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TELLS STORY

Dr. Crippen Took Stand In His Defence

THE SUICIDE NOTE

ARRANGED TO BE HIDDEN AND LANDED AT NIGHT.

Lost Love of His Wife—She Cared for Chicago Man, and He Thought She Had Run Away.

London, Oct. 20.—For the first time since his arrest on board the Montrose at Father Point, Quebec, Dr. H. H. Crippen, the American doctor, on Thursday gave to the world his version of the disappearance of his wife, Belle Elmore, the music hall singer, whom he is charged with murdering. Crippen first gave the jurors a brief outline of his early life and his medical career, both in the United States and England. "I know that my wife had been very friendly with Bruce Miller," he continued, "and I often upbraided her for corresponding with him. In 1901, Cora admitted to me that she was very fond of Bruce Miller. I began exhibiting with her at that time and our relations from that time on were strained to the breaking point. She repeatedly threatened to leave me, telling me that she could go to America to join Miller. I last saw her on Jan. 3, of this year, and I believe that she fled to America.

"To avoid scandal, I concocted a story that she had gone to America to attend to certain private business for me in California, and that while on her way across the American continent she had died, and had been interred there. I simply could not face my friends with an admission that my wife had deserted me. "On the Monday night before I wrote a letter, in her name, to the Music Hall Guild, resigning her position as treasurer, Mrs. and Mr. Paul Martinelli came to our house for dinner. At this time my wife absent me but was able to support her than I was. I went to business next morning, and when I went home, between five and six p.m., I found she had gone.

"I tried to think how to cover up her absence without any scandal. I went to the bank and withdrew \$100,000, and I told that to all our friends. I afterwards realized that this would not be a sufficient explanation for her not coming back, and later on I told people that she was ill with pneumonia, and afterwards I told them that she was dead from this illness. I do not remember telling them where she died, except that it was in California. Afterwards they asked me where my son lived, and I gave them his address. "I then put an advertisement in the Era that she was dead, as I thought that would prevent people asking me a lot of questions. Whatever I said to other people in regard to her death was absolutely untrue, but was done to prevent a scandal. "I do not know what my wife took with her when she went away. She had often told me that when we parted she wanted nothing from me, I never passed any of her jewelry, and I did draw money from several checks signed by her. We had a collective banking account, in her name, so I always carried several blank checks around with me to which she had signed her name, so that I could get money when I needed it. "It is true that I was at the Benevolent Fund dinner at the Criterion with Miss Leneve and that she wore a brooch my wife left behind. She also wore my wife's lace. Miss Leneve had been in my employ and I had known her when she was employed with other firms for which I worked for the past eight years. "After my wife disappeared Miss Leneve lived with me as my wife in the Hilltop Crescent home. I have been intimate with her during the past three years. I had frequently visited hotels with her, but I was never away from home at night. "After I had told people that my wife was dead, Miss Leneve and I went to Dieppe for five days and stayed at a hotel there. "My firm belief is that my wife went to Chicago to join Bruce Miller. He often sent her presents and wrote me loving letters, in some of which he signed himself 'With Love and Kisses to Brown-Eyes, Bruce.'

Crippen was questioned by Attorney Tobin regarding the purchase he made of Hyocin, the deadly poison which he is charged with having used to murder his wife. He declared that he had never given his wife any poison. The hyocin, he swore, he had given in very small doses to several of his patients who had been suffering from nervous disorders. Crippen confirmed Tobin's statement about the alleged plot concocted with the quartermaster of the Montrose to allow him to escape with the vessel's cargo, adding: "I decided that I had better not to return to England and face the charges, of which I knew I was innocent. The letters I wrote threatening suicide were to be used as a blind to prevent a search being made for me. I wanted people, at that time, to think I had killed myself. When I decided not to try to escape, I forgot to tear up the notes."

Crippen admitted that his wife had a scar somewhat similar to that which appeared on the body supposed to be that of his wife. He said she had carried the scar for years. Crippen denied not only that he knew the identity of the body found in the cellar of the Hilltop Crescent home, but, also, that no one of nobody being in the cellar until he was brought back to England under arrest. The prisoner's admission regarding the scar is considered important, as the prosecution is relying on the scar as one of the chief means of proving the identity of the body. There was a growing conviction about the courtroom when the Crown rested that it had failed to make out a strong case against Crippen. Thus far it had been unable to prove positively the identity or sex of the body found in Crippen's home. (Continued on page 8.)

BURIED WITH HER SON.
Stranger Request of a Mother Completed With.
Fulton, N.Y., Oct. 21.—A death-bed request made fifty years ago was fulfilled at Mount Adah cemetery when, enclosed in the coffin with the remains of Dr. T. Dwight Stow, who died in Mexico, Saturday evening, was placed the heart and lungs of his mother, who at the time of her death, fifty years ago, requested that they be removed from her body and buried with the remains of her son who he should pass away. It was a very pathetic scene as the remains were lowered into the grave and probably one of the most peculiar requests ever made by a mother was fulfilled. The remains have been kept by Dr. Stow in his office at Mexico, all these years, and have been watched over as carefully as could be, to see that nothing should happen to them, and the request of his mother be fulfilled.

PENNSYLVANIA FRAUDS.
Architect of State Capitol Sent to Penitentiary.
Harrisburg, Pa., Oct. 21.—Joseph M. Huston, Philadelphia, architect of Pennsylvania's state capitol, and designer of the furnishings and equipment about which there was scandal, was sentenced to imprisonment for not less than six months nor more than two years in the Eastern penitentiary at Philadelphia and a \$500 fine and costs, he having been convicted of conspiracy to defraud the state by certifying a false bill for desks for the building. Counsel for Huston took an appeal to the supreme court.

CAME DOWN

One Of The Louise Balloons In Quebec.

WENT 1,200 MILES

AND LIKELY WORLD'S RECORD ECLIPSED.

Thought Other Aeronauts Have Landed in Rough Parts of Canada Far From Telegraphic Communication—In the Air for Many Hours.

St. Louis, Mo., Oct. 21.—After more than forty-eight hours in the air, Col. Theodore Schaeck and Paul Ambruster, in the Louise balloon, Helvetia, landed south of Lac Desquaine, near Lake Temiscamie, and Ville Marie, Pontiac county, Quebec, at six p.m. Wednesday. They had traveled about 1,100 miles in the international balloon race from St. Louis, so far the longest distance reported. There have been reports of balloons much farther away. One is reported having passed Kiasissink, Que., which is 1,200 miles from St. Louis, but the name on the balloon has not been learned. If this is a true report there is little doubt the world's long distance record of 1,183 miles, held by Count De La Vaulx, has been broken. Aeronauts are inclined to believe all of the other balloons not yet reported in the Lusadord, the Arizona, the America II, and the Germania, all crossed the lakes successfully and have landed in a rough part of Canada far from telegraphic communication.

CANNOT STOP PHILADELPHIA.
Athletics Defeat Chicago for the Third Time.
Chicago, Oct. 21.—The triumphant Philadelphia Athletics pounded three Chicago pitchers for twelve runs and fourteen hits in yesterday's game for the world's championship, and won easily. Reulbach lasted only three innings, and got such a swatting for eight runs that he was replaced by the side-arm spit ball thrower, but all looked alike to the Philadelphia fans who walloped the spit fellow for four runs in the seventh. Chicago put a third pitcher, Pleister, formerly of Toronto, in the box, and he held the Athletics from doing further damage. Each team posted three runs in the first two innings. Then the Athletics rapped the ball for five in the third. Manager Chance, of the Chicago, was put out of the game in this inning for disputing a home run decision. Murphy belted the ball to the bleachers, and three runs came in on his drive. Archer, the Toronto player, took Chance's place at first base. The Athletics made the Cubs look like a cheap lot, as they outplayed the Chicago crowd in every department. The Chicago crowd was disgusted with their team, and started finally to root for the victors. Coombs pitched twice for Philadelphia in three days, and was hit safely only seven times. The longest hit of the day was made by Davis, the Athletics' captain, in the eighth. There were some sensational plays by the Athletics, including a double in the third. The official attendance was 26,200. The game was played in weather like the gathering twilight, as a fine drizzling rain fell early in the afternoon, but not enough to prevent the game from proceeding.

COMFORTABLY FIXED.
Population of Burned Town Well Looked After.
Fort William, Oct. 21.—That the average citizen of the burned town of Boadette, Minn., is much better clothed and fed, just as well, if not better, than before the fire, was the statement today of Paul Anthony, who arrived here from Rainy River. Mr. Anthony said that the population was comfortably housed in shacks, a warehouse is filled with contributions and a train load of general supplies is being guarded on a sidetrack. The town is still under martial law.

11 Children in 11 Years.
Monticello, N.Y., Oct. 21.—For the eleventh time in eleven years the stork visited ex-Police-man "Tom" Walsh's house, yesterday. Walsh retired from the New York police force eight years ago, came to Monticello and took up farming. There are now ten little girls and one boy, which makes the outlook for policemen from the Walsh family meagre.

South Africa Has Problem.
Johannesburg, Oct. 21.—The union government has ordered receiving of volunteers for the South African force stopped immediately with the view of the formulation of a scheme for defence. The leaders on the language movement are urging the government to require the words of command to be repeated in Dutch, otherwise the Dutch people will not join the volunteer corps.

Babe Scalded to Death.
Huntsville, Oct. 21.—The eight-month-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Helmer was scalded to death yesterday. The baby occurred in a bowl of scalding water, suffering fearful burns about the head and body before death relieved the child's agony.

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Letters Received By the Smelser Family.

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One Session Has Been Held Without Result—The Inquiry May Be Reopened Soon—The Smelser Family Live in Terror.

Hagerstown, Oct. 21.—A bold attempt to terrorize a family and drive them from the farm which they have occupied for twenty-two years is being perpetrated in Haldimand county, near the village of Selkirk, where the household of Fred Smelser live in deadly fear of impending disaster. Three weeks ago their barn, filled with the season's crop, was fired and destroyed under strange circumstances, and since that occurrence Mr. Smelser has received an anonymous letter warning him to give up the farm and move away or his life will be taken. Five letters have been received to date, in which the writer represents himself as the involuntary agent of an unnamed enemy of Smelser who will stoop to no interference with his plans. "The members of the family are not only terrified but mystified. They have hitherto believed that they possessed the friendly regard of their neighbors far and near, and they are at a loss to know whom to accuse of the crime. Two of the threatening letters have been forwarded to the attorney-general's department, two have been stolen from the Smelser home and the fifth is in the possession of Joseph W. Holmes of Selkirk. Mr. Smelser has taken the mysterious mandate very seriously. He has advertised a sale of his stock on November 1st, and is preparing to abandon the farm.

The Smelser family consists of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Smelser, two daughters, and four sons, three of whom are at home; Ernest, aged twenty-three, Lloyd, aged eighteen, and a boy aged twelve, who is attending school. They live about five miles north of Selkirk on the Hagersville road, and about eleven miles south of this town. There are seven men employed on the farm just now. Harvey Schreyer, the farm hand, and Mr. Smelser rented the farm twenty-two years ago from Joseph W. Holmes of Selkirk, and has been a continuous tenant. Besides running the farm Smelser owned a thrashing, a saw, a planer, a steam engine, and a machine which he hires out to neighboring farmers.

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No Longer Considered Safe By Tories.
Toronto, Oct. 21.—Among local conservatives there is a strong feeling against Hon. W. J. Hanna, provincial secretary, and the opinion is expressed in conservative organizations that Hon. Mr. Hanna is no longer a safe man to have charge of important affairs of the party. His mistake is regarded as a serious one. His attitude towards members of the cabinet, and other affairs has been displeasing to them, and little sympathy is felt in some quarters. Hanna, to a very large number of conservatives, is considered to have been over-estimated as a politician. He has turned Englishman against the government on account of his gross indiscretion, and was responsible for the miserable efforts in connection with provincial police of the food uniforms, to say nothing of the many other matters which he has offended the best friends of the party. Opinion is expressed in many quarters that Hon. Mr. Hanna will retire shortly from the cabinet.

Darling Township Resident Gone.
Almota, Ont., Oct. 21.—Death claim of one of the most prominent residents of Darling township this week when W. J. Rintoul, passed away at his home at Tatlock. Deceased, who was born in Darling in 1849, was a successful farmer and in later years has been well known in municipal politics. In 1868 he was elected to the township council, where he served with credit to himself until 1890, when he was elected a member of the county council, of which body he was one of the most useful members. Besides a wife he is survived by eleven children. The funeral, which took place yesterday, was largely attended.

J. M. Briggs' Cool Proposal.
Guelph, Ont., Oct. 21.—Joseph M. Briggs, Toronto, has written to J. Ranson Howitt, the conservative nominee for South Wellington, making a proposition that Mr. Howitt "be neighborly" and himself nominate Briggs, who has declared his intention of running against the conservative nominee. Mr. Howitt is not likely to comply.

Captain Parker Out.
Watertown, N.Y., Oct. 21.—When the election of officers of the 10th New York Heavy Artillery occurs, to-day, Capt. John H. Parker, Cape Vincent who has filled the office of president, will not be a candidate. Mr. Parker has not been in poor health for many months, and is reported to have been unable to attend the election. No one has been selected as his successor.

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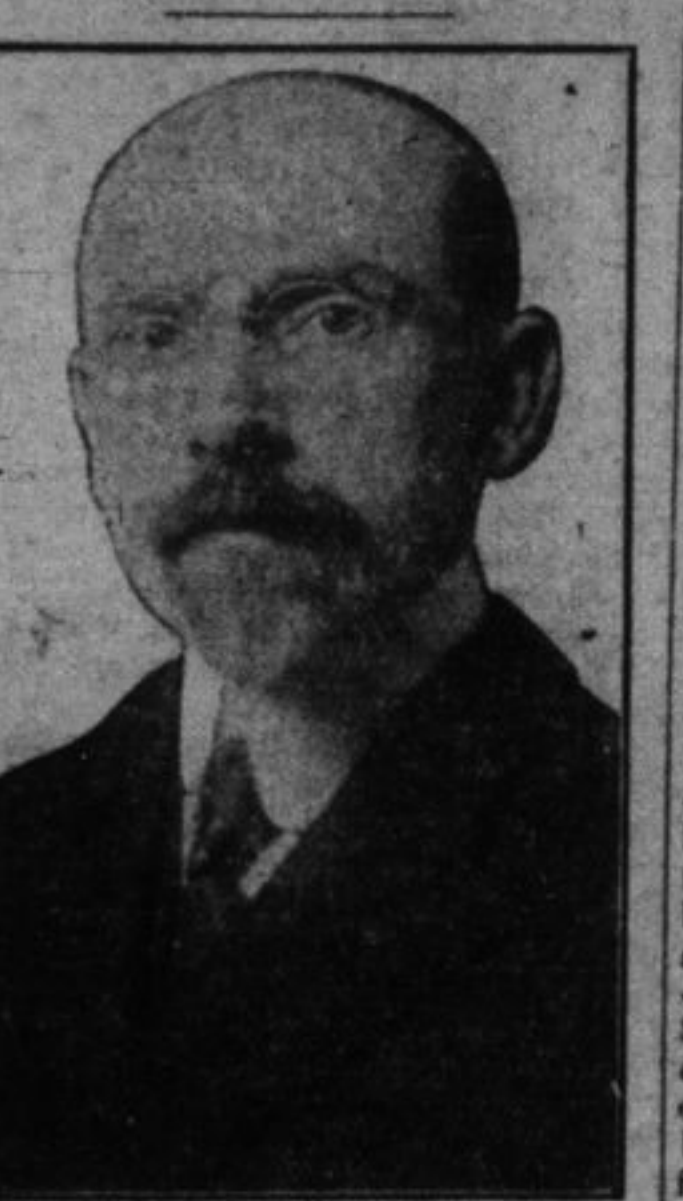
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AT HIGHEST POINT.

Britain's superiority was never so marked.
London, Oct. 21.—Right Hon. R. McKenna, speaking at Monmouth, yesterday, said Mr. Balfour's naval reforms always synchronized with his followers' demands for a lead upon tariff reform. Mr. McKenna considered that in first-class battleships, Britain had more than maintained the two-power standard, while in cruisers her superiority was still more marked. Indeed, he declared, the margin of superiority had never been so high in times of peace. Mr. McKenna also noted that British figures respecting the number of German and British Dreadnoughts for 1913.

SELF-INFLICTED WOUNDS.

Dr. Loomis Died in Hospital as a Result.
Cortland, N.Y., Oct. 21.—As the result of the wound he inflicted on himself after he had shot and killed Lillian Alveda Dodge, because she had refused to marry him, Dr. Loring R. Loomis, mining promoter and speculator, died, Thursday, in the Cortland hospital. Loomis was a physician, lawyer and a director of the Nevada-Tah Mining Corporation, a \$15,000,000 concern. His wife was at his bedside when he died, although she had a divorce suit pending against him in Chicago.

STEAMER STRUCK ROCK AND SANK.

Ottawa, Oct. 21.—While on the way to Oswego, N.Y., the Roberval, a steel steamer, brought out last year by the Ottawa Forwarding company, struck a boulder in the Ottawa river near Lachute and foundered in twenty-five feet of water. The boat was in charge of Capt. Peter Ely, who, with a crew of thirteen, got off safely. Mr. Hall, of the Ottawa Forwarding company, has gone to the scene of the accident. It will likely cost considerable to have the steamer raised and repaired, but as it is nearing the close of navigation, the company will not suffer such a great loss by having the boat out of commission as would otherwise be the case. Last year the company had a somewhat similar experience with the steamer Hebron.

GRATER SENT DOWN.

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NEW WHEAT IN ENGLAND.

London, Oct. 21.—Millers have been experimenting with the object of producing a wheat in England which will combine the quality of Canadian Flax wheat with a good yield and good straw. As a result a new seed has been produced known as Burgoyne's Flax.

THE UNCHECKED CATCH ON THE CAPE BRETON SHOWS AS REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN A FAILURE.

The unchecked catch on the Cape Breton show as reported to have been a failure. The fish have been running in large quantities, but high seas prevented successful operations.



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