

LIKE DURANT CASE

MAN FRANCISCO REPORTS ANOTHER MYSTERIOUS MURDER.

Nora Fuller Found Dead—Missing From Her Home for Nearly a Month—Body Lying on a Bed in an Unoccupied House Dead for Some Time.

San Francisco, Feb. 10.—A mysterious murder resembling in some of its features, the noted Durant case, is now puzzling the police department of this city. The body of Nora Fuller, a sixteen-year-old girl, who disappeared from her home January 11, was found lying naked on a bed in the upstairs bedroom of an unoccupied house at 2211 Sutton street, yesterday afternoon. The girl had been dead some time, as decomposition had begun. There was nothing in the house to indicate the means used to take her life, but the posture of the body and its condition, together with the disorder of the room, indicate that the girl was murdered. An autopsy disclosed that death was not due to natural causes. The general theory is that the girl was either strangled or poisoned.

Nora Fuller left home January 11 and met a man known as John Bennett, in response to an advertisement for a girl to take care of a baby. She met the man at a restaurant, and thereafter all knowledge of her was lost. On January 8, the house in which the body of the girl was found, was rented by a man giving the name of C. B. Hawkins. The general descriptions of Bennett and Hawkins tally and it is thought that the two names were aliases of the same man. Both Bennett and Hawkins are said to have been between thirty-five and forty years old. Bennett wore clerical clothes and claimed to have studied for the ministry. A possible motive for the murder is found in the suggestion that the murderer either quarreled with the girl or feared that his relations with her were about to become public.

It is on a Murder.

Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 10.—Rhoda Taylor made written confession to the police of Argentine, Kan., across the river from here, today, that Noah Long, the aged stonemason who disappeared mysteriously from his home there a week today, had been robbed and his body thrown into the Kaw river. Long was an old soldier and had drawn \$10 pension money from the bank on Thursday last. He visited a saloon in Argentine that night, which was the last time he had been seen. Today the police are searching in the river for the body, which, except at the place where it is claimed he was thrown in, is covered with thick ice.

According to the woman's confession, which was signed in the presence of a reporter, Henry Donohue and James Goff were with her and Long at Donohue's house on the night Long disappeared. Donohue, who was infatuated with the woman, had, she asserts, taunted her with not being able to secure the money from Long, who, it appears, has also paid her some attention.

ROBBED AND THROWN IN RIVER.

During the evening, she declares, the men robbed the old man and then compelled her to start with him across a bridge over the Kaw. While in the middle of the bridge the men, she asserts, caught up with them, held Long and ordered her to hurry on and not turn back. A moment later she heard a splash, she says, and knew that they had thrown Long into the water.

Donohue, Dave Moran, a nephew of Long and the Taylor woman, were arrested on Tuesday last and Goff was taken today after she had made the confession. All live in the bottoms along the river. Last night Moran attempted to commit suicide by trying to cut an artery in his wrist.

The nature of the charge against Moran is not known. On the day before Long disappeared Argentine was furnished another mystery in the finding in his bed the dead body of Thomas Carroll, sixty-five years old, who had lived alone for years. He was known to have considerable money and wounds on his head made it appear that he had been murdered by robbers. No clue to his assailants have been found.

Following this, George Zimmerman, aged sixty-three, a farmer, was found dead in his home, where he had lived alone, six miles west of Argentine. The body was frozen stiff. The coroners, however, decided that Zimmerman's death was due to heart disease.

George Town in Waste.

Elberton, Ga., Feb. 10.—Fire here early today destroyed nearly all of the business section of this place, doing damage that is estimated at \$100,000. The city has no fire protection and bucket brigades formed by citizens were of no avail in a temperature of twenty degrees and a high wind. The Tate block, two livery stables, the T. M. Swift block, the new plant of the Southern Bell Telephone company and a dozen more firms were burned.

ANOTHER ARREST

ANOTHER OF BELLWOOD GOULDS IN JAIL.

Charged With Robbing Bank in posts When He Knew the Contents. In solvent George Gould Arrested and Taken to David City.

Bellwood Neb., Feb. 12.—Last night at 9 o'clock Sheriff West drove into town from David City and placed George Gould under arrest, also charged with embezzlement in connection with wrecking the Platte Valley state bank. The sheriff, after making the arrest, immediately took him to David City. The arrest was made at night in order to avoid the possibility of an attempt to lynch the prisoner or other excitement. The prisoner was lodged in the same room in the court house jail with his brothers, A. H. and Dick Mr. Hartwell, the bank examiner, is still at work on the books of the bank and as he proceeds the disclosures as to the forgeries and other work in the bank becomes blacker and blacker.

David City Neb., Feb. 12.—George Gould, of Bellwood, who was arrested last night by Sheriff West, was lodged in jail in this city. George is a brother of A. H. Gould, cashier, and R. C. Gould, assistant cashier, of the defunct Platte Valley state bank. He was clerk in the bank. The complaint filed against him is that he received deposits when he knew the bank was insolvent and that he had knowledge and aided and abetted A. H. Gould in forging of notes and mortgages, and was an accessory in all the crooked transactions connected with the bank. George asserts his innocence and says he can prove that he had nothing whatever to do with any of the crooked transactions. County Attorney Walling says that he has a good case against George and that he was a prominent actor in all of the crookedness connected with the bank.

McCormick Murder Case.

Nebraska City, Neb., Feb. 12.—The attention of the district court was taken up the greater part of the day in trying to get a jury to try the case of the state vs. John McCormick, charged with the murder of Mrs. Maggie Lins ey, who was killed as she stood in the door of her house on the night of November 5 about midnight talking to the defendant. He had been keeping company with the woman who was trying to secure a divorce from her husband. There was only one shot and that entered the left eye passing into her brain, killing her almost instantly. The defendant, it is alleged, then tried to kill himself by shooting himself in the head, but the ball gl need, making only a flesh wound. His defense will now be that he was handed the revolver by the woman and that she caused the same to be discharged by closing the screen door too suddenly.

The following is the jury that will hear the evidence: George W. Parr, James Hickey, Jesse Adams, Peter Schiltzka, J. E. Roberts, Nicholas Dilman, C. S. Russell, F. W. Cooper, R. W. Stokler, M. T. Harrison, T. J. Spatensreger and T. J. Dakan. The case will be on trial all this week.

Has Fight With Wild Steer.

North Bend, Neb., Feb. 12.—George Millar of this place had about as close an escape from death on Sunday last as any man would wish to experience. In company with his family he had been out driving and was helping his wife and three children out of the rig at home, when a wild steer was seen coming toward the party at full trot. The younger boy was wearing a bright garment, which was no doubt the occasion of the animal's hostile exhibition.

Mr. Millar jumped in front of the infuriated beast to protect the child, and in an instant he was knocked down. The steer showed a disposition to do its worst, but as it had no horns it could not gore him. The animal, did, however, try to stamp him with his feet, but he managed to save himself by good maneuvering. Finally he grabbed the steer around the neck and hung on in a determined manner. The best of this warfare gave up the fight and made no further attempt to injure him. Mr. Millar came out of the melee with scarcely a scratch.

Engine Strikes a Head Car.

Hudson, Wis., Feb. 12.—A west-bound freight train today struck a head car, on which were four section men, on the St. Croix bridge. Andrew Swanson and August Johnson, both men with families were instantly killed. Fred Carlson and Charles Johnson received slight injuries. The section crew was trying to reach the east end of the bridge in a driving snow storm before the freight crossed.

Grader Killed by Blast.

Lead, S. D., Feb. 12.—A heavy blast on the Elkhor railroad grade today buried fragments of rock several hundred feet, injuring John Crowley, a grader, so severely that he died a short time after reaching the Lead hospital. Crowley did not retire to a safe distance when the shot was put off. He was forty-five years old and married his family living at Holroke, Mass.

THINK CRISIS NEAR

Young Roosevelt has Change for the Worse.

Groton, Mass., Feb. 11.—Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., the eldest son of President Roosevelt, has double pneumonia. Otherwise his condition is unchanged tonight. The boy is seriously sick, but it is too early to say what the chances are for his recovery.

This was the statement issued by Mr. George Cortelyou, secretary to the president, at 9 o'clock tonight, and was made after a careful examination by Dr. Alexander Lambert, the family physician of President Roosevelt, who arrived here from New York at 6 o'clock tonight.

President and Mrs. Roosevelt spent a long, anxious day at the infirmary awaiting the crisis of the disease which this morning appeared to have taken such a rosy hold of their son. The change for the worse in the boy's condition occurred during the night, and showed itself when the regular morning examination was made by Dr. Shattuck and Dr. Warren. Secretary Cortelyou, who is the only means of communication with the sick room, made the announcement this morning of the patient's serious condition, although he said then it was not alarming.

"His temperature is higher," said Mr. Cortelyou, "and his respiration is weaker than yesterday, but his pulse is better."

He also said there was no immediate chance, only the natural progress of the disease. He announced that the disease had spread and involved both lungs.

This sudden and unfavorable turn warned the president that the most skillful medical treatment was necessary, and so tonight he called to the aid of Drs. Shattuck and Warren his family physician, Dr. Alexander Lambert of New York, an eminent practitioner and a man well acquainted with the boy's physique. The decision to call Dr. Lambert was made after consultation of the physicians and the president, and the doctor left New York at noon, arriving here shortly after 6 o'clock.

LIVING COMES HIGH.

Judge Taft Finds Man's an Expensive Place.

Washington, Feb. 11.—In continuing his statement concerning conditions in the Philippine islands before the senate committee on the Philippines today Governor Taft said that the estimate for preliminary expenses for these islands, not including a consideration of the cost of buildings. It was necessary, he said, to make salaries from 20 to 25 per cent higher than in the United States. In this connection Senator Culbertson made inquiries as to the salaries and allowances of the commissioners paid \$2,000, he asked.

"No," was the reply. "When we first went out the commissioners were each paid \$10,000 and the chairman \$12,000, and in addition there was an allowance of \$3,000 for expenses, making the total \$15,000 and \$17,000, respectively. When I was appointed civil governor I was allowed \$5,000 for my executive duties and \$15,000 for my duties as an executive, making \$20,000. Other commissioners were allowed \$5,000 for their executive services and \$10,000, all in all."

"Is each allowed a private secretary?"

"Yes."

"And you also have a large clerical force?"

"You would think so if you should stop into our offices; you would also get an idea of the necessity for such a force."

"What other allowances are made?"

"None, except that I am allowed, as governor, to live in the Malacanang, the old governor general's place."

"Is it an expensive place?"

"Rather. It costs me \$125 in gold per month to light it and I pay \$3,000 a year out of my own pocket, for servant hire. There are fourteen ponies in the stable, eight of which I own, and I also keep three carriages. The grounds are extensive, but they are lighted by the city of Manila, as any other park would be."

"Are any other members of the commission provided with residences?"

"They are not. All of them pay rent and I can assure you that I would much prefer to pay mine to being required to live at Malacanang and keep up that establishment. If I may be allowed a word personal I would say that my \$175,000 salary last year I had only \$1,000 left at the end of the year, and I am sure that if my illness had not prevented my entertaining to a desirable extent there would have been nothing left of the \$20,000 now paid, and General Wright and Judge Ide have assured me they could save nothing. There is much entertaining necessary and the cost of everything is greater than in Washington. Indeed, money goes so fast there that it seems to melt. There are no perquisites or allowances other than those I have mentioned."

The governor added that the commission had nothing to do with fixing the salaries of their own members, that having been done in Washington, but he said that it was impossible to secure the services of competent men for responsible positions without paying better salaries than are paid here.

New Asylum Opened.

Peoria, Ill., Feb. 11.—The asylum for incurable insane at South Bartonville was opened at noon, when 100 patients from the Jacksonville asylum were brought in on the Chicago, Peoria & St. Louis road. The patients were transferred without the slightest accident, these being the best behaved of the patients at the Jacksonville asylum. Tomorrow a trainload of 100 will be brought in from the Kankakee.

ASSULT A FARMER

MAN WITH ROLL OF MONEY FOLLOWED TO HIS HOME.

Given a Woke Awakening—Baton, Stabbed & Left Unconscious After Violently Resisting the Efforts of Two Desperate Thugs.

Grand Island, Neb., Feb. 14.—Thomas R. Varah, a farmer living five miles southeast of Doniphan, was assaulted and robbed of \$65 in his own home between 9 and 10 o'clock last night. He was alone in the house with his children.

The other members of the family including his son-in-law had gone to a dance a quarter of a mile distant. Varah was awakened by feeling a handkerchief being put over his mouth. He threatened to call his son-in-law but was informed by the robbers that his son-in-law was at a dance thus showing the robbers had been well posted. They ordered him out of bed and down stairs. Varah had been at Hastings the day before and in a business transaction had secured over \$250 in cash. On the way down stairs he took the larger of two rolls of bills and tucked it away leaving only \$65 in his trousers pockets. Upon reaching the lower floor he was ordered to strike a light. When he had done so he made up his mind to fight for it. The robbers soon clubbed him into unconsciousness with the butt end of a revolver also stabbing him in the shoulder and on the fore arm with a knife. During the fight the table tipped over spilling a large amount of milk all over the floor and causing general havoc in the room. The robbers found the \$65 in his wallet, but did not secure the roll of \$185.

The children ran to a neighbor's house and gave the alarm and a search was immediately made but there is no clue. Dr. Stone, of Doniphan, was called to attend the injured man bringing him back to consciousness after two hours. Both men wore duck coats and one corduroy trousers. Both had white masks. One is especially tall. It is believed the thugs became cognizant at Hastings that Varah had secured quite a roll of money and followed, located and robbed him the next night.

Clotting a Mass of Flames.

Callaway, Neb., Feb. 14.—While handling gasoline last evening Mrs. D. L. Hopkins wife of a merchant of this place threw some of it into a pail which was sitting just inside the door. A few minutes later she was trimming the lamp and held it over the pail so that the char would fall into it which when it fell ignited the gasoline. The flames hot up, and Mrs. Hopkins grabbed the pail and started for the door to throw it out, when her clothing caught on fire, and caused her to drop the pail. In a moment's time her dress and the whole inside of the room was a mass of flame. A nephew just then stepped in and immediately grabbed Mrs. Hopkins, which saved her life. As it is she has a badly burned hand, arm, shoulder, and back, and will be confined to her bed for some time to come. The fire in the room was extinguished with but little damage.

A baby was lying on the bed in an adjoining room, and as soon as the flames were extinguished from its mother's clothing, she grabbed the child and ran to her husband's store, a distance of half a block, and although her clothing was still smoldering, the child escaped without a burn. It was a narrow escape for both Mrs. Hopkins and the building.

Celebrate Lincoln Day.

Fairbury, Neb., Feb. 14.—Russell Post, G. A. R., of this city, celebrated Lincoln's birthday with an appropriate program at their hall last night. The program was in the nature of a campfire, the speeches all being impromptu. Among those who spoke interestingly of the life of Abraham Lincoln was Lieutenant Governor Steiss and Hon. J. W. Thompson. The talks were interspersed with music and an elaborate banquet was served at the conclusion.

Nelson, Neb., Feb. 14.—Lincoln's birthday was fittingly observed by the Nelson high school and great interest was shown. Hon. R. D. Sutherland was present and delivered an eloquent patriotic talk to the scholars.

Plattsmouth, Neb., Feb. 14.—The anniversary of Abraham Lincoln's birthday was observed in this city under the auspices of McConville post, G. A. R. Appropriate addresses, highly reviewing the life, works, and character of Lincoln, were delivered by A. L. Todd, C. S. Parks, G. A. Raxel and Matthew Gering. The music was furnished by Miss Clara Street and a quartet of young ladies.

Accident to a Young Woman. Plattsmouth, Neb., Feb. 14.—The work of sinking the gasolin for the new pier to be erected under the Burlington bridge at this place is progressing rapidly. One of the men employed in the gasolin met with a peculiar accident today which may result in his sense of hearing being partially destroyed. While at work below, the air pressure became so heavy as to dislodge one of his ear drums, forcing it inward.

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OUT-OF-DOOR PUMPKIN PIE.

In This Case It Was Fried, but It Proved the Real Thing.

Among the golden concoctions of autumn is that too become gastronomically known as pumpkin pie, and with its first appearance at a Detroit restaurant a little group of men waxed enthusiastic.

"Pumpkin pie made indoors is generally plenty good enough," one man remarked, "but did any of you ever eat pumpkin pie made out of doors?" "Not one of the men had ever had such an unusual experience.

"Well," explained the man who had, "just wait till you eat pumpkin pie made out of doors—that's the real thing, I tell you! A good many years ago I made an overland trip to California in a wagon with my sister, her husband and two children, a boy and a girl. The poor man was threatened with consumption and his doctor said such a journey might build him up. It did help him for the time, but he finally had to die.

"We had a grand trip, however, an experience to be remembered a lifetime. Along the way, in October, at all the farms pumpkins were just going to waste. In Kansas, I think it was, we found pumpkin vines and big yellow pumpkins outside of the fences, often for a mile or so on both sides of the road. One day my brother said: "Why can't we have some pumpkin pies? Susie, you can make pumpkin pies, can't you?"

"Susie said she could; and if we would get the pumpkin she would see what she could do. So one morning, in camp under a big tree, she went to work at the pies. I remember we all helped; even the youngsters peeled. We had only a little monkey stove to cook in and how do you think Susie managed? She rolled the dough out with a bottle, put the pie in an iron skillet with a piepan over it and baked it on top of the little monkey stove.

"Honestly, that outdoor pumpkin pie tasted better than anything I ever ate in my life," declared the enthusiast, according to the Detroit Free Press. "Susie made three, I remember, and I ate three-quarters apiece—and I wish we had more."

2 EN. MILES' ABDOMINAL WOUND

Missie Ball Gave Him Injuries Like the Late President's.

Soon after the attempt upon the life of the late President McKinley at Buffalo some army officers were discussing in the office of Lieut. Gen. Miles the percentage of recovery from abdominal wounds, when the general took part in the conversation. "I presume," he said, "I am one of the few persons so wounded that ever recovered. On May 1, 1873, while heading back at the head of my regiment, a rush was made by Anderson's men on Hooker's left wing near the Chambersville House. I was struck by a mine ball, which penetrated my abdomen an inch and a half to the left of the navel, tore through the liver and lodged in the muscles of the back. When the surgeon of the regiment reached me I asked him how long I had to live. In a tone which I thought was very unconcerned he replied, 'About forty-eight hours.' I doubted the veracity of the surgeon on the spot, and told him that I did not think it was as bad as that. He refused to argue the matter with me, and with the aid of an assistant, proceeded to probe for the ball and then sew me up. Left to my meditations, I determined to fool the doctor. As the days passed my temperature subsided, the wound healed as nicely as could have been expected, and in three months' time I was on my feet again.

The 'Medical History of the Civil War' has a full history of the case, which is set down as a most remarkable recovery from an intestinal wound."—Philadelphia Ledger.

Sweetest in the World. A stonily made little fellow of 8, to his mother, who happened to be extremely thin: "Oh, mother, I do believe you must be the very sweetest woman in the world!" "Thanks, very much, Lawrence. But why so affectionate? What do you want?" "I don't want anything. I only know you must be the very sweetest woman in the world!" "Really you are too flattering. Why this sudden outburst of affection?" "Well, you know, I've been thinking over the old old saying, 'The nearer the bone, the sweeter the meat.'"—The Strand.

Bees' Venom for Rheumatism.

Dr. Terz, a medical man of much repute in Vienna, advocates as an effective remedy for rheumatism the saturation of the patient's body with the venom of bees. For the purpose he extracts the venom, transferring it up in quantity and applying it artfully in the way of punctures. He found that the transference or swelling that follows the stinging of a bee does not appear in the rheumatic patient unless he has been stung several times, while in some cases the stinging is hardly felt.—London Globe.

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NEBRASKA NOTES

Bellwood has a new bank.

Columbus' new \$25,000 theater has been formerly opened.

Saunders county talks of building a new courthouse.

The state fair at Lincoln will be held August 20 to September 5.

The four weeks' religious revival at Falls City resulted in 180 additions to the Methodist Episcopal church.

The Columbus and Albion high schools will hold a joint debate at Albion on March 14.

Plans are being laid for a racing circuit, including the fair associations of Johnson, Pawnee and Richardson counties, Neb., and Nemaha and Brown counties, Kan.

Sheridan county people are agitating the question of building a new courthouse. The present one is small and does not afford sufficient protection to the county records.

Hunters have been successful lately in killing several wolves in the vicinity of Tekamah. In addition to ridding the community of the wolves the chase has afforded splendid sport.

Chris Gunlock, a farmer at Waco, is losing cattle from cornstalk trouble. Several of his neighbors are losing cattle and some have lost valuable horses.

Plattsmouth News: We hope the Coughing epidemic which is prevalent in Wellington will not reach this part of the country, but it is not likely that this disease would become very popular with the serious Nebraskan.

The Albion News is one of the offices that is now showing signs of prosperity to the extent of putting in a first-class cylinder press to take the place of one that has done duty for several years.

Romaine Timmerman of Stella, fell from a haystack and was injured so that for sometime all the lower part of his body was paralyzed. He is slowly recovering, but has not entirely recovered the use of his limbs.

Keya Paha county is without a railroad, and the people of Springfield are agitating the question of constructing an electric line from that place to some point on the Elkhorn railroad, preferably Newport or Bassett.

Miss Lydia Hahlbeck, who works for the Ideal laundry at Fremont, had two fingers crushed and one fractured this morning by getting them caught in the rollers of the color machine. She will probably not lose any portion of the fingers, except one of the nails.

Farmers in several parts of the state have been swindled recently on a new scheme. A man who pretends to hail from Chicago has been around offering \$5 for the privilege of hunting on the farmer's land. The offer accepted, the sharper takes a receipt, which later turns up in the hands of an innocent purchaser as a note with the figures raised to \$50.

A man and a woman, strangers, accompanied by a little girl, came into the residence of James Muncey of Crete, and asked the privilege of warming themselves. This was cheerfully granted. A short time after the man and woman slipped out, leaving the little girl with Mr. Muncey. The officers were notified and the pair traced to Lincoln and compelled to take the child and provide for it.

The Union Pacific has been given a verdict in the suit for \$20,500 damages brought against it by one Tully, of Fremont, for injuries alleged to have been sustained by being struck at a grade crossing at BayState. The defense was contributory negligence. Tully being contended the plaintiff did not take the precaution of ascertaining whether a train was approaching. The jury was out for five hours.

A grain elevator, together with 500 bushels of grain, belonging to the Fines Grain company of Julian, was destroyed by fire. The loss is about \$2,000; insurance, \$1,500. The fire is believed to have been started by traps in a box car along side the elevator. A man giving his name as Charles Hall, was arrested at Nebraska City charged with the offense, and was arraigned before the county court. He entered a plea of guilty and offered as an excuse that he was cold had no money and started a fire in the car to get warm.

L. A. Bates of Springfield, had visions of a bank robbery one night recently. He was awakened from slumber by what sounded like an explosion. He speedily summoned the cashier and the two hastened to the bank. The moment they attempted to enter the automatic burglar alarm went off, raising the whole town. The cause of the original disturbance has not been located, as no attempt had been made to rob the bank.