

MRS. MURDOCK TESTIFIES.

**Tells of Edey's Plan to Marry Her
After Two Divorces.**

PATCHOGUE, L. I., Jan. 4.—Coroner E. S. Moore held an inquest at Bellport this afternoon into the death of Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Edey of Bellport. Mrs. Gardner Murdock told of the relations between her husband, herself and the Edeys for several years. Last Summer she said she and Edey planned to get divorces and to marry, but after the publishing of the story of the elopement of Mrs. Edey and Murdock the Edeys became reconciled. Murdock then planned to sue Edey for \$50,000 for the alienation of his wife's affections and Mrs. Murdock agreed to assist her husband. It is agreed she was to have one-third of the amount recovered, Murdock a third, and the other third was to go to the lawyers. It was thought Edey would settle out of court to avoid publicity.

Mrs. Murdock was accompanied by her little son and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Corwin. She said the papers in the suit for damages started by her husband against Edey were served on Edey two weeks ago. Murdock had engaged Canfield, Stone & Fredericks of Wall Street, to press the suit. It was for \$100,000.

"I was with my husband on Staten Island a week at the time the suit was brought," she said. "He and I were on good terms and I thought my husband deserved to be paid for the loss of my affections. Edey broke up our home. He made plans he did not fulfill. He got me to leave my home in last July and he got his own wife to go to Texas with my husband. I was to marry Mr. Edey as soon as my husband and Mrs. Edey got their divorces in Texas, and my husband was to marry Mrs. Edey. Mr. Edey planned it."

Coroner Moore said he did not fix a date for the next hearing.