

WITNESSES FAILED AGREE UPON FACTS

Coroner Believes Double Suicide a Large Field for Moralists.

Discrepancy given in the testimony by the witnesses in the double suicide of Harriet Wyman and William Johnson, at the Wyman home, 130 Richmond avenue on the night of September 25, has caused the coroner, Dr. R. J. Pierce to insert a rather unusual statement in the verdict on the death of the man and woman. The verdict was filed yesterday afternoon in the county clerk's office. The statement of the coroner is as follows:

"It might possibly be both interesting and instructive to discuss the facts as known and their significance, but to do so would take the coroner outside of his province, hence this is left to the moralists whose field is unlimited."

Witnesses examined by the coroner on the night of the double suicide and subsequent days told different stories, although in the main the facts brought out by the examination were about the same, as related by the witnesses.

Discrepancies Appear.

It is gathered from the verdict that Wyman, who returned with Mrs. Johnson to the former's home on that evening, and found Johnson at his home, intended to leave his wife that evening because of the apparent affection between Johnson and Mrs. Wyman. However, at the time, it is said that Wyman was telling his mother that he was going to leave, his wife and Johnson were drinking the deadly poison in the room below. When he descended the stairs, after talking with his mother, his wife and Johnson entered the room and within a few minutes both were unconscious.

Mrs. Johnson testified that her husband had threatened to take his life several times during the past months; that about 8.20 o'clock that evening Roy Wyman came to her house at 425 South Twelfth street and told her that Johnson has just threatened to end his life and that she should go with him to his home; that they arrived there about 9:30 o'clock, but that upon entering the room where Johnson and Mrs. Wyman were, that neither spoke to them and that there was no conversation at all; that her husband and Mrs. Wyman went into the kitchen returning shortly afterward, both lying on a couch and that within a few minutes both were unconscious.

Green's Testimony.

Probably the most interesting testimony was given by Henry Green, a nephew of Harriet Wyman. Green said he was upstairs and heard Johnson say to Mrs. Wyman, before Mr. Wyman and Mrs. Johnson entered the house, "Out with it; I paid for it." After the other two arrived at the house and Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Wyman had gone to the kitchen, Green said he heard Wyman say to Mrs. Johnson, "Would you stand for it," to which Mrs. Johnson replied, "I should say I wouldn't" and that just before Roy Wyman asked the above question, the latter went upstairs to his mother's room and said "I'm going." His mother answered, "Oh don't Roy."

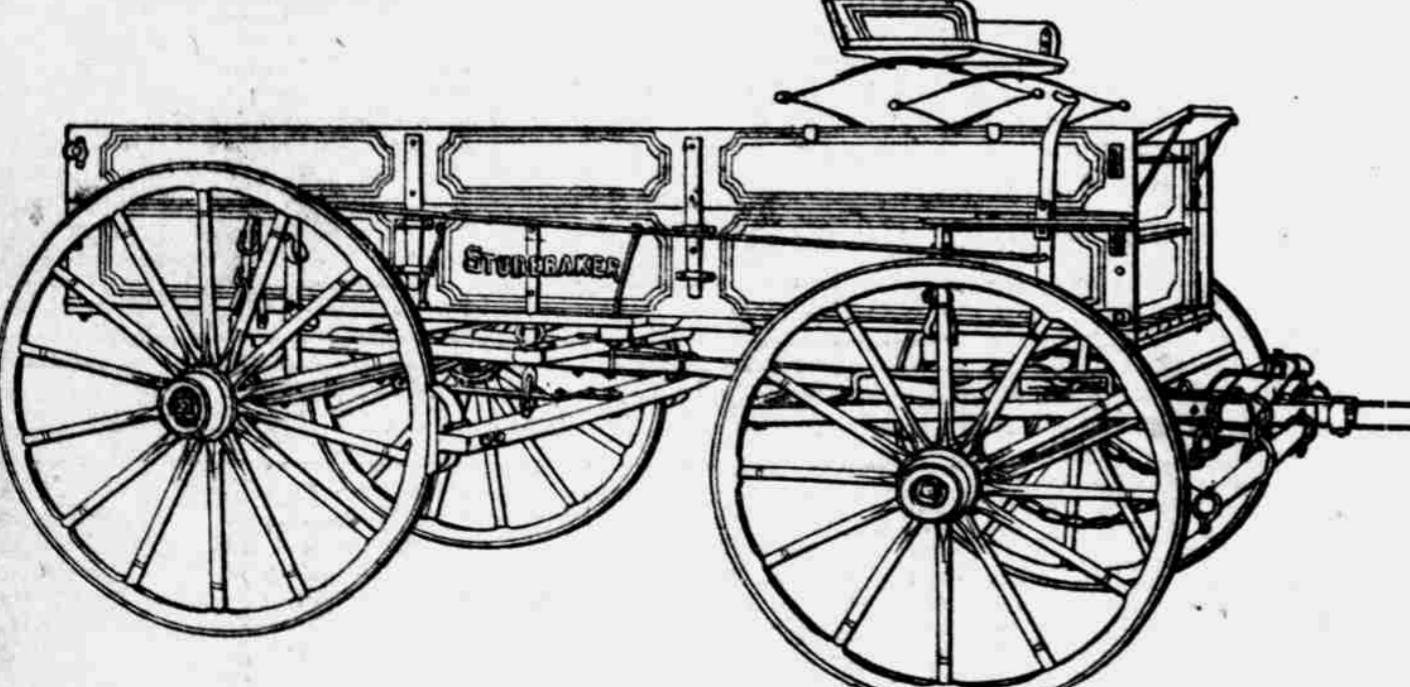
The remainder of Green's testimony follows:

"I heard Mrs. Johnson then say to her husband, 'Let's go home because that car goes in six minutes.' Johnson answered, 'I'll be home in six minutes.' Roy Wyman then said to Johnson, 'Are you mad Fuzzy.' He received no reply. Wyman then said 'To Hell with you, don't speak.'

KLINKEL IS RETIRED

Michael M. Klinkel, a G. R. & I conductor well known in this city, reached the age of 70 in September and on October 1 was placed on the retired list by the railroad. Klinkel was born in Wayne county and began railroad work in 1869. He was promoted from brakeman to conductor in 1873 and served in that capacity until he was aged 65, when he was transferred to the passenger department as a brakeman. His home is in Fort Wayne.

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Soloist of Innes Band Tells of Her Experiences.

Madame Van Loon, the soprano soloist of the Innes orchestral band concert to be given at the Coliseum this evening under the auspices of the Musicians' Union arrived in town this morning. Madame Van Loon, who is of Dutch parentage and is a member of the Chicago Grand Opera company, is singing a preliminary engagement with Innes, who is an old friend.

"Mr. Innes is a great musician," said Madame Van Loon in conversation with a Palladium reporter this morning. "And his organization is not a mere band. But has more the complexion of an orchestra, since it includes in its musical personnel certain of the strings and a harp. The Innes harpist, by the way, is one of the finest now before the public.

"I have had many curious experiences while touring with the Innes organization. And have sung in all sorts

of auditoriums. Even in a skating rink," said Madame Van Loon in explanatory emphasis.

"Oh, you say I will also sing in one here? However I rather like it. In Dayton the building took in all of the outdoors. It was immense."

Also I sang in a building devoted to prize-fighting and, as they could not remove the platform—or what you call it—the band was placed in the ring and when I came out to sing I had to be assisted up the steps. I laughed so I could scarcely sing.

"We have many adventures. We who are before the public. But it is interesting. This is the first time I have sung with a band but this is more like an orchestra, as I have said, and is better than one made up entirely of brasses."

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