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APPEARANCES.

J. A. MACON. The defendant in the case of J. A. Macoon, charged with the murder of his wife, appeared in court today.

A NOTABLE TRIAL.

An Extraordinary Poisoning Case.

A beautiful girl of sixteen married to a man of forty-nine, his death by poison one month after the wedding day, and the trial of the wife for his murder, are the features of an extraordinary criminal case which has just transpired in the West and South.

On the 23d of last July Miss Minnie Walker arrived at Emporia, where she was married to Mr. J. R. Walker, a merchant and former Mayor of Emporia, Kansas.

The prisoner wore a black silk dress, and her hair was unbecomingly styled. She was a woman of rare beauty, with long black hair, expressive black eyes, a finely cut nose, and exquisite mouth with lips of a rich red color.

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The prosecution claimed that Minnie Walker had poisoned her husband with arsenic. The evidence against her was purely circumstantial, but the links in the chain of evidence forged by circumstances are in criminal cases often the strongest.

We now come to the testimony in reference to arsenical poisoning, and upon that the whole weight of the prosecution rests. Mr. Kell, the druggist, testified that he had sold arsenic to Minnie Walker on the Sunday afternoon before her husband died.

A dramatic scene occurred in the room of the dying man the day before his death. Mr. Bill, his partner, talked with Mr. Walker about his wife's having arsenic, and Minnie came into the sick man's room after the interview.

On the same afternoon Minnie talked about the matter with Mr. Bill and with Mr. Severy. She admitted to the latter the purchase of strychnine and arsenic, but said she bought the strychnine for her mother and the arsenic for her complexion.

On this same Friday evening Mrs. Walker told Mr. Severy that her husband, a few days earlier, had tried to kill her with arsenic. She reported to him that she had found him with a revolver in his hand, and that he had tried to shoot himself through the head.

England, France and Burma. The Burmese and the English have had a difficult and all foreigners are refused permission to enter the country.

England is hardly "off" with one little war before she is "on" with another. The next barbarous potentate whom she proposes to invade is King Theebaw of Burma.

The immediate cause of the present trouble was the recent peremptory order of King Theebaw upon a rich British corporation called the Bombay-Burma Company.

The arsenic examination Mrs. Walker used. "Did you ever administer strychnine or arsenic to him?" The accused half rose from her chair and said, "None, so help me God."

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CONFEDERATE MEMORIES. Secretary Lamar Talks of his Mission. [New York Times Letter.] An anonymous paragraph going the rounds of the press is attracting considerable attention.

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