

WOMAN IS EXONERATED

Killed Her Husband Saturday Night in Quincy, When He Attempted to Clean Out Family While Drunk.

NEIGHBORS HELP HER

Jury Was Out Only Twenty Minutes Before Returning a Verdict Clearing the Wife of Crime.

The coroner's jury which investigated the death of William Numann of Quincy, who was shot and killed by his wife Saturday night, yesterday afternoon returned a verdict exonerating Mrs. Numann for the crime.

The tragedy was enacted as the climax of a story of the drunken husband's abuse to his wife and family. Mr. and Mrs. Numann had been driving during the afternoon and evening, and when home Numann went on his drunken rage. It came to a termination late in the evening when Mrs. Numann placed a revolver close to his face and pulled the trigger.

The inquest yesterday afternoon was an exhaustive one and lasted for two hours. It included a full relation of the trouble that occurred at the Numann home Saturday night when he was under the influence of liquor and when he attempted to clean out the family on several different occasions, ending in his wife sending a bullet crashing through his brain as he was in the act of attempting to stab Edward Numann, his 19-year-old nephew and step-son.

The inquest was attended by twenty-five or thirty neighbors and the examination of the witnesses was conducted by States' Attorney Gilmer, who had a shorthand stenographer present taking a full report of all the testimony given. Mrs. Numann, the defendant, was also present, in company with deputy sheriffs and Attorney Emery Lancaster, who she had engaged to look after her interests. She was not called as a witness, however, and appeared only as an interested spectator, so controlled was she.

Breaks Down When She Hears Verdict.

Although Mrs. Numann showed but little concern regarding the shooting when she was placed under arrest at her home early Sunday morning by Deputy Sheriff Schaefer, she showed the first evidences of breaking down when word was brought to her in the county jail yesterday afternoon that the coroner's jury had exonerated her. She was present at the undertaking parlors when the hearing of the testimony was concluded at 5 o'clock and was then taken back to her cell at the court house to await the verdict of the jury. The jurors were out twenty minutes deliberating over the testimony that was given and she was by that time back in her cell. When the verdict was announced States' Attorney Gilmer communicated with the sheriff's office at once and asked that she be released. Her son and attorney were present at the sheriff's office when word was taken to her that she had been discharged. She at once was overcome with joy and broke down and was unable to control herself. She was not fully recovered when she left the building in company with her son and attorney.

Until that time, however, she felt not the least bit worried over the outcome of the case. She felt that she had acted in a case where life and death were at stake and that things would come out all right in the long run. She was the first to let the world know of the killing and asked that officers come after her. She left her

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home in charge of the officers in a cool manner and her parting words to her son were to the effect that he look after things until she returned, instructing him, particularly, to look after the incubator. After she was placed in jail she was still collected at all times and talked with friends who called to see her in a cool manner.

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THREE FIRES WITHOUT BELLS

Chemical Engine Answered Two Still Alarms and Police Discover Stove Door Open.

There were three fires within an hour last night, without a tap of the bell, the department answering two still alarms with the chemical engine and the police discovering an open stove which threatened to cause a blaze.

At 11 o'clock the police smelled smoke at Eighth and Main streets and traced it to the C. Keppel store from which the same was pouring out. It was found that the heating stove door was open and a large stick was protruding from the door. The family was awakened and the door closed.

The first still alarm was caused by an electric wire in a tree at Ninth and Exchange street, while the second one came at 11:40 o'clock from the foot of Johnson street where a pole was burning from wire trouble.

Good results always follow the use of Foley's Kidney Pills. They give prompt relief in all cases of kidney and bladder disorders. Try them. Wilkinson & Co.

DONNELSON.

Misses Irma Holdefer and Etta Taber were Keokuk visitors Saturday. Miss Alma Bank left for Cedar Falls Friday evening to attend a several month's term of summer school.

Misses Mildred and Vera Berens of Primrose visited in our city several days the past week.

Miss Beulah Meinhardt and brother Adrain of Keokuk are spending a week's vacation at home.

Mr. and Mrs. John Holdefer were Keokuk visitors Tuesday.

Mrs. Peter Trump and son Henry, of New Boston visited in our city several days the past week.

Rev. Wm. Kreis was a Keokuk visitor Saturday.

Miss Daisy Benjamin of Centerville is spending a week's vacation with home folks.

O. S. Barnes of near La Crew was in our city Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Hulsebus have returned home from a visit in Illinois.

Miss Elsie Matten is home from Grinnell to spend her March vacation.

The examination of the young folks of the G. E. church Sunday morning was well attended despite the bad weather. Next Sunday, April 9th, the confirmation will take place and all are cordially invited. Services to begin at 11:30 a. m.

Fred Feekert, Jr., returned home Thursday from a several week's visit with his brother Henry in Colorado.

The children of the G. E. church are preparing an Easter program to be given Easter evening. All are cordially invited.

Mr. and Mrs. James Farrell and children of Argyle visited at the Chris Seyb home in our city Tuesday.

TROUBLES UP IN DARK TOWN

Mattie Lowrey, the Dwarf Negress of the Opera House on Eighth Street, Was Well Skeeled.

WAS GRABBING MEN

Robert Lowrey Told to Take His Goods From Rag Alley—Several Drinks and a Vag Sentenced.

Mattie Lowrey, dubbed the "Keppel Opera House Queen," and dwarfed negress, was up in court this morning, denying that she ever drank with the exception of taking a nip of gin last Friday night, from a bottle brought home by her husband, Robert Lowrey.

Mattie filed information against her black spouse last Friday for disturbing her peace and quiet and using bad language at their home on Johnson street, between Eighth and Ninth.

Saturday night, Mattie had her "kite out" and was making grabs at white people as they passed along between Eighth and Ninth on Main. She made a stab at two businessmen and called to one of them, "Come here kid," when they tried to elude her.

Robert and Mattie have been having domestic infelicities for quite awhile and Mattie wants to go with her mother she told the judge this morning.

Her case was continued without investigation and bond of \$100 placed on the defendant's plea of not guilty to the charge of being drunk and disorderly.

Lowrey pleaded guilty to the charge brought against him by his midged wife. Sentence of thirty days was handed down with suspension if the defendant would pay the costs and vacate the house in Rag Alley.

For Intoxication.

Bill Berry, the well known Carthaginian who is addicted to the liquor habit and John Brown of Alexandria were both sentenced to ten days in jail this morning for being drunk yesterday.

Charley Gordon, a "rag" from St. Louis was given the full count of thirty days in the county jail because of having no visible means of support. James Mumford of Farmington and Tom Sumelrose, two who were locked up the other day for being drunk and released later, were given thirty days to spend in jail on today's account.

Assist Nature. There are times when you should assist nature. It is now undertaking to cleanse you system—if you will take Hood's Sarsaparilla the undertaking will be successful. This great medicine purifies and builds up as nothing else does.

Women are Voting.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 4.—Fifteen hundred Springfield women are today voting for the first time in the history of the city. They have a right to vote for members of the school board and are working to elect two women to the board.

NO KEY FOUND TO DEADLOCK PADLOCK

Same Old Story Today With Kenyon and Deemer Dividing the Ballots.

DES MOINES, April 4.—The fifty-sixth joint ballot for United States senator today resulted as follows: Kenyon, 64; Deemer, 36; Porter, 50.

No Possible Over-Supply. Too much fresh air is only just enough fresh air for any of us.

ARE YOU FREE FROM

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STILL SEARCHING FOR MATTHIESEN

Whereabouts of Ex-Convict and Forger Remain a Mystery and Officers Are Sorely Puzzled.

THE DRUG STORE CLUE

Girl, Said to Have Been Friend of Matthiesen, Purchased Bandages at Local Medicine Shop.

The whereabouts of Charles M. Matthiesen, ex-convict and forger, continues to puzzle Sheriff John J. Crimmins and the police. There was a report current today that the man who escaped from his bed in St. Joseph's hospital had been found in the coal bin of the hospital, but it is without foundation. Officers have followed several clues and are now nearer the hiding place of their bird than when they first took up the man-hunt.

If officers do not succeed in locating Matthiesen the Water Power company may again secure the services of the Pinkerton agency. J. P. Allen, of the company, said this morning they were undecided and would await developments of the next few days.

It is said that one of the clues followed by the police is that which had its beginning in a local drug store. A girl, whom Matthiesen is said to have been friendly with since coming to Keokuk, purchased bandages and some medicine late last night. The police do not state what the clue led to, but from subsequent developments it is believed the trail was a false one.

For a time it gave officers a ray of hope, however, for it is the belief that Matthiesen is being housed by some of his friends in the city.

The fact that Matthiesen is thought to have had money on his person also leads to the theory that he is not in hiding in Keokuk. When searched at the police station here the prisoner had only one dollar on his person. While a patient at the hospital he has been possessed of money from time to time. Several days ago he flashed a \$5 bill in buying \$2 worth of fruit. What was the source of this supply is a mystery, but it is believed he had a friend on the outside who assisted in planning the escape.

With the help of this friend there is reason to believe he was assisted from the city rather than to remain where he is well known by the police. Matthiesen served a term in the Fort Madison penitentiary and upon being given his freedom entered the employ of the Fort Madison Electric Light company. He was preparing a light in that city when it arched over him and he was rendered unconscious. Save for a temporary disability of one arm, he suffered no ill effects from the accident.

WHAT CURES ECZEMA?

We have had so many inquiries lately regarding Eczema and other skin diseases, that we are glad to make our answer public. After careful investigation we have found that a simple wash of Oil of Wintergreen, as compounded in D. D. D. can be relied upon. We would not make this statement to our patrons, friends and neighbors unless we were sure of it—and although there are many so-called Eczema remedies sold, we ourselves unhesitatingly recommend D. D. D. Prescription.

Because—We know that it gives instant relief to that torturing itch.

Because—D. D. D. starts the cure at the foundation of the trouble.

Because—It cleanses, soothes and heals the skin, clearing away pimples and blotches over night.

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FRANKLIN HAS A GOLDEN WEDDING

A Large Circle of Friends Surprise Chas. Smith and Wife on Thursday of This Week.

FRANKLIN, April 4.—Chas. Smith and wife, one of the most honored couple of this locality, were greatly surprised Thursday morning by more than a score of relatives, reminding them of the fact that fifty years had passed since Rev. Kroenlein pronounced them as man and wife in a small frame building east of town on the farm now owned by Chas. Gramer. The building has been destroyed by fire years ago. The couple was so taken in, to be unable to make a murmur. The guests allowing them plenty of time to come too, then they were ushered into the palatable and cosy home by the groom and bride; the guests having not come empty handed, but brought well filled baskets of good things, also presents fit for the occasion.

The groom first saw the light of this world in Lamborn, Rheinpfalz, Germany, Dec. 28, 1831, and in 1850 came to America, direct to Keokuk, where he with his late brother, went into business. On March 30, 1861, he came to Franklin to claim his bride as stated above. The young couple at once returned to Keokuk, opening the then called Hotel Keokuk, it being the largest hotelery in those days, and the traveling public were well taken care of during their stay. In 1862 the young husband answered the call of President Lincoln as a volunteer, being mustered in Co. A, 36th Iowa infantry, serving faithful for one year, getting an honorable discharge on account of bad health. During his absence his faithful wife conducted the hotel business as before. They stayed with their choice until 1881, when they moved to this town, living in retirement. Mr. Smith has been a member of the town council for nearly twenty years, in politics he favors the republicans.

The bride, Mary Ann Harnazel, came direct from her native town, Gross Dooeven, by Gostav a Hartz, Germany, with her parents and other members of the family, to Franklin in 1857. All of her brothers and sisters with the exception of Mrs. Mary Kast, of this place, have long passed to the great beyond. The couple never had any children.

When departing the guests voted them hearty thanks, grand entertainers and wishing them many happy returns of the day, also hoping that all may gather again to celebrate the diamond anniversary.

APRIL FOOL WEDDING PERFORMED

Good Joke on Kahoka Squire Who Was Victim of Saturday Affair.

The following story comes from Kahoka. Last Saturday being April 1, some of the court house lads decided to play a prank on the justice of the peace. There is a good deal of rivalry between the squire and the probate judge, both being anxious to tie the nuptial knots.

About 3:30 Saturday afternoon a nice looking couple drove up to the hitch-rack on the south side of the justice's office, and where he would be sure to see them. The squire, sure enough, saw them and kept his eyes longingly fastened on the couple as they wended their way toward the court house. After they entered he still kept his eyes firmly fixed on the building.

The couple had told the recorder about the joke and he made them out a license; then he raised the window and beckoned to the justice. The squire came in a hurry, but none too soon, for the probate judge soon followed. But the squire was first, and immediately began performing the ceremony. The young lady gave her name as Miss Hattie Brookhart, of Neepaw, and the young man, Walter Riggs, as Mr. Wilbur Clark, of Williamstown. The squire, not knowing the young man, did not suspect anything, and went through with the entire ceremony, and at last said with all dignity and solemnity, "I now pronounce you man and wife."

The squire then said that congratulations were in order, whereupon he went up and shook their hands, and wished them success in their married life. By this time about 100 people had crowded

Terrible Train of Troubles.

Lake Charles, La.—Mrs. E. Fourrier, 316 Kirby street, says: "The month before I took Cardui, I could hardly walk. I had backache, headache, pain in my legs, chills, fainting spells, sick stomach, dragging feelings, and no patience or courage. Since taking Cardui, I have no more pains, can walk as far as I want to, and feel good all the time."

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Other News Items. A. C. Giesecke bought the Roeder estate Saturday at referees' sale and will move into same tomorrow.

M. S. Ackles, the hustling real estate man and his wife, of Keokuk, were business callers here last week. Mrs. Ackles being born and raised in our town.

How about the change of the county seat? Donnellson is working like beavers, by circulating petitions to have the new court house and want the old walk at Fort Madison and Keokuk destroyed. But these workers will be as sadly disappointed as they were with their hospital proposition last fall. The statutes demand that a petition of 65 per cent of the voters is required to call an election and then it takes 75 per cent of the vote to carry. To this, Fort Madison and Keokuk will never submit. The writer's plan is to let the taxpayers of Lee county decide if only one court house is wanted; this of course would be at Fort Madison. If so, move all records to the Keokuk building for business, until that old structure be unfit for use, by that time the county at the present rate of payments on the railroad bonds, these should be wiped off of the map. Then erect one of the finest court houses in the state, the insurance money on the old structure would create a fine start to a building fund.

Miss Clara Pulchow of Davenport is visiting her brother, Ben and family. On her return home, her grandmother, Mrs. Kamp, will accompany her.

Word was received yesterday from Mound Ridge, Kans., announcing the death of Mrs. Abraham Schmidt, aged 97 years, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Jacob Haurv. She departed is a former resident of this locality, where she spent the most of her life.

TALE OF TWO POOR NEPHEWS

Each Tried to Please the Rich Old Uncle, Who Then Made a New Will.

There once was a rich old uncle who had two poor nephews. And when Christmas came the two poor nephews were anxious to show the rich old uncle how much they thought of him.

Now the first poor nephew reasoned that he should impress his rich old uncle with the great affection he bore him by some tangible means. So he drew out his savings and purchased for his rich old uncle a magnificent gold watch, and had it neatly engraved. To it he attached a gorgeous chain, put the whole affair in a lavishly decorated box and sent it to his rich old uncle with his best wishes.

The second poor nephew figured that any extreme financial outlay would convince his rich old uncle that he was trying to jolly him a bit too much, so he invested a nickel in a neat but tasty Christmas card, which he mailed to the rich old uncle.

So the rich old uncle received the two remembrances and said of the first nephew: "Humph! A man who will spend all he has for a gold watch to give to a man who already has all the watches he ever will need hasn't got enough judgment to be trusted with money. I will leave him my blessing and a few words of good advice."

When he looked at the card he nodded his head approvingly and said: "There's a man after my own heart. He knew I would not care for an expensive gift and he knew that I would value his good wishes, so he very wisely sent them to me in this inexpensive manner. He shows a marked economical trait and I am sure he will get along in the world without any aid from me."

So he made a new will and left all his money to found an institution for the study of prehistoric manifestations of microbic diseases in fossilized animalculae.

Let Children Be Happy.

Do not try to make men of your boys or women of your girls, says Orison Sweet Marden in Success Magazine. It is not natural. Love them. Make home just as happy a place as possible and give them rein, freedom. There is nothing sadder in life than the child who has been robbed of its childhood.

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Mother Gray's sweet Powders for Children a certain relief for Fevers, Headache, Bad Stomach, Teething Disorders, move and regulate the bowels and destroy worms. They break up Colds in 24 hours. They are so pleasant to the taste children like them. Over 10,000 testimonials. Used by Mothers for 22 years. They never fail. Sold by all Druggists, 25c. Sample mailed FREE. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N. Y.