Lawyer Patrick to Die for Murder of Rice

aine weeks on trial at New York the murder of Millionaire William farch Rice, on Sept. 23, 1900, was fund guilty by the jury after less than two hours' deliberation—a record time in this country for arriving at a verdict in a criminal case of this character. Only two ballots were taken. The first stood seven to five for conviction. On the second all were agreed

Although in the Tombs prison and awaiting the sentence of death, Puttrick and Mrs. Addle L. Francis became husband and wife in the matron's room of the prison.

A pen-stroke did it, despite all measares taken to prevent.

The arrangements were so perfectly made, so secretly planned, and so cleverly executed that not until the marriage was irrevocably complete were Patrick's guards cognizant that It was even intended. The fact that Commissioner of Correction Hynes had declared his opposition to a marriage between the prisoner and the woman, who has been so faithful to him during his long incarceration; and the exhausting tension of the long-drawn out trial, made the Tombs officials vaore alert to prevent a marriage in the prison.

Mrs. Francis, accompanied by her attorney, her sister, and Patrick's father. called at the Tombs and asked for a conference with the prisoner. He was escorted to the matron's room, and after a few moments the guard is said to have stepped outside. It is said the wedding contracts were then signed by Patrick and Mrs. Francis in duplicate.

Under a law enacted by the legislature a year ago this form of marriage In lawful when the signing of the con-



tract is witnessed by two persons. To perfect the ceremony it is only necesmary to file a copy of the contract with a magistrate within six months.

History of the Crime.

The trial of Albert T. Patrick on a charge of instigating the murder of William Marsh Rice and being equally guilty with the principal Jones, in compassing the old man's qeath will long rank as a cause celebre in the records of criminal prosecutions.

Rice, worth \$8,009,000 or \$10,000,000 wife, ratioent, grasping, unsociable and practically alone in the world lived the life of a recluse, keeping around aim only such servants as were absolutely necessary to his physical comfort. Among these servants was a young Texan named Jones, who performed the double office of valet and secretary, and an old colored house-

Patrick had had business transactions with Rice, knew of his wealth and penuriousness, and forged a will which left the bulk of the fortune of the recluse to Patrick. This accompitshed, he feared a possible contest of the will and plotted with the valet. Jones, to do away with the old man. According to the testimony Jones

and Patrick talked it over and said: "We will save to get rid of the old man or else we won't have any money to carry on the will contest with."

Therefore, the prosecution argued Rice was killed on Sunday night, and on Monday morning checks purporting to be signed by Rice were presented



to a bank. Patrick collected \$25,000 on of the checks mmediately after Rice's death Pat produced the forged will and nomany of the helre at law that klummen: was dead, and that they

witnesses to the will were two named Meyers and Short. Ex-

Lawyer Albert T. Patrick, for the | matically alike, the four of them, the point of beginning of each letter being the same in each case. Consequently it was urged that they were forged from the same copy of Rice's autograph.

Incidentally, about the time Patrick was making known the presence of the new will and presenting checks for \$25,000 at the bank, he began, after Swenson & Co. had disputed their authenticity, to make preparations for cremating the body. He had put in evidence a letter, purporting to be



William March Rice.

signed by Rice, directing the undertaker to burn up his (Rice's) body Bank tellers said this letter was forged. The police stepped in and cremation was not permitted.

Then it was revealed that Rice, not satisfied with making Patrick the residuary legatee of everything he had, had made, even before death, a general assignment to Patrick of all property. reserving an income to himself of \$10,-000 yearly. Then he made a special assignment to Patrick of everything he hasn't taken the subject up. Really had with Swenson & Co.; then a general assignment of everything he had with the Fifth Avenue Trust company; then an assignment of \$250,000 of se- | who displayer unmistakable evidences curities that were in a safe deposit of insanity. The horse was moody. vault. Whether Rice lived or died, He was a fire animal, almost perfect Patrick had everything.

After Jones and Patrick had been arrested Jones made various confessions, purporting to tell how the death had been brought about. When the third confession was made the inconsistencles in it were pointed out to Jones. and that night in his cell Jones tried to commit suicide with a knife alleged to have been supplied by Patrick, who, Jones declared, promised to kill himself also.

Since then he has declared on and off the witness stand that he himself killed Rice at Patrick's instigation by holding a towel saturated with chloroform over the old man's face as the tatter lay asleep in his room.

The trial of Albert T. Patrick lasted



Mes. A. L. Francis.

nine weeks, and it is estimated that the cost to New York state is about \$100,000, much of which will go for expert testimony.

John T. Milliken of St. Louis, a brother-in-law of Patrick, furnished funds for his defense, which will probably amount to \$25,000, exclusive of lawyers' fees.

Japanese feate of Honor.

How ineradicable is the Japanese sentiment of death rather than dishonor was shown in a rather ludicrous way in the early days of the modern constitution. A young Japanese midshipman on board a British man-ofwar was reprimanded by the authorities at Tokyo for some small indiscretion, and on the receipt of the letter committed "harakari" in the ward room. The romantic novels of Japan are full of instances of this time-honored custom. The vendetta, though imperatively prescribed by custom, was ferbidden by law. To take vengeance on an enemy was inevitable to a chivalrous Japanese, but it also involved capital punishment in "harakiri."

Unique Care for Obesity. The latest London covelty is the "somersaulf cure" for fat women. A West End surgeon's house has been fitted up as a luxuriant gymnasium, where aristocratic patients form som-eracults on Swedish principles, in the hope of reducing their obesity. The "cure" is said to be most efficacious.

LARGEST DREDGE IN THE WORLD. Big Dipper Will Sceep Up Thirteen Tunof Materal at One Time.

On the 1st day of June next the Polson Iron and Shipbuilding works at Toronto will deliver to J. Poupore, a Montreal contractor, the largest dipper dredge in the world. It will cost \$62,-900 to build.

The title dipper dredge, by which it is known, is hardly fair to the immense machine now under process of construction. It is a big dipper; so big that every time it goes down into the deep thirteen tons of material will be brought to fee surface and dropped into the scow I saide it. This immense weight of 20,060 pounds will be handled as lightly and easily as if it were a shovelful instead of eight cubic yards of earth.

This great dipper can reach down into the water and haul up earth from a depth of fifty feet, and its capacity is sixty loads an wour, which, for a day's work of ten hours, mean 15,600,000 pounds.

For a craft foing such an immense amount of lifting it is not long-just 96 feet, with a 3eam of 36 feet 8 inches and a mean death of 10 feet 6 inches. The great arm which will control the dipper will be 66 feet long, and two steel spuds will run down on each side of the vessel ard take firm hold on the bottom while she is lifting. The main hoisting engine has cylinders with a 16-inch diameter and an 18-inch stroke.

The dredge will carry a crew of 12 easily, says the Buffalo Commercial. The consulting engineer in its construction is L. A. Desy of Montreal. It will do its gifantic feats of dipping first in connection with the great works which Mr. Poupore, the purchaser, is constructing for the government at Malsotneuve and Sorel.

NO DOUBT OF INSANITY OF ANIMALS Species That Five the Same Affliction

as the Human Roca.

"Animals ge crazy just like human beings," said an observant citizen "and I have sen some rather curious instances in Ay time. I have often wondered why some man who makes a special study of animal psychology here is a goof field for some scientist who is fond W speculating on such subjects. I recall the case of a horse physically, and went all the gaits, He was one of "he best buggy horses I ever saw, ant could trot a mile in a jiffy. About once a month he would get into an u thappy mood. There was no doing anything with him. He would not obey any of the usual commands. He was simply wild. He would run away in a minute. One day his owner and a friend went out for a drive. It was one of the bad days with the horse. It was one of his crazy days. He became unmanageable and ran away. The owner was badly bruised and his friend was killed. The horse was badly crippled by running off of a bridge. He was so badly hurt that he was not of much good afterward. He was unquestionably crazy. I have seen other animals display the same weakness. have seen crazy cats, crazy dogs, crazy cows and crazy animals of various kinds, and it seems to me that there is a good field here for some man who takes an interest in such mattern."-New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Word "Ham" Appropriate.

A party of prominent New Jersey. men were sitting upon the porch of the Stockton house, Cape May, one summer afternoon, listening to an old sea captain relate a story about a shipwreck in the South Pacific. He stated day. that after being cast upon an island starvation was imminent, and it was resolved to cast lots to decide who should be killed and eaten. The victim was the colored cook. One of the listeners asked the sailor how the colored man's flesh tasted and the captain

"We boiled a piece of the darkey, and when it was cooked the flesh tast ed like new ham." His questioner remarked, in an in

credulous manner:

"That's singular, captain. Are you sure the taste was like ham?" The late Gen. William J. Sewell. United States Senator, who was one

of the group, said in his dry manner: "There isn't anything singular about it at all. If you remember, one of Noah's sons was Ham, who was a black man. The ship's colored cook was a descendant of Noah's son Ham.

and the captain and his shipwrecked crew simply ate good boiled Ham!" Croker Falled to Bay.

Richard Croker, Tammany Hall's expresident, was walking down Madison avenue a day or two after his loss of the political scepter, when he was accosted by a newsboy.

"Paper, sir, paper?" cried the little fellow, advancing toward Mr. Croker; "extra, all about the change in the city government. Tammany out of power and reformers in. Paper, sir?" "No, no!" said the fallen chief, im-

patiently waving him aside. "I don't want it; go 'way!" "All about the downfall of Richard

Croker, sir!" persisted the youth, but the sharpness of the look from the man from Wantage brought the boy to sudden and final stience, and Croker harried on, still scowling. int sense martines are

Palermo has a fine new identer. The estimated cost was 2,450,000 france. the real cost was 7,000,000

Hook-Sillieus acts like a fool. Nye -Humoh That isn't acting

Show Results Beyond Bellef,

Regina, Assinibola, Canada, January 10th .- At the Agricultural Statistics Branch of the Department of Agriculture for the Territories, reports are now being received from grain threshers throughout the Territories, for statistical purposes. The reports are somewhat delayed this year, owing to the extensive crop and the delay in getting it threshed. The Department of Agriculture is leading the way in a new departure, with regard to the collection of crop statistics. In the older provinces, crop estimates are based entirely on the opinion of persons interested in the grain business who ought to be, and no doubt are. well posted upon the probable yields. Stili the reports are simply a matter of opinion, in which a mistake may easily be made. The Territorial Department, however, has acopted the system of returns of crops actually threshed, upon which to base their reports. The accuracy of the reports cannot, therefore, be gainsaid, for they represent a compilation of actual threshing results. In this connection. it might be mentioned that the Department is organizing a system of growing crop returns, which will be in operation next summer. The information thus obtained, with estimated acreage, will be available for business men, banks, railway companies, and other interests which have to discount the future in making provision for the conduct of their business.

The crop reports already to hand show some remarkable cases of abnormal development. In the Regina district, many returns are given of crops of wheat running from 40 to 45 bushels to the acre.

J. A. Snell, of Yorkton, threshed 28,000 bushels of oats from 450 acres, an average of 63 bushels per acre for a large acreage.

W. R. . otherwell, of Abernethy. threshed 2,650 bushels of wheat from a 50-acre field, an average of 53 bush-, els per acre.

in the Edmonton district, T. T. Hutchings threshed 728 bushels of wheat from a ten-acre plot, an average of nearly 73 bushels per acre.

8. Norman threshed 6,950 bushels of oats from 60 acres of land, an average

of 116 bushels per acre. The publication of the actual yields or grain threshed will likely open the

eyes of the people to the great capabil-

ities of the Western Canadian prairies.

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