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Cloudy tonight; Thursday fair and colder.

MOTHER AWAITS LETTER TELLING OF CHILD'S SELF CAUSED DEATH

Louisa Jessup Jones, in Good Health, and Enjoying Independent Income Turns on Gas.

Was Wife of Alexander K. Jones, a Rich Eccentric, From Whom She Had Separated — Said to Have Been Melancholy Over Decease of Georgianna Fox a Popular High School Girl, Her Sister.

Mrs. George Fox, of 351 Beechwood avenue, this city is anxiously awaiting the arrival of the letter addressed to her by her daughter, Louisa Jessup Jones, who committed suicide Saturday, in San Francisco. The letter is one of three written by the unfortunate woman a few moments before she decided to die.

Louisa Jessup Jones was the wife of Alexander K. Jones of New York city. She and her husband had been apart for the past six months by mutual agreement. But the wife seemed to be reconciled to her lot for the past few years, and her many friends and acquaintances in this city are shocked by her death and are at a loss to account for her act.

Mrs. Jones' mother who was shocked on Saturday afternoon to find that her home had been ransacked by sneak thieves during an absence of a few hours, is deeply affected by the more recent news of her daughter's death. The arrival of the letter is expected by Mrs. Jones in the hope that it will clear up the mystery.

Friends of Mrs. Jones are of the opinion that she never recovered from the shock caused by the death of her half sister, Miss Georgianna Fox to whom she was greatly attached and who accompanied her on several trips about the country.

Miss Fox was a very charming girl and was very popular with her classmates at the Bridgeport High School at the time of her death, in July, 1908. Shortly after the death of the young girl Mrs. Jones is reported to say she did not care whether she lived or not.

Mrs. Jones was a native of New York, but lived for several years in Stamford. She was well connected with New York families and at the time of her death was visiting at the home of a cousin, whose maiden name was Wright. She was 27 years old.

The members of Mrs. Jones' family never knew the secret of the separation of Mr. and Mrs. Jones and never made inquiry. Since the separation she has had no permanent place of residence, although the return of her time had been spent in this city. She had traveled over the greater part of this continent and Europe. Her marriage to Alexander K. Jones took place about 15 years ago and the last place of him by his New York attorney was that he was spending the winter in Washington.

He has been a paralytic for several years, and without the use of one arm. He received an annual allowance of \$100 from the estate of his father and allowed his wife \$100 per month to care for herself.

Mrs. Jones was a tall brunette of striking appearance and made many warm friends. Her only brother, Harry Jessup Fox was drowned about 20 years ago while skating on the Housatonic river, when the family resided at Paradise Green in Stratford. Besides her mother she was survived by a half sister, Edward S. K. Johnston of New York, counsel for Mrs. Jones, has informed the family that the deceased left a note, expressing a wish to be buried in California.

Her lawyers can assign no reason for suicide, asserting that Mrs. Jones was in perfect health when she was heard from her. Jones used to be a familiar figure in the numerous courts in this city. He seemed to take great delight in listening to trials of criminal cases.

AHEARN SUIT AGAINST TUKEY CONTINUED TODAY

The case of Thomas Ahearn of Stratford against Dr. Frank M. Tukey were continued in the Common Pleas court this morning before Judge Scott and Jury.

The first witness for the plaintiff called was Joseph R. Carey who testified that he was in the room where the corner of Union and Connecticut avenues at which corner the accident occurred. He heard the crash and hastened to the scene. He helped pick up Ahearn and assisted the gentlemen in the auto. He did not notice whether the lights were lit or not.

The second witness called was Edward Franklyn B. Reeves, mechanical engineer and teacher of Esperanto. Mr. Reeves lived at the corner of Connecticut and Union streets and hurried out of his house after the crash. His evidence greatly helped the plaintiff.

John B. Schwartz was a resident also at the corner where the accident took place. Mr. Schwartz testified that he was passing when the crash occurred. He rushed out of the house and rendered what assistance he could to those injured. Mr. Ahearn, who was in the road and to him appeared dead. Mr. Schwartz testified to having seen statements in a local Sunday paper relative to the man arrested for selling a statement was signed by him and others. He claimed that he did not remember signing such a statement, though he was arrested for the fact there was a circular going about which the paper changed of its own accord.

Bids Received for Temporary Bridge At Congress Street

The Congress Street Bridge Commission has received the bids for the proposed temporary bridge across the river at Congress street, but has not awarded the contract as yet. Toole & Sunderlin who are the lowest bidders for furnishing a pontoon bridge are only \$145 higher than the Share & Trist Co. in its bid for the job of building the proposed lift bridge. The figures are as follows: Lift bridge, Share & Trist, \$2,200; Toole & Sunderlin, \$2,241.50. Pontoon bridge, The Share & Trist Co., \$2,770; Toole & Sunderlin, \$2,775; M. R. Blakeman, \$1,835.

STEAMER HORATIO HALL COLLISION AND IS BEACHED AT GAY HEAD

Struck Freighter Dimmock in Dense Fog This Morning and Run Ashore to Save Lives. CALLED FOR ASSISTANCE BY THE WIRELESS

Known That No Lives Were Lost in the Collision — Fate of the Dimmock Not Known But Believed She is Safe — Revenue Cutter Gresham Goes to Aid of Disabled Vessels — Steamer Massachusetts Reported Ashore at Vineyard Haven.

(Special from United Press.) Newport, R. I., March 10.—The steamer Horatio Hall of the New York and Portland, Me., line was sent to the bottom today as the result of a collision in the fog with the H. M. Dimmock, a freighter, bound from Boston to New York. The Hall, which had a few passengers on board and a very heavy cargo of general freight, was smashed below the water line, and her captain, Jewell, at once sent her ahead at full speed, bringing up on the beach at Gay Head, at the entrance to Plymouth Sound. She then sent the following appeal for help which was picked up by the revenue cutter Gresham which at once started for the scene.

"In collision with H. M. Dimmock 7 a. m. Ship cut below the water line. Now on bottom. Send assistance at once as we are in danger of being still afloat.

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POLISH PRIEST ASSASSINATED IN NEWARK

Shot Down in Rectory by Three Unknown Men Who Escape. NO MOTIVE FOR THE DEED KNOWN

Housekeeper Also Wounded — Father Ansonie Died of Wounds on Way to Hospital — Noise of Shots Brings Help but Assassins Force Their Way Out — Four Arrests Have Been Made.

(Special from United Press.) Newark, N. J., March 10.—Rev. Erasmus Ansonie, curate of St. Stanislaus Polish Catholic church, was assassinated in the parish rectory this morning by three men. The housekeeper of the rectory, Miss Antonia Tonista, was also shot. The priest died on the way to the hospital in a police ambulance. The cause of the shooting has not been learned. The men who shot the priest escaped.

The dead priest came here from Patterson, N. J., three months ago. He was assistant rector at St. Stephens Polish Catholic church on East 11th street, Newark. About a year ago there was trouble among the parishioners of St. Stephens but it is declared that Father Ansonie had no part in the existing differences between the two factions that caused the trouble.

St. Stanislaus church here is on Belmont avenue and the rector is Rev. Joseph Masnick. It is the largest Polish Catholic parish in New Jersey and has a parochial school attended by more than seven hundred Polish-Americans.

The rectory of St. Stanislaus church is on Belmont avenue adjoining the church. Father Ansonie, the rector, was in church this morning offering mass when the door bell of the rectory rang and Miss Tonista, who is a woman about 47 years old, responded. There was a group of either three or four at the door and they asked to see Father Ansonie. The priest had offered early mass and was nearly finished with his room. He greeted the visitors and escorted them into the little front parlor of the rectory.

That happened this morning is a mystery. The first intimation that something was wrong was when the shots were heard. Miss Tonista rushed into the room and was struck down at the door by a bullet. The group of men rushed over the fallen body of the woman, made their way to the front door to Belmont avenue and escaped down West Kinney street. The fugitives were seen running away but no definite description of them could be obtained.

The sounds of the shots attracted the attention of the curate of St. Stanislaus church, who he died a few minutes later. The group of men rushed over the fallen body of the woman, made their way to the front door to Belmont avenue and escaped down West Kinney street. The fugitives were seen running away but no definite description of them could be obtained.

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GOVERNMENT ABANDONS ITS SUIT AGAINST STANDARD OIL

Under Ruling of Judge Anderson it Would Be Impossible to Convict. Jury Instructed to Return a Verdict of Acquittal and Promptly Does So — Absolute Failure of Retrial of Famous Case in Which \$29,000,000 Fine Was Imposed.

(Special from United Press.) Chicago, March 10.—The government abandoned its case against the Standard Oil Company to-day, after Judge Anderson had dismissed all the courts referring to shipments from Chapelle, Ill., Assistant United States District Attorney Wilkerson asked the court if it was true, that out of the evidence thus far presented, it was impossible to convict the defendant. The court replied in the affirmative and Wilkerson then said:

"Then there is no use of going on. The government rests its case here. Counsel for the defendant moved that a verdict of acquittal be immediately returned and the court called the jury into the room to pass on this. The jury returned a verdict in accordance with the instructions of Judge Landis. This is the case in which a \$29,000,000 fine was imposed by Judge Landis.

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WHEELER SAYS HE IS NOT A THEATRICAL MAN

New York Theatrical Interests Have Been Looking Over His Property. Wise Ones Claim Theatre is Going to be Built in Main Street and Schuberts Are Mentioned.

Owner of Hotel Stratfield Would Like First Class Theatre Nearby but Denies That He is Thinking of Building One; Says He Has Building Lots to Sell.

New York theatrical magnates are making an effort to secure a location here for a new theatre. Those who claim to be on the inside say that the new playhouse will be built on property, north of Congress street on the west side of Main street on property now owned by Samuel H. Wheeler and open for the season of 1910-1911. Several weeks ago soundings were made on the property and since that time all kinds of rumors have been about the property. Mr. Wheeler said that the reason he made the soundings was that Blitz & Co. had a gang of workmen near the spot and he asked them to make borings to ascertain the nature of the soil.

To-day Mr. Wheeler was asked if he intended to erect a theatre. He said: "The first I knew of it was that I read there were such rumors in the newspapers. There was a man named Shaw here from New York who was going to do for a theatre. I have some lots to sell and I showed him what I had. I have not heard from him since."

Asked if he would build a theatre, he replied, "I am not a theatrical man—know nothing about the business. I have never thought of doing so."

It is understood that Mr. Wheeler would like to see a theatre near his hotel, the Stratfield, and it is said that the kind of pavement that would be desirable for the control of the new house if it is erected.

Judge Nicholson Favors Amendment

(By Our Staff Correspondent.) Hartford, March 10.—A proposed amendment to the charter of the Connecticut Baptist Convention was favorably considered to-day. It gives the convention power to receive and administer trusts, funds, which the trustees do not give. The committee on incorporations was enlightened upon the subject by Judge E. K. Nicholson of Bridgeport.

WOOD WILL GO HIGHER IF WE DECLARE FOR IT

The members of the street committee are not disposed to announce how they will stand on the question of wood block pavement when the time comes for letting the contract. Chairman Hartley this morning said that the committee declared itself in favor of wood block but that the bids upon the work would soar skyward and the price become prohibitive for Bridgeport. The committee, he said, would advertise for bids to furnish all kinds of pavement, and it could tell best about the kind of pavement that would be laid after it had seen the figures.

The chairman also stated he had learned from Boston that some of the contractors had had bids for a great deal more money than Bridgeport had ever paid for pavement.

Prices for wood block which have been quoted here in the past have run from \$3.10 to \$3.65 a square yard. Prices for brick paving have graduated from \$2.50 to \$2.89 per square yard.

FOR SALE CHEAP.—A horse, also a top buggy and harness. Will be sold reasonable. Call or address 501 Huntington Road. S 10 s p o

Attachment to Recover on Bond

Deputy Sheriff Peter Doolan this morning attached property on Helen street belonging to John J. Dunn of this city. Some time ago, William, brother of John J. Dunn was arrested for swindling a number of young men of this city out of their money. Dunn received money from the young men for obtaining good position for them, which they never received. His brother put up a bond of \$400 for his release, which was forfeited. William Dunn then went to Milford where he was hauled before the authorities for the same offense.

The attachment to-day was in favor of State's Attorney Williams of New Haven to cover the bond.

CHICKEN THIEVES AT WORK AGAIN

Fourteen large fat fowls were removed from the chicken coop belonging to Daniel Hoff at 1424 North avenue, last night. The theft is attributed to tramps who make their headquarters in the waste country in the northern part of the city.

HEARINGS ON ALL CHARTER CHANGES SET FOR MARCH 17

Includes Those Favored by Council and Those Offered by Lee and Others. Biggest Contest Will Come Over Creation of Permanent Paving Commission With Powers Similar to Board of Public Works — Water Purchase Amendment Also Promises Lively Time.

(From Our Staff Correspondent.) Hartford, March 10.—The committee on Cities and Boroughs voted to-day to hold hearings on all matters relating to amendments of the charter of the city of Bridgeport at the same time. The date was fixed for Wednesday, March 17, which is St. Patrick's day, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. The rule applies to everything of this nature, both amendments that have been approved by the Common Council, and those that have not.

The amendment to the charter of the Bridgeport Hydraulic Company will be treated like the rest. This is the amendment giving permission to the city of Bridgeport to purchase the property of the company, without being bound by a right of veto in Stratford and Fairfield. It is a substitute to an existing act which is said to be very unsatisfactory to the people of Bridgeport.

Other amendments relate to giving the mayor power to appoint the city attorney in place of the council; also to appoint the city engineer in place of the council. These are approved by the Council of Bridgeport.

An amendment over which a contest is expected, with Mayor Henry Lee on one side and a committee of the council on the other side, relates to the creation of a permanent paving commission, with forces analogous to those of the former board of public works of Bridgeport.

Equally interesting it is believed will be the fight over the water amendment which gives the city of Bridgeport a company has lodged a petition against any hearing being granted upon the proposed amendment, upon the ground that it has not been advertised in compliance with the statutes, and that no notice has been given by the city of Bridgeport to adverse parties.

LAFAYETTE PARK CLAIMED BY HEIRS OF LATE S. B. JONES

Claimants Referred to the Opinion of City Attorney Cullinan, Who Says City's Title Is Good.

The question of the title to one-half of what is now known as Lafayette Park came up again last night at the meeting of the board of Park commissioners. Attorney James A. Marr represents Seth B. and N. H. Jones, who claim the title to the property. The board has the opinion of City Attorney Cullinan that the city has a clear title. Seth B. Jones, of the Park avenue Institute, said this morning that the matter would probably be got into court in some way to determine the rights of himself and his brother, although the suit would be of a friendly nature. He is certain that the property was never transferred by his father, President George M. Eames of the Park Board, was authorized to take charge of the matter.

FATHER SHEEDY WAS BRIDGEPORT BOY

He Will Deliver Lenten Sermon in St. Patrick's Church.

The Lenten sermon at St. Patrick's church this evening will be delivered by Rev. Father John Sheedy, son of Mrs. Margaret Sheedy, of 204 Main street. Father Sheedy also has a brother in this city, Dr. George Sheedy, and a sister Miss Ellen Sheedy, a teacher at the Washington School. Father Sheedy is a Bridgeport boy. He was educated in the parochial schools here. He received his preliminary education at the Germantown University in Pennsylvania and later at the Niagara University at Chester, N. Y. He was ordained to the priesthood.

He celebrated his first mass in this city last June, at St. Patrick's Church. Father Sheedy is connected with Clinton diocese in New Jersey, being stationed at Bernardsville. He is regarded as an eloquent pulpit lecturer, and no doubt many of his old schoolmates and friends will be at the services to welcome him.

MANWARING AND HOLZER CANVASS ALL SENATORS

(By Our Staff Correspondent.) Hartford, March 10.—An executive meeting of the judiciary will be held this afternoon, at which the Bridgeport City Court matter will be again rehearsed, and all doubts as to whether or not there will be a minority report removed.

By some members, that a majority of the committee, although (UNCLASSIFIED.)

FOR SALE.—Opportunity for a tool-maker or machinist with small capital. FORGOT our ad yesterday but don't you forget this—best line of post-cards at Wood's Smokeshop. 61 Cannon St. S 10 s p o

BRAD'S NEW SPRING SUITS for men or woman are now ready. Wait until you see Brad and all. Credit as low as cash. 1294 Main. S 10 s p o

LOST.—Fox terrier puppy, name Daisey. Brown head, white stripe through center. Liberal reward. Smarto, 216 South Ave. S 10 s p o

WOULD EXCHANGE at sacrifice value 'cello' for motor boat. Address 'Cello, Farmer Office. S 10 s p o

TO RENT.—Store suitable for grocery and butcher market. Inquire 594 Brooks St. S 10 s p o

WANTED.—Lady bookkeeper and cashier; state salary, experience and reference. Answer in own handwriting. Address P. S. M., care Farmer. S 8 s o

MALE HELP WANTED.—Learn the automobile business; the greatest mechanical business of the day; outside air, good wages and seeing the country. Wake up and make yourself a future. New England Auto School, 615 State street, Bridgeport. S 10 s p o

THIS WEEK'S BARGAINS in used upright pianos.—One Steinway, \$250; one Jewett, \$275; one Bradway, \$165; one Bradford, \$175; one Stone, \$125; one Hardman, \$280; one Woodbury, \$210; one Marton & Sons, \$175; one Gable, \$200; one Weber, \$200; squares, \$15; organs, \$10. Easy payments. The M. Steiner & Sons Co., 915 Main St. S 10 s p o

CARD OF THANKS. The undersigned wishes to express their sincere thanks to their many friends who so kindly assisted us during our recent bereavement in the loss of our mother, also to all who sent floral tributes, and especially to members of L. O. U. No. 6 of this city. JAMES, MATTHEW AND ALICE RYAN. S 10 s p o

WE DO THE RIGHT kind of picture framing at lowest prices. Standard Art Store, 1219 Main St., Stratfield building. I 30 s 3 s