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VERDICT OF MANSLAUGHTER.

Mr. H. B. Sewell, Deputy Coroner for South-east London, held an inquest at Greenwich yesterday on the body of CHARLOTTE PLUCKROSE, aged 46, of Stebondale-street, Cubitt Town, who died in the Seamen's Hospital, Greenwich, on Thursday night as the result, it is alleged, of shot wounds inflicted by her husband, John James Pluckrose. Pluckrose, who was present in charge of warders, has been remanded at Thames Police Court on a charge of attempted murder.

Edward Pluckrose, aged 17, a moulder's apprentice, said that on the night of August 26 his mother did not come home until about 5 o'clock, and he noticed that she had been drinking. His father came in about 9 o'clock a little intoxicated. His mother struck his father, and then went outside and sat on the doorstep, where she abused him. The witness afterwards heard the report of firearms, and on going outside the house he found his mother lying on the pavement and his father standing near the area. His mother shouted, "Oh, oh; he has shot me."

Police-constable Tyson said that at 9.30 p.m. on August 26 he went to the prisoner's house and saw Mrs. Pluckrose, who said, "He has not shot me; he either pushed me or I fell."

The jury returned a verdict of "Manslaughter" against Pluckrose, who was committed for trial at the Central Criminal Court on the Coroner's warrant.

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At Thames, before Mr. Pickersgill, JAMES J. PLUCKROSE, 59, moulder, of Stebbondale-street, Cubitt Town, was charged on remand with the wilful murder of his wife on August 26.

Edward Pluckrose, a moulder's apprentice, son of the prisoner, stated that his mother, while under the influence of drink, struck the prisoner with her hand. She continued her abuse and the witness afterwards heard the report of a pistol. He then found his mother lying on the pavement. She said, "He has shot me." The witness said to the prisoner, "You have done it now," and he replied, "She should not have made me wild." He had never heard his father threaten his mother.

A police-constable stated that the prisoner said to him, "I have shot my wife." The woman said to the witness, "He has not shot me; he either pushed me, or I fell."

Detective-Inspector Burrell stated that when the prisoner was charged he said, "Yes, I did shoot her. I only did it to frighten her, and I did not intend to do her any harm."

Mr. Pickersgill committed the prisoner for trial.

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The Grand Jury threw out the bill for murder in each of the following cases:—Amelia Jane Horne, Daisy Anna New, James John Pluckrose, and Albert Gale and Elizabeth Gale. In the case of Ann Alice Thomas, on bail, who was charged with bigamy, and in the case of Niel Waud, on bail, who was charged with demanding money with menaces, the bills were also thrown out by the Grand Jury.
