

STENGELE'S ACTS.

Killing of Mrs. Colvin and Himself.

STORY TOLD BY HIS LETTER.

Discovered There Was Another Man in the Case.

COULD NOT LIVE WITHOUT HER.

Both Parties in the Portland Tragedy Belonged to the Higher Walks of Life.

PORTLAND, Or., Sept. 17.—Side by side in the morgue lie the remains of Mrs. Mabel Colvin of Worcester, Mass., and John W. Stengele of this city.

The coroner's jury, in the case of Stengele, brought in a verdict that he was an American, 35 years old, and that he came to his death from a gunshot wound, inflicted with suicidal intent; and in the case of the unfortunate woman that she had been murdered by Stengele.

The victims belonged to the higher walks of life and drink cut no figure in this instance. John W. Stengele was a well-known civil engineer, recently employed in the office of the City Surveyor.

Mrs. Colvin came here about a year and a half ago to obtain a divorce from her husband. During the earlier period of her visit she met Stengele, and they formed an attachment for each other, soon ripening into love, and it was accepted as a fact among their friends that as soon as the court had freed Mrs. Colvin from her unpleasant matrimonial alliance she and Stengele would marry.

For the past fortnight Stengele's usual high spirits seemed to desert him, but his changed nature was attributed to anything but the right cause. However, none knowing him had the slightest suspicion that "Handsome Jack," as he was familiarly called, had murdered and suicide in his heart. Soon after 10 o'clock yesterday morning Stengele left his boarding-house at 44 West Park in company with his roommate, M. J. Clohesy, and walked to the Hotel Portland, where they parted.

Stengele entered the hotel, and seated himself at the table, wrote the following letter which was found on his person after death:

PORTLAND HOTEL, Sept. 16, 1894. My Dear Clohesy: Could any one overlook the fact that I am mad? I have done a lot of worrying, and you can now see why I am not well and why I do not sleep and eat as usual. You know we were to be married as soon as Mabel got her divorce, and you know of our friendship for the past year or more. I found, to my sorrow, after watching her, that I was not the only man in the case. We had a romance before, but then I was not as positive as now, and we made up. You have proved my one friend I have ever had. I hope you will not pay for burial, but in any case I have made of myself. I cannot stand life any longer, although I have been fairly successful all along. There is enough money in my pocket to pay for burial, but in any case I have made of myself. I cannot stand life any longer, although I have been fairly successful all along.

He left the hotel and went to the corner of Thirteenth and Yamhill streets, where he waited for Mrs. Colvin, who had been to church with her brother. Mrs. Colvin came home alone and Stengele met her almost in front of her home, where he fired the fatal shots. Mrs. Colvin was about 30 years of age and was a very handsome woman. About five years ago she married Henry Colvin, the son of a wealthy man of Worcester, but the marriage proved unhappy. Stengele's widowed mother makes her home in Chicago, but was in this city only a few days ago. His sister, the wife of Dr. Joseph Kirschner, resides at St. Joseph, Mo. Stengele was born in Princeton, Ill., and was educated in Chicago.

HENRY FRENCH'S TALK.

Congress Criticized by the Prohibition Candidate.

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 17.—Hon. Henry French, the Prohibition candidate for Governor, addressed a large gathering at Temperance Temple to-night. In criticizing the present Congress Mr. French said: "Congress has done nothing to relieve the situation except to reduce the tariff on pistols 53 per cent, and cut the duty on gambling cards from 12 cents to 2 cents per pack. They have likewise reduced the duty on clay pipes 30 per cent, and they made a reduction of 50 per cent on opium, that the youth of our land may be exposed to the temptation of this terrible curse. The bounty on sugar has been wiped out by this Congress, thus striking a blow at American capital and labor."

CHARGED WITH MURDER.

Arrest of an Aged Man Who is Wanted in Texas.

PORTLAND, Or., Sept. 17.—James D. Taylor, 77 years of age, wanted in Waco, Tex., for killing Louis Rehart in November, 1890, was arrested nine miles from this city to-day by the Sheriff of this county.

When arrested Taylor was working in a lumber camp. He submitted to arrest quietly and did not attempt to deny the crime. He was manager of a large plantation near Waco and Rehart was employed at the same place.

The men had trouble, and Taylor claims he killed Rehart in self-defense. Taylor was at one time Sheriff of Hill County, Tex.

THEIR NEWPORT PALACE.

Rumors Concerning William K. Vanderbilt and Wife.

NEW YORK, Sept. 17.—At the far end of this season, when the last of social celebrities are departing from Newport, Mrs. W. K. Vanderbilt has given orders to have the famous marble palace put in order. Many rumors are afloat. One is to the effect that she intends to take up her abode in Rhode Island in order to secure a divorce, the laws in that State being

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Mr. Howry's visit is official, and will be extended for at least three weeks in California, during which time an investigation into various claims against the Government for Indian depredations will be held. It is his special duty to examine and pass upon all Indian treaties and claims. His home is Oxford, Miss., where he has lived most of his life. The territory over which his jurisdiction extends lies between the Mississippi and the Pacific, Canada and Mexico, but it was never before explored by Mr. Howry.

"I came here from Washington State," said he last night. "My secretary and stenographer remained up there taking evidence and will be down to-morrow. I will be here three weeks in California and Washington investigating Indian claims. The total amount of these claims is \$44,000,000, and the number 11,000. Judgment has been rendered in 400 cases, about half of which were paid, representing \$500,000 disbursed by the Government. There still remain 200 cases, aggregating \$600,000 in round numbers, and about \$175,000 to pay Indian claims, but all certificates signed by me are to be taken up and specially provided for by the next Congress. There are also about 100 large claims amounting to about \$4,000,000, one of which is the claim of ex-Governor Downie's estate against the Government."

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WITH PISTOLS AND RAZOR.

Jealousy Causes Edward Dawson to Assault His Wife.

SACRAMENTO, Sept. 17.—Edward Dawson to-day drew his two months' pay from the railroad company and told his wife, of whom he has been insanely jealous, that he was going to San Francisco. Strangely enough, he asked her to go with him, but she refused. Then he ran to a bureau, got a pistol and tried to shoot her, but the weapon would not work. Then he got a razor, and while she tried to take it away from him, he managed to cut her twice on the neck. Still she struggled with him until the police arrived and disarmed him. Mrs. Dawson's wounds are not regarded as serious.

SEVERAL CARS SMASHED.

Rear End Collision Between Freight Trains at Newcastle.

SACRAMENTO, Sept. 17.—There was a rear-end collision between two freight trains at Newcastle, Placer County, today. One was standing on a siding and the other came down the grade and collided with it.

Several cars were derailed and smashed, but no one injured. It was at first reported that several persons were hurt.

MRS. HARTLEY'S SENTENCE.

It Will Not Be Imposed Until December.

RENO, Nev., Sept. 17.—December 1 was the day fixed by Judge Cheney to-day for passing sentence on Mrs. Hartley, who killed Senator Foley, and who was found guilty of murder in the second degree.

Defendant has until November 24 to file a bill of exceptions and a motion for a new trial.

Was Tacoma's First Marshal.

TACOMA, Sept. 17.—Josephus S. Howell, a pioneer of seventeen years' residence, died to-day from pneumonia, aged 72. He was the first Town Marshal of New Tacoma, and was one of the earliest residents of Milwaukee, Wis., having come there in 1836. He had engaged in various mercantile pursuits.

Death of Pugilist Mullins.

BROOKLYN, Sept. 17.—Arthur Mullins, 33 years old, who held the lightweight championship before Jack McAuliffe acquired that title, died in the Home for Inebriates at Fort Hamilton to-night.

Banning's Residence Burned.

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 17.—The residence of Hancock Banning was destroyed by fire to-day. The fire originated from a defective flue. The loss is \$10,000; partly insured.

GRAF BISMARCK.

The Iron Chancellor's Nephew in This City.

Among the tourists who arrived at the Palace Hotel yesterday was Graf Bismarck, a nephew of Prince Bismarck. The Graf, or count, is a man of about 35 years of age, with a strong German face. He wears a full beard, has a victor's frame, and walks like a man who knows what drilling in the German army means.

"I am travelling around the world for pleasure and have been through California, which delighted me greatly," he said in fluent English. "It is a long time now since I saw the Iron Chancellor, having been away from home a great deal. But all I know about him is that he is in good health. Excuse me, good evening."

The Graf hurried away to a theater with some traveling acquaintances from the Fatherland. He takes little interest in politics and appears bored with formal discussion, believing no doubt that it is foolish to bother with serious questions while he has money at hand and can enjoy himself according to his own sweet will. It is understood he received the title of Graf when Bismarck was made a prince, and having that distinguished "handle" to his name he is privileged to appear at the Kaiser's court.

ALAMEDA PRIMARY.

Democrats Elect Delegates to the County Convention.

ALAMEDA, Sept. 18.—The election for delegates to the Democratic county convention which meets in San Leandro was held yesterday and the result was made known at 2:15 o'clock this morning.

The following are the delegates chosen, and they are said to be pledged to support C. A. Brown for Supervisor: J. P. Fleming, Jesse Ives, A. S. St. Sure, G. Middleton, A. Vollmar, J. G. Franks, C. B. Laffel, W. J. White, C. H. Lovelace, Max Glass, Louis Manike, E. McFadden, A. C. Stoddard, J. M. B. Miller, H. I. Fisher, William Cashman, W. W. Goggins, J. S. Ward, W. W. Bowers, H. E. Ream, A. Grunberg, J. H. Sommers, Morrison Brown, G. C. Gull, R. Bann, Ed Owens, W. E. Scollay, Michael Kane, H. H. McGill Jr., J. S. Murray and C. J. Crist.

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GILL.—In this city, September 18, 1894, Mary Gill, mother of Peter Gill, Oregon, a native of Westport, County Mayo, Ireland, aged 84 years and 2 months.

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THE THEATERS.

The Tivoli's Travesty a Great Success.

A Double Bill at Morosco's Grand Opera-House Draws a Crowd. Nothing New at Other Houses.

Take of these operas all that is usable. Mix it all up in a piping or crucible, set it to music that pleases our ears. And a new opera is born.

And with apologies to Gilbert, the above lines will about explain how "Don Juan" (ad lib.) was prepared. The Byronic poem was only useful in furnishing the names of the characters in the piece, and almost every comic opera and recent farce comedy was called upon to furnish the music.

And it was deliciously successful. The Tivoli could not accommodate another person at 7:45 o'clock last evening, and John P. Wilton, the librettist, Joseph Hirschbach, the musical director, and the management must have been delighted at the way in which this new production was received. The piece is bright, sparkling and goes off with a dash that is most refreshing. Of course, there is no coherent plot—that is not necessary—but it is loaded with catchy songs, pretty scenery and costumes. The lines are clever, though in spots slightly reminiscent of the English Christmas piece, where puns prevail.

Gracie Plaisted made her reappearance after her vacation in Japan, and the house was wild. For fully four minutes proceedings were brought to a standstill, and she almost had to make a speech on her entrance. She was spontaneously as ever and her voice is greatly improved after her rest. Ferris Hartman as Muley is funnier than Eddie Foy ever dared to be and carried the piece off to a triumph.

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The Benson Opera Company will leave by steamer for Los Angeles this morning. The company, embracing forty-eight people, will produce "The Tar and Tar," "Ship Ahoy," "The Oolah" and a repertoire of new operas. Miss Carrie Godfrey, Mira de la Motte, George E. Lusk as stage manager and N. E. Page as stage director are the principals. After some weeks in the city a coast tour will be made.

"Friends" opened splendidly for the second week at the New California. The large attendance seemed to inspire the people on the stage with new life, and the different acts went through humming. Mr. Boyle and his company, of which Mr. Harry Allen is a conspicuous member, have no reason to be dissatisfied with their San Francisco reception. It commended warmly and has been growing in intensity ever since. The new series of pictures, given after the close of the comedy, had a most favorable recognition. Following is the list:

First, "Gemma" by Bridgeman; second, "Star of the Night," by Perrie; third, "The Fishermen," by R. Costa; fourth, "Habe," by Thorwaldsen; fifth, "Red Riding Hood," by Petersen; sixth, "The Young Girl of Bahia," by Gedman; seventh, "Cupid and the Butterfly," by Richter; eighth, "Sappho," by Gallo; ninth, "Sweethearts," Gossie.

"Charley's Aunt" will work through this week at the Baldwin with the same éclat that has attended the preceding fortnight. Three weeks is a long time to keep people on the broad grin, but it must be said for Brandon Thomas' eccentric play that so far there is no diminution in the laughter that attends the masquerade of Charley's aunt from Brazil, "the place where the nuts come from." Little Arthur Larkin, who assumes this laughter-creating character, seems to be quite at home in it and carries the audience with him completely. We are not enjoying the original company that accomplished such an advertising success in the East. There is, however, laughing matter enough. That, by itself, contributes that, but one pause to this might have been the result had this little Englishman, Larkin, not been dropped upon for the bogus aunt. Beyond him all is "leather and prunella." The Baldwin will close for four weeks at the termination of the "Charley's Aunt" engagement.

Morosco's Grand Opera had a large audience to enjoy the opening of the comedy week, when a double bill was offered. W. L. Gleason and Miss Miss Gleason began the programme with a pretty little curtain-raiser called "A Happy Pair," something like the old mono-act piece Mr. Charles Pope and Miss Julia Dean Hayne used to play here last fall. "A Morning Call" in which Julia Dean played Mrs. Chittington and Mr. Pope Sir Edward Ardent. The little bit was cleverly rendered, and above the average of the Grand Operas' present productions. It was followed by an eccentric comedy entitled "Confession" in three acts, in which Mr. Theobald, D. A. Hayes, Eli McCallish, and Miss Julia Dean played the parts. The comedy week at the Grand ought to be a success. It is a new deal, and as variety is the spice of life this will be a week that will hold the audience in the melodramatic budding of the patrons of the theatre have been in the habit of feasting on.

At the Metropolitan Temple the much-admired Mr. A. A. Farland, the man who brings classical music, appeared before an audience that will be lauded in numbers made up in appreciativeness. A notice of the performance will be found elsewhere.

The Orpheum had the usual large attendance. Variety business as developed by this now well-established music hall has become a fixed fact in the community. We may depend upon the management to obtain for us whatever is new and talked about in any part of the world. Walter has long arms, muscled by abundant means, and he reaches out in every direction, grasping and holding every attraction against the most powerful opposition.

Meyer's Wigwam Theater was crowded to the seats to-night between George Green and Billy Armstrong. It was a lively bout. The attractions that followed made the evening a most enjoyable one to the lovers of sport.

The sale of seats for the coming engagement of "Charley's Aunt" at the Macdonough, Oakland, will commence this (Tuesday) morning at 9 o'clock. The management feels confident of having one of the largest sales ever known at the handsome Macdonough. Already there has been sent into the box-office an unusually large number of orders for tickets, and the prospects are that crowded houses will be the rule during the engagement.

Oklanders will have the funny farce with them for four nights and a Wednesday matinee, commencing next Monday.

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At \$1.50. 150 pieces CHANGEABLE SILK VELVET in all the very latest combination shadings. Regular value \$3.00. Will be closed out at \$1.50 a yard.

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At 25 Cents. 20 pieces 38-INCH ALL PURE WOOL STORM SERGE. McShane's price 50c, will be closed out this week at 25c a yard.

At 35 Cents. 20 pieces 40-INCH EXTRA FINE ALL-WOOL FRENCH DIAGONAL. McShane's price 60c, will be closed out this week at 35c a yard.

At 35 Cents. 20 pieces 37-INCH FINE SILK LUSTRE ALPACA. McShane's price 60c, will be closed out this week at 35c a yard.

At 50 Cents. 20 pieces EXTRA FINE ALL-WOOL STORM SERGE will be closed out this week at 50c a yard.

At 50 Cents. 20 pieces 40-INCH ALL-WOOL SCOTCH CHEVIOT. McShane's price \$1, will be closed out this week at 50c a yard.

At 50 Cents. 20 pieces FINE ALL-WOOL IMPORTED FANCY WEAVES, in different designs. McShane's price \$1, will be closed out this week at 50c a yard.

At 55 Cents. 20 pieces 54-INCH FINE ALL-WOOL LADIES' CLOTH. McShane's price \$1, will be closed out this week at 55c a yard.

At 75 Cents. 20 pieces 55-INCH FINE ALL-WOOL ENGLISH SERGE. McShane's price \$1.25, will be closed out this week at 75c a yard.

Colored Dress Goods at Sacrifice Prices!

At 15 Cents. 128 pieces DOUBLE FOLD FANCY TWO-TONED SUITINGS, worth 25c, will be closed out at 15c a yard.

At 25 Cents. 110 pieces ALL-WOOL FRENCH NUN'S VEILING, evening shades, regular price 50c, will be closed out at 25c a yard.

At 25 Cents. 50 pieces NAVY BLUE STORM SERGE, double fold, value for 40c, will be closed out at 25c a yard.

At 25 Cents. 70 pieces ALL-WOOL, PLAIN AND MOTTLED LADIES' CLOTH AND TRICOTS, good value for 45c, will be closed out at 25c a yard.

At 35 Cents. 63 pieces 38-INCH FANCY NOVELTY BROCHE SUITINGS, in all the newest colorings, will be closed out at 35c a yard.

At 45 Cents. 47 pieces 36-INCH SILK AND WOOL FANCY CHECKED CHEVRONS, regular price 65c, will be closed out at 45c a yard.

At 50 Cents. 140 pieces 38-INCH ALL-WOOL MIXED CHEVIOT SUITINGS, in mottled and tinted effects, will be closed out at 50c a yard.

At 50 Cents. 51 pieces 48-INCH ALL-WOOL PIN HEAD CHECKS in mixed colorings, good value for \$1, will be closed out at 50c a yard.

At 60 Cents. 72 pieces 40-INCH ALL-WOOL SCOTCH HEATHER MIXED SUITINGS, cheap at 90c, will be closed out at 60c a yard.

At 50 Cents. 46 pieces 38-INCH NAVY BLUE STORM SERGE, will be closed out at 50c a yard.

At 60 Cents. 39 pieces 52-INCH ALL-WOOL NAVY BLUE STORM SERGE, regular price \$1, will be closed out at 60c a yard.

At 75 Cents. 57 pieces 45 and 52-INCH ALL-WOOL ENGLISH NAVAL STORM SERGE, great value for \$1, will be closed out at 75c a yard.

At 75 Cents. 37 pieces 48-INCH ALL-WOOL FRENCH FANCY CREPONS in cream, pink, Nile, tan, green, navy, heliotrope and vieux rose, regular price \$1.50, will be closed out at 75c a yard.

Lace Department!

At 3 1/2 Cents Each. LADIES' COLORED BORDERED HEM-STITCHED HANDKERCHIEFS, worth \$1 per dozen, will be closed out this week at 3 1/2c each.

At 30 Cents Per Yard. BLACK CHANTILLY LACE, all silk, 9 inches wide, worth 65c, will be closed out this week at 30c per yard.

At 37 1/2 Cents Per Yard. HEM-STITCHED AND SCALLOPED WHITE SWISS EMBROIDERED FLOUNCING, 27 inches wide, embroidered in pink, sky, lavender, black and Persian effects, worth \$1 and \$1.25, will be closed out this week at 37 1/2c per yard.

Its excellence is due to its presenting in the form most acceptable and pleasant to the taste, the refreshing and truly beneficial properties of a perfect laxative; effectually cleansing the system, dispelling colds, headaches and fevers and permanently curing constipation. It has given satisfaction to millions and met with the approval of the medical profession because it acts on the Kidneys, Liver and Bowels without weakening them and it is perfectly free from every objectionable substance.

Syrup of Figs is for sale by all druggists in 50c and \$1 bottles, but it is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only, whose name is printed on every package, also the name, Syrup of Figs, and being well informed, you will not accept any substitute if offered.

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