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THE ELLERSHOUSE TRAGEDY

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the prisoner had been talking in a different strain to Detective Singer on the way-in to the mill from the woods where he had been captured.

HIS STORY TO SINGER.

To Singer and Chapman he had said that when he was taken, he was on his way out to tell about the murder, that he was guilty of a part, but wasn't guilty of all. Old man Fisher and Jim, he said, had more to do with it than he had. The constable cautioned Stanley not to talk too much, that he better not tell them about it, but he went on and said he was talking to old man Harvie Saturday morning and making plans what was to be done. Harvie told him not to have the Fishers there; he didn't mind the old man, but didn't want the rest—the woman and boy. Then he (Stanley), left Harvie in his own house and went up to the Fishers. The old man and Jim were not home. He asked where they were and was told they didn't know. He then returned to the Harvie house, heard loud talking in the cellar, went and looked down into the cellar, and asked who was there. They answered it was old man David Fisher and his son Jim. He knew their voices. He asked what they were doing. They replied they were getting potatoes and turnips. He asked them if they didn't want a fight. They said: "No, don't bring a light down here." He left them in the cellar and went out to feed the hens. He was out a short time, and came into the house and Jim was washing blood off his hands, and asking him for hot water and soap.

CAUSED DAVID'S ARREST.

It was in consequence of what Stanley said that Singer arrested David Fisher. David Fisher said when arrested that Stanley had been in the habit of staying at this house at night and at the other places in the day time. Friday he was at this house with a bottle of liquor at eight in the morning. On Friday evening he called again at his house and borrowed his jack-knife, and said he had a job to do that night and went away and did not come back till Saturday morning at eight o'clock. Fisher protested his entire innocence of the murder. He said Edgar McCarthy was the first man who informed him of it, saying the body was in the cellar. Most people agree in accepting David Fisher's protestation of his innocence, but he was in very bad company. There is a different feeling regarding the son, Jim Fisher. He is simple and apparently only half responsible for his actions and it is feared that he may have been drawn into the crime by Stanley. He ran away on Saturday morning with Stanley.

A sample of the kind of people that the Fisher boys are is furnished by an incident that occurred on Monday night as The Herald representative

was leaving Harvie's house. It was Jim's younger brother, and he was tollsomely pushing a wheelbarrow load of household things back to his father's place. After some remarks about the hard work he was at the newspaper man passed on and young Fisher called after him, in a timid voice: "I had nothing to do with it, sir." No one had accused the boy of a share in the crime.

JIM'S MATRIMONIAL HISTORY.

A glance at the matrimonial history of Jim Fisher affords an illustration of a phase of his character other than that connected with murder and that sort of thing. He is at present married to two women, living in different parts of the country, and one of his wives is married not only to Jim but another man. Finally the woman that Jim lives with now is neither of his wives.

STANLEY'S ARREST.

The story of the arrest of Stanley possesses some interest. A telegram had been received on Monday afternoon that Stanley had been seen about a mile above Hartville Mills. The officers secured a trolley and men to run it and went to Hartville. Hearing there that James Fisher had been arrested at Newport Station, McDonald left Singer at Hartville and returned on the trolley to Newport Station. Singer not being able to get anyone to go in the woods with him stayed at Hartville till in half an hour McDonald returned. It was decided that McDonald should take three men and go up the St. Croix river towards Panuke lakes to William Spence's lumber camp where it was thought Stanley might be in hiding. A man named Hibbert Chapman, a brother of the murdered man's wife, who had been up to the little dam on the St. Croix river, armed with a rifle, after McDonald and his party had left, joined Singer at Hartville. He had seen no trace of Stanley. Singer and Chapman walked down towards Ellershouse about half a mile on the railroad. There is a wood road called the Sawdust road or Tote road, and the River road running along the river to Hartville Mills joining together three-quarters of a mile in the woods from Hartville. The two men decided they would go up the Sawdust road, through the woods to the junction of the two roads and lie in wait there. Stanley had been seen by men working in the woods, near William Spence's camp, which was a mile further on from the junction of the two roads. The constable and Chapman talked the matter over at this junction, and as Chapman was perfectly familiar with the locality and the different camps, they decided that Stanley had not gone to William Spence's camp, as he wouldn't likely know about it, being a stranger to these woods, but would probably go to Robie Spence's camp, which was on the road to Panuke lake and about a mile and a quarter from the junction.

THREATENED TO SHOOT.

The two men walked up the road cautiously. The woods being very thick it was quite dark and raining hard. Chapman with his Winchester rifle, the constable with a revolver. They had walked about 200 or 300 yards from the junction of the roads when Singer caught Chapman by the arm and whispered to him that he heard something and they both stopped and stooped down; he saw the white collar of a man's shirt a short distance from them. He at once made a bolt into the thickest woods. Both men ran after him and called out to

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the fleeing man to stop and put up his hands. He shouted out: "Don't shoot, I've stopped." His pursuers were close on him. He was handcuffed and taken to Hartville.

The capture was effected about a mile from Hartville. The Hartville Lumber company provided a team and sent their employe Chapman, with the constable. They drove to the house of David Fisher, on the Dawson road, and arrested Fisher and took both prisoners to Windsor.

MONEY IN POCKETS.

At the jail they were searched. Stanley had \$53.02 in his pocket. David Fisher had 25 cents, the money The Herald correspondent had given him a few hours before the Spanish dollar that he said had been presented to him by Stanley. Jim Fisher was searched earlier in the day, he had \$1.25 in his pocket.

Crown Prosecutor Christie interviewed Stanley in the jail. To him the prisoner said he was not an Englishman at all, that his name was not Stanley, but Cavanagh, and that he was a native of Ireland, who had lived in London. Mr. Christie says he has an Irish accent.

HIS NAME IS CAVANAGH.

Stanley or Cavanagh went on to say that Edgar McCarthy had got him into this trouble and that he was to blame for the crime. People generally are beginning to think that perhaps McCarthy has a share in the crime. He seemed to know a little too much about the dead man in the cellar and he knew it a little too soon, whether as a result of his "dream" or from some other source of information.

THE DEAD MAN'S WIFE.

Harvie's second wife was the first to be buried in the cemetery at Ellershouse. His present wife is in the house with the dead man to-day, having come over from Windsor. Her name was Robinson. A son by her first husband is an inmate of the Halifax Industrial School. It is estimated that between 40 and 60 Ellershouse people were guarding the various roads and bridges on the lookout for Stanley. Mr. Savage, a railway section man of Stellarton, did good work.

The Town Elections

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MacKay, 196; E. R. Fraser, 183; W. A. Smith, 174; B. A. Kilcup, 115. Three highest elected.

North Sydney—Mayor, Wm. Hackett (re-election). Councillors: Ward I, C. D. Bertram; Ward II, D. J. Campbell; Ward III, M. W. Lawlor (re-election); Ward IV, Luke Day (re-election).

New Glasgow—Mayor, George McDougall (re-election). Councillors: Ward I, Duncan Chisholm; Ward II, Wadden; Ward III, James A. Fraser (re-election).

Oxford—Mayor, C. A. Black. Councillors: J. S. VanBuschik, S. B. Patton and T. M. Johnson.

Pictou—Mayor, John D. McLeod. Councillors: Ward I, H. Gillies; Ward II, G. W. McDonald; Ward III, Jas. Primrose.

Port Hood—D. F. McLean re-elected mayor, defeating John A. MacDonald, registrar of deeds, by a comparatively large majority. Daniel McLennan, barrister, was elected councillor by five majority over ex-Councillor Smith. The council now stands: D. F. McLean, mayor; Ward I, councillors, Alex. McDonald, barrister, Esauh Waitt; Ward II, A. D. McLeod; Daniel McLennan, barrister; Ward III, Archibald B. McLellan, John McLellan, Sydney Mines; Mayor, John McCormack, elected majority 251. Councillors elected, Stewart, Kilpatrick and Vickers.

Stellarton—Mayor, Gray, re-elected. Councillors: James Blair, Angus McKay, and Dan. R. McKay.

Springhill—Mayor, A. B. Wilson, 369 majority. Councillors: Ward I, Joseph Turner, 9 majority; Ward II, Ronald McAuley, majority 29; Ward III, William Rice, majority 75.

Truro—Mayor, W. K. Murray, defeating H. T. Larrance, M.P.P., by majority of 135. Councillors: Ward I, Lorenzo Spence, (re-election); Ward II, F. B. Schirman, 46 majority; Ward III, J. K. Fraser, 25 majority.

Wolfville—Mayor, William Black (re-election). Owing to error in nomination papers, eleven of council

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