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THORNHILL TRAGEDY.

On Tuesday afternoon, about five o'clock, the village of Thornhill was thrown into a frenzy of rage and terror by a report that young John Arnold had been ruthlessly murdered. The report proved too true, for Arnold, although not killed outright, never rallied from the cowardly shot of his fiendish assailant. We give in full the evidence as taken in the examination before Justice Chapman. The facts of the case, other than those contained in our report, are substantially as follows:

One James Watson drove from Etobicoke two men, who give their names as James Watson and John G. Wesley, to Thornhill on the morning of Tuesday. These two put up at Simon's hotel, and intimated their intention of remaining over night. During the day took place the awful events as related in the evidence. Immediately after the fatal shot was fired, Stewart and Wesley endeavored to secure their rig, but were prevented by the prompt vigilance of Mr. Simons. They then started up Yonge St., and Wesley with revolver in hand attempted to force a teamster whom they met on the way to drive them off. It is stated to accomplish his purpose Wesley fired no less than three shots, fortunately without effect. Wesley appears to have then thrown away his weapon, which has not yet been discovered. The two continued their way on foot on the sideline near Simon's hotel, and succeeded in getting as far as the 2nd Con. of Vaughan. Here they were overtaken by an armed party of villagers, who with all speed had pursued in a sleigh. At the sight of the frowning muzzles of two guns, the fugitives surrendered, and were conducted back, ironed together, to the village. Stewart, the man who shot Arnold, seems to be between forty and forty-five years of age; he has the appearance of a cold-blooded, hardened rascal. His features are repulsive, the mouth and teeth brutal in the extreme, forehead low, eyes light blue, and almost expressionless, hair short and turning grey, moustache and short side whiskers. Wesley, some ten years younger, is stout, and rather taller. Dark hair and eyes, heavy moustache and beard of a few weeks' growth. The only information which they would give concerning themselves was their names, to which Stewart added that he belonged to Canada. When searched, a kit of burglar's tools was found in their possession.

Drs. George and L. G. Langstaff, and Nelles were speedily on the spot, and about ten o'clock Dr. Aikins, of Toronto, arrived. The latter did all that lay in human skill, but unavailingly. Arnold never recovered consciousness, and passed away about 5 o'clock on Wednesday.

His widowed mother and sisters are literally crushed beneath this terrible blow. Human comfort can here do little; their only stay is the arm of Him who ruleth all things. On Tuesday morning young Arnold was in the full vigor of health; before the setting of the sun he was ruthlessly struck down. He had returned but a few weeks ago from the North-West, but his visit which was in its short length of mutual pleasure to his people and himself suddenly closed in a black tragedy.

The prisoners were committed for trial, and were taken to Toronto on Wednesday morning.

Investigation before Magistrate Chapman, Thornhill.
W. Simons, sworn, said; Prisoners had dinner at my house and asked for lodging for night. After dinner, prisoners, Watson and Arnold took a walk. Arnold returned, without hat and running. He was excited, and said he had been in a row. He wanted men to thump prisoners. Wesley then entered the hotel, threw off his coat, and struck Arnold, Frank Huff picked up a stick of wood, and struck Stewart over the head; then struck Wesley on the arm. Arnold was fighting. (All four.) Heard click of pistol, and saw a revolver in the hands of Stewart. There was a report and Arnold fell on his face. Prisoners rushed out of the bar, went to stable; ordered hostler not to give horses. Prisoners went down side-road walking pretty fast.
Wesley denied leaving in company with Stewart.

John Ellston, sworn, said: Saw all of it. John Arnold came in excited; said he had a row at Collin's with three fellows. Arnold and Huff were hunting for some one to see that there was fair play. Albert Lyons volunteered to assist so as to be evenhanded. Wesley asked Arnold to have a drink; met at the end of stove, and struck Arnold with force. Huff took off his coat, and said "go into him Arnold." Arnold was taking off his coat. Huff picked up a stick and hit Stewart several times on the head. After this he went for Wesley. Stewart drew a revolver, and fired at Arnold; saw Arnold fall. I then left on account of being greatly shocked.
James Watson was not seen to have taken any part in the row at Simon's.

Frank Huff, sworn, said: Was in row on 3rd of Feb. at Simon's. Row began at Collin's Hotel. Wesley commenced the row, slapped Arnold and caught him by the nose; threatened to throw him through the window. Arnold said if he did he would make him suffer for it. Wesley followed Arnold into the bar, and struck him on the nose; scuffle ensued. Stewart and Watson said "give it to him Arnold." I did not take part in the row from the advice of the ladies of the house. Stewart followed me into the smoke-room, took his revolver (only saw part of it) in his hand and threatened to put a hole through Arnold and myself. In the meantime Arnold got away from Wesley and ran towards Simon's hotel. I followed Arnold. After reaching Simon's hotel we stood near a hay-rack. They followed us up. Wesley asked Arnold to come in and have a drink. Would not swear as 'o all going in. We went in after them. Wesley took off his overcoat, went up to Arnold and struck him. Stewart stood beside the bunk, about four yards from Arnold, with a pistol in his hand. I picked up a stick of wood and struck Stewart on the top of the head. No sooner through striking than I heard report of a pistol, and saw Arnold fall. Pistol was in Stewart's hands. I then made a jump and landed outside the door, followed by Wesley. Wesley had a revolver in his hand; followed him up the street.

Henry Reid, hostler at Collins' sworn, said: Saw a little of the row at Collins'. Was sitting in the bar at 3 o'clock p. m., when Stewart, Watson, Wesley and Arnold came in and asked if Collins was in. I said he was at Richmond Hill. Arnold asked them to come up and have a drink, and all had a drink. After drink all went into the sitting room. Asked if they could have a game of cards to play for the drinks. On condition that they would lock the door I handed them the cards. Wesley and I played against Arnold and Stewart one game. Wesley then quarrelled with Arnold, grabbed Arnold by the nose, and said he would throw him out of the window. Arnold said if he pounded him he would be made to suffer. All then went into the bar. Wesley asked all, together with Collins, to have a drink, and Arnold who seemed to be in a passion, declined. Wesley rushed at Arnold and pushed him violently against the stove, then a scuffle ensued. Arnold got away and ran towards Simons. The other three followed after five minutes. Arnold left his hat behind him. He thought Wesley was cheating him. Saw no revolver in any person's hands during the row. Watson and Stewart said go for Arnold to Wesley.

The Magistrate formally committed the prisoners for trial.

SCHOOL REPORTS.

The following is the standing of the pupils in Carrville school, Section No. 3, Vaughan, for the month of January:

FOURTH CLASS.		SENIOR THIRD	
J. E. Jones,	358 C. H. Rupert,	338	
T. Flatt,	331 Edward Tester,	295	
Jno. Coombs,	318 F. J. Seager,	287	
C. Hollingshead,	310 N. Keffer,	274	
Jno. Bumble,	257 R. J. Walkington,	273	
Ida R. Mellish,	243 Arthur Coombs,	266	
R. Downing,	189 Jane Coombs,	219	
Lucy Ness,	129 Minnie Boyd,	215	
	Richard Rumble,	170	
	Nellie Whitty,	151	
SENIOR SECOND.		JUNIOR THIRD.	
Wm. Coombs,	361 Emma Coombs,	128	
Selena Coombs,	329 Mossie Sheppard,	60	
O. B. Appleton,	322		
Bertie Whitty,	298		
Ida Coombs,	285 Chas. Coombs,	381	
Wm. Boyd,	251 Wm. Gardener,	332	
Louisa Tester,	223 Wesley Bone,	265	
Dora Flatt,	121 Rob. Marsn,	241	
Annie Rumble,	101 Bertie Coombs,	206	
	Jno. Baker,	183	
	Jno. McLean,	100	

JAS. BASSINGTHWAIGTE, Teacher.

The following is the standing of the pupils in Patterson School for the month of January:

FOURTH CLASS.		THIRD SENIOR.	
1. W. Mulholland,	1. John Seymour,		
2. Jas. Haffey,	2. Gertie Smith,		
3. Chas. Seymour,	3. James Munday,		
4. Harry Hardy,	4. Enph. Kirkland,		
5. Geo. McNair,	5. Mary Rumble,		
6. A. Bassingthwaite,	6. Harvey Cook,		

FIRST JUNIOR.		SECOND SENIOR.	
1. Orvil Drury,	1. Willie Savage,		
2. Mary Mulholland,	2. Nellie Kirkland,		
	3. Albert Albin,		

SECOND JUNIOR.		FIRST SENIOR.	
1. Louie Haffey,	1. Joe Munday,		
2. Alex. Findlay,	5. Willie Rumble,		
3. Minnie Albin,	6. Vesta Mulholland,		
4. Mary Rumble,			
5. Nellie Kelley,	1. Mary Bassingthwaite,		

FIRST JUNIOR.		FIRST SENIOR.	
1. Maud Farnham,	4. M. Bassingthwaite,		
2. May Savage,			
3. Isaac Mulholland,			
4. Lizzie Rumble,			
5. Bertha Findlay,			

H. A. NICHOLLS, Teacher.

Honor Roll of Richmond Hill Public Schools for the month of January:

FORM I.	
A 1 CLASS.	A 2 CLASS.
1. Flora Hopper,	1. Wellington Hall,
2. Edgar Ansley,	2. Maggie Moodie,
3. Roscoe Law,	3. Aggie Reid,
4. William Barker,	4. James Wright,
5. Minnie Soules,	5. Reuben Glass,
6. J. Falconbridge,	6. Millie Trench.

E. A. SPRAGGE, Teacher.

FORM II.	
SENIOR THIRD.	JUNIOR THIRD.
1. Louie Lynett,	1. Mammie Lemon,
2. Mary Mapes,	2. Wilber Skeete,
3. Grant Cooper,	3. Lizzie Palmer,
4. Carrie Powell,	4. Eliza Mahoney,
5. George Glover,	5. Delia Palmer,
6. David Blanshard,	5. Walker Hall,
	6. Carrie Wilson.

SECOND CLASS.

1. Joseph Keefer,
2. Robbie Moodie-
3. Joseph Blanshard.
4. Phoebe Soules.
5. John Glass.
6. Minnie Redditt.

T. M. RUTHERFORD, Teacher.

FORM III.	
SENIOR.	JUNIOR.
Maggie Glover,	Florence Sheardown
Dollie Douthwaite,	Lottie Hopper,
Florence Tyrrell,	George Hopper,
Annie Cosgrove,	Robbie Michael,
Alex. Reid,	Laura Sheppard,
Mattie Harrison,	John Michael.
	M. WILEY, Teacher.

FORM IV.

FIRST DIVISION.		SECOND DIVISION	
1. W. Glass,	1. R. Garness,		
2. J. Wiley,	2. E. Bonnick,		
3. H. Sanderson,	3. A. Glass,		
4. E. Cobean,	4. E. Stevenson,		
5. H. Mapes,	5. A. Brown,		
6. C. Hall,	6. I. Andrews.		

THIRD DIVISION.

1. F. Hopper,
2. E. McConnell,
3. E. Hopper,
4. E. Wilson.

J. CRUCKSHANK, Teacher.

The following is the result of the Monthly Examination in S. S. No. 6, Vaughan, in the senior division:

FIFTH CLASS.		FOURTH CLASS.	
1. Silas Shunk,	1. Henry Bailey,		
2. M. McDonald,	2. L. McLaughlan,		
3. Annie Line,	3. Maggie Gillies,		
	4. T. Keffer.		

THIRD SENIOR.

1. Hattie Jackson,
2. Bertha Gillies,
3. Donald Watson,
4. Flora Watson.

J. CLURINE, Teacher.

The following is the standing of pupils of S. S. No. 2, King, for the month of January. Names appear according to merit:

FOURTH READER.		SENIOR THIRD.	
1. Elisa Fisher,	1. Lillie Ross,		
2. James Curtis,	2. Cicely Ball,		
3. Ernest Lloyd,	3. Edith McBride,		
4. Eddie Ross,	4. Joseph Leece,		
	5. Willie McCabe,		

SECOND READER.

1. Archie Brown,
2. Fannie Stewart,
3. Minnie Winter,
4. Bertha Irvine,
5. Melville Lloyd,
6. Elisa Badger,
7. Maud Stewart,
8. Albert Bentley,
9. Frank Curtis.

JUNIOR THIRD.

1. James Austin,
2. Henry Bovair,
3. Jos. Curtis,
4. Robt Stewart,
5. Thos. McCabe.

SENIOR FIRST.

1. Nellie Ross,
1. Annie Ball,
3. Albert Bentley,
4. Annie McCabe,
5. Adnie Bentley.

J. T. SAIGEON, Teacher.

From Our Own Correspondent.

On Tuesday, Jan. 27th, a wedding ceremony was performed at the residence of Mr. D. Gregerv, Oak Ridges, the contracting parties being Mr. W. Wadsworth of East York, and Miss Minnie Gregory, of Oak Ridges. Mr. D. Norman acted as groomsmen, and Miss Ida Gregory, sister of the bride, acted as bridesmaid. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Savage, Methodist minister of Aurora, after which the party drove to Aurora and the happy couple, amid the congratulations of their friends, left on the 7 p. m. train for their wedding tour. We wish them every success.

Mr. James McCann, of Deer Park, is visiting friends here this week.

The Rev. Mr. Osler, of York Mills, occupied the pulpit in St. John's Church on Sunday last, and delivered an excellent and stirring sermon.

Mr. Murphy, of Elgin Mills, gave a very nice party last Friday evening, which was quite a success.

Mr. W. Hallet, of Pickering, has been visiting at Mr. E. Stephenson's for a couple of weeks.

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