

SAD DOMESTIC TRAGEDY

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SUSPICIOUS FEATURES OF THE CASE

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LINCOLN, April 16.—(Special to The Bee.)—The particulars of a sad domestic tragedy, involving the lives of two former citizens of Lincoln, reached the city today.

The tragedy occurred at Frisco, Texas, on the 14th inst. Mrs. Clark Gillespie, formerly of Lincoln, and her husband, who had been residents of Lincoln for several years, and who moved to San Francisco last month, Gillespie was a B. & M. engineer, and came to this city in 1888 to take the place of one of the brother-in-law engineers almost at the outset of the great strike. He was a cross, surly fellow and soon made himself unpopular with his fellow engineers. He held his position several years, however, and on last Christmas was married to Miss Nellie Lamb, a 19-year-old girl of this city of good family. The couple went to housekeeping on R street. It was Gillespie's second experience in wedded bliss, his former wife having died, leaving him a little boy, who was killed by one of the hose wagons in this city in 1889 while the department was running a fire. About a month after the death of his wife, Gillespie moved, and moved with his wife to San Francisco, where they lived with an aunt of Mrs. Gillespie's. Gillespie was a very suspicious disposition, and was continually accusing his young wife of unfaithfulness. On April 7 the two had a violent quarrel and at its close, according to the story told by Mrs. Gillespie, her husband picked up a revolver which her husband had placed on the table, and, running into an adjoining room, shot herself through the breast. Gillespie was unable to run to her as quickly as possible, but she was dying, and only had time to gasp out the words, "I did it," before she breathed her last. But the circumstances surrounding the unfortunate affair were so mysterious that Gillespie is under arrest.

SLOT MACHINES MUST GO

Chief of Police Cooper's afternoon issued an order requiring the removal of all slot machines from the city. There has been quite a boom for these gambling devices in Lincoln lately. One man has placed twelve machines in as many saloons and clear stores and his profits are estimated at from \$4 to \$5 per week. The law and the chief element of the city has been making an emphatic protest against the use of the machines, denouncing them as gambling devices and a nuisance. With the disappearance of these little machines the people of Lincoln will have no receptacles for their avaricious nicks but the chief of police has issued an order which a year or two since stood around in everybody's way have been taken out some time since.

CLAIMS IT IS ALL A JOKE

William Clarke, living at 1327 N street, in this city, is under arrest as a result of a futile attempt to secure his wife. They have not been living happily together and yesterday she abused her and she caused his arrest. She told the police that he had killed a man named Riley, and that she had killed a man named Clarke, and that she had killed a man named Riley. She also claimed that she had killed a man named Clarke. The chief of police is making an investigation into the matter.

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A man who answers to the somewhat unpronounceable name of John Schiapacasse was severely injured by the explosion of a gasoline stove last evening. At Sixton, the man accused of shooting at and killing his neighbor, James Frasier, was this morning released, after paying a fine of \$10 for felonious assault. The State University club has returned from a financial and musical success. The advertised game of ball between the Lincoln and Kansas City Western league teams did not come off this morning, owing to the non-arrival of the clubs. The game will be played tomorrow afternoon.

IRRIGATION CONVENTION CALLED

Committee at McCook Working to Make the Gathering There a Success.

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DODGE COUNTY NOTES

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