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Henry Love Found Guilty of Murder

The Jury, After Three Hours' Deliberation, Finds the Prisoner Guilty.

Henry Love, who was on trial at the assizes in Owen Sound last week for the murder of his wife at Ceylon last 9th of December, was found guilty after a trial lasting from Wednesday morning until Friday at noon. The case went to the jury at 5 30 p. m. on Friday and at 8.30 they returned with a verdict. The Crown was represented by H. D Gamble of Toronto and the defence by W. H. Wright of Owen Sound. After the verdict Love was taken to his cell where he remained until 10 a. m. on Saturday, when he was brought forth to receive his sentence at the hands of Justice Lennox, who presided at the trial. Love is said to have kept his nerve until the end of the trial. The jury was composed of the following: Chas. Sutherland, Henry Long, William Fox, Malcolm McKinnon, James Whitmore, Wallace Dickin, Wm. Taylor, Wm. Smart, Bert McCarden, Thomas Syne, John D. Ellis and Samuel Irwin.

Owen Sound, March 19.—With evidence that is largely a repetition of that given at the preliminary hearing at Ceylon over two months ago, the Love murder trial dragged along to-day in rather a featureless manner. Interest was aroused in the crowded court room only when Love's 14-year-old son, Arnel Love, was called. When the adjournment was called this evening about half his deposition had been taken, and in none of it did he vary from the strongly condemnatory, though strictly circumstantial evidence that he gave at the Ceylon hearing before Magistrate McGill two months ago. The case will be resumed in the morning.

The grand jury brought in its true bill early this morning, and at 9.20 the court opened, Mr. Justice Lennox presiding. After 19 jurors had been challenged the twelve men required were duly sworn and took their places. Crown Prosecutor H. D. Gamble addressed the jury, outlining the case and the points upon which the Crown would build up the evidence for a conviction.

Isaac Traynor, civil engineer, was called in connection with the placing on exhibit of a number of drawings of the Love house and the surrounding houses.

The Crown then called Gibson Collinson, a neighbor of Henry Love. He stated in brief that he had been present at the time that the body of the murdered woman had been taken from the cellar. He had never known of any wrangling in the Love home. So far as he knew, the twain had alwas been on the best of terms. He heard a sharp scream on the Sunday or Monday night of the murder. The noise he thought, proceeded from the direction of the Love house.

Sangster Hemphill, another neighbor of Love, was the next witness. It was to his home that Henry Love had gone on Wednesday, Dec. 11, a few hours before the finding of the body in the cellar of the Love house. While at his (Hemphill's) house Love had said that he had not seen his wife since Tuesday morning, the day previous. He did not know where she had gone. He thought that she had gone to a friend's in Flesherton, and Hemphill drove him over to that village, only to find that his wife had not been seen there by her friends. On the way home Love had said to him that if his wife did not come back or was not found he would sell out and leave the vicinity.

Hemphill was present at the Love home on the same evening about 11 o'clock when Gibson Collinson questioned Love as to the possible whereabouts of his wife. On that occasion Love had stated that he had searched the house from top to cellar, and he had found no trace of her. Going away, Collinson stated that if no trace of her was found the next day he would have a search instituted and the place thoroughly searched and the matter cleared up. It was only a short time afterward, probably half an hour, when Love came to the Collinson home and informed Collinson that he had found his wife and that she had bled to death.

Mr. Hemphill had been present when the body had been taken from the cellar in the presence of the coroner.

The coroner was called and told of the position of the body as it was found in the cellar and the nature of the wounds that had caused the death of the unfortunate woman. He was absolutely certain that the wounds with the knife had been inflicted when Mrs. Love was in the cellar.

The boy, Arnel Love, was called and took the stand without the least outward indication of the knowledge that twenty feet away and facing him was his father on charge for his life, and moreover that if he was to be convicted it must be largely on his (Arnel's) evidence. He answered all the questions put to him without hesitation and in clear tones. Never once did he look at his father, who on his part never allowed his eyes to wander from the face of his son while he gave evidence for the Crown.

Arnel Love deposed that the relations between his father and his mother had always been most amicable. At times, however, his mother had taken his father to task for his ceaseless smoking and for his general mismanagement of his work and business. This had led to "spats" between them. He had always left the house at such times, because one time before when his mother and father had "spatted" his father "had boxed his ears." He stuck to this story as he told it at the preliminary hearing. He said that his father on the Tuesday before the finding of the body of his mother had told him to say that she had been at home on Tuesday morning, and to be sure to say just what his father told him to say, and that if he did it would be all right. At this point Court adjourned.

THURSDAY SESSION

After the opening of the court Arnel Love was again in the box. Q—On Wednesday night of the finding of the body what did your father say to you in connection with seeing any one on the way to school on Tuesday? A—He asked me if I had met anyone on the way to school and I said I met one of the Adams boys. Then father told me to tell that I had met a tall, strange looking man on the new road and told me to describe him. Just then footsteps were heard and no more was said.

Did you tell anyone this story? A—Yes.

Was it true? A—No, it was not.

Did you tell about your mother being there on Tuesday morning? A—Yes.

Why did you? A—Because father told me to agree with him in everything he said.

Do you remember anything about your father's clothes on the morning of the week of the crime? A—Father wore a pair of trousers that had been black but were faded. There was a patch on the knee.

Two pairs of trousers were produced by the Crown and he said neither was the pair in question, though they looked like his father's clothing. A coat and smock Arnel said looked like ones his father had worn were put in as exhibits.

When did your father last wear the patched trousers? A—That Monday night. He was sure on that point.

The Crown then gave witness to counsel for the defense. A half-hour's cross examination of the boy followed without shaking his story in the material details, though his memory appeared to have become hazy on some points. Arnel thought a pair of butcher knives produced were the ones that came from the Love home, and he had seen one of them on the window ledge in the kitchen on Tuesday, Dec. 10.

This concluded the evidence of the boy.

Dr. T. D. Archibald, a pathological expert from Toronto, told of having examined two shirts worn by the prisoner and finding thereon stains which he declared were human blood. These stains the witness admitted might have been there for at least a year.

Dr. Archibald was followed by Dr. Ego and Dr. McWilliams who performed the autopsy on the body.

Lyness Fawcett, telephone lineman, passing the Love home one evening of the week of the murder, smelled burning cloth. He could not fix the date.

James Radley deposed that on the afternoon of Wednesday, Dec. 11, Henry Love had come to his house and said that his wife was away somewhere and he did not know where. Love stated to him that Mrs Love had gone away on Tuesday morning and he had not seen her since. He said that he was feeling uneasy. Radley had advised him to institute a thorough search all about the neighborhood, and Love said he had been thinking of that. Some time previous to the disappearance of his wife Love had been at the Radley House and in the discussion of some local scandal had said that one of these days something was going to happen at Ceylon that would make them all open their eyes He had attached no significance to this statement of Love.

MRS. LOVE, THE VICTIM

Mrs. J. J. McLachlan said that Mrs. Love had been at her place on the Monday of the week of her disappearance and had done the washing, as she had been accustomed to do for some time. She had gone away shortly before dinner and she had not seen her since. Mrs. Love had been wearing a black belt on that occasion, fastened by a black buckle. This buckle she thought to be much like one that was exhibited by the Crown, and which was found in the ashes.

Robert Cook, high constable, said that he had searched the ash pile at the Love home on the Sunday following the arrest. He had found in it a buckle like the one that Mrs. Love had worn on a belt. The prisoner after his arrest had asked him to come up to his house, after he had been taken into custody, and he had exhibited the clothes which he said was all he had. On none of them was anything that looked like a blood stain. He could identify one of the butcher knives that was on exhibit as one that he had found at the Love home on the Monday of the inquest.

On Friday morning the defence called a couple of witnesses, and Arnel was again on the stand for a short time. The line of defence was aimed at discrediting the crown witnesses. At one o'clock the evidence was all in and Mr. W. H. Wright for the defence gave a masterly address to the jury, a strong appeal for acquital. He was followed by the lawyer for the Crown. The judge charged strongly against the prisoner, and said there was no doubt in his own mind of his guilt. The case was given to the jury at 5:30 and at 8:30 they brought in a verdict of guilty. The accused received the verdict calmly and made no demonstration whatever.

THE SENTENCE

On Saturday morning at 10 o'clock Love was brought before the judge for sentence. When asked if he had anything to say why sentence should not be passed upon him he made no reply. Judge Lennox then sentenced the unfortunate man to be hung on May 27 next. From the time Love came into the court room for sentence until he passed out the door for the last time he did not speak. No outward sign of emotion was shown.

Will Love Confess?

Will Henry Love confess his crime? That is the question that is now being asked. When his daughter, Sadie, was bidding him farewell on Saturday she advised him to confess if he were guilty. After studying for a moment Love used the following momentous words: "If it should come to my memory that I did it, could you forgive me?" His daughter replied that she could, but he made no further reply.

Feversham Items

The very heavy gale of wind on Friday blew a number of roofs off buildings, blew down windmills and shook things up generally.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Walters and family of Toronto are visiting Mrs. Walters' sister, Mrs. Chris. Thompson on the 8th line during the Easter holidays.

Mrs. Finlin of Collingwood is visiting with her sister, Mrs. Wm. Somers, on the 8th line.

Miss Daisy Kernahan of Collingwood is holidaying at her parental home here.

Mr. Harold Spofford of Collingwood is home for the Easter holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Rich. Roberts and family of Lady Bank left for their new home in the West on Friday last.

Miss Lizzie Hale of Orangeville is spending the Easter holidays with her brother, Fred, on the 8th line.

Mr. Robert Brown, Sr., is spending a month with his daughter, Mrs. Joseph Irwin, before going to his son's home in Forest.

Miss Sadie Pelch has been laid up for some days with an attack of grippe.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Heron have gone to their new home at Cabri, Sask. A number of friends and neighbors gathered at their home on Thursday evening last to bid them and their family farewell, when the following address was tendered them:

Mr. and Mrs. Heron and family: Dear friends,—We, your friends and neighbors, hearing of your intention of leaving our midst, have met here to-night to tender you our best wishes and to thank you for all your past kindnesses, and though we are sorry to have you go from our midst we are sure that what is our loss will be others' gain. We here present you with these chairs and Bibles and trust you may long be spared to enjoy them, and may they carry your thoughts back to your many friends on the bonny, bonny banks of the Beaver. Signed on behalf of your friends and neighbors—Fred Spofford, Fred Hale.

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Wednesday, June 18..... Dundalk
Wednesday, Aug. 27.....Flesherton
Wednesday, Oct. 15 ....Dundalk
Saturday, Dec. 6 ..... Flesherton

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