

SUICIDE IN CELL AFTER ROBBERY

Isaac Weiner's Wife Learns of His Ending Life After Felling Aged Woman Philanthropist with Hatchet.

RACING LOSSES CAUSE OF CRIME AND DEATH.

Skilled Mechanic Lost Heavily on Turf and Could Not Recoup Sums He Had Dropped in Betting.

Mrs. Isaac Weiner learned to-day of the suicide of her husband, who, driven to desperation by heavy losses at the race track, had beaten and robbed Mrs. Samuel Golda, an aged philanthropist, in her apartments at No. 146 Seventy-ninth street. Soon after his arrest he hanged himself in his cell in the East Sixty-seventh street police station.

Mrs. Weiner with her three little daughters left their home at No. 1533 Lexington avenue, soon after his arrest. She went to the home of friends to seek consolation in her distress, and not leaving any word at home, could not be found when the detectives went to inform her of her husband's death. She returned early to-day to hear of the tragic end of her husband's troubles. The tragedy is like many others of the turf. Weiner was a skilled mechanic, and, until spring, knew few losses outside of his comfortable home and the companionship of his wife and three pretty daughters. He made good wages and the money was spent to make the home more attractive.

Neglects His Business.

At the beginning of the racing season he began to neglect his business to study "dope" sheets. He talked to his neighbors of horses and of the fabulous fortunes to be made from the bookmakers by sticking to an infallible system.

He won for a time, but of late his winnings have dwindled until all he had was swept away and his family was in absolute want. Day by day he grew more dependent, and he refused to enter into the preparations for the wedding of his step-son, of whom he was very fond. He tried in vain to recoup his lost savings, going to bookmakers to secure money to take to the track, and he was finally driven to the desperate step of robbing his wife.

When he asked her to loan him money, she told him he must return her husband's money to her, for she never acted without his advice. He pleaded in vain. On some pretext he followed Mrs. Golda to the kitchen, and seeing a small hatchet on the sink seized it and struck the aged woman on the back of the head, causing her to fall after she fell he pulled the two diamonds from her ears and fled. A few minutes later Mrs. Golda found his wife unconscious on the floor, her white hair dotted with blood. The son hurried for physicians and to notify the police. When Mrs. Golda was revived she told the story of the assault and robbery.

Detectives found Weiner playing with his three children on the floor of the station-house, where, after a time, he confessed and told the police where he had hidden the diamonds by hollowing out a certain pole. Doorman O'Connell saw Weiner slink dejectedly on the edge of the sink in his cell at 6:30 o'clock. Fifteen minutes later he passed the cell again and saw the man's body suspended from a water pipe. He had hanged himself with a hair of his suspenders and a handkerchief and a necktie. The doorman cut the body down and sent for an ambulance from the rectorian hospital. The doctor came too late.

FLIMSY EVIDENCE AGAINST ABEEL

Man Who Posed as "Mr. Goellet" and Wood Eleanor Anderson May Be Indicted Only for Forgery.

Owing to the refusal of Eleanor Anderson, the young girl imposed upon by James Abeel, to testify before the Grand Jury, the evidence which it is believed will be presented to that body to-day will be of the flimsiest nature.

The police say that the impostor who represented himself as "Mr. Goellet" is in Texas. Miss Anderson is thought to be in East Long Branch, and she refuses to come to New York to testify against the man responsible for all the misery forced upon her.

The detectives employed by Robert Goellet to track the man who used his name in Texas, are the closest any of them has reached in the search for the impostor. It is expected that William Anderson, the father of Eleanor, and his two sons, will be called by the Grand Jury. The forged letter of introduction to the Western Union Telegraph Company was signed by the impostor, Mr. Van Every himself, in making little interest in the case.

Miss Anderson has wired that she would not appear against Abeel, revealing her first declaration that she would do so. Abeel's wife is in Massachusetts. There the case stands. The only change that can be made against Abeel under the present conditions is that of forgery in the third degree.

Assistant District-Attorney Lord is handling the case.

BARTENDER A SUICIDE.

Adolph Zett, twenty-eight years old, bartender in a saloon at Fortieth and Tenth streets, was shot and killed to-day at his home, No. 401 West Avenue.

Zett was operated on for an abscess in his right ear. Since that time he had been dependent, and it is believed his mind was so affected that

WOMAN WHO WAS ATTACKED BY MAN SEEKING AID, AND HER ASSAILANT.



Mrs. Golda.

SUICIDE MEANT TO KILL ANOTHER?

Pretty Postmistress Considers that She Had Narrow Escape When Mrs. Katharine Bruns Ended Her Life.

Jealousy, it is said, was the motive that led Mrs. Katharine Bruns, of No. 67 Stillman avenue, Brooklyn, to blow out her brains in the Glendale post-office, borough of Queens, Saturday afternoon. She feared, without any apparent reason, that Mrs. Margaret Donoghue, the pretty postmistress, who is a widow, had won her husband's affections.

The police of the Glendale station, according to Coroner Leonard Rouff, did not properly search the clothing of the dead woman. After her body was brought to Stenger's Morgue a pair of valuable diamond earrings and a marriage ring were found. Mrs. Stenger, wife of the morgue-keeper, has the jewelry and under orders of the Coroner still retains it.

Coroner Rouff failed to get a letter left by the suicide, probably explaining the cause of her deed, which might also show that Mrs. Bruns had intended taking the life of Mrs. Donoghue, the postmistress, because of a bundle of the police in forwarding the letter to Martin Mager, a clerk, instead of direct to the Coroner's Office.

Coroner Rouff said to-day that he could not find Mager, though he had searched for him all day. Mrs. Donoghue, the postmistress, was seen by a World reporter yesterday. She had known the suicide's husband about a year, she said. About six months ago Mrs. Bruns visited her and warned her that the friendship between Mr. Bruns and her must cease or trouble would result. The postmistress said that three weeks ago she met Bruns at Broadway and Hester street, Brooklyn. She declared their meeting was



Mrs. Katharine Bruns.

by chance and that she was on a shopping tour at the time. She added that before Mrs. Bruns called on her she did not know Bruns was a married man.

"I believe Mrs. Bruns," she said, "had probably intended shooting me. I noticed her hand in her bosom when she entered. I was in the office at the time, and she said in a rather determined voice that she wanted to see me. Explaining I was very busy, I begged to be excused, and asked her to take a seat in the rear room. She shot herself ten minutes later while waiting for me."

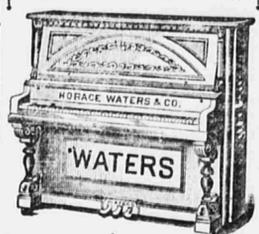
"I'm awfully glad that I didn't go in. Had I done so I would probably now be in the morgue."

Mr. Bruns, husband of the dead woman, admitted knowing the postmistress, and said he met her at a social affair. "There was nothing wrong between us," he said. "I guess my wife became mentally deranged. I can assign no other cause for her act, as we lived happily together."

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