

Sarah died by drowning. She was found floating near the R.N.S. yacht Squadron at Pt. Pleasant Park.

Sarah Croker died in Halifax in June 1936. Her will was made in Halifax in 1912. In it she called herself a widow and by its terms she left all her ^{estate of over} \$22,000 to the Salvation Army and named as executor the Officer Commanding for the Nova Scotia Division, and Probate was granted to Major T. H. Mundy of Halifax on June 6th, the deceased being interred on June 8th.

In January 1914 the testatrix was married in New Brunswick to Blanchard Giberson and this marriage had the legal effect of automatically revoking the 1912 will and proceedings were instituted by relatives of the deceased to set aside this will. The 1914 marriage to Giberson was proved. Then the Salvation Army after several months searching in England dramatically produced the long thought dead first husband Harry Croker. This modern Enoch Arden satisfied the Court he married the deceased here in Halifax in 1899 when he was here as a sailor on a British warship. He denied ever having been married before. It was a case of love at first sight according to the ex-sailor, who testified to a life story as unusual and romantic as was ever spread on fiction pages. On the strength of this testimony a decision was handed down which said the 1914 marriage was void.

A young Halifax lawyer, Mr. T. C. Doyle, one of the solicitors for the executor Major Mundy, was sent to England and though a stranger in the great metropolis in three days found Croker in his own home with his wife and family, after others had vainly tried to find him for several months.

To add to the mystery, Croker sought the protection of the Court when asked where he was staying in Halifax and the question was unanswered. He denied ever having been convicted of any crime or offense and stated that his marriage here in 1899

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was his first exploit in the marriage field. However it would appear from cables received from Scotland Yard that he was convicted of larceny in England in 1935, and also committed bigamy here in 1899 when he led the deceased to the altar.