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BASIN, WYOMING.

GONE TO HIS LAST REST

Paddy Fleming, Dead by His Own Hand, Sleeps Amid Voiceless Silence of Dreamless Dust.

IS SINCERELY MOURNED

His Funeral Was the Largest in History of City—Cause of Death Determined by Coroner's Jury.

The last sad rites were performed on Monday forenoon over the bier of one who in life had enjoyed the respect and esteem of all his fellow citizens and who had so conducted himself in public office and private life that when he came to surrender the burdens and perplexities of existence upon this earth and seek repose in the life hereafter, where pain, nor sorrow, nor tribulation shall enter, he laid down life so vicariously that it was with heavy hearts and oppressive sorrow his relatives and friends gathered at his bier to say the final farewell of earth to him.

The funeral services of Patrick Fleming were held at St. Agnes Catholic church at 10 o'clock Monday morning. The esteem in which deceased was held was attested by the large concourse of people at the church. The cortege that wended its solemn way to the cemetery was fully a mile in length, the Red Lodge Fire Department heading the procession in a body. The floral tributes came from friends in the city and county and were contributed with lavish hand, but if all who wished to lay a flower on his grave had been enabled to make reprisals on the greenhouses in other cities he would have slept beneath a wilderness of flowers. The sacred edifice was decorated with a profusion of lilies and other cut flowers and potted plants.

The services were conducted by Father Stack, who celebrated high mass for the repose of the soul of the deceased, and who preached a funeral oration full of pathos and tenderness for the one who was about to be consigned to his last rest. The church choir rendered in an impressive and beautiful manner selections appropriate to the occasion. After the services at the church were over the pallbearers, who consisted of Thomas Skelly, William Gebu, Thomas Conway, James McLaughlin, Patrick Doran and John O'Rourke, led the way from the church. Additional services were said at the grave and the mortal remains of Patrick Fleming were consigned to the earth until the resurrection morning shall dawn.

Those who enjoyed the personal acquaintance of the deceased were at first totally unprepared to accept the statement that he had taken his own life, as they could not reconcile an act of this character with their previous conception of the upright character and many integrity of the man. It was hard to believe that a young man who had showed admirable self-possession under the most trying circumstances in the performance of his duty as an officer of the law could go so far as to transgress those higher laws to which all are amenable before a supreme power. But the conclusion seems irresistible that he was driven to the act by a series of circumstances connected with his life to which he gave a greater importance than they really possessed. Instead of confiding his troubles to some of his most intimate friends and receiving their advice and counsel, he preferred to keep them locked up in his own bosom. Much brooding over the matter no doubt had considerable to do with his sudden determination to end all with death. Being a man of determination and quick to act, when this thought gained the mastery over him he did not delay in putting into execution the foolish idea.

It is not within the legitimate province of anyone to pass judgment upon the act. It remains only for his neighbors and friends to mourn his untimely departure from life and hold in kindly and loving remembrance his sterling worth as a citizen and the spirit of kindly charity which he always exhibited in his mingling with mankind in general.

Patrick Fleming was a native of Pennsylvania, having been born at Fall Creek, Bradford county, Feb. 1, 1874, and consequently was in the 29th year of his age. He arrived in Red Lodge thirteen years ago in company with his parents and brothers and sisters. After arriving at man's estate he worked for several years in the mines of the Rocky Fork Coal company. He was appointed city marshal two years ago and filled the post-

tion so acceptably that he was reappointed again last spring. Seven years ago he was united in marriage to Miss Kate Gillen and leaves two sons, one of whom, Jimmie, is 6 years of age, while little Francis is about 3 years old. In addition to his immediate family he leaves to cherish his memory a widowed mother, three brothers, Terrence, Roger and James, and two sisters, Mrs. William Larkin and Mrs. William O'Connor, all residents of this city.

INQUEST IS HELD.

Evidence Taken of Those Who Were First to Arrive at Scene.
Upon being notified of the death of Mr. Fleming, Coroner E. B. Kelley at once repaired to the Elmen house, whence the body had been removed, and immediately impelled a jury to inquire into the circumstances surrounding the tragedy. The jury thus chosen consisted of J. F. Rich, J. A. Underwood, A. J. Armstrong, Charles Wilson, T. H. Bailey and L. H. Caldwell. The jury began its inquiry the same night, but after listening to the evidence of the physician who was called to attend the deceased adjourned until 9 o'clock Saturday morning.

Evidence Given by Dr. Butler.

Dr. A. Butler gave his evidence Friday night. He said that an examination of the wound showed that it had been caused by a bullet of small caliber, which had entered the head half an inch to the left of the pincnas of the left eye and about an inch above that point. A protuberance had been raised on the opposite side of the head, just above the right ear, which was caused either by the bullet having lodged there or by a splintered bone having been driven outward from the skull. Death had undoubtedly been caused by the wound. The hair was singed at the entrance of the bullet, as though the weapon had been held very close to the head when the shot was fired. The body was still warm when the examination was made and rigor mortis had not yet set in.

Deegan Makes Statement.

W. J. Deegan was the first witness Saturday morning. His testimony was brief and was to the effect that about 9 o'clock on Friday night he had been attracted from his house in the vicinity of the tragedy by hearing a revolver discharged. He ran out to the alley and found people running in the direction of where the body of Paddy Fleming was found. On reaching the spot he found a bullet wound in the temple of the deceased, who was stretched out upon his back, stone dead. The only persons he saw upon the scene were George W. Burke, Robert J. Wylie, John Spry and the Pattersons. He had no means of knowing how or by whom the wound had been inflicted. The body was removed to the Elmen house.

What Burke Saw.

George W. Burke testified that about 9 o'clock on Friday night he heard a shot fired. He stepped to the door in a few seconds and saw Sam Taggart running in the direction of where the body was found. The distance from the door to the body was about sixty feet. Sam was about that far from him when he opened the door, running from Billings avenue toward the body. He saw no other person at the time and did not see anybody retreating from the body.

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ROSEBUD COUNTY BOUQUET.

The Forsyth Times of Dec. 11 says:
The Red Lodge Picket is easily the neatest and best weekly newspaper in the state of Montana.

MARRIED IN BILLINGS.

Prosperous Rosebud Woolgrower Secures a Handsome Bride.
L. C. Piper of East Rosebud and Mrs. Cora Harriman of Absarokee were united in marriage at Billings last Tuesday evening, the ceremony taking place at the parsonage of the Methodist Episcopal church and the nuptials being celebrated by Rev. Dr. W. A. Clark.

Mr. Piper, accompanied by his bride, arrived in the city by Tuesday's train and departed that afternoon for his ranch home on the East Rosebud. This is one of the finest ranches in the county and the groom intends next spring to erect a splendid new residence thereon.

The groom is a gentleman well known and deservedly popular over on the west side, while the bride is a lady of many excellent qualities of head and heart. Their many friends will unite with The Picket in extending congratulations.

ELECTION THE BROKEN

A Recount of Votes Cast for County Attorney Gives Woodward Three Plurality.

COUNTED BY THE COURT

Judge Frank Henry Declares Republican Candidate Elected and Entitled to the Office.

At last the tie has been broken. Reference is not had to the tie that binds—that will still pass muster for some time to come—but to the tie that existed in the official vote for county attorney which was developed in Carbon county at the recent election.

Two warrants proceedings were instituted in the district court Saturday last by Fox & Fox, who represented L. B. Reno in the matter, to obtain a recount of the votes, F. C. Woodward did not resist the application and by stipulation with County Attorney Caswell the re-

count was ordered. Had not all the interested parties signed the stipulation no recount could have been had until a successor to the present county attorney had taken his seat, either through appointment or otherwise.

Mr. Reno, the democratic candidate, was satisfied beyond peradventure of a doubt that a recount would establish the fact that he had received a plurality over his republican rival for the position, and when the recount was ordered by Judge Henry he was fully as happy as he claimed to have been when he had the smallpox out at his ranch at Chance a year ago.

But when the recount was finished on Monday night it was found that instead of Mr. Reno having a plurality over Mr. Woodward it was just the other way, Woodward being the winner by the scant margin of three votes. Reno gained seven votes in the recount and Woodward ten, making the former's total vote in the county 647 and the latter's 650. The additional votes came from certain ballots which the judges of election in certain precincts had failed to count, for one reason and another. Judge Henry, however, decided that as the intent of the voter could be ascertained from the ballot each man was entitled to every vote that had been cast for him. The changes from the official count in the respective precincts appear below, the minus sign (-) signifying a loss instead of a gain:

Woodward	Reno	
East Red Lodge	4	2
Reno	1	4
Gebu	1	1
Roberts	2	2
Rockvale	2	2
Bridger	1	1
Yellowstone	3	3
Total gain	10	7

In accordance with the result obtained the court made an order that F. C. Woodward had received the largest number of votes cast at the election on Nov. 4, 1902, and therefore was entitled to hold the office of county attorney after the first Monday in January, 1903, and to the emoluments thereof, and that L. O. Caswell, the present incumbent, was not entitled to the position on and after that date.

FOUGHT IN WAR OF 1848.

Reunion of Grizzled Veterans of the Mexican War.

Two old grizzled veterans of the Mexican war, their locks whitened with the snows of over eighty winters, met by accident the other day in Red Lodge and compared reminiscences of the war of 1847-8. Both also served with distinction in the war for the preservation of the union which swept over this country from '61 to '65. They decided to have a reunion in this city on New Year's day, and with this idea in view invite the attendance of all Mexican war veterans who may be living in Montana, especially those residing at near-by points. The two veterans who thus accidentally met are none other than Emmett Chatfield and L. M. Keryn, the latter being the father-in-law of Alderman A. Morrison. The banquet for the occasion will be spread at the Elmen house and all those who attend can

be assured perhaps the last opportunity they may ever have of listening to a personal recital of the scenes and incidents connected with the Mexican war, related by participants in that sanguinary conflict.

METALLIC CIRCUIT COMPLETED.

L. L. Moffett Perfects His Long-Distance Telephone Service.
Wednesday L. L. Moffett came from Billings to superintend the completion of the connections in the Red Lodge central office, by which the long distance service of the Montana & Wyoming Telephone company is considerably enhanced in efficiency.

The company now has a double wire between Red Lodge and Billings, in place of the old style of ground circuit, which occasionally gave rise to all sorts of wire trouble.

"The metallic circuit is the one now universally in use," said Mr. Moffett to The Picket, "and we are confident that our patrons will at once appreciate the better service we can now offer on the long-distance line."

Mr. Moffett says that the building of the telephone line from Red Lodge to Absarokee will have to be postponed for the winter, owing to the inclemency of the weather, although much of the equipment is on the ground, ready for the advent of the construction gang. As soon as weather permits in the spring, the project of giving western Carbon county residents long-distance talking facilities will be pushed to completion.

BEST IN THE STATE.

The Billings Times takes occasion to remark that "The Red Lodge Picket is the best weekly paper in the state of Montana," and adds:

It is a twelve-page, all home print, and contains four pages weekly of county news, supplying the smaller points in Carbon county with the news fresh from the press.

TROUBLE IN FAIRYLAND.

"Quarrel of the Flowers" Receives a Beautiful Interpretation.

"Quarrels among flowers" are necessarily rather harmless affairs, serving probably more as diversions in fairyland than as "really and truly" inharmonious discords; but, with this as a theme, a number of the well-known young ladies and matrons of Red Lodge succeeded in presenting at the opera house last Friday evening one of the prettiest cantatas ever seen here.

The splendid program, as previously published in The Picket, was carried out most successfully, and the Ladies' society of the Congregational church realize a neat sum as a result. The excellence of the music and the perfection of management both bore witness to the skill of Mrs. B. F. Sprague, who officiated as conductress.

Those who were present so greatly enjoyed the affair that there has been a demand for its repetition. Accordingly another performance will be given sometime in January, the exact date to be announced later.

NEARING THE END.

Rock Creek Water Right Suit Reaching Final Stage.

Out of a total of 275 water rights which are to be determined and fixed by decree of court in the present water right litigation in the district court, some 215 rights had been heard up to noon today and about 300 witnesses had testified in the case. When court adjourns tomorrow the total number of water rights taken up will approximate 250, or about two-thirds of the entire number. As the case will then have already consumed three weeks in the consideration thereof it will take less than ten days to finish it after court convenes again, which will be on Jan. 12.

MASONS, ATTENTION!

Invitations to the celebration of St. John's day, Dec. 26, have been sent out by Star in the West lodge. Through an error these fail to state that every Mason is to bring either his wife or lady friend. Please understand also that every Mason in Carbon county, whether he received a regular invitation or not, is expected to attend.

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