

# PROVE THAT I KILLED WIVES, DEMANDS CARLTON

### Man Accused by Companion in St. George Hotel Defies Coroner to Exhume Bodies—Jealousy, Says Woman.

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Mr. Carlton has plenty of money. He says he hasn't seen Carlton for some time. He was here last Sunday morning and "kissed" Carlton for \$10.

Miss Ellis was horrified to hear that Carlton and Mrs. Vandeventer were not married.

"Why," she said, "she showed me a marriage certificate when they came here."

Schaub Denies Woman's Story.

When Schaub heard that Mrs. Vandeventer had said she gave an Evening World reporter that statement: "I know Mrs. Vandeventer well. I met her through the steward of the battleship Massachusetts. I went out with her a number of times and then introduced her to Carlton, whom I had known when he was in the navy as a commissary steward on a torpedo-boat destroyer. Carlton had just collected several thousand dollars, the insurance on his wife's life. He took Mrs. Vandeventer out and I met her the next day and she told me he had bought her a complete new wardrobe and was contributing the insurance money like a good fellow."

"I have seen them together since, but have not been in the least jealous. I care nothing about the woman, and her statement that I was inspired to my action by her leaving me for Carlton is untrue."

Both Wives Died of Lockjaw.

Meanwhile, Michael J. Gorman, of No. 229 Bridge street, Brooklyn, a brother of the second Mrs. Carlton, is using every endeavor to have Coroner Fishery exhume his sister's body and make an investigation of the cause of her death. It is said that Harry Smith, of No. 51 Grant avenue, Brooklyn, father of the first Mrs. Carlton, is also about to join Gorman in having Carlton's career investigated.

Curiously, both the first and the second Mrs. Carlton died of lockjaw within a comparatively short time of their marriages. The life of each had been insured by Carlton and on the proceeds of the policy of the second wife Carlton is said to have taken a trip around the world.

Of tangible evidence there was none against the man. That is why a charge of insanity was made against him. Schaub has no evidence to support his claim that he loaned \$500 to Carlton, and in the absence of the chemist's report there is nothing to sustain the charge that he attempted to deal fairly with him. The register of the Hotel St. George corroborates Schaub's story that he and Carlton were at that hotel together on July 6, but that is all.

"Policies Paid—No Fear."

Carlton got bail after his arrest last night, and was at the Adams Street Police Court early to-day in a very dejected mood.

"They think they've got me scared," he sneered to an Evening World reporter. "Well, they have—well, Exhume the bodies of my wives, eh? Good! Let them do it. They will wait their time. Haven't the police been waiting for me? Insurance companies now argue with out making investigations. Well, I guess not. They were satisfied that everything was all right, and I don't see what other people are butting in for. Now the police are coming in with a full investigation of the deaths of my first and second wives, and they were entirely satisfied that there was no fraud."

"What if they did die of lockjaw? Suppose they had died of pneumonia? Would that necessarily mean that I had killed them? They can't scold me with their talk of disintering those bodies because I don't care if they do take them up. That's all I have to say."

Second Death Caused Inquiry.

Coroner Fishery was in a predicament over Carlton's case to-day.

"I have to confess that at present there is no evidence against him," he said. "He is under arrest on suspicion, nothing more, and I don't know how we can bring any more serious charge against him with nothing to support it."

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Refused to Take Pills.

"At about half an hour he came in quietly and walked up to me. 'Ain't you feeling well?' he asked. 'All right,' I said. 'Ah-h-h-h.' He pulled me up and made me lie down on the bed."

"I guess you are not feeling well," he said. "Here are two strychnine pills. You must take them. They will brace you up right away. Take them with whiskey and you will feel all right in a few minutes."

"When I had sense enough not to do it, I refused to take them. He got angry and he did not come back while I was there. When I left the hotel I left him the following note, as nearly as I can remember it:

"Not hearing from him, I prepared to have him arrested, and he was taken in on Tuesday night. Carlton was arrested by Detective Ward and Murray, of the Fulton Street station, on the morning of July 10, at No. 116 Schermerhorn street, carrying a suit case."

"I treated Carlton denied having any business or personal relations whatsoever with Schaub. But when he was arrested he told me that he was found by the police on his person."

Mysterious Women List.

In Carlton's rooms the police found a list of addresses of girls in various parts of the city. A receipt from the New York Life Insurance Company showing that he had paid \$150 on policy No. 4,842,000. They also discovered that he was a member of the Standard Commercial Club, at No. 108 North Avera avenue, Chicago. The card of membership contained the significant clause: "Until married. In the addresses of young women in Dr. Carlton's rooms included those of Miss Jessie O. Wilson, eighteen years of

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  - WITCH HAZEL, double distilled, pint bottle. .... 21c

Marion, Ky.; Miss L. P. Scott, twenty, of No. 165 Broad street, New Bern, N. C.; Clara Allen, twenty-one, of Allertown, Ala.; and Flora Clarkson, twenty, of No. 1425 Hazel street, St. Louis. He was careful in each case to put the age of the young woman down.



In referring to Carlton's past the detectives learned that Carlton was ambitious at one time to be a surgeon in the navy. Such applicants are required to give the history of their lives for ten years back. It was after a long and painful examination that he took his first wife to Washington, where her death occurred.

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