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BEECH HILL.

DEATH OF MRS. HAWK.—Much sympathy was felt in the village for Mr. and Mrs. Hawk on the death of their youngest daughter, Amy Letitia (Dot), aged 16, who died at 1064 London Road, on Monday, following influenza. For the last three years Miss Hawk had been an assistant school mistress at Binsley School, and previous to that was at Beech Hill School. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hayward, and her pupils were devoted to her. The funeral took place at the Village Church on Saturday, October 19th, when many friends came to pay their last token of love. The services were beautiful and inspiring, and were from: The family, "Uncle Alf," and Aunt Emma, "Dais," Members of the G.P.S., the Rev. C. S. Turner, Mrs. and Miss Turner, Mrs. and Miss Hunter, Mrs. Hickman, Mr. and Mrs. Wright and family, Mr. and Mrs. Perry, "Jolly and Frank," Mr. and Mrs. Lane, Mrs. Kemp, "The Cottages of Beech Hill," "The Boys of the Canadian Camp, Mortimer," "Staney and Billy," Joe, Eva, Phoebe, and Geoffrey, "Mr. and Mrs. Hayward and family, Mrs. Gosling, "Ethel and George,"

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The interment took place in the cemetery at Beech Hill, and was officiated by the Rev. Canon Fowler, officiating. The interment took place in Early Churchyard.

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DEATH OF MR. A. T. SAWYER.

We deeply regret to record the death of Mr. Arthur Thomas Sawyer, of Tredgar, 31, Green Road, Reading, which took place at his residence on Sunday evening after a short illness. The deceased, who was a member of the editorial staff of this paper, was following his customary duties on Friday last week. On Saturday, October 19th, he was taken unwell with influenza and bronchitis. This was followed by pneumonia, and despite the devoted skill of his medical attendant, Dr. G. F. Murrell, and of Dr. Stewart Abram, who was called in, and of the nurses, Mr. Sawyer passed away as already stated.

The deceased was the only son of the late Mr. Thomas Sawyer, who was for many years associated with the "Reading Observer," and was educated at the Kendrick School, where he showed considerable aptitude in studies. He entered the journalistic profession, and for some years was engaged at the "Reading Observer." Subsequently he took up "free lance" journalism and was a contributor to the London press and official shorthand writer of the "Quarter Sessions and the Reading Bankruptcy Court. When the war broke out Mr. Sawyer joined the staff of this paper in place of men who had gone to the Colours, and continued in that capacity till his death, he leaves a gap which it is almost impossible to fill in local journalism, owing to his intimate knowledge of the locality, with which was joined a keen sense of the value of news. He was a loyal member of the "Reading Observer," and was very keen in promoting the interests of the journals with which he was associated. He was held in high respect by all with whom he was brought into contact, and was of a very kindly and obliging disposition, and his relations with his brother journalists being of a very cordial description.

The late Mr. Sawyer took the deepest interest in the fund raised by this paper in behalf of the Reading War Hospitals Supplies Depot. He threw himself into the effort of raising money for this excellent object with the greatest devotion. He also had a large share in the organisation of collections.

Deep sympathy is felt with the widow and little boy, and also with the deceased gentleman's mother.

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daughter went hop-picking, coming back on the 30th. At that time Joseph Rose was at work at Basildon, which was his mother's home, and he returned to them on October 17th (Newbury Fair Day). While they were away Joseph Rose wrote to her, asking her to return to him, and she replied that she would do so as soon as the hop season was over. Joseph did not go hop-picking with them, as he did not like it. In her letter to Joseph, the deceased said she hoped to meet him at Newbury Fair.

Dr. Edmund S. Hemsted, of Kintbury, stated that he was called to Shaw Lane. He there saw a man lying on the bank, and another man close to him. He had a handkerchief round his throat. There was an extensive wound covering the upper part of the wind pipe, from which there was a good deal of bleeding. He put the man into his car and took him to the District Hospital, where he performed tracheotomy below the wound, and was then able to stop the bleeding. On Tuesday he saw up the wound, and he was doing fairly well, and there was some prospect of his recovery. If he recovered it would be three weeks or a month before he could get out, and when he would be able to speak he (witness) could not say. The man had evidently made four attempts to cut his throat; there were no cuts on the hands or other parts of the body. He thought it most likely that the wounds were self-inflicted, but that was all he could say. Before taking Roe to the hospital witness was told there were "two more over the hedge." He then saw the body of the woman and child lying in the field. They were quite dead, but both bodies were quite warm. The woman had a very extensive cut-throat, the wind pipe being severed right down to the spine. The child's wound was of rather less degree. Both bodies were well nourished and he could find no other injuries. The wounds must have been made with a very sharp instrument. The man's wounds only just escaped the main arteries, otherwise he would have bled to death. In reply to the jury, Dr. Hemsted said he did not think the wound on the woman could have been self-inflicted. There were no signs of a struggle in the field, but his opinion was that the bodies were moved slightly afterwards, about two yards, as there was blood on some bushes near. He should think the cuts were made from behind.

William Hiscock, builder's labourer, in the employ of Mr. W. J. Butler, of Shaw, said on Monday, when going to dinner along Love Lane towards Shaw, on his bicycle, he saw a man and woman ahead of him, with perambulator. When he overtook them they stopped by the side of the road. The woman sat down on the bank on the left side of the road, while the man waited up to the perambulator as though to take the child out, but he did not know if she did so. He saw no one else in the lane. When he passed they were laughing and talking, and appeared to be quite happy.

Mrs. Ada Edge, of Sunny Bank, Shaw Hill, wife of a carpenter, now in the Army, deposed that at twenty minutes to two on Monday afternoon she was cycling from Shaw Hill to Donnington, and just before reaching Shaw Church Gate, she met a man, whose coat was smothered with blood, with a handkerchief to his throat. He beckoned to her to get off, and she said to him, "Whatever is the matter?" He pointed to a perambulator farther up the road. She walked up the road with him, and when they reached the perambulator he pointed to a gap in the hedge. She saw a baker coming round the corner of the road from Donnington. She asked him to see to the man, and the baker, looking over the hedge, said, "Good gracious, there's a woman and baby over there, dead."

Frederick Schelling, a Swiss, who is temporarily helping Mr. Piper, a local baker, said he met the last witness with the man, who was deadly pale and covered with blood. The man could not speak. The latter came straight towards him, and with the help of another man he was laid on the bank. Witness told the other man to go to Shaw House and telephone to the police and the hospital, witness staying with the man. The latter was very anxious for him to see over the hedge, and when he did so he saw the bodies of the woman and baby, which were quite warm. The wounded man was very excited, and made signs as though of someone coming along the road from Donnington, who had cut their throats, and then faced towards Shaw Wood, conveying the impression as though someone had gone that way. He sank back exhausted, and cried. He tried to get up, but witness held him down. He took a tin box out of his pocket and handed it to witness. In the box was a pedlar's certificate and also a birth certificate of the child, to an envelope addressed to Miss S. Rose, Hook Post Office. The man made signs of writing, and gave witness a packet of cigarettes from his pocket. When looking for the knife they moved the body of the woman, and beneath it he found a piece of new bacon rind, and a partly-smoked cigarette. When he first looked over the hedge the grass was very little trodden down, and witness had the impression that the woman must have been in a sitting position when she was killed, and had fallen back and not moved. He saw no one about the spot at all.

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