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CRESCUS IS SOLD FOR \$21,000

BRANCH FORCED INTO FIGHT WHICH ENDED IN DEATH

Court-Martial Witnesses Quote Meriweather as Telling His Hatred.

Called Him a Coward.

Dead Midshipman Was Visited in His Room and There Denounced.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Nov. 22.—The court-martial assembled by the order of the Secretary of the Navy for the trial of Midshipman Minor Meriweather on the charges growing out of a fist fight in which he engaged with Midshipman James B. Branch, Jr., and in which the latter received fatal injuries, began at the Naval Academy today.

The accused is defended by Lieut.-Commander James K. Robinson, U. S. N., and Mr. James M. Munroe, of the Annapolis bar.

The first two witnesses called were Midshipmen James P. Van De Carr and Earl V. Pritchard, classmates of Branch, and their evidence bore directly on the second charge, that of quarreling with a person in the naval service with an indirect relation to the main charge of manslaughter.

Hated Branch, Witness Said.

Midshipman Van De Carr said that he sat at the table with Meriweather and that on the evening of Oct. 31, Meriweather had told him that Branch had done all he could to make his (Meriweather's) life miserable while he had been at the academy, that he hated Branch, and was going to make his fight with him as hard as any fight in his life; that there were only a few people that he hated, and that Branch was one of them.

The next day, Midshipman Van De Carr testified, Meriweather had said that it was all fixed; that he and Branch had arranged to fight.

Midshipman Earl V. Pritchard, the next witness, was the roommate of Branch and it also was his testimony that he was of the utmost importance covering the whole facts in the incident that led directly to the fight.

Meriweather had turned on a light just above him, remaining in that position during the conversation.

Neither accused Branch of acting unfairly toward him by using his official position as midshipman a charge of a "damn coward," "No gentleman," a matter of a dress suit case containing civilian clothes and charged Branch with having a grudge against him.

Called Him a Coward.

The latter Branch admitted, Meriweather then said that Branch was a "damned low down sneaking coward."

Branch then told Meriweather that his class could compel him to leave the academy, and to this Meriweather answered that he did not care if they did; that he was not going to be used badly by any one.

The conversation continued, Pritchard said, and Branch told Meriweather that he had only reported one man since he had been at the academy, and he could help Meriweather.

Meriweather then said that he would have to fight. There was some further talk about the standing of the families to which they belonged, and the affair closed with Meriweather calling Branch a "sneaking coward," a "damn coward," "No gentleman."

After Meriweather and Yeager had left Branch asked the witness what he should do, and was told that a fight was necessary.

Yeager, a classmate of Meriweather, and who went to the room with him on the night of the quarrel, testified that Branch had called Meriweather a "damn fool" when he came to the room, and said that he was "damn vain."

By the latter Yeager explained that it was meant that he did things that the "code" did not allow for members of his class.

Twins Set Flat on Fire; One May Die.

The Kover Babies Start Lively Blaze Playing with Some Matches in Tenement.

Mrs. John Kover left her apartment, on the fifth floor of the tenement at No. 125 Avenue A, this afternoon, locking the doors on her twins, Mary and John, three years old. The little ones got hold of matches and set the house on fire.

Neighbors broke down the doors and dragged them out, but not until they had been seriously burned. They were removed to Presbyterian Hospital, where it was said that the boy might not survive.

TARBELL GETS REBATE ON HIS OWN INSURANCE

Admits at Inquiry that He Lets No Commissions Escape Him.

MISDEMEANOR BY LAW.

All Insurance Officials Do the Same Thing, He Declares to Hughes.

George E. Tarbell, while on the witness stand at the legislative investigation into insurance matters today, stated that he had taken out insurance policies to the extent of \$500,000, of which \$400,000 was on his own life and \$100,000 was on the lives of his family.

He acknowledged that he had accepted the commissions on these policies himself, the agents not getting them. He said that the last policy of \$100,000 was the Equitable Life through a Newark firm and he took the commissions himself.

This led Counsel Hughes to make the charge that rebating had been committed. Under the law rebating is a misdemeanor, and Tarbell only yesterday said that rebating was one of the worst evils in the life insurance business.

Today Tarbell said that he did not consider what he had done as coming within the statute on rebating.

Other Officials Do the Same.

Tarbell declared he believed, "generally speaking," that all officers of life insurance companies took commissions and renewals on insurance on their own lives.

But he eluded to the roof desperately until Policeman McDonald, his partner on the beat, came to his aid.

With clubs and revolvers the two policemen subdued the burglars and dragged them to the West One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street station. There they were searched, and \$2,000 worth of stolen jewelry recovered, including a fine diamond necklace and diamond earring, they had stolen from Mrs. Bell's room.

They were held, to be later taken to Police Headquarters.

Got All That Was Coming.

Q. How much of a commission? A. A general agent's commission of 50 per cent, and 7-1/2 per cent on renewals.

Q. Then you got all that the general agent would get? A. Yes.

Q. Isn't that what you call rebating? A. No, sir.

Q. With whom did you place this insurance? A. \$100,000 of it through Lacey & King, of Newark.

Q. Through whom did you place the (Continued on Second Page.)

Fought Keeper; Leaped to Death.

William Mills, Artist, Kills Himself as Doctors Send Him to Asylum.

William Mills, an artist, temporarily insane, overcame a male attendant in the private sanitarium at No. 125 East Sixty-sixth street today, raised the window in his room on the fourth floor and leaped out. He landed on his head in the area and was instantly killed.

Across the river from the sanitarium, at No. 125, Dr. S. B. Goodhart and Dr. Edward A. Spitzka were signing papers committing Mills to Dr. Packer's Sanitarium at Riverdale. They ran to the side of the man, found that life was extinct, and directed that the body be taken to the East Sixty-seventh street station.

Dr. Goodhart and Dr. Spitzka, with a special nurse, took Mills to the Sanitarium last night. They told Dr. A. Josephine Sherman, the Superintendent, that Branch had called Meriweather a "damn fool" when he came to the room, and said that he was "damn vain."

FOUGHT TWO BURGLARS FOR LIFE ON ROOF

Policeman, Struggling High Over Street, Saved by Arrival of Others.

HAD \$2,000 IN LOOT.

Thieves Caught with Booty Just Stolen from Harlem Apartment.

Two young burglars broke into the brownstone four-story house of Mrs. Enoch Bell, at No. 103 West One Hundred and Thirtieth street, this afternoon and after stealing \$2,000 worth of jewelry, encountered Mrs. Bell and attempted to beat her into unconsciousness so as to make their escape.

She fought and tried to hold them while her maid, a young girl named Marie, shouted for the police.

Policeman O'Connor was passing the house, and responded to the cries. The maid let him in, and after signaling for help, he rushed upstairs, just as the young thugs had beaten down Mrs. Bell and started for the roof. They got out through the scuttle, with O'Connor at their heels. He overhauled one of the youth after crossing three roofs.

When he attempted to secure the burglar the confederate came to the thief's assistance and the two young men dragged O'Connor to the edge of the roof and attempted to hurl him over.

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Latest News of the Day.

National Grange Elects.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., NOV. 22.—The National Grange Patrons of Husbandry today elected these officers: National Master, former Governor N. J. Bachelder, of New Hampshire; National Lecturer, George W. Gaunt, New Jersey; Overseer, T. C. Atkinson, West Virginia; Steward, J. A. Newcomb, Colorado; Assistant Steward, F. E. Merchant, Rhode Island; Chaplain, W. K. Thompson, South Carolina; Treasurer, Mrs. McDowell, New York; Secretary, C. M. Freeman, Ohio; Gatekeeper, S. R. Powers, Wisconsin; Caretaker, Mrs. Land, Massachusetts; Flora, Mrs. Horton, Michigan.

Vreeland's Arm in Sling.

It became known this afternoon that President H. H. Vreeland was the victim of a recent runaway accident in the Central Park. He called at the City Hall carrying his left arm in a sling. He explained that his team had run away and he had been thrown from the wagon.

Actress McGregor Dies.

BOSTON, NOV. 22.—Miss Helen McGregor, the leading lady in the company which is playing "As Ye Sow" at a Boston theatre, died today. The actress submitted to an operation for cancer of the breast at the Massachusetts Homeopathic Hospital last week.

Col. Francis Wister Dies.

PHILADELPHIA, NOV. 22.—Col. Francis Wister, a veteran of the Civil War and a member of one of the most distinguished families of this city, died today at a hospital after an illness of two months. He was sixty-seven years old.

Foundling in Hallway.

A three-weeks-old baby girl, with light hair and blue eyes, was found in the hallway of the tenement at No. 627 Columbus avenue this afternoon, by Thomas Cahill, the janitor of the house. Her cries caused his discovery and she was taken to Bellevue Hospital.

Ask \$10,000 for a Stolen Kiss.

FOOTBALL EVILS WHICH ROOSEVELT OPPOSES.



LATEST NEWS OF ALL SPORTS

KIAMESHA TAKES STAKE BY NOSE

In Early Warm-up Maid of Timbuctoo Runs Away and kills Herself.

BENNINGS RESULTS.

FIRST RACE—Paloro (4 to 1), Mollie Donohue (1 to 4 for place) 2, Debar 3.

SECOND RACE—St. Valentine (7 to 5), Collector Jessup (6 to 1 for place) 2, Subtle 3.

THIRD RACE—Tom Cogan (13 to 5), Woolgatherer (3 to 5 for place) 2, Follow-On 3.

FOURTH RACE—Kiamesha (1 to 3), Santa Catalina (out for place) 2, Dr. Swartz 3.

FIFTH RACE—Navajo (2 1/2 to 1), Father D. (2 to 1 for place) 2, Bizzy Izzy 3.

SIXTH RACE—Peter Paul (7 to 1), Mistias (3 to 1 for place) 2, Banker 3.

BY FRANK W. THORP. (Special to The Evening World.)

BENNINGS RACE TRACK, Nov. 22.—The Washington Jockey Club had perfect weather for the running of the Dixie Stakes this afternoon, but it was a pity that there was not a better race to be run.

The consensus of opinion seemed to concede Kiamesha a practical walk-over, and in the betting around the hotel last night Kiamesha was a prohibitive favorite. The other races were only fair.

There was nothing particularly attractive, but the full strength of the Washington patronage was drawn out by the steeplechase, so that a splendid attendance was on hand. The track was fast.

Maid of Timbuctoo while being exercised on the track this morning threw her boy, ran away and killed herself. The boy was badly hurt.

Paloro Wins Easily.

FIRST RACE—\$500 added; handicap; for three-year-olds and upward; mile and three-sixteenths.

Tom Cogan All the Way.

THIRD RACE—The Chevy Chase Steeplechase, autumnal riders; \$500 added; about two and a half miles.

Kiamesha by a Nose.

FOURTH RACE—The Dixie; for three-year-olds; \$2,500 added; mile and three-quarters.

Navajo Was Not Troubled.

FIFTH RACE—\$400 added; maidens; three-year-olds and upward; mile and 70 yards.

Peter Paul in a Drive.

SIXTH RACE—\$500 added; handicap; for three-year-olds and upward; mile and three-sixteenths.

Nashville Winners.

NASHVILLE, Nov. 22.—The races here today resulted as follows:

FIRST RACE—Five-eighths of a mile—Gabelle (3 to 1 and 1 to 10), 1; Saibot (5 to 1 for place), 2; Skeptical, 3. Time—1:02 3/4.

SECOND RACE—Seven-eighths of a mile—Revelle (5 to 1 and even), 1; Lythell (15 to 1 for place), 2; Magistrate, 3. Time—1:23 1/4.

THIRD RACE—Three-quarters of a mile—Chief Hayes (4 to 1 and 5 to 1), 1; Peter Stealing (2 to 1 for place), 2; Adeso, 3. Time—1:13 1/4.

FOURTH RACE—One and one-eighth miles—Revelle (5 to 1 and 2 to 1), 1; John (5 to 1 for place), 2; Dr. Hart, 3. Time—2:5 1/2.

FIFTH RACE—Royal Legend (4 to 5 and 1 to 3), 1; Veranda (2 to 1 for place), 2; Amberis, 3. Time—1:41.

SUNDAY WORLD WANTS WORK MONDAY MORNING WONDERS.

GREAT CRESCUS SOLD FOR \$21,000

Former King of Trotters is Knocked Down to M. W. Savage.

Creceus, once king of the trotting turf and the only stallion that ever established and held a world record, was sold at the "Old Glory" horse sale at Madison Square Garden this afternoon to M. W. Savage for \$21,000.

Savage is the owner of Dan Patch, and bought Creceus for stud purposes, as his racing days are over.

A crowd of 2,000 persons witnessed the sale and applauded the horse up-rously. There was only one bid made against Mr. Savage—one of \$30,000 by Patrick H. McGuire, of this city.

George Bain was the auctioneer; George H. Ketcham, the owner of Creceus, had paid \$22,000 for the stallion when he was still a youngster.

Until Lou Dillon made her unbeaten record of 2:00 flat at Readville, Mass., on Aug. 24, 1903, Creceus was the acknowledged leader of the trotting turf. His career was a splendid one from the days when, as a three-year-old, he began to clip seconds of the world's records for his class.

On the occasion of most of his great achievements he was driven by his own owner, George H. Ketcham, of Toledo, O. His owner and driver always had a wonderful confidence in him, and announced when the great horse was a youngster that he would be a world-beater. It was not until after Mr. Ketcham declared that the fine stallion could rest on his laurels that Lou Dillon came forward and clipped his record of 2:02 1/4. Major Delmar later equalled Lou Dillon's record.

At one time the trotting world was stirred by the announcement that Creceus had trotted a mile at Wichita, Kan., on Oct. 19, 1904, in 1:59 1/4. Later the Board of Appeals of the American Trotting Association found the officials of the Southern Kansas Fair Association guilty of connivance to establish a fraudulent record. Mr. Ketcham was exonerated by the board.

Peter Paul went to the front in the sixth, made all the running, and won in a drive by three-quarters of a length from Mistias, who beat Banker a length and a half for the place.

MURPHY GOING ON A LONG VACATION

Tammany Leader Says He Is Not Running Away from Anything.

Charles F. Murphy is going away from here. He feels the need of a long rest, and will take it at Mount Clemens, Mich. The Tammany leader visited the Wigwam today, gathered up his private papers and took them away preparatory to his departure.

"I am going to take a vacation as soon as I can get my affairs arranged," he said. "But I want it distinctly understood that I am not running away from anything. If I am wanted I can be reached, but I don't know of anything that will claim my attention for some time."

"How about the Krup case?" he was asked.

"I don't know anything about the Krup case," he said.

Mr. Murphy said that the Mayor had not consulted him about the removal of heads of departments or the appointment of new ones.

GIRL KNEELS AND WAITS FOR DEATH BEFORE "L" TRAIN

Mary McCarthy Killed at Sixty-sixth Street Station in Sight of Crowd of Women and Children Bound to Matinees and Stores.

Mary G. McCarthy, a pretty young woman, of No. 209 West Sixty-fourth street, ended her life at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon in a ghastly and spectacular manner by jumping to the tracks of the "L" structure at Columbus avenue and Sixty-sixth street and then kneeling in an attitude of prayer before the train which swept down upon her and crushed her.

The suicide had selected an hour when there is a rush of traffic, of shoppers and matinee-goers, and the southbound platform of the station was thronged with women and children.

They were waiting for the 6:45th avenue train that was approaching the station in charge of Motorman C. H. Palmer, of No. 105 West One Hundred and Third street.

Hesitated at Leap.

The girl's appearance attracted some attention, as after leaving the ticket-shopper's box she made several short sprints toward the edge of the platform, each time drawing back and looking about her wildly. She was clad in a blue dress, brown hat and veil, and carried in one hand a small reticule, which she held firmly.

In this eccentric manner she made her way toward the south end of the platform, where there were few people. Then she stopped at the edge of the platform and glanced up the tracks. The train was then about half a block away and coming down the grade at full speed.

She waited until there was no possibility of the motorman stopping the train, whereupon she jumped down to the tracks. She fell at first, but raised herself to her knees and faced the onrushing train, clasped her hands as if in prayer, and inclined her head toward one of the rails.

Women Scream in Horror.

The crowd of women who looked on stood for a moment speechless. Then several began to scream hysterically, and their cries could be heard above the rattle of the train. It was all over in an instant, the train being stopped after the first car had passed in a body. Motorman Palmer and applied the emergency brakes, slowing out the wheels and throwing the crowded train into a panic.

The girl's head had been crushed under a bumper to the tracks as did two physicians, who were on the train. Dr. C. Genereux, of No. 181 West Sixty-fourth street, and Dr. W. P. Genereux, of No. 21 West Seventy-first street. The body was involved in the machinery beneath the car in such a manner that it was impossible to extricate it, and a wrecking crew was sent for.

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Many Faint on Platform.

A half dozen women had fainted on the station platform, but were revived by physicians in the crowd. When the wrecking crew arrived it was the work of half an hour to jack up the forward car of the train and release the young woman's body. In spite of the efforts of the police a crowd of morbidly curious women insisted on witnessing the ghastly work.

The body was carried to the West Sixty-eighth street station by a squad of policemen, who were compelled to threaten with their clubs the throng that pressed about. At the police station the sergeant found the young woman's name on a piece of paper in her reticule.

It bore her name and this line: "My father rode in these trains nine years ago and then he sued the line."

The parents of the girl and her brother, James McCarthy, came to the station-house and identified the body. They said that she has been suffering from a nervous prostration for a few months past, and became a victim of melancholia.

RACING

LATE WINNERS AT NASHVILLE.

SIXTH RACE—FEDERAL 2-1, PAUL 8-1 place STEEL TRAP

POLICE INSPECT FOOTBALL TICKET SALE.

CHICAGO, Nov. 22.—Because of the numerous complaints received by the city authorities regarding the sale of spurious tickets, and the excessive prices demanded by speculators for strict tickets to the football game to be played on Thanksgiving Day between Michigan and Chicago, Mayor Dunne today directed that the police investigate the matter.