

CORONATION OF GREAT BRITAIN'S KING INDEFINITELY POSTPONED

WORSTED AT FISTS HE PULLS A GUN

FAIRLY THRASHED BY A MAN HALF HIS SIZE, DESPERADO MURDERS HIS OPPONENT.

VICTIM WAS ABOUT TO OFFER AN APOLOGY

After a Rough-and-Tumble Fight, in Which He Had Been Badly Beaten, Murderer Goes for His Gun and Returning Shoots His Unsuspecting Victim Down Without Warning.

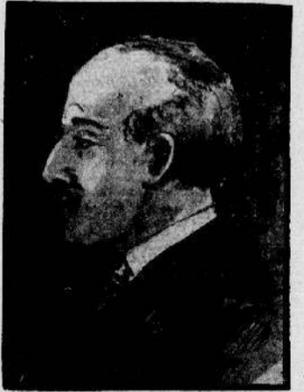
Frenzied with drink and the humiliation of defeat in a personal contest with a man much his inferior in strength, James Cusick, the man who won notoriety as a "police fighter" and whose arrest required the united efforts of five officers, last night deliberately murdered Thomas Baggs in front of the Elite saloon, No. 29 West Park street.

Baggs was shot twice by the insane murderer and died 30 minutes later.

Cusick was arrested and disarmed by Police Sergeant Dawson a few minutes after the shooting and taken to the city jail amid cries from the quickly assembled mob to "lynch him."

Sergeant Dawson, through a mistake of the mob, came near to being subjected to

THOMAS BAGGS.



Who Was Shot and Killed by James Cusick.

rough treatment at the hands of those who supposed that he was the murderer and that his prisoner was the officer in charge.

Feared a Rescue.

The arrest had hardly been made before friends of Cusick tried to organize a rescue party and in fear of such, he was run through a mob in the patrol wagon and taken to the county jail, where he now is.

The shooting was the result of a quarrel between Baggs and Cusick over the suicide of Frank Hinds.

Baggs and two friends were in the Elite saloon when Cusick entered. Baggs was remarking on the unexpected death of Hinds who had been one of his friends. Cusick in passing overheard the remark that "it was a shame a good man like Frank had croaked himself."

Cusick turned to Baggs and said: "It serves the ——— right. He was no good."

"What do you know about him?" said Baggs.

"He's no good. He's just the kind of a man who ought to kill himself," was Cusick's answer.

"Frank Hinds was a friend of mine," said Baggs. He is better than any of you scamps down here on the line, and it's time some of you fellows knew it."

Cusick the Aggressor.

Cusick began to use obscene language, and denounced the dead man.

"You're a dirty cur and a coward," was Baggs' reply. "If you take off them glasses I'll show the kind of a man you to be."

Cusick struck at Baggs, who started into the fight savagely.

Although Cusick was much the larger man the old-time boss of Pocatello speedily got the better of the fight, and Cusick went down from a hard blow in the center of the forehead, which cut a wide gash.

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COLLEGE QUIZZES ARE ON

Examinations Being Held for Harvard, Ratielife and Lawrence.

Five applicants for admission to Harvard college, Ratielife college and the Lawrence Scientific school appeared this morning at the high school for examination before Prof. George Tower. They were Ruth Sultzer, Marian Nichols, Sadie Jones, Fulton B. Evans and John Christian. Examinations will continue through the week upon the following subjects: Algebra, history, French, physics, Greek, economics and civil governments.

HURT AT EAST GRAY ROCK

J. B. Garden Has Foot Crushed by a Heavy Machine.

J. B. Garden was taken to Murray & Freund's hospital this afternoon suffering great pain from a badly crushed foot. Garden was working day shift in the East Gray Rock mine and at 4 o'clock this afternoon was adjusting his machine when it fell on his right foot, mashing the toes and the small bones of the foot. Several of his toes will probably be amputated this afternoon.

FUSION LEADERS HUNT FOR NOMINEE

NEBRASKA POPULIST AND DEMOCRATIC CONVENTIONS IN SESSION TO SELECT TICKET.

W. J. BRYAN MAY ACCEPT GOVERNOR NOMINATION

So Far the Democratic Candidate for the Presidency Refuses to Commit Himself as to Whether He Would Accept the Nomination—Only Six Candidates Now in the Field.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

Grand Island, Neb., June 24.—The democratic and populist state conventions were called to order at 2 o'clock this evening. Everybody seemed to be in as much doubt as ever as to who would be nominated to lead the fusion ticket.

Mr. Bryan today refused to commit himself on the question whether he would accept the nomination for governor, but it was confidently believed by the fusion leaders that if he is tendered a unanimous nomination by both conventions he will not decline. The range of possibilities in case of Bryan's refusal has narrowed down to about five or six men as against fifteen yesterday.

H. D. Travis, of Plattsburgh who was made temporary chairman of the democratic convention, said in part:

Chairman's Speech.

"The republicanism in this state and in the nation has come to mean that property and government go together, that party interests are allied on the side of government and that government is allied on the side of property, not on the side of the rights of men."

"When I say that government is allied on the side of property I mean the great combinations of corporations only. I have reference to combinations of capital organized for the purpose of restricting trade and not to the property owned by the farmer, the merchant, the laboring man, or the professional man."

Referring to state matters Mr. Travis denounced as false the charge that any populist or democrat had stolen one penny of public money and concluded by saying: "Weakly the republican press consigns the political corpse of Bryan to the tomb, but straightway he is reported to be seen walking amongst men by the same republican press."

"If Bryan or any other democrat shall be the choice of this convention rest assured republicans, that you will not control the government of the State of Nebraska for the next two years."

KANSAS POPULISTS MEET ONCE AGAIN

SENATOR HARRIS PAYS A SPLENDID TRIBUTE TO THE STATESMANSHIP OF MCKINLEY.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

Topeka, Kan., June 24.—At 10 o'clock Senator Harris, as temporary chairman, called the populist convention to order.

A large number of delegates were present and the majority seem to favor fusion, but the basis on which it shall be accomplished is wherein the delegates differ. Some want a combine with the democrats, others a double ticket and a few straight tickets.

All of the leading democrats of the state are here and will confer with populist leaders throughout the day.

One element of the party insists that two tickets must be placed in nomination to test the anti-fusion law.

Upon assuming the chairmanship of the convention, Senator Harris proceeded upon a review of the history of the rise of the populist party.

He brought a cheer from the democrats when he announced that the national policy of the democratic party would continue as at present. Senator Harris paid a splendid tribute to President McKinley and added:

"Once he nearly convinced me that I should leave democracy and become a republican."

A recess was taken.

TRIED TO THROW HER ON A RED-HOT STOVE

Mrs. Emma Menhennet, in Applying for a Divorce, Charges Her Husband With Extreme Cruelty.

Emma Menhennet began divorce proceedings against John H. Menhennet in the district court today. In her complaint she charges her husband with cruelty of various brands.

She alleges that on September 10, 1898, he assaulted her and repeated the offense at other times; that on that date he entered into a written agreement not to transgress the vows taken at the altar in Virginia City, Nev., on the 17th of August, 1877, but failed to keep the contract; that in August of last year he threatened to throw her on top of a red hot stove.

Mrs. Menhennet further says that at another time he threw a knife at her, struck her in the face and drew a gun and threatened to shoot her; that in November of 1900 he took hold of her and threatened to throw her from a window and would have accomplished the feat had she not made her escape.

Four children have been born to the couple and she asks for their custody, with a decree of divorce.

ROSE FROM COUCH TO GO TO DEATH

FRANK HINDS FINDS DEATH FROM HIS OWN REVOLVER THROUGH ACCIDENT OR DESIGN.

HAD LOST HEAVILY IN SPECULATIONS OF LATE

Had Been Morbid for Several Days and If It Was Suicide, Was Not Responsible for What He Did—Death May Have Resulted From Accident—Home Life Was Pleasant.

Frank Hinds shot himself through the head with a .41-caliber revolver about seven o'clock yesterday evening and died almost instantly. The shooting occurred in the presence of the dead man's wife in a room at their home, No. 815 South Colorado street.

When Coroner Johnson arrived after the shooting he found the revolver on the floor near the dresser at the foot of the bed. It contained four unexploded shells, one exploded shell and an empty chamber. Hinds had fallen to the floor where he lay in a pool of his own blood. The bullet had entered the right temple, crashed through the brain, struck the wall and rebounded to the floor.

An examination developed the fact that the dead man's hair was singed at the place where the ball entered, showing that the muzzle of the revolver was close to the head when the shot was fired.

From Sleep to Death.

Hinds slept during most of yesterday. A few minutes before 7 o'clock he arose and at the time was talking with his wife. He went to the dresser, took the revolver from the drawer, discharged it and fell backward to the floor dead. The body was removed to the Montana undertaking establishment.

Coroner Johnson held an inquest at the residence of the deceased, No. 815 South Colorado street, at 1 o'clock this afternoon. Mrs. Hinds was the principal witness. She testified that she was in the room with her husband when the fatal shot was fired. She thought the shooting was accidental.



FRANK HINDS.

After carefully considering the circumstances as they presented themselves immediately after the shooting the jury returned a verdict to the effect that Frank Hinds came to his death from a pistol bullet fired with his own hands, but the evidence is insufficient to determine whether the act was suicide or accidental.

Besides his wife, Hinds is survived by his father, three sisters, a brother residing in Chicago, a brother who follows mining in Whitehall and his brother Thomas R. Hinds, vice president of the Silver Bow National bank of Butte.

City Physician Sullivan, who was called to the home of the deceased immediately after the shooting, said this afternoon: "I understand that Hinds had been drinking heavily the day before and when he awoke yesterday afternoon and took the pistol, he had not regained his normal faculties. He was morbid and was hardly responsible for what he did."

Hinds was 36 years of age. Two years ago he was married to Miss Mary Sheehan of this city. Their home life has been pleasant. Hinds had been drinking heavily of late and this, coupled with the fact that he is said to have lost much money in speculation, may account for his rash act.

DECLINES TO DISCUSS TAIT'S NEGOTIATIONS

Everything Progressing Satisfactorily Relative to the Purchasing of the Friar Lands.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

Washington, June 24.—Secretary Root declines to discuss details of Governor Taft's negotiations at Rome until they are completed.

They are progressing steadily and in the usual course each side seeking to make the best possible bargain with the result that there have been several exchanges since the original proposition of Governor Taft touching the Friar lands. These are reported to Secretary Root almost daily, with explanatory comments by himself and suggestions to Governor Taft for the framing of the counter proposals.

The last report from him came to Washington in the shape of a copy of the proposal of the committee of cardinals and the answer to this was dispatched immediately. There has been no such thing as an ultimatum, or a serious hitch and there is no reason to doubt that a satisfactory agreement would be reached.

HIS MAJESTY'S CONDITION REPORTED CRITICAL

Found Necessary to Perform an Operation from Which He Cannot Recover Strength to Undergo the Fatigue for Several Weeks—Monarch Now Said to Be Doing Well—The News Caused Consternation Among Foreign Representatives—Balfour's Announcement in House of Commons.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

London, June 24.—The coronation has been indefinitely postponed because of the illness of King Edward.

Sir Francis Knollys, the king's private secretary, issued the following official announcement at 12:46 p. m. today.

"The king is suffering from peritiphilitis. His condition was so satisfactory Saturday that with care it was hoped his majesty would be able to go through the ceremonies. On Monday a recrudescence became manifest, rendering a surgical operation necessary today.

Peritiphilitis is inflammation, including the formation of an abscess on the tissues around the vermiform appendix, and hence peritiphilitis is hard to distinguish at once from appendicitis.

At 2:46 p. m. the following bulletin was posted at Buckingham palace: "The operation has been successfully performed."

A large abscess has evacuated. The king has borne the operation well and is in a satisfactory condition.

Lord Salisbury, in the house of lords, said the surgeon entertained a most satisfactory view in regard to the distinguished patient.

More definite language than that was impossible.

Cause for Anxiety.

In conversation a high government official said there was undoubtedly grave cause for anxiety. His latest information from the palace was that the king had successfully passed the chloroforming stage, but nobody could say definitely for the next 24 hours now matters would turn.

The sudden announcement of the postponement of the coronation just on the eve of the ceremonies caused the utmost consternation everywhere. The news spread like wild fire.

On the stock exchange the effect of the startling news was immediate. Prices weakened, led by consols with a fall of 1-2 points. His majesty under ordinary conditions was not looked upon as a good subject for an operation and though the king passed successfully through the ordeal, it is believed that four or five weeks must elapse before he will be able to undergo the arduous labors of the coronation ceremony.

Therefore no date can yet be predicted for the carrying out of the coronation.

Official announcements of the king's serious illness were made to public bodies as speedily as possible. At this morning's rehearsal of the coronation ceremony in Westminster Abbey, the bishop of London requested the congregation to join in the litany out of the coronation service and pray for the recovery of the king.

Formal Postponement.

During the afternoon the Duke of Norfolk issued the following notice:

"The Earl Marshall has received the king's commands to express his deep sorrow that owing to his serious illness the coronation ceremonies must be postponed. The celebration in London will be in consequence likewise postponed, but it is the king's earnest hope that the celebrations in the country shall be held as already arranged."

The king also expressed to the lord mayor his desire that his majesty's dinner to the poor of London be not postponed.

Nothing has yet been decided regarding the movements of the foreign guests. It is understood, however, that the special ambassadors and royal guests will return to their respective countries as soon as more definite news is received of the operation.

At the various palaces and at the Grosvenor, Buckingham, Carlton, Cecil and other hotels where the foreign representatives are staying the news created the greatest dismay.

Royal carriages were already drawn up in readiness to take the guests to the reception at the palace, but the moment the "tickers" announced his majesty's illness, all the preparations for the day ceased.

Traffic Suspended.

In the streets the change which came over the crowds was most pronounced. Traffic seemed momentarily paralyzed and it was long before the full effect of the startling intelligence was felt.

In the course of the early afternoon the bulletin from Buckingham announcing that the operation had been successful; that a large abscess had evacuated and that the king's condition was satisfactory, was issued and posted at the various points where people congregated and shortly afterward a court official gave out the information that his majesty was rallying satisfactorily from the effects of the operation.

The king treated the idea of the operation very lightly, his great concern being for the disappointment of the people.

"This, however," added the official, "was absolutely unavoidable, as up to the last moment the medical attendants confidentially hoped the patient would be able to go through the more important parts of the ceremonies.

It is understood the operation was performed by Sir Frederick Treves, who correctly diagnosed the complaint and is a specialist in abdominal operations. Many of the foreign representatives, including Special Ambassador Whitelaw Reid, called at Buckingham palace this afternoon to make inquiries about the king's condition.

The house of commons was crowded (Continued on Page Three.)



EDWARD, KING OF ENGLAND.

JOHN BENNETT IS READY TO CONFESS

HE IS NOW IN JAIL AND SAYS HE SLEPT PEACEFULLY AND WELL DURING THE NIGHT.

READY TO DIVULGE ALL HE KNOWS OF AFFAIR

Says He Had Nothing to Do With the Murder of Nora Fuller, but Claims to Know All About the Whole Affair and Only Awaits the Opportunity to Tell It to the Authorities.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

Seattle, Wash., June 24.—A special from Sedro-Wooley says:

The man claiming to be John Bennett, the alleged slayer of Nora Fuller at San Francisco last January, was seen at the city jail this morning. He was arrested here last night. He said he had passed the most peaceful night he had enjoyed since being hustled out of San Francisco, after the exposure of the awful crime.

Bennett hints at an operation being performed on Nora Fuller by one of "Frisco's" most noted physicians and he avers he foolishly allowed himself to be rushed out of the city, the doctor promising to keep him amply supplied with funds in return for his absence and silence. This arrangement in regard to money the doctor adhered to until Bennett reached Astoria.

"When I arrived here," he said, "I made up my mind that I must either relieve myself by making a clean breast of things or go crazy. In addition to what I have told you—and I have said more than I intended—I have just a few more words to utter to shift the responsibility of the murder from my shoulders to where it belongs.

Reports All Wrong.

"The newspapers have been on the wrong track. There was no strangulation, no rape, no poisoning. That is all I will say just now about the cause of Nora Fuller's death.

"Yes, John Bennett is my proper name, although I have been traveling under the name of John Flex. I am a printer by trade, carrying a union card, and was formerly connected with the Examiner.

"The biggest fool break I made in this whole business was to permit myself to be rushed out of San Francisco, and thus fix the onus of the blame upon myself.

"Certainly I was to blame for mixing up in the dreadful mess at the first, but there are others higher up in the social and professional scale than I could ever hope to be who will now have to suffer for the grievous sin of the dreadful affair."

Bennett will not mention any names of "Frisco" people who he alleges had a hand in the young girl's death. He says when the proper time arrives he will tell the story that will be the sensation of two continents.

CANADIANS HONOR PATRON ST. JOHN

NEW FRATERNAL SOCIETY ENJOYS SOCIAL RALLY WITH EXCELLENT MUSICAL PROGRAM.

ADDRESSES ARE GIVEN ENTIRELY IN FRENCH

L'Harmonie Canadienne, a Purely French Lyrical Organization, Renders Native Songs to Great Enthusiasm—Constitution and By-Laws Were Adopted and Officers Elected for 1902.

An organization known as the French-Canadian Alliance observed St. John's day this afternoon. On account of the youth of the organization and the lack of paraphernalia there was no parade, so the feature of the day was the musical and literary program which was rendered at the Auditorium and which will be followed by a ball this evening.

D. E. Rainville, M. D., of Basin, delivered the oration of the day. His remarks, delivered in French, were evidently of considerable interest and he received enthusiastic applause.

Arthur Gagner spoke on the work and object of the organization, and F. J. Pelletier made a short address.

L'Harmonie Canadienne, a purely French choir under the direction of William Page and containing a number of excellent voices, took part in the entertainment and was accorded well-merited applause.

Following is the committee on celebration: Hon. F. J. Pelletier, William Page, J. Fred Petit, Arthur Gagner, P. L. Miller.

The "Alliance" was founded on March 9 of the present year. It is a fraternal society, organized for the purpose of assisting its sick, burying its dead, and elevating the social standing of its members by means of education. After the labors of the various committees were completed and the constitution and bylaws adopted, the following officers were elected for the year 1902:

President, A. A. Gagner; vice president, William Page; chaplain, Rev. P. DeSiere; secretary, P. L. Miller; assistant secretary, Arthur Gagner; treasurer, Frank Boucher; collecting treasurer, J. Fred Petit; assistant collecting treasurer, Ulric Lalonde; sergeant-at-arms, Peter Huot; sentinels, Joseph Poitras and Ed Sauve; trustees, Hon. F. J. Pelletier and Joseph Malette; medical examiner, H. Cayley, M. D.

The reception committee for the entertainment consisted of the following members:

S. E. Page, Max Lalonde, Joseph Malette, Oliva Jasmin, C. Michaud, Amede Girard, Peter Nadeau, O. Rouleau, Joseph Archambault, Albert Giroux, Joseph Dupuis.

The ball, which is to take place at the Auditorium, will begin at 8 o'clock.