

# ILL WOMAN TIED TO A DRUNKARD'S COT

## Young Wife, Suffering from Heart Failure, Declares She Was Mistreated and Told to Scrub Floors at Bellevue.

The latest victim of the "never go wrong" diagnosis system of Bellevue Hospital is Mrs. Elizabeth Dundas, of No. 218 East Sixteenth street, a strikingly beautiful young woman, who for twenty-four hours was a prisoner in Ward "34" of the grim, gray pile at the foot of Twenty-sixth street.

Mrs. Dundas, who is the daughter of James Leventoff, the superintendent of a factory at Trenton, N. J., and the wife of George Dundas, proprietor of a cigarette manufactory, was overcome by an attack of syncope at the corner of Seventeenth street and Second avenue two nights ago. For a year or more physicians of the Mount Sinai Hospital have been treating the young woman for the same complaint, but a policeman—Morrissy, of the East Twenty-second street station, who found Mrs. Dundas struggling against an attack of her affliction—intelligently diagnosed the case as one of "alcoholism," and the victim of a chronic complaint was removed to Bellevue by Dr. Herrick.

On her arrival at the hospital Mrs. Dundas recovered consciousness and entreated the attendant and the book-keeping clerk to be allowed to return home. "I am a crazy woman and want to get back to my home," she declared.

Called hysterical by Doctor. "This is all right," she says. Dr. Herrick retorted, "This woman is hysterical and must be held for treatment."

For Heaven's sake, gentlemen, replied the weeping woman, "I am subject to fainting spells, and now that I have recovered permit me to leave."

As she uttered the word, says Mrs. Dundas, attendants, seized her and threw her on a stretcher. She screamed in terror as their rough hands fell on her.

"Can't you see I am fit to leave the hospital?" she cried. "Don't maltreat me like this!"

"Shut your mouth!" Mrs. Dundas says was the reply to her entreaties. "You're a bum, like any other!"

Here, declares the young woman, the attendants abused her in unmentionable terms.

"Where's your hangout?" she asserts one of them asked.

Bound to a Stretcher. Despite her protestations and prayers, the now perfectly normal woman was bound to the stretcher and carried to Ward 34, known in Bellevue as the "crazy ward." And used for alcoholic and demented patients, while the attendants gazed at her in terms which, fortunately, were meaningless to her.

Her bonds were released when she had entered the doors of "34," and she found herself in a gray-walled office. A woman in a blue dress and badge

# She Was Held Prisoner by Bellevue Attendants



ELIZABETH DUNDAS

came forward, and briefly demanded the prisoner. Then she was stripped, after she had been thrown a coarse blue suit, with a curt command to "put it on," she was led into what she could only describe today as an inferno. Women whose minds retained the mean, timid animal instincts poured foul jests in her ears.

Abandoned—joined in, Mrs. Dundas declares by the nurse—afflicted her senses. The air reeked with sties, depravity. In these surroundings, more awful than she had ever dreamed existed in New York, the tenderly nurtured girl was asked to pass the night. In the mean time her husband—returned from work to a dark and empty home—sought some trace of his wife.

"How that awful night passed," said Mrs. Dundas to-day, "I do not know. All about arose shrieks and maniacal cries mingled with calls so awful that I pressed my fingers to my ears to shut out the foul sounds. In the abandonment of utter despair, I rocked to and fro on a hard bench sobbing as if my heart would break.

About two hours after my admission a nurse came to me and roughly told me to shut up. I pleaded with her, telling her who I was, but all in vain. But another nurse said:

"Get these up, dear, and when you get them, even the facts about this awful place."

"You'll have to make the best of it," the first attendant continued, handing me a scrubbing brush and soap. "Get busy and scrub out the ward."

"I looked about me. Three or four old women, groaning with the pain of their complaints as they moved, were scrubbing the floors. I gritted my teeth and determined to do my best, not to join them. Perhaps my demeanor frightened the nurse. At any rate she left me with a muttered curse. I leaned back, wondering what more could come, when a police matron approached me.

"What don't you do as the nurse tells you?" she said. "You'll get a good beating if you don't."

"Myself, I raised up at this. I raised and threatened. The matron laughed. 'You'll be tied to your bed and be in here for a month if you don't quit sniveling,' she sneered. 'I know you and your profession of disgrace.'

Physician Entertaining Nurse. "After she left me with this bitter taste I almost went insane. It seemed as if I could never escape from the awful toils about me. Twice during the night I was ordered to scrub floors. Twice I refused and was threatened. I asked to see Dr. Kemp, the physician in charge of the ward, but he was entertaining his brother and two nurses, and sent back word that I should be in a strait jacket if I didn't keep quiet."

"At 5 o'clock the next evening after my capture the nurse in charge of the ward brought me a paper to sign. It was to the effect that I had seen no ill treatment of patients while in the ward and that I was discharged against the

advice of the physician in charge. "I signed it because I was told by the nurse in charge that if I did not I would be kept a prisoner for two months."

When Dr. Armstrong, medical superintendent of Bellevue, learned today of the charges preferred by Mrs. Dundas, he was dumfounded. The young woman, with an Evening World reporter, visited the hospital and to Dr. Armstrong she repeated the story. The superintendent at once ordered a complete investigation made and expressed astonishment that such a "voluntary paper" as Mrs. Dundas was compelled to sign should have been drawn up without his knowledge.

Orders an Investigation. "This matter will be thrust to the bottom," declared Dr. Armstrong. "No one shall be maltreated in Bellevue if I can help it."

At the request of the Evening World reporter Dr. Armstrong arranged before him today the employees of the ward in which Mrs. Dundas was imprisoned. They were brought face to face with her in the superintendent's office. Without a moment's hesitation the young woman pecked out Head Nurse Haugartner as the woman who had ordered her to scrub floors at the expense of imprisonment.

Police Matron Emily Baumann was declared Mrs. Dundas, the woman who accused her of being an immoral woman. Dr. Haugartner, the ambulance surgeon responsible for the young woman's commitment, told Dr. Armstrong that he thought she was suffering from epilepsy.

At the conclusion of his investigation Dr. Armstrong said: "The Evening World may rest assured this matter will be sifted to the bottom. The men and women responsible for this young woman's alleged imprisonment will, if found guilty, be discharged."

Pending the result of the investigation all the employees identified by Mrs. Dundas have been suspended from duty.

HUGHES AT Y. M. C. A. Candidate to Make Address in Carnegie Hall To-Morrow.

In place of the usual Sunday meeting in the auditorium of the West Side Branch, Y. M. C. A., No. 339 West Fifty-seventh street, Mendelssohn's Oratorio, "Elijah," will be sung under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A., by the New York Festival Chorus, under the direction of Tall Esen Morgan, at Carnegie Hall, at 3 o'clock. The soloists will be Martha Minor, soprano; Mary Byrne-Ivy, contralto; Harvey W. Hindmyer, tenor; and Dr. Carl E. Duff, basso. The chorus will consist of over two hundred voices accompanied by the New York Festival Chorus and the big organ.

# KING EDWARD'S NIECE TO MARRY CZAR'S BROTHER

## Princess Patricia Betrothed to Grand Duke Michael of Russia.

### SIGNIFICANCE IN MATCH Means Closer Union of Both Countries and Aid to Emperor Nicholas.

ST. PETERSBURG, Oct. 6.—A marriage, which is of the greatest significance, as binding the new and friendly relations between Great Britain and Russia, has been arranged between the Grand Duke Michael, only brother of Emperor Nicholas, and Princess Patricia of Connaught daughter of the Duke of Connaught brother of King Edward. The betrothal occurred during the Grand Duke's recent trip to Copenhagen and Scotland, from which he has just returned.

The announcement of the engagement of Grand Duke Michael and Princess Victoria Patricia apparently solves the mystery of the recent visit of royal personages to Copenhagen, when the Czar sailed into that port on his yacht with the Dowager Czarina of Russia and Grand Duke Michael, while Queen Alexandra was on her annual visit to the Danish capital. It is now believed that the finalities of the engagement were arranged by these.

Three years ago Grand Duke Michael was betrothed to the Princess Margaret of Connaught, but the engagement was never authorized by the Emperor. The Grand Duke, as her presumptive to the throne of Russia for many years, and the Princess "Patsy" as the youngest and prettiest of King Edward's eighteen nieces, have both been famous figures in royal engagement speculations.

Michael was born in St. Petersburg Nov. 21, 1878, while Patricia was born in London, March 17, 1886, and was named in honor of the day's saint, Patrick, who is the patron of Ireland. When young King Alfonso went touring in search of a queen it was openly predicted that the pretty Princess Patricia would wear the crown of Spain. It has even been asserted that she was the first to whom Alfonso proposed and that the young King, much in love, was deeply disappointed when the Princess refused to accept him.

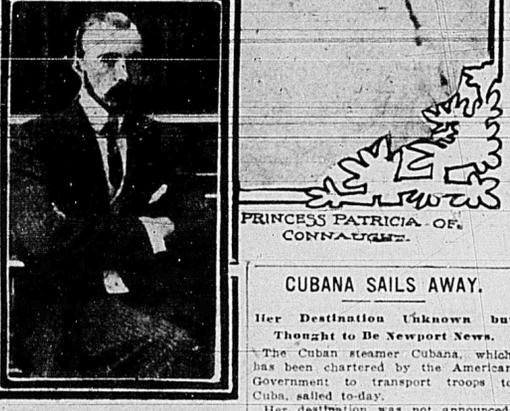
She was also reported engaged to Gustavus Adolphus, son of the Crown Prince (and now reigning King) of Sweden. "Patsy," as her intimates know her, is a regular attendant at the Tuesday receptions given at the American Embassy by Ambassador and Mrs. Reid. She is well known to Americans in London.

Michael Alexandrovitch, brother of the Czar Nicholas, is a nephew of Queen Alexandra. He has been reported as an amiable young man of great personality and has been declared a consumptive in numerous reports. For many years during the time when the Czar had no male heir he was looked upon as his brother's successor on the throne of Russia.

# King Edward's Niece and Czar's Brother, Engaged.



PRINCESS PATRICIA OF CONNAUGHT



GRAND DUKE MICHAEL

CUBANA SAILS AWAY. Her Destination Unknown but Thought to Be Newport News.

The Cuban steamer Cubana, which has been chartered by the American Government to transport troops to Cuba, sailed to-day.

Her destination was not announced, but it is supposed that she is bound for Newport News.

# ROOSEVELT SHUTS OFF COAL LANDS

## President Withdraws All Not Taken Under United States Entry.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 6.—It is understood that the President has finally made up his mind to withdraw all of the coal lands not already taken up from entry under the land laws of the United States.

The expectation is that he will by a special message request Congress to change the statutes, but that meanwhile he will himself temporarily withdraw the coal lands from further entry.

# ASSAULT MARKS ON NEW YORKER'S BODY

## Victim Taken from Bridgeport Harbor Identified as Joseph C. Onkey by Brother.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Oct. 6.—The body of the man found in the harbor yesterday and thought to have been that of Joseph Clarke, of New York, has been identified as that of Joseph C. Onkey, of New York, a brother of Philip J. Onkey, a manufacturer of this city. He was twenty-eight years old and a silverworker. He was visiting his brother here. Wednesday night he disappeared and nothing more was heard until last night, when the identification was made.

A long cut on the left side of the head leads the authorities to believe the man may have been assaulted and then thrown into the water.

# MAN SHOT TWICE REFUSES TO TALK

## Street Quarel Results in Bullets Being Shot Through Both Arms of Hugo Smith.

Max Bachum, thirty years old, a tailor living at No. 319 East Nineteenth street, was arrested early to-day by Patrolman Staubitz and locked up in the Eldridge street police station on the charge of shooting Hugo Smith, twenty-two years old, at No. 311 Fulton street, Brooklyn. Smith was shot in the left and right wrists, the right forearm being broken. He was sent to Gouverneur Hospital. Neither Bachum nor Smith would have anything to say about the shooting or the causes leading to it.

Patrolmen Staubitz and Flynn were standing at the corner of Broome and Christie streets when they saw Bachum shoot. Staubitz arrested Bachum. Flynn took the wounded man to the hospital. The police think that the men quarrelled over money.

# EX-SENATOR FOLEY DEAD.

(Special to The Evening World.) SARATOGA, N. Y., Oct. 6.—Ex-Senator John Foley, of Saratoga Springs, who underwent a delicate operation in the Albany Hospital yesterday morning died here early to-day.

His widow and two children survive him.

# IN TOMORROW'S SUNDAY WORLD

## Most Wonderful Boy on Earth!

At Eleven He Goes to Tufts College and Knows More Than Most Men of Sixty. His Toys are Scientific Books, His Relaxation is Deep Study, and Yet HIS FATHER SAYS "HE IS LAZY!"

### Would You Be a Black Cat for \$40,000.00?

The Remarkable Story of a Feline Plutocrat Who Has a Suite of 12 Rooms and a Personal Government, and Owns a Building.

### Python vs. Tiger; 2 Rounds---Which Won?

Thrilling Battle to the Death Between Two Animals. A Complete, Detailed Report by Rounds.

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### New York Losing Its Appetite?

You won't think so when you read of what the people of this city eat and drink in a single day. Illustrated in a novel way.

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Story of a fickle young man who is going to marry in spite of everything

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