

JOHNNY VAUGHAN, FIRE PATROL HERO OF YEARS AGO, DIES

"Little Man" Saved Many
Lives and Nearly Met Death
While in Service.

Old times in New York and particularly present or former firemen, policemen and newspaper men, who ran to the fires of thirty and thirty-five years ago read with sorrow today of the passing of Johnny Vaughan, who had the saving of several lives to his credit and was altogether as brave a lad as the big city has turned out.

Johnny Vaughan died in C. A. hospital. His body was brought home last night for burial.

Vaughan was about 5 feet 6 inches tall and never weighed more than 120 pounds. Being unable to make the Fire Department of the old days, he joined the Fire Patrol, a kindred organization of men and apparatus maintained by the insurance interests for salvage purposes.

At the time of the Hotel Royal fire in the early morning of Feb. 7, 1892, Vaughan was Sergeant of Fire Patrol No. 3 with quarters in 30th Street. Seventeen lives were lost in that fire but this was almost forgotten in the city's admiration of the way Vaughan permitted himself to be lowered from the roof of an adjoining building in order that a man almost twice his weight might catch Vaughan's wrists and, after they had swung back and forth many times, he was rescued by one of the fire patrolmen on the roof, who reached out and caught him by the shirt.

With this rescue accomplished Vaughan went around into Sixth Avenue and saved a man, woman and boy by twisting himself out of a window on the same level as their own, gripping himself about a telephone cable and making a one-man "human bridge" of himself.

PERFECT ALIBI ENDS "PERFECT CASE"

Judge Apologizes to Mrs. Gunda
Hendrickson, Acquitted of
Swindling Charge.

What detectives and prosecutors were said to have looked upon as a "perfect case" collided today in the Court of General Sessions before Judge Crain with what a jury believed to be a "perfect alibi" with the result that Mrs. Gunda Hendrickson of Waterbury, Conn., was acquitted of a charge of swindling a number of stores in the Fifth Avenue section by means of bad checks.

Mrs. Hendrickson's witness testified that at the time of the incident complained of, she was more than 900 miles from New York.

The checks were passed in August, 1919. After experts had declared the writing to be Mrs. Hendrickson's, Roy Bennett Anderson of No. 1355 President Street, Brooklyn, testified that throughout July and August Mrs. Hendrickson was a servant in the Anderson home at Glen Eyrie, at the upper end of Lake George.

In one instance a personal check was given, signed "Margaret L. Smith." One handwriting expert and a paying teller said the "Smith" signature and the admitted pecuniary of Mrs. Hendrickson were written by the same hand. David L. Casvalho, the "dean of experts," took the other side.

In announcing the verdict today Judge Crain, apologizing to young Mrs. Hendrickson, declared the case of the prosecution had been marked by ineptitude from the beginning.

Valuable Horses Burned.
BECKSVILLE, N. Y., April 20.—Fire in the stables of the Griffin & Rushmore Feed Company last night destroyed the stables valued at about \$1,000 and burned to death five horses, valued at \$1,000 each. The horses were chained to their stalls and the stables were unable to release them. The origin of the fire is unknown.

2 ARRESTS REVEAL \$50,000 FUR THEFT

Salesman Who Had \$16,000 Worth
in Trunk at Hotel Locked
Up.

Charged with stealing furs valued at \$50,000 from the store of Edward Lehman at No. 45-47 West 47th Street on April 12, Benjamin Kearns, twenty-seven, of No. 959 East 163d Street, the Bronx, and Edwin I. Foss, twenty-three, of the Fourth Avenue Hotel, 4th Avenue and 20th Street, both salesmen, were locked up at Police Headquarters early this morning.

The men were arrested in a room in the Grand Hotel, Broadway and 51st Street, where it is alleged, furs valued at \$16,000 were found in a trunk. Detectives of the West 30th Street Station waited at the hotel twenty-four

hours for the men to appear. They say the furs in the trunk consist of raw mink and marten skins.

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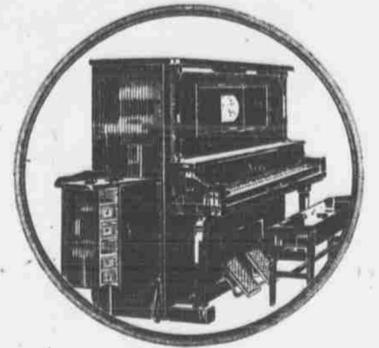
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