

KILLED BY A RANDOM SHOT

The Peculiar and Tragical Ending of a Midnight Carousal.

HE WAS NOT DRUNK BUT DYING.

Jacob Richardson Killed by a Shot Supposed to Have Been Fired by Officer White—Other Local Matters.

A Sensational Shooting.

"That's the drunkest man I ever saw in my life," remarked Patrol Conductor Crawford at 2:30 o'clock yesterday morning as he carried into the police station a man who died at 6 o'clock from the effect of a bullet supposed to be from Police Officer White's revolver. The circumstances of the shooting and the subsequent history of the case are sensational and peculiar. The man in question, as he was searched by Jailer Sigwart, was apparently lifeless, but managed to mutter that his name was Jacob Richardson. He was carried into a cell and registered as a dead drunk. No more attention was paid to him until nearly 6 o'clock yesterday morning, when Jailer Sigwart was attracted by his groans and went into the cell to find him unconscious and sinking rapidly. Dr. Leisenring, the city physician, was summoned and arrived just before the man died, at a few minutes past 6 o'clock. A report had reached the authorities at this time that the

MAN HAD BEEN POISONED,

and the doctor, after a hasty examination, expressed the opinion that such might have been the case. With this theory of the man's death in mind Deputy Marshal McDonald and Officer Turnbull started out to investigate the case. They first found a man named McGuire who claimed to know a man who had seen a saloon keeper put drugs in a drink which had been ordered by Richardson. McGuire's story was that the saloon keeper and Richardson had quarreled about a woman and that the saloon keeper had adopted this desperate method of getting even with his rival. The man who was supposed to know all about it was a fellow named Paulsen, who lived on Thirtieth street, in the northern part of the city. On their way to Paulsen's place the officers were overtaken by a report that the coroner had discovered that Richardson's death had been caused by a bullet wound, and that Officer William White was supposed to have fired the fatal shot. In inquiry at the coroner's office confirmed the truth of the report. Immediately after Richardson's death Coroner Drexel was notified and took charge of the remains, which were removed about 8 o'clock to the undertaking establishment of Drexel & Maul, to be prepared for burial. About 10 o'clock the undertaker's attendants, while engaged in removing the dead man's clothing, found the part of his underwear covering his back and right side saturated with blood. The clothing was hastily removed and the blood washed from the man's body.

REVEALING A BULLET HOLE

in his right side, between the fourth and fifth ribs and about two inches to the right of the back bone. A blue mark about three inches to the left of the right nipple showed the location of the bullet. Dr. Wilcox was summoned and removed the bullet, which was a .38 calibre from a Smith & Wesson revolver. The upward course of the bullet had made a wound which closed up on the surface, causing the man to bleed internally. As soon as this fact was made known McDonald and Turnbull went to Officer White's home on California street. The officer was found in bed and told that he was wanted down at the Central station. After his dinner he accompanied the officers and on the way to the station was told of the death of Richardson, who was supposed to be one of the men who had assaulted White on Sixteenth street yesterday morning. The announcement came with the force of a stunning surprise to Mr. White, who had not dreamed that the shots he had fired at the men on Sixteenth street had taken any effect.

Officer White's Statement.

Officer White was taken to the police station, where he will be held to await the action of the coroner's jury, which will meet at 9 o'clock this morning. His story of the trouble, told to his fellow officers in presence of a Bee reporter, is as follows:

"For the past week a gang of fellows have been emitting all kinds of deprecations on Sixteenth street, tearing down signs and throwing them into the gutter. Last night on this morning about 1 o'clock I saw four of them come out of Kupaw's saloon on Sixteenth street, near Burt, and heard that they were pretty loud. I stepped into a dark doorway between Burt and Cuming and waited for them to come along. When they appeared they had a barber pole that had been torn from the sidewalk in front of a shop and were carrying it along on their shoulders, two at each end. I stopped them and ordered them to get the pole back to the place where they got it. They very reluctantly obeyed my order, cursing me as they went along. When they had set the sign up by the window where they found it, I went to consider myself under arrest and started toward the police station expecting to meet Bloom on the next beat and get his assistance. I was walking between two of the men and had the other two ahead of me. The two fellows in front began to walk pretty fast and had gained considerable distance when we reached Whitehouse's drug store at the corner of Sixteenth and Webster. At this point the two men in front broke and ran west on Webster street. I tried to get my two men to hurry to the corner, and was pushing them along when the big fellow on my right hit me and knocked me down. As I fell both men kicked me and started to run. As I fell I put my right hand and fell on my right side. I reached into my pocket and got my revolver into my left hand, then taking it into my right raised upon my elbow and

FIRE TWO SHOTS.

The men at this time were a half block away, and when I got on my feet they were out of sight. I was going north on Sixteenth street. I walked up the street a block but saw nothing of them, and so turned back down the street. I met Officer Bloom, who told me that he had seen a man walking together and found a man lying on the sidewalk just west of Quinn's saloon. He was apparently lifelessly drunk, so we called the patrol wagon and had him taken to the station as a drunk. On our way back we met Captain Cornick and Sergeant Mostyn, who had heard of my row through a cab driver and came to see what was up. I told them the facts in the case just as I have told them to you. I did not know that I had hit either of the men when I shot at them, but now recognize Richardson as one of the party I arrested. I think I could recognize one of them, a big fellow, who struck me."

The Four Men.

After considerable search yesterday the police succeeded in locating the three men who were with Richardson when the row occurred which ended his life. They are Grant Kountzeman, the son of a well known citizen, David March, a brickman on the Minneapolis & Omaha route, and Jack Lowrey, an engineer on the "Elkhorn Valley" road. Two of these men were found and will be held as witnesses.

END OF A BUSY LIFE.

The Death of Dr. James P. Peck at His Home Yesterday.

At a few minutes past 5 o'clock yesterday morning Dr. James P. Peck died at his residence at the corner of Eighteenth and Davenport streets, after an illness of three weeks' duration. Three weeks ago on Saturday the doctor was taken with a sinking spell, which was not considered in a serious light. He visited his office twice on that day, but on the following Monday was again attacked by the fainting spells, which continued to his bed. Dr. Somers was called to visit his fellow physician, and after an investigation pronounced that he was affected with a slight enlargement of the heart. Notwithstanding every possible medical attention was given to the doctor he continued to fail gradually. On Monday last a severe cold was made his appearance and the disease fastened upon both lungs of the patient after which he failed rapidly until his death. In the demise of Dr. Peck Omaha loses one of its best physicians, an able and an honorable, respected citizen. For thirty years he has pursued his calling in Omaha with credit to his profession and honor to his character. A man of strict integrity, he established himself firmly in the esteem of a community that will mourn his death. Subjoined is a brief sketch of the busy life of the deceased:

James Porter Peck, M. D., second son of Sherman and Anna Peck, was born in Stow township, then Portage (now Summit) county, Ohio, October 17, 1821.

During his boyhood he was employed afterwards, in 1838, to Cayuga Falls, both in Summit county. At the age of ten years he was sent to the office of the Ohio Observer, near Columbus, Ohio, where he worked most of the time until the age of nineteen. While employed in the office of the Ohio Observer he had a violent attack of cholera, which he overcame, and he began the study of medicine, devoting such leisure time thereto as he had, and finally in the spring of 1842 he went to Chillicothe and regular attendance at the office of Dr. Willis, but from sickness was obliged to abandon the study that year for some vacation that would afford means of subsistence. In the fall of 1842, there being a division on the part of the great political parties, he was employed to go to Cincinnati and purchase material for a printing office, and published a campaign paper at Chillicothe, and afterwards, until the spring of 1843, was employed in the dry goods trade as salesman at Chillicothe and Circleville, when he returned to Akron, O., and resumed the study of medicine in the office of Dr. Evans, D., and the following winter attended his first course of lectures. During the memorable cholera epidemic of 1849, in company with his preceptor, he went to Sandusky, where the disease had been so fatal and the panic so great that every physician had left the city, and he was immediately completely suspended. He remained there seven days and until Dr. Evans was attacked, who was immediately taken aboard a steamer and run down to Cleveland. The doctor graduated at the Cleveland medical college in the spring of 1850, the graduating class number being seventy-three. He located at Akron, and in June was married to Elizabeth H. Ames, daughter of Elijah Ames, of New Orleans, La. He remained at Akron until 1851, when, with his wife and two sons, he removed to Omaha, Neb. He has since that time been engaged in the practice of his profession. In early days he was often called to the sick, and he has had and other important cases, including the hardships incident to a new and sparsely populated country.

People's Theater.

The Edwin Stuart Theater company played to a jammed, packed house, with every available space of standing room taken last night. The large audience present manifested their approval of the play by frequent applause. To-night the grand five-act play by Sir Edward Bulwer Lytton, entitled "The Lady of Lyons," will be produced with an excellent cast of characters. The favorite actress, Lilian Stuart, who has made such an excellent impression on our theater-goers, will assume the character of Pauline, the lady of Lyons, in which she has appeared upwards of one hundred nights in large and cultivated audiences. The costumes worn by this lady are superb, consisting of hand-painted and hand-embroidered satin, silk, velvet and plush in train process, which have to be taken, which is an important feature when children have to take medicine.

A Plain Business Letter.

D. W. Morris, wholesale and retail druggist, 139 Commercial street, Emporia, Mo., Feb. 19, 1887.—GENTLEMEN: In sending to you the enclosed order for a gross of your Cough Remedy, allow me to say that without any exception it is the best selling goods in the market. I have sold a great amount of it during the past year to the citizens of this place, and have the first complaint to bear. It is the best article to use for cough, I ever sold, being pleasant to take, which is an important feature when children have to take medicine.

W. G. Albright's South Omaha Office

will be opened soon in charge of Mr. John M. Campbell, who will have horses and buggies ready at all times to convey intending purchasers to the valuable business and residence property known as ALBRIGHT'S CHOICE.

A Bargain.

Lots 1, 2, 7 and 8, block 16, and lots 7 and 8, block 9, of Adams' addition. Each lot 66x128 feet; 3 of them corners. Improvements cost \$7,000. Will sell the whole bunch for \$17,000. This is the greatest bargain offered to-day. The Leavoy street front alone is worth the money.

DIED.

BOGNE—Mary Ann, beloved daughter of Virgil G. and Sybil R. Bogue, born in Portland, Oregon, September 22, 1862, died in Omaha, Neb., February 19, 1887.

Moith-Royce.

The wrestling match between Charles Moith, the Graeco-Roman champion, and Adolph Royce, the turnbuckle favorite, will take place on next Friday evening at the exposition building, which occurred for that date. In addition to the feature of the evening the turners will give an exhibition to which will be added a sparring match between local pugilists. All of the athletes will appear in full lights, making the entertainment one that ladies can attend as well as gentlemen.

The Patti Concert.

This morning at 10 o'clock the sale of tickets for the Patti concert will be continued at Max Meyer's store at the corner of Farnam and Eleventh streets. There will be a large demand, because the people were not satisfied before the sale had closed in Saturday. There is a number of first class seats yet to be had, and a demand for many of them will be felt by citizens from all of the surrounding towns. Patti reaches here on Wednesday next with her company and orchestra. The programme has already been announced and it is certain that the audience will be the largest that has ever appeared in this city.

Corner Lots

Are good, and the corners of 33rd and Cuming streets are very good. We will sell the N. W. corner Adams' feet with two stores and two houses, for \$15,000, and the S. E. corner, 66x132, for \$20,000. Sixty days hence, when these prices are advanced 35 per cent, somebody will wish they had bought them. The Real Estate & Trust Co., 15th and Harney.

A Sneakthief's Big Hunt.

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