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## HAPPY HOME CONVERTED TO MISERY

### MRS. C. F. VALLERY ATTEMPTS TO TAKE HER OWN LIFE.

**She Was Visiting Her Mother In This When She Emptied the Contents of a Revolver Into Her Head—At 4:30 She Was Still Alive, but From Her Injury It Seems Death Must Ensue.**

From Saturday's Daily

Shortly after 2 o'clock today the sad news was quickly spread of the death of Mrs. Coon Vallery, at the home of her mother in this city, under circumstances particularly distressing to relatives and friends. Since the birth of her last babe, about three months ago, she had not been perfectly natural mentally, but kind treatment and careful nursing had gladdened the hearts of her relatives by abundant indications of returning reason. Her devoted husband humored everywhim that seemed conducive to her improvement. She was visiting her mother, Mrs Nieman, today and went up stairs where she found a loaded revolver. It is said she then came down and walked out in the yard and then went back into the house again, and, without a word, placed the revolver to her temple and fired a deadly bullet into her brain, which must end a blameless life, and send to the better world an affectionate wife and loving mother. Three children—Fred, past five years of age; Max, three years, and the baby, a lovely child only three months old, who will never know the tender caresses of a mother, will soon be left behind, for while the lamp of life had not gone out at 4:30 recovery was thought to be impossible.

#### LAID TO HER LAST REST

**Death and Obsequies of Mrs. C. F. Vallery—A Very Sad Case.**

From Monday's Daily

The shot from a revolver fired by her own hand, mention of which was made Saturday, resulted in the death of Mrs. C. F. Vallery at the home of her mother, Mrs. Neiman, at 5 o'clock Saturday evening. This is the saddest death it has been the duty of THE NEWS to chronicle. Mrs. Vallery was a kind and dutiful wife and mother, whose friends were legion. Prior to her marriage she was a resident of Plattsmouth, where she attended school and was a member of the best society.

The funeral took place from the home of her mother at 2 o'clock this afternoon, Rev. Burgess of the Episcopal church officiating, and interment was made in the new Oak Hill cemetery.

It was one of the most largely attended funerals that ever took place in this city. THE NEWS joins with the many friends of the bereaved family in extending its sincere sympathy.

#### Death of L. C. Curtis.

L. C. Curtis died at his home on North Sixth street at 5 o'clock Sunday evening after an illness of several months with a disease which baffled the most skilled physicians of Chicago and Omaha as well as this city, the X rays having been applied to his case without avail.

Dr. Schildknecht urged the family to allow a post mortem examination, owing to the peculiar ailment from which Mr. Curtis had suffered, and the matter was agreed to. The doctor invited Drs. Livingston and Cook and a physician from Philadelphia who is in the city visiting Dr. Livingston, and a very satifactory operation was performed, which proved the correctness of the diagnosis, viz: that cancer of the stomach was the ailment which caused death. The stomach was entirely closed by the cancerous growth, so that the patient literally starved to death. He had been unable to take nourishment for thirteen days.

L. C. Curtis was a straightforward and honorable citizen who commanded the respect of a large number of friends, being a member in good standing of McConihie post G. A. R. and the Masonic lodge of this city. He was born in Waterbury, Conn., in 1843. Mr. Curtis has an excellent army record, having served eight years. He first inlisted as private in Company K, Twentieth regiment, Connecticut Volunteers on August 12, 1862, and after being honorably discharged reinlisted in Company C, Third United States Volunteer artillery, and was discharged at Omaha December 14, 1868. He was married to Miss Melvina Hyde at Glenwood, Ia., in 1871 and seven children were born, all of whom are now living. The family removed from Glenwood to Weeping Water, and after a residence of a short time at that place went back to Mr. Curtis' old home in Conneticut, and from there came to Plattsmouth, where they have resided for thirteen years.

The funeral took place Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock and was be conducted under the auspices of the Masonic lodge and Grand Army post. Rev. Baird preached the funeral sermon. A large number of sympathetic friends join with the family in their sad bereavement.

#### Bad Accident Near Liberty

Liberty, the first station east of Wymore, was visited by a terrible water spout last night. Four inches of water fell in a few minutes and a culvert was washed out on the B. & M. track. A freight train coming along while the storm was at its height plunged into the breach, and the conductor and engineer were killed and the fireman is thought to have been fatally injured. It is the worst wreck the B. & M has suffered for years

## FROM THE CYCLONE CENTER.

**John Robbins Writes Vividly and Interestingly of the Storm.**

CLAY CENTER, Apr. 30, 1896.—According to promise I write you concerning a trip over the track of the recent cyclone which occurred between here and Clifton, Kas., near a point called Morganville.

I, in company with Chas. Williams of this city and J. A. Benson of Lincoln, one of the publishers of the Pacemaker, the publication for which I am traveling, left here at 9 a. m. and ran out to the district, a distance of about twelve miles.

The first place visited was that of Andrew Johnson. He had lost his barn, corn crib and other out-buildings, all of which are a total loss. Mr. Johnson and boys were in the basement of a large barn, while his wife and two little children were in the house. The barn was destroyed entirely, and a portion of the house was taken, but none of the family were injured.

Just across the road from here was a house and barn of an old Indian medicine man. The entire contents of the house and barn, with buildings and all, were dumped into a field fully forty rods away. Just back of where the house stood was a cave that opened to the southwest, into which the family had gone, and a hole about 5x8 feet was blown or torn out of the back end of this as if a doorway had been made down through. No one was injured.

Of all the sights seen on the trip the worst was found on the place of Frank Peterson, who lost his wife and two children. Where the house stood there is not a particle of timber left, and the way it is scattered and broken is enough to make one turn away and shudder at the terribleness of the force. We passed a point up across the field, about eighty rods from the ruins, where for fully twenty rods along a hedge fence was a sight that was indeed interesting. It was a point direct from the ruins in the track of the storm. This hedge was one solid mass of cornstalks, pieces of furniture, clothing, and every sort of trinket and household necessity, from a doll dress to a looking glass, all plastered and matted together in such a solid mass that it was almost impossible to extricate a piece. We saw a wagon with all the spokes of one wheel knocked out, the tire and felloe still hanging to it, and not another thing hurt, the felloe being perfectly good. Again, we saw where wagon spokes, limbs of trees, pieces of buildings and parts of wagons had been driven into the ground to a depth that made it impossible for two of us to pull them out. Another funny thing was to see two rabbits strung up in the same tree with pieces of a limb stuck through them. Another thing was to see a row of tall, slender cottonwood trees standing squarely in the path, entirely untouched, and on each side heavy apple and cottonwood trees torn up by the roots.

Well, I guess this is sufficient to give you an idea of what the storm was like. Had I not been laid out for a week at Stella, Neb., I would have been at Creston or Morganville on the Saturday night the storm took place. As it was, I was at a point about ten miles east and had to come around this way because of the bad roads caused by the terrible rain that followed.

I have had a curiosity to see a cyclone, but may the Lord keep me from viewing such ruin and destruction as results from a storm like this. None but those who saw it are able to comprehend what they are.

I left Plattsmouth April 7 for Cedar Creek and have since covered nearly 1,000 miles awheel, besides laying off six days on account of a broken axel. I go from here to Emporia, Kas., thence to Wichita and Ellsworth, from which point I strike for the north line of this state and go through to Denver. I expect to reach there by May 30 to June 10, barring accidents. From there I go to Cripple Creek, Cheyenne and down through Nebraska, following the Union Pacific through to North Platte, Kearney, etc., down to Omaha and through Western Iowa and Northwestern Missouri and then home. This route I expect to cover in about three or four months.

JOHN D. ROBBINS.

#### SPARKS FROM THE WIRES

Mrs. Booth-Tucker is improving at San Francisco.

A mob lynched Will Bendy at Beaumont, Texas.

Italian troops defeated the Abyssinians at Barachet.

A strike is in progress at the Newport News shipyard.

Forest fires have done much damage near Plymouth, Mass.

Electricians will join the Milwaukee street railway strikers.

The wife of John Stetson, the theatrical manager, died at Boston.

The labor demonstrations at Hyde Park, London, proved a failure.

Ex-Governor EcKinley will spend the summer at Seabright, N. J.

Isaac Williams, Colored, was burned to death in a jail at Claxton, Ga.

#### Cheap Rates to Langdon, Mo.

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