

MAMIE SULLIVAN'S SLAYER, POSSIBLY.

Burly Negro Named Richard Scott Locked Up in a Jersey City Prison.

He Was Caught Accosting White Women in the Street and Following Them Up.

TOLD A NUMBER OF FALSE STORIES.

First Admitted That He Had Been in Paterson and Then Denied Having Been There—The Police Think He Is Dangerous.

The Jersey City police have in custody a burly negro, named Richard Scott, whom they think may be the murderer of Mamie Sullivan, the pretty Paterson music teacher, who was killed with a coupling pin on March 4. The man's record is being investigated. The fellow has told three false stories of his movements, and once said he was in Paterson, and then again denied having been anywhere near there. Scott says he was at Newark when Mamie Sullivan was killed.

In his pocket was found an ugly looking knife. It is a straight-bladed affair, with the point broken off and ground to a keen edge. Scott was arrested on Sip avenue by Special Officer Crawford for annoying women who were passing along that thoroughfare. Crawford was in Andrew Coon's store, on Summit avenue and Newark street, Tuesday night, when Coon's married daughter ran into the store, much agitated. "Good gracious," she exclaimed. "A negro has been following me, and I did not think I would reach here alive."

Crawford got a description of the man and started out. He saw Scott going up Summit avenue and made after him. Before Crawford reached the negro, two women came down the avenue. The negro went up to them and they fled to the other side of the street. A short distance further another woman was encountered. She also fled from the negro.

SOME OF HIS LIES. Crawford followed his steps, and Scott, observing that he was followed, turned up Sip avenue. Crawford hastened on and came up to the man on the Sip avenue bridge. Scott then advised Crawford not to follow him or he would get into trouble. Scott hurried to Pavonia avenue, and was about to ascend to an "L" station when Sergeant Solomon was met. Crawford notified the officer and the two men placed the negro under arrest. He was taken to the Third Precinct Station.

Chief Murphy had before him twice yesterday and questioned him closely. Scott said he came from Richmond, Va., and lived at No. 1101 North Seventeenth street, that city. Chief Murphy telegraphed to Richmond city and the police replied that Scott had not been there in fourteen years. During the first interview Scott admitted that he was in Paterson about March 4, but denied that statement in the next breath. Although he told three different stories, he continued to declare that he had not been in Paterson for years.

He admitted being in Newark on March 4, and said he left on the 6th for New York. Since that time he declared that he had not been in New Jersey. Just how he came to accost the women, Scott says he does not know. He says he must have been intoxicated. WORKED IN THIS CITY. Scott said he had been working for a New York contractor and was paid off Monday. He then started on an spree and wound up in Jersey City. He does not know the name of the contractor for whom he worked. He cannot tell where he lodged, but says it was somewhere in East Ninety-eighth street.

Scott also admitted having been in inmate of the House of Correction in Philadelphia. He says he was committed at his request, and discharged on February 28 last. Scott has no fixed home. He wanders about the country getting work wherever possible. He says he found the knife which was taken from him. He declared he carried the weapon for fun.

The man is over six feet tall. He wore blue jean trousers and a brown overcoat. He had on three shirts and two coats. A black strap is riveted on the negro's right wrist, and he regards it as a talisman.

A FLAG STIRS JERSEY CITY. A red, white and blue flag, with a large white star in the centre, that was run up on the staff of Taylor's Hotel, Jersey City, yesterday caused considerable commotion. Manager Robles, shortly before noon, received a telephone message from New York asking why he was flying the Cuban flag.

He replied that his sympathies were with the patriots and returned the same answer to about twenty calls. The clerks in the big office building of the Pennsylvania Railroad, across the street, sent a committee to Manager Robles to inquire if he desired to precipitate a war with Spain, the latter being found by the committee to be the origin of the flag. A social session in the hotel to-day. A committee met in the hotel last night, and the session was run up in their honor.

A BABY TIPSY ON BRANDY. A Child Completely Overcome During the Absence of Her Mother. Nellie Dooley, the two-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Dooley, of No. 1 Factory street, Jersey City, while left alone Tuesday managed to obtain possession of a flask containing a pint of brandy. It had been left upon a table by her mother when the latter went to the dentist's.

Nellie poured the brandy into a cup, drank it and then crawled under the bed. She was unconscious when found by a girl who had promised to care for her. Dr. Corrigan worked over the child for several hours, and she is resting quietly to-day.

Jersey City Travel Delayed. An open switch at Grove and Grand streets, Jersey City, yesterday afternoon caused a number of cars on the Newark and Bayonne lines to jump the track. Considerable trouble was experienced in placing Newark car No. 303 back upon the rails, also Bayonne car No. 151. Traffic was delayed about half an hour.

Loss of \$25,000 by Fire. Lambertville, N. J., March 18.—Fire destroyed the extensive hardware store of Cook & John, at New Hope, Pennsylvania, last night. The loss on the stock and building will foot up \$25,000. The fire is believed to be of incendiary origin. The loss is covered by insurance.



Richard Scott, the Negro Who Frightened Women.

He accosted several women in Jersey City Tuesday night, and the police think he may be the man who murdered Mamie Sullivan, the Paterson music teacher. He is now locked up, and has told several contradictory stories about himself and his movements, alleging things that have been shown to be false. He is a big, burly fellow, and is regarded as a dangerous man.

MR. STODDARD'S TICKETS. A Jersey City Congregation Criticise Their Pastor for Charging Admission to the Church.

Some comment has been aroused in Jersey City by the announcements in a circular issued by the Rev. E. L. Stoddard, rector of St. John's Protestant Episcopal Church, that on Passion Sunday evening, when his choir will give its annual sacred recital, an admission fee of 50 cents will be charged.

Another objection made by the members is that all have received envelopes containing tickets. Enclosed was a slip reading: "You are not compelled to take the tickets and if you do not wish to take them, as they are marked, please destroy them."

The members say that by marking the tickets Dr. Stoddard is enabled to learn just what disposition is made of them, and that members who would otherwise not attend will thus be induced to purchase tickets.

Dr. Stoddard says that an admission fee is charged because the collections hitherto taken up at a recital did not pay the expenses incurred by the choir. Last year over 800 persons attended the recital. The collection amounted to only \$22. In reference to some members who thought an admission fee should not be charged for a Sunday night musical recital, Dr. Stoddard in a circular issued by him says that it is not a concert. He also says that no admission fee will be charged, but that members who do not wish to contribute to the choir should be expected to pay something. He adds that he would not be surprised if 100 persons willing to support their efforts than to 800 so indifferent that they would contribute only four cents apiece for the privilege.

FIVE YEARS FOR HENDERSON. Result of a Row That Occurred at a New Jersey Picnic.

Elizabeth, N. J., March 18.—Theophilus Henderson, the young man who was convicted of manslaughter in having killed Farmer John Miller of Union by hitting him on the head with a brick, was sentenced before Judge McCormick in the Union County Court to four years for the crime.

There was a picnic given by a club, of which Henderson was a member. The premises of Miller adjoined the grove, and a dispute arose between the farmer and Henderson owing to the breaking down of a fence belonging to Miller. Henderson was struck Miller on the head with a brick, the latter dying in a few days. Judge McCormick sentenced him to five years in State Prison.

FATHER HRUSKA IN COURT. He Denies That He Knew of the Contraband Cigar Manufacture.

The Rev. Gregory Hruska, who, while pastor of the Greek Church, Jersey City, was arrested, with his housekeeper, Annie Mako, and two others, upon a charge of making and selling cigars without a license, was arraigned yesterday before United States Commissioner Romaine, in Jersey City. Annie Mako, who is a cigarmaker by trade, said that she had made the cigars found in a bag thrown over a fence at the time of the arrest, a present to the priest. Dr. Hruska denied having knowledge that the government was being defied on this allegation, but Commissioner Romaine denied the motion. The case was adjourned until March 25.

Cliffed to the Bar Saturday. Detective Edward Clifford, indicted for the murder of Division Superintendent W. G. Watson, of the West Shore Railroad, will be arraigned before Justice Lippincott in the Hudson County Supreme Court, on Saturday.

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THREE FACTIONS AT WAR. Newark Republicans Badly Divided Over the Mayoralty Nomination.

Lebknecker, the Present Executive, Accused of Snubbing the Men Who Elected Him.

HE HAS MANY STRONG OPPONENTS. Dr. Herold and Ex-Assemblyman J. C. Eisele in the Race, and They May Eventually Unite Their Forces.

Newark, N. J., March 18.—The bitterest fight ever known in this city for the Republican nomination for Mayor is at present being waged between the different factions of the party, and victory at the coming primary is being claimed by the adherents of at least three of the candidates. They are Julius Lebknecker, the present Mayor, who is known as the administration candidate; Dr. B. C. H. Herold, the anti-administration candidate, and ex-Assemblyman J. C. Eisele, who claims to represent no faction, but is fighting for himself. He is backed by certain people antagonistic to corporate interests, which he worried considerably when he was in the Legislature a year ago.

The fight between the Herold and Lebknecker factions is an old one and dates back to a few days following the convention which nominated Lebknecker for Mayor two years ago. At that time Herold was very strong in the convention and would undoubtedly have secured the nomination but for the fact that Alderman William Stainsby threw his strength to the German jeweler, who was then unknown in politics, and he received the nomination. Stainsby, who was the war horse of the party, smiled over his victory and cheered with the Lebknecker forces.

But there came a sudden change shortly after the election. Lebknecker had made the goal and had no further use for the "war horse." He was side-tracked and the Mayor-elect was taken in hand by the Riker brothers, Chandler W. and Joseph. Two shrewd politicians, one a lawyer and the other a jeweler, they outlined a programme for him when he took his office. "Cham," as he is known, was made City Counsel and Joseph's advice was sought in many things.

Any person who wanted office had to get the Riker indorsement or he was not recognized. In fact, the Lebknecker ring had secretly begun when it became known as the "Family" administration. This did not suit Stainsby and his followers, and they protested, but in vain. Then they bottled up their wrath and nursed it until an opportunity arrived for uncoiling the bottle. It came last Spring, when the convention for nominating candidates for the Board of Public Works was held. Stainsby announced himself as a candidate for the long term, and he secured it. In fact he controlled the convention and could have bowled down every man named by the administration.

But for party reasons he deemed that had politics and allowed Harrison Van Duren, the old president of the Board, and Theodore C. Jerolman, also a former member, to be nominated, one for the short term and the other for the intermediate term.

An Incendiary at New Hope. Lambertville, N. J., March 18.—The extensive hardware plant of Cook & John Company, at New Hope, Pa., just across the river, was destroyed by fire this morning. The fire was undoubtedly the work of an incendiary. Hydrants were frozen and the firemen could do little to stay the flames. The loss is \$5,000 on the building and \$20,000 on the stock. The insurance will cover this amount.

Italian Shot in Elizabeth. Elizabeth, N. J., March 18.—There was a fight to-night on John street between several Italians, and one of them, Mike Pawata is now in the general Hospital having a large charge of duck shot extracted from his back. The man supposed to have done the shooting, Joseph Scutro, was arrested.

Jersey Anti-Race-Track Bill Again.

Trenton, N. J., March 18.—Mr. Voorhees, of the Senate Judiciary Committee, to-day presented the new anti-race track amendment to the constitution. The amendment with the same object passed last year was amended by its friends to make it stronger and the result of their work presented to-day is the following: "No lottery shall be authorized by the Legislature or otherwise in this State, and no ticket in any lottery shall be bought or sold within this State, nor shall pool selling, book-making, or gambling of any kind be authorized or allowed within this State, nor shall any gambling device, practice, or game of chance now prohibited by law be legalized, or the remedy, penalty or punishment now provided therefor be in any way diminished."

Ex-Senator Willetts, of Cumberland County, who is considered to have the best chance for selection as State Prison Keeper, has failed to secure the support of the Senator from his county, E. C. Stokes. This is a vital matter, and has caused the friends of Robert Carson, ex-Postmaster of New Brunswick, to pick up courage and continue their hustling canvass for that gentleman.

Senator Stokes was mad clear through this morning when he discovered that the leader of the House had been instrumental in bringing about a reconsideration of the bill, by which his friend and Game Commissioner was passed yesterday. This was done when both the Cumberland Assemblymen were absent, and therefore could offer no resistance to the motion. Stokes considered that he had been treated in a discourteous manner, and read the riot act to Leader Robinson. The concurrent resolution to recall the bill from the Senate was fought with all the stubbornness for which Stokes has become noted, and his colleagues refused to give their assent to it.

Mr. Abram Lower, chairman of the Railroads and Canals Committee of the House, disappeared this afternoon, after looking up in his desk a most important bill—that ratifying the lease of the Greenwood Lake Railroad to the Erie Road.

The committee had concluded to report the bill favorably, and Lower promised to present it at 4 o'clock. He could not be found at that hour, and Mr. Tice, a member of the committee in question, introduced a resolution to the effect that Lower's desk should be opened. This was carried, and the Sergeant-at-Arms found the bill in the desk. Then the bill was reported and placed on second reading.

SET THE VERDICT ASIDE. Justice Smith Ordered a New Trial in a Cyclist's Suit for \$500 Damages.

Richmond, S. I., March 18.—A petty jury in the Supreme Court, now in session at this place, was severely rebuked by Justice Wilnot M. Smith, for a verdict which it rendered this afternoon. The case was a suit for damages brought by Frederick Keeley, of Livingston, S. I., against Philip Clarius, an ex-member of the Staten Island police force.

The testimony for the plaintiff showed that Keeley, with three other men, all prominent residents of the island, were riding bicycles on the Amboy road, at Pleasant Plains, when Clarius drove up behind the party and ran down Keeley, damaging his wheel.

The defendant and his daughter testified that Keeley had turned in front of the horse and had jumped from his wheel, leaving it in the road. The plaintiff stated that he did not want money damages, and had sued for \$500 to punish Clarius. The jury returned in ten minutes with a verdict for the defendant, James Walker, who now lives in the Clarius estate, whose residence is unknown, and Mr. Eliza Dains, a half sister, who resided in Brooklyn.

ROBBED BY HIGHWAYMEN. Sapp Was Beaten Into Insensibility and Left by the Roadside.

Toms River, N. J., March 18.—Harry Sapp, of Tuckerton, was waylaid and robbed of \$80 at Sloop Creek last night by two highwaymen. Sapp was on his way to the Creek, just after dark, when the two men sprang upon him from behind. Sapp was beaten into insensibility and left on the road. Some hours later he was found nearly dead from his injuries and exposure to the cold.

Staten Island Police Changes. Stapleton, S. I., March 18.—The Richmond County Board of Police Commissioners, at a meeting held this afternoon, again made a general transfer in the heads of the Police Department. Sergeant Paul Cornell was transferred from the command of Station No. 1 to Station No. 3, at Totenville. Sergeant John Cobb was retained from Totenville to the command of his old precinct, No. 2, at West Brighton, while Sergeants Drumm and Fulton were sent from Station No. 1 to Police Headquarters. Patrolman Kattenmeier, one of the recently appointed mounted squad, was dismissed from the force.

BLOND LOCK BETRAYED HER. Mysterious Woman in Male Attire Creates a Stir Among Saloon Keepers.

A mysterious woman, who, whenever she visits a saloon for a pint of beer, dresses in male attire, is at present causing a stir among the saloon keepers of Hoboken. The woman, who is not particularly pretty, and is past middle age, first made her appearance several days ago. Then she entered Daniel Carey's saloon, Fourth and Garden streets. He prepared to serve her and was about to reach for the glass she carried, when he noticed a lock of blond hair sticking out from under her derby hat. He questioned her. She became nervous and hurriedly left the saloon. Several men followed and saw her disappear in the doorway of No. 411 Garden street. At that address her identity could not be ascertained.

MAD GIRL TRIES TO BURN HERSELF ALIVE.

Laura Rivers of West Hoboken, Driven to Insanity, as Supposed, by Hunger. She Saturated Her Clothing with Gasoline, and Was Enveloped in Flame When Rescued.

TOO PROUD TO ACCEPT ASSISTANCE. Friends Sought to Aid Her, but She Kept Her Troubles Secret, Brooding Over Them in the Solitude of Her Room.

During a period of temporary mental aberration a girl of seventeen years tried to destroy herself with fire, on Tuesday night, in West Hoboken. At intervals for two years past Laura Rivers, the would-be suicide, has made her home with old Mrs. Gilligan, at No. 410 West street, in the town named. Mrs. Gilligan is well advanced in years, and Miss Rivers was welcomed to a bright girl who would prove a companion to her. The best vacant room—a second-story front room—was taken to Laura's use. She made it look tidy, and when not at work in a silk factory during the day, or with Mrs. Gilligan in the evening, she was always in her room.

The door to her apartment was always kept locked, whether Laura was at home or not. She was alone a great deal, and the old lady never asked any questions. In October last Laura came home one evening and said she was going away for a while, as work at the factory had grown slack. The girl did not come back until two weeks ago, when Mrs. Gilligan was surprised to find her. She appeared as if taken place in her appearance. Originally, not only very pretty, but decidedly bright, Laura had grown pale and wan and had a troubled air. She went to work again, but there was very little work to be had, and this at odd times. Gradually she grew more frail, remained indoors more than ever, and avoided old Mrs. Gilligan as much as possible.

One night when the wind howled down from the Fallsides, and frozen rain covered the ground, Laura did not come home, and the old woman became uneasy about her, but could do nothing. She peered out at the front window once in awhile, but finally went to bed. Across the street from Mrs. Gilligan's house rise the grim and state walls of the Passionist Fathers' Monastery. This same night a policeman, in making his rounds at midnight, discerned a dark figure clutching the iron fence, her face turned upward, looking at the sky. Approaching, he saw Laura Rivers, her lips moving in prayer.

The girl was with difficulty persuaded to accompany her policeman, but she refused to give her name or place of abode. At the station house a warm room and food were given her, and next morning Dr. White visited her. He said it was hunger and cold. She went home to Mrs. Gilligan. Her condition did not improve. She grew more reserved, and refused warmth and food. Mrs. Gilligan and some of the girls who had worked with Laura, offered money and succor, but Laura declined everything and courted the solitude of her own room.

Monday night Sergeant Usher called, and with Mrs. Gilligan, tried to persuade Laura to open the door, but she refused, remaining obdurate to all entreaties. Suddenly Sergeant Usher detected the odor of burning oil, and with a "One, two, three, will you open?" threw his shoulder against the door and burst it in. He was not a moment too soon. Laura had saturated herself with gasoline and a blaze enveloped her from head to foot. The sergeant pushed her on the bed and covered her with a blanket. He saved her life, but his own hands and wrists were scorched badly.

In the West Hoboken Court yesterday Recorder Shindler committed Laura to the County Jail pending an investigation as to whether she was sane. She was immediately pushed her on the bed and covered her with a blanket. He saved her life, but his own hands and wrists were scorched badly.

GRIMES GETS COUNSEL. The Alleged Staten Island Murderer Pleads Not Guilty—Election Fraud Cases Dismissed.

Richmond, S. I., March 18.—Thomas Grimes, indicted for murder in the first degree, was entirely self-possessed when arraigned before Judge Smith in the Supreme Court to-day. He pleaded not guilty in a firm voice. He said that he did not have counsel, and he would employ to employ one. The court assigned Counselor William J. Powers to defend him, and the trial was set down for next Monday.

The last of the criminal prosecutions growing out of the election frauds which were perpetrated in the county in November, 1895, were disposed of by the dismissal of several indictments against the election officers in the old Ninth District of the town of Castleton. That was the notorious Salton's "Sung Harbor" district, where nearly every section of the election law, it is alleged, was violated by the old saloons, who acted under the direction of politicians. District-Attorney Finney, in moving the dismissal of the indictments, stated that some of the indicted persons were fugitives, others were dead, and that no good purpose would be served by the further pending of these indictments. The elections in the county were now honestly conducted, and under the same name as H. Hewett, Alexander Love, James H. Cromwell, Stephen G. Bunker, Joseph H. Winters, William H. Bunker, and Edward J. Spicer, indicted for assault in the second degree; Fritz and Mary Mutch, proprietors of the Avondale Hotel, at Beach, and James Cook, indicted for burglary, each pleaded not guilty and their trial were transferred to the County Court in June. Lazlo Hal, who pleaded guilty to an attempt at grand larceny, was sentenced to sixty days in the County Jail, and Heil E. Stamm, who, in celebrating the coming of his New Year, set a woman in the shoulder, pleaded guilty and was sentenced to thirty days in the County Jail.

MUCH INTERESTED, THEY CROWD CHICKERING HALL TO HEAR DR. GREENE'S PRIVATE ILLUSTRATED LECTURE.

Valuable Information for Women. We Give a Brief Outline of the Excellent Lecture—Matters Which Ought to Be Known to Our Readers.

Every lady wants to thoroughly understand her organism; and to know how best to obtain perfect health and strength, a clear complexion, a good form and all those womanly attributes which the world so greatly admires. They were told this much and more by Dr. Greene in his great private lecture to ladies in Chickering Hall. This well-known and successful specialist and lecturer, of No. 55 West Fourteenth street, New York city, has established a worldwide reputation in the care of female complaints of every description.

There are few women of the present day who are not affected in some way by the weakness and disease common to their sex. This is due to several reasons. The delicate structure of the female system renders it especially liable to many diseases. The constant work and worry which occupy the lives of most women, with its weakening effect on the nerves, could not do otherwise than produce those distressing diseases peculiar to the female sex.

Thousands of women are ruining their health by overwork, or in some way overtaxing their strength and laying a foundation for nervous prostration and female weakness. Thousands of young girls are injuring their health in our stores, shops and factories. Their systems, yet undeveloped, are being weakened and ruined by overwork. The delicate nerves cannot stand the strain without breaking down. Women everywhere are creating for themselves disease, prostration and weakness by overworking their strength and nerves. Their lives are generally too heavy a burden.

Such a mode of life can never fail to soon show its effects upon the system. A feeling of nervousness gradually appears. It is scarcely perceptible at first, but gradually grows more and more distressing. All the nerves become constantly harassed by that awful condition, nervousness. Loss of sleep soon manifests itself, and then the nervous system begins to break down. Women everywhere are creating for themselves disease, prostration and weakness by overworking their strength and nerves. Their lives are generally too heavy a burden.

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