

## BLOODY SKIRT TELLS TALE

Police Follow Murder Clew from Garments Found by Creek Side.

## HAD BEEN TORN OFF

Woman of Half-World Evidently Owned the Faded Rags.

## EVIDENCE OF CRIME

Police Believe That a Woman Was Killed and Cast Into Muddy Waters.

A bundle of some woman's tawdry finery, found on the bank of Silver Bow creek, near the point where the street railway crosses, by J. M. Cummings, a section hand, yesterday morning, and plainly discernible marks about the spot where the clothing was found, indicate that a crime has been committed and, that furthermore, a woman was dragged to the edge of the creek, partly disrobed and her body thrown into the mud and water. Mute evidence indicates this; it does not prove that a crime was committed.

## AS IF TORN OFF IN SOME MAD BATTLE FOR LIFE

Half covered by sand, about three yards from the creek bank the clothing lay, soaking in a puddle of muddy snow water, which was stained a deep scarlet from the dye that had run from the brilliantly colored skirts. They were in a disorderly heap, as though someone had thrown them off in a hurry, or as if they had been violently torn off by someone with whom the woman or girl had evidently been struggling. The gathering string at the waist of each skirt had not been untied, but snapped in twain.

There are many marks around the place where the clothes were discovered—marks that tell a story of violence as plainly as any photograph could tell. The key is lacking, that's all. It was no fool's play; there may have been no murder committed, but no right cause could have produced the signs of a crime that are depicted there.

The place is a little peninsula of sand, not 300 feet from the street railway and almost hidden by blocks of ice and caked snow.

The mute evidence gathered in the vicinity of the garments says that within a week's time, a man driving a light rig went to this lonely spot by daylight, his only companion being a woman. It may have been in the early gray of the morning that he drove there, but it is very improbable that a person could have driven a team to this spot in the darkness of night, unless he was familiar with the surroundings and furthermore it is unlikely he would have chosen the creek for aid in the dastardly crime had he not known it is deep now, swollen from recent falls of snow.

## THE MIGHT HAVE BEEN DRUGGED, OR QUITE DEAD

The woman must have been unconscious, if, as the marks clearly show, her body was thrown into the creek and floated down, yard by yard, under the ice. She might have been drugged or she might have been dead. At no point in the line of direction taken from the buggy to the creek is there a sign that she walked; the marks show that she was lifted from the buggy and carried to the spot where the clothes were found.

There the man stopped and there the clothing was torn off. As he held up the body with his left arm and ripped off the garments with the right she slipped from his grasp and fell heavily. There are marks on the sand to indicate this. The body had been hurriedly and rudely raised to an erect posture, some hair catching on a sharp stone and tearing loose from the scalp a few wisps of bleached hair.

The man hesitated; the evidence is that he carried to the spot an insensible woman, tore off her clothing and was at that moment about to throw her body into the creek. Why hesitate? The body had been brought there for a definite purpose; it was to be thrown into the creek, half clogged with ice and snow. The heavier garments had been removed so that it would not be buoyed up.

## TWICE HE HESITATED IN HIS BLOODY WORK

He started to drag the body to the creek, but was either greatly fatigued or overcome by terror, as twice in the short journey he halted. The tell-tale foot-marks show this.

The trail made by the woman's heels as she was dragged along the ground is plainly to be seen, and it is doubtful if the crime is more than a week old. On the ledge of the creek the ice has been broken, a hole being made large enough to admit a human body.

From the certainty of the man's course, the straight path taken from point to point, the body must have been disposed of in the day time or by a person extremely familiar with the neighborhood.

That a horse and buggy was used to convey the two to this spot is unquestionable, as the marks of the wheels are still

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## FIRST SERIOUS ANTI-FOREIGN RIOTING OCCURS IN OLD PEKIN

Boxers and Sympathizers Make Demonstration and Are Driven Back by the Imperial Troops---Take Refuge beyond the River.



CHINESE IMPERIAL RAILWAY BRIDGE ACROSS LAU-HO RIVER, NORTHWEST OF PEKING.

London, March 7.—Advice received here state that severe riots occurred around Peking during the past 24 hours. A great crowd of insurrectionists and sym-

pathizers gathered at the great south gate of the city and made a demonstration. They were attacked by imperial troops, but succeeded in driving the latter back.

At the present time the city is quiet, the rioters having been dispersed later and scattered. Some of the insurrectionists fled the city, the government troops having been massed in the quarter in which the

demonstration was planned and where the heads of the revolt had their rendezvous. They are being pursued by the imperial soldiers, who are driving them across the Lan-Ho river to the northwest of the city.

## NEW CHATTANOOGA IS LAUNCHED FROM ELIZABETH

Formidable Cruiser Is to Have Wireless Telegraphy, Etc.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

Elizabeth, N. J., March 7.—The cruiser Chattanooga was launched at 2:30. She slid gracefully into the water. The launching and ceremonies were most successfully carried out.

The Chattanooga is a sheet-steel protected cruiser. The sheathing is of Georgia pine. Length over all is 308 feet 6 inches, and 202 feet on the water line. Her breadth is 44 feet, draught 19 feet 9 inches and displacement 2,000 tons. There are four steel decks and a deep cofferdam is built completely around the ship in the region of the water line. The cofferdam is filled with corn pith for the protection of the ship. There is a cellular double bottom full length of the ship and ten complete transverse water-tight bulkheads extending above the water line. The pilot house and charthouse are built of bronze and the water-tight doors are operated from a central station.

The armament of the Chattanooga consists of ten 5-inch quick-firing guns in the main battery, one being located at each end of the vessel on the main deck and four on each broadside of the gun deck. The secondary battery consists of eight 6-pounder rapid fire guns, two 1-pounders, with four machine guns, and one field gun for landing purposes. The 5-inch guns of the broadside battery of the Chattanooga are protected by nickel steel 1 1/4 inches in thickness.

There are two powerful searchlights on the flying bridge, and the vessel is to have a wireless telegraph service. Her bunkers can carry 700 tons of coal and at ten knots her cruising radius will be over 5,000 knots.

## SAYS IT IS OUTLAWED

Balliet Rejects Claim of Leggat in the Davidson Case.

Helena, March 7.—Referee in Bankruptcy S. A. Balliet today rejected the claim of R. D. Leggat of Butte in the A. J. Davidson bankruptcy case, holding in effect that it was outlawed. Leggat and Davidson were jointly on a note for several thousand dollars and the Butte man sought to have a claim for about \$8,000 included in Davidson's liabilities. Davidson's attorney contended the claim was defeated by the statutes of limitation and this contention was sustained by the referee.

## SECOND EDITION UNDER FAIR TRIAL BILL IS IN

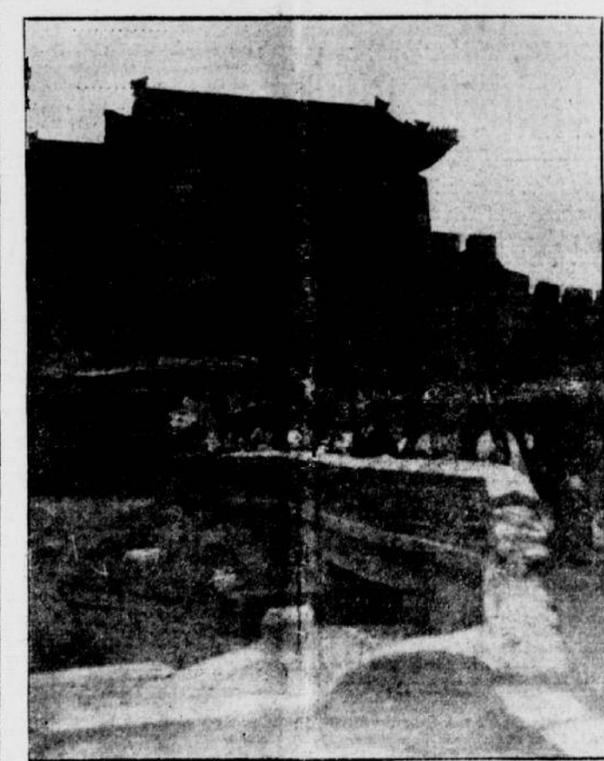
The famous litigation over the A. J. Davis estate, in which the late Robert G. Ingersoll, lawyer and atheist, figured as counsel for the heirs, was recalled in Judge Harney's division of the district court today.

The matter came up when Former Supreme Court Justice Harwood, representing John S. Harris, administrator of the Ingersoll estate, in an action to recover from the Davis estate heirs \$95,000, the balance alleged to be due of the \$100,000 attorney fee claimed for work done by Ingersoll in protecting the interests of said heirs, asked for a change of judges.

The motion was made under the new Fair Trial bill, and is the second motion of the kind now pending in this county, the first being before Judge Clancy in the Weston election contest case.

The usual petition accompanied the motion of Judge Harwood, and the matter was taken under advisement.

The Davis estate was valued at several millions of dollars and has mostly been distributed.



GREAT SOUTH GATE, PEKING, WHERE CHINESE RIOTS OCCURRED.

## VIEWS WONDERS OF SMELTERS

Legislative Delegation Taken Over the Anaconda Plant by the Officials of the Company—Mayor Stephens Welcomes Guests to the City—Witness Great Works.

SPECIAL TO THE INTER MOUNTAIN. Anaconda, March 7.—Anaconda today did the honors to the visiting legislators and their friends, right royally entertaining them. From the time they arrived during the morning until they departed this afternoon they saw many evidences of Anaconda hospitality, and left feeling gratified over the welcome they had received from everybody.

The visit to the great plant of the Washoe company proved to be a revelation to the majority of the party, and they were frequently heard to utter exclamations of surprise at what was shown them. Last night many of them saw how

the ore was extracted from Mother Earth and hoisted to the surface. Today they witnessed the more interesting and more intricate process of separating the copper and by-products from the rock in which it had been encased for thousands of years. The completeness of the smelting and concentrating plant, as well as the air of thrift and general good times prevailing in the leading smelter city of the West, made a lasting impression upon the visitors from the different parts of the state.

The special train furnished by the B. A. (Continued on Page Two.)

## IT MAY BE ILLEGAL

Miller Says State Fair Bill as Drawn Up Will Not Hold.

SPECIAL TO THE INTER MOUNTAIN. Helena, March 7.—There is a possibility that the state fair bill may be illegal and that Helena may not get the benefit of the legislative appropriation for that purpose. Dr. C. B. Miller, the well-known Lewis and Clarke representative, says the bill is unconstitutional because it provides for the county commissioners paying out state money, which he says the constitution does not permit. The matter is being investigated.

## Mine Fire Still Burning.

SPECIAL TO THE INTER MOUNTAIN. Bozeman, March 7.—At last accounts the fire in the coal mines of the Northwestern Improvement company at Chestnut promises to be very extensive. No one has been apprehended for setting the mine on fire.

## STOCKMEN MEETING

Beaverhead Growers Are in Convention at Dillon Today.

SPECIAL TO THE INTER MOUNTAIN. Dillon, March 7.—The annual meeting of the Farmers and Stockmen's society of Beaverhead county is being held here today in the courthouse. There are many tillers of the soil, breeders of stock and others in attendance. The society met about 10 o'clock and after a short session adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon on account of Mr. Rheinhardt's funeral. Then the program printed in the Inter Mountain of Thursday is being followed.

## To Build Another Bridge.

SPECIAL TO THE INTER MOUNTAIN. Helena, March 7.—The board of county commissioners after deliberating for several months upon the proposition of building a second bridge across the Missouri river have practically decided to erect the structure near El Dorado bar.

## LUCAS' PLANS HAVE BEEN REVEALED, IT IS SAID

Will Take in 'Frisco and Give Outlaws Fight for Life.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

Portland, Ore., March 7.—A special to the Evening Telegram from San Francisco says that although President Lucas of the Pacific Northwest league evades reporters and declines to be interviewed as to his movements, his whole plan in the baseball controversy has been revealed.

He is known to have proffered H. B. Hopkins, 303 California street a franchise for a club in San Francisco of the Pacific Northwest league. The offer has been accepted. He has informed Mr. Hopkins that he is in the fight to stay; that he will not withdraw; that clubs at Los Angeles and San Francisco will be formed and that he hopes to outdo the Pacific coast league by having eight clubs instead of six, the number the other league intends to have. Lucas says that he cannot depend upon Hickey and Sexton to bring about peace now, as he does not believe that they can help him.

Charles Reilly, who was third baseman of the Los Angeles team last year, has received the franchise for a Los Angeles team. The season of the Pacific Northwest league will open here on April 14, two weeks later than the Pacific coast's opening, and the Butte team will play the first game here.

## FUNERAL AT DILLON

Masonic Fraternity Have Charge of Interment at That Place.

SPECIAL TO THE INTER MOUNTAIN. Dillon, March 7.—The funeral of the late David Rheinhardt, who died suddenly early Thursday morning, was held at 1:30 p. m. today from the residence. The funeral was under the auspices of the Masonic fraternity. Friends from all parts of the county, as well as from Butte and other cities were present. Among the Butte people in attendance were Mr. and Mrs. Pat Mullens, relatives of the dead.

## BY FALSE PRETENSE

P. W. Parker, formerly agent for the American Home company, a co-operative building association, appears to have gotten himself into trouble by collecting monthly premiums from H. Henderson after the company went out of business.

According to Henderson's story, as related to Deputy County Attorney Coleman this afternoon, the company went out of business in June of last year, the consolidated company of Kansas City taking its business, but Henderson was notified that Parker was not representing them in Butte and also informed as to how he could become a premium holder in the Kansas City concern.

Despite this fact Henderson has continued paying Parker \$20 premiums each month since June, taking receipts therefor.

Recently he became suspicious and now asks for Parker's arrest. The latter will be charged with obtaining money under false pretenses.

## BREEN SWINGS A REVOLVER

County Attorney Scares Jury by Careless Use of a Pistol.

## USED BY W. H. BROOKS

Weapon Said to Have Been Used to Murder Chevrier.

## ARE MANY WITNESSES

Courtroom Is Crowded by People Interested in Famous Trial.

"We'll ask the court to protect us from the violence of Mr. Breen," exclaimed Attorney Thomas Morrin this morning, while trying to score one for Walter H. Brooks in the trial now on in Judge McClellan's court.

The witty county attorney was doing things with the revolver with which Brooks is alleged to have killed Chevrier.

The revolver, it was learned, was still loaded and the county attorney started to take out the cartridges.

"Say, is it loaded?" asked Dr. O'Leary, who was sitting in the witness chair.

"Yes."

"Say, turn it the other way," exclaimed the witness.

"Don't point it towards the jury, Mr. Breen," said the court, as the state's representative carelessly turned the muzzle of the wicked looking "bulldog" toward the jury box.

It was an interesting session during the morning. The powder-burned and bloody shirt was exhibited and, the revolver which was used, was produced, while the attorneys for the defense were trying to establish the fact that Brooks and Chevrier were grappling when the fatal shot was fired.

## OFFICER HAMILTON IS FIRST WITNESS CALLED

Officer Ed Hamilton was the first witness called this morning. He described the finding of the body of Chevrier and suggested the assumption of the prosecution that Chevrier was murdered.

Notwithstanding the exclusion of the witnesses, the crowd in the courtroom seats filled all the standing room. More interest is taken in the case because of the fence of marital relations set up. County Attorney Breen is putting up one of the strongest cases he has ever handled. The one great defense is that which presupposes the right of a husband to avenge the affronts to his domestic relations.

Officer James Lawson testified to the finding of Chevrier's body and also that one wound in the temple was apparently occasioned by a blow and not by a bullet.

Lawrence Bolin, who roomed in the Maule block, testified to hearing the shots and to the searching of the body and room later.

Mrs. Matthews, another roomer, told her story of hearing the shots, which she described as "a very loud noise."

Mrs. Pelletier, landlady of the Maule block, told of the noises and scuffle.

Miss Pelletier, daughter of the landlady on the landing at the head of the stairs, said Henry Ploss as he took the stand to testify to "hearing noises in the rear end of the hall." His testimony served merely to identify the dead lodger.

One of the most interesting features of the case was the testimony of Dr. McCarthy. The physician was asked to draw anatomical diagrams and stood before the jury to demonstrate the course of the bullet alleged to have killed Chevrier. His examination and cross-examination took up most of the afternoon.

Mr. Breen objected to the diagram of Chevrier's chest, which, the witness admitted, was a crude drawing.

The objection was overruled.

John Duggan was the next witness called. He testified to having heard the shots and finding the body of Chevrier.

## HELENA BUYS BONDS

A \$75,000 Lot Disposed of by the Billings Officials.

SPECIAL TO THE INTER MOUNTAIN. Billings, March 7.—The board of county commissioners today sold \$75,000 of 4 per cent county courthouse bonds at par to the Thomas Cruise Savings bank of Helena.

There were a number of bids received. Within 30 days the commissioners will open bids for building the new courthouse.

## Public Sale at Helena.

Helena, March 7.—Receiver William Muth of the property involved in the case of Albert Kleinschmidt against Emil C. Eyl and others sold 23 parcels of town and other property from the steps of the courthouse at noon today. There were a number of bidders and the sale netted about \$21,000.

## In the Federal Court.

In the United States court today the entire morning was devoted to the reading of the testimony in the Clark case. The court adjourned until 10 o'clock Monday morning.