

VERDICT IS SUICIDE

Coroner's Jury So Decides After Autopsy Is Made.

IN ADDIE WALTON CASE

Parents Say a Further Investigation May Be Made.

Came to her death by her own hand from cause unknown to the jury was the verdict of the coroner's jury arrived at yesterday, after an autopsy over the body of Addie Walton.

This finishes the first chapter in the mysterious death which occurred Thursday night, so far as the coroner is concerned, but not so with the dead girl's family, who bitterly protest against such a finding.

When an Eagle reporter visited the girl's mother yesterday and informed her of the verdict she was shocked to hear of it, and said that she would never believe it; that there were no grounds for such a decision, and considered it an irreparable injustice to the dead girl and her family.

Mrs. Joseph Kirk, the dead girl's sister, who arrived yesterday morning from her home in Kingman, was also present, and said that the family would not allow the case to rest there, as she was positive that the thought of suicide never entered her sister's mind, for her home life and her future prospects were of the happiest and brightest kind, and her disposition at all times was to be merry.

When asked, in her opinion, what was the cause of her daughter's death, Mrs. Walton replied that her daughter was always subject to heart trouble, and she thought that with the opiate which was given her the girl's heart was unusually affected and caused her death. The cramps also accounted for the injury the girl received in falling over the chair a few days previous. But under no circumstances would she believe that her daughter met death by suicide.

Dr. W. A. Jordan, county physician, who performed the autopsy, and was one of the coroner's jury, when asked why the jury failed to state the primary cause of the death, said that they could not describe it, but the post-mortem revealed the fact that in no other way could the death have resulted except as given in the verdict rendered; that while the jury returned the verdict of suicide, that did not go to prove that it was premeditated on the girl's part, or that it might have been accidental, but that would not alter the evidence of self-destruction.

Dr. Hoskins, the physician who first attended the girl, was interviewed by the reporter, and stated that he had administered morphine to the patient, but in very limited proportions, and not over three-fourths of a grain altogether. He also stated that the cause from the first seemed very peculiar to him, and did not care to discuss it further.

At the inquest this morning witnesses testified to the girl's agony when she was first stricken, and how she repeated a number of times that she knew she would not live; all of which evidence seemed to strengthen the theory that the girl had taken medicine for some ailment, unknown to anyone, and that in her agony she made the terrible mistake she had made.

While the facts in the case, drawn from witnesses and the post-mortem examination, go to prove that death was caused from self-destruction, the testimony of the family and the girl's preparations for her marriage, which was to be in March, would stimulate the fact that death had not been contemplated, but resulted from an indirect use of propoietic which had been taken with other than suicidal intent, but which accomplished that end. If the dead girl's family conclude to have another examination, interesting facts may be brought to light, and the mystery revealed.

Following is the verdict verbatim as arrived at by the inquest: State of Kansas, Sedgewick County, ss. An Inquisition holden at Wichita, Sedgewick County, Kansas, set at No. 27 East Douglas avenue, on the 24 day of February, 1899, before A. A. Glenn, acting coroner of Sedgewick county, on the dead body of Addie Walton, here being dead, by the juror whose names are hereinafter subscribed. The said juror, upon their oaths, do say that from the testimony given, the deceased came to her death by her own hand, for causes to the jury unknown, and that her death was not caused voluntarily so far as disclosed by the evidence.

Jury: W. A. Jordan, M. D., J. S. Shanford, D. V. Donnelly, John T. Kelly, Zane Fisher, W. C. Klein. Attest: A. A. GLENN, Acting Coroner. Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup is the best medicine for sore throat, laryngitis, quinsy or tonsillitis. Every drop of it soothes and heals. A twenty-day cure bottle of this wonderful remedy will cure a cough or cold in one day.

WHAT DO THE CHILDREN DRINK?

Don't give them tea or coffee. Have you tried the new food drink called GRAIN-O? It is delicious and nourishing and takes the place of coffee. The more Grain-O you give the children the more health you distribute through their systems. Grain-O is made of pure grains, and when properly prepared tastes like the choice grades of coffee but costs about 1/4 as much. All grocers sell it. 10c and 25c.

his talented brother Mark have the Dutch and Irish parts well in hand, and the La Page Sisters change their clothes five times in as many minutes, accompanying each change with appropriate songs or dances.

Jas. H. Bradbury is the stage manager, and provides two exceptionally character bits. Another newcomer in farce comedy is Alf Holt, a whistling mimic of recently acquired but strong metropolitan reputation. Kattie Raymond, Florence Boardley, Tillie Taylor and Hazel Temple form a quartette of singers and dancers of beauty and grace. The chorus is large and attractive and the scenic equipment complete in every detail.

THE LAST BEFORE LENT.

The engagement of the Dorothy Morton Opera company at the Crawford Grand, when they play the benefit for the Elks, will be the last performance at the opera house before Lent. It will no doubt be the sweetest and musical event of the season. Box parties are being arranged already and the probability is that every seat on the first floor will be taken. This is the first appearance here of the Dorothy Morton company, though their reputation as a musical organization has obtained the highest compliments at the hands of music lovers and critics throughout the east and west. The company is headed by that peerless princess of light opera, Miss Dorothy Morton, whose triumphs in such operas as "The Gipsy," "The Beggar Student," "Gloria Girdola," "Carmen of Normandy," and leading prima donna roles have been as brilliant as those of any American soprano. She is supported by a carefully selected company of over forty trained voices, and the soloists and ensemble are regarded as being the best presenting light opera in this country. All of the rich and specially designed costumes made entirely new for this organization some two months ago, will be worn in the production here. The operas that have been selected for production are the best in the category of the light opera works. "Gloria Girdola" will be given at the matinee and "The Beggar Student" at night.

CASTORIA.

The Kind You Have Always Bought Bears the Signature of J. C. Watson

TOPICS OF THE TOWN.

Muri infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Cole, of 245 South Ellis, died yesterday.

D. R. Dix, C. P. Jones and R. H. Hatfield are registered at the Manhattan from Kansas City.

J. M. Thomas and W. M. Gregory, prominent Topeka insurance men, are stopping at the Carey.

Pearce Lyon, traveling ticket agent for the Missouri Pacific, was here yesterday in the interest of his road.

Sam Alexander, special agent, and Geo. Edgar, claim agent, both of the Frisco, are stopping at the Carey.

Louis Herman, H. P. Herbeler, John N. Strickland and R. H. Collins are among the Kansas City guests at the Carey.

John W. Moore, special western agent of the New York Life Insurance company, is making his headquarters at the Carey.

Grant Clegg of Mattew, Ill., formerly a resident of Wichita, had his ankle very badly sprained Sunday evening by slipping on a banana peeling.

Miss Emma Sanderson of Hutchinson is in the city assisting Miss Maude Pyle in establishing new quarters for the Standard dress cutting academy.

Mrs. Halderman, mother of Mrs. J. H. McGriff, died very suddenly at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon of heart failure, at her home, 303 South Topeka avenue.

Mrs. Davi Ryan will leave tomorrow for Wichita, where she will probably reside in the future. "Davi" has been transferred to an Englewood run—Newton Republican.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Elliott died Wednesday night and was buried Thursday. Mr. Elliott had only recently been discharged from Colonel Fitch's regiment.

Lauren Dewey was arrested last night by Detective Sutton and taken to the police station, where he is held on suspicion of being implicated in a case of relieving a farmer of his money.

"Corduroy Bill," charged with robbing the cash box of the Douglas Avenue hotel early yesterday morning, has been turned over to the state and taken to the county jail. Bill Bailey is his right name. He was arrested some time ago on a charge of stealing a watch.

COMING LOCAL EVENTS

There will be a special meeting of the West State L. O. O. F. this evening at 7:30 sharp. Work in the hall.

The funeral of James Phillips will be held at the First M. E. church at 2 p. m. today, in charge of the Knights of Pythias.

All journeyman barbers are requested to meet at Sacs of Hermann hall, Gaiter block, at 8 o'clock sharp, this evening. Business.

The regular quarterly meeting of the Pennington association will take place at 7 1/2 p. m. today in the basement of the court house. Let there be a large attendance.

There will be a business meeting of the local Christian Endeavor union Monday evening in the Plymouth Congregational church. Representatives of the different societies are urged to be present.

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HAS FILED SUIT

Archie McVicar Sues Missouri Pacific Railway.

SETS DAMAGES AT \$2,600

Injuries Received in Accident Caused by Escaping Steam.

Attorneys for Archie McVicar have filed papers in the district court, bringing suit in the sum of \$2,600 against the Missouri Pacific railroad for damages sustained in an accident which occurred some time ago at Hutchinson, Kan.

The petition alleges that the railroad company unnecessarily let steam escape from an engine, which came in contact with a team of horses attached to a carriage in which Mr. McVicar had just reached the depot, causing them to run away, in which Mr. McVicar was very badly injured.

Mr. McVicar was at Hutchinson on the day of the accident, attending an annual meeting of the Kansas Pharmaceutical association, and had just arrived at the depot in a carriage when the steam from the engine was let off, frightening the horses. The driver of the team had gotten off of his seat, but still retained the lines to his head, but when the horses dashed off he was unable to control them, not having any foothold on the ground sufficient to pull them back. He was dragged some distance but finally had to let go. The team dashed up the street and Mr. McVicar, in an attempt to save his life, jumped from the carriage and in doing so was knocked down under the wheels. He was picked up unconscious and carried to a hotel, where it was found he had received a severe concussion of the brain. The doctors attended him constantly many days and at one time his life was despaired of. McVicar recovered sufficiently to be brought to his home, where he was confined for some time. His escape from death was considered by the physicians as miraculous.

Mr. McVicar is a well-known business man, being engaged in the retail drug business. The suit is brought through the law firm of Houston & Brooks, well-known corporation attorneys of this city.

SPROUTS FROM THE LEAF

Consul Ayme Reports Strange Plant to the State Department.

Washington, Feb. 3.—Consul Ayme, at Guadalupe, has transmitted an interesting report to the state department on a peculiar plant growing wild on the island.

He says that if any leaf be broken from it and pinned to the wall in a warm room each of the angles in the undulations of the leaf begins to throw out a number of white, thread-like roots. Next a tiny plant begins to sprout, and in two or three weeks attains a height of two or more inches. When the leaf begins to shrivel, which may take from six weeks to three months, the young plants may be cut with scissors and put in the ground, where they rapidly attain full size.

When cultivated they attain a growth of four feet and produce graceful red and yellow flowers.

The consul expresses the belief that it will make a desirable hot-house or garden flower. His report, with specimens of the leaves, has been submitted to the agricultural department.

FIFTEEN MILLIONS TO START

St. Louisans Visit McKinley in the Interest of the Big Fair.

Washington, Feb. 3.—A committee of prominent citizens of St. Louis called at the White House today and in an interview with the president explained what had been done thus far in the interest of an exposition at St. Louis in 1904, in celebration of the Louisiana purchase.

The president expressed his warm approval of the project and said he would be willing to assist the gentlemen in charge in any proper way. The committee stated that they expected to secure from private subscriptions at least \$5,000,000; an appropriation of as much more by the city of St. Louis, and at least \$5,000,000, or otherwise, from the national congress, making an absolute guarantee of \$15,000,000 in all, otherwise they would give up the enterprise. They had no doubt, however, that this amount would be forthcoming. The committee consisted of D. H. Robinson, ex-governor of D. E. Francis, Breckinridge Jones, Charles W. Knapp and Richard C. Kerens.

IN WICKEDEST NEW YORK

Senator Grady Proposes to Have a Censor of Public Amusements.

New York, Feb. 2.—The fact that public opinion does not prevent the production of improper plays in New York has impelled Senator Grady to prepare for presentation to the legislature a bill creating the office of censor of public amusements. This official, it is intended, shall examine every play to be produced, every song to be sung, and every dance to be danced, eight days before the same is done in public.

If the performance does not offend public decency the censor must within three days after the application is filed issue a permit for its production. If the act of a female public decency the permit is refused. If the theatrical manager thinks the censor does not know his business he may appeal from his decision to the art commission. Any manager who produces a play, an act, a song, or a dance of which the censor has not approved will be liable to imprisonment for six months. That means that he may be required to live on Blackwell's Island for a year and pay a fine of \$50.

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RHEUMATISM.

No disease that attacks the human body is so universal as rheumatism.

Almost everyone is liable to suffer from it, in some form or other.

Exhaustion of nerve force is the underlying cause. The immediate cause is the presence of certain morbid waste material in the blood and tissues.

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The aches that accompany the disease in its incipient stages are often, for a time, attributed to other less serious causes.

The cure for so deep-seated a trouble never can be an ignorant preparation that will only dull the pain or give temporary relief. There are a thousand and one so-called medicines for rheumatism that not only never effect a cure, but unfortunately are often the means of discouraging people who use them.

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