

COURT'S ORDER IS VICTORY FOR 80-CENT GAS

Consumers' League Is Encouraged by the Ruling of Justice Leventritt. A BLOW TO THE TRUST. He Pointed Out that Legal Practice Alone Prevented an Injunction. THE FIGHT TO GO ON. Members of the Gas Consumers' League Are Encouraged.

The decision of Justice Leventritt in the Washburn injunction case yesterday was virtually a victory for the Gas Consumers' League. While Justice Leventritt did not make the injunction permanent, because legal practice forbade his direct interference while the matter of the constitutionality of the 80-cent gas bill is pending in the United States Circuit Court, he sustained the position The Evening World has held all along— "That the present legal rate until successfully nullified is that fixed by the Legislature."

The legal rate, fixed by the Legislature, and in effect on May 1, is 80 cents per thousand cubic feet of gas and NOT 21. Justice Leventritt's ruling plainly establishes that the Gas Trust is exceeding its powers granted by Justice Lacombe's order when it charges that order to be a license to charge an illegal rate.

Encouragement to League. There is a lot to encourage gas consumers who are protesting against imposition in Justice Leventritt's opinion. He says plainly that were it not for the proceedings in the United States Court he would without hesitation make the injunction sought by the Gas Consumers' League permanent. Not a single argument of the learned corporation lawyers who argued the case before Justice Leventritt was sustained by him in his opinion. In effect he upholds the contention of The Evening World that an implicit contract exists between the gas companies and the consumers of their product, and that this contract may not be nullified at the pleasure of the Gas Trust.

Cut out that part of Justice Leventritt's opinion in which he declares that the legal rate for gas is the rate fixed by the Legislature (80 cents), and show it to the collector for the Gas Trust if he attempts to collect from you at the illegal rate. Commit this passage from Justice Leventritt's opinion to memory: "The fixing of the rate has not been arbitrary. The State Commission, proceeding after an investigation in which the defendant (the Consolidated Gas Company) had its day, and the Legislature, acting of its own accord, after the defendant had an opportunity to be heard, have both fixed a rate prima facie reasonable."

This means that the 80-cent rate must be construed to be reasonable until it is declared unreasonable by the United States Circuit Court. It means that the legal rate for gas is 80 cents at this time and that the Gas Trust has no right to charge more. Arguments will be heard by Judge Lacombe in the United States Court next Monday. Until that time nothing can be done in the State courts.

INSULTED A GIRL; SENT TO PRISON

Miss Margaret Ryan, who works in a downtown restaurant as cashier, was returning to her home at No. 822 East One Hundred and Thirty-sixth street, early this morning, when she was accosted by two men at One Hundred and Thirty-seventh street and St. Ann's avenue. She paid no attention to them and they followed her, one on either side, to the door of her home. Here they would not let her enter and she ran toward St. Ann's avenue screaming for help. One of the men fled, the other pursued her. Policeman Rosenwald, of the Alexander avenue station, came to her rescue and arrested the man. In the station-house he gave his name as Mark J. Rogers. Magistrate Washie asked him if that was his real name. He said it was not. Frank M. Hamilton, a card for a steam-fitters' union, was arrested. Magistrate looked them over with a cold eye and then sent him to the work-house. If you had told the truth you might have had better.

TWO HOUSES IN EXCHANGE FOR ONE!

AN OPEN LETTER!
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ROYAL WEDDING FETES GO ON AS POLICE HUNT DOWN ASSASSINS

Spanish Ministry, Anxious to Allay Apprehension of People, Order the Gayety Continued—King and His Bride Ride Out Alone.

MADRID, June 1.—1 P. M.—King Alfonso and Queen Victoria appeared at noon to-day in an open automobile and rode through the main thoroughfares without an escort. This unexpected sight caused tremendous enthusiasm among the crowds, who testified their joy at their Majesties' escape from death yesterday by the wildest ovations.

The King and Queen appeared to be calm and undisturbed. His Majesty wore the uniform of a general and smilingly waved his hand to the people. There were no troops in the streets, only a few scattered mounted civil guards.

The searches made by the police disclose the fact that the author of the outrage was a man of luxury and wealth. He left many valuables and fine clothes behind him in his hurried flight. He bought a bouquet of flowers before the attempt and concealed the bomb within it.

This bouquet was thrown amid the strewing of the flowers which fell upon the coach as a greeting to their Majesties. The would-be assassin rented an overlooking balcony at a fabulous price.

An individual arrested this morning and taken to the Medio Dia police station closely corresponds with the description of the author of yesterday's explosion.



The Mayor of Madrid.

The man in custody at the Medio Dia Police Station under suspicion of being the man who threw the bomb at the King and Queen yesterday, is said to be an Englishman and gives the name of Robert Hamilton. He is about fifty years old and was pointed out in the streets to the Spanish police by English detectives who came here to attend the wedding festivities.

His arrest caused great excitement among the people, men and women trying to strike him while others shouted "Lynch him!" Soldiers had to assist the police in taking the man to the station. He is of good appearance and somewhat resembles the man the police have been looking for.

The suspect says he went to a bull-fight yesterday afternoon, but he does not explain how he passed his time yesterday morning. He refuses to give the Spanish police any further information but adds that he is willing to answer any questions the British Consul may put to him.

The prisoner speaks English, Spanish and Italian. When searched at the police station a knife and fork and seven-five pennies were found in the man's possession.

At the time he threw the bomb the author of the outrage evidently suffered some injury or burn, as one of the garments he left behind shows bloodstains.

The man in custody at the Medio Dia police station, and Hamilton, the suspect taken into custody by the police at the instigation of the English detectives, are now said to be identical, but the fact has not been definitely established. Hamilton was arrested, now appears, as he was on the point of taking a train leaving Madrid.

He is said to have arrived here from Catalonia, the hot-bed of agitators, and to have first gone to the Calle arsenal, on the route of the wedding procession, where he engaged a room.

Manuel Morales, He Said. But, failing to secure a front balcony, the suspect gave up his room and went to the Calle Mayor, where he offered to pay any price for a balcony. They were all occupied, but a Catalonian artist was induced by the offer of a large sum of money to give up his apartment, in front of which was a stone balcony with an iron railing. This immediately faced one of the handsome



The hide of a horse that saved the King and Queen.

arches under which the cortège was to pass. The stranger who hired the artist's apartment gave the name of Manuel Morales, and lived on a lavish scale. A few minutes before he threw the bouquet containing the bomb, or, as some reports have it, an infernal machine which was fired by a story battery, Morales summoned the wife of the proprietor of the house and asked her to bring him a glass of soda water, apparently to steady his nerves.

The authorities, in spite of the conflicting statements regarding the suspect, have no yet made any announcement tending to clarify the situation.

The magnitude of the attempt on the lives of King Alfonso and Queen Victoria increases. The number of killed is now given at twenty.

Gen. Weyler was one of sixty persons wounded. The General is seriously hurt and may die. Sixty arrests have been made, but the person who actually threw the bomb is still at large.

A jeweled decoration worn by King Alfonso was shattered by a splinter of the bomb. Queen Victoria is inconsolable, declaring that she is responsible for so many persons being killed.

The Ministry has decided to continue the fetes for the purpose of allaying public apprehension.

LONDON, June 1.—A despatch to the Echo says that the company from Madrid to-day saved the bomb-thrower has been arrested, is confined in the Medio Dia police station and has confessed and supplied details of the outrage.

MADRID, June 1.—The officials here are beginning to believe that two bombs were thrown at the King and Queen yesterday, and that the mines exploded simultaneously, with only one vivid flash. The scene which followed was like that witnessed on a battlefield.

Corpses, pools of blood and wreckage were strewn on the ground, the front of the house No. 88 Calle Mayor, before which the explosion occurred, was covered with holes, and blood dripped from the curtains of a window on the first floor.



General Weyler



The Duke of Sotomayor

FRENCH POLICE WATCH FRONTIER.

PARIS, June 1.—A large number of French detectives have been posted at the Spanish frontier to prevent the escape of the author of the Madrid outrage. President Fallieres and Foreign Minister Bourgeois have telegraphed to King Alfonso and Queen Victoria congratulations on their miraculous escape. Thousands of people are signing the visitors' book at the Spanish Embassy, Madrid.

The French press is unanimous in condemning the bomb outrage at Madrid and in expressing sympathy with the royal pair. All the papers

BOMB PLOT WAS FORMED IN LONDON.

LONDON, June 1.—King Edward and Queen Alexandra to-day received telegrams of a reassuring character from Madrid in response to their messages to King Alfonso and Queen Victoria expressing sympathy and thankfulness at their providential escape.

The Spanish Embassy here is receiving many messages of condolence and crowds of callers, including many diplomats and officials. Among the earlier arrivals was Manuel Garcia, the famous Spanish professor of singing, now over a hundred years old. The officials of the Spanish Embassy are investigating the reports that the plot against the lives of King Alfonso and Queen Victoria was hatched by anarchists in London. The Spanish Charge d'Affaires, Count de Pradere, says there seems to be little doubt that the plot was concocted in London, but the officials have not yet been able to ascertain if an Italian who is suspected of executing it actually went hence to Madrid. A despatch from Madrid says that an Englishman named Robert is detained there on suspicion of being an accomplice of the men who threw the bomb.

NURSEMAID TAKES STAND FOR WATSON

Bridget Scully Denies She Was Ever Kissed by Her Employer.

The gray-haired and beautiful mother of John Hall Watson, Mrs. Marie L. R. Watson, walking with the support of a crutch and attended by a colored maid, took the witness stand in her son's behalf in the trial before Justice Dugan and a jury in the Supreme Court in the action of Marie Louise Watson for absolute divorce.

The venerable matron testified in contradiction of Cook's story that Baby John Hall Watson third, two years and a month old, had exclaimed one day: "My mamma, papa was tickling Bridget in the nursery."

Grandma Watson said that baby was a very bright child, but backward in speech, and that it would have been quite impossible for him to frame or speak an original sentence like that.

Mr. Osborne waved Grandma Watson from the stand without cross-examination and with Southern suavity and civility. Bridget Scully, who was Baby Watson's eighteen-year-old nurse in 1905, when the flirtations with Baby's papa in the wash-house, on the lawn and tennis court, in the strawberry patch and nursery are alleged to have occurred, and found by Watson's lawyer in the service at Mrs. Hearn's, at Southampton, L. I., was sprung as a surprise in the trial. She is a sharp-featured woman with sharp gray eyes, and came to court in a new spring suit of light gray.

Bridget denied each of the charges made by Mrs. Peres, Charles Lane, Bertin's wife, the Misses Sade and Anna Hudson, and declared that the story of baby's prattle was absurd. "John could never say 'Bridget,' and the story isn't true. "Mr. Watson never hugged me, nor tickled me, nor kissed me anywhere. I wouldn't let any man kiss me, and when I left Mrs. Watson gave me a nice letter of recommendation." It was brought out that for two years Bridget Scully was in an asylum for the insane. This closed the testimony, and on Mr. Menkin's motion the charges in which Josephine Leventritt, "Blanche" and an unidentified woman were mentioned were stricken out.



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