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STEDMAN LEAPS TO DEATH IN SUBWAY AFTER BIG LOSSES

Wheels of Six Cars Pass Over Millionaire Real Estate Man Whose Company Went Into Hands of a Receiver Last Week

Ernest G. Stedman, the millionaire Vice-President and principal stockholder of the J. C. Lyons Realty and Operating Company, which went into the hands of two receivers last week, ended his life a few minutes after 9 o'clock this morning by leaping in front of a Subway train at the Fourteenth street station.

The tragedy, in which the well known lawyer, clubman and real estate operator was ground into a shapeless mass, was witnessed by hundreds of people who thronged the landings of the big express station. A panic followed, which was well handled by the force of special officers and policemen on duty in the station.

Though the friends and relatives of the dead man declare they cannot believe Mr. Stedman committed suicide, Charles Ruff, of No. 501 West One Hundred and Forty-fifth street, motor man of the Broadway local which ran over the lawyer's body, swore to the police that he saw Mr. Stedman leap from the station platform in front of his train.

Mr. Stedman left his big gray stone mansion at Seventy-ninth street and Madison avenue a few minutes before his wife went out horseback riding in Central Park, accompanied by a groom. She was away until more than three hours after the tragedy. Leaving her horse at her husband's stable, she walked east through Seventy-ninth street. Approaching the corner of Seventy-ninth street she was met by a sawdust-carrying "Extra." The name of her husband in the headline caught her eye, and she bought a paper.

Reads of the Tragedy. It was her first inkling of the tragedy, and she tottered for a moment against an iron railing as she read an account of the suicide. She recovered herself quickly and walked firmly to the steps of her own house, where she was met by the old negro butler, who said: "A terrible thing has happened."

"You don't need to tell me," said the half-fainting woman, "I have just read it in this paper."

She held up until she reached the threshold of her own home, when she collapsed and was assisted inside by servants.

Mr. Stedman's law partner, W. A. Mason, of No. 135 Broadway, said that the dead man was worth \$1,000,000, notwithstanding whatever losses he may have suffered in the recent panic.

Just before he leaped the lawyer was standing somewhere near the south end of the platform for northbound local trains. It is the narrowest and most dangerous landing anywhere in the big station, and though there was scarcely enough room to take two free steps on the narrow gangway not a person beside the motor man could be found afterward who would testify to how Mr. Stedman fell in front of the train.

Panic Follows Killing. This may have been due to the panic that followed his death. Women screamed and ran for the stairways, and men cried out in horror and pressed back from the edge of the platform. Only the presence of a large staff of special policemen saved a serious stampede, in which many might have been jostled in front of other trains rushing into the station.

A six-car Broadway local ran over the lawyer's body. The motor man, who sat on the further side of the car from the platform, said afterward that as he ran out of the deep shadow into the bright light of the station he saw the man leap in the air in front of his car and only a few feet away. Before he could reverse his lever and let in full pressure of air for the brakes he heard the impact and felt the jar as the wheels passed over the body.

After setting all the emergency stops the motor man rushed to his cab and alarmed the passengers in his car by crying: "There's a man under the car." The motor man was so overcome that he had to be helped out on the platform. Policeman Abraham Cohen, of the license squad, who was in the train, jumped out and notified the special policeman. They got down on the tracks with Station Agent Watson and located the body under the sixth and last car.

Other policemen were called when

ROOSEVELT HAS RIXEY WITH HIM AT PINE KNOT

Surgeon-General, in Brownson Mix, Accompanies President and Family on Outing.

NORTH GARDEN, Va., Dec. 26.—President Roosevelt and party arrived here at 2:45 p. m. to-day from Washington, and almost immediately left for Pine Knot.

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va., Dec. 26.—President Roosevelt and party reached Charlottesville at 2:16 P. M. There was a crowd at the station, and the President leaned out of his car window and shook hands with a hundred or more.

Surgeon-General Rixey, who was one of the President's party, was greeted by his brother, Epps, of Miami, Fla.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—President Roosevelt and his family left Washington at 11:10 to-day for Pine Knot, the country home of Mrs. Roosevelt, where they will remain until Monday afternoon next. The trip was made in the special car Twilight, attached to the regular train on the Southern Railway.

The nearest station to Pine Knot is North Garden, a few miles below Charlottesville, which will be reached about 2:30 o'clock this afternoon. The drive of ten miles will then take the party to the homestead at Pine Knot. Miss Carey, sister of Mrs. Roosevelt, accompanied the party.

The personnel of the party included the President, Mrs. Roosevelt, Miss Ethel, Arnie and Quentin and Miss Carey. Clerk J. L. McGrew accompanied the President in place of one of the assistant secretaries, and will make daily trips to Pine Knot from Charlottesville. In this way the President will be put in possession of important news of the day.

Cross country and wild turkey shooting are the President's favorite pastimes at Pine Knot.

SHOT DEAD WHILE STANDING IN CAR OF SPEEDING TRAIN.

(Special to The Evening World.) SUEWOLK, Va., Dec. 26.—John White, seventeen years old, who shot and instantly killed Augustus B. Stephens, aged eighteen, a baggage-master on the Norfolk and Southern Railroad yesterday, has been captured and jailed at Hertford, Perquimans County, N. C.

The train was running at full speed between Nicenor and Parkville when White fired a cut shell, the charge of which entered Stephens' face near the mouth. No motive for the crime is known. Stephens was standing in the door of the baggage car when the death wound was received.

White's death wound was received when he was shot by the train.

VARIETY WINS FIRST EVENT AT NEW ORLEANS

Second Race at Southern Track Goes to Night Mist; My Love Second.

MANY FORM REVERSALS

Regulars Criticise Judges for Failure to Take Action on Christmas Day.

(Special to The Evening World.) NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 26.—The City Park track to-day seemed a quiet sort of a place compared with yesterday. It was to be expected that there would be a great falling off in the attendance, and in this respect no one was disappointed. In the ring, too, there was a dropping off. Where there were thirty-six books on Christmas Day there were but twenty-eight to-day.

The startling reversals noted for the Christmas racing continues the subject of the hour in turf circles, and it is the general opinion that the judges were decidedly weak when they allowed such cases as those of Ray Thompson and Okente to pass by without something like decisive action. To-day the programme had two bright spots. The best was a six-furlong handicap that brought out some really good sprinters.

First Race—Purse \$500; maiden two-year-old fillies. Five furlongs.—Variety 16 (Notter), even and 5 to 1; Miss Fletcher 16 (J. Baker), 5 to 1; and 10 to 1; My Love 16 (W. O'Leary), 9 to 1; and 3 to 1; Time—1:02.5. Embury, Wild Irish, Glenville, Client, Edna, Belle of Texas, Morning and Bedouin also ran.

Second Race—Purse \$400; maiden 2-year-old fillies; five furlongs.—Night Mist 16 (Notter), 5 to 1; My Love 16 (W. O'Leary), 4 to 1; and 1 to 2; Solva G. 16 (Notter), 4 to 1; and 1 to 2; Time—1:02. Merry Blue, Speedy March, Tiger, Belle Donald, Barida, Sundart, Auspicious and Merrigo also ran.

Third Race—Purse \$400; four-year-olds and upward; handicap; steepenings—short course.—Peter Becker, 145 (Yourell), 10 to 1; and 5 to 1; Pop, 147 (Ellison), 9 to 1; and 10 to 1; Dulciana 147 (Rae), 5 to 1; and 2 to 1; Time—1:39.5. Dawson, Carola, Full of Fun, Ernest, Patsy and Hattie Reese also ran. Little Wally, Respectable and Kilo do lost their riders. Twenty Shot led.

Fourth Race—Purse \$300; for three-year-olds and upward; handicap; six furlongs.—Jack Atkins, 134 (Notter), 11 to 1; and 2 to 1; Lady Esther, 100 (C. Booker), 40 to 1; and 10 to 1; Time—1:14.5. Oraculum, Jack Dolan, Emergency and Pedro also ran.

Race entries can be found on page 2.

SHOT, BUT WILL NOT TELL WHO FIRED BULLET

Police Believe Members of a Gang Went Gunning for Johnny Rice.

Mr. Johnny Rice, who is one of the exclusive Chatham Club set of Chinatown, went into the drug store at Mott street and the Bowery this afternoon looking pretty sick. There was blood all over his shirt front.

He was negotiating with a prescription clerk for a yard or two of court-plaster when Policeman John J. Iarkin, of the Elizabeth street station, happened by. A little later Detectives Gendelle and McCutcheon arrived. The policemen looked Mr. Rice over and found a fresh blood wound across his abdomen.

Dr. Boroughs, an ambulance surgeon, said he had been shooting at Mr. Rice with a large revolver and has just released him. Although the injury was little more than a dent along the abdomen, the doctor decided to take him to the Hudson Street hospital for safe-keeping. There he gave his name as Nicholas Harry, but everybody in Chinatown society knows that to be a really honest name.

Mr. Rice steadily declined to tell who had been gunning for him. He said it happened in another precinct, any of the members of the Five Points gang or Nigger Mike gang have been having a little quiet target practice somewhere

This method of payment, however,

MURDERED GIRL'S NUDE BODY FOUND IN SWAMP; CLOTHING NEAR VICTIM, HALF BURIED IN MUD

Lawyer Who Ended Life in Subway, His Widow and Their City Residence



HAMILTON BANK WILL REOPEN IN A FEW DAYS

Judge Betts Has Dissolved the Receivership and Ample Funds Are Promised.

Judge Alton B. Parker received a telegram from Kingston this afternoon announcing that Judge Betts had handed down a decision dissolving the receivership in the case of the Hamilton Bank.

The decision directs Receiver White to turn over the bank's property and appoints Clarence E. Bloodgood, of Catskill, N. Y., referee for the purpose of passing the receiver's accounts.

Judge Betts said: "The Court thinks from the sentiment in that vicinity that it would not be possible for the bank to fail to succeed if permitted to open, nor does the Court think it ought to hesitate or delay because a full trial has not been had in this action. The statute is not susceptible of the construction that a temporary receivership must always be followed by a permanent one.

Attorney-General is Satisfied. The defendant comes in and shows as cause why a permanent receiver should not be appointed that it is not necessary to have any receiver at all, and asks for its property to be restored, being now in a condition to properly handle and care for it, and the proposed procedure has precedent and strong common sense to support it. The Superintendent of Banks, as before stated, is not opposing this application. The Attorney-General is satisfied that the bank shall be opened if it is in a proper condition to be opened. The Court thinks it is."

Under the decision the Hamilton Bank will be permitted to reopen and resume business on the plan outlined by Judge Parker in his argument before Judge Betts several days ago.

The plan for reopening the Hamilton Bank calls for the payment of depositors in the following manner: Ten per cent. of the deposits upon the reopening and three certificates of deposit, one for 15 per cent. of the deposits payable in ninety days, another for 15 per cent. payable in six months, and the third for 70 per cent. payable in one year.

Temporarily receivers were appointed for all.

On Dec. 24, when the order to show cause why a permanent receiver should not be appointed was returned, former Chief Judge Alton B. Parker, of the Court of Appeals, said that the



Handsome Young Woman, Evidently Recently Strangled, Discovered on Meadow Near Harrison, N. J., Mystery That Baffles Police.

WELL-DRESSED MAN WITH GRIMY HAND SEEN NEAR

Two Yachtsmen Who Slept in Boat on Passaic River Arrested—Red Coat Worn by Victim, Purchased in Brooklyn, May Furnish Clue.

A murder mystery that recalls the Jennie Bosscheiter case is engaging the entire attention of the detective forces of Harrison and Newark, N. J. The nude body of a handsome young woman was found to-day in a swamp in the Hackensack meadows in the town of Harrison, directly across the Passaic River from Newark.

No definite idea of her identity has been formed, and although two men are under arrest on suspicion of knowing something of the crime, the police believe that the murderer is at large.

The men under arrest are Arthur Thompson, of No. 216 Clark street, Elizabeth, N. J., and Frederick Kirkman, who were sleeping last night aboard the small yacht Idle Hour, tied up at the bank of the Passaic River, a short distance from where the body was found.

A tall, well-dressed man, who was seen in the vicinity of the place early to-day, is being sought by the police.

The dead woman was about thirty years old. She wore a "hat" in her suburban hair. Her eyes were brown and her skin was white and clear. On the second finger of her left hand she wore a gold ring, with a setting that at one time contained three gems. There is a scar on her abdomen that tells of a past operation.

The hands are soft and white and show evidence of the attention of a manicure. The feet are small and were well cared for. From marks on articles of clothing found in the vicinity it is believed the woman lived in Brooklyn.

The skin of the legs and arms is mottled and mottled with clinders, indicating that she had never seen the woman alive, and knew nothing of her death. A search of his boat failed to bring forth the missing clothing of the victim. Further search will be made along the bottom of the Passaic in the vicinity.

Saw Well-Dressed Stranger. Mary Johnson, of Newark, told the police this afternoon that she and her sister Minnie were visiting in Harrison last night and started for home across the bridge that extends from the foot of Fourth street, Harrison, to Jackson street, Newark. They heard a woman's cries for help in the meadows.

As they reached the bridge a tall, well-dressed man stepped out of the darkness into the glare of an electric light. He had a hat and said "Good evening, ladies."

They hurried across the bridge, and he followed them, at a distance of about fifty feet. As they reached the Newark side of the bridge they met a policeman under an electric light, and stopped to report to him what they had heard and seen.

The man turned and walked back to Harrison. He wore a grayish check suit, a long Newmarket overcoat, a derby hat and eyeglasses. The Johnson girls remarked that, although his clothing appeared to be of fine quality, the hand that showed in the light as he lifted it to remove his hat was grimy with mud.

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