

HOODOO TO WOMEN

CHIMNEY SWEEP HAS BAD LUCK IN HIS LOVE AFFAIRS.

TWO SUICIDE, THIRD INSANE

Allen Has Evil Eye for Women Who Love—Mrs. Allen Arrested on Insanity Charge, Then Released.

With the addition of one more chapter to the troubles of Chimney Sweep Fred Allen and his wife, by the arrest yesterday evening of Mrs. Allen on a charge of disturbance, afterwards charged to insanity, comes the belief in police circles that Allen is certainly a hoodoo for women.

The police records in Butte and Helena show that this is the third woman to meet with misfortune after associating with the grimy captor of women's affections.

Along in 1895 Allen lived in Helena with a woman known as Mame McGill. One day the woman was found dying from the effects of chloroform. Shortly after the discovery she died, and the police arrested Allen on suspicion of being connected with her death.

Allen was later released, it being shown that the woman had committed suicide.

The Spell of the Hoodoo. The sweep came to Butte and picked up with a woman in the red-light district. In 1898 this woman left for parts unknown through the medium of a dose of poison.

Some four years ago Mike Wolf was a prosperous barber in Butte. He supported in good circumstances a wife and three children. Trouble arose between the husband and wife and Wolf went to the Klondike, leaving some \$2900, it is said, for his wife and children.

After Wolf left, Mrs. Wolf expressed a preference for Allen, the chimney sweep, and later it was given out that they were married.

Yesterday Mrs. Allen, as she is now known, was taken to the county jail, a physical wreck, and locked up under a charge of insanity.

Mrs. Allen was arrested yesterday at Broadway and Main streets by Officer Yutz, while upbraiding the man known as her husband. In public she was declaring her love for him, and again denouncing him for neglecting her and her children.

Police With Allen. Mrs. Allen was kept but a short time at the jail after she had recovered from a hysterical attack.

Allen was arrested a short time ago for striking his wife in the corridor of the city hall and was fined \$10. Another case for assault and battery is now pending in one of the justice courts.

Allen's side of the story is to the effect that he has always cared for the family and has provided his wife with good clothes and everything necessary for her comfort, but that through jealousy she persists in following him around the streets and preventing him from getting work.

The police believe that Mrs. Allen is demented, her real or fancied troubles having preyed on her mind, and are inclined to side with Allen.

The county officials released the woman, believing that an attempt was being made to wrongfully detain her under an insanity charge.

NISSLER ESTATE

MRS. NICHOLAS JAHREISS APPOINTED GUARDIAN.

DISTRIBUTION OF \$11,000.00

Order Allowing Administrator to Pay Money to Heirs for the Purchase of Dwelling House on West Broadway.

Mrs. Nicholas Jahreis was this morning appointed guardian of the minors in the estate of Mable Nissler and others, the minors being her sisters and joint heirs to the estate of their father, the late Christian Nissler.

Mrs. Jahreis took the stand and made proof in support of her petition to be appointed to the guardianship of her minor sisters, which was in accordance with the will of their deceased father.

Her bond was fixed in the sum of \$11,000, for the reason that the sum named is all the property that will come into her hands as guardian for a time.

It's a Big Property. In the estate of Christian Nissler, which is valued at nearly \$400,000, an order was made by Judge McClernan distributing to the seven daughters and sons who are heirs the sum of \$11,000. The petition for this partial distribution stated that the sum named was wanted by the heirs for the purpose of buying a residence in Butte. The family now live at Silver Bow, and they want to remove to this city.

Mrs. Jahreis testified to the purpose for which the money was needed. The distributees were required to give a bond for the sum of \$11,000 to insure the estate against loss.

Will Buy Clark Home. Another order was made also, allowing Mrs. Jahreis, as the guardian of her minor relatives to make the purchase of the house. The house to be bought is one owned by J. K. Clark and is on West Broadway. It is said that Clark bought it from Mr. Gravelle about two years ago for \$8,000.

The seven distributees named in the order of distribution of \$11,000 are each heir to one-seventh of the Christian Nissler estate.

Impossible. (Chicago Tribune.) "Can't you look a little pleasanter?" asked the photographer.

"I wish I could," replied the man in the chair, with a ghastly smile. "But I just happened to remember that I came away from home in a hurry this morning and left four gas jets burning in the basement."

RAWHIDE AND GUN

THEY PLAY A PART IN A MINE HOIST EPISODE.

BOTH CARRIED BY A WOMAN

She Intended to Whip Frank Downing, a Miner, for the Alleged Utterance of Slanderous Remarks.

Miss A. B. Gleason, a dressmaker, attempted to horsewhip Frank Downing, a miner, at the Gagnon mine last evening, but after she had delivered one blow some of Downing's companions quickly inserted a mud sill and prevented further movement on the part of the woman.

According to the story related by the assaulter after the occurrence, Downing said some thing regarding her character which she did not like and she concluded to whip him for it.

Knowing his place of employment, she entered the hoisting works shortly before the time the day shift came off duty and the night crew began its labors and stood around until Downing appeared.

Was There to Lambast. Over her shoulders she wore a cape and under the cape she carried the whip with which she intended to do the lambasting.

Whether Downing was in the act of going down the shaft or coming off duty is not known, but that part of it cuts little or no figure in the episode.

As soon as Miss Gleason caught sight of him she drew the whip from its place of concealment and struck him a blow with it, before she had time to follow it with other blows she was assailed by two or three of Downing's companions, who took the whip from her.

She then, it is claimed, drew a revolver, but it, too, went the way of the whip.

After the men had exchanged their wet mine clothing for dry garments, Miss Gleason called for her weapons and the whip was returned to her at once, but the gun was not handed over until after she had given assurances that it would not be used around the works.

Kept Whip as Souvenir. After getting the whip she is credited with the remark: "I want to keep this whip as a souvenir of my attempt to defend my good name and character."

Them who cut short an episode that promised to be interesting were not discourteous to the woman.

They treated her with the utmost consideration, but acted with promptness in the matter. In explanation of the attempted assault the woman is credited with the statement that Downing became angry at her because she would not have anything to do with him and during her absence from the city uttered remarks which reflected upon her character.

She says they both boarded with a family in the Weyerhorst block; that she earned her living by sewing and possessed neither money nor influential friends to help her and concluded to take the law into her own hands; that she went to the mine for the purpose of punishing him herself and she thought she would have accomplished the job had there been no interference.

BURNEY'S HEARING.

It Has Been Continued Until Next Tuesday Morning.

William Burney, a colored man charged with having taken from the postoffice a letter belonging to a woman, was to have been given a hearing before United States Commissioner Naughton today, but when the time for commencing the proceedings arrived the announcement was made that the United States district attorney could not be present. Consequently the matter was continued until next Tuesday.

In the meantime the defendant will be the guest of Sheriff Furey.

NONE SAY GUILTY

JUDGE BOYLE FACES HALF A DOZEN INNOCENTS.

TWO FAMILY DISTURBANCES

Ed Daly and John Bain Are Hauled Into Court for Making Things Lively in the Family Circles.

Of the half dozen prisoners arraigned before Police Judge Boyle, not one was guilty in their pleading this morning.

Frank Cash and Frank Chiaro, the morphine fiends, pleaded extenuating circumstances for using kerosene cans for stoves, and will be tried for vagrancy this afternoon.

Ed Daly, arrested on complaint of his wife for abusive language and disturbance at his home, 709 Wyoming alley, denied the charge and will be tried tomorrow.

Eva Jackson, arrested for walking the streets, pleaded innocence of the charge and will tell the court about it tomorrow afternoon.

Bagged With the Baggage. Albert Moore, who was arrested on a charge of stealing five valises from Goldwater's store on Park street, said "not guilty" and comes up for trial this afternoon.

John Bain was arrested early this morning on a charge of disturbance. Officer Sullivan said he was trying to eject his father-in-law from the house at 427 South Ohio street. Information was given the court that Bain was trying to get rid of the old folks, who are in the seventies, after using up all their money. Bain pleaded not guilty and will be given a hearing this afternoon.

Tom Joy was brought up from the jail again to listen to the sentence imposed for carrying concealed weapons. It was \$10, and Mr. Joy went sorrowfully back to his cell.

BOXERS ARRAIGNED

WADE AND OPIE APPEAR IN THE DISTRICT COURT.

EACH GIVES BOND FOR \$500

Wade Says His True Name Is Fred P. Griffiths—C. W. Clark and John Reed Qualify as Their Bondsmen.

The lawyers, litigants and others in attendance at Judge McClernan's session of the district court this morning were favored with a sight of the two more or less renowned pugilists—Wade and Opie—as they made their initial appearance before the bar of the court.

The boxers were brought into court by their attorney, James E. Healey, to be arraigned upon the charge of prizefighting preferred in the information filed against them in Judge Clancy's court yesterday.

Boxers Are Abashed. Mr. Healey called the court's attention to the fact of the informations having been filed in Judge Clancy's court and then said that the fighters were in court and desired to be arraigned. The court ordered the men called forward, and the attorney waived the reading of the informations.

When Opie and Wade presented themselves in front of the judge they were the center of attraction, a district court seldom being the scene in which men of their business figure, and they looked somewhat shamefaced.

County Attorney Breen said: "Mr. Wade, you are charged with prizefighting under the name of Jack Wade. Is that your true name?"

It Was a Good Answer. "No, sir," Wade replied. "That's the name I use to prevent my people from knowing what business I am in."

"What is your true name?" the county attorney asked.

"My name is Fred R. Griffiths," Wade replied.

Then Judge McClernan was asked to fix a bond. He set the bond of each man at \$500, and the bonds were furnished, with C. W. Clark and John Reed as sureties.

Messrs. Reed and Clark were called up and each swore he was worth the sum of \$1000 over and above all his just debts and liabilities and outside his property exempt from execution. They signed their names to the bonds, and the boxers were allowed to go to their corners.

DONLAN IS NAUGHTY

JUSTICE O'CONNOR ADJUDGES HIM GUILTY OF CONTEMPT.

ATTORNEY PAYS THE AMOUNT

Looked Pleasant and Asked That Those Who Had Enjoyed His Discomfiture Be Made to Pungle.

Attorney Michael Donlan, who has the distinction of being able to inject lots of red vim into a legal trial when the interests of a client are at stake, was fined \$5 by Justice O'Connor yesterday for contempt of court.

The money was paid and then the attorney, with a broad and generous smile on his face, asked that those in the room who had given vent to an outward burst of enthusiasm in exultation over his discomfiture be also fined, but before the justice could spot the offenders each and all had closed their mouths with the alacrity of a bankrupt business firm after the holidays.

The case on trial was that of the state against John O'Connor and other O'Connors with Justice O'Connor at the bar. It had its origin in a neighborhood quarrel in which one of the O'Connors was charged with having thrown chunks of solidified water at John Kelley while the latter was digging a post hole.

Daniel Yancey of the county attorney's office prosecuted the case and Mr. Donlan defended it.

Lawyer Provoked Mirth.

A jury trial having been demanded, six men were given seats in the box and then the trouble began. John Kelley testified that Mrs. O'Connor had thrown pieces of ice at him while he was digging and his statement was corroborated by his wife and a Mr. McAndrew, who was helping Kelley dig the hole.

The testimony of the defense elucidated that seepage water from the Keley premises had found its way to the property of the O'Connors and that no effort had been made by the Kelleys to check the onflow.

Mrs. O'Connor was found guilty and fined \$1 and costs, but the other O'Connors were excused.

While the embargo was being alread it is alleged that Mr. Donlan said something to Kelley which created a burst of laughter from the audience and the justice, after securing order, fined the attorney \$5 for contempt of court.

LORILLARD'S FAMOUS FARM.

Rancocas Has Been Purchased by a Mr. Tucker.

(By Associated Press.) New York, Jan. 23.—It is reported that the Rancocas farm situated at Eatontown, N. J., has been sold, the purchaser being Mr. Tucker.

The farm comprises 83 acres, including a half mile track and buildings. It will be remembered that the late Pierre Lorillard, who founded Rancocas, bequeathed the property to Mrs. Lillian Barons Allen.

Soon after this was made known it was said that negotiations were under way for the purchase of Rancocas from Mr. and Mrs. Allen by young Pierre Lorillard and other members of the family who were desirous of retaining the famous farm. But the negotiations fell through at that time.

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\$1.50 Comforts \$1.00
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\$7.50 Down Comforts \$4.75
\$1.25 Feather Pillows 85c
\$2.75 Comforts \$1.50
75c Feather Pillows 45c



HE OF EAGLE EYE

SOL LEVY, TRUSTED GUARDIAN OF CITY BASTILE, AGAIN DETECTS.

JAIL BREAKERS ARE FOILED

Foxy Attempt to Cover Up Hole in the Wall Betrays Planned Escape to Keen Visaged Jailer.

City Jailer Sol Levy is wearing more purple plumes as a detective of jail breakers. The last discovery was due to the eagle eye of Solomon the omnipresent.

Just after supper was served at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon the foxy Solomon made the rounds of inspection attended by his faithful retainers, canines "Jim Corbett" and "Nig."

All went well as the mighty pasha of the bastille strode through the winding corridors and received the deep obeisances of the assembled prisoners.

Then Solomon Roared. "What Ho!" quoth the dizzy despot as he glanced to the left and then to the right. "What is I see. A decoration night. Slaves, where be the picture of the pug" that did repose on yander wall. Show me quick or by the beard of the flying squadron unto you will I do dirt."

"What's this ye dogs? A transfer to the outer wall? The picture of the valiant pug adorns a newspaper, eh? Ha Ha! Ye slaves. Think ye to fool the foxy one? Know ye not that in the public press I am S-solomon the Wise? Wherefore does this exist thusly? Methinks a rat I smell. What ho! The flynk squadron this way. An escape! An escape!"

Prompt to respond were Byrne and Radmilovich of the squadron. Then did the doughty turnkey stride in might to the west wall adjoining the alley and on which was posted a newspaper and the missing "pug."

Discovered an Opening. Onemighty swing with his trusty right and a terrific hole punched clear through the soft paper.

Behind the covering there lay revealed a recess which on investigation showed the work of human hands. Stones had been removed and the prisoners had attempted to dig through to the alley not knowing that a heavy stone pillar was in the way.

Sweatbox methods failed to reveal the identity of the would be jail-breakers, but the hole was immediately bricked up.

Then did the assembled multitude of officers and officials do honor to the eagle glance of the "chosen."

Invites Prince to Boston. (By Associated Press.) Boston, Jan. 23.—An official invitation to visit the city of Boston has been presented to his royal highness Prince Henry of Prussia through Baron Von Holleben, the German ambassador at Washington.

WHEN THE SHEARS GET GAY

(Clippings from the State Press.)

Some Advice From Missoula. (Missoulian.) Mrs. Pink Wilson, a large and emphatic woman of Basin, Mont., recently licked the school teacher, Prof. Wilson, because he had licked her boy.

Though both bear the same name they are not related, yet they fought like brother and sister. Prof. Wilson is a small man and was no match for his burly antagonist who, as the boys say, put it all over him in good shape.

Mrs. Wilson was arrested for the offense and acquitted by a jury of her peers. She threatens to repeat the dose. The professor should take his clothes and go to some place where the women at least will have some respect for his pedagogical feelings if not for his physical ability.

Oppose Irrigation Bill. (Daily River Press.) The friends of the irrigation movement are beginning to realize that the prospect of favorable legislation at the present session of congress is somewhat remote.

They are working diligently upon a measure which they think should prove acceptable to all fair-minded congressmen, but the project in its entirety is of such enormous proportions that many Eastern politicians look upon it as a scheme to which they would prefer not to give their indorsement.

There is also a spirit of sectionalism in the opposition to government aid in reclaiming arid lands.

This was manifest in some remarks made by Congressman Grosvenor of Ohio, who recently announced that the farmers of his state would not care to contribute to the cost of providing farms for settlers whose crops would compete with their own in the public market.

Many other Eastern members of congress doubtless entertain views similar to those expressed by Mr. Grosvenor, and their opposition to any measure that promises good results probably develop when the subject is presented for consideration.

The status of irrigation matters in congress, according to a recent Washington dispatch, is not so satisfactory as could be desired by the friends of the movement.

According to congressional gossip that appears in the press dispatches, the outlook for favorable legislation during the Fifty-seventh congress is dark.

Ever since the committees were appointed Western members have been striving to have all bills for the reclamation of arid public lands referred to the committee on public lands in the house, knowing that this committee is favorable to government aid in this great undertaking.

It is pretty generally understood, however, that Speaker Henderson is not favorable to the national irrigation, especially at this time, and by his direction all arid land legislation has been referred to the committee on irrigation of

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