managing a farm near Hamilton, and two others besides these have vanished in the same unaccountable manner. The theory of their fate entertained by the police is that they have been inveigled into some place and murdered by the hand of a Canadian, who has taken money which they were carrying with them.

BURNT IN THEIR BEDS. Three Young People at Parry Sound Perish in the Flames.

PARRY SOUND, March 6.—A fire occurred here early this morning in which three members of the family of William Robinson, who lives in River-street, were burned to death. About 1 o'clock Mr. Robinson was awakened by the noise of fire downstairs but on running down to it was driven back by the smoke and heat, and in a few moments the whole house, which was only a light frame wooden building, was enveloped in flames. Mr. Robinson with his wife and some of the children escaped from the house in their night clothes by jumping from the upstairs windows, but three were left behind: BENJAMIN ROBINSON, aged 15, LILLIAN ROBINSON, aged 12, and INA ROBINSON, aged 5. Their charred bodies were subsequently recovered.

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partially filled with people, a number of them being ladies, but the seating room was crowded of the previous day was absent. Mr. Pelley was at once put on the witness stand. He related the story of his meeting with Burchell in England, the arrangements under which he came with him to the country, his stay at Niagara, and is familiar to all. Some points of his evidence to-day are worth emphasizing. He swore that Mrs. Burchell on one occasion spoke to him about the famous farm at Niagara, explaining the difficulty to live in the house on the farm, as it was very lonely. Burchell frequently spoke about his farm and his business in the present way, but the habit of bringing them from the old country.

This evidence is important as affecting Mrs. Burchell and connecting her with her husband's murder. Burchell was always present when the arrangements were made by which Burchell and Benwell were to go to Niagara Falls to the farm to make preparations for the reception of the party, and on the Monday that Burchell and Benwell left for the farm she looked into a store in Buffalo at new wall paper, with a view to the habit of bringing them from the old country.

The jury were locked up with the coroner for about an hour and a half, when they brought in the following verdict: The jurors of our sovereign lady the queen, empaneled by the coroner on the 12th of February, 1890, to enquire into the cause of the death of the young man found dead in the bush near Princeton, commonly called Benwell, who was shot to death by two pistol shots fired into his head from behind, one at or near the nape of the neck and the other a little behind and above the left ear, either of which was sufficient to cause death and the other had no reason to believe, and do believe, that the said shots were fired by the hand of Reginald Birchall, alias Somerset, with deliberate purpose and wilfully and feloniously committed murder, on or about the 17th day of February, 1890; and we are of opinion that Caroline Burchell, wife of said Reginald Birchall, was accessory to the murder after the fact. A. McLAY, M.D., coroner.

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