

72 years old when his rash act took his life as well as that of his brother.

OCCUPANTS OF THE DRURY HOMESTEAD.

Since the death of Col. Drury, the homestead has been occupied by W. C. Drury, Esq., Registrar of Probates for the city and county, his wife and four children, besides Edward Drury, who was deaf, and John Drury, deaf and dumb. There were three women attached to the household—Helen Connelly, Violet Kennedy and Mary Ann Connelly, besides several men who lived in houses on the farm. John became melancholy after the death of Col. Drury, another brother, and several times his actions were such as to necessitate a strict watch being kept over him. These spells, however, were of short duration and, as if becoming cognizant of the way in which he had acted, he would return to his former habits, and the fears that might have been excited would be set at rest. On several occasions he had been known to use threats, when in a despondent mood, but as he had never attempted, in the presence of the family, to carry out any of the resolutions, they were only supposed to be momentary, and created no grave grounds for suspicion. On the demise of the late Col. Drury, and after the contents of his will became known, John grew dissatisfied that he had not been left in charge, and seemed

To consider that he had been wronged by all about him. The only vent that he gave to his feelings was by signs to the servants about the place that he was dissatisfied. He brooded over his imaginary wrongs, and when making visits to the city frequently sought out different persons to communicate to them the position of his affairs. Although he used liquor he never went so far with his drinking as to let it obtain the mastery over him. He was very fond of gunning and fishing, and had all these implements of pleasure at his command, which he delighted to show his friends when they came to visit him. The revolver which was used to commit the tragedy was never known to have been around the house, and this would tend to strengthen the belief that the act must have been premeditated. On Thursday he dressed himself and got ready to visit the city, seeking the assistance of Helen Connelly in arranging his dress, about which he appeared to be very fastidious. Previous to going to the city he sat down at the table in the sitting room and wrote a note, the contents of which have not yet been learned. He returned during the evening and took a seat in the sitting room as usual without showing the least signs of mental aberration or causing any unusual amount of attention. It is believed, though it is not positively said, that his errand to the city on that day was for no other purpose than

THE PURCHASING OF A REVOLVER.

He had generally a place set apart for all articles of this kind, and it would seem almost improbable, if he had the firearm, that he would keep it hidden from view, unless it was for the express purpose of committing the dreadful deed, which, of course, at the present time is only imagination. On Saturday morning his strange conduct was still more perceptible and led Ellen Connelly, to whom he told most of his grievances, to suspect that he was getting worse, yet she made no mention of it to Mrs. Drury. In the afternoon he frequently showed his hands to her, stating that they were very cold; he also complained of pains in his head and heart, and by signs endeavored to get her to leave the house. As she did not pay much attention to him, he became excited and finally walked away from her, very angrily. Sometimes during the day he was seen to go to the sideboard in the dining room and procure a teaspoon, which he took up to his own room for what purpose was not ascertained.

JUST BEFORE THE TRAGEDY.

The family took tea as usual, and at the customary hour, the deceased men, John and Edward, being present. Nothing unpleasant occurred at their last meal, and John, the mate's, actions were not extraordinary.

About 3 o'clock, Mr. W. C. Drury and his brother John were in the parlor together, the latter reclining on a sofa while the former was sitting upon a chair engaged in reading. John rose from his position, and without any remark passed quietly out of the room and into the yard.

A young woman named Violet Kennedy, who had lately gone to live with the Drury family, was up stairs at the time, and she says John Drury, after going into the yard, stood for some time as if in meditation. He was next seen to walk up to the gate leading to a house occupied by Mr. John McTravis, who has been care-taker of the place for upwards of twelve years. John Drury often expressed a desire at times to force Mr. McTravis from the place, from some unknown reason, and was greatly irritated that he had not succeeded. It would seem probable that he

INTENDED TO HAVE REVENGE ON MR. MC-TRAVIS.

However, Mr. McTravis was not in sight also he too would, perhaps, have shared the fate of others. When Mr. McTravis was informed of the man's search for him, he replied that it was fortunate for him that he was not seen by Mr. Drury, as he believes he would also have been shot.

John Drury was afterwards seen to enter the hay-barn and wood-shed; extending from the latter was a platform from which admittance could be gained to the house. The result of his visit to these outbuildings was that he set them on fire. After this part of his work was done he was seen by Ellen Connelly to pass through the hall very rapidly. He paused for a few seconds, took a close scrutiny of her and then walked into the parlor where Mr. W. C. Drury and his children were. Ellen Connelly became alarmed at the wild look of the man, and thinking that he would do something serious, she immediately started to get out of his way. So, after this thought struck her, she heard the children cry out:

"OH PA'S SHOT," "OH PA'S SHOT."

Mr. Drury was in a doze, and almost before he was aware of his brother John's presence, and without warning, John discharged one

shot from the revolver in his hand at the sleeping form of his brother. Mrs. Drury was upstairs teaching the children, of whom there were three or four, the Sunday school lessons. Mr. Drury was aroused, and knew the ball had struck him, but at the moment he gave it no thought. His daughter Blanche, heard the discharge of the weapon, and at once went to her father, who appeared stunned, and then called her mother down stairs. Mrs. Drury met John on the stairs, ascending, and he entered his own room. Mrs. Drury, on descending, found that her husband looked faint, and asked him if he was not shot, that her daughter, Blanche, had told her so. Miss Blanche then went to the pantry to obtain a glass of water to give to her father, and she noticed that the barn was on fire. She gave the alarm and all hands, under Mr. W. C. Drury's instructions, set about removing the household effects, as he considered from the bearing of the flames that they would soon reach the house. Meanwhile John was in his room, had torn down the curtains and applied the match to them as well as to his bed and bedding. Edward Drury, who had discovered the fire in John's room, went up stairs with a pail of water to throw on the flames.

Mr. John T. Kelly, blacksmith, was the first to arrive from the direction of the city. He at once saw Mr. W. C. Drury and learned that

JOHN DRURY HAD DISAPPEARED.

Mr. Kelly, also, was told to be cautious in his movements, on making known that he intended to institute a search for the missing man. After assisting to remove some of the more valuable articles he, accompanied by Joseph Graham, Wm Rafferty and Edward Riley, proceeded up stairs, Mr. Kelly holding a lamp in his hand. Some six rooms were entered and found vacant, but the precaution was taken to grasp every door handle firmly, so that in the event of coming unexpectedly upon John with a revolver in his hand they would be ready to place a door between him and them, for safety. On entering John's room he could not be seen, but the mattress was found to be on fire, and as there appeared to be a smoke elsewhere, his trunk was opened, and the contents discovered to be in a blaze. The burning articles were thrown out of the window into the lane below. But John could not be found in his room, and it was then stated that he was in an adjoining room.

THE MURDERER FOUND DEAD.

The searchers entered another room and there discovered John sitting against the wall beneath the window and dead from a wound in his temple. He was carried out and placed alongside his victim—his brother—on the grass a short distance from the house.

The work of removing the household effects went on superintended for fully two hours after the shooting had occurred, by Mr. W. C. Drury himself. At last he became weak and feeble and was prevailed upon to proceed to town, and accordingly came to the office of his physician, Dr. Preston. Previously, however, he discovered that his under linen was saturated with blood. Mr. Drury ascertained that Dr. Preston had gone out to the scene of disaster, but on learning that Mr. Drury had gone to town he immediately returned.

THE SECOND VICTIM.

While in the act of entering the room Edward was confronted at the threshold by John. Violet Kennedy rushed up stairs, sometime afterwards and saw the two brothers in a struggle near the door of John's room. She says they parted, and as Edward turned around John discharged the fatal shot that took his brother's life. Mrs. Drury was in her room at the time packing up things, and says she thinks two shots were discharged at Edward, who descended the stairs after he was shot, and on the last step fell dead into the arms of his brother Ward. The second shot was doubtless the one which the fratricide had fired at himself and ended his days. The whole household was then alarmed, and the utmost consternation prevailed among the inmates, for it

WAS THOUGHT THE MUTE HAD GONE MAD, and would shoot all whom he might encounter. The children were got out of the way, and at this time the blaze from the barn had attracted the attention of the neighbors and helping hands were soon on the spot. Mr. Green, book-keeper for Mr. James Domville, was driving out the road and seeing the fire he drove in to Newlands. He too was cautioned not to go up stairs because he, in some respects, resembled the male members of the family, and it was feared he would be injured. The servants, neighbors and others, with Mr. Ward Drury, were using all efforts to save what property they could before the flames from the barn and other outbuildings, which had caught, reached the dwelling.

THE BULLET FOUND.

Dr. S. Z. Earl called in and on an examination of Mr. Drury found the ball had struck on the angle of the ninth or tenth rib on the right side of the body and just over the liver. The ball then ran round the body with the rib and lodged nearly opposite where it had entered. Drs. Preston and Earle extracted the bullet, which was found to be a very large one of 32 calibre. Mr. Drury will be confined to his bed for several days, though it is not considered the result will be at all serious. He was a little feverish yesterday, caused by loss of blood and over exhaustion.

The children went to Mr. Graham's house on Saturday night, while the servants remained about the premises looking after the household effects.

THE MAIN BUILDING CAUGHT FIRE

some three hours after the flames started in the barn. The roof was the first part of the house that ignited; the fire made but slow progress upon the building and it was nearly four hours before the place was consumed. Of the many barns and other out-buildings, only one was left standing and all that could be seen yesterday on the track covered by the fire were two chimneys, which stood as monuments to the sad scenes of destruction of life and property that had been enacted on the premises but a few hours before. Among the list of articles burned were three sleighs, two sleds, a hay press, a number of farming utensils, several tons of hay and 100 bushels of oats. The poultry was also destroyed. The live stock were saved and all the carriages.

INSURANCE ON THE PROPERTY.

The house was insured for a fair amount in the North British and Mercantile Insurance Company, and also one of the barns for \$1,000. The furniture was also insured. The estate's financial loss will not, it is considered, be very heavy. All the cattle and horses, the greater portion of the farming implements, besides the carriages, and mostly all the moveable contents of the barns were saved. The house was a very ancient one, having been erected, it is said, upwards of 70 years ago.

NEW OPENINGS

Spring & Summer Goods

GLASGOW HOUSE,

Mens', Youths' and Boys'

Clothing, Shirts, Paper Collars, Ties, Braces, Umbrellas, Hats and Caps, Cloths & Trimmings, Grey and White Cottons, Prints, Sheetings, Shirtings, &c., Paper Hangings and Paper Blinds,

And a large stock of Superior Tea and other Groceries; a few cases Concentrated Lye in tin cans, for soap-making. All at lowest possible prices for Cash.

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June 1, 1880—2aw

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I WILL SELL AT PUBLIC AUCTION, AT THE

Queen Street Auction Rooms,

FRIDAY, the 4th inst.,

AT 2 O'CLOCK, P. M.,

1 Top Buggy (single-seated), 2 Vis-a-Vis Wagons, 1 Top Buggy (reversible seat), 2 Double-seated Wagons, 2 Single-seated Wagons, 1 Express Wagon, Cart Wheels, Wagon Wheels, &c.; 1 Thoroughbred Ayrshire Cow (4 years old), from Cow imported by Sir Robert Hodgson.

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Auctioneer.

June 1, 1880—3i

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HOW OFTEN do we hear men say, "I never can get clothes to fit." The reason is obvious. Few Tailors understand how to Cut the Garment to afford the evolutions of the body. Come to the right place and get suited. Mothers, bring your boys; wives, send your husbands. Cutting promptly executed. Good fits guaranteed.

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Charges Moderate. Terms Cash.

THOMAS SMITH,

Upper St. George Street,

Ch'town, June 1, 1880.

CARD OF THANKS.

I HAVE much pleasure in taking this opportunity of sincerely thanking the officers and men of the Fire Department, and the citizens, for their promptness, skill and courage in arresting the progress of the fire, and assisting to save my Furniture, &c., on the afternoon of Sunday, the 20th ult. My loss will be small, considering the amount of property undamaged, which is mainly due to their exertions, I think no body of men could, under the circumstances, have done better.

JOHN NEWSON.

Ch'town, June 1, 1880.

NOTICE.

UPTON PARK is now closed. No Driving or Racing will be permitted on it until further notice.

June 1, 1880.

JUST LANDED

PER STR. "Miramichi," another lot of

10 BARRELS

"Montserrat Limetta Champagne,"

In lots of 1, 2 and 4 dozen, to suit buyers.

W. E. DAWSON & CO.

May 31, 1880—ti

NEW STOCK

Perforated Mottos,

Panel Pictures,

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Picture Mats,

Japanese Wall Brackets,

New Style Wall Pockets,

Easel Photo. Frames,

Scrap Pictures, &c., &c.

MOTTOS, FRAMES (Walnut and Gilt);

20 CENTS EACH,

JUST OPENING AT

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May 31, 1880—1w

Turnip Seed. Turnip Seed.

JUST RECEIVED, a quantity of the Celebrated Skirving, Laing, Champion and Shamrock. All warranted fresh and

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May 31, 1880.

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Wall Papers,

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Cretannes, &c.

(A particularly nice line.)

Table Damasks,

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Counterpanes,

Toilet Covers,

and Anties.

Black and Colored Cashmeres,

Persian, Botany and other Cords,

FANCY DRESS

GOODS,

From 8 cts. Upwards.

Black French Merinos,

Paramattas and Barathea,

CRAPE,

Hats, Bonnets,

Silks, Satins,

Feathers, Flowers,

Veiling Lace, &c.

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READYMADE CLOTHING!

Linders and Drawers,

Fancy Shirts, &c.,

Socks from 10 cts. Upwards,

Neckties, Scarfs, &c.

TREMAINE &

METCALF,

83 QUEEN STREET.

Ch'town, May 19, 1880.

VERY HANDSOME

BUILDING LOTS!

I AM instructed by THEOPH. DESBRISAY, Esq., to sell at AUCTION, on THURSDAY, 3rd JUNE next, at 11 1/2 o'clock, on the premises,—

A number of Very Handsome Building Lots, in the rear of his Spring Park property, having fronts on Union Street, and containing each about a half-acre of land. These Lots are most desirably situated for Building purposes,—on high, dry land, in close proximity to city privileges, and free from City taxes.

TERMS AT SALE.

WILLIAM DODD, Auctioneer
May 21, '80—mwf, pat th sat

NEW GOODS

"CROWN GROCERY,"

NEXT DOOR TO W. A. BROWN & CO.

THE undersigned have much pleasure in informing their friends, and the public generally, that they have completed their Stock of

Choice Family Supplies,

and would ask all in search of Fresh Goods to give them a call.

ROBERTSON & CAMERON.

May 31, 1880.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the price of Gas per 1000 feet will be reduced on and after the first day of JUNE NEXT from \$3.50 to \$2.80 (net), provided the amount is paid within ten days after the delivery of the bill.

By order,

WM. MURPHY,

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Manager.

HOUSE TO LET.

ONE-HALF of that three-story BRICK HOUSE, situated on Upper Queen Street, containing nine rooms; at present occupied by the Rev. Alfred Osborne; with coach house and stable, and pump in the yard.

—ALSO—

One-half of the Brick House adjoining the above, containing the same number of rooms, and now occupied by Mr. Ramsay.

Possession of these Houses given on or about the first of July next. Apply to

ALEXANDER HORNE.

May 27, 1880—2aw, pat oaw

Wants, Lost, Found, &c.

LOST—On Wednesday last, a small black & tan and white Pup. The finder will be liberally rewarded by leaving it at the "Farmers' Arms." [j 1

LOST—On Saturday evening 22nd ult., on the Malpeque Road, between Seven-mile House and Charlottetown, a Carpet Bag containing Brushes, Combs, Towels, Sponges, Overdraws, etc., trotting fits for horses. The finder will be rewarded by leaving the same at J. D. McLeod's, or with the owner—JAMES M. SQUIREBRIDGE. [j 1

WANTED—A few permanent Boarders. Apply at Mrs. J. R. McKENZIE'S, King's Square, next door to the residence of Mark Butcher, Esq. [ma 31 6i pd

LOST—On Prince Street, Thursday afternoon, a GOLD PIN (arrow pattern). The finder will receive reward by leaving the same at this Office. [ma 28 2i

FOUND—At Upton Park, on the 24th May, a Black COAT. A book in one of the pockets contain some papers and a Joint Note of Hand. Owner can have the same by enquiring at this Office. [ma 27 2i

Pasture to Let—At 'Kensington' and 'Belvidere,' cheap. Apply to ISAAC GOSKIN, Edward Street. [ma 25 2f

Wanted—Good plain COOK. None need apply unless filled the same office before. Apply at C. LEIGH'S, Water St. [m 25

HOUSE TO LET—At Head of Prince Street, containing eleven rooms; also a Tenement House containing seven rooms. Apply to Miss GREGOR, Upper Prince Street. [ma 22 2w pd

TO LET—A New HOUSE on Weymouth Street, nearly opposite E. J. Houghton's. Apply at this office. [ma 22

TO LET—That comfortable and convenient COTTAGE (9 rooms), with stable and coach house, situate on Dorchester Street, adjoining the premises of the undersigned. Possession given immediately. Apply to H. J. CUNDALL. [ma 7 eod

TO LET—Shop and Dwelling House, with a large Cellar and Warehouse, in a good business stand for general groceries. Will also sell Shop and Dwelling Furniture if required. Apply to JOHN McEACHERN, Dry Goods Store; or on the premises to JOHN McDONALD, Grafton Street. [ma 21 2f

TO LET—A pleasantly situated Dwelling House, with stable and garden, directly opposite the "Dundas Esplanade," West Sidney street. For further particulars apply on the premises. [ma 12

TO LET—A large HOUSE on King's Square, with Stables, &c. Apply Glass Box 124, Post Office. [m 3

TWO HOUSES TO LET—One containing 6 rooms, the other 5 rooms; situated on Spring Park Road and Long Street. Rent moderate. Apply on the premises to JAMES McLEOD. [ap 30

TO LET—Good Pasturage for seven Cows, within a convenient distance of the city. Apply at this office. [a 9

HOUSE TO LET—A large and commodious Dwelling of 13 apartments, suitable for Hotel accommodation, centrally located on Hillsborough Street, within a few minutes walk of Railway Depot, Market House, and Post Office. Possession given 1st May proximo. Apply to ROBT. BRIDGES. [al 6tf