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DROWNED AT SAN SOUCI

E. T. FRENCH, A VISITOR, DIES IN THE WATER.

Sad Ending of a Young Man from San Francisco—Seized With Cramps While Bathing—Body Recovered.

E. T. French, a tourist from San Francisco, who came down on the last Australia and has been stopping at San Souci for several days, was drowned in the surf about 9:30 o'clock this forenoon. The body was recovered by natives about three hours later. No one witnessed the accident except a native in the employ of Mr. Irwin, who was a long way off at the time, and could render no assistance. For this reason the exact spot where the young man went down could not be determined, and it was only after a long, systematic search that the body was recovered.

It is believed that French was taken with cramps while swimming. He was a good swimmer, and no other credible cause can be assigned for the accident. During the past three days French had been a guest at San Souci hotel, and was very fond of bathing. This morning he got up a little before 9 o'clock, and had breakfast, eating quite heartily. Twenty minutes later he appeared on the lanai in his bathing suit, and started for the beach.

There were no bathers in the surf, but, being good swimmer, French did not hesitate to go in alone. He must have swam out into the "channel" where the water is quite deep. There it is probable that he was taken with a cramp. A native working in the Irwin garden, adjoining the hotel property, heard a faint cry or help, and, looking toward the ocean, saw a commotion in the water about seventy-five yards off shore, and a man's hand waving frantically. It was probably the drowning man's last struggle, for the water soon became quiet.

Alarmed by what he saw, the native rushed into the house to call Mr. Irwin. Word was immediately sent to the hotel, and Mr. Lycurgus at once sent out a searching party. Three natives, all expert swimmers, put off in a canoe, and after a diligent search, discovered the body on the sandy bottom, in the channel, about seventy-five yards off shore. It was then 12:15 p. m., and there could be no doubt that life was extinct, so that no effort was made to resuscitate the body.

Marshal Brown and American Consul General Mills were notified of the accident shortly after 10 o'clock. The former sent Capt. Renken and Officer Dickerson of the Mounted Patrol to the scene, where they remained until the body was recovered. Consul General Mills, accompanied by a Star reporter, also went to the scene.

Mrs. O. Jennings, the grandmother of the deceased, who accompanied him here from the Coast, was at the Hawaiian hotel when she was informed by telephone of the accident, about 10:30 o'clock. She went immediately to the beach, accompanied by Mrs. Dr. Woods, and was there when the body was recovered. Mrs. Jennings was prostrated by the blow. The young man was her favorite and constant companion. The greatest sympathy for her was expressed by the throng of people who gathered at the beach and watched the search for and recovery of the body.

French was about 27 years of age. His home is in San Francisco, and he had a wide circle of acquaintances there. Of recent years he had been marked as a victim by dread consumption, and his grandmother, bent on making his last days happy, induced him to accompany her on a trip to Honolulu, intending to take him afterward to the Orient or to Australia, as he should choose. The young man was devoted to his grandmother. They have been staying at the Hawaiian hotel since the arrival of the Australia, up to three days ago, when French went to live at the San Souci hotel.

Later information from the beach is that John Marshall swam out to try and recover French's body, but was unable to find it. The body was found by the natives in four feet of water about 150 feet from the spot where French is supposed to have been drowned.

Dr. Wood took charge of the funeral arrangements. Ed Williams will embalm the body and prepare it for shipment to San Francisco by the next steamer.

TO LIVE IN ENGLAND.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker to Leave Honolulu.

The pretty Walker residence, nestled among the tropical plants on King street, is for sale. Its owner, Mr. Thomas Rain Walker, and Mrs. Walker will bid aloha to their many friends in Honolulu and Hawaii sometime in April and will sail for England. They will reside in London for the next two or three years.

Mr. Walker does not intend to close out all of his interests in the islands, but expects to visit the country at least once a year. At present he is a director in the big mercantile firm of Theo. H. Davies & Company, and is also identified in several other enterprises.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker will be greatly missed in Honolulu society. They have a host of friends in Hawaii who wish them happiness and prosperity in their new home. Mr. Walker is British Vice Consul.

NOW IN CHARGE.

Mr. H. E. Coleman, the new secretary and instructor of the Y. M. C. A., today assumed charge of his office. He will at once take steps to revive interest in the gymnasium work. Classes will be formed immediately. The new instructor will give his first attention to the young men's class, which he hopes to have started by the first of the month.

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5—Senator McMillan today introduced a bill by request, declaring the "Star Spangled Banner" to be the national song of the United States.

CAPT. A. H. GILBERT.

CHESTER, Conn., Feb. 6.—Capt. Alexander Hamilton Gilbert, who, with his brother John, was the inventor and builder of the first system of dry-docks in 1840, is dead, aged 91. The brothers built the docks at Pensacola, San Francisco and Portsmouth.

WEST INDIAN CABLE.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—Secretary of State for the Colonies Joseph Chamberlain today, in the House of Commons, replying to a question relative to the construction of a cable under British control to the West Indies, said that negotiations on the subject were proceeding. He was unable to say when it would be completed and he admitted that he was aware that a French-American company had recently laid a cable which would compete with the proposed cable.

BANDITS' GRAVE FOUND

KOOLAU, THE LEPER OUTLAW, FINALLY SUCCUMBS.

Cullen, the Escaped Prisoner, Surrenders and Pilots Party to Where the Body Was Buried—Bloody Record.

In a brief and hastily written letter to Marshal Brown, which reached the city early this morning, Deputy Sheriff John H. Coney of Kauai, gave the information of the surrender of young Patrick Cullen, the murderer, and the discovery of the grave containing the remains of the notorious leper outlaw and many times murderer, Koolau.

Cullen will be taken aboard the Waialeale, which sails from Kauai tomorrow afternoon, and is due in this port early Sunday morning. Upon his arrival here he will be taken immediately to Oahu prison, where he will serve out the remainder of a five years' sentence imposed upon him for killing a Chinaman during a drunken brawl a little over a year ago.

When Cullen escaped the reef in November last through the influence of friends residing in Honolulu, he went direct to Kauai on one of the island boats. He evaded the officers at Waimea and other points on the island and made his way to Kalalau valley. Near this valley he met his wife, who supplied him with food and clothing.

Cullen roamed through the woods for many weeks, continually on the lookout for officers. During the past few weeks he has been kept pretty busy dodging the officers who were on his trail. Finding this life not the pleasantest in the world, Cullen sent his wife to Waimea to inform Deputy Sheriff Coney that he was willing to give himself up. This was on Monday last, and within a few hours after Cullen was safe behind the bars again.

Deputy Sheriff Coney went out to meet Cullen. He was looking careworn and rather seedy. While on the way in from the valley Cullen informed his captor that he had discovered the grave of Koolau, the leper outlaw. The following day the Deputy Sheriff and several other officers accompanied Cullen to the spot where the bones lay.

A small mound of earth, with not a single mark upon it anywhere, was the spot. The body was exhumed and found to be badly decomposed. Beside the skeleton lay Koolou's trusty old rifle—a German needle gun—and ammunition case.

Cullen is confident that there can be no mistake. He says that if it is not the body of Koolau, that the leper outlaw is not alive in the valley, for he has scoured it thoroughly from one end to the other.

The officers are quite positive that the remains are those of Koolau, for the reason that his rifle and ammunition case are with it. The outlaw was last seen alive about five months ago.

Marshal Brown denies the theory that Cullen escaped prison to go capture Koolau and bring him to justice. He says that he has positive information that the convict was jealous of his wife, who is living on Kauai, and broke prison to go to her. Cullen's father is a wealthy rice planter.

The police authorities on Kauai were apprised of Koolau's death some weeks ago, but they never had any assurances that such was the case until now. His demise will bring a feeling of rest to those officials, who have taken their lives in their hands whenever they approached the mouth of Kalalau valley.

Koolau was formerly a resident of Waimea, where he was very popular among the whites. When it became known that he was a leper he went into Kalalau valley. There were other leper outlaws in the valley, and in 1893 Deputy Sheriff Stolz, with a posse of officers, went into the valley to take the lepers over to Molokai. Koolau shot him in the back. Afterward Koolau defended the upper part of the pass when a military movement was inaugurated to bring him to justice, killing three soldiers.

SOCIETY OF THE WEEK.

ACTIVITY IN SOCIAL CIRCLES IN HONOLULU.

Irwin Barn Party to Take Place This Evening—Reception Tendered to Mrs. Stockbridge—Diplomatic Dinner—Other Functions.

"I think it so vulgar to come out!" said a coming Honolulu debutante to her mother the other day, half crying as she spoke.

"Why, my dear," exclaimed the latter astonished. "What reason have you to say such an absurd thing as that?"

"But I do," persisted the girl. "Boys never come out! What is the reason of it all, I should like to know? It is really to announce to the world that we are of marriageable age and that we are upon the market. And then the way people have of discussing us, and our chances, and whether we are a 'success' or not. It is perfectly intolerable. I think we are like victims decked for sacrifice. Do you for one instant suppose that papa would pay the bills for the dressmaker and the milliner and allow you to give a series of expensive dinners if it were not for that? He does not say so, and you do not say so, but you both know it is true. Of course, if I am not a success—that is, if I do not have attention and marry off—you will both be kind to me and resign yourselves to circumstances, but I know you will consider me a failure all the same. Then the criticism a girl is exposed to is almost as bad—her looks, her dress, her manners, her power of conversation, all are discussed and decided upon. Altogether it's a horrid ordeal, and I wish you would give me the money it will cost and let me start in business," concluded this new young woman to the undissembled horror of her mamma.

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There has been some activity in festivities this week. A diplomatic dinner was given by Mr. Wm. G. Irwin Saturday evening; Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Walker entertained Tuesday evening at cards. Mrs. Turner also gave an enjoyable reception the same evening. Mrs. J. B. Atherton gave a tea party yesterday afternoon. The affair of note or prominence will be the Irwin barn dance at Waikiki this evening. The Healani Boat Club and the Oahu K. of P. lodge will also give dancing parties this evening.

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Mr. and Mrs. William G. Irwin have extended 250 invitations or their "barn dance" at Waikiki this evening. This event, which society has talked about so much for the past few weeks and which has aroused more than usual interest among the younger sets, will be a most notable social affair. It is not a general party, only Mr. and Mrs. Irwin's young friends being invited. The magnificent new barn, which has just been completed, is most artistically decorated throughout. The decorations are not elaborate, for the reason that the pretty new wood in the building is not hidden from view and adds very largely to the beauty of the place. Flags have been tastefully hung up on both floors and there has been a promiscuous use of ferns and evergreens. About the pillars palms and evergreens reach well to the high ceilings. Manager Hoffman, of the Hawaiian Electric Light company, has wired the building especially for the occasion. The barn will be brilliantly lighted. The ball room, which is on the lower floor, will present a most striking effect by the glow of the different colored lights overhead. The supper room upstairs will be equally as attractive. The Hawaiian Quintette Club will provide the music. At the entrance gate to the Irwin residence has been stationed a large electric arc light. Mr. and Mrs. Irwin, assisted by their niece, Miss Spalding, will welcome the guests in the ball room. A number of young ladies will assist the host and hostess of the evening. The handsome new Irwin barn will be brimming over with mirth and glee tonight.

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Mrs. Annis Montague Turner invited a number of her friends to her home, "Mignon," Tuesday evening to meet her aunt, Mrs. Stockbridge. The first part of the evening was spent in a social way, while the Hawaiian band gave a delightful concert in Thomas Square, opposite the home. Later in the evening Mrs. Turner sang, followed by a piano duet by Mrs. Theodore Richards and Miss Hopper. Mr. Monteagle also gave a solo. Following the musical program came refreshments, consisting of ice cream and cake. The occasion was a very pleasant one and was characterized by the absence of formality often accompanying such receptions. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Wichman, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Lowrey, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Gilman, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Atherton, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. De la Vergne, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Cooke, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Atherton, Mr. and Mrs. T. Richards, Mrs. Gilman, Miss Hopper, Mr. Woodward and Mr. Monteagle.

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The diplomats of the city were entertained at dinner Saturday evening by Mr. William G. Irwin at his residence in Waikiki. Among the guests were President Dole, Minister of Finance Damon, British Commissioner A. G. S. Hawes, Portuguese Charge d' Affaires Senor A. de Souza Canavarro, French Consul Mons. Louis Voisson, Chancellor of French Legation A. Vizzavona, Acting United States Minister Mills, Japanese Diplomatic Agent Shimamaru, Capt. Hanford, Lieut. Baker, Lieut. Safford, of the Alert, Capt. Fleet, Lieut. Watson, of the Icarus, Mr. Thomas Rain Walker and Mr. F. M. Swanzy.

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The second of a series of moonlight dances given by the Healani Boat club will take place this evening.

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Today is the thirty-fourth Pythian anniversary and Oahu lodge, Knights of Pythias, will very fittingly celebrate the occasion at a social and dance in Castle Hall this evening.

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Mr. and Mrs. David Center, who came from Maui last week to take up their permanent residence at Waianae, will be warmly welcomed to this island by their Honolulu friends. Mrs. Center intends to make brief visits to the city during the summer.

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Mr. Harry Ashland Greene, the Monterey banker, and a party of friends from the States, are expected home from their pleasure jaunt to Hawaii and the volcano today.

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Rev. C. B. Sumner and daughter of California are enjoying a short visit to Honolulu as the guests of Rev. C. M. Hyde and Chief Justice Judd.

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Vice United States Consul W. Porter Boyd and Mrs. Boyd are visiting friends and relatives on Maui.

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The Queen's Hospital Flower Mission, under whose wing the swell calico ball was given last week, will hold its annual meeting in the Y. M. C. A. hall this afternoon. The receipts for the ball amounted to $635.50, while the expenses were but $150. This money will go toward a free bed in the hospital.

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Mr. and Mrs. David Rice, prominent Bostonians, are staying at the Hawaiian.

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Manager William Murray, of the Bank of British Columbia, accompanied by Mrs. Murray and Canadian Pacific Agent George L. Courtney of Victoria, are sojourning in Honolulu. They will return by the Miowera.

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Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Rain Walker will go to England in April to remain a couple of years.

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Rev. Dr. Webber of Massachusetts is visiting Professor and Mrs. Maxwell.

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