

DEATH PENALTY.

Thomas Cammack Hanged at Woodstock Early This Morning.

SHERIFF HAYWARD PREFORMED THE DUTIES OF EXECUTIONER.

Unfortunate Man was Game Until the Last.

THE PARTING WITH MEMBERS OF HIS FAMILY WAS MOST TOUCHING.

(Staff correspondence to The Herald.)

Woodstock, Jan. 12.—Thomas Cammack who murdered William Doherty, at Upper Kent, Carleton county, on July 17th last, paid the penalty of his crime on the gallows at Woodstock jail at five o'clock this morning. Although Cammack had shown considerable nervousness during the past week, he seemed to regain his nerve on Wednesday, and when the hour of his execution arrived, walked to the scaffold with a firm step.

Cammack embraced the Roman Catholic faith during the last five weeks and Rev. Father McMurray has spent some hours with him daily. He came to the jail shortly after two o'clock and remained with the condemned man until the end.

During the early hours of the evening Cammack's two sons, Thomas and Allen Cammack and his two daughters paid a farewell visit to their father and remained until after one o'clock. The parting was most affecting and much sympathy was visible among those present.

The number present at the execution was much smaller than when Gee was hanged six months ago, and included Drs. Rankin, the jail physician, Cummings of Bath and Cartis of Hartland, the officials, the jury and members of the press.

A large number surrounded the jail outside and remained nearly all night.

Shortly before five o'clock the sheriff entered the cell of the condemned man and informed him that his time had arrived. Cammack, who had spent the last hours of his life with his spiritual adviser, arose and stood while Sheriff Hayward bound his arms with the straps.

The mournful procession to the gallows then commenced—Cammack was attired in a dark tweed suit, white shirt and slippers, was escorted on either side by Rev. Father McMurray and Sheriff Hayward, and followed by Deputy Sheriff Foster, and Constable Wolverton. He walked firmly up the steps to the scaffold. After the rope had been adjusted Father McMurray recited the Lord's Prayer which Cammack repeated after the priest. The last stroke of the post office clock across the street had hardly died away when Sheriff Hayward sprung the drop, and Cammack was launched into eternity. Three seconds after the drop fell his pulse ceased to beat, and nine minutes from the time Cammack walked up the scaffold the body was cut down. At six o'clock Coroner W. W. Hay and a jury consisting of Messrs. John E. Kenney, Bruce Vanwart, Ambrose Giberson, Wm. Armstrong, T. Monaghan, Frank Belyea, George Hayward, Alex. Bell, John M. Hay, John B. Smith, Leo Kearney and Fred Smith, held an inquest and brought in the legal verdict usual in such cases.

Cammack Interviewed.

To the Herald representative who conferred with him during the afternoon, Cammack said that while it was not necessary to review the circumstances which placed him in his terrible position, he would say that he forgave everyone, and while it was hard to die he had become reconciled to it and would be glad when all was over. He said, "When I could have benefited myself by speaking I did not do so. It is too late to do so now." He spoke of the kindness received at the hands of the sheriff, Mrs. Hayward and family and said he appreciated it highly. Cammack's wife visited him about two weeks ago when a reconciliation took place between them. She has not since paid him a visit.

In appearance Cammack was about five feet, eight inches tall, light complected and was not at all a bad looking man. He stated that he was 59 years of age and his weight was about 145 pounds.

Those who knew Cammack, say that he was an industrious, hard working man, and that he had one of the neatest and best kept farms in the locality in which he lived.

The remains were prepared for burial, and were taken to Johnville this morning by the sons of the deceased. The funeral will take place on Saturday.

Many expressions of regret were heard over the fact that the circumstances made it necessary for Sheriff Hayward to perform the hangman's duty, and while the Sheriff on his part felt his position keenly, he performed the task in a humane and creditable manner.

Story of the Crime.

The murder of which Cammack pays the extreme penalty of the law was committed on the night of July 17, 1904. On that night Cammack went to the home of Willie Doherty and his brothers, near Glassville, Carleton county, about 12 o'clock. He found entrance through the cellar and stole upstairs to the sleeping apartments, where the unconscious family lived. William Doherty heard the intruder and hastened to ascertain who it was, but Cammack drew a revolver and fired twice at the unfortunate man, killing him almost instantly. He afterwards shot Charles Doherty through the chin, and George Doherty through the left shoulder. Not content with that he attacked his wife, who had left him and returned to the home of her brothers—the Dohertys, beating her.

The two Dohertys, also Cammack's wife and two children escaped and hid in the bushes. Cammack then fired the house and the murdered man was consumed in the flames.

The criminal fled to the woods and Deputy Sheriff Foster, with a posse of men, soon took up the trail with orders to take Cammack dead or alive. About next noon some of them saw Cammack in the woods and called on him to halt. The sound of a shot was heard, and on the men rushing up they found their prisoner unconscious, with a bullet wound over his right ear. For days the life of the murderer was despaired of, but he was nursed back to health in Woodstock jail to die by the hangman's noose.

At the trial it came out in evidence that Cammack had tied the several doors of the Doherty house before entering the cellar. The reason for the crime was jealousy of his wife.

ALMOST WON.

Fredericton Curlers Put up a Good Game With the Thistles.

The Fredericton Curlers played the Thistles at St. John yesterday afternoon and evening, two rinks playing at a time. In the afternoon James Tibbitts and J. S. Malcolm broke even, and W. P. Robertson defeated H. V. Bridges by two points. In the evening the Thistles secured a further leap of 3 points. The rinks and scores were as follows:

Fredericton.	Thistles.
H. Crotty,	F. Myles,
J. McD. Cooke,	J. C. Chesley,
F. P. Hatt,	J. R. Thomson,
James Tibbitts,	J. S. Malcolm,
skip17	skip17
J. W. Kaye,	J. W. Cameron,
Frank Thomas,	A. W. Sharpe,
E. H. Allen,	L. McAndrews,
H. V. Bridges,	W. P. Robertson,
skip15	skip17
Total17	34
Fredericton.	Thistles.
Frank G. Vanwart,	H. Barnes,
A. R. Wetmore,	S. W. Palmer,
L. C. Macnutt,	W. J. Shaw,
J. H. Hawthorne,	D. R. Willett,
skip11	skip23
B. Lemont,	J. A. Sinclair,
T. A. Wilson,	George Bishop,
A. E. Massie,	J. F. Shaw,
H. C. Rutter,	W. A. Shaw,
skip17	skip8
Total28	31
Grand total 60	65
Majority for Thistles, 5.	

FREIGHT RATES.

Moncton Paper Denies Statements Made at Board of Trade Meeting.

(Moncton Transcript.)

The St. John Telegraph contains a Fredericton despatch purporting to give an account of a meeting of the Fredericton Board of Trade.

At the meeting it was claimed that the I. C. R. had entered into an arrangement with the C. P. R. to raise the rates. The Transcript is informed upon reliable authority that the I. C. R. is in a position to show by correspondence that it has protested to both the C. P. R. and G. T. R. against the rate increases. One of the merchants went out of his way to place the responsibility personally for the increases upon Mr. E. Tiffin, the I. C. R. General Traffic Manager.

This placing of responsibility is not in accordance with the facts and the maker of the statement should publicly withdraw the same.

Burns and Scotland Yet!

The guid freens will ken weel what happens on Jan. 25. The leddy o' the Auld Kirk aye celebrate that date an' will take it il if ye gang ony ither gai that night. Ye'll hear mair about it later.—d.

Marysville News.

(By Our Own Reporter.)

Jan. 12th.—Over two hundred lovers of hockey went to Fredericton last Tuesday night to witness the hockey game between the St. John Mohawks and the Trojans. Robinson and Dennison, of the last year's Crescents, played an excellent game for the Trojans and were loudly cheered by the large crowd present.

There was skating with band at our rink last evening and the ice was in splendid condition.

What promises to be an exciting game of hockey will be played at the rink tonight between the Rovers of Fredericton and the Victorias of Marysville. Both these teams are playing excellent hockey. There will be skating after the game.

The many friends of Mrs. John T. Gibson will be sorry to hear that she is confined to her home from illness.

Tomorrow evening the 4th match in the Shute series will be played. Skip Inch will make his first appearance thus far this season, and as curling has become very popular, a good game is expected.

An Important Change.

Mr. Odbur White, who has for many years been station agent for the Canada Eastern Railway, and has lately been filling a similar position with the I. C. R., has been notified that his services are no longer required. Mr. H. Z. Walker of Bathurst, has arrived here to take over his duties. It is rumored that other changes of a similar nature are to be made in this neighborhood in the near future.

A Big Company.

Letters patent have been issued incorporating John S. McLennan of Sydney; Chas. W. Young of St. Stephen; L. B. Knight of St. John; A. D. Wetmore of Sydney, as the New Brunswick Iron Co., Ltd., with a capital of one million dollars divided into ten thousand dollar shares of one hundred dollars each.

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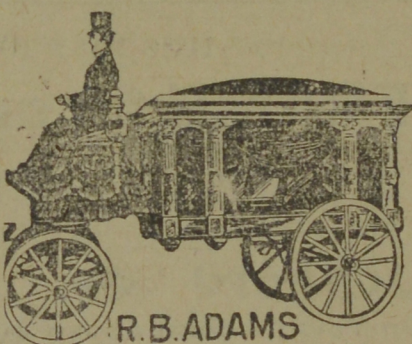
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