

THE TRIAL FAIRLY BEGUN

A Good Jury Finally Selected in the Haddock Murder Cases.

COUNSELS' OPENING ARGUMENT

The Circumstances of the Killing Related by the State—Arensdorf's Good Reputation Expatriated On by the Defense.

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A MYSTERIOUS ABDUCTION

Miss Agnes Folsom, the Actress, in a Peculiar Plight.

MESMERIZED BY A PHYSICIAN

Her Father Calls On the Law to Compel His Daughter's Return. But Fails to Get Her—Two Sides Given.

A Relative of Grover's Wife.

New York, March 24.—[Special Telegram to the BEE.]—Agnes Folsom, a remarkably pretty actress who sang in "Ermeline" at the Casino for some time, mysteriously disappeared last September, and nothing was heard of her until yesterday, when her father brought suit in the court against Dr. Cate, a Forty-second street physician, claiming that the girl was the doctor's office; that she was restrained of her liberty by the doctor; that the doctor has ruined her and has not permitted anybody to see her. He asks that she be brought into court to investigate her mental condition.

The persons interested are substantial people. Dr. Cate is a well known homeopathic physician, and Mr. Folsom is a merchant of Boston. Miss Folsom is a cousin or more distant relative of the wife of President Cleveland. Miss Folsom made her debut in Boston in concert, and was afterwards a member of John McCullin's company. She was remarkably pretty. It is asserted by her friends that she was exercised mesmeric influence over her. Cate has a wife and a child on Long Island.

To-day, however, the doctor failed to produce Miss Folsom in support of his claims, as the writ of habeas corpus commanded. Instead, he brought William Allan, his lawyer, and the latter told the court that the doctor did not have the girl in his possession and denied generally the allegations made by Folsom. Lawyer Allan read Folsom's sworn to by the doctor, and which she says she is twenty-four years old and that it is utterly false that she is under duress and that she is under duress. She says she is able to take care of herself and that her relations and position toward the petitioner, her father, and to her mother remain unchanged. She says she is not being retained by the doctor for any purpose, and that she is not being retained by the doctor for any purpose, and that she is not being retained by the doctor for any purpose.

Dr. Cate became acquainted with Mrs. and Miss Folsom while attending Mrs. Morris's illness, when she was in the city. Her mother and daughter fell sick in turn. This led to an intimacy which finally developed into matrimony. The doctor overcame all the conventionalities. The Folsom family were united at the Boston house when a telegram, signed Colonel McCullin's name, called the young lady to New York. Her parents subsequently became suspicious and found her living in the doctor's apartment. His conduct was mesmeric. Folsom stated to a reporter that his daughter's statement as to her supposed residence in her father's house was \$30 a week, and with this she could barely support herself.

What she means by her last words in the affidavit, she said, "I am unable to say. There is nothing hidden in the matter by us. She may have something of which I am not aware. I have other relatives who will persuade Dr. Cate to give up my daughter without resorting to these public means. I wrote to him without effect. I then went to see his mother in Salem, Mass., and tried to see his brother. He begged me to keep quiet for his father's sake, who is an old doctor in Washington. He said that, really, too, the brother feared would be broken up by the exposure, as Mrs. William Cate was in poor health and her husband's disgrace would seriously affect her. The doctor, however, no relief, and I resorted to law. I am almost heart-broken. I think the affidavit was induced by the doctor."

The reporter obtained an interview with Miss Folsom to-day. She laughed at the allegation that she was not being retained by the doctor. "I have had trouble with my parents before," she said, "but not any of this kind. I think as to what the motives of it are, I would prefer not to express them just at present, if at all."

"In your affidavit in return to the writ you say that your relationship prevents you from coming to the court and filing a return. I would like to see the subject."

"Yes, I have private reasons which I do not care to state. My parents have acted entirely regardless of my feelings, but I will be more charitable to them."

That Boarding House Horror. BESSEMER, Mich., March 24.—The charred bodies of the twelve men who perished by the burning of the Coby mine boarding house were buried to-day. The coroner's jury exonerated everybody from blame. Only meagre accounts of the burning can be obtained, as the entire place was consumed in flames before anybody discovered the fire. At the inquest to-day it developed that two drunken men boarded in an after midnight and occupied the front part of the building, where the fire evidently started. It is thought that those who perished were suffocated in their beds. The crowd of twenty-one men who occupied the upper rooms saved their lives in this manner.

Archbishop Corrigan Honored. NEW YORK, March 24.—A cable has been received from Rome announcing that pope, desiring to show special honor to Archbishop Corrigan, has named him prelate assistant to the pontifical throne.

AMUSEMENTS. THE NEXT ATTRACTION AT BOYD'S. "Shadows of a Great City," which will be presented at Boyd's opera house to-morrow and Saturday, is considered to be one of the most successful plays now before the public. It is full of exciting situations, and the action is rapid and continuous, holding the attention of the audience from the first act to the last. The company has been especially selected for any distinct individual prominence, but with a view of presenting every character in an even and thoroughly artistic manner. This is one of the best companies now on the road, and is engaged. The attraction is under the direct personal management of the Messrs. Jefferson, sons of the famous comedian, and their personal experience has enabled them to present a play that is number one among the greatest popular successes of the season. The sale of seats is already large.

The Omaha Wheel Club. The Omaha Wheel club met last night at their new quarters in the Greening block and adopted a new constitution. The new members, H. C. Miller and W. W. Lane were elected. The club in nomination the following ticket for the state division of the L. A. W. Chief consul, F. N. Clarke; representative, F. C. Mittauer; secretary and treasurer, Geo. F. Schwarz.

The River Rampant. Commissioner Timme spent the day yesterday in Saratoga precinct looking after the damage that was done there by Monday's March 23, patients will be received from 9 a. m. till 3 p. m. and each afternoon and evening an informal reception and conversation will be given till classes open.

Thought as a Healing Power. Teachers of the mental science of christian healing will open an afternoon and also an evening class on April 1, at 329 Fifteenth street, where the science will be so thoroughly taught as to enable every one even a child to learn to heal all diseases perfectly in themselves or others by attending one course of lessons. This grand and beautiful science has no place within the reach of all and no one can afford to be without it. On and after Monday, March 28, patients will be received from 9 a. m. till 3 p. m. and each afternoon and evening an informal reception and conversation will be given till classes open.

Attention, Lily Division. The Sir Knights of Lily Division, U. R. K. of P., are requested to meet at the armory, Marion 28, patients will be received from 9 a. m. till 3 p. m. and each afternoon and evening an informal reception and conversation will be given till classes open.

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GLADSTONE'S SPEECH

He Talks on the Motion For Urgency For the Coercion Bill.

LONDON, March 24.—In the house of commons this evening the debate on the motion for the urgency of the coercion bill by Gladstone. He referred to the "unprecedented" position of the house, which had already sat two months, during which, he said, its independent initiative had been suppressed. Even now the conservatives exulted over the prospect of passing the motion forcing the house to the adoption of a bill of an extremely severe character had been carried. The house was threatened with a frequent application of the cloture if the debates were protracted. No greater calamity could befall the house than this sort of procedure. It would sap the authority of the chair and bring the procedure into disrepute. He had seen more parliamentary life than any other man in the house; but he never had known of so grave a state of affairs. It was due to the extreme abuse of power by the majority, which, if persisted in, would leave behind a sense of intolerable wrong. The yoke of the chair and the procedure would be borne patiently. The position of affairs was very different from that when the coercion bill of 1881 passed. There was no paper before the house now, nor was there any indication of the nature of the proposed government measures. Heretofore the special legislation for dealing with crime in Ireland the ministers tried to show that terrible prevalence of crime threatened the safety of the state. Gladstone asked how the house had been told that the number of agrarian offenses prior to the passage of the Forster bill was 1,000. He asked how the highest number since, Crime then, however, was of a different character from that of the Forster bill. He asked how the government had obtained a reduction of rent. He asked how the government had obtained a reduction of rent. He asked how the government had obtained a reduction of rent.

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IS THE COURT HOUSE UNSAFE?

A Cracked Wall Calls for an Examination of the Building.

DOCTORS AND THEIR DIPLOMAS

A "Fly Bob" in Distress—The River Rampant—Moth and McLaughlin—Arrested For Perjury—Other Local.

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The renewal of work on the retaining wall at the county court house has developed the startling fact that the building is in a condition that experts pronounce unsafe on account of the removal of the dirt that supports the foundation on the north and east sides. The immediate cause of the examination, of which the above opinion is the result, was the appearance of a large crack at the northwest corner of the building, extending from the ground to a level with the second story, from the basement—an unmistakable evidence that the building is settling. Mr. J. F. Coats, who built the court house, refused to express an opinion when questioned by a reporter yesterday, but is quoted by another builder as having stated that he intended to withdraw all claims of credit for the man in which the building was constructed unless something is done to support the walls and prevent the building from settling. The builder referred to, and he is a man of large experience, asserts that if the building is left as it now stands, it will certainly be damaged and may be wrecked in case of severe washing rains or storms. The grading of the embankment for the retaining walls has left the court house perched on a pinnacle of soft clay soil that merely covers the foundation and affords but little protection against their bulging out or settling down. The bottom of the foundation walls are not more than three feet above the surface of the ground and are nearly eighteen feet above the top of the embankment. The retaining wall that surrounds the building, that retaining wall on Farnam street and on Seventeenth street is not more than forty feet from the building. This makes the grade of the street on these sides very steep, nearly one foot in two, and leaves but a very few cubic feet of earth at the base of the foundation walls. Expert builders give it as their opinion that the natural weight of the building will have the effect of forcing or bulging out the dirt around the basement walls, which in case of a very heavy rain or without may be left entirely exposed to the action of the water.

This state of affairs has been brought about by changes of the grade on Farnam and Seventeenth streets that were not contemplated when the building was commenced. The work on the court house was commenced in 1881 almost the entire basement story was under ground and could scarcely be seen from the street. Before the building was commenced the retaining wall had been rounded embankment had been cut away to accommodate the change of grade on Farnam and Seventeenth streets and reductions were made from time to time. The last one to accommodate the retaining wall until the building is in its present elevated position. The condition of the building has been brought to the attention of the county commissioners and it is understood that they will at once take steps to provide for the protection of the walls as a precautionary measure. The court house cost \$250,000, is one of the best specimens of the kind in the country, and the commissioners properly feel that nothing should be left undone that will protect it from unnecessary risks of damage. Two remedies are suggested by the county commissioners. The one that has been discussed for some time is the placing of an additional story under the building. This would sink the foundation walls below the level of the ground and would render the building perfectly safe in this respect. The second plan, which is more feasible and comparatively inexpensive, is the sinking of an extra wall on the north and east sides of the building about eight feet from the main walls of the building and deep enough to come below the top line of the retaining walls. Such a wall would, it is claimed, afford the needed support for the walls of the main building, and would, at the same time, furnish a foundation for a more attractive terrace from the extra wall to the retaining wall.

DOCTORS AND DIPLOMAS. Interesting Exercises at Boyd's Opera House—A Graduating Class. A large audience assembled last evening in Boyd's opera house. It was the occasion of the sixth annual commencement of the Omaha Medical College. The musical Union orchestra initiated the evening's exercises with Bach's overture, "Jubilee," after which Rev. T. M. House offered up a prayer. A xylophone solo, "Merriment Galop," (Boyer), by M. R. Barnes was next on the programme, and it was highly appreciated. Dr. Moore then explained the absence of Dr. George L. Miller, who was absent on account of the death of a near relative in the east. Dr. Moore then spoke of the close of the sixth year and of graduating the best class yet sent out. He also referred to the conscientious and arduous labors of the faculty and the necessity of having better facilities. He said the college is to-day more solid than ever before. The laboratory and anatomical cabinet had been increased as well as facilities for getting material for clinical study. St. Joseph's hospital is full all the time. Several hundred cases always available. If there are any who have never donated to St. Joseph's hospital they should send a check for a \$1,000. There will soon be a medical institution on the poor farm. The orchestra next played "Boettger's popouri," "Popular melodies." Dr. Ensie, chairman, then presented each of the graduates with a certificate of their ability in the medical profession. The class is Joseph Blockaderfer, Charles E. Ditterbrandt, James W. Frazier, Louis Fruse, Daniel Chapin Gibbs, H. Seymour, Mr. Gauren and Paul E. Norwood. Lots played a cornet solo, following which K. C. Moore, M. D., president board of trustees, conferred upon the class the degree of doctor of medicine. He then gave them some sound advice on the point of maintaining the dignity of their profession, and spoke of the benefits conferred by the medical profession, enabling men to live in large communities by destroying disease breeding miasmas. Their work was in the hospital, on the battlefield or by the bedside. For all the labors of the doctor he asks only one thing, that his fee be paid promptly. It is the noblest of professions. If physician is financially in want he cannot provide the books and surgical apparatus to prosecute his work. Let the people know this. But it would be inadvisable to let a man where there cannot be remuneration. The poor and needy are entitled to help. The class was congratulated and the faculties best wishes extended. The waltz—"L'Estudiantine" Waldteufel,"—by the orchestra, was next.

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