

My Suit Like Tennis Game, But Not So Enjoyable or Healthful—Mrs. Stillman

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Mrs. Stillman is convinced that Mrs. Florence Lawlor Leeds, the former chorus girl, is the author of her husband's divorce proceedings and all her present troubles, and she said so, without reservation, in a long interview with reporters yesterday afternoon when the hearings before the referee were held for the day. The interview occurred on the veranda of the Poughkeepsie home of John E. Mack, guardian ad litem of Guy Stillman, whose paternity Mr. Stillman has denied.

"Of course," Mrs. Stillman said, "I know Mrs. Leeds is at the bottom of all this. That she has instigated it, that she has influenced and re-shaped Mr. Stillman's mind in many ways. Oh, you know, she is one of those women who believe in hypnotism and mesmerism and ghosts and carries a rabbit's foot for luck, and all that?"

"When it was suggested that perhaps Mrs. Leeds had 'cast a spell' upon Mr. Stillman, his wife replied: "But don't you think all women do that to men, or try to do it?"

"Nobody is all good, nobody is all bad," she continued, as the questions pointed the conversation to her husband again. "Something very good could have been made of him if he had been brought up differently by his father. It was brought up in an atmosphere of old-fashioned secretiveness that prevailed in a home that was without affection, without love in a family that did not get on in London and what goes with them. When you have not love these things, you do not realize how dearly others prize them. You do not understand and he did not understand."

"He fell in with flatterers, and wealthy men are always flattered, and of course their vanity responds to flattery. "And they never get flattery at home, it seems," she went on with a hearty laugh. "Their wives never flatter them. The men come home and hear about their faults, I suppose, but it is the wives who trust them and care for them and struggle to push them upward all the time."

"Even now, however, I would like Mr. Stillman to make a success of himself. Life is not one long business of smashing some one or something. I can only say for myself that if certain methods are used on you, you must use them in retaliation; otherwise they would knock you out of the place, isn't that a fact?"

"If I was surprised at Mrs. Hockefeller appearing, it was merely surprise. One must be ready for all things in such a case. The more the merrier, though it was not merry for them. I assure you, and it was very merry for me at times."

"Oh, I've had plenty of support from them"—she was speaking of her own

family—"but there is no need for me to drag them all into this, you know. I really don't need to be supported in just that sense. I do not have to be held up like a cripple in court."

"In a way, things are like a game of tennis just now, but it is not so healthful as tennis. You cannot plan what you intend to do a long way ahead except vaguely. You must meet things as best you can as they come up."

"My personal future, however, does not depend on this lawsuit. I cannot see how this case could affect my future in any way. Even if I lost, it would not hurt me, since I feel that I am right. It's like tennis, as I said; if you are beaten in one game, you may be the victor in another."

"Of course, it's not enjoyable. Nobody enjoys playing a dirty fight. No woman could enjoy anything like this thing."

The death toll of the grade crossing collision of a fire truck and a Jersey Central express train at Perth Amboy was increased to nine to-day when Andrew Thomas, the aged gateman who tried to flag the truck, died in the City Hospital. Two others in the hospital, Victor Janderup and Edward T. Johnson, are in a critical condition.

City and county officials have started an inquiry and the Board of Aldermen has demanded the elimination of the grade crossing. They also demand that speed of trains be cut to ten miles while the change is being made.

County Prosecutor Joseph E. Stricker announced that the facts of the accident would be presented to the County Grand Jury at New Brunswick to-morrow morning, in an effort to fix responsibility.

The fire truck was of the Eagle Hose and Chemical Company. The express was bound from Jersey City to Barnegat. Both were going about forty miles an hour.

A remarkable chain of circumstances, according to the gate-tender was responsible for the accident. Just as the alarm bell in his flaghouse rang, indicating that the express was about half a mile away, the fire alarm was also sounded. In a case of this kind, it was unofficially reported, the gate-tenders of the railroad are instructed to leave their gates up and flag the train, permitting the fire truck to proceed.

The gate-tender said he followed these instructions except that, instead of flagging the train, he rushed in the direction of the approaching fire truck and flagged all vehicles coming east on Market Street.

The gates remained high in the air and with both the tracks and the vehicle roadway open it was a race for life between the express and the fire apparatus.

The engineer and conductor of the express, Theodore F. Brown and William Ridgeway, both of Barnegat, N. J., were arrested on a technical charge of manslaughter and held by Recorder Pickersgill in \$3,000 bail each for hearing to-day.

THE DEAD. Hans Holt, No. 219 Sheridan Street. John Donegan, No. 139 Grant Street. Peter Larson, thirty, married, No. 241 Market Street. George Larson, No. 287 Market Street, brother of Peter. Joseph Kutcher, No. 391 Ogden Place.

James Anderson, No. 334 Market Street. Joseph Torgeson, driver of the truck, No. 210 Meade Street. John E. Mowry, a member of the truck's crew.

Andrew Thomas, railway gateman. Arrangements were made for a public funeral for the firemen killed in the collision. This will probably be held to-morrow.

Perth Amboy Crossing Condemned as Dangerous Six Years Ago. TRENTON, June 15.—The State Board of Public Utility Commissioners of New Jersey reported more than six years ago that the Market Street grade crossing of the Jersey Central tracks in Perth Amboy was "dangerous to public safety."

THREE PHOTOS OF MRS. STILLMAN POSED IN ATTORNEY MACK'S GARDEN



MRS. KABER FOUND, BY CHANCE, PERSON TO SLAY HUSBAND

Man Met at Picture Show Recommended That Mrs. Colavito Be Consulted.

By Martin Green. (Special Staff Correspondent of The Evening World.) CLEVELAND, O., June 15.—In a city of approximately a million people, Mrs. Eva Catherine Kaber, after nearly two years of unsuccessful attempts to hire somebody to kill her husband, came by chance upon the person who made the murder possible.

This person is Mrs. Erminia Colavito, the woman who exerted a power in the Italian section of Cleveland because of her professed ability to invoke the aid of good and evil spirits.

Prosecuting Attorney Stanton announced to-day that Mrs. Colavito had offered to plead guilty to murder in the second degree, but that the offer had been rejected. At the same time he denied that Mrs. Kaber had also offered a similar plea.

Mrs. Kaber and Mrs. Colavito moved in spheres of place as widely separated as their society of abode. The witch doctor's home was in the rooming Italian section of East Cleveland, fifteen miles removed from the park-like suburb of Lakewood beyond the western edge of the city.

Mrs. Kaber's home was one of the finest in Lakewood, and by reason of her husband's comfortable circumstances and acquaintances she had made among charitably inclined society women she had standing in her own community.

FOUNDED HOME FOR "UNMARRIED MOTHERS." In 1915 Mrs. Kaber founded, with the aid of some wealthy Cleveland women, an institution which she called the Rosedale Home and characterized it as a "home for unmarried mothers."

After about a year she got into difficulties with her wealthy associates, who withdrew. She changed the name of the institution to the "Marian Home" and enlarged its scope to include the care of children of working mothers. Daniel Kaber, her husband, was violently opposed to these enterprises, and while there had been differences between the pair previously, the irrevocable breach came when she refused to abandon her pseudo charitable activities, out of which, according to persons who were connected with them, she made considerable money.

One of the coincidences in this case is that a woman who was employed by Mrs. Kaber to manage the Rosedale Home eventually proved to be

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MILLIONS FOR N. Y. POSTAL SERVICE

Outlay to Begin at Once in Providing New Sub-Stations and Increasing Facilities.

Immediate outlay of \$10,000,000 to \$20,000,000 will be made in New York for additional post office sub-stations and other increased facilities, Postmaster General Hays announced to-day, as a result of his tour of the city yesterday with the Congressional Joint Commission of Postal Service and Postmaster Thomas G. Patten.

Mr. Hays said the New York Post Office, which is the clearing point for most of the mail entering and leaving the United States, has had little increase in its facilities since 1912, although it transacts more business than the whole postal service in the Dominion of Canada.

Figures on the volume of business transacted by the various sub-stations showed that in each case the station handled more traffic than that of entire cities with which the stations were compared.

HIT WITH HATCHET AIDING HURT CHILD

Father Assaults Man in Auto That Slightly Injured Three-Year-Old in Red Bank.

While stooping to pick up a three-year-old child which had been knocked down and slightly scratched by a machine in which he was riding, William Evans of Ashbury Park was struck in the back of the neck by a hatchet wielded by the child's father, Rocco Zucco, in Red Bank to-day.

Zucco's aim was partly diverted by onlookers, who attempted to stop his rush, and the hatchet struck a glancing blow, inflicting a deep gash which barely avoided the spinal column. Evans is expected to recover. The machine was driven by Edward Evans, a brother of the injured man. The father was held in \$2,000 bail to await the action of the Grand Jury.

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NEW JERSEY PLANS TO ELECT MEN TO REPEAL DRY LAW

Association Against Prohibition Amendment Fights Anti-Saloon League.

Announcement of plans for a war against candidates approved by the Anti-Saloon League, and for election of members of the Legislature in September who will vote for repeal of the Van Ness Prohibition Enforcement Act, was made to-day by William L. Fish, Secretary of the New Jersey Division of the Association Against the Prohibition Amendment.

Mr. Fish said that the Anti-Saloon League would be "fought on its own ground," and that the association would form political organizations in every county of the State to support wet candidates.

"If fanatics can organize to strangle liberty," said Mr. Fish, "surely freemen can organize to defend it. The Association Against the Prohibition Amendment has set about the task of doing that very thing in every State in the Union."

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But When Kindly-Looking Man Had All Her \$1,700, She Had Him Indicted. Miss Irene Albeacca, a too dancer of No. 1990 Third Avenue, was trying to find her way out of Chinatown on a winter evening six months ago. She asked a Chinaman where the west side subway was. Just then a middle-aged, kindly-looking man approached her, said it was dangerous for a girl like her to be in such a neighborhood and volunteered to escort her uptown. She accepted.

To-day she testified before the Grand Jury, and her erstwhile escort, Frank Perrino, No. 1212 36th Street, Brooklyn, was indicted for grand larceny and remanded to the Tombs in default of \$2,500 bail. The girl said he had sold her stock in the "Protective Gambling Association of America," which paid from 4 to 5 per cent. dividends a week for not many weeks. She said the first few dividends convinced her that all was well, so she gave up all the money she had, about \$1,700.

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WOMAN SENT TO PRISON FOR \$90,000 THEFT.

Mrs. Helen Grant Marshall, deputy town collector of Kearny, N. J., was sentenced to four to seven years in prison by Judge McCarthy in Jersey City to-day for the embezzlement of \$90,000 of the town's money in the last six years. She was released on bail pending action on a motion for a new trial. The town collector, Harry B. Cathness, who was indicted with her, was acquitted yesterday.

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BOYS SEIZED IN CAVE AS CHURCH THIEVES.

Leader Told on Three Colleagues Also Accused of Robbing Brooklyn Retailers.

In a cave they had constructed by digging out several feet of earth and covering it with material from a F. R. T. yard, four small boys were arrested last night by Detectives Grey, Conroy and Casey of the Grand Avenue station, Brooklyn, charged with being members of a gang that looted candy stores and other places and robbed the poor boxes of St. Theresa's Church, Sterling Place and Claason Avenue.

The leader, Willie Touhey, fourteen, of No. 508 St. John's Place, Brooklyn, was arrested a week ago for robbing the poor box. He refused to tell anything and was sent to the Catholic Protectors. Later on he is said to have told who were his companions and last night the detectives discovered the lads in the cave where the leader said they would be. The four are Willie Corrigan, No. 487 St. John's Place; Tommie Kierman, No. 506 Claason Avenue; Jimmie Long, No. 502 St. John's Place, and George Lynch, No. 512 Claason Avenue. All are thirteen years old.

Advertisement for Colgate's Talk Powder, featuring 'Fashion Brings Powdered Perfume' and 'Styles Oriental in dress and art'.

OPPENHEIM, COLLINS & CO. 34th Street—New York

A Special Purchase and Extraordinary Sale Friday At About Import Cost

Advertisement for 1600 Japanese Crepe Kimonos, featuring an illustration of a woman in a kimono and listing 'Hand Embroidered Crepe, in Rose and Chrysanthemum Designs'.

Advertisement for 1000 Pairs Japanese Silk Boudoir Slippers, listing 'Hand-embroidered and Silk lined in self color. Copen, Rose, Pink, and Light Blue.' and 'Special 1.00'.

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Will Close Out Friday

Advertisement for About 400 Girls' Summer Dresses, listing 'Chambrays, Imported Plaids and Check Gingham, Fancy Voiles and Organdies. Values to 5.90' and '2.00'.

Advertisement for PHENIX TOMATO CATSUP, featuring 'It Is Great PRIDE OF THE FARM TOMATO CATSUP' and 'MADE WHERE THE TOMATOES GROW'.