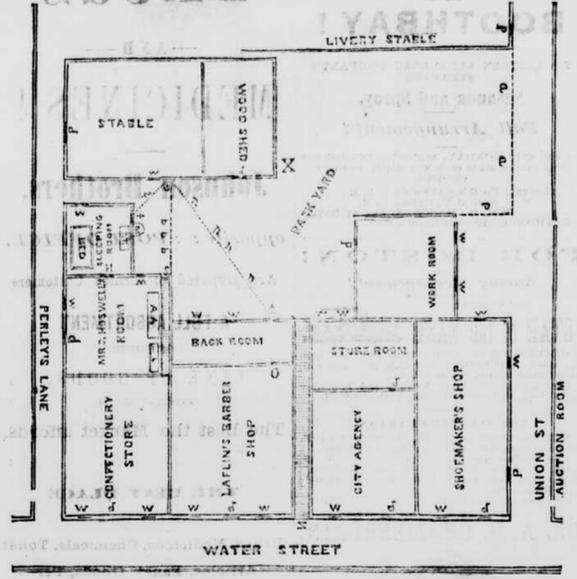


The Hoswell-Lafin Tragedy—Diagram of the Premises.



EXPLANATION. W, Windows, d, Doors, a, a, High board fence, Z, Stairway leading to Morse's photograph room in 2d story of City Agency building. S, Stairway leading to 2d story of house occupied by Mrs. Hoswell. b, b, Fence dividing the lots. c, Entrance from back yard to Mrs. Hoswell's sleeping room. m, m, a, n, Path leading from back door of Mrs. Hoswell's room to back entrance of Mr. Lafin's barber shop. G, Gate-way, but no gate. i, Door at which Mr. Lafin is supposed to have received the fatal thrust. O, Entrance from back-room to barber shop, at which the murdered man fell into the arms of friends and expired. S, S, Small table in Mrs. Hoswell's sleeping room. B, Spot where Hoswell placed his shoes and coat. A, A, Table in room adjoining Mrs. Hoswell's sleeping apartment, on which stood a dimly burning lamp. L, Lounge on which Mrs. Hoswell's little boy slept. H, Door through which it is alleged Mrs. Hoswell escaped from her husband.

In Hallowell, on the evening of September 19th, at about 20 minutes past 9 o'clock, Edward H. Hoswell took the life of John B. Lafin, by inflicting a wound in the throat, with a jack-knife; he was discovered almost in the very act of committing the fearful deed, was arrested, waived examination the following afternoon, before Judge Gilman of the Hallowell Municipal Court and was committed to the jail in Augusta, where he has since been confined, awaiting his trial.

His trial began at the Court House in Augusta, yesterday afternoon, at 4 o'clock, Judge Walton presiding.

Almost simultaneously with his fatal assault on Mr. Lafin, Hoswell made an unsuccessful attempt to take the life of his wife, Jane L., to whom he had been married about 9 years. It is alleged that she had a desperate struggle with her husband, and finally escaped into an adjoining room, bleeding profusely from a number of wounds made by the same knife, which a few moments later gave her neighbor, Mr. Lafin, a mortal gash under the left ear.

Hoswell, at the time he attempted to commit the double-murder, was in the employ of Mr. Hill, as car painter, in the P. & K. R. R. Co.'s paint shop in this city, and subsequent to the latter part of July had boarded in Augusta. For several months previous to the latter part of July he lived with his wife at Hallowell, coming to his work at Augusta on Mr. Holmes' train each morning and returning in the evening. But about the 20th of July there occurred a bitter quarrel between the husband and wife, which resulted in a very obscene and scandalous municipal court case. On the 21st of July, Hoswell published the following:

To Whom it May Concern: This is to forbid all persons harboring or assisting my wife, JANE L. HOSWELL, after this date, as I shall pay no debts of her contracting. E. H. HOSWELL. Hallowell, July 21st, 1870.

It seems that upon the publication of the above announcement, which was immediately after the bitter domestic quarrel spoken of, Hoswell changed his boarding place to Augusta, leaving his wife at Hallowell, where she continued, ostensibly, the business of dress-making. But it appears, nevertheless, that the husband and wife had interviews subsequently, and that they were not of a quarrelsome nature.

On the Monday previous to the fatal evening, Mrs. Hoswell left Hallowell for Carmel, avowedly to collect rent for a farm in the latter town, but in which her husband claims an interest to the extent of \$200 or over, for money advanced by him when the property was purchased. It appears that she went to transact the business with the full knowledge and acquiescence of her husband, who volunteered to endeavor to procure for her a pass over the railroad on the ground of his being employed by the railroad company. She returned the following Monday. On the arrival of the train at the depot in Augusta, Hoswell left his work to meet her, to learn the result of her visit. She did not answer his questions satisfactorily, telling him that when he went to Hallowell to see her, she would tell him all about the rent, how much she had realized, and how she had collected it. He offered to go to Hallowell on the evening of that day, but she complained of being too tired to receive him and asked him to go down the next evening.

Hoswell did go to Hallowell on the evening of Monday, when the bloody tragedy was committed. Mr. Lafin, whose life was taken by Hoswell, was a barber by occupation, and had resided in Hallowell for about 22 years; his age was about 40 years. He had always borne a good reputation for morality, and industry, and for several years had been an active member of the M. E. Church and an officer in the Sunday School of that Society. He was the head of an interesting family, his wife being a lady beloved by all who know her, and three young sons, between the ages of 8 and 14 years, admired for their intelligence and good promise. He had accumulated but little if any property, and his untimely end was a terrible affliction to those nearest and dearest to him. Hoswell is American by birth, and about 44 years old. In stature he is about 5 feet 6 inches, has black hair, hazel eyes, is of a swarthy complexion and wears a full, jet black beard. He weighs about 175 pounds.

Mr. W. M. Thayer celebrated the sixth anniversary of his connection with the Mansion House, yesterday, by giving a sumptuous dinner to a few of his friends who greatly enjoyed the occasion. The old Mansion enjoys a reputation with the public second to no hotel in this vicinity, and Mr. Thayer is one of those individuals seldom met with, who combines all the requisite qualifications of a successful landlord. The Clerk of the house, Capt. G. P. Cochrane, has strongly entrenched himself in the good will of the patrons of the Mansion, and is always found at his post ready for duty.

The lady (?) who left a young child on the Boston train the other day, tried to come that neat little game on Mr. Frank Bodge, conductor on the Portland and Kennebec Railroad, but Frank was a little to smart for her. He didn't want to increase his family in that sudden way.

Extra copies of the Daily Journal, containing a full report of the Hoswell trial, will be for sale at Messrs. Blanchard & Reed's store in Gardiner and at Calvin Spaulding's store in Hallowell.

The Vassalboro' Shoe Company at Getchell's Corner is turning out sixty pairs of boots and shoes daily. This is a co-operative company, numbering some thirty members.

Charles Smith, well known to the traveling public, on the P. & K. railroad, is negotiating for a lease of Murry's hotel at North Vassalboro'. He expects to take possession in about two weeks.

Ye brethren of the "mythic tie" at North Vassalboro', have moved into a new hall, which they will formally dedicate before next spring.

The Williams House in Waterville, is offered for sale on very favorable terms. Here is an excellent opening for one who knows how to keep a hotel.

The winter term of Oak Grove Seminary at Getchell's Corner commences to-day.

Senator Hamlin passed through this city yesterday, on his way to Washington.

There will be a special communication of Augusta Lodge this, Tuesday evening.

The Panorama of California which has been on exhibition in this city and Auburn the past week, is one of the finest series of paintings we have ever seen. Indeed a panorama is so often made up of daubs and blotches that one is apt to anticipate when one is advertised that it is not worth the pains of "going to see." But this panorama of California scenery, life and cities is a work of art. The views of Yosemite Valley, are beyond description, impressive and beautiful, and are worth going far to see. Our advice to every one who has the opportunity, is to see this wonderful reproduction of the richness of natural beauty and resources of the great Pacific coast.—Levee Journal.

Married. In Farmington, 9th inst., Dr. C. F. Hayes of Skowhegan, to Miss Etta L. Woodman of F. In Waterville, Oct. 22d, Geo. A. Buck to Mrs. Ida E. Linnell, both of Fairfield. In New Portland, Oct. 26d, Mark Fuller of Entis, to Miss Sarah T. Winslow of New Portland. In Hartland, 13th inst., Mark Harvey of Skowhegan, to Miss Hannah L. Currier of Corville.

California on Canvas. GRANITE HALL, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday Evenings, Nov. 29th, 30th and Dec. 1st.

The Finest Exhibition ever offered to the public. For full particulars, see bills of the day. New Goods! Fall and Winter Goods 1870. BARTON & RUSSELL!

are now offering a full and complete assortment of new and seasonable goods in all the departments of their store. They call special attention to the following: BLACK AND COLORED SILKS, LYONS POPLINS, English Satteens, Cloth Colours, EMPRESS CLOTHS, Black Mohairs and Brilliantees, Black Alpaca, PLAIDS, TRIMMING VELVETS, PLUSHES, Velveteens in Black and Colours, VELVET RIBBONS, Real Astrachan Cloths, Chinchilla Beavers, Beaver Cloakings, BEAVER COATINGS, Waterproof Cloths, Plain & Plaid Flannels, Shawls and Blankets, Table Linens and Towelings, Hosiery and Gloves, Ladies' and Misses' under Wear. BLEACHED AND BROWN COTTONS, best manufacture, and at the lowest market price. Barton & Russell, Nov. 28, 1870.

FOR SALE. FOR SALE in Hallowell, about Thirty acres of P. & K. and sixty acres of wood, land and pasture. For particulars inquire in Hallowell of sept23-17 THOMAS H. HUTCHARD

BY TELEGRAPH

TO THE— Daily Kennebec Journal.

WAR IN EUROPE.

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London. London, Nov. 28th. The French claim to have won a great victory at Morient, twelve miles south of Amiens, yesterday. The battle lasted till darkness interfered.

The German "first" army is alleged to have been beaten and driven back to its entrenchments before Amiens. The French army of the north was greater in numbers and better armed. The losses are obscurely given in thousands.

The Prussian Hussars rode down and cut to pieces a regiment of mounted infantry. The German losses were severe.

The evening papers contain a rumor that an attempt has been made by a Bavarian soldier to shoot the King of Prussia.

Publication of correspondence from the seat of war by German newspapers is prohibited.

The Ganois calls Gambetta a tyrant. The Cabinet to-day agreed that Gortschakoff's last despatch should not be considered as removing the question of Russia's demand from the sphere of diplomacy.

The Vienna Cabinet is not unfavorable to a conference to the powers in principle, but presses the settlement of preliminary questions.

Despatches from Constantinople say that the Sultan and Grand Vizier show no alarm at the situation, counting on a peaceful solution of the controversy.

The British government has bought all the gunpowder and cotton in the market. The financier says that immense supplies of arms and munitions of war have arrived at the Russian posts in the Black Sea.

Special to N. Y. Herald. The Cabinet after an unharmonious session, to-day broke up again with a decision to meet on Wednesday. Gortschakoff's last despatch has created a terrific consternation, and the Cabinet at least feels disinclined to answer it as speedily as Granville replied to the first.

A rumor now prevails that Messrs. Low, Bright and Cardwell are likely to go out of the Cabinet. They refuse to make war at any price, while Granville insists that Russia must be compelled to withdraw her letters before a Congress can be assented to by England.

It is said that the council to-morrow is to be presided over by the Queen as a formal meeting for business, and will have no connection with Russian affairs.

Russia's reply is nervously and anxiously awaited. The rumors of Russia's willingness to submit to a Congress are believed to be groundless.

Special to N. Y. World. Nothing official can be ascertained concerning the result of the Cabinet meeting which remained in session from 1 o'clock till 6 o'clock. Gortschakoff's note is still withheld from the public. One well authenticated report says that a conference was all but agreed.

Another report says that the differences of opinion in the Cabinet are irreconcilable, at the close of the council Granville proceeded to Windsor to have another audience with the Queen.

The Queen continues to be resolutely opposed to war with Russia. London, Nov. 29—1 A. M. News has just arrived that Amiens has been occupied by a division of German troops, under Gen. Von Groben.

The following address was issued by the Prefect of the Department of Somme, previous to the occupation of the city: Citizens—The day of trial has arrived. In spite of all our efforts Amiens must fall into the hands of the enemy. The army of the North is retreating and the National Guards are disarming. I leave you but will soon return. Be calm, be confident, France will be saved.

Tours. Tours, Nov. 28. Keraty has been indirectly cashiered by a decree appointing Gen. Juracq Commander-in-Chief of the forces in the west.

Berlin. Berlin, Nov. 28. The North German Parliament granted the extraordinary credit demanded by the government by a vote of 178 to 9. The only opposition was a grant came from Social and democratic members.

Dellbreck announced to-day the ratification by the Federal Council of the treaty for the union of the Kingdom of Constanburg with the confederation. He stated that the adhesion of Bavaria would be considered on Wednesday by the provisions of the treaty for that purpose. Bavaria retains her independent military jurisdiction under command of her King, but the organization, drill and equipment of her army are to be modified to conform with the Prussian system.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 28. The Deputy Collector of Customs at Brownsville, Texas, recently seized the American schooner Rebecca, at Brazos, for being engaged in illegitimate traffic. The Mexican Consul at Brownsville on the following day claimed the schooner as already under seizure by the Mexican government, which will probably demand her return.

The Commissioner of Agriculture in his annual report presents agriculture in a prosperous condition. The department during the year distributed 358,391 packages.—The total expense of the department for the year was 167,175, leaving 107,370 of the appropriations unexpended.

Since July 1st, 800 wounded soldiers have applied for artificial limbs, and 500 limbs have been supplied by the Surgeon General.

The President's message will probably not be printed in advance of its delivery to Congress, to guard against its unauthorized and premature publication.

FROM ST. LOUIS.

St. Louis, Nov. 28. Railroad Matters. The Atlantic & Pacific Railroad Company is completed to Neosho, Newton county, 311 miles from St. Louis, and will be opened for traffic this week.

Great excitement has existed at Potosi since the arrival of John Armstrong and Jolly, the murderers of the Lapine family, early on Sunday morning. Forty men appeared at the jail and demanded the murderers. The Sheriff ordered the crowd to disperse. The order was not obeyed and several shots were exchanged, and one man in the mob was killed. The Sheriff has increased his force and is determined to protect the prisoners.

Accidents at Sea. WILMINGTON, N. C., Nov. 28. Schooner Alpha has been brought up to this city in a very bad condition.

Ship Persia is still on Frying Pan shoals with her cargo seriously damaged by water. None of it has yet been removed.

FROM PORTLAND. PORTLAND, ME., Nov. 28. A man named Alexander McCone, proprietor of a currier's shop at Stevens' plains, committed suicide by hanging in his shop this afternoon. No cause is assigned. He leaves a widow and several children.

George O. Gosse, Assistant Editor of the Argus, has sued the Press for defamation of character, claiming fifteen thousand dollars damage. A keeper was placed in the Press establishment this evening. It is understood to be a cross suit, as an object to that brought by the editor of the Press against the Argus.

FROM NEW YORK. NEW YORK, Nov. 28. Carl Eras, who killed Leonard Gregesch at the Kroso brewery on Friday night, surrendered himself to the Coroner to-day. He was held in bail to await the action of the Grand Jury.

A Lavanski's house and store at West Farms, Westchester County, was destroyed by fire last night. Loss \$7000.

Chas. Parsol and four others, indicted for sitting fire to the ship Robert Edwards on the high seas, were arraigned to-day. They pleaded not guilty, and their trial was set down for February.

Mayor Kilduff of Brooklyn to-day compelled Brooks & Co., dealers in bogus music boxes, to refund \$18 to Chas. Dismore of Lowell, Mass., John Kellor of Boston, and F. A. Bryant of Saxtonville.

A Washington dispatch says that Secy Boutwell has directed the proper officers not to issue warrants to the Union Pacific, Kansas Pacific, and Central Pacific railroad companies, until the payment on freight carried for the government until they were able and ready to pay the interest that accrues on their bonds instead of compelling the government to do it, as in the past.

ELECTION RETURNS. RALEIGH, N. C., Nov. 28. The election on Saturday did not fill the vacancy in the 41st Congress from this district passed off quietly.

The indications are that Manning, Dem., has beaten J. W. Holden, Rep., son of the Governor, by an increased majority over the August election.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 28. The latest returns of the Arizona election gives Brady, Democrat, a majority for Congress over 800. Fraudulent votes for McCormick, Republican, were discovered.

FOREIGN NEWS BY CABLE. London. London, Nov. 28. The Scottish iron puddlers have settled the difficulties with their employers by arbitration, and the strike is ended.

The ironclad Triumph now building at Jarrow, on the Tyne, accidentally caught fire and was badly damaged before the flames were extinguished.

FINANCIAL & COMMERCIAL. New York Money Market. New York, Nov. 28. Gold closed 111 1/2. United States Sixes (coupons), 1881, 107 1/2 @ 107 3/4.

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The Louisville Commercial is confident of the election of Finley, Republican candidate for Congress in the 8th Kentucky district. It is stated in this connection that Adams, Democratic candidate, admits his defeat.

The Anti-Sect Society Convention which met in Syracuse last week, has effected a State organization, with Gerrit Smith as president. The State is to be organized into districts, and lecturers are to be sent to preach the new crusade against sect societies. The greater number of the members of the convention and of the State society seem to be clergymen.

STATE NEWS. Rev. J. H. Deering has closed his labors with the churches at Minot Center and West Minot.

The express trains between Portland and Boston are to be continued, to the great delight of the business men of Portland.

The price of hay in Piscataquis county has fallen to \$12 per ton, at the barn, but a couple of cold days will send it up again to \$18.

Charles C. Chase, a well known and agreeable amusement manager, died recently. He was for several years agent for the Peck Family.

Austin J. Collins of Starks died Friday, of typhoid fever, after a sickness of about five weeks. He was a member of the Sophomore class of Bates College. His remains were taken home.

The Portland Press says that General and Mrs. Francis Fessenden and son, together with Miss Mattie Fessenden, will sail for Europe on the 10th of December, where they will pass the winter.

The Sunrise very strongly urges the necessity and importance of a railroad from Smyrna northward, to form a link in the Northern Arrostook Railroad, from the E. & N. A. Railroad to the St. John.

The temperance people of Parkman are not pleased with the big story which is going the rounds of the papers to the effect that there are 4000 bushels of apples at the mill to be made into cider. They insist upon it that these apples are intended for vinegar.

John McBrion has been arrested in Portland for passing counterfeit money, and on Saturday he had an examination before U. S. Commissioner Clifford, and was ordered to furnish sureties in the sum of \$800 for his appearance at the U. S. District Court on the first Tuesday of December. McBrion furnished the sureties and was discharged.

A common mistake in the use of coal is the placing of too large a quantity in the stove or grate at once. Coal, to burn freely, should be not over six inches deep in the grate containing it, and then, if properly ignited, there will be no trouble. Placing a few oyster shells occasionally in stoves when hot, those disagreeable customers known as clinkers will entirely disappear.

The Whig says "that a hack containing several Bangor ladies, who had been attending the Musical Convention at Dover, was overturned on the way to the depot in that town, on Friday evening, by running off the end of a cart into the gutter. The ladies were thoroughly shaken up, and several received quite severe bruises, but fortunately none were seriously injured.

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Wishes to inform the public and Horsemen of Augusta and vicinity, that he has returned to Augusta some weeks past for the purpose of operating on Horses with Dislocated Joints and Shoulders in all their various positions, and has confined to a special room for the past two weeks, left him unable to attend to them; but through the skillful attendance of Dr. Martin and kindness of Mr. Thayer and family, and other kind friends, he is now able to attend to all who may favor him with a call.

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