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MRS. BOOTH-TUCKER.

Her Skull Was Fractured—Causing Death.

The Consul in America of Salvation Army Was on Her Way to Chicago to Meet Her Husband.

Kansas City, Oct. 29.—Mrs. Emma Booth-Tucker, consul in America of the Salvation Army, wife of Commander Booth-Tucker and second daughter of William Booth, founder of the army, was killed in the wreck of the east-bound California train No. 2 near Dean Lake, Mo., 85 miles east of Kansas City, on the Santa Fe, at 10 o'clock last night. Col. Thomas Holland, in charge of the Salvation Army at Amity, Col., was fatally injured. Twenty-seven persons were more or less seriously hurt. The dead and injured were taken to Madison, Iowa.

Mrs. Booth-Tucker was rendered unconscious and died within an hour after being injured. Her skull was fractured internally.

Mrs. Booth-Tucker was on her way from a visit to the Colony at Amity, Col., to Chicago, where she was to have met her husband today. The wrecked train left Kansas City last night. Only the three last cars, two Pullmans and a diner, were wrecked. The Pullmans were completely demolished. In the first Pullman, Mrs. Booth-Tucker and Col. Holland, who were the sole occupants of that car, had just gone to the forward end for a consultation. Two of the Pullmans struck a water tank with such force as to move it five feet from its foundation and when the crew reached the scene both Mrs. Booth-Tucker and Col. Holland were found unconscious. They, with the other injured, were, after much delay, taken to the depot platform a few blocks distance, where everything possible was done for them. Neither regained consciousness, and within half an hour the noted Salvation Army leader succumbed to her injuries.

Had Mrs. Booth-Tucker followed out her original intention she would have missed the wreck. She arrived in Kansas City on the California train, which was wrecked yesterday evening, intended remaining here until this morning. She found she could make a trip up-town between trains, however, and later decided to continue east on the same train.

Mrs. Booth-Tucker, who was Miss Emma Booth, married Frederick Tucker in 1888. He assumed her name as part of his own. He was born in Indiana, and lived there several years after the marriage. He was commissioner of the army in Indiana. Mrs. Booth-Tucker was appointed to command the army in America in March, 1896, succeeding Eva Booth, who had supplanted her brother, Ballington Booth, who had been removed by the general.

Mrs. Booth-Tucker was said to be the ablest of all the Booth children. She had enthusiasm tempered with cool judgment and executive ability.

He Buried the Dumping.

From Avery's "I'll do my best" in Charlotte Observer: This actually happened, and she lives right here in town. She hasn't been married long, but she is house-keeping with just the same splendid enthusiasm that a little bit of a girl shows in playing dolls. With the aid of a cook book she erected, or created, an apple dumpling the other day. It was impossible. Things had gotten into that dumpling that had never affiliated with an apple since the time of Eve. The young wife, who was not too sensitive, faced her guests and said:

"I'll give it to the dog." Shuddered. The dog was a pointer and well bred. With all eyes fixed upon him he sniffed at the elaborate dumpling and then dragged it the length of the front yard. With his fore feet he dug a hole deep and broad. He buried the dumpling there, and covered it. Then he turned a hungry, disgusted face to the group watching.

And because a fellow has failed once or twice, or a dozen times, you don't want to let him down as a failure—unless he takes failing too easy. No man's a failure till he's dead, or loses his courage, and that's the same thing. Sometimes a fellow that's been batted all over the ring for nineteen rounds lands on the solar plexus of the proposition he's tacking in the twentieth. But you can have a regiment of good business qualities, and still fail without courage, because he's the colonel, and he won't stand for any weakening at a critical time.—John Graham to His Son Firepoint.

Virginia to Dispute our Laurels.

Richmond Correspondent to the The Raleigh Post says:

The feature of the report of Judge Geo. L. Christian, chairman of the history committee of the grand camp Confederate Veterans of Virginia, to be delivered next Thursday at Newport News, will deal largely with what Virginia veterans claim to be the arrogant assertions of North Carolina. Soldiers of that State, it is claimed, out-numbered those from Virginia in the war and North Carolinians were the first at Bethel, the first battle of the war.

Virginia veterans have become very sore over such statements, time and again made on public occasions by North Carolina speakers, and the storm of rejoinder has been gathering force for some time. Lee camp of Richmond, the most important single organization of the kind in Virginia, is particularly warm after North Carolina. Members unhesitatingly declare that the war had glory enough for all without one State trying to detract from another.

Judge Christian, it is said, will show from North Carolina records that she did not furnish more soldiers than Virginia, and from a source, equally reliable, that Virginians led at Bethel. Every veteran who knows of the burden of the report is eager to hear it. It will be as interesting to North Carolinians as to Virginians.

The Saloon Lizard.

Naturalists tell of a lizard found in the Arabian deserts which strikingly resembles the sand in color. On either side of its mouth is a fold of skin of pale crimson hue. These folds can be blown out until they look like a small red flower common in the desert. Insects in quest of honey see this flower looking object and are instantly destroyed.

The tactics of the lizard and the saloonist are much alike. He makes his den as attractive as possible to both young and old. No place is more brilliant than his. Light, revelry, music—all are there. "That's the place for a good time," says the young man. "Life's honey may be had there," says the old, cheating himself with the same old lie for the thousandth time. Too late both discover that this seeming splendor was but the fold on the lizard's mouth—a decoy leading to death and destruction. Seeking the sweets of life, they get instead the exceeding bitter gall of death. No man who values his place and opportunity for usefulness in the world will be entrapped by the saloon lizard.—Keystone Citizen.

We do not think it can be called bragadocio when we insist that the Thomasville Orphanage work is the best organized and the most effective in North Carolina, but no matter what it is called, it is the truth and needs to be said. It is a compliment to the Baptist people of or State which, by their loyalty and liberality, they have justly earned. We have always maintained that our people are the Lord's royalty and their magnificent support of their orphanage work proves it. Others may be just as liberal and just as loyal, but they have not done as much for the orphan children of the State as the Baptists are doing, and "by their fruits ye shall know them."—Charity and Children.

We are glad to see our farmers turning their attention more to advanced methods as shown in the adoption of improved labor-saving machinery. Last season the first corn shredders were introduced in this section. Now the corn harvester has come and the problem of forage making and saving has been still more simplified. The corn harvester is a fine piece of mechanism and does its work as though endowed with a certain degree of intelligence of its own. It cuts the corn and ties it in bundles and bunches it like a reaper does wheat. It is drawn by two horses and will harvest several acres of corn in a day. The corn harvester is a great feed saver, especially if its work is followed later by that of a shredder. Farmers are of the opinion that many of these machines will soon come into general use in this section as they are now in other parts of the country.—Hudsonian Gold Leaf

President Will Designate Nov. 26 as Thanksgiving Day.

Washington, Oct. 28.—President Roosevelt will issue his Thanksgiving Day proclamation on Saturday next, October 31. He will designate Thursday November 26th as the day of Thanksgiving.

The great iron bridge over the Danube, near Jullor, which is nearly 500 yards long and weighs 8000 tons, has been shifted to a new position about 450 yards distant. The whole work was done in forty minutes.

HE COMMITS SUICIDE.

The Story as Gathered by the Police Now Told.

Thomas Bechtel Said, "I Wish You Were Here With Me Now, that We Might Die Together."

Allentown, Pa., Oct. 29.—Thomas Bechtel, who was held awaiting investigation of the murder of his sister, Mabel H. Bechtel, at their home a few days ago, committed suicide this evening in his cell at the central police station. The police consider this act as a practical acknowledgment of Bechtel's guilt. Bechtel was in cell No. 2, on the right side of the corridor. Several relatives and friends were admitted to him this afternoon. About 4 o'clock he called across the corridor to Alfred Eckstein, Miss Bechtel's affianced lover, who is also held pending the coroner's inquest: "Hello, Al, are you here?"

"Yes," answered Eckstein. Bechtel responded: "I wish you were here with me now, that we might die together."

These were the last words heard from Bechtel. A short time later Eckstein called Bechtel and got no answer, but he thought he heard an unusual gurgle. He used Sergeant Frank G. Roth had been through the cells only a short time before. A quarter past 5 o'clock he entered the corridor and called both men. Getting no answer from Bechtel he looked into his cell and was appalled to see a stream of blood running over the cell floor. Bechtel had laid himself on the bench in his cell and cut his throat with a knife. He was dead when found. The knife lay near him on the floor.

How he got the knife is not known. Intense excitement prevailed at police headquarters tonight. Dense crowds pressed against the windows and doors and filled the streets for half a block each way. The funeral of the murdered girl took place this afternoon, the services being held at her late home. A steady stream of people entered the house and filed past the casket containing the body until the services began 2 o'clock.

Gathered about the bier of the murdered girl was the aged mother, who is a physical wreck, and who is almost constantly in hysterics, the three daughters, and three of the four sons. The absent one was Thomas. He had been refused permission to attend the funeral on the advice of the district attorney. When Bechtel was told that he would not be permitted to take a parting farewell on his dead sister, he raved. His fury was intense. The family also felt bitter.

The suicide of Thomas Bechtel has been followed by the police officials telling the story of the murder of Miss Bechtel as gathered by them. It starts with last Thursday, when Eckstein accompanied Miss Bechtel to Philadelphia. He left her there and returned home. Weisenberg met her in Philadelphia and accompanied her to Allentown. They went to a certain place together, where they remained until midnight. Thomas Bechtel heard of this, and being strenuously opposed to Weisenberg, he upbraided her in her room upon her return home. He struck her a powerful blow on the cheek, causing her to fall heavily against a bureau, dead. Members of the family held a council and decided upon the story made public on Tuesday and upon the disposition of the body and clothing as found. Charles Bechtel's sister's hatchet was used in striking a blow on the head of the dead girl to give semblance of the assault.

Eckstein knew nothing of the murder, the police say. Information, charging murder, has been lodged against the entire Bechtel family. John and Charles Bechtel and Eckstein were committed to jail in default of \$500 bail each as witnesses. Mrs. Bechtel and daughters were allowed to go, no bail being required. At the inquest to-night several witnesses were heard, but counsel for the Bechtels refused to allow them to testify on account of the charge of murder against them. The hearing will continue to-morrow.

The trouble about the application of the old saying that it is better for ninety and nine guilty men to escape than for one innocent man to suffer, is, that the ninety and nine guilty men have already escaped.—Charlotte News.

A Garden for Cut Flowers.

You should have a special garden for growing flowers, for gathering or "picking." If you want many flowers for house decoration and to give away, grow them at one side in regular rows as you would potatoes or sweet corn. Cultivate them by horse or wheelbarrow. Harvest them in the same spirit that you would harvest string beans or tomatoes; that is, what they are for. You do not have to consider the "looks" of your garden. The old stalk will remain, as the stumps of cabbage. You will not be afraid to pick them. When you have harvested an awful your garden is not despoiled.—From Country Life in America.

Stabbed to Death.

Littleton, N. C., Oct. 27.—A hideous murder was committed on an excursion train from the Weldon fair tonight by an unknown negro and for no apparent cause. While the train was discharging passengers at Summit, this State, a negro walked up beside Levy Allgood, a colored man of Macon, North Carolina, saying, "Hello, Allgood, and thrust a knife into his throat, severing all the main arteries and wind pipe. Allgood ran into the car and died in less than ten minutes. The body of the murdered man was taken to Macon and delivered to his people. It is claimed the murderer made good his escape from Summit, the scene of the murder.

John Dey Acquitted.

Norfolk, Oct. 28.—Thirteen-year-old John H. Dey was today found not guilty at the request of the State's attorney of the charge of killing his stepmother, Mrs. Simpson Dey, by giving her strychnine mixed with salts. The court ruled out the alleged confession of the boy on the ground that it was secured by coercion. The boy's father appeared in court with counsel for himself, but friends supplied lawyers to defend the child. On the stand the father was called upon by the court to confine himself to answering the questions asked.

Three Killed; 2 Fatally Hurt.

Lancaster, Pa., Oct. 27.—Three train men were killed and two fatally injured by the explosion yesterday of the boiler of a freight locomotive on the Pennsylvania Railroad near Roherstown. The cause of the explosion is not known. In his delirium the engineer, who is fatally injured, muttered: "The boiler was full of water."

Killed Himself

New York, Tuesday, 27.—Rather than face the charge of desertion brought by his wife, Thos. F. Oulett, a prominent business man of Bronx, hurled himself from an elevated train this morning and was ground to pieces. The motorman saw the man crawling on the track but could not stop.

Sailors Are Fond of Sweet Things.

Sailors are very fond of sweet things, and to one who knows little about them it is surprising to learn the quantity of candy they consume. In the ship's store are buckets of this article, which is one of the chief commodities in exchange for which a sailor parts with his pocket money. On large ships several thousand pounds of candy are frequently consumed on a cruise.—Ganton's Magazine.

Washington, Oct. 28—The Southern Railway announced today the addition of two more fast passenger trains on its system between Washington and Charlotte, which will be put in operation Sunday. In addition to its splendid passenger service important changes in schedules effective Sunday are also announced. The change gives the Southern four fast trains out of Washington every night. The new trains will be known as Nos. 83 and 84 and will be operated between Washington and Charlotte. Their addition to the service of the system is for the purpose of relieving the heavy traffic on the through trains.

In seven years time the Roe Springs Seminary has grown to be the "Southern Presbyterian College and Conservatory of Music." Seven years hence there is really no telling what it will be.—Charity and Children.

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