

IF PENNELL LIVED HE WOULD BE ACCUSED.

So Declares Judge Murphy in His Findings in the Burdick Murder Inquiry—He Declares that the Lawyer Had the Motive for the Crime.

Mrs. Hull's Queer Actions on the Morning After the Murder Are Held to Be Suspicious—Mrs. Paine and Miss Hutchinson Exonerated.

(Special to The Evening World.)

BUFFALO, March 31.—When Mrs. Edwin L. Burdick this afternoon read the report of Justice Murphy's findings in the Burdick murder inquiry, in which he censured her, she said:

"I don't feel that Judge Murphy's report of the inquest has treated me fairly. I told of my relations with Mr. Pennell, which I admitted were possibly imprudent, and the Court accepted my story as the basis for the report. I believe if I was entitled to credence in that part of my story that was derogatory to myself I should have been as fairly treated on the rest of my story that I had never had any improper relations with Mr. Pennell, which I now affirm. Beyond this I do not care to make any comments, except to say that no one can believe my mother guilty of any participation in this awful crime."

BUFFALO, N. Y., March 31.—Judge Murphy, who presided at the Burdick inquest, to-day decided that the identity of the murderer has not been proved. The statement is an exhaustive review of the evidence.

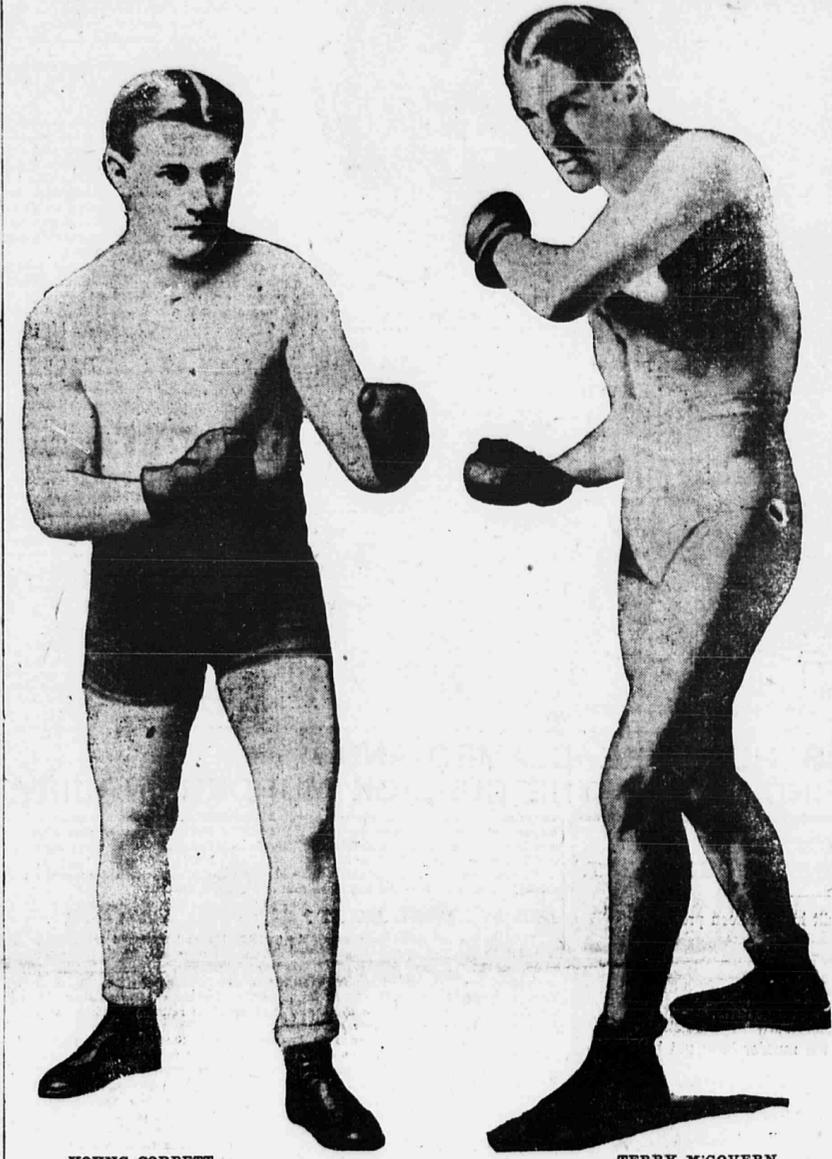
Special attention is given to the letters between Arthur R. Pennell and Mrs. Burdick, particularly the one containing a threat against Burdick's life. The Judge says:

"Altogether, these facts would, in my opinion, constitute just grounds of suspicion on which a warrant could be issued, were he alive."

Referring to Mrs. Hull he says: "The action of Mrs. Hull on that morning (the morning after the murder) and her testimony on the stand have caused me much thought and worry. To my mind they are inconsis-

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TERRY M'GOVERN AND YOUNG CORBETT AS THEY WILL FACE ONE ANOTHER AT SAN FRANCISCO TO-NIGHT.



YOUNG CORBETT.

TERRY M'GOVERN.

BIG BETS ON M'GOVERN-YOUNG CORBETT FIGHT.

BIG BETS MADE TO-DAY ON CORBETT-M'GOVERN FIGHT.

Johnny Considine made two bets of \$400 to \$500 on Corbett. Nat Goodwin, the actor, bet \$800 to \$1,000 with a friend, taking the Corbett end. J. F. Thorley wagered \$1,000 to \$800 on McGovern. George Considine bet \$400 to \$500 on Corbett. Mike Weinburg made another bet to-day of \$400 to \$500, taking Corbett. There was more Corbett money in sight this afternoon than at any time since the sporting men began to bet on the result of the fight.

FACTS CONCERNING TO-NIGHT'S FIGHT BETWEEN M'GOVERN AND YOUNG CORBETT.

Principals—"Young Corbett" and Terry McGovern. Scene of battle—Mechanics' Pavilion, San Francisco. Title at stake—Feather-weight championship of the world. Purse—Sixty-six and two-thirds per cent. of gross receipts; about \$17,500. Winner's share—Sixty per cent. of 66-2-3 per cent. of gross. Conditions—Twenty rounds. Weight—One hundred and twenty-seven pounds at 4 o'clock this afternoon. Referee—Edward Graney, of San Francisco. Seconds—For McGovern, Charley Mayhood, Eddie Cain and "Kid" Carter; for "Corbett," Harry Tutill, Alec Gregains and Willie Fitzgerald. Men in ring—About 1 A. M. (New York time).

Champion and Ex-Champion Resting on Eve of Fight at 'Frisco—Little Brooklyn Boy a Warm Favorite at 10 to 8.

Betting Is Brisk and Interest Keen All Over the Country—Golden Gate City Is Swarming with Sporting Men and Big Crowd Will See the Fight.

There was lively betting this afternoon on the result of the Corbett-McGovern fight, the odds favoring McGovern at 8 to 10. As the afternoon lengthened a number of large bets were made and it was announced that later in the evening many big rolls would loosen up. Among those who placed large bets this afternoon were Nat Goodwin and John Considine, each laying \$800 to \$1,000 on Corbett.

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SAN FRANCISCO, March 31.—On the eve of the big battle for the feather-weight championship of the world, "Young Corbett" and Terry McGovern have given up all work and both declare that they are fit and ready to make the fight of their lives.

At this time the Brooklyn fighter is the favorite at odds of 10 to 8, but it has been the weight of money that has made him so, and when "Young Corbett's" followers produce their bank-rolls the champion will probably be on the short end, where he belongs at about 10 to 9.

"Corbett" has not had any big money back of him at any time, and that has been the main reason why the man he whipped a year ago has had the call in the betting, for the Eastern gamblers, with their fat purses, have not been able to see anything except Terry McGovern.

At 7 o'clock, New York time, the two little fighters were to make the weight of 127 pounds. McGovern has been safely within that mark for some days, and "Corbett" who has been figuring down to quarter pounds, was below that figure at noon to-day.

It is certain that the champion will have the best of McGovern by six or seven pounds when the bell rings, for he takes on weight rapidly, but the Brooklyn fighter's friends are counting on the Denver boy being greatly weakened by his effort to make the weight and claim that the further the fight goes the better chance their man will have for that account.

So far comparatively little money has been bet on the outcome, but the McGovern men have been offering all sorts of coin and have succeeded in glancing about \$10,000. This evening the betting will begin in earnest, however, and probably \$50,000 will be up on the result when the men step into the ring at 10.30 o'clock, San Francisco time.

This means about 1.30 New York time. The city is crowded with sports who expect to see a long, hot battle and the majority do not expect to see a repetition of the two-round affair that resulted the last time the men met.

Eddie Graney, the referee, is a popular man here and his selection for the position pleased all classes. He will see that the boys fight under strict uxorberry rules, in which the men are allowed to study and practice for the fight for a year, Harris says, and he believes will be able to spring some new points on "Corbett" when they come together.

Trainer Tutill, who has supervised the training of "Corbett," was delighted at the champion's condition this morning.

"I shall have no excuses to offer in the score of look and condition, for he will step into the ring fit as ever a man was for battle."

"I am trained to the hour and in perfect condition," Corbett said to-day. "The battle will be a stubborn one, but I believe I shall certainly win, as I have acquired with my opponent's style of fighting."

"I have been waiting for this battle ever since I was knocked out by Corbett in Hartford more than a year ago," said McGovern. "I said from the first that I would get my revenge. I believe I shall certainly win, as I have acquired with my opponent's style of fighting."

The railroad man's counter was broken by the crowd, and the public was allowed to see the fight. The crowd was estimated at 10,000.

RICH MAN, ILL, TAKES HIS LIFE.

Conkling Luqueer, Wealthy Saddle Manufacturer, Slowly Dying of Bright's Disease, Puts Bullet in Brain.

FAMILY HAD BEEN WARNED.

After suffering for years from heart trouble and Bright's disease, Conkling Luqueer, sixty-five years old, a wealthy saddle manufacturer, died by his own hand to-day at the residence of his brother-in-law, Robert L. Major, No. 7 West Sixty-third street.

Before the family in the house were notified, he got out of bed, seated himself in an armchair at his bedroom window and fired a bullet into his right temple. He died before assistance reached him.

Mr. Luqueer was a bachelor. He made his home with his brother-in-law and was for years a member of the firm of R. B. Luqueer & Co., of No. 67 Murray street. For the last year he had not been able to attend to business. He suffered for a long time from Bright's disease, which became complicated with in the last year with hydro-pericarditis. Some time ago, his physician, Dr. Baldwin, told him his case was hopeless, but that he might prolong his life for a little while by an operation.

Mr. Luqueer said he did not care to have his sufferings prolonged unless he could obtain permanent relief. He told his relatives that the best thing for a man in his condition was to do away with himself. Because of this his nephew, Robert L. Major, Jr., was made acquainted with the situation, and he went to sleep in an adjoining room, the door of which was always left open. Early this morning young Major says he was awakened by a noise in his uncle's room. He heard a groan and ran to his mother's room.

They then went to Mr. Luqueer's room and found him dead in his chair, the revolver still grasped in his right hand. He was in his pajamas and had thrown his bathrobe about him. Mr. Luqueer left no notes. There was no need to leave any, his relatives told Colonel Jackson, as his motive for self-sought death was plain. In his desk many letters were found, some of which indicated that he had long contemplated killing himself.

Mr. Luqueer went out for a short walk last Thursday. It is supposed that he then purchased the revolver. It was new and of costly make. Only one of the six chambers was empty.

Mr. Luqueer was a partner in Company No. 1 of the Seventh Regiment, Veterans and a member of the Lotos, Hardware and Iron Store, 100 West 42d street, as well as

ORLOFF WINS; ODDS 3 TO 50.

Peter Paul (7 to 1) Takes Second Event and Star and Garter (5 to 1) the Fifth at Benning's Race Track.

GOULD BEATS GIBSON LIGHT.

\$100,000 IS INVOLVED.

THE WINNERS.

FIRST RACE—Five furlongs—Olloff (3 to 5) 1, Bassverine (12 to 1) 2. Time—1:07.

Second Race—Four and a half furlongs—Peter Paul (7 to 1) 1, Race King (6 to 5) 2, Pleasant Memories 3. Time—57 3/5.

THIRD RACE—One mile and a half, over six hurdles—Gould (2 to 1) 1, Gibson Light (3 1-2 to 1) 2, Alma Girl 3. Time—2:59.

Fourth Race—Four and a half furlongs—Souris (3 1-2 to 1) 1, The Brown Monarch (7 to 5) 2, Interlude 3. Time—58 4/5.

BENNING'S RACE TRACK, WASHINGTON, D. C., March 31.—Clearing weather prevailed here to-day, and once more the attendance soared to its usual average. The weather was also much milder, and this, too, was an inducement for the Washingtonians to come out to the course. The fact that there was a hurdle race was also a factor in drawing a large attendance.

Washingtonians are peculiar. Weather conditions affect them most. They cannot understand why races should not be postponed on rainy days. They are not able to tell the difference between a bad and a good card. Fine weather and a poor card will draw more people than a good card with unfavorable conditions. So long as the entries are plentiful the quality of the horses does not matter.

The card to-day was a very fair one. The various events promised contests of an exciting sort. Race King, looked

OSBORNE'S LAST CASE FOR STATE

Winds Up His Career as Assistant District Attorney by Securing a Conviction for Grand Larceny.

\$100,000 IS INVOLVED.

Assistant District Attorney James W. Osborne, who will retire from Mr. Jerome's staff to-morrow, secured this afternoon in his last case a conviction for grand larceny in which frauds amounting to \$100,000 were involved. Mr. Osborne says that it is the most important conviction of the kind ever secured, and was considerably elated at his signal success in his last case.

The prisoner convicted was Charles Kanter, of No. 71 West One Hundred and Fifteenth street. He was a member of the firm of Kanter & Cohen, No. 62 Broadway, who issued a statement to the trade in September, 1901, that they had \$25,000 above all liabilities and thereby secured credit to the extent of \$100,000.

On March 4, 1902, the firm failed and the receiver appointed could find no assets. Later through an investigation made by the Merchants Association the goods sold to the firm were found secreted in Dakota. It was also learned that the books of the firm had been taken to Bayonne and burned. Kanter will be sentenced to-morrow.

TWO DEAD BABIES FOUND.

One Was in a Cellar and the Other on a Roof.

Sophie Mahoney, of No. 415 East Sixteenth street, found the body of a little boy, three days old, in the cellar at her home this afternoon.

The body of a little girl baby, about four days old, was found on the roof of No. 31 Goerick street. The police of the Delancey street station sent the bodies to the morgue.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Forecast for the thirty-six hours ending at 8 P. M. Wednesday for New York City and vicinity: Fair to-night and Wednesday; fresh westerly winds.

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HAY AND QUESADA SIGN CUBAN TREATY

Reciprocity Agreement Will Not Be Proclaimed Until Congress Acts On It.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—Ratification of the Cuban reciprocity treaty were exchanged by Secretary Hay and Minister Quesada this forenoon at the State Department.

The treaty will not be proclaimed until the United States Congress acts upon it.

FLOOD RUSHES ON CONVICT FARM.

Troops to Prevent Outbreak of Prisoners Near Baton Rouge, Where Levee Broke.

NEW ORLEANS, March 31.—The man levee protecting the State convict farm near Baton Rouge gave way early to-day and the entire place was covered with water in a few hours.

Efforts are being made to save the camp and troops are on guard to prevent an outbreak of the convicts.

HIGH LICENSE 'BILL PASSED

ALBANY, March 31.—The Excise bill was passed by the Assembly late this afternoon by a vote of 83 to 61. Patton and Reuhl, two Erie County Republicans, voted with the Democrats against the bill. The bill has already been passed by the Senate and will at once go to the Governor for his signature.

BOTH FIGHTERS UNDER WEIGHT.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 31.—"Young Corbett" and Terry McGovern weighed in at Harry Corbett's cafe at 4 o'clock this afternoon and were under the required weight, 127 pounds. Corbett weighed 126 3-4 pounds, while McGovern tipped the beam at 126 pounds. Both boys looked in perfect condition. After weighing in they retired to their hotels, where they ate a hearty meal.

AT ATLANTA.

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LATE RESULTS AT BENNING'S.

Fifth Race—Star and Garter 1, Carroll D. 2, Imperious 3.
Sixth Race—Hist 1, Duke of Kendall 2, Blue Victor 3.

AT MEMPHIS.

Second Race—Elwood 1, Beneficent 2, Myron Dale 3.
Third Race—John 1, Auld 2, James F. 3.

WOMAN DEAD; FIVE BURNED

Fatal Fire in a Big Four-Story Boarding-House in East Eighty-sixth Street This Afternoon.

FIREMEN RESCUED OTHERS.

One woman was burned to death, another so badly that she will die and four other persons were severely injured in a fire that destroyed a big, four-story brown stone front boarding house at No. 68 East Eighty-sixth street this afternoon.

The dead woman is Mrs. Mary McLoughlin, sixty-five years old, of No. 29 East Eighteenth street, who was visiting Mrs. Elizabeth Mitchell.

Mrs. Mitchell, who is also elderly, was terribly burned about the face and body and was taken to the Presbyterian Hospital, where no hopes of her recovery are held out.

Mrs. Elizabeth McConnellogue, sixty years old, and Mrs. James Brastow, other guests of Mrs. Mitchell, were severely burned and taken to the house of a neighbor, where they are being attended by two physicians.

Had it not been for the fearlessness of two detectives and Fire Chief Dougherty these other women would have perished in the flames. The others injured are three servant girls and John Welch, a boarder, whose hair and mustache were burned off.

Flames Suddenly Appear.

Mrs. Mitchell and her guests were dining in the back parlor of the house when a sheet of flame burst out of the dumb-waiter shaft and almost spontaneously fired all the curtains and hangings in the room.

Mrs. McLoughlin rushed out of the room and upstairs, where the fire soon followed her and cut off all possible exit. Her two women guests fainted.

Detectives Dowlin and Oppenheim, of the East Eighty-eighth street station, were passing the house when the servants came rushing out crying "Fire!" They made their way to the rear of the house through the smoke and flame and succeeded in dragging out Mrs. Brastow and Mrs. McConnellogue. By the time they got outside the fire engines in charge of Battalion Chief Dougherty arrived.

Dougherty's Bold Rescue.

Dougherty was told that there were several women in the house, and notwithstanding that the flames were pouring out of windows and doors, put a sponge in his mouth and directing his men to play the hose on him, pushed his way in and managed to rescue Mrs. Mitchell and Mrs. Brastow.

Mrs. Mitchell and Mrs. Brastow, who the fire was finally subdued. Mrs. McLoughlin was found near the window in the front room on the second floor. Her body was burned to a cinder. The window near her was slightly raised, showing that she had attempted to open it.

Sergeant Boteller and Policeman Beaton and Sauterback, of the East Eighty-eighth street station, were crossing Eighty-sixth street on a car just as the fire started. The three rushed into the house and rescued Mrs. Fields, a daughter of Mrs. Brastow, and her six-month-old baby. Mrs. Fields had just entered the house to call for her mother, when the flames burst forth and she stood stupefied in the hallway, unable to move.

The policemen came to her assistance and carried her to the hospital.

MAD DOG BIT TEN CHILDREN

Bull Terrier Jumped Into a Crowd of Public School Pupils in Twenty-eighth Street and Caused Panic.

FIREMEN RESCUED OTHERS. BEATEN OFF AND KILLED.

A mad white bull terrier went careening down Twenty-eighth street this afternoon and jumping into a great crowd of little school children in front of Public School No. 33, began pulling them down and biting them and an indescribable panic.

No one knows to whom the dog belonged. He was first seen around the Pennsylvania Twenty-third street ferry, where he is said to have bitten a boy who was carrying lunch to his father in the neighborhood. A little later he appeared at Twenty-sixth street and Ninth avenue. About 1.30 o'clock he came running up Eighth avenue with froth on his lips.

Isaac Isaacs, who runs an express business on that corner, saw him and noted his wild look. The dog turned west into Twenty-eighth street. Isaacs watched him as he ran on down the street and saw him nip a boy. Then the expressman started in pursuit.

Chased with a Revolver.

He yelled at Inspector Thomas Morrison, of the Twenty-eighth street line, that the terrier was mad, and Morrison jumped from a car and joined in the pursuit. He had a revolver and gave it to Isaacs.

The dog made snaps at several children in his way, but did not attempt to bite grown persons. At Ninth avenue Isaacs was close enough to take a shot. The ball struck one of the dog's hind legs, but he kept on going.

Between Ninth and Tenth avenues some men to get the youngsters inside the school yard. There was a panic rush among them at the cry of "mad dog," but there was no chance for a tenth of them to reach cover before the dog was among them.

First he leaped at the throat of William O'Hare, thirteen years old, of No. 326 West Twenty-ninth street, and tore the sweater from him by gripping his chest. Letting the boy drop, he grabbed another and another. Nine in all had felt his teeth when he grabbed four-year-old Catherine Garret, of No. 324 West Twenty-eighth street, and when the pursuing men came up.

Dog Shot to Death.

They dared not shoot, but Policeman Kirke beat the dog off with his night stick and then shot him to death with three bullets.

The wounds of the children were cauterized by Dr. Bridges, of No. 44 West Twenty-eighth street, and they were all sent to the Pasteur Institute. Among those bitten were: Stephen Dunn, of No. 345 West Twenty-seventh street, on left wrist; Harold Wright, of No. 315 West Twenty-eighth street, right arm; Herman White, of No. 327 West Twenty-eighth street, left arm, and Robert Kelly, of No. 324 West Twenty-seventh street, right arm, and three whose names have not been learned by the police.

The railroad man's counter was broken by the crowd, and the public was allowed to see the fight. The crowd was estimated at 10,000.