

PIETZEL CHILDREN FOUND

*Their Bodies Discovered in a Cellar
at Toronto.*

HOLMES HAD OCCUPIED THE HOUSE

**It Is Believed the Philadelphia Insurance Swindler Killed the
Pietzel Boy in Detroit.**

A MOST REMARKABLE CAREER OF CRIME

**Reason to Believe that Holmes Had
Committed Several Other
Murders.**

TORONTO, July 15.—The bodies of Etta Alice and Nellie Pietzel, the missing daughters of Benjamin F. Pietzel, were found by Detectives Cuddy of Toronto and Geyer of Philadelphia this afternoon buried in the cellar of the house, 15 St. Vincent Street.

H. H. Holmes, now under arrest at Philadelphia, is believed to have deliberately murdered the two girls, after he had first murdered their father in Philadelphia and their brother in Detroit.

Inquiries begun by the police led to the knowledge that Holmes and the children lived at the house in question and search was made by the two officers. A photograph of Holmes was shown to Frank N. Nudel of the Ontario Educational Department, who owns 16 St. Vincent Street, and without any hesitation he identified it as that of the man who had rented the house from him last October, and who, after a very short stay, had departed.

When they reached the cellar it appeared to the detectives that something had disturbed the cellar floor, and with shovels they began to dig.

A short distance below the surface they came across the arm and a portion of the head of one of the murdered girls, and further work soon revealed the bodies of the two victims. They were both nude and had lain there, in all probability, since last October.

City Detective Inspector Stark was communicated with, and he gave instructions that the two bodies be removed by an undertaker, and they were taken to an establishment on Yonge Street. Coroner Orr was informed of the discovery, and he has called an inquest for to-morrow night. It is understood the jury will meet *pro forma*, and, after viewing the bodies, will adjourn for one week to enable the Crown authorities to work up evidence.

The bodies of the little ones were buried three feet below the surface, and were in a fair state of preservation.

Doctors who have examined the bodies agree with Detective Geyer's theory that the two girls were killed by hypodermic injections of chloroform. Holmes is known to be an expert in the use of hypodermic injections.

A nice legal point now presents itself. The murder having been committed in Canada, the accused must be tried within its boundaries, but as Holmes has pleaded guilty to one charge in the United States, he may insist on being sentenced for that.