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second-class matter.)

Mrs. Gilmer's Confession

At Alexandria, on Thursday, in the trial of
Dr. Baker, for the murder of his wife, the
cross-examination of Mrs. Gilmer was be-
gun. She stated that she was sick in bed
at the time of Mr. Baker's death; that Dr.
Baker was waiting on her at the time of
her physician; that the visit of Dr. Baker
on Saturday after his wife's death was, as
far as she knew, a professional visit. Mrs.
Baker died Tuesday and was buried Thu-
rsday.

"Criminal Intimacy," she said, "be-
tween Dr. Baker and myself began
five years ago last August. He said
from the beginning that 'all barriers
should be burned away.' By 'the begin-
ning' I mean the time that he first med-
dled with me. I did not know at first what
he meant. At the time he made the remark
I did not take it that he meant to do it
to my wife. There was never any agreement
between us about taking her life. He told
me that she should not live to see the birth
of her child. He made no proposition to
me about destroying my husband till about four
months after his wife's death. I went to
Polaski and remained a month. It was
after my return that the proposition was
made. The first poison—hydrocyanic acid—
was given to me for my husband more than
two months after Mrs. Baker's death.
He gave me arsenic the same month that he
gave me the hydrocyanic acid. He left two
capsules for my husband. [Witnesses sat
on examination in chief but he had left
only one.]

"I wrote a letter of condolence to Dr.
Baker and the members of his family at the
time of his wife's death. I meant every
word I said. The letter was from my son.
I sympathized with the entire family. I did
not know anything about the state of Mrs.
Baker's health before her death, because I
had not seen her. I know she was in labor."
Witness was then asked if Mrs. Baker's
life had not been despaired of on other oc-
casions similar to the occasion of her death.
Witness answered: "I did not think she
was any more liable to die than any other
delicate woman. I did not think before her
last sickness that she was a woman of frail
constitution. I did not visit her often on
account of the rumors throughout the neigh-
borhood about my intimacy with Dr. Baker.
I did not take his remark that his wife
should not see the birth of her child as
meaning that he meant to destroy her."

She was asked whether she would have
written the letter of condolence to the doc-
tor's family if she had believed that he took
his wife's life for her sake.
Answer: "I think it would have been still
more my duty in that case."
She continued: "If he committed that
crime for my sake it was my duty to do all I
could to console his children."
"I believed at the time that he had killed
his wife. I never made any false statements
to him, except in connection with poisoning
my husband. I swore in the presence of
my minister that there 'had never been any
criminal intimacy between Dr. Baker and
myself. I was trying to obtain Mr. Gilmer's
forgiveness. The reconciliation between
Mr. Gilmer and myself occurred about three
weeks after Dr. Baker's conviction. We
are now living together as man and wife."

The record of the circuit court was then
sent for, and it was proved that a divorce
suit was brought last May to the June rules
by Wyndham Gilmer against Margaret Gil-
mer, but that no further action had been
taken, and that sufficient time has elapsed
for the suit to be dropped.

Mrs. Gilmer was then questioned again re-
garding the criminal intimacy, whether it
commenced in August or October, five years
ago.
She said that it was in October, but that
he had made love to her in August. "Mr.
Gilmer's jealousy was aroused and he de-
cided Dr. Baker the privilege of coming to
our house. Mr. Gilmer did not believe at
first that there was any criminal intimacy,
but thought that my conduct was im-
proper."

Witness then detailed the manner of their
ostentatious meetings, the manner of their
correspondence, &c., all of which substan-
tially agrees with her testimony at the former
trial.
The chief of the defense in this line of
examination were to prove that the ad-
verseness came from Mrs. Gilmer and not
from Dr. Baker. One important point gain-
ed by the defense was the statement by the
witness that there was nothing to prevent
her intercourse with the doctor during the
life of Mrs. Baker.
She was asked if she had told anything at
the former trial that she had not told this
time.
She answered that she had and that she
had told some things that she had not
told before; that her mind was in such a
state before that she scarcely knew what
she was saying.

The witness was subjected to a most
thorough examination as to the Fairmont
trip, her letters, her advances to the doctor
and Wyndham Gilmer's knowledge of the
intimacy.
She stated that her husband allowed her
to keep a photograph of Dr. Baker, and var-
ious presents from him; that when he be-
came very jealous of Baker he destroyed
the photograph.
She admitted that many statements in
her letters were false; that she was trying
to prevent Dr. Baker from deserting her.
She was asked why was she said in one
of her letters that she would "never let him
rest till she was in his great, big, loving
arms."

She answered: "Because Dr. Baker had
ruined me forever and forever, and he has
clouded the footsteps of my two children
to their graves."
Her answers during this period of the ex-
amination often expressed the most intense

pathos, but they were framed with great
art, evidently for the sake of avoiding self-
contradiction. She professed that she never
tried to deceive Dr. Baker, but was after-
wards forced to admit that she had made
various false statements to him.

She was asked what promise she meant
when she said in one of her letters that she
"hoped her soul might be eternally damned
if she failed to carry out her promise."

She answered that she had reference to
co-operating with Dr. Baker, but admitted
that she never had any idea of doing so.

This was in contradiction to her statement
that she had never tried to deceive Dr. Baker.
The defense announced that they were through
with the witness, and she was asked a few
questions by the prosecution.

She continued: "Dr. Baker never tried to
get me to administer the poison to my husband
till after he was ordered not to come to our
house. He wished me to give him medicine to
get him in such a condition that he (Baker)
could give the poison. After he was forbidden
he tried to get me to commit the crime."
She was then asked about her husband's
knowledge of the intimacy between her and
Baker, the prosecution trying to break the
line of the testimony brought out this
morning that Gilmer had printed the
intimacy to go on. The question was
whether Gilmer had printed at the intima-
cy.

The witness answered that as far as she
knew he had not mentioned anything of the
kind, though he had allowed her to receive
presents from Dr. Baker; that he had ordered
her away from the house twice; that she did
not "think the innocent ought to suffer."

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RECEIVER'S SALE OF LIFE INSURANCE
POLICIES AND OTHER ASSETS OF THE
FARMERS AND MECHANICS' SAVINGS BANK
OF ALEXANDRIA, VA.

By virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court of
the city of Alexandria, Va., rendered on the 18th
day of March, 1890, in the chancery cause of
John A. Marshall vs the Farmers and Mechanics'
Savings Bank and others, the undersigned, as re-
ceiver in the said cause, will expose for sale at
public auction, in front of the royal street en-
trance of the Market Building, in the city of
Alexandria, Va., at twelve o'clock noon on
SATURDAY, MARCH 12TH, 1892,
the following assets of said bank:

21. THE THREE POLICIES OF INSURANCE
on the life of Andrew Jamieson, viz: Policy No.
630, Equitable Life Assurance Society for Great
Britain, for \$7,661; Equitable Life Assurance So-
ciety, for \$5,000; policy No. 13,619, New York
Life Insurance Company for \$5,000.

30. THE ASSIGNMENT of Mrs. Catharine A.
F. Spaulding, or so much of her interest in prop-
erty in Washington, D. C., (the estate of Samuel
DeVaux) as will be sufficient to pay the sum of
twenty hundred dollars, with interest from the
death of Mrs. Brayfield, the life tenant.

Terms of sale: Cash.

LEONARD MARDUBY,
Receiver of the Farmers and Mechanics' Savings
Bank of Alexandria, Va. feb10 w4w

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Will be sold on WEDNESDAY, March 2, 1892,
at West Grove, on the Mount Vernon road, 1 1/2
miles from Alexandria, all the personal property
on said farm as follows:

33 Cows, 1 Bull,
70 ten-gallon Milk Cans,
3 Horses, 3 Mules,
5 Wagons, 1 Cart,
Wagon and Plough Harness,
Buggy and Harness,
Manure Spreader, Mower, Combined Reaping
and Mowing Machine, Hay Tedder, Hoes, Rakes,
Ploughs, Cultivators, Acme, Thomas and other
Harrows, Cutting Boxes, Roller and other farming
utensils. Sale will commence at 11 a. m.

Terms: Thirty dollars and under cash; on all
sums over thirty dollars nine months' credit will
be given, secured by notes, bearing interest, satis-
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COMMISSIONER'S SALE OF IMPROVED REAL ESTATE.

By virtue of a decree of the Corporation Court
of the city of Alexandria, Va., entered in the
chancery cause of Armstrong, et al., vs. Jane E.
Baker et al., we will sell at public auction in
front of the Royal street entrance of the Market
Building, in the city of Alexandria, Va., at 12
o'clock noon

SATURDAY, MARCH 5, 1892,
the following property, in the said city of Alex-
andria; to wit:

ALL THAT LOT OF GROUND, improved by
THREE TWO-STORY FRAME BUILDINGS, on
the east side of Columbus street, commencing at
a point 136 feet 7 inches north of Wilkes street
and running thence south on Columbus street 40
feet and running back the same width six feet
123 feet 5 inches.

Terms of sale: One-third of the purchase money
in cash, and the residue in two equal payments
at six and twelve months from the day of sale;
the purchaser to give his note for the deferred
payments, which are to bear interest at six per
cent. per annum from the day of sale; the
purchaser to give his notes for the deferred pay-
ments, which are to bear interest at six per cent.
per annum. The title to be retained until the
whole of the purchase money is paid, and all
conveyancing at the expense of the purchaser.
A. W. ARMSTRONG,
S. G. BRENT,
Special Commissioners of Sale.

I hereby certify that the bond required by the
decree for sale in Armstrong administrator, vs.
Baker et al., has been given by A. W. Armstrong,
JOHN S. BEACH, Clerk.

By O'Neal & Lunt, Auctioneers.

COMMISSIONER'S SALE OF A LOT OF GROUND.

By virtue of a decree of the Corporation Court
of the city of Alexandria, Virginia, entered in the
chancery cause of Maury and wife et al., vs.
F. B. Blacklock et al., we will sell at public auc-
tion, in front of the Royal street entrance of the
Market Building, Alexandria, Va., at 12 o'clock
noon

SATURDAY, MARCH 5, 1892,
the following property, in the said city of Alexan-
dria; to wit:

ALL THAT LOT OF GROUND on the east
side of Fairfax street, beginning at a point fifty
feet south of Franklin street, and running thence
south on Franklin street fifty feet, and thence
east parallel with Franklin street, the same width
as in front, one hundred and twenty-three feet
five inches.

Terms of sale: One-third of the purchase money
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