

Whatever May Be Said of Miles, He Was Never Caulty of Being Indiscreetly Silent

TOOK HER OWN LIFE

MRS. EDITH MOORE SENT A BULLET CRASHING INTO HER BRAIN.

DOMESTIC TROUBLE THE CAUSE

HAD BEEN SEPARATED FROM HER HUSBAND TWO YEARS.

Was the Wife of a Prominent and Wealthy Farmer of Greenwood County, Kan.—Taken to City Hospital, Where She Died Soon After.

Mrs. Edith Moore, wife of Calvin Moore, a prominent and wealthy farmer of Greenwood county, Kan., stood before a mirror in the bedroom house at 906 Baltimore avenue last night, and sent a bullet crashing into her brain. She was taken to the hospital in an unconscious condition and died about an hour afterwards.

Mrs. Edith Moore was a handsome woman of 35, and for nearly two years had been separated from her husband. She continued the boarding house on Baltimore street, and last night retired to her room about 9 o'clock. The boarders thought that she had gone to bed.

The sound of a muffled shot was heard about 11 o'clock, the report being followed by the dull thud of a falling body.

"Oh, Mrs. Moore!" cried one of the young women. There was a rush for the room of the lady.

Mrs. Moore was locked. A dim light shone through the transom.

"Break it down!" cried the men, while the women stood by and wrung their hands.

The door was forced open, and the young women entered, but finally yielded to a united effort, and finally yielded to a united effort, and finally yielded to a united effort.

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A white paper figure lay before the dressing room, still, while small streams of blood were trickling from the forehead.

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WAS BEYOND PRICE.

Tree Planted by Mrs. Fisher's Son Now Dead—Judge Stone Used for Killing It.

Judge John B. Stone was sued for \$3,000 damages yesterday for killing a shade tree in the back yard of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen N. Fisher, at 1222 Cherry street. A few days ago Judge Stone and his colored man went into the yard and began work on the tree. Judge Stone girdled it with a hatchet, and the colored man bored a large hole into it with an auger. Then Judge Stone went to a store near by and got a bottle of coal oil and poured it into the hole.

A Jewish woman, who says it is against her religion to kill a tree, saw Judge Stone and the negro at work. After they had finished the work on the tree, and had gone, the woman called Mrs. Fisher's attention to it. Then began the gathering of wrath and indignation that the whole neighborhood has partaken of with the killing of the tree.



BANDAGING THE PRECIOUS TREE.

Fisher, and that culminated yesterday in the filing of the suit in the circuit court. What made the offense a peculiarly unpardonable one is the great attachment that Mr. and Mrs. Fisher bore for this tree, on account of it having been planted seventeen years ago by a son who is now gone from them.

Mrs. Fisher shed tears as she told a reporter for The Journal about the tree.

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Mrs. Fisher stooped over and picked up a handful of the sugar shavings. She frowned as she crumpled them between her fingers, and said with a frown: "Fisher's tree is a good tree. Oh, my dear, dear tree, I'm afraid it will die after this."

Mrs. Fisher said that her husband had been so kind to her in all his life before, and that she had never seen him strike a piece of wood. In the suit she asks for \$3,000 damages, and several of the other neighbors will be witnesses.

Judge Stone killed the tree in the back yard of the Fisher house, which is at 1222 Cherry street. The tree, which is a maple of medium size, was banded with a cloth between his lot and the Fisher lot. Judge Stone said that he inferred from some talk he had heard from the Fisher family that the tree was a valuable one.

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MAKES HIS DEBUT

AMBASSADOR CHOATE'S FIRST PUBLIC APPEARANCE IN LONDON.

GUEST OF HONOR AT BANQUET

HEARTILY WELCOMED AND HIS ADDRESS LOUDLY APPLAUDED.

Mr. Choate Says That America and England, Although Friends, Will Never Cease to Be Rivals—Speech Filled With Humor.

LONDON, March 15.—Joseph H. Choate, the United States ambassador to the court of St. James, made his first public appearance in England at the banquet of the Association of Chambers of Commerce of the United Kingdom, which was held at the Metropolitan hotel, this evening. There was a brilliant and distinguished gathering, about 250 persons having been invited to meet the ambassador, including the lord chief justice of England, Baron Russell, of Killowen; the Hon. Sir Henry Stafford Northcote, the president of the association; the prime minister, the Marquis of Salisbury; the Earl of Jersey, the Earl of Dartmouth; Lord Reay, Rear Admiral Lord Charles Bessborough, the Right Hon. C. T. Ritchie, president of the board of trade; James R. Carter, second secretary of the United States embassy, and many members of parliament.

Mr. Choate, who, on arriving, was heartily welcomed by the chairman and officials of the association, sat in the place of honor, on the right of the chairman, Sir Henry Stafford Northcote, who took him to dinner, in the grand dining hall of the Metropolitan.

Joseph H. Choate, Jr., was present. Rear Admiral Lord Charles Bessborough, who replied to the toast to the navy, declined to be drawn into a discussion of the Chinese situation. He concluded his speech by saying:

"The company is waiting to hear a distinguished guest, the new ambassador of the United States, whom every man of the fore and aft in this country is delighted to see. I do not know of any other man who would have been so well received as you are, and I do not know of any other man who would have been so well received as you are, and I do not know of any other man who would have been so well received as you are."

Mr. Choate, on rising to respond, received a ovation. The United States anthem was played, and the ambassador began by jokingly protesting that he was overwhelmed with embarrassment at being called upon to respond in priority to the lord chief justice. He felt that, when the British lion was about to roar, even the American eagle would hold its peace.

He was delighted, he said, to receive and accept the invitation to the banquet, although he was not at liberty to discuss British commerce. His general instructions from his government were not to discuss political or commercial matters on ordinary occasions. (Laughter.)

After a few words on the subject of commerce, which he characterized as truly "the mainstay of the British empire," he concluded by saying that the United States company at Hartshorne and Alderson, today, which will enable the Choate to work nearly full capacity. Krebs worked full force. Lehigh, South McAlester and Boston are all working at full capacity.

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JOHN SHERMAN ILL

SUFFERING FROM PNEUMONIA IN THE WEST INDIES.

IS ONE OF AN EXCURSION PARTY

HE CAUGHT COLD IN PORTO RICO A WEEK AGO.

Developed into Pneumonia in Most Serious Form by the Time the Paris Reached the Island of Martinique—Better Last Evening.

PORT DE FRANCE, MARTINIQUE, March 15.—John Sherman, who is a passenger on board the American line steamer Paris, Captain Frederick Watkins, which arrived here to-day from Trinidad, with the party of excursionists who are making a tour of the West Indian islands, is suffering from pneumonia.

While at San Juan de Porto Rico last Wednesday, Mr. Sherman was entertained by Brigadier General Fred Grant, commander of the military department of San Juan, and caught cold. The malady was not considered serious until last night, after leaving Port of Spain, when pneumonia in the most serious form developed.

Dr. Graf, of the Paris, and Dr. Magee, of Duluth, are attending him, and Mr. and Mrs. Colgate Hoyt, of New York, and F. B. Wilborn, of Cincinnati, close relatives of Mr. Sherman, are constantly near him.

ST. PIERRE, MARTINIQUE, March 15.—On the arrival of the American line steamer Paris from Port de France, this evening, Mr. Sherman's physicians reported that his condition was much improved and gave ground for encouragement.

WASHINGTON, March 15.—Several cablegrams were received to-day and to-night from Port de France regarding former Secretary Sherman's condition. The last, which came to Geney at 10 o'clock, said that the sufferer was much better and serious results were not feared. From the fact that Mr. Sherman was in first-class health when he left on the West Indian trip, the family has every reason to hope that he will recover from the attack, as the dispatches concerning him say he is being given the best of care and attention.

The excursion party of which he is a member left New York on the Paris on March 4, and was in Port de France for a month. Mr. Sherman had at her home in this city. The knowledge of her husband's condition is kept from her because of the effect it might have, as she has not entirely recovered from an attack of neurasthenia last fall.

VICTORY FOR ROCKEFELLER. Assessment of His New Jersey Estate Reduced From \$639,275 to \$394,432.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., March 15.—The referee in the proceedings instituted by John R. Rockefeller to obtain a reduction of the assessment of his property in the town of Mount Pleasant, Westchester county, today completed his report. His findings are a complete victory for the millionaire over the assessors of the town. The referee finds that the property of John D. Rockefeller, consisting of 865 acres, was in the same general condition on the 1st of January, 1887, when the valuation was made, as it was in 1884, when it was assessed at \$19,862. In 1884 the value of the property was \$23,275. The valuation was placed at \$39,275. Mr. Rockefeller has previously said, says the referee, that if he was elected he would "put the tax on the rich Rockefeller and drive the suckers out."

MORE MINERS AT WORK. Strike About Over, So Far as the Choctaw Company Is Concerned.

SOUTH MALESTER, I. T., March 15.—(Special.) One hundred and forty new miners were received by the Choctaw company at Hartshorne and Alderson, today, which will enable the Choate to work nearly full capacity. Krebs worked full force. Lehigh, South McAlester and Boston are all working at full capacity.

SPAIN AND THE TREATY. It Is Believed That the Queen Regent Will Ratify It on Her Own Responsibility.

WASHINGTON, March 15.—Being without means of diplomatic communication with the Spanish government, our own government is officially undecided as to what progress is making in Spain towards the ratification of the peace treaty. Still it is disposed to give full credence to the rumor that the queen regent has ratified the treaty on her own responsibility, and moreover, it is believed that the American body of the treaty is being prepared by the queen regent.

ATCHISON COUNTY BONDS. Bids for Refunding Them Opened Last Night and All Were Rejected.

ATCHISON, KAN., March 15.—(Special.) The county commissioners of Atchison county met this evening and opened bids for refunding \$21,000 county bonds. There were ten bids, the best being 4 1/2 per cent for fifteen years, with a premium of \$6,775. Bids were received from Kansas City, St. Louis, Chicago, Denver, Cleveland, Toledo, Boston and Atchison. All bids were rejected, and an effort will be made to refund on better terms than any offered.

CAMP MEADE TO BE RE-ESTABLISHED. WASHINGTON, March 15.—The re-establishment of Camp Meade, near Middletown, Pa., for the muster out of volunteer troops is going rapidly forward. An officer of the quartermaster's department has been sent to the site to see that the camp is in condition for the occupancy of the troops.

BRIEF BITS OF NEWS. A postoffice has been established at Ellen, Orange county, Kas., and Gustave A. Kirchner appointed postmaster.

The contract for carrying the United States mail from Troy to Reagan, I. T., has been awarded to J. M. Baring, of London, Ky.

CHICAGO, March 15.—August Becker, the sausage-maker who confessed last night to having killed his wife and boiled and burned her body, today took police officers to the spot in his yard where he had buried the charred remains. Two baskets of burned bones were found.

Ex-Governor Fletcher's Condition. WASHINGTON, March 15.—Ex-Governor Fletcher of Missouri is still in a critical condition, with no change from yesterday.

SNOWBOUND TRAIN ABANDONED

Passengers Who Have Been Imprisoned for Three Weeks in Wyoming Recused in Wagons.

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Major Lee asked: "How did the maggots get in there?"

"They were canned in there," the witness replied.

Colonel Davis: "Are you aware that, in the process of canning, this meat undergoes such an intense heat that no animal life could survive in it?"

"I don't mean to say they were alive when they were canned," the witness replied.

The board left for Omaha to-night. Inspection of the stock yards and packing houses will be made at Omaha and Kansas City, and at the latter city some evidence will be taken. The intention of the court is to return to Chicago by next Friday and proceed with the examination of witnesses here.

The evidence brought forth to-day was largely cumulative in its nature, mainly with reference to the condition of the meat and refrigerated beef when issued to the troops on shipboard and in Cuba and its effect upon the soldiers.

Called to Testify. Dr. John B. Shaw, of Joliet, Ill., president of the Third Illinois volunteer cavalry, testified that on the voyage from Havana to Cuba he had seen a great deal of canned meat, and there was a great deal of maggots in it. It was, he testified, very disgusting, and he had seen many of the men who had eaten of it. He testified that he had seen many of the men who had eaten of it, and he had seen many of the men who had eaten of it.

AMERICA'S PEACE CONFEREES. Some Will Undoubtedly Be Chosen From Among Ambassadors to Europe.

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DID NOT LOSE THEIR SEATS. Ohio Legislators Still in Office, Notwithstanding Their Service in the Army.

COLUMBUS, O., March 15.—After a conference with Auditor of State Gulbick, Attorney General Monnett rendered a decision that the members of the Ohio legislature who served in the volunteer army in the war with Spain can draw pay for their services as legislators. The decision was rendered in favor of the legislators, and it was decided that they should not be considered as having resigned their seats.

JOE BRISTOW GOES TO CUBA. Is a Member of the Party Which Goes to Investigate Postal Affairs.

BOSTON, MASS., March 15.—A party of postal authorities, comprising Postmaster General Charles Emory Smith, Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Bristow, Chief Beavers, of the salary and allowance division, and Mr. Clarence P. Dawson, secretary of the post office, left here today for Havana, over the route of the Tropic of the postal service on the island. The party probably will be away about a week.

Will Help Knights of Pythias. HOT SPRINGS, ARK., March 15.—Mr. Thomas W. Milan, grand chancellor of the Knights of Pythias, of this city, was notified to-day by W. J. Bryan, now in Texas, that he would be here March 25 to deliver a lecture for the benefit of the proposed National Pythian sanitarium to be located here. Mr. Bryan was invited by the Knights of Pythias.

Pigeon Post to Be Tried. PARIS, March 15.—The proposal to attempt to establish a system of pigeon post on board the steamers of the Compagnie Generale Trans-Atlantique between Havre and New York, which has been under consideration, has finally been approved, and it has been decided to begin the experiment next month.

Vanderbilt Lines Meet Out. CLEVELAND, O., March 15.—The Lake Shore and Nickel Plate railroads decided today to follow the heavy cut in the North-west on second class tourist rates and make them a basis of their own rates into that territory. It is believed that all the lines in the Central Passenger Association will do the same.

For Killing His Hired Man. VIBORG, S. D., March 15.—Iver Paulson was arrested here to-day charged with murdering Christopher Olsen, his hired man, seven years ago. The murdered man was known to have had \$50 in cash on his person the last time he was seen. Paulson is a prominent farmer living near this place.

Five Hundred Cases of Smallpox. AUSTIN, TEX., March 15.—The Texas legislature to-day passed a bill making an appropriation of \$500 to be used by the state health officials in suppressing smallpox at Laredo. It is reported here that there are 500 cases of smallpox in bed in Laredo of smallpox.

MAGGOTS IN CUBA

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