

EVELYN NESBIT THAW IN THE WITNESS BOX.

Court Hears Read Some of Thaw's Letters to Her—Talks of Having Nothing to Live for.

Mrs Thaw Tells How She Met Stanford White and How He Forced Himself Upon Her.

Evelyn Thaw in the Box.

The familiar figure in blue, now for the first time without her veil, appeared from the judge's chamber. She stood near the jury box as Clerk Pennington ministered the oaths.

"I swear," recited Miss Thaw, in an audience voice as the end of her formal declaration, which was made just a little more impressively than usual.

Miss Thaw took her place in the witness chair calmly. She looked directly ahead at Mr. Delmas and gave her answers to his first question in a clear and firm voice which was soft in its quality.

Harry Thaw smiled at his wife as she walked to the witness stand, but she apparently did not see him at the time. After she was seated, however, she smiled faintly at the prisoner.

Mrs. Thaw's beauty was generally commented upon in the press.

The simplicity of her dress seemed to heighten that effect. Her long dark hair and heavy eyebrows were noticeable now for the first time to those who followed the trial. In the excitement of testifying, her paleness of skin, two weeks fled before a rust of crimson tinted in her cheeks.

Tells Her Age.

Mrs. Thaw, in answer to Delmas' first question, said she was born Dec. 25, 1884. She told of going to the cafe Martin to dinner on the evening of June 25, with her husband, Thomas McCabe, and Truxton Beale.

"While at the Cafe Martin, did you see Stanford White?" A.—"Yes."

"At what time did you see him?" A.—"I don't know. It was sometime after we dined."

"Where did you first see him?" A.—"Coming in at the Fifth avenue entrance."

"How long did you see him?" A.—"I don't know. He passed through and went on to the balcony."

"While he was on the balcony could you see him?" A.—"No."

"Did you see him leave?" A.—"Yes, I saw him come in from the balcony and go out of the Fifth avenue entrance."

"While you were in the Cafe Martin, did you call for a pencil?" A.—"Yes."

"With whom?" A.—"I think Mr. McCabe. He said he did not have one." Mrs. Thaw said that McCabe sat on her left. Beal on the right and that Thaw was facing her.

"Did you ask again for a pencil?" A.—"Yes. I got one from someone. I don't remember whom."

Wrote a Note.

"Did you write a note?" A.—"Yes."

"On what?" A.—"A piece of paper. I think Mr. McCabe gave it to me."

"What did you do with it?" A.—"I passed it to Mr. Thaw."

"What did Mr. Thaw do?" A.—"He said to me, 'Are all right?'"

"What did you do?" A.—"I turned around and went to the door."

"What was your companion at the meeting disturbed or affected?" Mr. Justice Fitzgerald asked.

"Was there anything unusual in your manner that was visible to others?"

"Again an objection was sustained."

"After the show, how long did you remain?"

"Mr. Thaw, have you that slip of paper now?" A.—"I have not."

"Have you seen it since?" Mr. Boyd.

At the Root Garden.

"Did what you wrote refer to Stanford White?" Mr. Jerome objected, on the ground that the party itself was the best evidence. The judge sustained the objection.

The questions were turned to the jury. They reached the play and how they were seated. She was next asked as to Thaw's manner on the road. It was just the same as ever. I conversed with him constantly.

"Who suggested leaving the root garden?" A.—"I don't know."

"The play was not interesting to you?"

A.—"Not a bit."

"How did you get into the room with Mr. McCabe?" Mr. Boyd and Mr. Thaw were following up.

"When did you go into the room with him?"

"We had almost reached the elevator when I turned around to say something to Mr. Thaw, and he was not there."

"Whom did you say when you turned around?" A.—"I saw Stanford White."

Mrs. Thaw pronounced the name distinctly and with a shade of emphasis in her voice.

"Where was he?" A.—"He was seated at a table."

"How far from you from him?" A.—"About six feet from him as from the end of the jury box." Mr. Thaw indicated the distance about 20 or 30 feet.

"Did you see Mr. Thaw at the same time?" A.—"No, I did not see Mr. Thaw until a moment or two later."

"When was he?" A.—"I was standing ready in front of Mr. White about 10 feet away."

"Your husband was dimmed in front of Mr. White?" A.—"Yes."

"What was his health?" A.—"He had his arm out like this." Mrs. Thaw indicated the gesture of a man about to fire a pistol.

"Then what happened?"

"Not much."

"Did you exchange anything?" A.—"Yes."

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