HOLMES TOOK PITEZEL'S CHILDREN

The Woman Burns Says He Cheated Her on a Board Bill.

DETROIT, Mich., Nov. 25.—The Detroit police were last night asked to look up Mrs. Lucinda Burns, and ascertain whether she had in her possession the two children of Pitezel, whom the insurance swindler, H. H. Holmes, confessed yesterday afternoon to the Philadelphia police that he had left with Mrs. Burns, while in this city, Oct. 12.

The woman was found in a cheap boarding house on Congress Street. At first she refused to discuss the matter, but finally denied that she had the children or knew where they were, or had ever seen Holmes.

Late last night Mrs. Burns withdrew her denials, and said she had had charge of the Pitezel children for several weeks. Three weeks ago, however, Holmes came to the city and took them away, she knows not where, at the same time swindling her out of a two-dollar-board bill.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 25.—There were no developments here to-day in the Fidelity Insurance Company conspiracy case. From the description given by Lawyer Shoemaker of the man who called upon him last Wednesday and gave him the letter containing \$100 as a retaining fee for the defense of Holmes, and signed "P. L.," it is thought that it may possibly have been the much-sought-for Pitezel.

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