

READY TO BIG DAMM BRIGGS' CHOSEN SENATOR

IS ELECTED TO SUCCEED JOHN F. DRYDEN OF NEW JERSEY.

State Treasurer Receives 41 Out of 78 Votes East of Josiah Ballin' by Legislators.

M'DONALD IS PRESIDENT

New York—John B. McDonald of this city, the contractor who constructed the Panama Canal, was elected president of the Panama Construction Company Tuesday. The company was formally organized under the laws of the state of New York for the purpose of building the Panama canal, in the event that the contract is awarded by the government to William J. Oliver, one of the contractors, and associates.

The other officers elected were: First vice president and general manager, W. J. Oliver; chairman of the board, W. A. C. Smith; secretary and assistant treasurer, D. V. Reynolds; treasurer, R. A. Chester; executive committee, John B. McDonald, W. J. Oliver, John Peirce, R. A. C. Smith, and R. A. Chester; board of directors, John B. McDonald, John Peirce, Charles H. Ackert, Robert A. C. Smith, Robert A. Chester, George Peirce, Patrick T. Walsh, William H. Sayre, Patrick J. Brennan, George F. Harriman and Robert Russell.

They Are Ready to Dig.
Upon adjournment Mr. McDonald announced the formation of the company, and added "Everything is now ready for the actual work of digging."

KILLS HIMSELF AT WEDDING.

Known as Mah Timmow Gosham, Bridal Party in Hysterics.

New York—Standing in the doorway of an apartment where guests had assembled to witness a wedding Sunday night a stranger, supposed to be Mah Timmow Gosham, of Waterbury, Conn., blew out his brains. Death was instantaneous as the body tumbled backward down a flight of stairs.

The bride and many women guests went hysterical and the marriage ceremony was delayed while the coroner held an impromptu inquiry. The guests viewed the body, declaring ignorance of the suicide's identity. An hour later the wedding was solemnized.

The guests had gathered at the apartment of James Feeney, on Amsterdam avenue, for the marriage of Feeney's K. Lick, Miss Feeney, and Michael Leyton. The presence of the stranger was not noticed until the shot was fired.

THREE FROZEN TO DEATH.

Woman and Two Children Found Dead in Grand Rapids.

Grand Rapids, Mich.—A woman and two children were found frozen to death Sunday afternoon in an upstairs tenement here, with a third child in an adjoining room badly frozen but alive. The dead are: Emma K. Livingston, single, aged 50; Alfred L. Livingston, aged seven, and Lillian B. Livingston, aged three. Helen Livingston, aged ten, is the third child. The children lived with Miss Livingston, who was their aunt. It is supposed that after they retired Thursday night they became partially asphyxiated by coal gas, and the fire dying out they were frozen to death.

MAIL ORDER HOUSE LOSER.

Injunction to Stop Alleged South Dakota Boycott is Refused.

St. Louis, Mo., D. — Judge Garland of the United States court Friday denied the application for a temporary injunction of Monogramme & Co. of Chicago, against the officers and directors of the South Dakota Retail Merchants' and Hardware Dealers' association, and E. J. Mannix, dealer of the Commercial News of Sioux Falls. The Chicago concern alleged that it was unable to purchase goods from jobbers and wholesalers, because of a boycott maintained by the association and Editor Mannix, and sought an injunction to restrain the defendants from continuing this alleged boycott.

PLAY TRUST MEN INDICTED.

New York—Six members of the theatrical trust—Marc Klav, Abraham L. Egan, Charles Frohman, Al Hayman, Samuel Nixon, and J. F. Zimmerman—were indicted Thursday by the grand jury for conspiracy to get control of the theatrical business of the country through the ownership of the theaters and the production of theatrical attractions.

ENGINE EXPLODES; THREE KILLED.

Montclair, Ky.—The forward engine of a double-headed freight train on the Chesapeake & Ohio railroad blew up at Colby station Tuesday afternoon, killing Engineer Shoups, Fireman Marshall and brakeman Bertz. Engineer Hart, of the second train, was badly injured.

TWO CHILDREN RUN TO DEATH.

Marshalltown, Ia.—The two little daughters of Adolph Carlson, of Dixon, 35 miles north of here, were hurrying home Tuesday afternoon when their parents had left the children alone.

RACING IN TENNESSEE KILLED.

Nashville, Tenn.—The action of the grand jury at the general assembly Tuesday afternoon, which was caused by the death of a boy named in Tennessee, that boy being the anti-vivisection gambling bill.

SMITH TO FILL OUT ALGER'S TERM.

Lansing, Mich.—Congressman William Alden Smith was elected by the legislature Tuesday to fill out the unexpired term of Senator R. A. Alger. He had already been elected an Alger's successor.

NEBRASKA MAN FALSIFIED.

Minneapolis, Minn.—W. V. Ripper of Hastings, Neb., who came to Minneapolis to sue the United States for a large sum of money, was found dead at the residence of J. J. Lindenkoller.

SAYS WHITE DECLARED HE INTENDED TO MURDER THAW

Samuel Boman Tells of Hearing Threat — Delmas Takes Charge of Defense — Lively Tilt Between Him and Jerome.

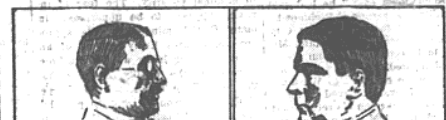
New York—The defense of Harry K. Thaw, under the direction of Attorney Delmas M. Delmas of California, has begun to assume definite shape Wednesday, and when an adjournment was taken testimony had been placed before the jury to the effect that defendant White had been heard to make a threat to kill the defendant, coupling the threat with the display of a revolver; that Thaw's actions following the killing of White on the roof of Madison Square were considered by several eye-witnesses to have been "irrational," that an uncle of the defendant was insane; that Evelyn Nesbit Thaw passed a note to her husband during

being, "I'll find and kill that fellow before daylight."

The witness said he believed the threat to be directed against Harry Thaw, and told him of it several days later, when they changed to meet on Fifth avenue. He also told a detective sergeant about the incident. District Attorney Jerome cross-examined the witness for more than an hour, but Boman adhered closely to his story in every detail.

"Have you been paid any money by this defendant or his attorneys?" demanded Mr. Jerome at the close of his examination.

"No," came the emphatic reply from the witness.



HARRY KENDALL THAW.
(On Trial for the Slaying of Architect Stanford White.)

was absolute and dramatic stillness in the courtroom and Mr. Delmas stood waiting and all eyes were turned on the district attorney. He continued to look at the floor. After waiting some time, Mr. Delmas resumed:

"I take it that the witness of the learned district attorney is not intended as a discourtesy, but a conception of what he feels to be his duties in the matter. We will attempt later to prove the contents of the note."



TWO NOTED LAWYERS AS THEY APPEAR IN THE THAW TRIAL.
District Attorney Jerome. Clifford W. Hartridge, Counsel for Thaw.

McCaleb detailed, as far as he could, the incidents of the night of the tragedy. He was leaving the roof garden with Mrs. Thaw and thought Thaw was following when the three pistol shots were heard, Mrs. Thaw exclaimed: "My God, he's shot!" and then, "Oh, Harry, what have you done, and why did you do it?" Thaw replied: "I have saved your life," and bent and kissed her.

Thaw's Uncle Insane.

Dr. John E. Deemer, who was on the stand Tuesday but not allowed to testify, was recalled Wednesday and testified that Henry W. Copley, the defendant's uncle on the maternal side, had been insane. Mr. Jerome had declared early in the day that he would not object to the testimony as to insanity in the family provided the proper foundations were laid for it.

The contest of Yarmouth and Mrs. George Lauder Carnegie, Thaw's sisters, were in court Wednesday, and took a keen interest in all the proceedings. When the witness Boman

dinner at the Cafe Martin the evening of the tragedy; that District Attorney Jerome has this note, and refused on the demand of the defense to introduce it in evidence.

So far, indeed, had Thaw's defense progressed that at the close of the day's proceedings the announcement was made by Mr. Delmas that either the wife or the mother of the defendant would be the first witness on the stand Thursday morning.

The threat against Thaw's life was made two years and a half before the tragedy occurred. District Attorney Jerome objected to the introduction of the evidence, declaring the defense was not understood by him to be one of self-defense.

Jerome and Delmas Opposed.

Mr. Delmas replied that the defense intended to take advantage of every legal defense allowed in the state of New York, be it insanity, self-defense or any other legitimate justification of the taking of human life. "This was but the first of a series of interesting tilts between the district attorney and Mr. Delmas during the day, and it was agreed that Mr. Jerome had triumphed Thaw's new leading counsel a foeman worthy of his best efforts. The two men are of widely different types—Mr. Jerome, quick, passionate, forceful, sarcastic and brilliant at ridicule; Mr. Delmas, calm, courteous, reserved, witty, crafty and ethical, to whom the district attorney was always "the learned district attorney." There was never a deviation from this method of attack in Thaw's case.

Benjamin Boman, formerly a stage door-keeper at the Madison Square theater, was the witness who told of White's threat.

White's Threat to Kill.

Boman declared that on Christmas eve, 1902, Stanford White came to the stage door about 11:15 p. m., and asked for Miss Nesbit. The door-keeper told him "Miss White at first accused him of a falsehood, and in then asked who had been her escort."

"Mr. Thaw," the witness said he replied.

"Oh, that Pittsburgher," commented the architect, who, to make sure the actress had gone, went to her dressing-room on the stage. Not finding her there, White, according to Boman, walked rapidly out of the theater with a revolver in his hand, muttering, "I'll find and kill that fellow before daylight."

Mrs. Evelyn Nesbit and Miss Mar McKenzie as they appear at the trial.

That evening Mrs. Thaw had suddenly asked her husband for a pencil, scribbled a few words and passed a folded piece of paper to him. What was in it she said the witness did not know, and he was not allowed, because of an objection by the district attorney, to testify as to what change of manner, if any, it produced in Thaw. It was in this note that young Mrs. Thaw, referring to White, wrote to her husband, "That b— (black-

ness is here."

"We understand," said Mr. Delmas, "that this note is now in the possession of the learned district attorney. We want to look at the contents of that slip of paper, believing it to be material evidence. We demand that the learned district attorney produce it."

Jerome Keeps Silence.

Mr. Jerome sat silent. He tugged at his shirt, stubby mustache. There

testified as to the epithet Stanford White used in speaking of the man who intended to "kill before daylight." Justice Fitzgerald said he would give all those in the courtroom, whose sense of the proprieties might be offended, the opportunity to withdraw, but returned in less than five minutes.

Thaw seemed in excellent spirits throughout the day. He appeared to enjoy the warty conflict.

Ruins Visit Each Other.

Paris—King Edward and Queen Alexandra Monday exchanged visits with President Fallieres, and Mme. Fallieres, but did not make any public appearance. Later they rode in an automobile to Versailles.

Sends Murals to Chicago.

Minneapolis, Minn.—Dr. Markham Monday registered at the Minneapolis Century Graduate Nurses' association, has sent six acres to Chicago in response to a call for assistance.

Veteran Presses to Death.

Leavenworth, Kan.—William Higley, a veteran of the civil war, 63 years old, was found frozen to death under the soldiers' home grounds at Leavenworth Monday afternoon.

Ching Company Incorporated.

Albany, N. Y.—The Panama Construction company, incorporated to finance the Panama canal, bid for by William J. Oliver of Chicago Tuesday, filed articles of incorporation Monday with the secretary of state.

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