

MISS DEALEY'S SUDDEN DEATH

Sensational Charges Preferred Against a Well-Known Physician.

THE FATHER'S STATEMENT

Shocking Details as Described by Him—The Doctor's Denial—Inquest This Morning.

"Tell me if you your wife will exonerate me from any alleged mal-practice! My reputation as a physician is at stake and I demand it."

The above remarks were addressed by Doctor O. B. Estes to Richard Dealey in Coroner Pohl's office yesterday, and had reference to the sudden and untimely death of Margaret, the 16 year old daughter of Mr. Dealey, who passed away within a half hour after her throat had been lanced on Sunday night.

"Doctor," replied Mr. Dealey, "I trust that you will be found blameless; I don't wish you any harm. But my loss is too great, and I can only be satisfied when an inquest convinces me that my little girl was properly and scientifically treated."

"Look here Dick," rejoined the doctor, "isn't it true that I have been your family physician for 15 years, and isn't it a fact that you haven't given me even a dollar during that time? Were not Maggie and my little daughter chums together and do you imagine I would fail wilfully to employ my best professional skill to save her? Is this the remuneration I am to receive?"

Mr. Dealey turned away without replying. The death of Maggie was an absorbing theme of comment on the streets yesterday and was full of dramatic interest. Mr. Dealey's story is as follows:

"My daughter had been suffering with quinsy or tonsillitis, and late Sunday night the malady developed what my wife and I concluded were alarming symptoms. At her request, I hurried down town, and finding Doctor Estes, begged that he accompany me home and administer some remedy that would relieve her. Upon our arrival at the room the doctor examined Maggie and at once stated that in order to lessen the danger it would be necessary to use an instrument on her tonsils. My wife objected to this, and when the doctor approached the bed for the purpose of performing the operation, she shoved him away. But he persisted in his purpose, saying that he had authority in the emergency, and thereupon, Mrs. Dealey gave in. When the doctor first inserted the lancet, the blade loosened and fell in her throat. At the second trial the blade once more became detached. The third attempt was successful in that, while the accident was repeated, before the blade again fell, the doctor was enabled to make an incision. With that, the blood gushed forth, and being too weak to eject it, the mouth was filled and strangulation followed. I have adopted my present course for the reason that I believe Doctor Estes was not in condition to attend the patient."

Doctor Estes was seen by an Astorian reporter regarding his visit to the Dealey home last night. He said: "I attended Maggie when her father summoned me. On our way to the residence, Mr. Dealey led me to believe that his daughter was simply suffering from hysteria. I told him that such being the case, we would have her in a comfortable condition within a very short time. On reaching the bedside, however, I saw at a glance that she was dying. James McCarthy, a fisherman, was sitting in the room at the time, and I asked him to retire. I then turned to the parents and told them I should have to resort to heroic measures and do so at once. Maggie was breathing spasmodically, her eyes rolled and her face wore a ghastly expression. The case really baffled me for, as I said before, I was entirely in the dark as to the exact nature of the complaint. But seeing that the ailment seemed seated in the throat, and that the tonsils were affected, I determined as a last resort to puncture them. It seemed at the time the only chance to save her life. Therefore, I took from my case a curved bistoury, and calling McCarthy in to hold the light, I placed it on a line with my finger, and finding the fluctuation on the left upper side of the throat, I attempted to use the instrument. It required three trials before I was successful. After the operation, Maggie said she felt a great deal better. Her face took on a better color, and I turned to her father and said: 'well, don't feel any more alarm, for I think we have her on our side now.' Afterward, we fell to chatting, and had talked for some time when her father spoke up suddenly, saying: 'Look doctor, she has fainted.' I turned around and first saw that the pillow was slightly stained from a very light hemorrhage. Then, catching her face, I scrutinized it carefully. It was all over. I told the family she was dead. It seems that they couldn't believe it, however, and both the father and mother made strenuous efforts to rub back the spark of life. While they were still so engaged, Pat Kearney and his wife came in, only to learn the sad news. I regret that Mr. Dealey sees fit to impute malpractice. Had I been treating one of my own children I would have employed identically the same method. It appears to be an incident wherein the physician is held accountable because, unfortunately, he is not infallible."

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It was determined last night to hold the inquest at 9 o'clock in the morning. Doctor Alfred Kinney of this city has been selected to conduct the post mortem examination. In the early part of the day there was considerable objection raised by Mr. Dealey and the prosecution, to the selection of an Astoria physician for the autopsy, and at four o'clock, District Attorney Young telephoned Portland and requested the attendance of Doctor Cauthorne of that city. An effort was also made to induce Dr. Hill Hastings of the U. S. Quarantine department, and Dr. Skinner of Fort Stevens to serve, but each gentleman under circumstances, refused. If the coroner's jury finishes the inquest within a reasonable time this morning, the interment will be made before noon-time.

RECRUITS AT FRISCO

Officers and Men of the New Regiments Arriving in Large Numbers.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 11.—Colonel Gardner, Surgeon Major McDill and companies A and D of the Thirteenth Infantry have arrived here from Fort Sheridan, Chicago. The other companies are coming in five sections. This is one of the new regiments composing the provisional army and numbers 1300 officers and men. It has been recruited principally from Illinois, although a number of troops are from Ohio, Indiana and Michigan.

Lieutenant-Governor Keen of South Dakota has arrived here and visited his home camp.

Governor Lind of Minnesota accompanied by Adjutant-General Lambert and a large party will arrive here tomorrow morning. On Wednesday the First California volunteers will give an elaborate luncheon in camp to the First Minnesota.

DYEA TO BE MOVED

Preparations Making to Transport it to Head of Lynn Canal.

VICTORIA, B. C., Sept. 11.—The town of Dyea is soon to be moved across Lynn canal on scows to Skagway to augment the growing town at the head of Lynn canal. The promoters have been working on the novel scheme for some time. Mr. Foreman, of San Francisco, who conceived the plan, has been working quietly at Dyea for some time and has secured 329 buildings large and small. A small army of men has been employed for the work of transporting these houses to Skagway.

President McKinley has not forgotten what it is to be a soldier, and the people have not forgotten that a good soldier invariably makes a good president.

Gen. Otis should move at once against the Filipinos, before Aguinaldo confronts him with the 33rd palm and a pocket edition of the Atkinson tracta.



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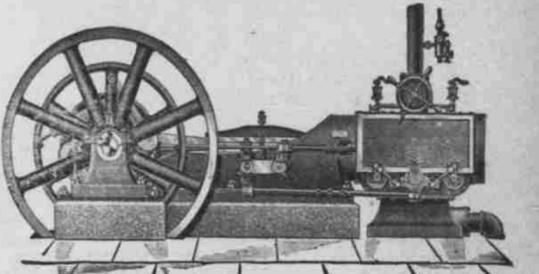
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