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CRIME LOOKS LIKE MURDER

The body of Mrs. C. Campbell lies in the city morgue on Lombard-st., awaiting the decision of the chief coroner, Dr. A. J. Johnson, as to whether an inquest will be held. As yet an inquiry into what was supposed to have been a plain case of suicide has not been ordered.

The woman's body was found in a room on the top floor of 194 Simcoe street yesterday noon. A piece of a bed sheet was tied around her neck, and looped over a stove pipe which ran across the room about one foot below the ceiling and about eight feet above the bed. Death was due to strangulation.

The detective department, it is understood, is now convinced that this was not self-inflicted, but that the man, who gave his name as Thompson, when he, accompanied by the woman, rented the room, committed the murder. Thompson is now missing, and is being sought by the detectives. He is a tall man, about 40 years old, dressed in a brown suit, has a dark complexion with a black mustache, and wore a black derby hat. The body was found at noon. Thompson left the house between six and seven o'clock in the morning.

THEORY EXPLODED

What exploded the theory that the woman committed suicide was the fact that she was not suspended from the stove pipe. Her feet were resting on the bed, which, it is believed, practically carried her entire weight. The body could not have been suspended above the bed, as the pipe would have parted under the weight.

Last night a reporter visited the house. He found that there was not even a hinge on the pipe to show that there had been any weight on it. On closer inspection he found that the pipe began to give when very little pressure was placed on it. Mrs. Sharkey, the landlady, who discovered the body, said that the woman was practically standing on the bed, and it was simply impossible for her to have hanged herself from the stove pipe because of the fact that it would not have held her.

On account of these facts it is believed that the man named Thompson strangled her, placed the sheet around her neck, and tied it to the pipe to conceal his crime and make it appear like a common case of suicide.

An occupant of a room immediately below the one where the body was found stated that he heard considerable noise from above during the night. At one time he thought he heard gasping or coughing, which only lasted a few seconds and previous to this something scraped the floor as though the bedstead had been moved.

Thompson and the woman came to the Simcoe street house on Saturday morning and rented the room. The man seemed to be slightly under the influence of liquor. Both people left the house several times between that time and Sunday night. Thompson was heard leaving the room between six and seven Monday morning. He has not returned to the house, nor has he been seen by the police since the body was found.

It was discovered by letters in the woman's hand bag that her correct name was Mrs. C. Campbell. She had only been in Canada a few weeks, coming to Castleton, Ont., from Scotland. Three weeks ago she came to Toronto, and was employed as a domestic in a house on Spadina road. She told her employer

Two trained nurses' conventions are to be held at Berlin next week.

SENATORS CHOSEN VACANCIES FILLED

(Special to The Post)

OTTAWA, May 27.—The four new senators from Ontario were announced by the Prime Minister last evening. They are, James J. Donnelly, M.P. for South Bruce; Col. Mason, of Toronto; Alexander McCall, ex-M.P. for Norfolk; and Mr. E. D. Smith, ex-M.P. for Wentworth. The two first named are Roman Catholics, and may be regarded as appointed in succession to Dr. Michael Sullivan of Kingston and the late Sir Richard Scott of Ottawa.

All the appointments will be credited to Western Ontario, thus evening up to some extent the Senatorial representation between the east and the west. The other vacancies filled by yesterday's appointments were caused by the demise of Senators McMullen and Campbell.

The new Senators will be sworn in promptly and assume their seats in time to vote upon the second reading of the naval aid bill.

James J. Donnelly, M.P., was born in Bruce county 47 years ago and received his education at Pinkerton public school. He was reeve of Greenwick township for two years, and in 1904 in a bye-election redeemed South Bruce county for the Conservatives, defeating Peter McKennis. He was re-elected in 1908 and in 1911. He is a Roman Catholic. His home is at Pinkerton. His appointment means a bye-election in South Bruce.

Col. James Mason, whose home is at 43 Queen's Park, Toronto, is a director and general manager of the Home Bank. He was born in Toronto 70 years ago, and was educated at the Model School. He then entered the service of the Toronto Savings Bank, which later became the Home Savings & Loan Co., and five years ago joined the present Home Bank. After serving three years in the Queen's Own Rifles, he was in 1882 captain in the Royal Grenadiers. During the Northwest Rebellion of 1882 he commanded a service company, and distinguished himself at Fish Creek, and was severely wounded at Batoche. He assumed command of the regiment in 1893 and retired in 1899, and was appointed to the command of the fourth infantry brigade. In politics he has always been a staunch Conservative, but has not taken an active part. He is a Roman Catholic.

Alexander McCall, ex-M.P., is a contractor and business man of wide acquaintance who succeeded the late Col. Tisdale as Conservative member for Norfolk in 1909. He was defeated for re-election in 1911 by the sitting member, Mr. Charlton. Mr. McCall was born at Charlotteville 73 years ago. He entered public life as mayor of Simcoe, holding that office in 1893 and 1894. He is a member of the Church of England and his home is at Simcoe, Ont.

E. D. Smith, ex-M.P., who is head of one of the largest canning industries in the province, represented Wentworth for some time in the Commons, declining a renomination in 1908. He took a prominent part in the anti-reciprocity campaign of 1911, being one of the speakers who accompanied Hon. Mr. Borden in his tour of Ontario.

Mrs. Junebride—Did your husband ever deceive you?
Mrs. Longwed—Just once. One night I asked him where he had been, and I found out afterward that he had answered me truthfully.
An old farmer in Ayrshire had a habit of feigning deafness when he wanted to avoid answering an awkward question. One day a neighbor said to him:
"I'd like to borrow your cart this morning; mine is having a spring mended."
"You'll have to speak louder," the old farmer answered. "I don't hear very well—and I don't like to lend my cart, anyhow."

BLOWN TO PIECES WHILE BLASTING

(Special to The Post.)
BELLEVILLE, May 27.—Three men were blown to pieces yesterday morning about 11 o'clock and three injured, two possibly fatally, when a premature blast took place about five miles east of this city. A gang of Dominion Construction employees were at work blasting in a cut on the Lehigh Cement Co.'s farm in order to make excavation for the Canada Cement Co.'s railway spur below the roadbed of the C.P.R., for grading is taking place in this district for opening of the Lake Shore line.

The following are the dead: John H. McLean, foreman; A. Holland, powder helper; V. Amorelli, No. 41, powder helper.

A hole about nine feet deep had been blasted out, and workmen had been blasting one hole after another. A man named John Grey had been charging the holes, and it is stated that he complained to the foreman, John H. McLean, that the charging was going on too rapidly. He refused to continue, saying that one hole was what is called "hot hole," meaning that friction of the drill had caused the rock to heat. The foreman is said to have replied: "If you don't like our gait, then quit." This, it is reported, Grey did, considering himself discharged, and climbed out of the excavation.

He had just got out of range when a terrific explosion occurred in the hole, and returning he found an awful sight awaiting his gaze.

Two masses of flesh had been blown clear of the cut to the east of the excavation, and the remains of another body were found on the west side. Lying near by were three wounded men. He hastened to headquarters and gave the alarm. Dr. Boyce, coroner of this city was summoned, and physicians called to the scene of the fatality.

POLICE GIVEN MUCH POWER

The police are given much power in the act recently passed for the protection of neglected children.

Several of the sections of the act give the police power to take children, referred to as any boy or girl under sixteen years and place them under the care of the Charities Organization. Section 16 of the act says that no girl under 16 years and no boy under 10 years, shall engage in any street occupation, and gives the police power to order the arrest of any child found in any street occupation, or their parents or guardians. This will affect a number of newsboys, who sell papers on the streets.

Section 17 says that no child shall loiter in any public place after 9 o'clock at night, or be in any public place after that time, unless accompanied by a parent, or guardian, or an adult person appointed by a parent or guardian, and sub-section 2 of section 17 says that any child found in a public place after 9 o'clock, unless so accompanied, may be warned the first time by a constable or probation officer, or officer of any charitable organization, and if after such warning, the child is still loitering about any public place it shall be taken home or to the nearest charitable organization. The act also provides a fine of \$2 for the first offence, \$3 for the second, and \$5 for the third.

Beelin has voted \$30,000 to double track the B. & W. Railway.

WEATHER FOR MONTH OF JUNE

We have a reactionary storm period extending over the 2nd, 3rd and 4th. Moon is in conjunction with sun and earth on the 4th. This, of course gives us new moon at higher north declination. The new moon is always at or near its greatest north point in the heavens in June. This, we hold, is one of the prime causes of maximum lightning, thunder and rain, in this solstice month. The falling barometer, and storms of rain and wind, which will develop in the west about the 2nd, will reach different longitudes in their eastward progress, on and touching the 3rd and 4th. The barometer will rise and cooler, westerly winds will follow the storms from two or three days—say about the 5th to the 7th. The first June seismic period covers the 1st to the 7th, having its centre on the 4th.

A regular storm period involves the 6th to the 12th. This period is coincident with the annual magnetic and electrical crisis, which is at its centre each year and about June 11th. Its peculiar influence is noticeable from about the 5th to the 15th, notably on the 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th. Strong "earth currents" disturbing telegraphic wires and apparatus, volcanic outbursts, northern lights and seismic unrest are among the phenomena peculiar to this period—all growing out of the fact that the earth's north magnetic pole makes the smallest possible angle to the sun's equator at this time—the point in the earth's orbit when the magnetic pole reaches and begins to recede from its most direct contact with the sun's electrical equator. We have briefly explained this matter each year for many years, but many thousands of new readers constantly call for re-statement of facts. Heavy storms of wind, rain and thunder will touch many sections in their eastward sweep over the country on and touching the 10th, 11th and 12th. Thundergusts at this and other June periods will swing back and come upon you from unusual directions—often from eastern points of the sky after storms have seemingly passed over your vicinity. Whirlwinds and tornadoes often grow out of these erratic June storms. Keep in touch with your barometer, then you will know when atmospheric conditions are ripe for erratic and dangerous antics. The Venus equinox which is central in July, will add its disturbing energy to that of the Mercury period during the last week in June, calling for a prolonged spell of cloudy and threatening weather. Upon the whole the general outlook for June is not abnormal, excepting the fact that the Jupiter influence will tend greatly to local downpours and cloudburst, with lack of diffused rains in wide sections of the country. The moisture will be sufficient for well cultivated crops over almost the entire country. But fields that are left to grow grassy and weedy, and for the soil to bake and burn, will stand a poor show in the dryness and heat of the summer months to follow.

The Plessisville, Que., foundry was destroyed by fire; loss \$150,000.

Big Clearing Sale

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