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WITH DRESS AFIRE, WIFE OF BANKER GAVE CHASE

Mrs. Frank Sanicola Pursues Man Who Shot at Her, and Neighbors Aid Her.

POLICE CLUB STOPS HIM.

Trouble Begins When Auonando Goes to Banker's Home to Demand Payment.

Pursued by a woman with her clothes on fire and a crowd which increased from half a dozen to two hundred, headed by a policeman, Salvatore Auonando to-day enlivened the lower Bronx with a Marathon which for the most of its length would not have done discredit to his compatriot Mr. Dorando.

It started with a pistol shot fired by Auonando, which was fortunately almost harmless. And it ended with a policeman standing over the ruunner and fighting off a mob that wanted to beat him to death.

Goes to Demand Money.

Auonando went this morning to the home of Frank Sanicola, an Italian banker who once had a place in Mulberry street, but who of late has conducted his business by meeting his clients at their homes and on the street. Auonando said that Sanicola owed him $50 and he wanted it right away.

The banker was not at home, but his wife, Josefina, invited the depositor in to wait. Auonando waited, grew impatient, argumentative and frantic, and at length went into a rage and demanded that Mrs. Sanicola pay him the money at once or prepare to die.

She screamed. He drew a revolver and fired at her. The flame from the gun set fire to her dress. She thought she had been killed and fell. Her son, Frank, who was in the basement, began to yell.

Auonando dashed from the house to the street. The boy tried to put out the fire on his mother's dress, but she recovered instantly and wouldn't wait. She started after Auonando. At the door she was met by her daughter, Maria Cangiellose, who also tried to stop her to put out the fire.

Others Join the Chase.

Snatching and slapping at their mother's clothes, the three ran down the steps and saw Auonando racing down Eagle avenue, chased by two boys who had been playing in front of the banker's house, No. 688 Eagle avenue. People came swarming out of the houses and stores along the way and joined the pursuit. The pack was strung out for a block or more, Mrs. Sanicola in the rear-guard, with her clothes still smoking.

Auonando ran on One Hundred and Fifty-sixth street to German place. Here Policeman Fred Schad, of the Morrisania station, swung into the head of the pursuing column. Auonando ran through German place to One Hundred and Fifty-fourth street, west on One Hundred and Fifty-fourth street to St. Ann's avenue and south on St. Ann's avenue, with Schad gaining on him block by block and the rest falling behind.

At One Hundred and Forty-fifth street Schad was so close to his man that he could reach him with his club. He did. Auonando went down in a heap. Before the policeman could drag the man to his feet the rest of the pursuing crowd was upon them. Schad, who is a six-footer, straddled his prisoner, drew his revolver and swung it until other policemen came up, while Mrs. Sanicola and the mob, which now numbered several hundred, shook their fists and raged.

With his reinforcements Schad was able to get Auonando to the Morrisania station without difficulty.

Mrs. Sanicola was only slightly burned.

HARRIMAN ON INSPECTION RIDES IN GLASS CASE.

SPRINGFIELD, O., Jan. 6.—E. H. Harriman, accompanied by Vice-President C. E. Schaff, General Manager J. Q. Van Winkle, and Superintendent W. G. Bayley, of the New York Central lines, made a brief visit to Springfield to-day on a tour of inspection of the Big Four lines. The party arrived here at noon on the way from Cleveland to Chicago, and later will go to St. Louis.

The party was riding in a glass cage, which is built over the engine and which is used by high officials for inspection purposes.

MRS. HARRISON, WHO VANISHED FROM A CAR, STRANGELY FOUND

Woman Anxiously Sought by Police of Entire City, Was Sitting on Stoop of House in West Eighty-sixth Street.

Mrs. Elizabeth C. Burke Harrison, wife of F. Paul Harrison, president of the Harrison Electric and Manufacturing Company, with an apartment at the Lucerne Hotel, was found to-day by Detective Timothy Murphy, of the Central Office, at the home of Mrs. J. Collins, No. 108 West Eighty-first street, where she has been since her disappearance Saturday, as she alighted from a Columbus avenue car, at One Hundred and Ninth street.

Mrs. Collins told the detective that she had found Mrs. Harrison faint and weak on the street Saturday night and took her home. Mrs. Harrison was unable to give any account of her wanderings after she was lost from the side of her husband. She remembered being left alone when she alighted form the car.

"I thought he was following me when we got off the car," she explained. "I turned and did not see him. Then I became confused. This kind woman has taken care of me since. We have called up my husband's apartments and his office, but were never able to get him on the wire. Hence, my retreat was not discovered."

Detective Murphy received a tip to-day that Mrs. Harrison was at No. 108 West Eighty-first street.

To a former maid named "Abbie," Mrs. Harrison owes the comforts she has received since she was reported missing. The maid was hurrying home to her new mistress, Mrs. Collins, when she saw a woman sitting on the front porch of a residence at Amsterdam avenue and Eighty-sixth street. The woman's head was concealed in her hands. She seemed sick. The maid shook her and asked if she was ill. As Mrs. Harrison turned her face she was recognized.

"Oh, Mrs. Harrison, what is the matter?" the maid exclaimed.

"Abbie, dear, I'm so sick and weary and tired of it. I simply can't get well," she gloomily replied.

Abbie then led the woman to Mrs. Collins's home, where explanations were made and Mrs. Harrison placed in a warm bed. Mr. Harrison was overjoyed when he heard of his wife's safety. He left a party of friends downtown and hastened to her side. Worry over her condition and whereabouts has grieved the husband greatly. She was taken to her apartments in the Lucerne later.

PRIEST ROBBED AT DOOR OF COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS

Father Dunkovitz's Gold Watch, Chain and Cross Stolen by Pickpocket as He Was on His Way to Testify in a Libel Suit.

The Rev. Father Dunkovitz, in charge of the Russian Orthodox Greek Church in Providence, R. I., who is in New York to testify to the good character of the Rt. Rev. Father Chavozov, Primate of Canada, in a libel suit now being tried before Justice Mulqueen, was standing before the door of Part I., General Sessions, to-day when he suddenly felt a violent punch in his stomach. He clapped his hand to his clerical waistcoat, and discovered that his heavy gold watch, chain and cross were missing.

The priest raised the cry of "Pickpocket!" and there was a lively little scramble in the hall. Lieut. Germann, of the Court Squad, was called, and he and several detectives began a search for the thief, but he had evidently made good his escape from the building.

Father Dunkovitz had just returned from lunch, and was waiting for the afternoon session of court to begin. The suit in which he is a witness is against a Greek paper which published an alleged libellous article against Father Chavozov when he was Abbot of the Mojnoas Monastery of St. Tikkon, in South Canaan, Pa.

STAR COMPANY IS INDICTED ON COMPLAINT OF JOHN D., JR.

Corporation Which Publishes Hearst's American Ordered by Grand Jury to Answer for Alleged Libel of Young Rockefeller in Printing Story of Peonage.

The Special Grand Jury sworn in on Monday by Justice Dowling returned an indictment to-day against the Star Company, publisher of William R. Hearst's New York American, charging criminal libel. Clarence Shearn, Mr. Hearst's counsel, was notified of the indictment and ordered to have some one in Justice Dowling's part of the Supreme Court to-morrow to answer to the indictment for the Star Company.

The indictment is based upon a complaint filed by John D. Rockefeller jr., who was accused, it is alleged, in an article priuted in the American a short time ago, of being responsible for a system of alleged peonage existing in a plant of the Corn Products Company, near Chicago.

Mr. Rockefeller preferred his original complaint against S. S. Carvalho, President; Bradford Merrill, Treasurer, and Edward H. Clark, Secretary of the Star Company. No indictments were returned against these individuals to-day. Their case is now pending before Magistrate Moss in Centre Street Court.

SAVANNAH RESULTS.

FIRST RACE—Purse; for three-year-olds and up; one mile.—Meline, 111 (Murphy), 1 to 3 and out, 1; Ricadonna, 106 (McGuire), 20 to 1, 2 to 1 and out, 2; Leonard Joe Hayman, 111 (Young), 5 to 2 and out, 3. Time—1.56 4-5. Benora also ran.

SECOND RACE—Purse; for three-year-olds and upward; six furlongs.—Sunfire, 125 (Burns), 1 to 3 and out, won; Ray Thomson, 123 (Simmons), 6 to 1, even and out, second; Don Hamilton, 116 (Crowley), 6 to 1, even and out, third. Time—1.22 3-5. Mlle Imogene also ran.

THIRD RACE—Purse; for three-year-olds, six and a half furlongs.—Dolly Bultman, 110 (Dunlap), 15 to 5, even and 1 to 2, won; Siskin, 115 (McArdle), 2 to 1, 4 to 5 and 2 to 5, second; Pocotoligo, 115 (Burns), 7 to 2, 6 to 5, 3 to 5, third. Time—1.28 2-5. Merise and Lydia Gunter also ran.

FOURTH RACE.—Purse; for three-year-olds and upward; one mile and a sixteenth—Countermand, 106 (McArdle), to 1, 8 to 5 and 7 to 10, first; Spring Frog, 102 (Dunlap), 2 to 1, 7 to 10 and 1 to 2, second; St. Valentine, 111 (Young), 5 to 1, 7 to 5 and 1 to 2, third. Time—1.53 4-5. Castlewood and Besterling also ran.

FIFTH RACE—Selling; for three-year-olds and upward; five furlongs.—Anna Smith, 107 (Murphy), 5 to 1, 2 to 1 and even, won; Birdslayer, 114 (Dugan), 2 to 1, even and 1 to 2, second; Miss K. O. B., 97 (Brannon), 6 to 1, 2 to 1 and even, third. Time, 1.07 1-5. Revery left at post. Ora Sudduth, Masks and Faces, Foxy Grandma and Virgil T. also ran.

TO PROBE SANITY OF MILLIONAIRE ROEBUCK

Young Wife of Octogenarian Manufacturer Has Commission in Lunacy Named by Court.

On application of Mrs. Ella Roebuck, the young wife of James Roebuck, the eighty-year-old millionaire manufacturer, of No. 175 Seventeenth street, Brooklyn, Judge Dike to-day named a commission to inquire into the latter's sanity.

Mrs. Roebuck was attired in an expensive black walking suit and personally made the appeal. She said:

"My husband has been acting so strangely since early last month that I want his sanity investigated. I'm afraid that he will lose his property unless he is placed under control. I am not able to check him. His eccentricities have caused me much worry and grief."

Judge Dike then named George F. Elliott and Mortimer S. Brown, lawyers, and Dr. Edward E. Hicks as a commission. Mr. Roebuck is now confined in Dr. Coombs's sanitarium on Long Island.

SHOCKS EVERY 20 MINUTES IN THE EARTHQUAKE ZONE

Walls Falling Everywhere in Reggio and Messina and People Face New Peril.

GRISCOM RUSHES AID.

Red Cross Relief Steamer Carries Supplies to Sufferers —Americans Praised.

ROME, Jan. 6.—Reports from the stricken zone to-day show that the earth is in a constant rumble and that shocks are experienced at Reggio and Messina at intervals of almost every twenty minutes.

Two of the six recurring earthquakes at Messina late yesterday were the most severe since the big quake of Dec. 28.

Survivors and rescuers alike were thrown into a panic by these heavy shocks, and half the remaining walls in the city were toppled over.

The earth at Reggio is described as being in almost a constant tremble, and walls are toppling every hour.

Griscom Rushing Relief.

Ambassador Griscom has presented formally to the Italian Government the resolution of sympathy in the catastrophe in Calabria and Sicily passed by the House of Representatives at Washington. Foreign Minister Tittoni expressed his high appreciation of this act and said it would be given befitting acknowledgment.

Mr. Griscom to-day notified Count Taverna, President of the Italian Red Cross, that having received $100,000 from the American Red Cross Society, he had shipped this American relief to the Strait of Messina on the steamer Bayern, which left Genoa yesterday.

The vessel will fly the Red Cross flag. The expense of fitting out this vessel is computed at $60,000 for the first two weeks. The time of her charter will be extended if necessary. She is costing $1,200 a day. The rest of the $60,000 has been expended for supplies.

American Energy Praised.

All Italy is being searched for material suitable for relief, and it is becoming increasingly difficult to obtain the kind of supplies required.

Mr. Griscom has received warm congratulations on the organization of the Bayern relief expedition from several admirals of the Italian Navy and from members of King Victor Emmanuel's staff. The admirals express their amazement over the energy which enabled the Americans to load a ship and outfit her perfectly within forty-eight hours. They did not know which emotion was the stronger, their gratitude or their admiration for the energy displayed.

Rabid dogs now constitute one of the dangers to the earthquake refugees at Messina. These animals, starving and rabid through lack of water, gnaw the corpses like hyenas and frequently attack the refugees themselves. Among the wounded who left for Palermo last night was a young man whose eyes and right cheek are horribly mutilated by dogs. After the earthquake he was buried in debris up to his neck, and while thus unable to move was attacked by three of the animals and seriously hurt before his cries attracted help. Many people are shooting all vagrant dogs at sight and stray bullets are another danger in the city.

The report that a number of Italian soldiers had been arrested and shot because large sums of money supposed to have been stolen from the ruins in the earthquake area were found in their possession has been proven false. Several thieves have disguised themselves in the uniforms of dead soldiers, which probably gave rise to the report.

M. Petroff, a prominent Rusian basso, and two Italian singers, Signores Catani and Gambi, tenors, perished at Messina.

BATTLESHIP GEORGIA GROUNDS IN SUEZ CANAL.

PORT SAID, Jan. 6.—The battleship Georgia went ashore on her way through the Suez Canal. She was refloated and does not appear to have been damaged. She is expected here at midnight with the Nebraska and New Jersey.

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AGED FATHER BREAKS DOWN AS HAINS IS AGAIN TRAPPED ON THE STAND

Thornton Hains on the Stand Undergoing Cross-Examination

At times to-day he showed a disposition to flare up and argue with the prosecutor.

Taken From the Court Room When Contradiction Follows Contradiction Under the Merciless Cross-Questioning of Darrin.

CLAUDIA HAINS NOT TO BE CALLED BY PROSECUTION.

Darrin Jolts Defendant on Stand With Questions as to Alleged Actions Toward Her During His Brother's Absence in the Philippines.

When Justice Crane adjourned the trial of Thornton Hains at Flushing to-day, Darrin, the special prosecutor, had made it one of greater disaster to the prisoner than yesterday, the first day of his cross-examination. He caused Hains to rehearse the story of the shooting of William E. Annis at the Bayside Yacht Club by Capt. Peter Hains, and drew him deeper and deeper into the mire of contradictions as the merciless inquisition progressed.

Particularly did Hains stumble in fixing the lapse of time between the warning that Annis was on the boat approaching the float and his effort to get Peter Hains away. This he fixed all the way from "less than twenty minutes" down to "only a few moments." Again he confounded himself by saying he feared Roberts with the captain's gun, because he had heard only six shots when he knew an automatic gun contained seven, but he had failed to identify the captain's automatic, and had sworn that he did not know he had a gun.

As Thornton Hains floundered and squirmed under his tormentor's lash, his aged parents, General and Mrs. Peter Hains sr. sat in the courtroom. As contradiction followed contradiction the distress of the old fighter was reflected in his face. Suddenly there was a slight commotion, and court halted while the wife helped him from the room in a state said to border on collapse. Physicians attended him in a room in the Court-House, and he was taken to his boarding place in Flushing.

At times Hains flared up and showed a disposition to argue with Darrin, but in the main he was subdued, careful and deliberate. Mrs. Annis, widow of the slain man, sat through the session with her eyes fixed on the prisoner, now and then smiling as the prosecutor elicited a damaging admission. With Darrin were a number of men who had not been in court before. They are to be called as witnesses in rebuttal.

The prosecutor led off with a series of questions based on material which evidently had been furnished to him by Peter Hains's wife, his plain inference being to show that Thornton Hains not only hated Annis for private business reasons, because Annis is said to have kept his stuff out of the magazines, but because Claudia Hains favored the advertising man over Thornton, her own brother-in-law.

Although taken by surprise and furiously angry, Hains made a better showing under this opening skirmish fire than he did later on when the Prosecutor brought up his heavy artillery and began battering at the vulnerable places in Thornton Hains's testimony regarding the events preceding the tragedy of Aug. 15. As on yesterday, Darrin made ground here, even if his method of cross-examination was often cumbersome and clumsy.

Although Mr. Darrin wouldn't commit himself, it is pretty certain that despite his inquiries of this forenoon he will not call Claudia Hains as a witness in rebuttal for the State.

"Do you remember," began Darrin, "attending a dinner at your brother's house at Fort Hamilton just before he left for the Philippines, when your father and Claudia Hains were present?" "I may have been there," said the prisoner slowly. "I won't be sure."

"Did you speak of some stories which you had written for the Recreation magazine—did you then mention Annis, who was connected with that publication?" "I wouldn't be sure."

"Did you say at that dinner that the 'gang on Recreation' was trying to ruin your reputation?" "The gang," said Hains in a high, scornful tone; "a gang on a magazine?" he repeated incredulously.

"Answer," said the Court. "You understood the question." "Why, no, sir," replied Hains.

Asks About Threats.

"And," went on Darrin, "did Mrs. Claudia Hains on that occasion reply

ELOPING PRIEST DROPPED HER AT RIVER, SHE SAYS

Surrenders to Newark Police as Accomplice, but Fails to Locate Clergyman and Girl.

Miss Bridget King, of No. 40 Princella avenue, Newark, surrendered herself to the authorities of that city to-day on the charge of aiding in the abduction of Juliet Testa, the seventeen-year-old daughter of Pasquale Testa, who disappeared with Rev. Father Nicholas Siani, a curate of St. Rocco's Roman Catholic Church, of Newark.

She was immediately arraigned in the Second District Court and held in $2,500 bail for the action of the Grand Jury.

According to the story told by Miss King, she and Miss Testa met Father Siani on Broad street, Newark, on Thursday afternoon. She said that Father Siani told them that he was going to New York to buy some calendars and insisted that they accompany him to do the selecting.

Upon arriving in this city, she said, they had something to eat in a restaurant and then walked over to St. Peter's Church, in Barclay street, where they attended watch night service.

After leaving St. Peter's Church, Miss King says, Father Siani engaged a coach and they crossed over the Brooklyn Bridge and made a trip to the lower part of Brooklyn. On New Year's morning they returned to Manhattan in the same coach, and when they got down to the water front, she says, Father Siani ordered the driver to stop, and throwing open the coach door, told her, she says, that the ferry ahd been reached and to get out and cross over to New Jersey.

Miss King says when she alighted from the carriage she found that it was not the ferry, but before she had time to get back the vehicle had pulled away and she lost track of it. She remained in Manhattan until early to-day, she says, when she decided to return to Newark and tell all she knew of the episode of the young clergyman and Miss Testa.

PANIC IN FACTORY AS 600 GIRLS FLEE AT CRY OF "FIRE"

Half a Dozen Faint and Many Have Their Clothing Torn From Their Backs.

There was a panic to-day in the six-story factory building Nos. 49-51 Elizabeth street, when 600 girls and about a hundred men employees mistook steam from a broken boiler valve for smoke. They choked the narrow stairways and fought like maniacs in their hurry to get to the street. In the battle half a dozen girls fainted and many had the clothing torn from their backs.

The first and second floors of the building are occupied by the Alger Laundry Company, a wholesale washing concern that caters to hotels and barber shops. The four other stories above are packed close with dozens of small clothing plants, employing women almost exclusively.

The workers had just settled down to their sewing machines, and the girls in the laundry had been at work a short time, when with a racket like a young eight-inch gun going into action a valve on the boiler which heats the building blew out.

Instantly clouds of steam rolled up through the hallways in suffocating masses. Somebody yelled "Fire!" and in a second a hundred others were shouting the same thing. On the street people heard the shouts and screams of the women, and saw the steam pouring out of the building. Some zealous citizen ran to an alarm box and summoned the engines. Two lone policemen started to run into the building and were fairly carried off their feet by the downrushing mass of terrified girls.

The stairways in the building are narrow and dark, and had there been a real blaze it is doubtful, said the firemen, if half the employees there would have escaped without injury.

As it was, everyone got out, but not without many scratches and bruises. By the time they had all reached the street Fred Eischenmeyer, the engineer, had cut off steam, and plugged the valve with a wrapping of packing. He didn't realize all the trouble he had caused till he emerged to the street.

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AWAIT VERDICT ON THE KILLING OF CAPTAIN ERB

Mrs. Erb and Her Sister, Mrs. Beisel, Will Probably Hear Jury's Edict To-Night.

MEDIA, Pa., Jan. 6.—The fate of Mrs. M. Florence Erb and her sister, Mrs. Catherine Beisel, who have been on trial in the Delaware County Court for more than a week, charged with the sensational murder of Capt. J. Clayton Erb, the husband of one of the defendants, was placed in the hands of the jury to-day.

Both sides closed yesterday. District-Attorney MacDade made his first closing address yesterday and was followed by W. Roger Fronefield, chief counsel for the defense. Frank B. Rhoades, of counsel for the accused women, closes for the defense to-day, after which the District-Attorney made the final argument.

Judge Johnson finished his charge at 4.30 o'clock this afternoon and the case was immediately given to the jury. A verdict is expected this evening.

CROKER SETTLES IN FLORIDA FOR WINTER.

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla., Jan. 6.—Richard Croker began his residence here to-day in a house fronting the ocean. He said he expected to remain for the winter.

DR. BULL'S CONDITION.

At the Hotel Plaza this morning, it was said that Dr. William T. Bull had passed a comfortable night. Dr. G. H. Wynkoop, who is in attendance, said that there was no material change in the physician's condition.