

INDICTMENT BREAKS RECORDS

Mrs. Madaus Must Answer for Murder of Last Night.

CHILDREN'S TESTIMONY.

Grand Jurors Visibly Affected as They Listen to Youngsters' Evidence.

Mrs. Lizzie Madaus, of No. 330 East Seventy-fourth street, who killed her husband, William, last night has been indicted for murder in the second degree on the testimony of her two children.

This is the quickest indictment on record. The woman was arraigned in Yorkville Court this morning and committed without bail to await the result of a conference between Magistrate Mayo and District-Attorney Jerome. Two of her children, who witnessed the killing, and the policeman who arrested her were in court to testify. They went from the courtroom to the Criminal Courts Building and it is upon their testimony that the indictment was found.

Had other than the children given the testimony it is believed the indictment would have been for the first degree. The jury was visibly affected as the children testified.

According to the story told by Mrs. Madaus she stabbed her husband because he struck her in the face with his fist. Two of her children, Evelyn, ten years old, and Alice, aged nine, who witnessed the assault, have been committed to the Children's Society by order of Assistant District-Attorney Staden. The three other children, Pearl, five years, Mable, fourteen years and Minnie, eighteen years are being cared for at home.

Minnie, last night, returning from work in a factory, reached the house just before the police. Her father raised himself to speak to her.

"I've got it at last, Minnie," he gasped. "Don't blame your mother. I drove her to it. I struck her. I might have killed her. I am going to die and I don't want her blamed."

Then Madaus fell over unconscious. He died while on his way to the Presbyterian Hospital.

William Madaus was a laboring man. He lived at No. 330 East 74th street. His wife was known among her neighbors as a meek, hard-working little woman, who had to bear with much abuse from a careless, drunken husband. Last evening she was preparing supper with her eleven-year-old daughter Minnie, and Evelyn, a child of eight, assisting her.

The meal was not ready when Madaus arrived and he violently abused his wife. She resented the language he used before the children and he struck her in the face. She grabbed his arms, but he pinioned her, and, throwing her to the floor, rained blow after blow on her. The woman reached for a potato-knife that lay near her on the floor and struck blindly. The blade penetrated up to the hilt.

TO-NIGHT'S EVENTS.

- Dinner and meeting of the Get Together Club, No. 58 West Twenty-fifth street. Meeting of the Federation of Sisterhoods, Temple Emanuel-EI, Address N. Y. University School of Commerce, Washington Square. Address American Ethnological Society, No. 108 West Fifty-fifth street. Musical National Arts Club, No. 37 West Thirty-fourth street. Lecture St. Alphonsus's Literary Class, No. 285 Hudson street. People's Institute lecture, Cooper Union. Dinner for Capt. Louis Wendel, Wendel's Assembly Rooms.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Forecast for the thirty-six hours ending at 8 P. M. Thursday for New York City and vicinity: Cloudy tonight, followed by rain; Thursday occasional rains; fresh to brisk south to east winds.

VACATION FOR ODELL.

Governor Going to California for a Rest in April. ALBANY, March 12.—Gov. Odell will go to California in April. He stated today that he would leave Albany on April 20 and would be gone for four weeks. He will spend most of his trip in California. His visit to the West will be for rest only. The Governor would not discuss his visit to Washington.

MRS. VOEPEL'S SON NOT HELD

Coroner's Jury Finds Unknown Persons Murdered the Woman

BOY ALLOWED TO GO HOME.

Police Declare He Gave No Aid in Hunting Down Murderer.

After examining all the witnesses furnished by the police the jury called by Coroner Brown to inquire into the death of Mrs. Kate Voepel returned a verdict this afternoon that the woman was murdered by persons unknown.

Young John Voepel, the murdered woman's seventeen-year-old son, upon whom the police suspicion rested, was permitted to go home. He had been called as the first witness by the Coroner, but in view of the fact that the police had said he might be arrested, lawyer Edward Weiss, his counsel, refused to permit him to be used as a witness against himself.

Boy Apparently Unconcerned.

Young John Voepel entered the courtroom soon after 10 o'clock and apparently unconcerned as if he were to be merely a spectator. He was accompanied by his counsel, Edward Weiss, of Cantor, McIntyre & Adams, in whose law firm George J. Vestner, Voepel's cousin, is employed. What the District Attorney's office hinted as a bad judgment on the boy's part was an immediate consultation with Vestner when the police began to question him. This and the boy's inquiries about how soon he could collect the insurance on his mother's life directed suspicion to the boy.

When the boy learned that it was planned to arrest him at the inquest he did not flinch. His bearing throughout has been so undisturbed that the police and the District Attorney counted it as a point against him.

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WHY DANIELL WAS CUT OFF.

Grandfather Disapproved Young Man's Course of Life.

WIFE SUES FOR DIVORCE.

Names Woman on Whose Account Husband Lost His Position.

The secret of the clauses in the second codicil to the will of the aged drygoodsman, John Daniell, revoking bequests to an disinheriting his grandson, William Sohler Daniell, oldest son of John Daniell, Jr., was out today when the suit of Elizabeth G. Daniell for absolute divorce from William Sohler Daniell was tried before Justice Truax in the Supreme Court.

Mrs. Daniell is a daintily pretty little woman. She wore a black velvet gown trimmed with black silk braid and with cotton jacket effect, a white and black silk waist with fluffy neckpiece and a continental hat, fur trimmed.

She was a Miss Rock she testified, that they were married at Tarrytown, March 19, 1891, and have three children. They separated last November, she said, her husband had a salary of \$10,000 a year till lately, as manager for C. A. Harned & Co., brokers.

She named Rose Breder or Rose La Forte as co-respondent. William L. Chamberlain, of the brokers office, testified to finding Daniell and a woman not his wife in a suite of rooms in a Broadway hotel last July. They tried to induce Daniell to leave, but the woman threatened to throw a syphon at them if they did not go away.

He also identified the signature of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Daniell, on the register of another hotel.

Fredrick Curry said he told Daniell that he must either give up the La Forte woman or resign his place with Harned & Co.

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VERY LATEST NEWS IN BRIEFEST FORM.

POLICE ARREST VOEPEL FOR MURDER OF MOTHER.

Young John Voepel, who was allowed to go home after the Coroner's jury reported that unknown persons killed the boy's mother, was arrested and locked up in the Charles street station charged with the murder.

SEVENTEEN DROWNED IN THE MISSISSIPPI.

VICKSBURG, Miss., March 12.—The Vicksburg and Davis Bend packet City of Providence was caught in a storm this morning in the lake at Davis Bend and capsized. Seventeen of the passengers and crew were drowned.

STORM WARNINGS ORDERED UP.

Southwest storm warnings have been ordered up here. Wind will be high and shift from south to southwest to-night.

PARK AVENUE HOTEL GUEST HURT.

John Everhardt, thirty years old, who lives at the Park Avenue Hotel, was struck by a trolley car to-day while crossing Sixth avenue, between Forty-sixth and Forty-seventh street. He sustained a fracture of his left wrist and was taken to the Roosevelt Hospital.

SPANISH CABIN BOY UNDER ARREST IS FREED.

Paul Uriza, eighteen, charged with larceny, was let go on suspended sentence by Justice Foster, in General Sessions this afternoon, as he is to be taken to his home in Spain. Uriza served as cabin boy on the Spanish cruiser Vizcaya during the late war.

LATE RESULTS AT NEW ORLEANS.

Fifth Race—Lord Quex 1, Balm of Gilead 2, Marcos 3. Sixth Race—Linden Ella 1, Woodrice 2, Dr. Stephen 3.

THIEVES START FIRE AND STEAL \$3,200.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., March 12.—Charles Pomalier, a prominent horse dealer, placed a roll of bills amounting to \$3,200 under his pillow at 6 o'clock last evening. Two hours later a haystack near his house was set on fire and during the excitement Pomalier's roll was stolen.

COMPROMISE ON CUBAN RELIEF?

LEADERS OF BOTH FACTIONS IN CONFERENCE. HUNTING TENDERLOIN POOL-ROOMS.

Tenderloin detectives at No. 25 East Seventeenth street to-day arrested William J. Watson, who, they say, was handling racing cards and taking from the telephone racing returns. They also visited the second floor of the building on the northeast corner of Twenty-fifth street and Eighth avenue.

WESTERN UNION HAS NEW PRESIDENT.

At the quarterly meeting of the Western Union Telegraph Company, held to-day, Gen. Thomas F. Eckert was elected Chairman of the Board of Directors, and Col. R. C. Clowry, now Vice-President and General Superintendent of the Western Division at Chicago, was elected President and General Manager of the company. Col. Clowry has filled positions with the Illinois and Mississippi, Missouri and Western, United Telegraph Companies, as messenger, operator, manager, superintendent, general superintendent and vice-president.

CONSUL WILBOUR DEAD.

BUTHERFORD, N. J., March 12.—Joshua Wilbour, United States Consul at Dublin, Ireland, died here to-day at the home of his sister, Mrs. L. B. Stone. Three months ago an operation was performed on Mr. Wilbour in Dublin for cancer. After the operation Mr. Wilbour with his wife came to this country and went to his sister's home, where he died.

DIFFERENCE BETWEEN HORSE AND MULE.

"Farmer Joe" Burns, of Williamsbridge, was in Harlem Police Court this afternoon charged by Policeman Hogan with the reckless driving of a horse. "It wasn't a horse," insisted Burns. "It was a mule." "Was it a horse or a mule?" asked Magistrate Mott. "I don't know," said Hogan. "Don't know the difference between a horse and a mule?" demanded Mott in amazement. "No, sir," replied Hogan. The Court fined Burns \$10.

CITY RECORD ROUNDLY SCORED.

Commissioners of Accounts Russell and Owens, who have been investigating the Bureau of the City Record, in a preliminary report to-day say: "The bookkeeping in vogue is as primitive as that in a country store. No ledger was kept, and there were no individual accounts with any of the concerns."

MAYOR SAYS PARTRIDGE WILL STAY.

Owing to the continued rumors of an impending change in the head of the Police Department, Mayor Low made a statement on the subject to-day. He said that he has no intention of making any change and that the work of Police Commissioner Partridge was entirely satisfactory.

MAN AND WIFE KILLED BY TRAIN.

BRIDGEPORT, N. J., March 12.—The West Jersey railroad train due here at 1:45 o'clock this afternoon struck a wagon, near Hardingville, and killed the occupants, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Gardner.

NICARAGUAN ROUTE FAVORED.

WASHINGTON, March 12.—The Senate Committee on Isthmian Canals has decided by a vote of 7 to 4 to report the Hepburn bill providing for the construction of an Isthmian canal via the Nicaraguan route.

VON HOLLEBEN ACCUSED IN ANTI-AMERICAN PLOT?

Incriminating Letters of German Ambassador, It Is Reported, Are In the Hands of the Secret Service—Rumor of Recall Denied.

Rumor concerning the reported demand of this Government that Ambassador Von Holleben return to Germany forthwith because of certain actions he has taken to the displeasure of the United States has become more definite.

It is now said that the Ambassador was detected in endeavoring to create sentiment against the United States in Germany through a propaganda operated from this city.

The statement is made that Ambassador Von Holleben had in view a rupture between the United States and Germany over the Monroe Doctrine, that he believed that a controversy would arise between this country and Germany on account of attempts on the part of the Kaiser to gain a foothold in South America.

The alleged propaganda of sentiments inimical to this country are said to have been worked through the German press.

A German newspaperman of this city, possessing a skillful pen, a knowledge of German character and ability to twist situations to his own ends, it is reported, was employed by the German Ambassador to foment trouble.

Frequent communications outlining the plan, it is alleged, were sent to this person by Von Holleben.

A rupture between the two is said to have been the means of bringing about the recall of the ambassador.

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The State Department at Washington to-day gave out an emphatic denial of the above report.

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GOV. CRANE TRIES IN VAIN TO STOP BIG BOSTON STRIKE

Mark Hanna Called Upon to Act for Civic Federation—20,000 Men Are Out and Business Is Tied Up.

BOSTON, March 12.—Gov. Crane's attempt to effect a settlement of the freight handlers' strike has failed.

The strike committee told the Governor that their organizations had decided to stand by the proposition that the strike would be declared off if the railroads would consent that no freight handler should go on any team delivering goods at the freight sheds.

The railroads have refused to consider this proposition and the Governor decided that he could do nothing.

A committee of Boston Merchants Association and representatives met without result save that the labor men declared that the strike would involve 80,000 or 90,000 men if a settlement was not reached.

Call on Senator Hanna.

Both sides have called upon the Civic Federation of which Senator Hanna is Chairman, to use its good offices in the settlement of the strike.

The first call was from Mayor Collins, and Senator Hanna replied as follows:

Washington, March 11, 1902. Hon. P. A. Collins, Boston: Telegram received. If you will point out a way I will be glad to be of service. We should have indications from both sides that our good offices would be acceptable.

M. A. HANNA. Later the strikers telephoned headquarters of the Federation in New York expressing a willingness for arbitration.

From a body of 600 freight handlers of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad who on Saturday refused to work because they were required to take cars of goods brought to depots by non-union teams, the strike forces in this city had grown to an army of 20,000 men by this morning.

One branch of traffic was affected first, but by the spread of the sym-



AMBASSADOR VON HOLLEBEN.

the affair to the notice of the United States authorities.

A dispute, according to this report,

arose about money, with the result that the agent in this city, incensed at his treatment, let drop remarks that finally reached operatives of the Secret Service.

Communications signed by the agent admitting his share in the alleged plot are said to be in the hands of the Secret Service.

It is also claimed that the Secret Service has either the original letters that were written by Von Holleben to his alleged agent or authenticated copies of them.

These letters, rumor has it, make a case so clear against the German Ambassador that a demand for his immediate withdrawal became a matter of positive necessity to this Government, although influential insurance interests with large German connections have tried to patch up matters.

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STRIKE IS FELT IN NEW ENGLAND

LYNN, Mass., March 12.—The Boston strike is severely felt in Lynn. Its continuance will mean idleness for from 15,000 to 20,000 operatives. Today fully 800 are idle.

LAWRENCE, Mass., March 12.—Local merchants and manufacturers are feeling the effect of the Boston strike. The local mills are shipping and receiving goods by outside routes.

SOMERVILLE, Mass., March 12.—The North Packing and Provision Companies' drivers have stopped work and goods are accumulating.

STRIKE AFFECTS NEW YORK MARKETS.

The freight handlers' strike in Boston, which threatens to become general throughout New England if a settlement is not soon reached, is likely to lead to a sympathetic action here. All perishable freight is being refused at the Eastern end of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad, and in consequence there is a hoarding of fresh fish here to-day, while cargoes of fish are said to be rotting at the Boston docks.

To Cure Grip in Two Days. Larrive Bros' Gripin relieves the pain. Dr. W. W. Brown's signature on every box.