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EXAMINATION OF MRS. ALLEN BEGINS

The West Union Woman is Charged with Murder Before Justice O'Hargan of Rexville on Wednesday.

Rexville, April 20.—The examination of Mrs. Ella Allen, of West Union for the murder of her husband Adelbert Allen, Sunday, April 3, was begun here today, before Justice Barney O'Hargan.

Examination Opened.

The examination demanded by Mrs. Allen opened in the town hall at 11 o'clock this morning, Justice O'Hargan presiding. James A. Parsons, of Hornell appeared for the district attorney and Silas Kellogg of Greenwood was counsel for the defendant.

Mr. Kellogg on the opening of the examination made a motion for the discharge of the defendant on the ground that there was insufficient evidence on which to hold her for the grand jury. This motion was denied by Justice O'Hargan.

A plea of not guilty was then entered by counsel for the defendant and the examination which is to determine whether she shall be held for the grand jury was then taken up.

Dr. Stewart Testifies.

Dr. Otto K. Stewart of Canisteo was the first witness called, his testimony is the most important that has so far been presented in the examination. He testified that he performed the post mortem examination on Allen's body about three hours after the shooting. His testimony brought out the fact that the bullet in the side was fired when the victim had his back toward the one who fired the shot, and passed through the heart. He dwelt at considerable length on the fact that the bullet entered from the back and could not have been fired when the deceased was approaching his assailant with a razor. He also testified that this was undoubtedly the first shot fired and would have proved fatal.

Witness was cross examined by Mr. Kellogg who brought out no further facts.

Other Witnesses Sworn.

Charles Stewart, a neighbor was the next witness. He testified that he was one of the first to reach the scene after the shooting. He saw the body of Allen lying on the floor and saw the powder marks on it. He also testified that he had heard Mrs. Allen make threats against her husband. Not less than two months ago he heard her say that she would not be bothered with him any more, and that if she could not get rid of him any other way she would kill him.

Robert Lewis gave practically the same testimony.

Mrs. Hannah Shawl, who resides at Rough and Ready stated that Dr. Allen had boarded with her. Mrs. Allen had been at her home about three weeks before the shooting and in her presence had stated that she could not stand her husband any longer and that she would kill him if necessary to get rid of him.

Fred Boucher testified that he was one of the first to reach the scene of the murder. He saw Allen's body lying on the floor. He also saw the razor beside him. The boy was not dead yet when he arrived but died soon after.

Prosecution Rests.

Much to the surprise to everyone present at the examination the counsel for the people then announced that they would rest their case as they had sufficient evidence. There were about 30 witnesses present to testify but it was not thought necessary to produce any more testimony at this time. A recess was then taken.

Defense Opens Case.

While the mother was on trial here today two of her children are lying very ill. Edna, the three-year-old girl is suffering from pneumonia and may not recover. Her mother has shown little interest in her progress. But of vital interest to the woman's case is the illness of her twelve-year-

the shooting. She is now at the home of her uncle Joshua Saunders, suffering from a mastoid abscess and under the care of Dr. Stephen H. Bennett who diagnosed the case. He states that the prognosis is unfavorable and that if the abscess should develop further an abscess of the brain may follow, which usually terminates fatally, unless an operation is performed, when only about fifty per cent. recover.

Mildred Allen gave a comprehensive, straightforward recital of the murder and the events leading up to it, at the coroner's inquest. If the case is ever tried, her testimony would be of vital importance. That it has already been officially placed on record is a point of extraordinary value to the mother.

Mrs. Allen has been a prisoner at the Eagle Hotel in Rexville since last Thursday, being cared for at the county's expense.

Her old daughter, Mildred, who is the chief and only legal eye witness to

POLITICAL EQUALITY CONVENTION

The Sixteenth Annual Meeting Will be Held in the Methodist Church in This Village Next Wednesday.

The Sixteenth Annual Convention of the Allegany County Political Equality Club is to be held with the Lucy Stone Club in this village next Wednesday, April 27th, at the Methodist Church.

The meeting will hold three sessions, morning at 10 o'clock, afternoon at 2 o'clock, and evening at 8 o'clock.

Eminent speakers of state and national reputation will address the convention. Following is the program:

MORNING SESSION.
10 O'CLOCK
Music, America
Devotional Exercises,
Mrs. Clara Austin, Whitesville
Address of Welcome, Mrs. George-
anna D. Hardy
Response, Mrs. Jennie R. McEwen,
Wellsville
Vice President County Political
Equality Club.
Appointment of Committees

THREE MINUTE REPORTS
Recording Secretary
Corresponding Secretary
Treasurer
Superintendents of
School Suffrage
Press
Literature
Young People's Work
Tax Suffrage
Legislative Work
Credentialed Committee
Election of Officers
The Work of the Year. Delegates
Recess
Dinner will be served by the Ladies
Aid Society of the Methodist
Church for 25c.

2 O'CLOCK
Music, Organ Solo, Miss Geraldine
Starr.
Report of National Convention
Mrs. Flint, Miss West, Scio
Reception of Fraternal Delegates
Music
Address, "Some Prophetic Fallacies"
Mrs. Anna C. Etz, Hornell
Music, Duet, Mrs. Rogers and Mrs.
Prest
Question Box
Offering

REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE
Miss Champlin, Alfred
Mrs. Bardeen, Richburg
Mrs. Karr, Almond
8 O'CLOCK
Music, Organ Solo, Miss Geraldine
Starr.
Music, Mixed Quartet, Mrs. Prest,
Mrs. Bettinger, Dr. Mitchell
Mr. Brillion.
Prayer, Rev. H. D. Bacon
Music, Vocal Solo, Dr. G. W. Mitchell
Address, "Woman's Right,"
Mrs. Annis Ford Eastman
Elmira, N. Y.
Music, Vocal Solo, Mrs. Ethlyn
Rogers, Violin, Accompanist,
James Cannon.
Adjournment

Co-operating With The Farmers

Erie Railroad Furnishes the Trains and Universities the Professors and Literature--College on Wheels

A few years ago the Department of Agriculture of the State of New York aroused the community on the subject of the supposed abandoned farms in New York State, and the lack of interest shown by many farmers in following up modern methods of Agriculture; and on an arrangement prompted by Raymond A. Pearson, Commissioner of Agriculture for New York State, a great convention of farmers, farmers' institutes, railroads, and all interested in agriculture was held in October, 1907, at Syracuse, N. Y., under the auspices of the Syracuse Chamber of Commerce.

The Hon. James Wilson United States Secretary of Agriculture, attended the convention, all the great railroad-lines of the Eastern States sent representatives, and Prof. L. H. Bailey, Director of the New York State College of Agriculture at Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y., and Prof. C. H. Tuck, also of the college, were present.

There were lively meetings, lasting over three days, and speeches were made by various interests, each one showing that he had the "sine qua non" for making New York State the finest agricultural section in the Union. The railroad men present expressed their willingness to co-operate, and wanted to be shown what they ought to do. The Erie representative, on his return to New York, reported the proceedings to the management of that road, and it was decided that the most practical thing to do was to go to Cornell University and offer the State Agricultural College there a free train to carry the professors, and have them make lectures at the different stations en route. The College accepted this proposition, and in November, 1908, the first agricultural special ever run in New York State stopped at all the stations on the Erie from Oswego to Batavia, N. Y., and this special has since been followed by many others.

Agricultural specials had been run in the Western States before this, but this was something entirely new for the Eastern States, and a "College on Wheels," stopping at various stations where the professors delivered forty-five-minute lectures to the farmers in the coaches, was something new to the natives.

The first train was an immense success. Lectures were given in the coaches on subjects suited to the various localities over which the train passed, namely, on Milk Production, Potatoes and Beans, Alfalfa, Poultry, Fruit Culture, Corn Cultivation, etc.

The Erie recently furnished to Purdue University another free train called the "Milk Production Special." It traversed Indiana from its eastern to its western boundary. This train had a novel feature never before attempted—namely, cows were carried on it for demonstration purposes.

The train was composed of engine, baggage car, three coaches, a cafe car, and a double side-door horse and carriage car. Lectures of forty-five minutes' duration were given at the twenty-nine stations where the train stopped. The lectures were given in the coaches, which had been fitted up with chairs by the university; and the horse-and-carriage car, with doors eight feet wide, contained three cows.

After a lecture of thirty minutes had been delivered in the coaches the audience were directed to the horse-and-carriage car.

When the people had assembled on the station platform, one of the doors of the car in which the cows were was thrown open, and two Jerseys were shown to the spectators. The general run of the fifteen minute demonstration lecture was as follows:

"Here you see two Jersey cows. Can any one say off-hand which is the better? The first cow cost about fifty dollars per annum to feed. She produced fifty-eight dollars' worth of butter fat, so you had about eight dollars' profit per annum for the pleasure of milking her twice a day. The second cow, another Jersey, is a better producer. This cow produced ninety-six dollars' worth of milk, or ninety-seven dollars' worth of butter fat. This cow also cost fifty dollars, per annum to feed, but she showed a much larger profit. We get at the value of these cows by record. Every farmer should keep a record of his cows, the same as every other business man does relative to his business and manufacturing costs. The record is the only way to get at the value of cows for dairy purposes. You will find a record form accompanying the special prepared pamphlet on milk production that has just been handed to you.

"There are over six hundred thousand cows in the State of Indiana. One-third of them are in the same class as the first cow shown, so that about two hundred thousand cows in this state are producing practically no profit at all. These Jersey cows are more suitable for a district where butter is made. You have the great Chicago market of fresh milk before you and you should see to it that you get cows that will produce plenty of milk. Now, please step to the next door."

"This door was then thrown open and data were given somewhat as follows:

"This is a Holstein cow. She cost ten dollars more per annum to feed than the Jersey cow, or sixty dollars. She produced, per year, at the present market prices, butter fat valued at eighty-six dollars, or milk valued at one hundred and ninety-one dollars. The milk from a Jersey cow contains a larger percentage of butter fat. The Holstein is a milk producer for this fresh-milk district. This cow, by record, produces 11,966 pounds of milk per annum, or nearly six tons, or about ten times her own weight. Nearly everything that we feed her is turned into milk."

The lecturer then went on to explain the build of the cow, the udder, the milk veins, and the general characteristics that mark a good cow supplementarily to the points mentioned by the lecturer in the coaches.

From fifty to two hundred farmers were present at every station. They represented a very large acreage, and many of them expressed themselves as very much pleased at being able to see so practical a demonstration.

Agricultural special trains have now become a regular feature in railroading as a force co-operating with the farmer for better development. They run on the most practical plans, some of them for one day only, and at about ten stations in order to achieve special results in a certain district, or they may be run for three days to take in a larger territory. These trains are placed at the disposal of every accredited university.

THE ALUMNI BANQUET.
Hon. James S. Whipple, will Address the Annual Meeting of Andover Alumni.

The Toast Committee for the Alumni Banquet, decided this year to change the usual order, and engage a speaker for the evening, who will talk on a subject of present day interest. Hon. James S. Whipple of the State Forest, Fish, and Game Reserve, has written that he will be pleased to attend the banquet and give the address. He is a bright, entertaining speaker and thoroughly interested in his work. The committee feel sure that the occasion will be one to be remembered.

HOUSE CLEANING.
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FRANCES B. HUNT.

Mrs. Frances B. Hunt, widow of the late William Hunt, passed away Saturday night, after an illness of several weeks, at her home, corner of Maple Avenue and First Street. Mrs. Hunt had been a life long resident of Andover and beside a brother, Robert Bundy, of Horseheads, N. Y., leaves a large circle of friends in this village who deeply regret her death. Mrs. Hunt was of a quiet, unassuming disposition, a great lover of flowers, which she cultivated in profusion and many a home and desk in this village will this season miss the choice blossoms which her care and generous disposition has so graciously provided in years gone by.

Farewell services were conducted at the home Monday afternoon by Rev. J. W. Wright, pastor of the Methodist Church and the body laid to rest beside her husband in the Valley Brook Cemetery.

AROUND THE HIGH SCHOOL CAMPUS

Interesting School Notes Picked up by the News Correspondent Among the Faculty and Scholars.

We were glad Professor Bartlett was able to come back to school, Monday morning.

Ralph Rogers was visiting friends at Cuba Lake from Friday until Sunday.

Harold Payne has come to the conclusion that he was mistaken when he thought his Latin teacher was afraid of him.

Fishing season having opened all the loys are busy chasing the finny tribe.

The High School Base Ball Team played in Angelica Saturday. The game resulting in a victory for Andover. Neither side played strictly high school teams. Score was Andover 17, Angelica 4. The next game is expected to be played Friday, April 29th, with Wellsville High School on the new diamond.

We are sorry to learn that Miss Carolyn Graves will not be in Andover another year, having engaged with the school at Middletown, New York to instruct the new beginners there at an increase of salary. We wish Miss Graves success in her new position.

BADLY BURNED.

Cuba, N. Y., April 19.—Mrs. E. G. Wasson of this place was badly burned about her hands as the result of a gas explosion. Her husband arose first and lighted the stove, or supposed he did. Either the gas did not ignite or went out for some reason. A few minutes later when Mrs. Wasson came down stairs, she struck a match to light the fire, when there was a terrible explosion which wrecked the stove and a sheet iron drum in the pipe in a room above besides badly burning Mrs. Wasson.

WELLSVILLE MAN DIES OF RABIES

Dr. J. H. Pierce, a Popular Veterinary, Died in New York on Friday Last—Bitten by Dog 4 Months Ago.

Wellsville, N. Y., April 16.—Dr. J. H. Pierce, the well-known veterinary surgeon and one of the most popular men in Wellsville, died in New York yesterday of rabies. Some four months ago he was called to treat a family pet dog of Mrs. William Hathaway, and was bitten by the frenzied animal. Rabies was feared at the time and Dr. Pierce took every preliminary precaution and careful treatment. The brain of the dog was sent to Cornell University, where an analysis showed a clear case of rabies, but as the doctor had been so thoroughly treated, it was not expected he would suffer any trouble. Wednesday, the disease developed into a serious case and Thursday Dr. Pierce, accompanied by Dr. J. W. Collier and Joseph Dwight, hurried to the Pasteur Institute in New York City, hoping for the best. The case developed very rapidly and the sad news came that his case was hopeless, and his death was a question of but a few hours. The facts known here to-day, are that he applied for admission at Bellevue hospital, saying that he feared he was about to be attacked by hydrophobia, and died a few hours after his admission, with all the symptoms of rabies, which is given as the cause of death on the hospital records. Dr. Pierce early last winter removed a bone from the throat of a dog, which afterwards died from hydrophobia. His hand was badly scratched during the operation. He was bitten last December by a dog, but this animal was apparently in normal condition. Mr. Pierce, who had enjoyed unusual health noted alarming symptoms and consulted his physician, who advised him to hurry to New York, and consult specialists. He was near a collapse on his arrival. He was taken to Bellevue, where the first paroxysms of hydrophobia attacked him within a few minutes after his arrival, and the disease then took its usual rapid course. Dr. Pierce is survived by a wife, and two sons, Howard, aged seven, and Walter, aged four; also by a father and mother and sister and brother, living at East Smethport, Pa. The family have the sympathy of all in their sudden and severe bereavement. A short service with a prayer will be held at the late residence on Oak Street, Monday evening, at 8 o'clock, and the body will be taken to Westfield, Pa., on the noon Buffalo & Susquehanna train, Tuesday.

W. C. T. U.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union will meet with Mrs. Dimick, Friday afternoon, April 22nd for a Franchise meeting.

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