

THE MURDER OF WILLIAM CLARKE.

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ST. HELENA, Jan. 21.—The chain of evidence connecting George Clark with the murder of his brother William yesterday morning is being made stronger. It has been found that on the morning of the murder George set his alarm clock for 4:30 o'clock. The murder was committed at 5, and although it was evident George had intended to rise early, yet when the officers went to his room at 7, George was apparently sleeping. His boots were covered with fresh mud, and fitted exactly the tracks from his cottage to his brother's house, although George says he was not out from early the previous night.

A paper has been found containing a statement purporting to have been written by the murdered man, which says he is tired of life and intends to commit suicide; that he had placed the strychnine in his coffee, and that "George is innocent."

A box of cartridges was found in George's room. George at first denied the ownership of the pistol found beside his dead body, but subsequently admitted he had bought the weapon a few weeks ago, and says it was stolen from him a few days later.

George Clark strenuously denies all knowledge of the crime, and declares that his brother took his own life. He adds, however, that if it is clearly proven that his brother was murdered, he can implicate a person, whom no one at present suspects.

Many peculiar rumors are in circulation to the effect that another is equally as blameworthy as the prisoner, and predictions are made that the trial will develop some decided sensations. It has been freely stated that George Clark was in love with his brother's wife, although absolutely no proof of this assertion has developed.

The prisoner has been taken to Napa and lodged in the County Jail.

George Clark is tall and slight, of a flighty disposition, and it has often been said that he is mentally unsound. He is very excitable and nervous, and many believe that if he is guilty he will probably break down and confess before his trial is over.

OAKLAND RACES.

Buck Massie Easily Beats Oyster Joe and The Roman.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 21.—Buck Massie is now thoroughly acclimated. He ran in his old-time form to-day, and fairly smothered such horses as Oyster Joe, The Roman and Tom Cromwell. He assumed the lead as soon as the barrier went up, and neither The Roman nor Oyster Joe were ever able to make the race of Hanover extend himself. Results: Six furlongs, Zamar II. (Conley), 2 1/2 to 1, won; Caliente (H. Martin), 3 to 1, second; Offense (Gray), 2 1/2 to 1, third. Time—1:15 1/4. Colonial Dame, Al Konan, Diggs, Master Mariner, R. Q. Ban, Towanda and Mamie G. also ran.

Seven furlongs, Judge Stouffer (Spencer), 20 to 1, won; Kamsin (Conley), 6 to 1, second; Lost Girl (McNichols), 12 to 1, third. Time—1:28 1/4. Aquinas, Howard, Polish, Major Cook, Little Singer, Roadwarmer, Walter J. and Sardou also ran.

One mile, Shasta Water (Thorpe), 6 to 5, won; Serena (Gray), 6 to 1, second; Fashion Plate (Clawson), 6 to 1, third. Time—1:42. Lena, Newsgatherer, Double Quick and Lorena II. also ran.

Two miles, Buck Massie (H. Martin), 3 to 10, won; Oyster Joe (Thurville), 7 to 1, second; The Roman (W. Martin), 3 to 1, third. Time—1:48. Tom Cromwell also ran.

Three miles, Our Climate (Conley), 8 to 1, won; Rufaba (Jones), 12 to 1, second; Cromwell (Kiley), 8 to 5, third. Time—2:08. Compton, Wagoner, Bulldolph, Florinel, Mulberry and Outgo also ran.

Eleven sixteenths of a mile, May W. (Jones), 6 to 5, won; Tea Rose (Clawson), 6 to 5, second; I Don't Know (Thorpe), 15 to 1, third. Time—1:07 1/2. Hornstone, Barnstone, Red Spinner and Foremost also ran.

ROWE AND KELLY.

The Youthful Highwaymen Sentenced to State's Prison.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 21.—George Rowe and Frank Kelly, two of a trio of youthful highwaymen, arrested for assaulting and robbing Isidor Goulet, an old man, were sentenced by Judge Wallace to-day. Rowe was committed to San Quentin for ten years, and Kelly to the same prison for seven years. Goulet was beaten and narrowly escaped death from the injuries he received.

"Bert" Grey, the third member of the party, was tried before a jury last week, and acquitted.

A SISKIYOU TRAGEDY.

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YREKA, Jan. 21.—Morris Cronin, a mining man, shot and fatally wounded his brother Patrick, this afternoon about four miles below Sawyer's Bar. The brothers had been on unfriendly terms for some time, having had trouble over a mining claim.

About 3 o'clock this afternoon Cronin met his brother Patrick on the trail and shot him three times, once through the groin, once in the neck and once in the leg. The doctor who was summoned has pronounced the wounds fatal, and the brother who did the shooting gave himself up this evening.

Sheriff Hobbs has sent a deputy over the mountain to bring the prisoner to Yreka.

LAVEAGA WILL CASE.

The Supreme Court Renders a Decision in the Matter.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 21.—The Supreme Court to-day rendered a decision in the Laveaga will case settling the protracted litigation, and establishing as law that the intentions of a testator must be considered in the wording of his will.

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OHIO LEGISLATIVE SCANDAL.

INVESTIGATION OF BRIBERY CHARGES.

The Committee Holds a Session at Cincinnati—Hotel Manager Dunbar's Testimony.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 21.—The legislative committee investigating the charges of bribery in the recent election of a United States Senator at Columbus, held a session here to-night, to continue its sittings here to-morrow.

The examination was held in the assembly room of the Gibson House. It is charged in resolutions adopted separately by both branches of the Ohio Legislature that H. H. Boyce of New York, who was the Gibson House in this city a few days before the halting of the United States Senator began, and made a proposition of bribery to Representative Otis. Boyce stopped at the Gibson House.

It is charged by members of the committee that Boyce fled from this city on Monday, January 19th, and that he cannot now be located, although the committee has exhausted its resources in trying to secure his attendance as a witness.

The committee was given quite a telephone exhibition before it assembled. The Great Eastern Hotel at Columbus (the anti-Hanna men during the recent contest), was called up, and while the committee was talking in the private office of the Gibson House with parties in Columbus, Jerry Bliss and his stenographer, took down the conversation of the anti-Hanna men during the recent contest, was called up, and while the committee was talking in the private office of the Gibson House with parties in Columbus, Jerry Bliss and his stenographer, took down the conversation of the anti-Hanna men during the recent contest.

DISASTER OFF PUT-IN-BAY.

Two Hundred People Narrowly Escape Death.

SANDUSKY (Ohio), Jan. 21.—The steamer Annelie, which arrived here from the island region, brought the news of a disaster off Put-In-Bay by which the lives of 200 people were placed in imminent peril.

During the winter, when the ice is strong enough to hold them, large numbers of the residents of the island region engage in fishing through the ice. Small houses large enough to accommodate two to six people are taken out on the lake on sleds, holes are cut through the ice, and the houses, which have temperatures in the floors, are placed over the holes. Quite as many women as men occupy the houses.

Yesterday, while about 200 men and women were in the little houses a terrific gale sprang up suddenly, the wind, reaching a velocity of between 30 and 60 miles an hour. The wind had a clean sweep across the lake and struck these little houses with terrific force, tipping some of them over and carrying others away across the ice. Many of the people were severely cut and bruised.

The wind, which was off shore, was so fierce that the ice, weakened by rain that morning, began to crack and break along the shore. A line of blue water that marked the break began to widen with alarming speed. Men and women began a mad rush to ward the shore, from which relief parties in small boats had commenced to put off to the rescue. The shores of Put-In-Bay were lined with relatives and friends of the people on the drifting ice. Rescuing parties forced their boats in among the broken cakes of ice, at the imminent risk of losing their own lives. Their attention was given first to those who had fallen into the water, and after they were all picked up, those who were drifting out on the cakes of ice were taken off. Many of these were saved, and some of them were unconscious. The rescuers worked heroically in the face of great dangers, and succeeded in bringing to shore every one of the 200 people.

A SHOOTING IN ARIZONA.

William Neelan, a Gambler, Fatally Wounded.

WHITE HILLS (Ariz.), Jan. 21.—Another shooting affray occurred here last evening, which will probably result in the death of one man, William Neelan, a gambler, who had been terrorizing the town for some time. Last night he accosted John Brown, a miner employed by the White Hills M. & M. Company, as he was coming from his cabin, and said: "Have you a gun?"

BEST OF ALL.

A Washington Man Appreciates Our State Capital.

W. D. Nichols, the urbane gentleman who does the honors of the State Capitol building, and shows all its interesting points to strangers, was a short time ago the recipient of a letter from Washington, D. C., saying that the writer was making a collection of pictures of the various Capitol buildings in the United States, and asking him to forward one of our State Capitol.

Inventor Bazin Dead.

PARIS, Jan. 21.—Ernest Bazin, the inventor of the roller steamer, is dead. M. Bazin had owned a vessel, which was claimed would cross the Atlantic from Havre to New York in about five days. The vessel, named

"The Nonpareil" All Trimmed Hats Greatly Reduced.

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No Longer Pastor. Leslie Reynolds Drake, formerly pastor of the First Christian Church, is no longer connected with the church as its pastor, and the pulpit will be filled on Sunday morning by the elders of the church. Set for Hearing. The cases of the parties arrested in Washington for pool selling have been set for hearing before Judge Ruggles on Friday next. It is a wise old saw that cuts with its witson's teeth.