

YOUNG WIFE ON THE RACK

Jerome Endeavors to Tear Down Her Testimony

SHE PREPARED FOR ORDEAL

Prosecutor's First Question, "Was the Story You Told Mr. Thaw True?" She Firmly Replied, "It Was."

New York, Feb. 20.—With every outward evidence of bracing herself for an ordeal, Evelyn Thaw took the stand this morning when the Thaw trial opened at 10:30 o'clock.

She was examined by District Attorney Jerome at a point where it was interrupted by adjournment yesterday.

The witness and the district attorney put a series of questions, evidently with the purpose of impressing the jury with the looseness of her artist's model life.

Evelyn said she had never posed with more of her body exposed than her arms and shoulders, and positively denied Jerome's implication that she had stood for pictures with uncovered breasts.

Evelyn said that her picture was first published in June, 1901.

"Was it in the Broadway Magazine?" "It might have been."

"Then," said Jerome, "the reporters called and asked for your pictures."

"Yes."

"You gave them and they were published, explaining that you were on the stage and that you were an artist's model?"

"Yes."

"Didn't you have a large number of letters from Stanford White?"

"Yes, sir."

"In all these letters was there a single word of indecency, of impropriety?"

"I don't remember much about them."

At 11:40 Jerome began a searching cross-examination regarding Evelyn's story of her run with White, trying to make her admit discrepancies as to the time of the night.

In opening his cross-examination yesterday afternoon, Mr. Jerome asked Mrs. Thaw:

"Was the story you told Mr. Thaw true?"

"It was," she replied, firmly.

Mr. Delmas, Thaw's leading counsel, objected strongly to the question, but Justice Fitzgerald held it to be competent as tending to show the credibility of the witness.

Mrs. Thaw's confidence grew as the cross-examination went on and she was always ready with answers.

Mr. Jerome jumped from point to point in her story, and under the plea of testing her credibility, was allowed to ask many pertinent questions.

Mr. Jerome brought out that Mrs. Thaw had written to Stanford White from Boulevard after Thaw had proposed to her in Paris.

"Did you also cable Mr. White?" he asked.

The witness could not remember.

"How long were you unconscious in the fifth street studio the night you have described to the jury?"

The witness seemed to shrink down in her chair as she answered faintly, "I can't tell."

Jerome asked Evelyn about her relations with James A. Garland, who was seeking a divorce in the spring of 1903, several months before she met White.

She admitted that she and her mother had spent many Saturdays on Garland's yacht.

Jerome pointed himself from a statement made by Mrs. Nesbit which he held in his hand.

The cross-examination had barely gotten into its swing when adjournment for the day was announced.

The reluctance of the district attorney to subject Mrs. Thaw to a cross-examination again lent color to the rumors that Mr. Jerome still contemplates moving for the appointment of a commission in lunacy to test Thaw's state of mind at the present time.

Mr. Delmas, who has entered upon the cross-examination, he seems determined to make a thorough one.

There were evidences during the afternoon session of ill-feeling existing between Mr. Jerome and Mr. Delmas.

The latter intends to protest Mrs. Thaw in every possible way.

He moved from his seat to a chair within Thaw's counsel table to a chair within the rail where the district attorney sits and directly in front of Justice Fitzgerald.

Mrs. Thaw's cross-examination promises to be a duel between the two attorneys, as well as between Mr. Jerome and the wife of the defendant.

Thaw seemed in a very cheerful frame of mind during the afternoon, especially when Mr. Delmas was insisting that the cross-examination of the prisoner's wife should proceed.

HAVE JOBS IN ALASKA

Rutland Machinists Start Away—Will Be Home for Christmas.

Rutland, Feb. 20.—W. A. Graham of this city and H. H. McDowell, Michael J. Wallace and Bert Sheridan of West Rutland left yesterday afternoon for Sitka, Alaska, to enter the employ of the Sullivan Machine company, manufacturers of quarrying machinery.

Mr. Graham will be a department superintendent. The party will go via Seattle, Wash., making an 18 day trip.

They are making a permanent home here, expecting to reach home next Christmas.

HAS NOT ASKED FOR RAISE

Story About Signor Caruso Denied at Metropolitan Opera House.

New York, Feb. 20.—Both Signor Caruso and the management of the Metropolitan opera house denied yesterday that the singer had made a demand for a large increase in salary at the expiration of his present contract.

"There is nothing to the story," said Caruso. "My relations with the management are most pleasant."

MERCHANT A SUICIDE.

W. C. Mellwaine Cut His Throat Because of Business Trouble.

Orange, N. J., Feb. 20.—William C. Mellwaine, furniture manufacturer, having his place of business at 243 West Fifty-third street, New York, committed suicide at his home, No. 120 North Sixteenth street, East Orange, by cutting his throat with a razor.

Business troubles are said to have prompted his act.

He was found in the bath room of his residence yesterday morning by Dr. A. B. Russell, of 54 William street, East Orange, who feared that Mr. Mellwaine had taken his life.

According to the information gathered by Deputy County Physician M. Herbert Simmons and Chief of Police James Bell, Mr. Mellwaine had been worrying about his business and had also had some sort of controversy with a business associate.

He had been despondent and had not been in his place of business for a week.

He went to bed last Monday night in a gloomy frame of mind, and early yesterday morning members of his family heard him get up and go to the bathroom.

Later in the morning efforts to get into the bathroom failed, and Dr. Russell was summoned. The physician burst in the door and saw Mr. Mellwaine's body lying on the floor.

Mr. Mellwaine was prominent socially, and in Masonic circles and was a past worshipful master of Hope lodge of Free Masons of East Orange. He was unmarried.

BIG TRAIN WRECK CAUSED BY SPREAD

Coroner's Inquiry Develops That Fact After Hearing Considerable Evidence.

New York, Feb. 20.—The fact that a spreading rail caused the wreck of the White Plains express on the New York Central railroad Saturday night in which twenty-one persons were killed, was developed at the coroner's inquest yesterday.

Under the examination of Assistant District Attorney Nathan A. Smyth, the New York Central's engineer of maintenance of way, H. S. Balliet, testified that he found that the end of one of the rails on the outside of the curve at the point of derailment had been sprung sideways a distance of five inches.

The other end of the rail was held in place but where the rail spread the spikes holding the outside of the rail to the ties had been bent as if by a planer.

The heads of the bolts holding the ends of this rail to the next rail were broken off.

A tremendous force Mr. Balliet said must have been exerted upon the rail to cut off the head of the spikes, but he did not know whether the speed of the train would have been sufficient.

He said nothing to indicate that the strain was exerted by anything except a train of too great weight and speed for the condition of the track.

Francis Boardman, a division engineer said that the curve was constructed on estimates of a weight of 90 tons per foot, going at the rate of 60 miles per hour.

Henry E. Rood, assistant editor of Harper's Magazine, a passenger on the wrecked train, testified that it passed through the Bronx at a frightful speed.

He said he felt so nervous that he started to go to a rear car when the crash came.

"I have ridden on many fast trains before but do not think that I was ever on a train that even approximated this one in speed. I felt as if I were on a six-horse power automobile with a driver who did not know how to manipulate it."

SOMEBODY THREW BOMB

100 Italian Denizens of New York Building Frightened.

New York, Feb. 20.—A bomb exploded in the hall way of a tenement house on East 61st street last night wrecked the first floor of the building and badly frightened the 100 occupants, most of whom are Italians.

Clouds of dust that rolled up the stairway were mistaken for smoke by the excited tenants, and a rough scramble for exits followed.

Before order could be restored it was necessary to use fire ladders to remove from the upper windows women and children who were determined to quit the building, but were afraid to trust the stairs.

No clue to the bomb thrower was discovered. One of the owners of the tenement is Joseph Bozoff, the Lanier, whose son was kidnapped three months ago and a few weeks later returned to his home.

MARSHFIELD.

Do tax collectors tell tales out of school?

Deputy Sheriff Lawson of Montpelier was in town recently on business.

Mrs. Fred Prouty is slowly convalescing from her severe rheumatic troubles.

C. D. Bancroft of Montpelier was a visitor of friends in town over Sunday.

All the sick ones are reported as on the gain. Mr. Marshall Bullock is surely on the road to recovery.

Mr. Getchell of Montpelier joined his wife in the home of their daughter, Mrs. Simonds, last Sunday evening.

Mrs. Getchell of Montpelier, mother of Mrs. Charles Simonds, visited her daughter last week and over Sunday.

The Ladies' Aid of the M. E. church will meet with Mr. Frank Brown on Thursday. Dinner at two o'clock. Everyone cordially invited.

The home-talent concert was a great success. J. Ward Carver, the reader, was greeted with a hearty applause. All the music contributed from Cabot was most excellent.

G. I. Drinell was in Burlington over Sunday at the Mary Fletcher hospital with Mrs. Drinell, who is there for treatment. It is the wish of all her friends that she may return much improved in health.

Myrtle temple, No. 3, Tyburn Sisters, expects to visit the sister temple at Danville, Friday evening, March 1. The temple from St. Johnsbury is expected to be present at the same time. Let all who can possibly do so attend the meeting.

PAID REBATES IS CHARGED

Great Northern Railway Has Been Indicted

MORE ARE TO FOLLOW

Company Is Accused of Paying \$10,000 in Rebates to Lowell M. Palmer, Traffic Agent of American Sugar Company.

New York, Feb. 20.—The federal grand jury yesterday indicted the Great Northern Railway company on charges that in 1905 it paid \$10,000 in rebates on sugar shipments to Lowell M. Palmer, traffic agent of the American Sugar Refining company.

A second count of the same indictment charges that \$4,534 additional rebates were paid to Mr. Palmer by various railroads in conjunction with the Great Northern.

The indictment charges the Great Northern Railway company effected freight combinations with the Lehigh Valley, the New York Central and the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroads, the latter's through route being made up in combination with the Erie railway, the Great Northern Steamship company and the Great Northern Railway company, whereby sugar was transported from New York City and Boston to Sioux City, Iowa, at less than the published tariff rates.

The latter indictment charges, but through an agreement alleged to have been made by Alonzo W. Jake and A. W. Steel, as agents of the Great Northern company and Lowell M. Palmer as the agent of the American Sugar Refining company, it is charged that the sugar refining company was granted a through rate on sugar between the points named of 33 cents per hundred.

It is understood that the general counsel of the northern company has been notified of the indictment and will within a few days present themselves for pleading.

It is reported that still more indictments will follow.

MORE DEATHS THAN BIRTHS.

Burlington's Vital Statistics on Wrong Side of Balance.

Burlington, Feb. 20.—During the month of January, according to the returns at the city clerk's office, there were 37 births in the city of Burlington.

Of these 20 were girls and 17 were boys. The youngest mother was 16 years old and the oldest was 43. There were four children born to mothers still in their 20s; 12 to mothers in their 30s; and three to mothers in their 40s.

In nine families the new arrival was the first born; in 10 families it was the second; in four it was the fourth; in three families it was the fifth; in three families it was the sixth; in two families it was the tenth; in one family it was the twelfth.

The registrar was unusually busy in Burlington during the month of January, 49 deaths being reported.

SWANTON HOUSE ASSIGNS.

Wead Hardware Company's Assets Will Cover Liabilities.

Swanton, Feb. 20.—The Wead Hardware company, general hardware and plumbing, an old established concern here, assigned yesterday afternoon to the Hon. B. M. Stone, who will close the property and settle the estate. While the International Trustee and some city houses are quite large creditors, the assignee considers the assets ample to cover all liabilities.

About 15 years ago the Hon. D. D. Wead moved here from Sheldon, bought out Blake & Bradley, reorganized the business, incorporating under the name of the Wead Hardware company, his son, Jacob Wead of Alton, Ill., being one of the stockholders. Upon the death of D. D. Wead about six years ago, his son, C. M. Wead, came from Chicago, assumed the management and conducted the business to the present time.

THREE PETITIONS.

Were Filed in Bankruptcy Clerk's Office Yesterday.

Burlington, Feb. 20.—Three petitions in bankruptcy were filed yesterday at the district clerk's office. Eugene A. Ingalls, a salesman of St. Albans, has liabilities of \$1,805.84 and assets of \$2,643.

Ernest Gilbert of St. Albans, an employe of the Central Vermont Railway company, has liabilities of \$223.25 and no assets. Henry Dickerman, a farmer of Lyndon, has liabilities of \$369 and assets of \$300.

FIVE EXAMINED.

For Appointment by Senator Proctor to Naval Academy.

Rutland, Feb. 20.—William McKenney of Burlington, R. B. Corkran of Poultney, Glenn M. Eastman, Louis H. Spafford and Stephen T. McQuirk of Rutland were candidates for examination here today for Senator Proctor's appointment as cadet at Annapolis.

DEATH FOR SEVENTEEN RUSSIANS.

Court-Martial Sentences for Insurrectionists at Riga.

Riga, Russia, Feb. 20.—The court-martial at Tukum, which has been trying insurrectionists, has concluded its labors. Seventeen men have been sentenced to death and forty-five others to various terms of imprisonment at hard labor.

CLAIMS HIS BRIDE FIBBED ABOUT AGE

Burlington Man Also Says That He Was Coerced Into Marrying, So Asks for a Complete Divorce.

RESPONDENT STILL ABSENT

George Latulip Is Badly Wanted On Bigamy Charge

HE SKIPPED BAIL OF \$500

Sender & Senter in Montpelier City Court Today Were Granted One More Week in Which to Produce Their Man.

BRAKEMAN INJURED BEFORE BIG CROWD

William Anderson Was Knocked Under Tender of Engine After Slipping Down.

Brattleboro, Feb. 20.—In sight of a hundred people waiting for trains at the railroad station yesterday afternoon at four o'clock, William Anderson, a freight conductor, received injuries from which he may die.

Anderson had placed his train on a side track and was riding by the station in the cab of the engine. Jumping to the platform, he slipped and was knocked under the tender by the moving wheels. Anderson's head was badly hurt but the extent of his injuries is not yet known. He was taken to the Memorial hospital.

A NEW CURATE.

Rev. Arthur C. Clarke Goes to Burlington Episcopal.

Burlington, Feb. 20.—Rev. Arthur Cleveland Clarke, for some years chaplain and instructor at St. John's Military school at Manlius, N. Y., has accepted the position of curate of St. Paul's parish.

Rev. Mr. Clarke is a native of Western New York and comes of a well known family. Miss Edith E. Clarke, librarian at Billings library, is a cousin. He was graduated from St. Stephen's college, Annandale-on-the-Hudson, and received his theological training at Berkeley, Cal., Middlebury college, Conn. He was ordained to the priesthood in 1890 and for about two years had charge of the parishes at Harpersville and Windsor, N. Y. In 1891 he was chosen chaplain of St. John's Military school, a church school, at Manlius where he has been since.

The position of curate at St. Paul's has been vacant since the departure of Rev. E. C. Bennett last October who was called to be rector of St. Thomas' parish in Greenville, R. I. Rev. Thomas Worrall, who for two years, previous to Mr. Bennett, was curate of St. Paul's, is now rector of Christ church, Rye, N. Y.

DISSOLVE PARTNERSHIP.

J. K. Edgerton to Give All His Time to State Interests.

Northfield, Feb. 20.—A change in the insurance agency of Egerton & Plastridge of Northfield, will take place March 1st, when the senior member, J. K. Edgerton, will retire and A. E. Plastridge will assume entire proprietorship.

Mr. Edgerton has been engaged in the insurance business in New York for 20 years and retires at this time to give his attention wholly to the Northfield State company, of which he is president. Mr. Plastridge has been connected with the firm for the past three years, previously having had a wide experience in insurance business in New York. The firm has carried a large amount of insurance in this vicinity in some of the best companies and the business will undoubtedly continue to prosper under Mr. Plastridge's experienced management.

EAGLE BROKE LEG.

Was Being Initiated at Brattleboro on Monday Night.

Brattleboro, Feb. 20.—The Brattleboro lodge of Eagles initiated a class of candidates Monday evening during the festivities thereto. William Belden, one of the charter members, broke his right leg just above the ankle. Mr. Belden was conveyed to his home and the initiation ceremonies were completed. Visitors from Greenfield, Mass., and other places were present.

BURKE OPENS CAMPAIGN.

Holds Rally With a Large Attendance Last Night.

Burlington, Feb. 20.—The opening rally in one of the hottest political campaigns ever waged in this city was held last evening by the Democrats in city hall with a large attendance. The principal speaker was Mayor James E. Burke, the democratic candidate to succeed himself. Other speakers were M. G. Leary and Michael McKenney.

An All-day Shoot Arranged.

An all-day shoot will be held at the range of the Montpelier Gun club Friday at which time the members of the Northfield Gun club will be guests of the Montpelier organization. Several interesting events are scheduled, among them a preliminary struggle for the silver loving cup known as the 1907 trophy which the best marksmen in the gun clubs of Montpelier and Northfield will own before the year is over.

THE LAWYER CASE.

Was Again Started in City Court This Morning—Motion for Continuance.

TROLLEY CO. GETS RAPPED

Aldermen Had a Knocking Session Last Night

FRANCHISE OVERHAULED

City Fathers Conclude That the Barre & Montpelier Traction Company Is Derelict to Its Obligations—Also Vote to Pay Illegal Bills.

ENTANGLED HORSE TIES UP STREET CARS

Animal Ran Away and Went Onto Electric Road's Trestle at Dodge's Bridge—Passengers Had to Transfer.

A horse belonging to Charles J. Smith and driven by Mrs. Smith, was the cause of considerable delay to the electric cars this morning. When near the Dodge bridge between this city and Montpelier the horse became frightened at a passing train and bolted from the road onto the bridge, used by the electric road, where it became seriously entangled. Nearly two hours' work was required by several men to extricate it.

During the tie-up passengers were transferred around the bridge, the cars from Montpelier and this city meeting at the bridge.

Mrs. Smith was thrown from the sleigh, but escaped without injury. The horse was badly scratched and bruised.

POSTPONED DISBANDING.

Gov. Proctor Suspends Order Concerning Co. B, of St. Albans.

Proctor, Feb. 20.—Gov. Proctor has suspended until Saturday the order disbanding Company B of St. Albans, of the Vermont National Guard, which failed to maintain the required degree of efficiency. The citizens were anxious for increase of pension were examined. Charles Shepard of Marshall, Edward Fisk of Waterfield, and David Lee of Montpelier.

At a regular meeting of the county pension examiners today three applicants for increase of pension were examined. Charles Shepard of Marshall, Edward Fisk of Waterfield, and David Lee of Montpelier.

THROWN INTO STREET.

Joseph Jones and Companion Take Corner Too Rapidly.

A horse driven by Joseph Jones took the corner from South Main street to Church street at a little too rapid pace this afternoon and as a result Mr. Jones and a companion were precipitated to the street in a sudden manner. Mr. Jones, however, retained his hold on the reins and succeeded in stopping the horse after being dragged for several rods. No damage was apparent.

GOING TO WILLIAMSTOWN.

East Montpelier Grangers Are Out for a Good Time.

Three four-horse teams carrying East Montpelier Grangers passed through the city this afternoon on the way to Williamstown, where they will be entertained this afternoon and evening by the Williamstown Grange.

NO DAMAGE RESULTED.

Chemical Engine Called to Fire in the Baltimore Lunch Room.

The chemical engine was called out at about one o'clock this morning for a chimney fire in the Baltimore lunch room on North Main street. No damage resulted.

DEATHS IN MONTEPELIER.

The Wife of Louis Wood and Also Mrs. Mary Cullen.

Josephine Lamery, wife of Louis Wood, who was for many years an officer on the Montpelier police force, died at her home, 180 Main street, at 6:30 o'clock yesterday morning after a long illness. She died at about one hundred and twenty years of age. She had been in the city since several years ago. She time suffered several others, and the past two years has been confined to the bed.

The deceased was born in Montpelier, July 11, 1848, and has always made her home in this city, having received her education in the Union school of the city. Forty-two years ago she was married to Louis Wood, and no children were born to them. She was a member of St. Augustine's church, in which she was in early life a devoted worker. She was a daughter of Joseph and Kate Lamery, both of whom died some years ago.

She is survived among other relatives by a husband, one adopted son, three sisters, Mrs. W. O. Snow of Montpelier, Mrs. Clarence Pitkin of Berlin, and Mrs. P. F. Dolan of Kalspell, Mont., and two brothers, Joseph and George Lamery of Montpelier.

The funeral will be held from the St. Augustine's church on Thursday morning.

Mrs. Mary Cullen.

The funeral of Mrs. Marry Cullen, who died Monday afternoon, was held this morning from St. Augustine's church, and the burial was in the Catholic cemetery. Mrs. Cullen was born in Sutton, P. Q., and was 77 years of age. She was the widow of the late John Cullen and since his death, some years ago, she has made her home with her children. She has been at the home of Richard Cullen, where taken ill. Of the nine children born to Mr. and Mrs. Cullen, eight survive, Richard, being the only one living in this city. The others are Edward, John, Thomas, Bessie, Mary, Eliza and Eliza, living in Bolton, St. Albans; Barbara Falls, Lebanon, N. H., and Randolph.

THE BARRE & MONTEPELIER STREET RAILWAY COMPANY

was favored by the attorney at their regular meeting last night, and at the same session the members again assumed the responsibility for paying out the city's money for several bills which the auditors had declared were contracted illegally because they were contracted with city officials, directly or indirectly. All the members of the board were on hand.

Following the acceptance of the water superintendent's report for the month of January, the mayor and the finance committee reported that they had been unable to reach a "satisfactory agreement" on the E. A. Prindle bill, so-called, and those of Alderman Cutler, Prindle's bill was for supplies amounting to \$7.57, and Cutler's was \$54.85. Of the latter, one item for team hire, \$10.10, had been approved by J. H. Thurston; one for \$12.75 approved by H. F. Cutler, and another for \$29.60 approved by O. C. Russell and the water department. Alderman Milne moved and Alderman Cutler seconded, to pay the Prindle bill. Motion carried. When the Cutler bill came up, Alderman Albisetti wanted it laid on the table until they had considered an architect's bill to E. A. Walker, which the council had refused to do. He and Alderman Milne were the only ones to support the tabling motion, and then the entire six aldermen fell into line and voted to pay the Cutler bill, while Alderman Albisetti and Milne were placed by H. F. Cutler, and another for \$29.60 approved by O. C. Russell and the water department. Alderman Milne moved and Alderman Cutler seconded, to pay the Prindle bill. Motion carried. When the Cutler bill came up, Alderman Albisetti wanted it laid on the table until they had considered an architect's bill to E. A. Walker, which the council had refused to do. He and Alderman Milne were the only ones to support the tabling motion, and then the entire six aldermen fell into line and voted to pay the Cutler bill, while Alderman Albisetti and Milne were placed by H. F. Cutler, and another for \$29.60 approved by O. C. Russell and the water department.

STREET RAILROAD CORNERED.

A city warrant to pay \$8,000 to the school department in anticipation of 1907 taxes was passed and then Alderman Milne opened the town-ton on the street railroad matter by announcing that at the recent first ward caucus, where he lost the nomination (he has filed papers), he never asked what he had done toward making the railway run cars on South Main street every half hour. He said he told the voters that the mayor and the street committee had the matter in charge. He now moved that this committee report.

Alderman Burke innocently inquired if he meant "before the election." Alderman Milne did not reply.

One after another the aldermen took