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AMERICAN JUSTICE SHOWS
UNUSUAL EXPEDITION

Unlike Most Murder Trials Which are Usually Lengthy, the Case Against Seylor was Concluded in One Day--Defence Opens Immediately--Theory Advanced is That Victim's Death was Result of Accident.

Mays Landing, N. J., May 25.—Before nightfall William Seylor of Atlantic City, probably will know whether he is to die in the electric chair for murdering Jane Adams, the 17-year-old girl, whom the Commonwealth charges he threw from the million dollar pier of Atlantic City into the sea. The trial began on Monday and the State made quick work completing its case. After endeavoring to prove to the jury that the girl was killed by Seylor while defending her honor, the state rested its case yesterday and the defence immediately opened.

Seylor was expected to take the stand today and the final address of the attorneys were to follow. The theory of the defence is that Jane Adams, who was on the pier with her sister, William Seylor and his brother Orvis, was drowned accidentally. The defence contends that Jane, while waiting for the return of her sister, who had gone to another part of the pier, sought shelter from the cold wind by stepping behind one of the buildings on the pier. She was unacquainted with the pier, it is held, and not knowing the pier at that point, had no railing, backed off into the sea.

The defense holds that Seylor and his brother thinking the girl had returned home, went to their homes and the next day left for Virginia to hunt for work. The brothers were later arrested in that state.

Robert Miller, one of the detectives who brought the Seylor brothers from Petersburg, said William had made a statement in writing. Miller produced it. It read:

"On Friday night, Feb. 2, I went home to supper at 6 o'clock. I never saw Jane Adams that night. Orvis came to me Saturday morning and asked me to go so Philadelphia with him and look for work. We went

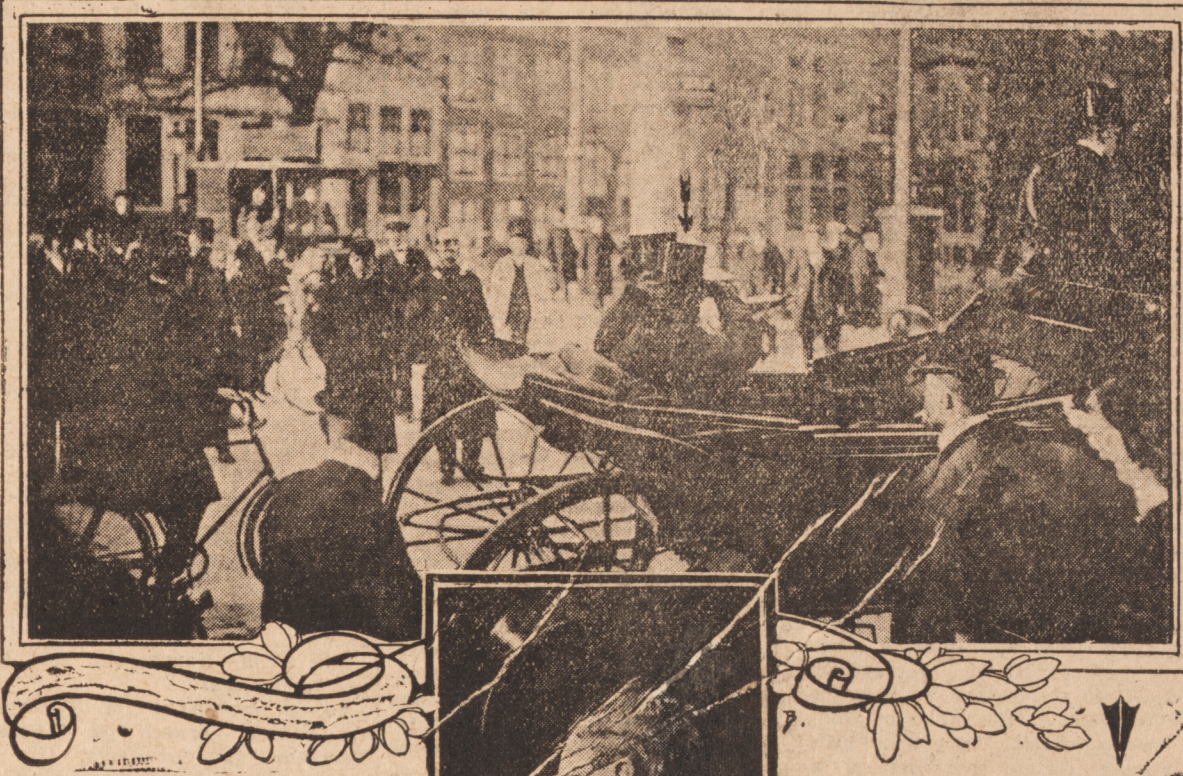
there and stayed there two hours. Then we took a train South. I did not tell my wife that I was going to leave Atlantic City. I did tell her I was going to look for work."

Mrs. Seylor, William's wife, who has remained loyal to him, was in court with their two children. Orvis Seylor, who has been held as a material witness, was not called into court. It is expected that William will take the stand in his own behalf. Thirty witnesses have been subpoenaed for the defense, but it is believed all the testimony will be in by Wednesday evening.

In anticipation of Seylor taking the stand, the court room was crowded to its capacity when the trial opened today. Many of the spectators were women. Entering the court room, Seylor greeted his wife who has stood loyally by him during his trouble. He looked worried, but when he spoke to Mrs. Seylor who had with her, her young daughter Bessie, a smile broke over his face. After a brief consultation with his attorney Seylor took the stand. His story told in a composed manner was as follows:

"I knew Jane Adams in her lifetime. I am 23 years old. I remember the night of February 7, I had not been working that day. About 7 o'clock I went after some coal. The Adams lived a short distance from me and we frequently visited each other. Coming back with the coal I passed the Adams house with Orvis Seylor and Tommy Adams. When I reached the house a child ran out and said to Orvis 'Alice wants you'. Orvis stopped and I went directly home. I had an engagement with a man before 7 o'clock. Before I went out I asked my wife for fifty cents but she did not give it to me so I went to Young's saloon and borrowed the money."

EX-PRES. ROOSEVELT SIGHT-SEEING IN LONDON



THE CITY OF LONDON WILL NEXT WEEK CONFER ITS HONORARY FREEDOM UPON EX-PRESIDENT.

London, May 24.—Among the distinguished men invited to attend the presentation of the freedom of the City of London to Mr. Roosevelt next week are all the members of

the present and the previous Cabinet, the Speaker of the House of Commons, the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Lord Chief Justice, the Master of the Rolls, the Governor of the Bank of England, Earl Roberts, Lord Kitchener, Lord Rothschild, the President of the Royal Academy, representatives of the shipping lines and of the principal American houses in London and the Chairman of the London County Council.

POLICE HOT ON TRAIL
OF COWARDLY BULLY

Who on Monday so Shamefully Beat a Little Six Year Old Boy--The Third of a Series of Similar Atrocities.

St. John, May 25.—(Special)—The police are on the trail of the youth suspected of brutally beating Hance Dryden, the six year old boy whom he met out on the road on Monday, and an arrest may come at any time. The trail is said to point towards Sewell Street. Young Dryden, who was beaten, says his assailant hacked him with a wooden dagger, stripped him and beat him with a leather belt and buckle. This is the third case of this kind recently and dime novel reading is believed to be largely responsible for it.

It appears that between two and three o'clock Monday afternoon the Dryden child was accosted on the street by a boy, who, owing to his present weakened condition he is unable to clearly describe and he was asked to come for a walk on Mount Pleasant, the strange boy also telling him that he would buy some candy.

Little Hance readily assented and followed the older lad up the road behind Mount Pleasant. When some distance from the nearest residence, the strange boy turned upon the little fellow savagely, and after removing his clothing, tied his feet together tightly with a piece of cord and beat him unmercifully until from the pain he lost consciousness.

Owing to his weakened condition, yesterday the child was unable to explain details, but it appears that the unknown boy was taking him back to his home when the pair were noticed by persons who were searching for him. The mysterious assailant of the child then quickly disappeared.

Until the mystery is cleared up, a vigilant watch will be kept upon the vicinity where the assault was committed, as the police believe that the lives of children are exposed to great danger. The assailant in each case is described as being about 15 years of age, dark haired, and wearing a cap and dark knee pants.

STEAMER SUNK AT ROCKLAND

Rockland, Me., May 25.—The passenger steamer James T. Morse which plies between Rockland and Barr Harbor, was sunk at her berth today by the Boston-Bangor steamer Belfast. No lives were lost but two firemen on the Morse had a narrow escape. The Belfast was only slightly damaged and proceeded to Bangor

STOCK MARKET TODAY
SHOWS IRREGULARITY

C. P. R. Mark Crossed 198 at Opening But Had Eased Off by Noon--Crown Reserve Active.

New York, May 25.—Wall Street—A moderate degree of activity accompanied a comprehensive rise in the opening prices of stock in which the Canadian group was quite prominent. The stock rose two points. Consolidated Gas and Minneapolis, St. Paul and Sault Ste Marie, Ontario and Western New York Central and B. & O. large fractions.

New York, N. Y., May 25.—Noon.—Money on call firm at 3 1/2 per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 4 1/2 to 5 1/2 per cent. Exchanges \$307,131,135.

Paris, May 25.—A \$10,000,000 issue of the bonds of the big four railway was offered today by Morgan Harjes and Co., and was subscribed for in full.

(Quotations from direct private wires of J. M. Robinson & Son, Bankers, St. John, N. B., Members Montreal Stock Exchange)

Amalgamated.....	70 1/2	70
Atchafson.....	111	110 1/2
Smelters.....	81 1/2	80 1/2
Brooklyn.....	81 1/2	81 1/2
Canadian Pacific.....	198 1/2	197 1/2
Great Northern, pfd.....	136	135 1/2
Northern Pacific.....	132 1/2	131 1/2
Penn.....	135 1/2	134 1/2
Reading.....	165 1/2	163 1/2
Soo.....	140 1/2	140 1/2
Southern Pacific.....	127 1/2	126 1/2
Union.....	135 1/2	134 1/2
U. S. Steel Comm.....	83 1/2	83 1/2
LaRosa.....	5 1/2	4 9-16
Nippissing.....	11 1/2	11 1/2

MONTREAL MORNING SALES

C. P. R.—50 @ 198; 50 @ 197 1/2; 5 @ 197 1/2; 25 @ 197 1/2.
Montreal Street—50 @ 245; 25 @ 245 1/2.
Dominion Iron—25 @ 67 1/2.
Pennmans—5 @ 60 1/2.
Nippissing—100 @ 11.72.
Pennmans—5 @ 60 1/2.
Rio—50 @ 75.
Blake Lake Common—50 @ 25.
Cement Common—15 @ 23; 110 @ 23 1/2; 50 @ 23 1/2.

Quebec Railway—150 @ 45 1/2; 25 @ 45 1/2; 300 @ 45.
Toronto Rails—50 @ 120.
Crown Reserve—1,100 @ 293; 5 @ 290; 570 @ 294; 50 @ 292; 1800 @ 295; 200 @ 296; 300 @ 297.

Mackay, pfd.—5 @ 75; 50 @ 75 1/2.
Coal, pfd.—10 @ 105.
Dominion Textile—75 @ 72 1/2.
Montreal Power—25 @ 133 1/2; 3 @ 133; 50 @ 133 1/2; 10 @ 133 1/2.

Asbestos Common—1 @ 50 @ 22.
Bank of Montreal—1 @ 250.
Shawinigan—10 @ 100.
Dominion Iron, pfd., 4 @ 105.

THE GRAIN MARKET.

Chicago, May 25.—Grain quotations at noon today were as follows:
May—Oats, 39 1/2; July, 38; Sept., 37 1/2.
Dec., 37 1/2.
Corn—July, 59 1/2; Sept., 60; Dec., 56 1/2.

\$300,000 HOTEL FALLS
VICTIM TO FLAMES

Well Known Summer Hotel on Lake Champlain Totally Destroyed by Fire This Morning--No Loss of Life Caused Owing to the Fact That the Hotel Had Not Been Opened for Business for the Season.

Albany, N. Y., May 25.—The Hotel Champlain on Lake Champlain was destroyed by fire today.

The Hotel Champlain was located at Bluff Point, N. Y. It had not been opened for the summer season as yet, so there were no guests in the house. It was one of the largest and finest hotels in Northern New York.

The fire broke out shortly before 2 o'clock this morning and, although the fire department at Plattsburg, three miles away, was summoned, they were unable to cope with the flames, which soon destroyed the immense hotel and annex. The cause of the fire has not yet been ascertained. No loss of life is reported. The hotel was owned by Delaware and Hudson Co. The hotel was to have been opened for the summer season on June 25th and about sixty employees were in the building when the fire was discovered. Although all those in the hotel were thought to

have escaped the flames, an electrician named Herbert was later reported as missing and may have lost his life.

The hotel which was first opened in 1890 was a commanding wooden structure five stories high with capacity for housing hundreds of guests and stood on Bluff Point, the most commanding promontory on the west shore of Lake Champlain three miles south of Plattsburg.

Although the cause of the fire has not been ascertained, it is believed that it resulted from a lighted cigarette or cigar carelessly thrown aside. President C. S. Simms of the Delaware and Hudson Co., said today the loss would amount to about \$300,000. It was insured for \$233,000.

On June 24th last, the Fort William Hotel, on Lake George, another big hotel owned by the Delaware and Hudson Co., was destroyed by fire under somewhat similar circumstances, a few days before the date of the summer opening.

JEFFRIES NEEDS MORE
"SPARRING PARTNERS"

Ben Lomond, Calif., May 25.—More human punch bags are needed at Ben Lomond, Jeffries trainers think and there is talk that two or three fast young fighters will be added to his staff so that there will be no dearth of material for his present supply of sparring partners and the fighter was forced to knock off for the day simply because no one was left to face him. In his bout with Choyinski which was the last of the day, Jeffries winced at a blow he received on the left thumb.

"I sprained it the other day," he explained to Choyinski, "and when you caught me there it hurt. I guess it will be all right though, in a couple of days."

TARGET PRACTICE BRINGS
DEATH AND INJURY

Pensacola, Fla., May 25.—Coming within range of a target squad from Fort Barrancas, Edgar Amoisin, a sergeant aboard the three-masted schooner John W. Kewn, was mortally wounded late yesterday and others aboard the vessel escaped death or serious injury only by hiding behind the masts and other rigging of the vessel. The Kewn was passing the harbor when a rain of leaden missiles swept over the deck. Col. Allen, commanding the post, has ordered an investigation.

MRS. ROOSEVELT VISITS
QUEEN ALEXANDRA

London, May 25.—Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt visited Buckingham Palace today and had a long chat with Queen Alexandra. The call was made at the suggestion of Her Majesty, who, when she received Mr. Roosevelt yesterday expressed the hope that she might see the former president's wife.

DEATH OF NOTED EXPLORER

New York, May 25.—Dr. Roswell O. Stebbins, one of the foremost dentists of this city and an arctic explorer and traveller of note, is dead at his home here of Bright disease. He was 55 years old. He accompanied an expedition to Greenland in 1884 and was a member of the Cook Mount McKinley expedition. He was a staunch supporter of the Brooklyn explorer throughout the polar controversy.

GREAT POWERS NOW
"CONSIDER CRETE'S FUTURE"

Paris, May 25.—Great Britain and France today submitted to the governments of Russia and Italy the other two protecting powers, a proposition to invite Crete to admit Mussulman deputies to the Cretan Assembly and thus restore the status quo prior to 1903. According to this plan, which it is believed Russia and Italy will accept, Crete will retain its autonomy under the suzerainty of Turkey. The proposal was the result of a conference held between Sir Edward Grey, the British foreign secretary, and M. Pichon, the French foreign minister, during the latter's stay in London, where he went as the representative of France to attend the funeral of King Edward.

STATE TAKES ACTION
TO FIGHT MEAT TRUST

Trenton, N. J., May 25.—A notice has been filed in the New Jersey supreme court by Prosecutor Garven of Hudson County, that he would apply to the court on June 7th for an order dissolving the partnership of Armour and Company, Morris & Co. Swift & Co., and the National Packing Co. This is a new move on the part of the prosecutor to have the companies punished for their alleged conspiracy to raise the price of meats. If Mr. Garven is successful in his fight the companies could not do business in New Jersey.

NEW CRUISER FOR
THE GERMAN NAVY

Kiel, May 25.—The German navy's newest 19,000 ton cruiser, Von der Tann, developed a speed of 23 knots an hour in a trial run on the Mouth of the Elbe yesterday. The Von der Tann was launched at Hamburg on March 18, 1909.

SEIZURE UNDER PURE FOOD ACT

New York, N. Y., May 25.—Forty eight pairs of gloves, consigned by a New York firm to a tea and spice company in Cincinnati, have been seized under the pure foods act by federal inspectors, and will be destroyed. It is alleged that the oil had been extracted from the cloves by a chemical process and they have been stained with iron to hide this.

PERSONAL.

Mr. J. W. Hoyt, collector of customs at McAdam, is in the city.

JAPANESE HONEYMOON
DELIGHTED LARGE HOUSE

The Herald Square Company delighted a large audience at the Opera House last night with its presentation of The Japanese Honeymoon. This musical comedy proved to be full of catch music which was well sung. The comedy of the opera was well attended to. Mr. Hamilton as Pin Tu and Mr. Ramsey as Pitt Poy, kept the audience laughing continually. As Falsetta the Faded Flower, Miss Knowles was also strong in comedy. In his song Sang Foy, Mr. Payne made the hit of the evening. The part of Sang Foy, taken by Miss Scott, was presented in excellent style. As Dorothy, Miss Turner scored heavily and her bright catchy songs earned her several encores. Mr. Beall, when he sang "Tommy Atkins" introduced a feature that took well with the audience. The work of the choruses and ballet was right up to the mark. Much credit is also due Mr. Everdeen, the musical director.

An engagement in Houlton has been cancelled by the company, and Fredericton theatre goers will have a chance to see this excellent company again this evening, when it will present "A Trip to India."

ASTRONOMERS SAY
COMET SPLIT IN TWO

Tucson, Ariz., May 25.—That the head or nucleus of Halley's Comet has divided in two parts is the discovery of Dr. A. E. Douglas, of the University of Arizona. According to Dr. Douglas, the brighter part is in advance of the other about thirty seconds which is equivalent to three thousand miles.

Dr. Douglas calls attention to the fact that a parallel case was the comet of 1882 which divided into four parts, separated and entirely disappeared.

ROOSEVELT INTERVIEWED
ON UNIVERSAL PEACE

London, May 25.—A deputation from the British group of the Inter-parliamentary union was received by Mr. Roosevelt today.

The deputation presented the former president with an address, setting forth the aims of the union and the hopes of the British group for universal peace.

Mr. Roosevelt in reply, expressed his sympathy with the cause represented by his visitors. He spoke briefly as his throat is still bothering him somewhat, and his voice is not normal.

RECIPROCITY CONFERENCE
LIKELY NEXT FALL

Ottawa, May 24.—A courteous reply has been sent to Washington by the Canadian government in response to President Taft's invitation for the opening up of tariff negotiations between Canada and the United States, looking to a mutual lowering of the trade barriers between the two countries.

While expressing a willingness to enter into negotiations for better trade conditions, which should prove mutually advantageous to both countries, the Canadian government points out that owing to the engagements of the prime minister, Hon. Mr. Fielding, and other members of the cabinet who will be absent from Ottawa during the greater part of the summer, there will be little opportunity for the government to take up the question in any active and detailed way until September next. It is, therefore, suggested that the matter be left in abeyance until then.

Meanwhile it is believed that the present movement in the United States looking to a lowering of the protective duties on many items entering into the cost of living to the general public will operate to the advantage of Canada in any future tariff bargaining.