

# BODY NOT IDENTIFIED

## Inquest Fails to Reveal Identity of the Floater

Was a Man About Sixty Years of Age and Had \$317 in Gold on His Person. Together With a Gold Watch—Body was Buried in Oak Hill Cemetery—Other Local News.

From Wednesday's Daily.

A. Schomerhorn, a fisherman residing near the mouth of the Platte, discovered the body of a man floating in the west channel of the Missouri river just east of Swallow hill yesterday afternoon. Catching the body, he drew it to the shore and fastened it and notified Coroner Sattler, who in company with several other men went up and viewed the body, as was stated in last evening's News.

The body was badly decomposed, indicating that it had been in the water for three or four months, and there was a large hole in the back of the head and holes in each arm about the size of a quarter, and indications seemed to point to their having been made by collision with snags in the river during the progress of the body down stream. He was aged about sixty and was well-dressed, wearing a white shirt and cuffs, heavy underclothing and working man's shoes. There was a laundry mark of "0012" on the cuffs and shirt. There was \$317.79 in money found on his clothes—\$300 in gold being sewed under the arm of his undershirt and \$17.79 in other money in a pocket-book. An open face silver watch, Waltham movement, and a plated chain, the latter being badly rusted, were found in the pockets.

Coroner Sattler decided to hold an inquest over the remains. A jury was empaneled consisting of R. W. Hyers, Hon. William Neville, Ed Fitzgerald, H. H. Goos, Charles Grimes and James Harold, and at 9 o'clock this morning they went to the place where the body was left.

After reviewing the body and investigating all known circumstances connected with the case, the jury brought in a verdict to the effect that the deceased came to his death from causes to the jury unknown.

The body was buried at Oak Hill cemetery.

## APPEAL FOR THE DEWEY FUND.

The National Committee Seeks to Enlist Aid of Newspapers.

WASHINGTON, May 17.—The national Dewey home committee held a meeting today in Chairman Vandellip's office and decided to send letters to all leading newspapers, national banks and postmasters, asking them to co-operate with the committee by receiving contributions from the public and forwarding the same to the treasurer at Washington. Following is the appeal to the newspapers:

The national Dewey home fund committee, recognizing the press of the country as the best medium for reaching the people and the most powerful instrument for good, at the conclusion of their meeting this afternoon requested the Associated Press to state that the committee most earnestly solicited the co-operation of newspapers in their effort to secure subscriptions. The committee requests newspaper publishers everywhere to open public subscriptions, acknowledge receipt through their columns from day to day and forward the subscriptions to the national Dewey home fund committee, this city, Hon. E. H. Roberts, treasurer.

It is suggested that newspaper publishers receiving subscriptions from their remittances to the committee here weekly or more frequently, if by them desired. Treasurer Roberts will acknowledge receipt to newspapers and finally issue to each subscriber a souvenir receipt. With a view to the latter publishers are requested to keep a record of all subscribers with their postoffice addresses, and, so far as possible, to forward the same with their remittances from time to time. Temporary receipts have been provided until the handsomely engraved souvenir receipts are ready for issuance.

The national Dewey home fund committee believes that the publishers of newspapers in this country will lend their assistance in this work and that it lies within their power to make this movement a great success at the earliest possible date.

The committee, recognizing services already rendered, further request the publishers who open public subscriptions notify the treasurer as early as possible for their information.

**Discovered by a Woman.**  
Another great discovery has been made, and that too, by a lady in this country. "Disease fastened" its clutches upon her and for seven years she withstood its severest tests, but her vital organs were undermined and death seemed imminent. For three months she coughed incessantly, and could not sleep. She finally discovered a way to recovery, by purchasing of us a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, and was so much relieved on taking first dose, that she slept all night; and with two bottles, has been absolutely cured. Her name is Mrs. Luther Lutz." Thus write W. C. Hammick & Co., of Shelby N. C. Trial bottles free at F. G. Fricke & Co's. drug store. Regular size 50c and \$1.00. Every bottle guaranteed.

**Fruit Trees Are Going.**  
We will make special low prices on trees for next week. You will find us at the nursery ready to wait on you. Now is the time to plant your orchard. RIVERSIDE NURSERY CO. C. F. Morton, Proprietor.

# DESERTIONS FROM FORT CROOK.

Prisoner and Guard of Sixteenth Infantry.

**Make Good Their Escape.**  
From Wednesday's Daily.  
Two desertions occurred yesterday afternoon at Fort Crook, when a prisoner and a guard belonging to Company H, Sixteenth United States Infantry, left without notifying the officers. The prisoner's name was Elmer Tompkins and he was serving a year's sentence at hard labor and he was dishonorably discharged for deserting Battery G, Fourth artillery. Private Luther Duggan was the guard in charge of him. They were both brought from Huntsville, Ala., last January.

Lieutenants Ford, Gowen and Mulligan came down from the fort last evening, having tracked them as far as La Platte, but there all trace of them was lost. The Plattsmouth officers kept a sharp look out during the night, but did not apprehend them. They are each described as being about five feet ten in height, twenty-three years of age, Duggan weighing 180 pounds and Tompkins 160, complexion light. The officers are very anxious to catch the guard, but did not care so much about the other fellow.

## LEAVES FOR HIS POST.

### Rear Admiral J. C. Watson Goes to Relieve Admiral Dewey.

General Luna Releases Civilian Prisoners Captured at Calumpit—Aguinaldo's Vice Strategy—Funston Does Not Want Office—Other Telegraphic News of Importance.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 16.—Rear Admiral J. C. Watson, who will succeed Admiral Dewey in command of the Asiatic squadron, sailed for Manila via Hong Kong on the City of Peking today. The rear admiral came from Mare Island on the navy yard tug Unadilla this morning and was landed at the Pacific Mail dock. He went on board the Peking at once.

About an hour before the steamer sailed a small crowd assembled on the dock to bid farewell to Watson. The gallant little admiral ran down the gang plank as gaily as a lieutenant of twenty-five to bid farewell to his friends. He shook hands warmly with several men, but on the fair cheeks of a dozen pretty girls he impressed kisses that would have made Hobson tremble for his laurels could he have been present.

The Peking got away at 3 o'clock and the admiral was last seen standing on the steamer's bridge waving farewell to his friends. Admiral Watson was accompanied by his staff, and five mechanics from Mare Island, bound for Manila, as also passengers on the Peking.

**Releases the Civilians.**

MANILA, May 16.—Messrs. Carrick and Holmes, the American and Canadian civilians captured at the Calumpit mill, have been released by the rebel general Luna, who saw them through his lines with several Englishmen who received forty-eight hours' notice to leave rebel territory.

The United States cruiser Charleston has arrived here from Hong Kong. It touched at Apari, communicating with the United States gunboat Concord, stationed at the mouth of the harbor. Some native archers shot arrows at a man-of-war's boat which was sent ashore for food and no further attempt to land was made.

The Charleston also spoke the United States gunboat Wheeling at Lingayen. All was quiet there.

General Lawton's advanced force has left San Miguel and is moving in the direction of San Isidro. A rain storm impeded the progress of the troops and severed the line of communication when the force was within seven miles of its destination.

**Aguinaldo's Wise Strategy.**

LONDON, May 16.—The Filipino junta has informed the Associated Press that on receipt of the news saying all foreigners had been ordered from the Philippines a cable message of inquiry was sent to Aguinaldo, who replied that the announcement was due to the statements of Mr. Higgins, the manager of the railroad, on his return to Manila, after several months residence in the Filipino lines.

The Filipinos, it is added, ridicule the statement that Aguinaldo is a fugitive and declare his retirement to the Carvallos mountains is part of his strategic plans, as the mountains are almost inaccessible and inhabited by savages who use poisoned arrows, and that it is absolutely impossible for the Americans to follow him there.

**Funston Does Not Want Office.**  
KANSAS CITY, May 16.—A special to the Star from San Francisco says: Captain F. E. Buchanan of the Twentieth Kansas, who arrived from Manila yesterday, said regarding the future of General Funston of that regiment: "General Funston has no political ambitions and does not care to mingle in politics in any shape or form. I know this to be a fact. When I last saw him, just before leaving Malolos, April 18, his plans were to go to Cuba as soon as the Filipino rebellion was over and engage in cattle ranching in one of the interior provinces. He said that he had all the adventures he wanted."

Some of the results of neglected dyspeptic conditions of the stomach are cancer, consumption, heart disease and epilepsy. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure prevents all this by effecting a quick cure in all cases of dyspepsia. F. G. Fricke & Co.

The News prints the news.

# DRIVING INSURGENTS.

## Filipinos Being Forced to One of Two Unpleasant Alternatives.

Most Either Seek Mountains or Sea For Safety—One Stronghold After Another Being Abandoned by Fleeing Natives—Summer's Command Attacks Two Thousand Rebels Near Bataarte.

WASHINGTON, May 17.—The following dispatch has been received at the war department:

MANILA, May 17.—Adjutant General Lawton, with tact and ability, has covered Bataan province with his column and driven insurgents troops northward into San Isidro second insurgent capital, which he captured this morning; is now driving enemy northward into mountains. He has constant fighting, inflicting heavy losses and suffering few casualties; appearance of his troops on flanks of enemy behind entrenchments thrown up at every strategic point and town very demoralizing to the insurgents and has given them no opportunity to re-concentrate scattered troops. Kobba's column with gunboats proceeding up the Rio Grande.

Portions of the dispatch which have not been made public relate to future movements of the troops.

**Natives Are Returning.**  
6:10 p. m.—Although the rebels still threaten San Fernando in considerable force large numbers of natives, a majority of them being families with their household goods, are returning daily to the towns inside the American lines, at Apalit, especially.

Many of the richer Filipinos are coming to Manila and laborers are resuming work in the rice fields. The latter show their respect for American sovereignty by removing their hats to passing trains.

Owing to the bad condition of the wagon roads the work of repairing the railroad is being actively pushed. All the broken bridges have been trestled and only a few excavations remain to be filled up. Trains will undoubtedly be running through to Fernando in a few days. The only natives there are some Filipinos from Macabebe, who are trading with our soldiers.

At daylight today Lieutenant Hill, who, with twenty-five men of the Fourth infantry, was concealed in the trenches near Pasig, was attacked by a force of rebels, who evidently imagined they could capture one of our outposts because only a few shots had been fired by the American force. A few volleys put the enemy to flight, the rebels losing five men killed and a number of wounded.

The army gunboat Napagidan has returned here from the lake, having been disabled by a cannon shot from a rebel position near Santa Cruz which broke its rudder post.

Colonel Summer's command, consisting of the Twenty-second infantry on the left, the Minnesota regiments on the right, preceded by scouts and accompanied by Scott's battery of artillery, advanced from Bataarte at daylight. The troops first encountered the enemy two miles from San Isidro, the rebels retreating when our artillery opened fire. Just outside the town a rebel force, estimated to number 2,000 men, was entrenched. It made slight resistance and quitted its position when our troops turned its right flank. The enemy's loss was fifteen men killed and twenty wounded. Our troops also captured three prisoners and many rifles. On the American side one soldier of the Oregon regiment and one of the Minnesota regiment were slightly wounded.

After capturing the town Colonel Summer's troop continued their advance, pursuing the retreating rebels for several miles.

**Verdict for Defendant.**  
From Wednesday's Daily.

The case in federal court which has been on trial this week wherein the Western Insurance company brought suit against C. S. Polk for alleged damages in the sum of \$2,670, came to a termination this morning when the jury returned a verdict for the defendant.

Joe Klein's stock of goods was insured by the Western Insurance company and the same was destroyed in Waterman block fire in 1890. There was a suit over the payment of the amount of the policy and the insurance company employed Mr. Polk to look after interests. There was a judgment rendered under peculiar circumstances in favor of Klein and the insurance company sought to recover the amount of the policy from Mr. Polk, charging that he had been negligent in performing his duties as their attorney.

The friends of Attorney Polk are congratulating him today upon the outcome of the suit.

**Company B to Be Banqueted.**  
The following self-explanatory letter has been sent to all members of Company B residing in Cass county: Dear Sir: You are cordially invited to attend a banquet to be given here on the 29th day of May, 1899, by the citizens of Plattsmouth, in honor of the Cass county boys who were members of Company B, Third Regiment, Nebraska Volunteer Infantry. Do not fail to attend. Yours respectfully, F. M. RICHIEY, Mayor.

Decorations day will be the day following the banquet, and it is the intention to have as many of Company B as possible take part in the exercises.

# CITY AND COUNTY.

WEDNESDAY.

M. D. Ruby of Louisville was a business visitor in Plattsmouth today.

Attorney William Deles Dorner of Elmwood was in the city over night.

Peter Hanrahan, the Lower Main street confectioner, went to Omaha to buy goods today.

Rev. Mitchell of Franklin, Neb., is in the city visiting his sister, Mrs. Dave Miller, and other relatives.

Mrs. Purdy and little grandchild went to Lincoln this afternoon to visit the latter's mother, Mrs. Julius Nielson.

Edwin Jeary of Elmwood was in the city today settling up the estate of Henry C. Walsh, he being the administrator.

The many friends of Mrs. C. W. Sherman will be pleased to learn that she has so far recovered from her sickness as to be able to go to Glenwood to visit friends.

Albert Fricke is now a full-fledged druggist, having passed the examination before the State Board of Pharmacy at Omaha last week. He received his certificate today.

About the most striking spectacle that has met the eyes of Plattsmouth citizens since the last circus was here last summer was Phil Thieroff in the act of learning to ride a bicycle on the streets today.

F. J. Morgan, as grand receiver of the A. O. U. W., today received over \$6,000 by mail, that amount being dues from different lodges of the state. Mr. Morgan handles an immense amount of money in a year.

J. M. Patterson received a telegram this morning from Samuel S. Campbell, residing at Patterson's Mills, Pa., stating that his wife was struck by lightning yesterday and instantly killed. Mr. Campbell is a brother of J. M. Patterson's deceased wife, and a cousin of D. A. Campbell, clerk of the supreme court.

Sheriff Wheeler received a telegraphic message from the Omaha authorities today asking the description of the floater found here yesterday, and stating that a man by the name of G. W. Beardsley had disappeared from Omaha yesterday with a considerable amount of money, and they thought it might be the missing man. The sheriff soon convinced them that this was not the man.

**THURSDAY.**

A. A. Knott, the assessor of Louisville, was in the city today.

Mike Williams of Glendale was a business visitor in the city today.

Representative T. T. Young of South Bend precinct was in the city today and made this office a pleasant call.

F. A. Wigginsborn of Ashland was an over night visitor in the city, the guest of his uncle, E. G. Fricke, and family.

Harvey Holloway, who is serving on the federal jury, went up to Omaha this morning and got excused until Monday.

W. J. White and Ed Barwick went to Omaha today as delegates to the Episcopal conference. Miss Mabel White accompanied them.

Mrs. S. H. Fisher, who was called to North Loup last Sunday to attend the funeral of John A. Fisher, her late husband's father, came home last evening.

The semi-annual state school apportionment just made gives Cass county \$7,619.88 as against \$6,901.86 at the last apportionment. Out of this amount Plattsmouth will get \$1,845.65.

The thirteen-year old child of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Tucker died in Omaha Tuesday and was brought down here and interred in Kensha cemetery yesterday. Mrs. Tucker is a niece of L. B. Brown of Rock Bluffs and a cousin of Mrs. John Corey of this city.

The delivery team belonging to the Ebinger Hardware company became frightened at a switch engine this afternoon while they were standing near the freight depot and ran away. The tongue of the wagon was broken, but the animals were stopped by some of the switchmen in the yards before any further damage today.

**Fire at the Gas Works.**  
From Wednesday's Daily.

The room at the rear of the gas house on Pearl street, in which the gas is stored, caught fire about 9 o'clock last night and had it not been for the prompt action of the fire company a disastrous fire would have resulted. As it was, only a small amount of damage resulted to the roof. Had the fire gained a little more headway it would have caused explosions and a disastrous fire would have resulted. How the fire originated is not known.

to 73c. The Liverpool cables were higher, which added to the strength, and the Buffalo strike was entirely settled—all men being again at work.

Corn and oats made corresponding gains, as well as wheat, closing at a good advance over last night.

The following is a range of prices for today:

OPTIONS	Open	High	Low	Close
Wheat	72 1/2	73 1/4	72 3/4	73 1/4
July	72 1/2	73 1/4	72 3/4	73 1/4
Sept	72 1/2	73 1/4	72 3/4	73 1/4
Oct	72 1/2	73 1/4	72 3/4	73 1/4
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