

WATSON CASE UP IN DIVORCE COURT TODAY

ADJOURNED UNTIL TUES.
TO PRODUCE WITNESS

Defendant in the City — Evi-
dence in Case of Joseph
vs. Joseph Being
Heard.

The suit of Robert Earl Watson vs. May Olga Watson was begun in the Divorce Court this morning. J. King Kelley, and W. A. Ross appearing for the plaintiff and R. B. Hanson, K. C., for the defense. The defendant in this case is in Fredericton being registered at the Barker House. The plaintiff through missing train connection was not present when the suit began this morning but by consent of counsel the court proceeded with the hearing in his absence.

J. King Kelley read the libel and presented an affidavit of Town Clerk Michael B. Clark of Houlton, Me., and James E. Maddington, counsellor-at-law of the same town relative to the marriage of the principals at Houlton by Rev. W. H. Easton, Methodist.

His Honor Judge Crockett took the ground that the marriage had not been proven in the manner usually considered satisfactory by the court. Mr. Kelley asked for adjournment until ten o'clock Tuesday morning in order to produce Mr. Maddington as a witness. If necessary another commission will issue to take evidence again at Houlton.

The defendant resides in Woodstock formerly being named Hayden. The plaintiff resides in Moncton.

Joseph vs. Joseph.

The suit of Annie Alaevia Joseph vs. Russell Robert Joseph followed. R. W. McLellan appearing for the defendant. The plaintiff who is a resident of Moncton was the only witness heard before court took recess. She stated that she was united in marriage with the defendant at Amherst, July 12, 1903, by Rev. Dr. Challenger. Both the groom and officiating clergyman were colored men. Ill treatment of the wife began immediately after marriage and culminated in a threat with a loaded revolver. The wife left her husband at Amherst, May 4th, 1915, and since that time has supported herself and had no relations with her husband. The latter is alleged to be farming at Belle Isle Creek, King's County, and living with another woman as his wife, that woman being one Maude Hill.

This case will continue this afternoon.

At the Movies

The Monday play at the Opera House is "A Sage Brush Hamlet" with Wm. Desmond the featured player. A good comedy completes the program. The Monday-Tuesday play at the Gaiety is "The World and His Wife". A Harold Lloyd comedy will be given in addition.

A Drop in Bread.

Sydney Record: Lower prices are gradually coming to Sydney, and householders are beginning to feel somewhat relieved. This week Sydney bakers announced a drop in the price of bread of one cent per loaf. Bread is now being retailed in Sydney at 12 cents for pound and a half loaves.

No Water Today

Owing to repairs made necessary by a leaky hydrant near the corner of York and King Streets, the water in that locality has been shut off. It is hoped to have the repairs made and the water turned on again before night. This happening on wash day is causing much inconvenience to many residents.

Made a Find

Mr. Fred H. Ferguson while making an inspection of his hen house yesterday discovered that one of his hens had gone broody. On further investigation he was rather astounded to find a nest containing seventeen eggs which the old bird had cleverly concealed. It is rather unusual for a hen to steal away a nest at this season of the year.

Swallowed a Needle.

Two weeks ago Elizabeth, the thirteen-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Morrison, of North Sydney, accidentally swallowed a needle, and a few days later she complained of severe internal pains. The girl was taken to the hospital, where it was found she was suffering from appendicitis. An operation was performed, but her condition was too far advanced, and after much suffering the patient died this week.

Debate at U. N. B.

A debate was held on Saturday night at U. N. B. on the following subject: "Resolved that Compulsory School Attendance should be Extended until the 18th year has been reached or until the Grade XII has been passed." The debaters were Affirmative—Bridges, leader; Jones, Miller, McRae. Negative—Bishop, leader; Booth, Titus, Sheldrake. The judge, Dr. W. C. Kestead gave the decision to the affirmative.

Death of Frederick Barnes

Frederick Barnes died at his home, Forest Hill, after a lingering illness yesterday at noon aged forty two years. He is survived by a wife, three daughters, Elizabeth, Annie and May, two sisters Mrs. Geo. Taylor, residing in the United States, Mrs. Harry Jackson of England and a brother George Barnes also of England. The funeral services will be held tomorrow at 2 p. m. at the late home, conducted by Rev. A. F. Bate. Interment will take place in the Forest Hill Cemetery.

SAYS SHE GAVE NO INFORMATION AGAINST HER HUSBAND IN PENNIAC SHOOTING CASE—NO JEALOUSY

Mrs. Herbert Stevenson Gives Statement to The Mail—Night was So Dark That She Could See Nothing But the Flashes of the Weapon—Had Been Ill Until Two Days Before the Shooting—Wednesday Night She Went for a Walk With Her Sister—Nothing Improper in Visits to Donald Place.

A statement from Mrs. Stevenson, wife of Herbert Stevenson who is accused of attempting to murder Arthur L. Noble at Penniac on Wednesday night, has been obtained by the Mail and the attitude of Mrs. Stevenson is shown now to be not the same as generally believed.

Mrs. Stevenson, claiming herself to be the victim of unfortunate circumstances said her stay at the home of Richard Donald was for no other reason than that the house in York street in which the Stevenson family resides was in process of construction and her health would not permit her living in it. During her stay at Penniac she was sick the greater part of the time and her sister Miss Brewer cared for her. "And" said Mrs. Stevenson, "since my sister is single she has every right to have young men call on her like any other girl naturally does. Further there was to my knowledge nothing irregular or not respectable about those visits."

Mrs. Stevenson said she had not been out of bed for some time until two days before the night of the shooting, that is on Monday last. On Wednesday night she "went out for the air."

That it was a very dark night was

insisted by both women and they had become somewhat separated. "When returning we were, I would judge somewhere near the barn when I saw a flash and heard a report, then successive flashes and reports was a statement volunteered.

Jealousy Not Motive.

"From that time" she went on, "I have only the most vague idea of what happened and possibly an incorrect one. One thing is sure and has hurt me immeasurably is the opinion that my husband fired those shots impelled by jealousy to kill. I do not know whether my husband was at Penniac or not and I emphatically deny having laid information against him. My husband and myself have got along well and never given each other reasons for jealousy and now we have a comfortable and hitherto happy home and I know it will continue to be when he is no longer denied the privilege of sharing it with me."

Both Mrs. Stevenson and Miss Brewer deny having seen Brydone Richardson on Wednesday night and if he was at Penniac they are not aware of it.

ST. PIERRE FEELS STRAIN OF POSITION

New Evidence Discovered in
Edmundston Murder—Ac-
cused a Mere Wreck
of Former Self.

The case of St. Pierre of Edmundston charged with the murder of Miss Minnie Stevens a telegraph operator of the same place has taken new developments and Provincial Constable Robert Crawford has subpoenaed thirteen new witnesses to appear at the trial which it is believed will be held before the scheduled time. The date now mentioned is Nov. 9th. Attorney General J. P. Byrne is in charge of the prosecution of the case.

St. Pierre, who was at first very composed and undisturbed over the matter has lost the iron nerve that he at first demonstrated and constantly showed when he was a base-ball hero in his home town. He had become almost a wreck. His appetite is gone and he passes both day and night pacing up and down his cell.

BILL SHAREN MAY BE SOLD TO T. W. MURPHY

Possible That Great Horse Deal
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McInnis Here.

The largest deal in horse-flesh which ever took place in New Brunswick may be concluded in Fredericton today. It is the purchase of Bill Sharen the remarkable Fredericton-bred trotter which cut so wide a swath in the Maritime and Maine Circuit in season 1920. This horse has been mentioned frequently as Grand Circuit material and the arrival today of T. W. Murphy of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., and Hector McInnis of South Boston, Mass., indicates that the horse is also considered a possibility south of the International Boundary.

Mr. Murphy is the possible purchaser. He is known wherever harness-racing takes place.

Frank C. Murchie of Milltown is (Continued on Page Four.)

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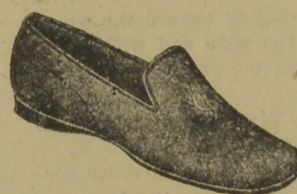
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