

MYSTERY IN SUICIDE OF ENGLISHMAN HERE

Wife Tries to Hide Identity of Man Found Shot in Colonial Park.

MAY BE LONDON LECTURER

She Declares He Was Clergyman Seeking Pulpit, but She Gives Different Names to Authorities.

What appeared to be a simple case of suicide, and was so reported in all its details yesterday afternoon, developed into a mystery last night.

As Patrolman Cogan, of the West 152d street station, was passing Colonial Park at a point in Bradhurst avenue near 153d street shortly after 5 o'clock yesterday morning he heard a shot.

Making his way in the direction from which the shot came, he arrived at the loneliest spot in the park, and there beneath a bench he saw the body of a man. Near the body was a revolver.

The man was dead when Dr. Fulton arrived from Harlem Hospital, and the body was removed to the west 152d street station.

There was a search of the body revealed the presence of cards and papers that seemed sufficient proof that the dead man was Arthur Hall, of London, England.

Here After Pastorate, Says Wife. She said that he was forty-nine years old and that he came to New York about eight months ago in the hope of obtaining a pastorate.

She was unable to account for his committing suicide, she said, as he was a man of means, in good standing and had everything to live for.

She said that she would make arrangements for the funeral and then started to leave the morgue. In the doorway she collapsed and became hysterical, and it was some time before the keeper and the man who had accompanied her could calm her.

The body was taken to Bellevue morgue late in the afternoon, still retained under the name of Hall. The widow meanwhile had obtained the services of an undertaker, and an employee of the latter went to the coroner's office with an order from the widow asking for the custody of the body.

Coroner Holtzhauser refused to issue the permit, however, unless the widow appeared in person. This information was conveyed to her, and early in the evening she went to the office and made an affidavit. In this document she identified the suicide as "Athelstane Cornforth, a preacher, forty-nine, born in England," and obtained the permit.

At the Bellevue morgue it was said that the body had been taken away, and at the undertaker's establishment it was said that Mrs. Cornforth had left the Irving Place address, and had gone to stay with friends in Harlem.

Beyond that ignorance as to her exact whereabouts was professed. She and her husband had lived in Irving Place, but little seemed to be known about them.

That Hall or Cornforth had come to this city in the hope of obtaining a pastorate seemed to be assured, although at the office of the register of the New York diocese it was said that the man had under neither of the names mentioned on him yesterday made application here for a charge. Several prominent clergymen in the city said that they had never heard of him.

Suicide a Cambridge Man. The American representative of a London news bureau which is investigating the mystery, said last night that the man was undoubtedly of some prominence in England, as he was a Cambridge man, having the degrees of B. A. and LL. D., and references from a number of well known persons in London.

He was a lecturer on philosophical and religious subjects, and occasionally occupied the pulpits of some of the important English churches.

From information that was apparently borne out by the evidence the man had come to the United States in the expectation of finding profitable employment. That he had failed to do so had preyed upon his mind until he had determined to end the ceaseless striving that seemed destined to bring no result.

The clothing he wore was of excellent material and well cut. He had the appearance of prosperity, although when Patrolman Cogan discovered his body there was no money in his pockets.

A photograph of the suicide, found on his body, referred to his solicitor, N. H. Aaron, No. 64 Moorgate street, London, and his friend, A. B. Mendelsohn, care of the former. An engraved card of the Eccentric Club, a London organization, with quarters in Shaftesbury avenue, near Piccadilly Circus, requested the courtesies of the Greenroom Club, in this city, for "Mr. Arthur Hall, B. A., LL. D., who is a member of this club in good standing."

On the back of another card was a note of introduction to Elr Caspar Purdon Clarke. Reference to Hall as a "Cambridge man" was made in this note. There was also a letter signed "Your brother David," purporting to be sent from No. 1414 Hyde street, San Francisco. Everything pointed to the suicide being Hall until his wife made affidavit that his name was Cornforth.

MADERO RELEASED ON BOND. San Luis Potosi, Mexico, July 20.—Francisco Madero, candidate of the anti-Diaz party for president of Mexico, who has been held in prison here on a charge of desertion, was released on a bond of \$5,000 to-day.

TO ATLANTIC CITY AND RETURN. Pennsylvania Railroad. Sunday next. Special train leaves 6:45 a. m.—Adv.

TO BAR "SPOONING" SCENES Missouri C. E. Societies Will Fight All Improper Pictures.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.] St. Louis, July 20.—A state-wide movement to abolish the exhibition of all moving pictures of "improper tone" has been started by the Christian Endeavor societies of Missouri. The crusade embraces all films which depict what are called demoralizing scenes, and ranges from elopements to robberies and prizefights.

It is proposed to put the ban on "spooning" scenes and on films that depict kissing on the part of any except relatives or married persons. Ordinances will be introduced in cities throughout the state. The climax in the movement was reached to-night, when resolutions were passed unanimously by the Congress of St. Louis Societies of Christian Endeavor providing for the appointment of a committee of five to carry on the fight in St. Louis.

JANITOR HEIR TO \$60,000 Springfield Man Remembered by Uncle Believed Dead.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.] Springfield, Mass., July 20.—A. E. Crow, janitor of the Lyman street skating rink, has received a letter from Charles C. Anderson, of Plattsburg, N. Y., executor of the estate of James C. Crow, an uncle, announcing that he is the heir under his uncle's will to \$60,000. In a statement made to-day Crow said that he had not seen or heard from his uncle for many years, and that he believed he was dead. He says the communication informs him that his uncle made his fortune in salt and soda ash, and that he died a millionaire and unmarried. Crow will immediately go to Plattsburg to claim his fortune.

TRAGEDY OF THE DEEP SEA Captain Hyers's Lack of Faith Leads to Disaster.

Captain "Jack" Hyers, of the four-masted schooner John B. Manning, doesn't take much stock in checks. He thinks fives, tens and twenties in real United States gold, with the trowered eagle on one side and the squaw head on the other, are about the right thing in the payment of debts. Yellow backed Treasury notes are pretty good also, and run a close second, but checks, he thinks, "are not in the money."

Captain Hyers had these notions yesterday when the tug Dalzelline towed him down the bay to the Scotland Lightship. He is now navigating the Manning on her way to Brunswick, Ga., and is getting closer perhaps to the opinion that a check is not such a bad thing after all.

There was a fairly big sea on yesterday when the Dalzelline cast off her line from the Manning, and a northeast breeze didn't help matters much. It was too rough for the tug to get close enough for Captain Keene to collect his \$90 towing fee. The Dalzelline got in as close as she could, and the skipper of the Manning nailed six \$10 bills on the end of a long pole.

As the pole was thrust out to the tug the wind blew the crisp bills over the sea and only one was recovered. Ambrose Jayne, the mate of the Dalzelline, jumped overboard into the sea of money, but could grasp only one \$10 note.

Captain Hyers saw what had happened and said he would send a money order along for \$50 when he reached Brunswick.

Hereafter, it is believed, the skipper will "pay off" by check.

SHOT TO SEE GIRL JUMP Jilted Lover Who Drove Away Rival Lands in Jail.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.] Pittsburgh, July 20.—Alleged to have fired many shots at the feet of Miss Stella Ostrow, a pretty seventeen-year-old Polish girl, when she passed him on the street with a male friend in the last several weeks, Paul Kurkoski, twenty-one years old, was lodged in jail to-day. The girl is a nervous wreck in the city hospital.

Kurkoski is charged with "to see the girl jump" over the railing of the bridge. He says that when he first opened fire on her, three weeks ago, she was with his successful rival, and they both "jumped so funny" that it amused him. Kurkoski's rival has not been seen since the night of the first shooting.

DIVES INTO A STINGAREE Spine Pierces Boy's Jugular Vein, and He Bleeds to Death.

West Palm Beach, Fla., July 20.—Death in an almost unaccounted for way waited for Laurence S. Baker, an eleven-year-old Jacksonville lad, when he dived from a boat on Lake Worth yesterday.

A stingaree, a huge flat bodied species of warm water fish, was lurking just under the boat. One of its barb-like spines which pierces the fish's throat, cutting into the jugular vein. He rose to the surface, crying for help, and bled to death within four minutes.

\$140,000 FOR AUTO LICENSES

Chauffeurs Who Evade Law Must Take Examinations.

Albany, July 20.—In fifteen days the Secretary of State, Mr. Koenig, has received nearly \$140,000 from applicants for owners' and chauffeurs' licenses under the new Callan automobile law.

Secretary Koenig said to-day that he had learned of an attempt being made by certain chauffeurs in New York to escape the new law by going to Connecticut and taking out a license there. He says these chauffeurs must pass an examination before they can operate machines in this state.

LEPROSY KILLS EX-SOLDIER

Spanish War Veteran Lived in Little Shack at Soldiers' Home.

Milwaukee, July 20.—Albert S. O'Gorman, afflicted with leprosy for the last five years at the National Soldiers' Home, in Milwaukee, died to-day.

He lived alone in a shack erected in one corner of the grounds, and prepared his own meals. At noon each day, however, an orderly brought him his dinner. O'Gorman was born in the Spanish-American war in Cuba and the Philippines. He enlisted in Minnesota.

Refreshing, Healthful Summer Drink. Dewey's Pure Grape Juice. Sold by H. T. Dewey & Sons Co., 125 Fulton St., N. Y.—Adv.

SAVES CHILD AS OWN DAUGHTER DROWNS

Six Victims of the Waters at Summer Resorts and Beaches Near the City.

HUMAN CHAIN WAS USELESS

Nurses Formed It at Atlantic City in Vain Effort to Rescue Bather Caught in Fatal Undertow.

The lure of the waters about the city claimed six lives in the last forty-eight hours. In the Delaware River near Milford, Penn., on Tuesday a woman saved a child after a boating accident, though helpless to prevent the drowning, with an older girl, of her own little daughter. Two were drowned yesterday at Atlantic City, and at beaches at Rockaway and Staten Island a man and a boy were drowned.

Miss Lillian Jackson, the twenty-one-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Jackson, of No. 225 West 17th street, and Idelle Fellows, the four-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Fellows, of No. 19 Grove street, were drowned in the Delaware River, near Milford, Penn., on Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Fellows, mother of Idelle Fellows, and Ruth Kurtz, the seven-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Christian Kurtz, who live a mile and a half below Milford, had a narrow escape.

The New Yorkers were boarding at the Kurtz farm for the summer and started for a boat ride in what is known as the Brick House Eddy. They were unaware that they were approaching the dangerous Warner's Rift until too late to row back up the stream, but assuring her companions that she could manage the craft Miss Jackson attempted to guide it through the rifts.

The young woman succeeded very well until the foot of the rift was reached, and then the boat turned sidewise. Miss Jackson stood up, and a moment later all four were in the water. Some men gathered by the farm of Samuel De Trick heard a woman screaming for help, and going to the river found Mrs. Fellows standing waist deep in water so swift that no river man had ever dared to wade there. She was holding the upturned boat, on which she had placed Ruth Kurtz. At the same time her own daughter and Miss Jackson were drowned.

The men brought Mrs. Fellows and Ruth Kurtz ashore, and the body of Miss Jackson was recovered on an eel warty son afterward, but searching parties working with nets and hooks all night and all day to-day have failed to find the body of Idelle Fellows. The boat was lodged in a tree, and a camera which the party took with it floated near by.

Mrs. Fellows, suffering from the shock of her experience and from her grief, is prostrated.

Daniel Gallagher, a janitor at the Foster Home for Children, at Longport, was drowned yesterday while bathing in the surf near the home, despite the efforts of a number of young women nurses from the institution who formed a human chain and tried to effect his rescue.

The nurses were on the beach with their charges when Gallagher, who was some distance out in the water, cried for help. No men were near, and, grasping each other's hands, several of the young women rushed through the surf toward the struggling bather. A strong undertow, however, quickly carried the drowning man out to sea.

One of the young women was swept off her feet, but was rescued by her companions. Members of the government lifesaving crew at Longport, who were summoned by the children, put out a boat, but were too late to reach the man.

While the beach was jammed with summer visitors yesterday afternoon the crowds at Atlantic City were thrown into a panic by the appearance in the surf of the body of a drowned man. The body was dragged ashore, and was later identified as that of H. E. Barlow, a Philadelphia visitor, by papers in his pockets of his clothes, which had been left in a bathroom. His relatives were told of the drowning. It is supposed that Mr. Barlow was attacked by heart disease while in the water and was unable to cry for help.

Max Goldenberg, a clerk, of No. 47 Patchen avenue, Brooklyn, was drowned off the foot of Kelly avenue, Rockaway Beach, yesterday afternoon. Goldenberg had swum out far beyond the life lines, and had become exhausted. He cried for help, but before aid could reach him he sank. It was only after a four hour search that his body was recovered. The identification was made by Miss Rose Young, of Rockaway, his cousin. Eugene Cadix, a nine-year-old schoolboy, of Mariner's Harbor, Staten Island, was drowned yesterday when he fell into the Sound as he was running along the stringpiece of the city pier at Harbor street. The boy was unable to swim and he went down before anybody could reach him. His body was recovered.

ANTI-ROACH GAS KILLS TWO

Hydrocyanic Acid Used to Cleanse Apartment House.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.] Cleveland, July 20.—As the result of an effort to rid a large apartment house at East 55th street and Woodland avenue of roaches yesterday, Henry Kuhlman, a tenant, and Lyman Ehrlich, a huckster, are dead. Hydrocyanic acid was used to exterminate the bugs, and all the tenants were ordered out during the fumigation. All doors were fastened. Kuhlman came home, and unfastening the outer door went to his flat, where he was asphyxiated. Ehrlich, seeing the door open after Kuhlman entered, also went in and was overcome.

WOMAN TO FLY OVER CHANNEL.

Rhemes, France, July 20.—Mme. Franck, an aeronaut, left here to-day for Calais, whence she will endeavor to fly across the English Channel to Dover.

MOONLIGHT TRIPS ON STR. "ALBANY"

Hudson River Day Line last down boat.—Adv.

DARING RESCUES AT SWIFT TENEMENT FIRE

Firemen Think East Side Blaze Incendiary, Owing to Its Rapid Spread.

TWENTY FAMILIES IN PERIL

Girls Jump from Window, Escaping Unhurt—Youths Save Some from Nearby Window.

What both the police and firemen believe was an incendiary fire started late last night in the ground floor hallway of the tenement house at No. 441 East 9th street, and made rapid progress up through the six story building and out of the roof. Two persons were seriously injured and removed to Bellevue, while a number of others escaped with slight burns.

It is almost a certainty that there would have been a heavy loss of life had the fire started a little later after the tenants had retired. As it was most of them were still up when the fire broke out.

The two taken to Bellevue are: URIMOFF, John, twenty-nine years old; burns on legs and body and artery of left arm severed.

FLESCHER, Anna, twelve years old; shock and slight contusions, received when she jumped from the second floor.

Isaac Zuckerman, janitor of the building, decided to take a last look over the premises before retiring, and when he went to the first floor hallway, on which floor he lives, he found the place filled with smoke and heard the crackle of flames. His wife, Cella, and his son, Michael, ten years old, were in bed. Zuckerman's cries of fire aroused them, and Zuckerman led them to the front window and to the fire escape.

The fire escapes are of the balcony type, without ladders, but stretching across to the next house, No. 443. Zuckerman took his family into the adjoining house and to the street. The janitor was slightly burned about the hands.

Patrolmen Kuhn and Fallon, of the 5th street station, found a family of five standing on the fire escape ready to jump from the third floor. They went to the third floor of No. 443 and persuaded the excited family to escape through that building rather than to jump to the street.

Rudolph Horowitz and his wife Cella and a niece, Anna Flescher, all jumped from the fire escape on the second floor. Rudolph, in the street, seeing the man and his wife ready to leap, shouted to them to wait for the firemen. But both Rudolph and his wife jumped into the crowd. Both were slightly hurt. The girl, lacking strength to make a big jump, simply rolled over the edge of the fire escape, and fell into the basement airway.

Frank Moss and his wife Mary, Julius Schroeder, a boarder, and Moss's stepson, John Urimoff, ran into the hallway, seeking escape, and found flames creeping up the stairs. Finding it impossible to get out this way, they tried the fire escape.

The window leading to the escapes was locked, and Urimoff ran his fist through it in his excitement, and in this manner received his injuries. They finally got to the escapes and all crossed over to the adjoining house.

Marie Niemeyer, seventy-one years old, with an American flag wrapped around her, clambered out upon the fire escape on the sixth floor and prepared to jump. She explained afterward that she decided if she must die she would die with the flag around her. The firemen feared she would jump in spite of their cries of warning and Battalion Chief Devany ordered the life nets prepared. Other men went up the ladder and into the third floor of No. 443 and then to the sixth and out on the fire escape. They reached her just as she climbed upon the railing and dragged her back.

A sixteen-year-old girl appeared at a window on the fourth floor and screamed for help. George Bauschmeier, of No. 240 Avenue A, ran up through the adjoining house and out upon the fire escape and helped the girl to the street. She had been so blinded by smoke that she was helpless.

Four young men, attracted by the clamor of the engines, performed eminent rescue work. While the firemen were busy getting folks out the front of the building these youths went to the roof of No. 433, a five-story structure. A window opens from the burned building, about six feet above this roof. Benjamin Werner, of No. 71 East 123d street, one of the four, was raised on the shoulders of his companions and, perched on the window sill, helped a family of five down to the roof, lowering them one at a time to his companions. The loss was placed at \$10,000.

ARRESTED IN POISON CASE

Man Near Death, Wife and Alleged Rival Locked Up.

Mrs. Nellie Northrop, of No. 3036 Richmond terrace, Mariner's Harbor, Richmond Borough, and John Quest, also of Mariner's Harbor, are locked up at the Stapleton police station on suspicion of having knowledge of the administration of strychnine to William Northrop, husband of the woman.

Northrop is in St. Vincent's Hospital, Richmond, and the doctors think he will die. It is charged that Northrop ate a dish of poisoned prunes yesterday morning.

Mrs. Northrop was arrested in the afternoon on a pier at the Erie Basin, in Brooklyn. Quest was arrested at the end of Whitehall street, in Manhattan, after he had left a Richmond ferryboat.

For a month Northrop, who is a boat builder, fifty-one years of age, and his wife, who is about twenty years his junior, have been living on a houseboat at Mariner's Harbor. Quest, it is alleged, has been friendly with Mrs. Northrop for a year or more, and Northrop had objected to Quest's visits at his house. The police say Northrop told them his wife had threatened to kill him on a number of occasions.



ARMSTRONG DREXEL, SON OF A. J. DREXEL. He flew thirty-five miles in his monoplane, Tuesday in England, carrying a passenger. (Photograph by the American Press Association.)

PRISONER MAY BE LEON LING

Police Pick Up Chinaman Disguised as Negro and Hold Him.

A Chinaman disguised as a negro, his face, neck and hands blackened with burnt cork, but wearing a suit of Chinese clothing underneath a longshoreman's outfit, was arrested at the corner of Baxter street and Park Row this morning at 1 o'clock as a suspicious person. The police are still looking for Leon Ling, the supposed slayer of Elsie Sigel, and let no chances go by.

The disguise, for an Oriental, was one of the most remarkable the police had ever run across, they said, and the actions, as well as the appearance, of the prisoner puzzled the officers of the Elizabeth street station. Their suspicions were also aroused, and the Central Office was informed.

The prisoner made no reply when addressed in English, so Lieutenant Hearle called an interpreter. Then the Chinaman said he was Lee Hung, and that he had recently arrived from Mexico by steamer. His hair was cut American fashion.

The prisoner picked up a newspaper in the station, but when one of the policemen remarked that he could read English he quickly dropped it.

BRYAN ALREADY A LOSER

No Hope of Dominating Nebraska State Convention.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.] Omaha, July 20.—The fight between Bryan and the allied Democratic leaders for control of the state convention and the making of the platform continues to wage with nearly everything going against Bryan. However, Mr. Bryan won another county to-day, making the second one which has instructed for him since the fight began.

The allies have the delegations from about fifty counties instructed for them. There will be 884 delegates in the convention. Already 320 are instructed against Bryan and 132 of the uninstructed have expressed themselves as against him. Even should Bryan gain all the other delegations the fight has already gone against him. Bryan has only sixty-eight delegates instructed for him, fifty-seven of these being from his home county.

PAINTED THE CROWD GREEN

Pot Fell from Roof and Bedaubed Through—Cost Owner \$500 for Clothes.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.] Pittsburgh, July 20.—Three quarts of green paint which fell in Diamond street during the luncheon hour a couple of days ago into a crowd of jaundiced city sports and some others who had gathered for daily "dope" on the baseball game to-day cost A. Smith & Co., painters, \$500.

The paint fell accidentally from a roof, and when the boss painter saw the results he threw up both hands and told all in the crowd to go to Attorney E. E. Craumer's office, where all would be made right. The paint pot lit on one man's head and splashed through the crowd until, in combination with the original colors, it looked like the solar spectrum. To-day the attorney, however, insisted that all green clothes be left behind before they were turned over the money. One man in the crowd compromised on \$4, because he wanted to keep his coat, green as it was.

TAFT CLASSMATE A CANDIDATE

Would-Bound Congressman Weighs One Pound More Than President.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.] New Orleans, July 20.—Louis Le Bourgeois, sheriff of St. James Parish, is candidate to succeed the late Congressman Samuel L. Gilmore. Le Bourgeois is a Yale man, having been graduated with President Taft in the class of 1878. He is much like the President in physique and when he was in Washington recently with the Louisiana delegation to a Panama exposition here Sheriff Le Bourgeois addressed the Executive as "Mr. President."

CHICAGO OVER 2,000,000 MARK?

Chicago, July 20.—The population of Chicago is 2,100,000, according to estimates based on the 1910 school census, made public to-day. The total minor population of the city is 814,115, an increase of 66,788 over the census of 1905. Children of German parentage take first rank, followed by Poles, Russians and Irish. The total population, according to the school census of 1908, was 1,922,338. In 1904 the population was 1,714,114.

COTTON BROKERS IN FIGHT

After Wild Day in Pit Two Came to Blows.

SLUMP CAUSED THE ROW

One Helped to Cause It, and the Other Denounced Him for Telegram.

A cotton mill was in operation in downtown New York on Tuesday afternoon, with Frank B. Hayne, of New Orleans, one of the leading members of the so-called bull party, and Lamar L. Fleming, a prominent bear, who is associated with Hayden, Stone & Co., as its active executives. It was opened in the old Delmonico's, at William and Beaver streets, just across from the New York Cotton Exchange. Unlike the type familiar in New England and the South, to which the raw material dealt in on the exchange is sent, this mill turned out no finished product, but may be said to have been started as a result of doings on the exchange, and after a very short time its machinery was stilled, probably forever.

In other words, there was a brief season of fistfights in Delmonico's, with Mr. Hayne and Mr. Fleming as the principals. The cotton market had a sensational break on Tuesday, July falling about 80 points, or \$4 a bale, and serious declines occurring in all of the leading futures. The bear party made a determined and successful drive at the market, their operations being materially assisted by heavy selling from out-of-town points, due to reports that the bull party had liquidated its holdings and that its deal had collapsed.

Fleming Specially Active.

Many bear houses had sent out letters in the morning to their correspondents, giving this report; but Mr. Fleming, it was said, followed up his letter with dispatches to the same effect. The bull houses soon began to receive from many parts of the country, especially the South, inquiries as to the accuracy of the statement, and Mr. Hayne, who was among those to whom the dispatches were addressed, sent answers characterizing the report as a lie.

After the close of the market many of the brokers, among them Mr. Hayne, went over to Delmonico's to have luncheon, for the session on the exchange had been too important and exciting to make it safe for them to leave the trading pit before the closing gong sounded. Soon Mr. Fleming came in, and, noticing Mr. Hayne sitting at a table, walked over to him and placing before him a copy of one of the dispatches in which he had strongly denounced Mr. Fleming's sending out of the report that the bull deal had collapsed asked him if he was responsible for that telegram.

Mr. Hayne adjusted his glasses, read the dispatch and answered: "I am."

Thereupon Mr. Fleming struck him and Mr. Hayne retorted in kind. Friends of Mr. Hayne said that he "knocked Fleming flat as a flounder," but the Fleming adherents deny it, and in proof point out that Mr. Fleming shows no marks of a blow of sufficient force to have brought him to the floor. Some of the brokers "have it on the best authority" that there was only what prizefight experts might call a "mix-up," but it was sufficiently lively to involve the pulling down of a tablecloth, which brought with it a clattering and cracking medley of china and glass and silver.

Mr. Fleming was averse yesterday to giving an authentic and official account of the encounter, saying: "When two gentlemen settle a matter in that way it is better not to discuss it."

Blows Follow Words.

Mr. Hayne said at the Waldorf last night that he did not care to discuss the Delmonico episode beyond correcting an error that had crept into one account of it. That account had it that Mr. Hayne struck the first blow. Mr. Hayne wished it distinctly understood that if there were any bouquets coming his way he were not due for any such reason.

Mr. Hayne acknowledged that he superintended the last blow, but even concerning that he refused to supply any of the interesting details. There were only two blows. He said there was enough bitterness of feeling down at the

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IRA G. RAWN SAID TO BE A SUICIDE

Monon President Was Chief Witness in Illinois Central Fraud Investigation.

TO HAVE BEEN A DEFENDANT

"Looked Like Walking Death," Says Friend—Powder Marks on Nightgown Confute Story of Burglar.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.] Chicago, July 20.—Ira Griffith Rawn, president of the Monon Railroad, whose death by shooting early this morning at his summer home in Winnetka, a Chicago suburb, was at first charged to a burglar, is now believed to have killed himself.

It is considered practically certain that Mr. Rawn committed suicide rather than face the impending revelation of his alleged connection with the million dollar frauds perpetrated on the Illinois Central Railroad while he was its vice-president.

This is the theory of both the police who investigated the case and of those familiar with Mr. Rawn's Illinois Central record. The latter, from their definite knowledge of the facts and circumstances attending the railroad's graft losses, furnish the motives—fear of a recession from wealth and a respected position and of possible criminal prosecution and conviction.

The police, from their investigation of the shooting, so far as the reticent relatives have permitted that investigation to go, refute all theories of murder by a burglar, a hired assassin or a private enemy; in fact, all theories but that of suicide.

As a basis for their suicide theory the police advance the following reasons: They point to the fact that Mr. Rawn was operating vice-president of the Illinois Central Railroad at the time fraudulent car repair contracts were put through, and that recently he has been drawn into the Illinois Central graft investigation as a chief witness.

They say that the action of Mr. Rawn's relatives in refusing the aid of the Chicago detective department to search for the alleged murderer is suspicious.

They declare that there exists a lack of convincing evidence that an intruder had actually been in the Rawn residence.

Mrs. Rawn, wife of the dead man; R. G. Coburn, his son-in-law; Mrs. Coburn and two children and three maids were in the house when