VAL. DUMPERTH A SUICIDE

Mining Speculator Shoots Himself in a Room of the Merchants.

CLERK FINDS HIM DEAD IN HIS CHAIR

No Reason Known for the Act—Notes Explain Nothing—Deceased Was Once Foreman of a Local Brewery.

Valentine Dumperth, 50 years old, a mining speculator, committed suicide yesterday in a room of the Merchants' hotel by shooting himself in the head with a pistol. Though no one heard the shot, it is supposed it was fired about 7 o'clock, as, when found two hours later, the body was quite cold. The bed showed he had not retired during the night. He left two notes, both very brief, and neither ascribes any reason for his taking his own life.

Shortly after 9 o'clock a chambermaid of the hotel undertook to enter room No. 82 and, finding the door locked on the inside, and being unable to arouse the occupant, she notified the clerk that something was wrong. Mr. Dumperth was ordinarily an early riser and the fact of his "oversleeping," as she supposed aroused suspicion.

The clerk went up and admitted himself with a latchkey.

Sitting fully dressed in a chair, the body bending forward at the hips, the hands hanging at the sides, the feet thrust forward and widely separated, was the mortal part of Valentine Dumperth. In the middle of the forehead was a bullet wound, and extending downward from this was a narrow maculation of red, marking the course the blood had taken. His clothing was saturated with the vital fluid and the carpet beneath the chair was drenched with it. There was no evidence of a struggle. His life seemed to have gone out painlessly.

On the carpet, within a yard of his right hand, was the revolver—a 38-caliber Smith & Wesson—from which the shot had been fired.

The room was in perfect order. The bed had not been disturbed. Everything indicated that he had been out all night and had returned in the early morning to take his life.

On the center table were two notes, hurriedly scribbled with a pencil on bits of paper. Both were in the German language. One read:

"Farewell, farewell! Many will regret this. V. D."

The other was addressed to the hotel management, and said simply that "everything would be squared up," meaning, presumably, that his hotel bill would be paid.

The body is now in the hands of the coroner. An inquest will be held today.

Dumperth was popular among his German-American friends, but very little is known of his personal affairs. He had boarded at the Merchants' hotel for several years. For fourteen years prior to the fall of '92 he was employed by the Metz Bros. Brewing company as foreman; since then he has had no regular employment, but is supposed to have been engaged in mining speculations.

A native of Germany, he was unmarried and has no relatives in America.

FOR THE FAMINE SUFFERERS

Sum Contributed in the City Now Amounts to Nearly Six Hundred Dollars.

Contributions from Omaha to the India famine relief fund have been received as follows:

W. F. M. S., Walnut Hill, Methodist Episcopal, $38.75; Central United Presbyterian Sunday school, $78.10; Lowa Avenue Presbyterian, $26.25; German Methodist Episcopal, $7.60; Bohemian Presbyterian, $10.70; German Presbyterian, $13.25; First United Presbyterian church, $60.00; Westminster Presbyterian, $85.00; Swedish Mission church, $51.00; Young People's Society Christian Endeavor, People's church, $32.00; German Free Evangelical church, $22.50; Clifton Hill Presbyterian church, $16.00; Crane-Churchill Co., $10.00; Mrs. David Linn, $6.00; Section Council Jewish Women, $7.50; Frank E. Moores, $5.00; H. F. Cady Lumber Company, $5.00; A. Holmes, $5.00; Immanuel Baptist church, $4.50; Omaha Tank Manufacturing company, $2.00; Hattoris (printing), $2.25; Samuel Finlayson (printing), $2.00; W. E. Moore (printing), $1.50; Room 10, Cass street school, $1.37; I. Hansen's children, $1.00; C. A. Nelson, $1.00; Thomas Curtis, $1.00; Little Eleanor Stallard, 50 cents; Grant White, 50 cents; Robert Wise, 25 cents; Mrs. Barnes, $3.70; I. Levi, $10.00; Congregation Russian Israelites, $10.00; Sunday school, People's church, $10.00; Young Women's Christian association, $6.35; cash, $2.00; First Congregational church, $2.85; First Baptist Sunday school, $53.88. Previously acknowledged, $281.12. Total, $567.61.

The amount received to date from the whole state now amounts to $6,000.

Proposed Alliance with England.

If the United States and England should form an alliance, the combined strength would be so great that there would be little chance for enemies to overcome us. In a like manner, when men and women keep up their bodily strength with Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, there is little chance of attacks from disease. The old-time remedy enriches the blood, builds up the muscles, steadies the nerves and increases the appetite. Try it.

Yesterday's Storm Was General.

With the rainfall of Monday the deficiency of precipitation at Omaha since March 1 was wiped out, but there is still a deficiency of an appreciable part of an inch for the month of May. The rain of Monday was general, being heaviest in western Iowa and eastern Nebraska. At Clarinda, Ia., there was a fall of 2.01 inches, at Omaha, 1.12 inches and at Lincoln, 1.06.

"After suffering from piles for fifteen years I was cured by using two boxes of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve," writes W. J. Baxter, North Brook, N. C. It heals everything. Beware of counterfeits.

CHANCE FOR ENLISTED MEN

Examinations for Promotion to Be Held at Fort Crook June 1.

On June 1 enlisted men in the Department of the Missouri will be given an opportunity to rise from the ranks to the grade of a second lieutenancy. A board of examiners has been ordered to assemble at Fort Crook on that day and inquire into the worthiness of whatever applicants may be eligible. The board as appointed by the commanding general is made up as follows: Lieutenant Colonel Theodore J. Wint, Sixth cavalry, Fort Riley; Lieutenant Colonel James P. Kimball, deputy surgeon general, Department of the Missouri; Major Charles K. Winne, surgeon at Fort Crook; Captain Harry E. Wilkins, Tenth infantry, Fort Sill, I. T.; First Lieutenant John T. Nance, Sixth cavalry, Fort Riley, Kan.; First Lieutenant John D. L. Hartman, First cavalry, Fort Niobrara, Neb.

The number of aspirants for commissions is not yet definitely known. So far two "non-coms." have been reported as eligible and ordered to appear for examination. These are Sergeant Nelg Anderson, Troop C, First cavalry, Fort Robinson, Neb., and Corporal Harry W. Dathany, Company D, First infantry, Fort Leavenworth, Kan. It is expected others will appear later.

The test examinations are not severe and would ordinarily be included in a high school education. The elements of English are dwelt upon as well as geography, history and the constitution of the United States. The principal stress is naturally laid upon mathematics and the candidates are obliged to show familiarity with algebra, geometry, trigonometry and surveying. To further qualify the applicant must be "an unmarried soldier, a citizen of the United States who has served not less than two years in the army and who has borne a good moral character both before and after enlistment. He must be physically sound."

Those who underwent the examination at Fort Crook last fall have been unusually fortunate. Second Lieutenants Parker, Winters, McCaskee and McCullough were all assigned to the cavalry service, considered the most desirable branch, and are on duty in Cuba or the Philippines. Of those examined in March, 1899, Second Lieutenants McKane and Reeve were assigned in October to the infantry arm.

Unable to Work.

Charles Replogle of Atwater, O., was unable to work on account of kidney trouble. After using Foley's Kidney Cure four days he was cured. For sale by Myers-Dillon Drug Co., Omaha; Dillon's Drug Store, South Omaha.

Announcements.

This is the closing week of the season at the Creighton-Orpheum theater, but the bill is nevertheless among the best given since the opening of the house. All the acts are up to the high standard maintained at this popular place of amusement. The singing of the famous tenor, Mr. A. L. Guille, is an attraction that is in itself worth the price of admission. It is not often that the public has the opportunity of hearing such a celebrated artist for the small prices that prevail at the Orpheum. There will be a matinee today.

Mr. Nat Goodwin and Miss Maxine Elliott will close the season at Boyd's Saturday night. Their engagement opens Friday. Henry V. Esmond's latest comedy, "When We Were Twenty-one," will be the offering. It will be given by a cast numbering fifty-three people. Its scenic dress will be one of the most elaborate seen here this season. It is granted by all critics that the play is the best that these clever artists have been seen in yet. In it Miss Elliott is not a mere leading woman to Mr. Goodwin, but his co-star. By all odds it is the most important engagement of the rapidly waning season, with the possible exception of the Irving-Terry engagement. The seat sale opens this morning.

To Cool Minnesota
Via the "North-Western Line,"
June 21, July 7 to 10 inclusive.
July 18, August 2.
to St. Paul, Minneapolis, Duluth, Superior, Waseca and Kasota.
One fare plus $2.00.
Limit October 31, 1900.
Agents Omaha and Council Bluffs will sell via "North-Western Line" at these cheap excursion rates.
Two daily trains. The Twin City Limited.
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Model trains for travelers' convenience and speed.

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In the basement you will find such shoe bargains as were never before in this city—broken lines must go now. Ladies' shoe from 19c to 69c; children's shoes from 16c to 39c; men's shoes from 88c to $1.98; ladies' Oxfords from 19c to 48c—not a ladies' or man's shoe in the lot worth less than $3.00.

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Omaha Tent and Rubber company are prepared to fill all orders—tents, awnings and canvas goods. New location, corner 11th and Harney. 'Phone 883.

See C. F. Harrison's real estate bargains.

DIED.

COLE—Edward B., May 14, 1900, aged 7 months, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Cole.
Funeral Wednesday afternoon, May 16, at 3 o'clock from the family residence, 826 South Twentieth street. Interment, Holy Sepulcher.

DUMPERTH—Valentine, May 14, 1900, aged 54 years.
Funeral Thursday afternoon, May 17, at 2 o'clock from M. O. Maul company's undertaking rooms, 1417 Farnam street. Interment Forest Lawn cemetery. Friends invited.

EXCURSIONS.

Denver, Pueblo, Colorado Springs and return	$19.00, May 15th, June 5th. $25.00, Daily after June 1.
Hot Springs, S. D. and return	$18.40, May 15, June 5.
Glenwood Springs and return	$31.00, May 15, June 5. $40.00, Daily after June 1.
St. Louis and return	$13.50, May 15, 16, 17 and 22.
Washington, D. C., and return	$32.35, May 19 and 20.
Detroit and return	$22.00, May 21 and 22.
Philadelphia and return	$30.75, June 14, 15 and 16.

Berths, tickets and full information on request.

Ticket Office, 1502 Farnam St. Tel. 250.
Burlington Station, 10th and Mason Sts. Tel. 128.

TWO MORE SALES AT BOSTON STORE.

The Stock of Plain and Fancy Ribbons and a Shirt Waist Stock.

ON SALE TODAY,
AT BOSTON STORE, OMAHA.
15C ALL SILK RIBBONS, 1C YD.

They consist of ribbons from ½ inch to 3 inches wide and are strictly all silk; some are plain, most of them are fancy plaids, stripes, checks, dots and tinsel effects. With draw and shir strings, picot and feather edge, etc., etc., in white, black and every color of the rainbow, and positively worth up to 15c yd., but for today we offer the entire lot—6,516 pieces—at 1c per yd.

$2.50 SHIRT WAISTS, 50C AND 75C.

From a well known New York manufacturer we buy his entire stock of ladies' shirt waists, worth up to $2.50 each, today we divide them into two lots at 50c and 75c each.

All the waists that were made to retail for $1.25, made of percale and lawn, in all the fancy effects and plain white, with and without embroidery insertion, all made in the latest style, including white and colored waists buttoned in the back, go at 50c each.

All the $2.50 shirt waists made of percale and gingham in white and fancy colors, with four rows of insertion. Made by one of the best manufacturers in New York, go on sale at 75c.

BOSTON STORE, OMAHA.
N. W. Cor 16th & Douglas Sts.

An Ideal Climate.

The first white man to set foot on Utah soil, Father Silvestre Velee de Escalante, who reached the GREAT SALT LAKE on the 23d day of September, 1776, wrote in his diary: "Here the climate is so delicious, the air so balmy, that it is a pleasure to breathe by day and by night." The climate of Utah is one of the richest endowments of nature. On the shores of the Great Salt Lake especially—and for fifty miles therefrom in every direction—the climate of climates is found. To enable persons to participate in these scenic and climatic attractions and to reach the famous HEALTH, BATHING AND PLEASURE RESORTS of Utah, the UNION PACIFIC has made a rate to OGDEN and SALT LAKE CITY of one fare for the round trip, plus $2.00, from Missouri river, to be in effect June 21, July 7 to 10, inclusive, July 18 and August 2. Return limit, October 31, 1900.

City ticket office, 1302 Farnam street. Telephone 316.

Red Letter Days.
Special Excursions
to the Black Hills
Via North-Western Line,
June 21, July 7 to 10 inclusive.
July 18, August 2.
One fare plus $2.00.
Limit October 31, 1900.
Agents Omaha, Missouri Valley, Sioux City and at intermediate points in Nebraska will sell these cheap rate tickets, via the "North-Western Line," Fremont, Elkhorn & Missouri Valley railroad.

The contract for the three electric elevators for the old Mercer Hotel building and also in the old postoffice was let to the Warner Elevator company of Cincinnati, O., through its local representative, Mr. D. V. Munro, 112 North Fourteenth street.

Write ads. Sell cuts. Print anything. Stonecypher, 1201 Howard st. Tel. 1310.

SUMMER EXCURSIONS

VIA

UNION PACIFIC THE OVERLAND ROUTE WORLD'S PICTORIAL LINE.

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ONE FARE FOR ROUND TRIP

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BOSTON STORE, OMAHA.
N. W. Cor. 16th and Douglas Sts.

Automobile Instruction Book.

"Electric Automobiles: Their Care, Construction and Operation," is the title of a very valuable little volume which has just been issued by Herbert S. Stone & Co., the Chicago publishers. The author is Mr. C. E. Woods, a practical electrical engineer and inventor of the Woods automobile. The book is by far the most useful volume on the subject published, its information is accurate and up-to-date and its instruction is along just the lines which the automobile owner and operator requires. The book contains all the regulations of the Automobile Club of America and the racing rules in France—besides a chapter on the street operation of electric vehicles. There are also numerous illustrations, showing the entire construction of the carriages and batteries. The book is invaluable to persons interested in automobiles.

EXCURSION RATES

Via Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Ry.

May 19, 20, 21, Washington and return, $32.25.

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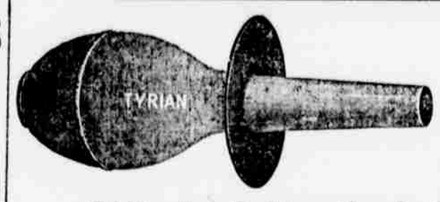

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