

STORY OF THE CRIME WHICH MARY ROGERS COMMITTED.

The crime for which Mrs. Rogers will be executed today was the murder of her husband, Merrill Marcus Rogers, in a...

her but he declined and then she coaxed Leon to assist, promising him \$200 of the insurance money.

She was then only 19 years of age while her husband was 32. Both were natives of the town of Hoosick, N. Y., where they were married when the bride was only 16.

The two spent a large part of the day Tuesday together but what passed between them has never been told.

One child was born to Marcus Rogers and wife, a daughter, who was killed when only a few weeks old by a fall from her mother's arms.

At Mrs. Rogers's suggestion they left the street, crossing a few rods of vacant ground and then they went by a low stone wall on the bank of the Walloomsac and only a few feet from the water.

Wednesday, August 13, Marcus Rogers's hat was found hanging from the low limb of a tree standing only a few feet off Safford street.

After visiting for a while Mrs. Rogers suggested that they try some tricks that she knew, Marcus assented and getting the ropes fastened, Mrs. Rogers tied her husband's hands behind his back.

Thursday morning, however, S. L. Jewett, who had heard the stories, started on a little search and found the body of Marcus Rogers lying face downward in the Walloomsac river where the water was about 12 inches deep and only a few rods from where Safford street crosses the river.

Rogers never spoke again and after a minute or two lay limp and lifeless. Hastily removing the rope they placed the body face downward in the edge of the shallow stream, and after hiding the cord and empty bottle, and adjusting the hat and previously prepared note where they were found next day, they returned to the Perham house and spent the night together.

A. K. Ritchie, chairman of the Bennington board of selectmen, however, noted that the handwriting of the note appeared to be that of a woman and demanded an autopsy.

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Houghton & Simonds The Great Christmas Crowds Now Throng the Store

All previous sales records are being broken daily. Our Holiday stocks have reached a high degree of completeness and selections may be made with the assurance that the choicest merchandise the world affords is here for your consideration.

Christmas Waist Patterns. Waist Patterns in colored mercerized stripes at .50c per pattern. White Figured Mercerized Waist Patterns at .59c per pattern.

Solve the Gift Problem from Our Fur Stock. The selection of a gift from "a store famous for its furs" precludes the possibility of any dissatisfaction.

Children's and Misses' Fur Sets. A most attractive gift for a baby girl or a grown up girl. Children's Sets in white Angora, nice collar and muff to match.

Christmas Hosiery. Women's Embroidered Hosiery in an extensive array for gift purposes. Jeweled and Mounted Combs. Holiday novelties in back combs and side-combs in matched sets and separately.

Women's Holiday Neckwear. Boxed and ready for giving. All the week late deliveries have been arriving and now the stock is truly at its best.

Our Basement Salesroom. With 110 feet of Counter Length. Is One Solid Christmas Display.

Blankets a Serviceable Gift. Here in our big stock of these useful articles is a great selection.

Newest Creations in Hand Bags. This new style, a novelty we've been looking for for a long time, has immediately jumped into high favor.

The Christmas Dolls. The basement store doll section presents a scene of enthusiastic activity.

Prof. G. B. Wilkins. Vermont's great healer has returned from his short vacation and resumes his practice.

Millinery. I have a fine line of TRIMMED HATS that will be sold at a discount.

AUDITORIUM. Matinee and Night Saturday, December 16, The Twentieth Century Success Si Stebbins.

LOCAL OVERFLOW.

The usual matinee performance will be given at the Auditorium Saturday afternoon at 2:30 with "Cinderella" as the attraction.

A case of scarlet fever was reported to Health Officer Henry Tucker last night. The patient is Jesse Bailey, who lives in the water cure building on Elliot street.

Harold Carey, two months old, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Carey of Guilford street, died Wednesday. The funeral was held at 1 o'clock today. Rev. H. R. Miles officiating.

A letter received in Brattleboro from Thomas McVeigh, who disappeared last March and turned up in New York last week, states that he has a position on one of the street railway lines in that city.

The work trains which have been used in ballasting the road bed of the West river railroad have been the cause of much winter. It was intended to keep one of them at work all winter, but this was found to be inadvisable.

The railroad commissioners at Boston yesterday authorized the Connecticut River Railroad company to issue 10,000 shares of new capital stock at par amounting to \$1,000,000, for the purpose of acquiring the stock of the Vermont Valley company. The new stock will be exchanged for stock of the Vermont company in the ratio of one share of the new stock for every two shares of the Vermont stock.

The Lorne Elwyn company, now playing its week's engagement at the Auditorium, has offered a handsome doctor's office chair to be awarded to the most popular physician in town on a vote by the patrons of the Auditorium this week. The result this morning at 11 o'clock was as follows: Aldrich 110, Lynch 105, Anderson 13, Greig 1, Hamilton 3, Miller 3, O'Connor 23, Roberts 22, Tucker 11, Waterman 1.

BRATTLEBORO MARKET REPORT.

Table with columns for WHOLESALE and RETAIL prices for various commodities like Cheese, Butter, Eggs, Sugar, etc.

Dr. and Mrs. Fred A. Roberts, who visited a few days with Dr. Roberts's father, E. L. Roberts, went from here to Boston Saturday to stay a few days before returning to their home in Pittsfield, Mass.

About 60 members of J. E. Hall's and Dr. H. D. Roberts's Bible school classes gave Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Chamberlain a home warming Wednesday evening, meeting first with Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Eddy and going from there in a body to Mr. and Mrs. Chamberlain's new home. The visit was a surprise. Each class presented testimonials of regard, refreshments were served and the evening was spent in a delightful way.

Births. In Brattleboro, Nov. 30, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Bennett.

In Windham, Nov. 27, a son to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Harris.

In Windham, Dec. 1, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bennett.

In Brookline, Nov. 28, a son to Mr. and Mrs. John Benson.

In Newport, N. H., Dec. 1, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. A. Willey.

In Grafton, Dec. 2, a daughter to Rev. and Mrs. C. R. Upton.

Marriages.

In West Brattleboro, Dec. 1, by Rev. J. A. Mitchell, Henry Williams and Miss Julia E. Fenton, both of Jamaica.

In Manchester, N. H., Nov. 28, Leon S. Hall and Miss Mina Burt, both formerly of Brattleboro.

In Hinsdale, N. H., Nov. 27, by Rev. D. C. Ling, Frank McDonald and Miss Della Seveale, both of Hinsdale.

In Chesterfield, N. H., Nov. 30, Guy Safford and Miss Florence Naylor, both of Chesterfield.

In Dummerston, Dec. 6, by Rev. J. D. King of Putney, Charles R. Crosby and Miss Mabel Roy, both of Dummerston.

In South Londonderry, Nov. 25, by Rev. F. E. Coburn, Leon Waldo Coleman and Miss Bertha Marion Thompson, both of South Londonderry.

In Athens, Nov. 29, Guy Austin of Townshend and Miss Minnie Dunham of Athens.

In Northfield Farms, Mass., Dec. 2, by Rev. M. T. Mathison of Brattleboro and Rev. William Robinson of Shelburne Falls, Mass., Robert Webster Mitchell of Brattleboro and Miss Bessie May Harvey of Northfield Farms.

Deaths.

In Brattleboro, Dec. 3, Miss Florence Arabella Eames, 24.

In West Brattleboro, Dec. 2, Sarah S. Gates, wife of Hiram F. Knapton, 77.

In Greenfield, Mass., Dec. 2, Flora C. Ashcraft, widow of Thaddeus Ashcraft, a former resident of Guilford, 70.

In Somerville, Mass., Nov. 25, Lafayette Thayer, a native of Marlboro, 81.



Prof. G. B. Wilkins.

Vermont's great healer has returned from his short vacation and resumes his practice.

Prof. Wilkins removes a piece of steel from a young man's eye without pain. He restores sight and bearing to three patients Thursday.

Prof. Wilkins has cured appendicitis and heart trouble where doctors have failed, and many cases have been helped and cured that have been given up by the medical faculty.

Prof. Wilkins cures rupture, and makes a specialty of fitting trusses to men and women. He has the latest improved truss, also belts and abdominal supporters for men and women.

Prof. Wilkins makes a specialty of the diseases of men and women of a private nature. It will pay you to investigate.

Free consultation and advice. No charge for examination or fitting appliances.

OFFICE DAYS: Ellis House, Keene, N. H., Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays.

Brattleboro, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays.

There is no death penalty for the crime of murder in Maine, and every murderer in that state goes to prison with the expectation of being pardoned.

The Bangor Commercial calls attention to "increase of murders, the laxity of popular sentiment against them, and the inefficiency of official means to bring those who commit the awful crimes to punishment."

It says: "These terrible crimes have followed each other in rapid succession the present summer. The list is a long and most startling one. Within the past few months cases of murder at West Athens, Falmouth, Readfield, Millbridge, Rockland, Millinocket, Bangor, Winslow, Old Town and Buxton. It fairly makes one shudder to think of this terrible list of murders having been committed in the quiet, happy, simple communities of our peaceful state in a few months."

Figures may not lie, but the correct ones seldom stand for a woman's age.

Auditorium - Brattleboro.

Under auspices of Brattleboro Women's Club. Wednesday Evening, Dec. 13. Illustrated Lecture.

"The Battle with the Slum"

By JACOB A. RIIS. Management Redpath Lyceum Bureau.

Illustrated with photographs taken by Mr. Riis in the tenements of New York City, by day and night, in his capacity as police reporter for the metropolitan newspapers.

Tickets, 50 and 35c. Advance sale for subscribers Monday night, Dec. 11, 7:30 box office. Regular sale, Tuesday morning, 8 o'clock.

Poster Printing.

We have a special equipment for this class of work - by far the largest and best in this part of New England, assuring attractive and effective display.

We fill all orders promptly. E. L. HILDRETH & CO.

Good little boys and bigger boys not quite so good can get good Clothing, Furnishings, Caps and Shoes here.

Boys' Suits 98c, \$1.48, \$1.98, \$2.48, \$2.98, \$3.48, \$3.98 and up.

Boys' Overcoats, \$1.98, \$2.48, \$2.98, \$3.48, \$3.98 and up.

Boys' Underwear 25c and 50c. Boys' Caps 25c and 50c.

A guess coupon free with every dollar purchase.

Everything Man or Boy Wears. Clothing, Hats, Shoes. Always Reliable.

No trick of magic. Our Shoes are good walking shoes because they are made right, of the finest stock. They won't sting the feet, and as we have the greatest variety of lasts a fit with no danger of rubbing is guaranteed.

Elite shoes \$3.50 and \$4.00. Other shoes \$3, \$2.50, \$2, \$1.50, \$1.25, \$1.

Boys' Shoes \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50. A guess coupon free with every dollar purchase.

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A LARGE AND COMPLETE ASSORTMENT OF BARNEY & BERRY SKATES.

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Thursday, Dec. 14, THE Mozart Symphony Club OF NEW YORK.

R. STOEJZER, Manager. MISS MARIE STORI, Solo Violin. MR. RICHARD STOEJZER, Viola. HERR THEO HOCH, Violin. MISS JULIE PATERSEN, Piano.

Assisted by Miss Marie Stori, Prima Donna Soprano, Mr. Richard Stoejzer, Viola d'Amour Soloist, Herr Theo Hoch, Cornet Virtuoso, Roman Triumphant Trumpet and Alpine Echo Horn, Miss Julie Patersen, Flute Virtuoso.

The Finest Concert of the Season. Ticket sale opens Tuesday morning, Dec. 12, at the box office.

The Manchester Mirror & Farmer and THE VERMONT PHOENIX One year each. \$1.75

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