

# TELLS STRANGE TALE OF CRUELTY

## WIFE SAYS HUSBAND BROKE HER RIBS

Declares That He Kicked and Abused Her in Many Ways—Plaintiff's Little Son the Star Witness

Since their wedding day, nearly fifteen years ago, Emma L. Conner and her husband Edmond, have not dwelt in unbroken felicity.

Mrs. Conner yesterday sought to be released from the matrimonial alliance, at the hands of Judge Conroy in the superior court, on the grounds of cruelty and desertion.

A tale of broken ribs, legs, arms and fingers was injected into the proceedings, and the plaintiff left the court apparently the most abused woman that has ever appeared in the divorce courts of this county.

According to her tale of woe, a broken bone was merely an everyday occurrence in the progress of her matrimonial career.

She insisted that Conner has an irascible temper. When his tea was not sweetened in the proper degree, he is said to have expressed his disapproval by kicking his spouse in the ribs.

She asserted that on one occasion two ribs were broken and that she was confined to her room for many long weeks, undergoing repairs.

Finally when the bones were mended, Mrs. Conner resumed her customary position in the household, only to be knocked down and kicked, whereby the bones were again shattered.

"He beat me so much that I couldn't see straight," was the remarkable declaration of the witness.

When Mrs. Conner objected to his uncomplimentary language in the presence of her friends, Conner informed her that "he would hit her one for luck."

Conner's lucky star, however, failed to work out to the same advantage to his spouse, for on this occasion she was incapacitated from attending to her household duties, having sustained a broken arm and finger.

Peace and quiet reigned over the Conner abode, it is said, until the feminine side of the alliance had completed repairs and then trouble began to brew.

Mrs. Conner told the court that it was her husband's delight to impel his fist against her nose "for luck."

The plaintiff's little son, John, hardly 12 years of age, proved to be the star witness in the case.

It appears that on one occasion, while his father was administering punishment to his mother he rushed to the scene, and with his little wooden hatchet he rapped for order on his father's head.

Conner on that occasion bade his son good-bye and, taking one more blow for luck, at his wife, he left for parts unknown.

Judge Conroy was not entirely satisfied with the corroborative nature of the evidence adduced, but in order to allow Mrs. Conner to gain her freedom, he continued the case for one week.

**Sues for Support**  
Charging her husband with having failed to provide for her the common necessities of life, Mrs. Christina W. J. Hutton yesterday filed suit in the superior court against her husband, William J. Hutton, for maintenance and support.

**Matrimonial Differences**  
Divorce proceedings were commenced in the superior court yesterday by Mrs. E. C. Woodbridge against her husband, Dr. S. M. Woodbridge, on transfer from the superior court of Santa Clara county; Charles L. Wilson against his wife, Mrs. Lucretia M. Wilson, Lenora M. Pulver against her husband, Frank J. Pulver, and Mrs. W. Edna Green against her husband, Don R. Green.

**GOSSIPING WOMEN NEED HAVE NO FEAR OF LAW**  
Judge Trask refuses to grant injunction restraining Mrs. Kronschabel from talking.

When Judge Trask entered his department of the superior court yesterday morning a crowd of spectators were seated about the court room, it having been reported that the judge would hand down a decision on the question of a husband's legal right to get out an injunction against his wife, preventing her from indulging in promiscuous gossip.

This remarkable point of law was involved in a recent divorce suit wherein Kasper Kronschabel sought to close the lips of his spouse.

It was too much for Judge Trask and he passed it up, and henceforth Mrs. Kronschabel will be permitted to talk at random until the question goes up for review before a higher court.

**INCORPORATIONS**  
Pittsburg Construction company. Directors: C. A. Riffle, J. L. Pyle, M. W. Tobin, M. E. Riffle and R. L. Pyle. Capital stock, \$25,000, paid in, \$500.

B. O. Kendall company. Directors: B. O. Kendall, T. J. Rigg, F. T. Holden, Geo. H. Curtis and B. R. Kendall of Pasadena. Capital stock, \$50,000, paid in, \$500.

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# MUSIC AND THE DRAMA

## "Our Boys" at Cumnock

The Cumnock Dramatic club last evening gave a successful and highly creditable performance of a modern comedy-drama entitled "Our Boys." This is the third in a cycle of plays which is being presented by this organization, and a well filled auditorium testified to the popular interest which has been aroused in their artistic and conscientious efforts.

The play, which deals with the love affairs of four young people, contains both humorous and serious situations, and afforded splendid opportunities for the display of talents unusual for amateurs.

Garnet Holme assumed the role of the retired butler man with a keen insight into the elements of the character he portrayed, and he forced upon the audience a pleasing sense of satisfaction by the naturalness of his methods.

Orra Gardner, May Smith, Miss Parker and Edward Booth were the other principals, and their work showed careful study and was received by the audience with enthusiastic applause. The company as a whole displayed careful regard for the proper presentation of the stage pictures and the entertainment was excellently managed.

## Elery Concert

Los Angeles, or at least a part of it, last night gave to the Elery band the enthusiastic appreciation it deserves. The members of the Ellys club and their friends attended what proved to be a memorable concert, for Francesco Ferullo, the director, presented a program of exacting numbers which were so magnificently played that the critical audience gave vent to cries of "Bravo! Bravo!"

Again and again Ferullo was recalled, and when the program was ended women waved their handkerchiefs while men shouted.

The "Semiramide" overture first awakened the audience. Ferullo gave an artistic reading of the score. The performance of this number was a fine piece of tone painting, and an encore was demanded. The "Manon Lescaut" selection, which closed the first part of the program, caused insistent applause. Signori Palma, Di Natale and Riso played the solo parts, and, therefore, shared the honors.

Perosi's "Resurrection of Lazarus" was one of the noteworthy features of the evening. "Carmen" was the closing number, which brought out such a demonstration as is seldom seen in an American audience.

Colonel Elery will begin a series of composers' nights next Friday, when Wagner selections will be chosen. Tomorrow night there will be a peculiar piece of realism introduced, when human bones will be used in playing "The Dance of the Skeletons."

## Mr. Earle's Song Cycle

Los Angeles music lovers are interested in the first of a series of song cycles to be given by Henry Edmond Earle in Elks' hall, Pasadena, next Monday evening. The selection for the concert is "The Trend of Time," a beautiful composition celebrating the charms of the various seasons. The singers who will appear on this occasion are: Mrs. Katharine Collette, soprano; Miss Harriet Longstreet, contralto; LeRoy Jepson, tenor, and Edward S. Shank, basso. Mr. Earle will play the piano parts.

## The Greet Players' Farewell

This afternoon at 3 o'clock at Temple auditorium the Ben Greet company of players will present for the last time in this city "The Merchant of Venice," given in the Elizabethan style. They have been very successful in their last two performances, with Mr. Greet as Shylock and Miss Head as Portia. At the request of many who witnessed the lengthy performance of "Hamlet" last Saturday, Mr. Greet has consented to present as his farewell bill this evening an abridged form of "Hamlet," commencing at 8 o'clock and finishing at 11:15.

## Burton Holmes' Travelogues

Many requests have been made for Mr. Holmes to present an extra address on the subject of Japan, owing to the fact that he is considered and quoted an authority on that subject. The subject for this afternoon's "Travelogue" is an "easy chair" journey through Japan, and it will be illustrated by colored and motion pictures. For tonight the subject is the third of the British Isles "travelogues," and considered by Mr. Holmes to be the best, "Beautiful Ireland."

## MANY APPLICANTS, ONE PLACE

Pennsylvania Lines to Have Pacific Coast Freight Agent  
Two weeks ago Passenger Traffic Manager E. A. Ford of the Pennsylvania lines, who is now stopping in Pasadena, notified the heads of the different railroad offices on the Pacific coast that he was looking for a Pacific coast freight agent for the system. E. M. Pomeroy is at present Pacific coast agent but he is to be given charge of the passenger department. Following Mr. Ford's announcement of an opening for the right kind of a man and his determination to receive applications for the position, his mail has been larger than that of a get-rich-quick syndicate.

It is expected that a San Francisco man will be chosen for the position but such a supposition has been no hindrance to applicants, all the way from Los Angeles to Tacoma, making their ambitions known.

In addition to written applications many have sought Mr. Ford in person and from San Francisco there has been an exodus of applicants to Pasadena.

## FREE BUNK

"In the Orange Groves of Sunny California," the latest hit, given away at the City Ticket Office of the Salt Lake Road, 550 S. Spring street. Have you heard it?

# CLUB DIDN'T KNOW TOWN WENT DRY

## EBELL MEMBERS REFUSED TO EAT UNDER VINE

Highland Park Women's Picnic at San Gabriel Is Marred by Thoughts of the Liquor Traffic

Members of the Highland Park Ebell club went to the San Gabriel mission yesterday for a picnic.

The club has been studying California history under the direction of Mrs. Emma Greenleaf since the opening of the fall session. The San Gabriel mission together with the famous grape vine were mentioned by the leader as interesting things to see and the club determined to go forth in a body and see. Accordingly they took a car yesterday morning, arrived at the mission and proceeded to take a practical lesson in California history.

During the process of cramming facts and legends the women managed to acquire a ravenous appetite and when the noon hour arrived some one suggested that they repair to the famous grape vine and in the shade of its spreading tendrils dispose of the dainty lunches which they had brought with them.

"The grape vine," said one of the members in a horror stricken tone, "why that is run in connection with a saloon. You surely would not want to go there."

"No," chimed in another member, "we would not want to go down in the annals of the Ebell club that we had allowed ourselves to countenance any such thing as that."

The members who had first suggested the move were inclined to think that the line was being drawn a little too closely and stood out for the grape vine as the only spot that would give shade and a historic atmosphere at the same time, so the party divided.

It was a very amicable division but nevertheless a division. Some partook of their noonday meal in a beautiful garden under the shade of a grape vine and surrounded by all the romance of the early days of California. Others went elsewhere.

Some wondered at the absence of anything that pertained to a saloon. The town "went dry" at the last election.

The annals of the Ebell club will go unstained.

## LINE TO BE COMPLETED INSIDE OF TWO MONTHS

Los Angeles Railway Starts Work Monday on Twelfth and Tennessee Streets Extension  
Work will be commenced Monday morning by the Los Angeles railway on its Twelfth and Tennessee streets line, a franchise for which was granted four weeks ago by the city council.

Officials of the road say a part of the material is already on the ground, and a big force of men will be put to work so that within two months the company may be able to offer a first class service to the large territory which the road will serve.

Beginning at Twelfth street, the franchise grants the railway a right of way east on Twelfth to Tennessee street, south on Tennessee to Hooper avenue and south on Hooper avenue to Twenty-ninth street. The length of the line is over two miles and a half and its construction accelerates a development already under way but greatly retarded because of the lack of transportation facilities.

The line will be what is called a cross town railway; that is it will by means of transfers obviate the necessity of going to the heart of the Los Angeles business district to change cars for a point which may be parallel to the starting place.

The company expects to offer the regular standard service in vogue on its other lines and when in operation it will greatly lighten the traffic on the Long Beach and Central avenue cars.

## PAT SHEEDY SUES ON NOTE SIGNED IN NAPLES

Ex-Faro King Seeks to Recover \$16,320 From a Wealthy Californian  
Not perhaps because he needs the money, but because a debt of record exists, "Pat" Sheedy, ex-faro king and the man who broke the bank at Monte Carlo, yesterday filed suit in the superior court against G. Frederick Kohl, a wealthy Californian, for \$16,320, the sum alleged to be due on a promissory note dated January 27, 1900.

Today the time limitation as provided by statute for recovery on a note expires and in order to "cinch" the bet Sheedy brought suit.

On January 27, 1900, at Naples in the Kingdom of Italy, Kohl made and delivered to John C. Gray, a wealthy Californian, his note for the sum covered by the suit.

The note was afterwards endorsed by Gray and also by Edward Solly, who in turn transferred it to Kohl.

In his palmy days at Monte Carlo and Carlsbad, \$16,000 would have been a small sum which Sheedy might have ignored, but now it is a business proposition.

Attorney Walter R. Bacon will appear in the case as attorney for the ex-faro king, and he asserted last night that the defendant is able to pay the amount, the suit having been brought to secure the statute of limitations.

Dr. Thorley, a medical town councillor at Bolton, Eng., calls small bedrooms death traps, and the council is seeking parliamentary powers to prescribe a minimum cubic space for bedrooms.

# ROBBERY SUSPECTS ARE IDENTIFIED BY VICTIMS

Police Say Three Men Held in Connection With Pocket Picking Case Have Bad Records

Harrington, Burns and Downey, the three men arrested in connection with the robbery of H. Galeron on a Santa Fe train near Pasadena, were positively identified yesterday by Galeron and G. H. Brazelton, proprietor of the Fashion stables, who was with the victim at the time. C. L. Kreglo of Indianapolis also identified the men as individuals whom he had seen on the car just prior to the time he was robbed.

Captain Bradish of the detective force and Chief Hammel are convinced that they have damaging evidence against the three men. Yesterday the officers worked on the case, including the Beaumont cafe robbery in their efforts, and by nightfall Chief Hammel was well acquainted with the criminal history of at least two of the suspects.

They assert positively that Harrington and Burns are ex-convicts, having served time at San Quentin. Harrington and Burns were identified by means of pictures in the rogues' gallery. Under the name of Jockwo Sullivan (possibly Jack O'Sullivan) Harrington was sent up from San Francisco and Burns was convicted at the same time under the name of Willie McCarthy. They were charged with burglary and larceny. As yet the officers have not learned anything of Downey's past except that he hails from Louisville, Ky. They expect to have him identified through the identification bureau at Washington.

The men were instantly identified yesterday by Galeron, Kreglo and Brazelton, and in such a manner as to leave no doubt in the minds of the detectives.

Chief Hammel said the investigation of the Beaumont cafe case had not developed any new or startling facts. Nothing has been found against the suspects held, but the officers are working on every clue and theory presented.

## TWO PERSONS INJURED IN AUTO ACCIDENTS

Elderly Woman Run Down on Broadway—Driver Loses Control of Machine

Two automobile accidents occurred last night, as if to accentuate the need of enforcing the speed ordinance in the city. One was extremely serious, an aged woman being run down.

Mrs. Sarah McKenna of 463 Lake street, aged 73 years, was the victim. She was crossing the street at Broadway and Sixth street about 10 o'clock, when automobile 108, driven by some person whose name as yet is not known, struck her and knocked her to the ground. The woman was moved into Dr. Trout's drug store and from there to the receiving hospital. She sustained a severe laceration of the scalp and a fracture of the left ankle. Besides she suffered intensely from the shock. Owing to her advanced age the injuries are more serious than they would have been otherwise. The autoist, it is said, lost control of his machine, which was running at a low rate of speed, or else he could have averted the accident.

The other automobile accident was on Seventh street, near Flower, where an automobile collided with a vehicle. A woman was thrown out and injured. She was given prompt attention and subsequently removed to her home. Her name was not secured. The number of the automobile was 922.

## OFFICER CHASES BURGLAR

Attempt Made to Rob Mullen & Bluett Store

Burglars made an effort to rob the store of Mullen & Bluett, corner of Spring and First streets, early yesterday morning. Patrolman George Loomis frustrated their plans and engaged one of them in a foot race. The officer fired on the fleeing thief, who escaped into Mott alley behind a garbage wagon.

Mullen & Bluett have a showcase of hats in front of their place of business. It was this that the burglars attempted to rob. They succeeded in opening the case. A fine opera hat was found on the sidewalk after the flight of the burglars.

Loomis was across the street when he heard the sound of a door opening and saw two men trying to get into the hat case. He started across the street and the burglars fled, going in opposite directions. He followed one of them, but failed to stop him with a shot. The other escaped unpursued.

## PERSONAL

N. D. White, an old-time passenger conductor of the Union Pacific railway, is in the city from Ogden, Utah.

William Geddings, a druggist from Ogden, is at the Ogden hotel, 343 South Olive street.

## Dr. Schaeffer Will Speak

Rev. T. S. Schaeffer, the children's evangelist, will preach at the morning service today at the Westlake Methodist church, when the boys of the McKinley home, as well as one of the military academies, will be present. It had been announced that Dr. Rider, the pastor, would preach, but Dr. Schaeffer has been secured for the service.

## Will Preach at Christ Church

Rev. Heber Newton, D. D., who has ministered to large congregations for a quarter of a century as the rector of All Soul's church, New York City, will preach in Christ Protestant Episcopal church tomorrow morning. The rector, Rev. George Thomas Dowling, will conduct the service as usual.

## Called to Baptist Pastorate

Rev. W. F. Harber, D. D., has been called to the pastorate of the East Los Angeles church and will preach at both services tomorrow.

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## FIND EVIDENCE OF MORE FRAUDS

### GROVES' RECORD IS BEING INVESTIGATED

Woman is Alleged to Have Been Approached by an Attorney and Offered Deed for Nominal Sum

"Each day's search of the records brings forth additional evidence which tends to stamp Attorney A. F. Groves, now confined in the city jail on the charge of forgery, as the most notorious forged deed swindler in the history of this section," was the announcement at the district attorney's office yesterday.

Another transfer of property along illegitimate lines was brought to light yesterday, and the indications are that Groves has operated more extensively in Los Angeles than was at first supposed.

In the forged instrument detected yesterday by Deputy District Attorney Fleming, Thomas Gwynne is named as the grantor of certain property in Whittier to S. Moore, and the property is still in his name.

The name Moore is fictitious. The deed appears to have been executed at Hamilton, O., and after having been recorded it was sent to Box 144, Station C, Los Angeles, which as a silent partner, has aided Groves in his alleged "crooked" deals.

**Many Forged Deeds**  
In the forged deeds already brought to the attention of the district attorney's office, the grantees under the instruments appear to be S. Moore in two instances, A. Langworthy in four, P. Hackett in three, Marie Lavore in one, James Hasson in two, R. C. Milliken in one and Emma Nelson in one.

In all of these instances the instruments are returned to the postoffice box rented by Groves.

An important discovery was made last night by Deputy District Attorney Fleming, when the man was located who has manufactured the notarial seals used by Groves in making the acknowledgments to the forged deeds.

After an investigation in San Francisco it was found that A. J. Henry and George Patterson, whose names as notaries appear in the acknowledgments to the deeds, are reputable business men of that city.

After an investigation by them, they report that they have no record of the acknowledgments purporting to be their own, and they declare them to be forgeries.

The case is one of the most difficult to handle that has ever been brought to the attention of the district attorney, as in each instance it is found that Groves has cautiously guarded his movements and has in each case destroyed the original deed, as well as the seals.

**Attempt to Swindle**  
It was asserted last night that Groves attempted to swindle Miss Victoria Dickson, who is employed in the law department of the Edison Electric company.

As attorney for Emily Segmiller, Miss Dickson filed suit against A. Langworthy to quiet title to a certain piece of property.

The attorney made repeated efforts to locate Langworthy, who has since turned out to be merely a fictitious person.

Groves is alleged to have told Miss Dickson that if she would pay him a certain sum of money, at the time representing himself to be Langworthy's attorney, he would give her a good title to the property.

There is at present in the hands of the district attorney a letter which dis-

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closes startling information, which throws considerable light on Groves' former dealings.

The district attorney refuses at present to divulge the information contained in the letter, but an investigation of the allegations is now being made.

**SHOT BY PROSPECTOR**

President of Mining Company at Goldfield Mortally Wounded

By Associated Press.  
RENO, Nev., Jan. 27.—James Simpson was shot and mortally wounded today by Thomas Shippe at Goldfield, Nev. The shooting is the result of a disagreement over a mining deal.

Simpson is president of the Bullfrog Mining company, one of the big mining corporations of the southern country. Shippe is a prospector and it is understood that he claimed some interest in Simpson's property. A quarrel ensued and today's shooting is the result.

Simpson is shot through the abdomen and cannot live. Shippe has been arrested.

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