

CONTRACTOR SHOT,
WEALTHY BROKER
HELD FOR CRIME

B. F. Jackson Arrested After
Harry Lavelle Is Mortally
Wounded in New York.

NEW YORK, March 23.—Wounded twice in the left temple and once in the right arm, Harry Lavelle, forty-four years old, a wealthy contractor and builder, living in the Fairmont apartments, at 916 East 17th street, was taken unconscious last night to Fordham Hospital. He did not recover consciousness and, the surgeons said, he could not recover.

Suffering from a nervous collapse which, according to the police of the Tremont station, has made it impossible for them to obtain from him a complete story of the shooting, Benjamin F. Jackson, a prominent real estate operator, also reputed to be wealthy, was locked up. He is charged with having shot Mr. Lavelle.

According to the police report, the shooting occurred soon after 9 o'clock last night in the vestibule of the residence of Mr. Jackson, at 1229 Simpson street. Before he collapsed in the station house, according to the police, Mr. Jackson said he had a revolver while arguing with Mr. Lavelle.

"I cannot realize how I shot him," was his statement, according to the police.

Mr. Lavelle's sister, Mrs. Margaret Lahaney, twenty-eight years old, has been employed in Mr. Jackson's home as housekeeper for several months, the police learned. Mr. Jackson has been married twice. His first wife is dead.

Had Revolver to Repel Thieves.
Mrs. Lahaney and the Jackson children were in an upper part of the house, the police were told, when the man who was shot called last night. Mr. Jackson answered the bell. Vacant lots adjoin one side of the Jackson home, and Mr. Jackson explained, before he was taken to the station house, burglars frequently have made attempts to enter his home.

Because of his fear that a thief might get into the house, Mr. Jackson said he obtained a revolver, and, so that it might be out of the reach of his children, hid it in the parlor, close to the door opening into the hallway leading from the street. It was placed beneath a chair and out of sight.

When Mr. Lavelle appeared last night, according to Mr. Jackson's story, the visitor demanded that he be admitted. Mr. Jackson said that Mr. Lavelle declared he wanted to talk with his sister's employer. When Mr. Jackson told him to go away, the police report they were told by the man charged with the shooting, that Mr. Lavelle placed his foot against the door. Then he caught hold of Mr. Jackson and pushed him back into the hallway, according to the latter's story.

Son Calls a Policeman.
Unconsciously, Mr. Jackson, the police assert the prisoner told them, went into the parlor and obtained the revolver. Then he returned to the hallway, where Mr. Lavelle was standing. The men grappled a second time. They were in the vestibule three or four minutes. All that he remembers, Mr. Jackson insisted, is that he saw Mr. Lavelle fall. When he fell, at this point in his narrative Mr. Jackson collapsed.

Mr. Jackson's son, Edward, sixteen years old, ran from the house and summoned Policeman Tattell, who arrested Mr. Jackson.

Modern Woodmen to
Conduct Visitations
A series of visitations to the camps of the Modern Woodmen of America in the District, will be conducted by Washington Camp, No. 11,464, beginning next week. A delegation from Washington camp will make the rounds. By this trip it is hoped to bring the camps in closer harmony with each other.

Last night Dr. Thomas Liville, Dr. H. E. Perry, and Head Physician J. W. Sutherland, spoke to the members of the camp at a meeting in the Typographical Temple. Arrangements were completed for an entertainment and dance to be held at National Rifles Armory on the evening of April 9, to be participated in by several Woodmen and Royal Neighbor camps of the District.

At a meeting of A. R. Talbot Camp, No. 11,912, last night, a number of promotions were announced. William McCaffrey, who has been District deputy for the past eight years, has been made state deputy for New Jersey, Maryland, Delaware, and the District of Columbia. His place as district deputy has been filled by H. H. Millard, who has served Talbot Camp for seven years as state lecturer. Dr. Benjamin F. Gibbs, of West End Camp, has been elected state lecturer to fill the place made vacant by the promotion of Mr. Millard.

Boston's Subway Opened.
BOSTON, Mass., March 23.—The new subway system for the handling of the heavy passenger traffic between Boston and Cambridge, was formally opened today. The tunnel, which is three and a quarter miles in length, starts at the Park Street station of the old subway, and passes under Boston Common, Beacon Hill, and Charles river to Harvard square in Cambridge.

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Seen Here in Opera Ballet



BERTHA LINGLE

FORMER HIGH SCHOOL
GIRL IS SEEN HERE
IN OPERA BALLET

Miss Bertha Lingle, Graduate of Central, Makes Success as Danseuse.

Members of the class of '10 of the Washington Central High School and other friends were interested in the visit to Washington of Miss Bertha Lingle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lingle, formerly of Capitol Hill, who is a member of the ballet of the Chicago Grand Opera Company, which is at the Belasco for two performances, this afternoon and this evening. Miss Lingle, though but eighteen years of age, has already won considerable fame as a danseuse.

After finishing a course in ballet dancing in New York, she joined the Chicago company, and when that company closes its season with its Washington performances, she will immediately go to New York, where she has been engaged as a member of Reginald De Koven's "Robin Hood" company, which opens a fourteen-weeks' engagement in the New Amsterdam Theater next Monday.

Date Set for Hearing
Charges Against Widow

Denying the motion to permit the release of Mrs. Mary E. Gage from the Government Hospital for the Insane on bond, Justice Barnard has set the hearing of the insanity charges for April 4 in Criminal Court, No. 2.

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SAYS WIFE NAGGED
AND WAS FAMILIAR
WITH THE MILKMAN

Answering Divorce Suit, H.
G. Nelson Presents Counter
Charges.

In an answer to his wife's petition for a limited divorce, Halvor G. Nelson, a Connecticut avenue grocer, makes a large number of counter charges against her, including allegations that she "continuously nagged him," persistently tried to humiliate him, and on one occasion was familiar with the milkman.

Acting on the showing made in the answer, and supporting affidavits, Justice Dan Thew Wright discharged the rule against Nelson, who will not be required to provide for his wife during the pendency of her suit.

Mrs. Nelson claimed that while her husband was riding around in an automobile she was forced to seek the aid of the Associated Charities. He denied that she was destitute, and added that she sought charity to humiliate him. She has several trunks full of clothes, he states.

Charge of Intoxication.
Charges are made by the husband and supported by affidavits that Mrs. Nelson is addicted to the use of intoxicants, and a number of times has been drunk. She is also accused of being "rough and vulgar" in her conversation.

Mrs. Miranda O. Nelson, mother of the defendant, tells in an affidavit that once she tried to sober Mrs. Nelson with black coffee, and that she threatened to cut her father's throat.

The Nelsons had a cottage at Oceanic, N. J., and the second day after they arrived there last June, according to the husband, he came home unexpectedly and found the milkman being entertained by his wife. Nelson avers that the milkman had paid his regular visit to the house earlier in the day, and that the call in question was not for the purpose of leaving milk. "Both were in a state of confusion," he explains.

Refused to Live With Her.
Nelson states that he returned to Washington after the milkman's alleged social call and since then has refused to live with his wife, although he has contributed to her support.

What are called "mortifying occurrences" are mentioned by Miss Clara R. A. Nelson, a sister of the defendant. She claims that her brother was nagged by his wife and subjected to "tears and sneezes."

The wife's alleged violence is described by Justus C. Nelson, a brother of the husband, who informs the court she was wont to become so violent as "to drive everyone from the dining room by throwing dishes at random around the room."

Teasing of Babies Called
Source of Insanity
The people who chuck babies under the chin, pinch their little feet, scream in their faces, and strangle them in a facetious attempt at tickling them, are thoughtfully considering Dr. F. H. Egbert's words today with the idea of seriously stopping the practice referred to as being the cause of much of the insanity among children.

In a talk before a gathering of mothers at the Immanuel Baptist Church last night, Dr. Egbert declared that much of the insanity in the world was directly traceable to the tease and torment which helpless babies are subjected to. Dr. Wade H. Atkinson also spoke of the mistakes parents make in caring for children. Both physicians urged teaching mothers to take better care of their children.

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Goes Blind in One Night.
ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., March 23.—Robert Bray awoke after a good night's sleep and found he was totally blind. Neighbors are paying for his room in a hospital.

Julia Murdock Says Appearance
Of Alexandra Viarda Will Be Event

Though the name of Alexandra Viarda is little known to American theatergoers, her coming visit to Washington, where she is to play two matinees in the Belasco Theater, is of general interest, as she is one of the most famous emotional actresses of her native land, Poland, the land of romance and patriotism, which has already furnished the stage with names imperishable on the scroll of fame, of which Madames Modjeska, and Janussek were illustrious examples. Alexandra Viarda is another of that noble race whose record occupies an exalted niche in the temple of Thespia. It is this latter Polish tragedienne who will be seen in the Belasco for two special matinees, on Tuesday and Thursday of next week, presenting that masterpiece of Schiller, "The Bride of Messina."

As a child Madame Viarda evinced a great dramatic temperament, which was encouraged by her parents. Her father, Baron Scheel, battled under Prince Radolin for the freedom of his native land, and being wounded in conflicts at Cracow and Leszno, fell a victim to treachery and suffered imprisonment and the confiscation of his estate.

Her Mother a Lover
of Literature and Art.
Her mother, a sister of the noble family of Segnitz, was a devoted lover and patron of literature and the arts. Hence the little girl's peculiar bent was encouraged, and as she grew older her strong dramatic temperament ripened sufficiently to induce them to bestow upon its possessor the necessary technical instruction.

At the conclusion of her dramatic studies the handsome and graceful young actress made her debut at the court theater, the Welmer, as Joan of Arc, and scored such an ovation that the grand duke and duchess dispatched their aide de camp, Count Pailleux, to compliment her. She remained at this theater for one year, and was seen in many plays, including Mary Stuart, Deborah, Iphigenia, Acosta, and other emotional roles of importance.

She then went to the court theater at Mannheim, where her engagement was a most pronounced artistic and financial success. She next appeared before the Emperor Franz Joseph at the Hofburg Theater, where her acting was a sensational success. She received the congratulations of the Emperor in a private audience. Mile. Viarda then continued her successful career at Bucarest, Galatz, Moscow, and St. Petersburg. In the latter city she appeared in the Imperial Theater, where she created a tremendous sensation as the heroine of the new Russian drama, "Princess Nariska." From capital to capital her progress was one of ever-increasing triumph.

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The appearance at the Belasco Theater of such an artist should prove an event of important dramatic interest, especially when coupled with the fact that in the "Bride of Messina" she presents one of Schiller's immortal works, which are all too little known in America, though in the standard repertoire of all European court and national theaters.

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Elks' Spring Festival
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Next Thursday night they meet again to complete their organization and map out plans for their part in the big event. An executive committee of which Mrs. John C. Wood was elected chairman, was formed. Miss Sadie Gompers, daughter of Samuel Gompers, will act as secretary.

Mrs. Mussey Speaks
To Parents of Pupils
Members of the Cleveland Park School and Community Association are today imbued with the idea of helping the teachers for a retirement and pension fund bill, as the result of a special address by Mrs. Ellen Spencer Mussey, vice president of the Board of Education, who talked last night on that subject at the Eaton School.

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Y. M. C. A. TRAINING
SCHOOL BOYS ARE
ENTERTAINED HERE

Springfield Visitors Kept
Busy With Round of
Invitations.

The thirty-five members of the Springfield (Mass.) Y. M. C. A. Training School who are visiting Washington on their annual tour of inspection, are finding the days full of activities. Every minute is brimful of action, and there is something doing all the time.

Last night the Springfield boys were entertained at dinner at the Y. M. C. A. by 120 Washington members of the boys' department. President Doggett, of the Springfield school, and W. K. Cooper, of the boys' department at the institution, spoke. Fred L. Fishback gave an illustrated lecture on "Historia 'Washington,' at the conclusion of the dinner.

Today this party met at 9:30 a. m. at the Y. M. C. A. and held a conference with M. J. Jones, director of education; A. M. Chesley, secretary of the boys' department, and C. Edward Beckett, physical director. The methods of supervision and the work taken up by the departments were made the subject of the conference with the boys, who are here to learn everything about the Y. M. C. A. and its methods.

At the conclusion of the conference the party went to the Union Station to inspect the Terminal R. R. Y. M. C. A. gymnasium and plant. President Taft will be visited after lunch, at the White House, after which the boys will go to the Y. M. C. A. building on G street. Clifford Pinchot will deliver an address to the boys at the association at 8 o'clock tonight on "Principles of Conservation." Tomorrow morning the party will attend the church of the Covenant and will go to the men's meeting at the First Congregational Church tomorrow afternoon to hear Senator Works.

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