

CLAIM THEY WERE IN MIDDLETOWN

Men Charged With Robbing White
Lake Postoffice Assert
Innocence.

MIDDLETOWNERS SUBPOENAED

Whom Connors and Donnelly Claim
They Saw in That City—To be
Tried in New York Shortly
For Robbery.

Thomas Connors and Hugh Donnelly, who were arrested at Stroudsburg, Pa., a few weeks ago charged with having blown open the safe in the postoffice at White Lake, Sullivan county, in May 1st, will be placed on trial in New York, shortly.

The two men are said to be well known safe crackers and to have committed a number of crimes in Sullivan and adjoining counties last summer, including the burglarizing of the Logg Sheldrake postoffice.

Their arrest at Stroudsburg was brought about by Postoffice Inspector M. C. Duryea, of Monticello. The latter happened to be at his home at the time the White Lake postoffice was cracked and he took up the trail of the cracksmen and followed them until several months later he landed Connors and Donnelly at Stroudsburg and accused them of being the men.

The police of Middletown were notified the day following the White Lake robbery to be on the lookout for the cracksmen and that morning they picked up two umbrella menders at the Summit and took them to headquarters. They were the men, Connors and Donnelly. They were released for want of evidence.

Now it is understood that Connors and Donnelly claim that they are not guilty of the White Lake job and that they were in Middletown when it took place. They have asked that several persons be subpoenaed to testify that they were there on the day of the robbery and United States Deputy Marshal John Gehardt was in Middletown Tuesday serving the papers. The witnesses subpoenaed were Chris Genezal and Mr. and Mrs. John Brock, whom the prisoners claim they saw when in Middletown.

OBITUARY.

Francis A. R. Pronk.

Francis Alfred Richardson Pronk, one of the best known residents of Middletown, died at his home at 144 North street, Friday morning at 11:30, after a short illness of pneumonia. Mr. Pronk had not been able to be at his business for the past three weeks, having been indisposed. On Thursday, December 7, he went down town, but was forced to go back to his home, where he was taken with a severe chill. He took to his bed immediately and pneumonia developed, from the effects of which he died as stated.

Mr. Pronk was born on December 15, 1842, making him 69 years of age. He was a son of the late Captain Jas. N. and Mrs. Mary Ellen (Mondon) Pronk, and was born in Middletown, where he had always made his home, with the exception of a few years.

Mr. Pronk was a retail shoe salesman for Samuel Gray in Middletown at the time of his last illness.

Mr. Pronk was a candidate on the Republican ticket for the office of mayor of the city in 1898, and was defeated by three votes by Charles L. Elwood.

On October 12, 1898, Mr. Pronk was united in marriage to Miss Mary Clark, of Middletown, who survives him. Surviving are also two brothers and three sisters: Ferris M. Pronk, of Middletown; Devin N. Pronk, of Yorkers; Mrs. James B. Carson, of Middletown; Mrs. Hiram Tate, of Warwick; and Mrs. Nellie P. Crane, of New York City.

John R. Parsells.

John Russell Parsells died at the home of Mrs. Ann E. G. Cuddeback, in Huguenot on Wednesday, December 13th, at 5:20 p. m., after a long illness. He was aged 62 years.

Mr. Parsells was the son of John and Elizabeth Parsells, of Wurtsboro, and was a descendant of Don Gonsaulus, the first white settler of Sullivan county, N. Y.

Mr. Parsells entered the service of the Erie railroad at the age of 17 years and for a number of years was conductor on the Barkley branch. Later he was yardmaster at

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PRESIDENT RECOMMENDS REDUCTION OF TARIFF RATES ON WOOL AND WOOLENS

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, Dec. 20.—President Taft sent to Congress today the long-awaited report of the tariff board on schedule K of the Payne tariff act, and with it a message recommending that the rates on wool and woolems be materially reduced.

The report shows that the existing duties on many classes of wool and wool manufactures are prohibitive and greatly in excess of the difference in the cost of production here and abroad. The duties are so arranged as to keep out of the United States entirely wools of finer qualities which if imported might be used to displace the cheap substitutes now employed.

President Taft calls attention to these points and urges that a revision of the schedule be proceeded with at once.

He characterizes the report of the

Pittston, Pa., and afterwards came east and was yardmaster at Newburgh.

Mr. Parsells came to Huguenot 25 years ago and entered the employ of the late Lewis Cuddeback, and since the death of Mr. Cuddeback has been manager of the farm for the family. Throughout his long life, he was an earnest student of history and took great interest in political affairs.

Mr. Parsells is survived by two daughters, Mrs. William C. Benz, of Oswego, and Mrs. Harry Graf, of New York City, and by three brothers and two sisters, Jasper Parsells, Harriett Parsells, and Mrs. J. E. Holmes, all of Wurtsboro; Jacob Parsells, of Passaic, N. J., and William Parsells, of Ellenville.

Mrs. Catherine A. Price.

Mrs. Catherine A. Price died at her home on Avenue K, near Third street, Matamoras, at 10:20 o'clock on Thursday night, of heart failure, after a short illness. She was aged 79 years.

Deceased was born in Ireland and came to the United States at the age of five years. She settled in Waymart, Wayne county, Pa., where she lived until 20 years ago, when she came to Matamoras. The death of her husband, George M. Price, occurred 25 years ago.

Mrs. Price was a member of Hope Church and the Ladies' Christian Union of Matamoras.

The surviving relatives are three sons, Harry Price, of Matamoras; William T. Price, of Hood River, Oregon, and Lewis G. Price, of Galveston Texas; three daughters, Mrs. P. D. Lunny, of Carbondale, Pa.; Mrs. Walter Carr, of Norristown, Pa., and Mrs. T. L. Medland, of Trappe, Pa.; two brothers, Michael Murphy, of White Mills, Pa., and Peter Murphy, of Pleasant Mount, Pa.

The funeral was held at the house in Matamoras at 10 o'clock on Monday morning. Rev. W. L. Ketter conducted the services and the body was taken on Erie train 267 at 11:40 o'clock to Waymart, Pa., for interment in Canaan cemetery.

Mrs. Nathaniel Marsh.

Mrs. Mary Ellen Marsh, widow of Dr. Nathaniel Marsh, formerly of Port Jervis, died at her home in Middletown, suddenly on Tuesday afternoon, at 5 o'clock.

Funeral services were held at the late residence on Thursday morning at 9 o'clock, and the interment will be in the family plot at Bloomingburg.

Rev. W. A. Chadwick.

Word was received by friends in this city Monday of the death of the Rev. Walter A. Chadwick at his home in Ocean Grove, N. J., on Saturday, December 16th. He was aged about 60 years.

Mr. Chadwick entered the ministry of the Methodist Episcopal Church in early life in the service of the New York Conference and served pastorates as follows: 1872-1874, Hillside and Riverside; 1875-1876, Irvington; 1877-1879, Carmel; 1880-1881, Walton; 1882-1884, Chester; 1885-1887, Coxsack; 1888-1890, Rhinebeck; 1891-1894, Mount Kisco; 1895 Hudson; 1896-1897, Fishkill; 1898-1902, Port Jervis; 1904-1906, Newton, N. J.; 1907-1909, Madison, N. J.; 1909-1911, (supernumerary), Ocean Grove, N. J.

His first sermon in the Drew M. E. Church in this city was preached on Easter Sunday, April 10, 1898, and, for five years, he was the faithful and beloved pastor of this church.

The surviving relatives are his wife; three sons and a daughter. Mr. Chadwick's funeral was held on Wednesday afternoon at his late home in Ocean Grove. Interment Thursday at Mt. Carmel, N. Y.

James McDonald.

James McDonald, a veteran of the Civil War, and for many years a resident of the town of Highland, Sullivan county, died at his home near Barryville at 6:30 o'clock on Sunday morning, of a complication of diseases, after a long illness. He was aged 72 years.

tariff board as the most complete and exhaustive statement of a difficult and complicated subject ever presented to a legislative body. He declares it a monument to the thoroughness, industry, impartiality and accuracy of the men engaged in its making. He also dwells with emphasis upon the fact that the report is a unanimous one, and asserts the belief that it will convince all of the wisdom of making the tariff board permanent.

Neither the President nor the board proposes definite rates of duty. Mr. Taft holding that the function of the board merely is to present findings of fact on which rates of duty may be fairly determined in the light of adequate knowledge and in accord with the economic policy to be followed. President Taft recommends that the proposed revision adhere to a protection based upon the difference in cost of production at home and abroad.

The surviving relatives are his wife at home, and four daughters, Mrs. James Powers, of New York City; Mrs. Alexander McCabe, Mrs. Chester Williams and Mrs. John McDonald, all of Brooklyn, N. Y.

The funeral was held on Tuesday afternoon at 1 o'clock, and the interment was at Narrowsburg, N. Y.

Eugene C. Decker.

Eugene C. Decker died at his home in Oakland, Dec. 17th, at 7 a. m., of Bright's disease, after a month's illness. He was a stone cutter by trade. Mr. Decker is survived by his wife and five children at home.

The funeral was held on Tuesday at 1 o'clock at the house; interment in Cuddebackville cemetery.

Louisa Agnes Smith.

Louisa Agnes Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John L. Smith, died at their home, near Glen Spey, at 4 o'clock Tuesday morning, after a short illness, aged six years and ten months.

Thomas Clonan.

Thomas Clonan, a former resident of Port Jervis, died in Chicago on November 20th, of heart failure. He was aged 61 years.

Deceased is survived by two daughters and two sons, all of Chicago.

The death of Mrs. Clonan occurred in February, 1911, and the body was brought to Port Jervis last April and interred in Laurel Grove Cemetery.

Benjamin Stivers Coss, Sr.

Benjamin Stivers Coss, Sr., a highly respected resident of Tri-States, died at his home, No. 12 Barclay street, at 8:27 o'clock on Wednesday morning, after an illness of two months of peritonitis, aged 76 years. Mr. Coss was born at Branchville, N. J., November 30th, 1835 and was a son of Andrew Coss and Tullie Stivers. He was a farmer by occupation.

In December, 1860, he was united in marriage to Elizabeth Ayers, of Beemerville, N. J., about 30 years ago they removed to Tri-States, where he has lived a retired life.

Those who survive Mr. Coss are his wife and two daughters, Stella, wife of John Stivers, of Beemerville; Anna, wife of Joseph Ellison, of Port Jervis; four sons, Anson, Benjamin, Jr., Wade and Jesse Coss, all of this city; one brother, Holton Coss, of Columbia, N. J., and two sisters, Miss Marguerite Coss and Mrs. M. Dillison, both of Beemerville, and also by six grandchildren.

The funeral will be held at 9 o'clock on Saturday morning at his late home on Barclay street. Rev. Willard Conger will officiate. The body will be taken to Branchville for interment. Friends are requested to omit flowers.

Mrs. Jennie T. Smith.

Jennie T. Smith died at her home, No. 17 Maple avenue, at 6:30 o'clock Wednesday morning, of a complication of diseases, after a short illness, aged 32 years.

Mrs. Smith was born in Port Jervis, May 10th, 1879, and was the daughter of Andrew Balmos and Phoebe Middaugh. She had resided here all her life. On November 26, 1903, she was united in marriage to

FIRST NATIONAL BANK.

Port Jervis, N. Y., Dec. 8, 1911. The regular annual meeting of the shareholders of the First National Bank of Port Jervis for the election of Directors will be held at its banking house on Tuesday, Jan. 9, 1912, at ten o'clock a. m.

The polls will be open from ten to eleven o'clock a. m.

FREDERICK B. POST, Cashier.

NATIONAL BANK OF PORT JERVIS

Port Jervis, N. Y., Dec. 8, 1911.

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank for the election of a Board of Directors for the ensuing year will be held at their banking house on

Tuesday, January 9, 1912.

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E. F. MAPES, Cashier.

John R. Smith, of Binghamton. She was a member of the Presbyterian Church.

Those who survive her are her husband and one daughter, Rosina Magdalene, aged 4 years; also her parents and three brothers, George Balmos, of Brooklyn; Leonard Balmos, of Patterson, and Charles Balmos, of Port Jervis.

The funeral will be held from her late home at 10 o'clock on Saturday morning and at 10:30 at the Tri-States Chapel. Rev. Samuel Jones will officiate. The interment will be in Laurel Grove Cemetery.

Thomas M. Pinney.

Erie Engineer Thomas M. Pinney died in the Deerpark Sanitarium at 3:30 o'clock Wednesday morning, following an operation. He was aged 44 years.

Deceased was born in South Salem, Westchester county, N. Y., and was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Pinney. His early life was spent in Milford, Pa., and for 24 years he was a resident of Port Jervis. For the past

18 years, he has been employed in the service of the Erie railroad as a locomotive fireman and engineer on the New York Division.

Mr. Pinney was a member of Division No. 54, Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers of this city, and was an excellent citizen, who was held in high esteem by the community, his employers and associates.

On February 16th, 1897, he was married to Miss Minnie Snook, of Port Jervis.

The surviving relatives are his wife, one daughter, Mildred, and two sons, Arnold and George, and his mother, Mrs. Sarah Pinney, at home.

The funeral will be held at the house, No. 2 Buckley street, at two o'clock on Saturday afternoon. Rev. Samuel Jones will conduct the services. The interment will be in Laurel Grove Cemetery.

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