HANGED AT HANGTOWN.

Murderer Myers' Miserable Taking Off.

HE DIES A CRAVEN'S DEATH

Abject Weakness of the Culprit on the Scaffold—His Cries and Lamentations.

[Associated Press Dispatches to the HERALD]

PLACERVILLE, Cal., November 30.—At 1:14 this afternoon another scene such as gave this place its early-day name of "Hangtown" occurred here when John Henry Myers expiated upon the scaffold his criminal participation in the murder of John Lowell on the 24th day of March last.

The final refusal of Governor Waterman to commute the death sentence of John Olsen and William Drager, who were convicted with Myers, to that of life imprisonment, created the general belief that the trio must hang to-day, but the right of appeal to the Supreme Court had not yet been exercised, and to this right G. J. Carpenter and C. F. Irvin finally resorted to save their clients, Olsen and Drager, from the scaffold to-day. Consequently Myers alone suffered the penalty of his crime.

Throughout the forenoon Myers lay on the couch of his cell in an apparently unconscious state, while in the adjoining cells Drager and Olsen cheerfully conversed with the death watch and visitors. Their conduct has not materially changed since they received the news that they were not to be executed to-day, for they had previously made up their minds that hope was useless and that they would face their death bravely in the Catholic faith, which each has espoused.

BENT ON GOING TO HELL.

When it was evident this morning that Myers would have to be carried to the place of execution, Drager said: I have said from the beginning that Myers would have to be carried out and would not meet death like a man. I and Olsen had determined to die bravely, and we asked Myers to read the Bible and do something for his soul and be brave; but he threw away a German Bible that was given him, with the words "Damn it; everything goes to hell, and I might as well go to hell with it."

Myers had refused to eat anything since Tuesday evening. Wednesday night he spent in writing something in the way of a confession, which was but a repetition of the facts stated in his affidavit used upon the hearing of a motion for a new trial in the cases of Drager and Olsen. Yesterday morning he arose early and in a light frame of mind. When the cells of the three condemned men were opened to be cleaned, Myers talked in a happy strain. Shortly he began to sob and reclined on his couch exclaiming, "My wife, my child!"

HE BEGS FORGIVENESS.

Drager and Olsen went to his side, when he took Drager's hand between his and asked him to forgive him for getting him into trouble and for all the lies he had told about him. This done, he repeated this entreaty with Olsen. He then sank into a state of apparent unconsciousness until 12:15 o'clock to-day, when he aroused himself, called the watchman, and asked for some milk, which was given him. Upon seeing Prentiss Carpenter, one of the attorneys in the case, he asked: "Is this Friday?"

Upon being told that it was, he asked: 'Must I be hanged to-day?"

Carpenter replied: "Yes; and every one predicts that you will not die bravely. Now, show them that you can. You have not an hour longer to live."

Hanging his head meditatively for an instant he replied that he would, and commenced at once to arrange his toilet.

Many thought that his condition was feigned and that he only arose from it when he saw Carpenter, in hope of receiving news of relief. Disappointed in this it would be useless to further feign insensibility.

HIS ABJECT WEAKNESS.

At 12:55 o'clock the officers entered the jail and Deputy-sheriff Mitchell commenced reading the death warrant. During the reading Myers groaned audibly.

At five minutes past one two officers took Myers by the arms to support him while walking to the gallows, which was erected in the jail yard. Myers sobbed while they walked to the outer door of the jail, but when this was reached he commenced to groan and bawl, which he continued to do up to the time that the black cap was drawn over his head.

From the outer door he had to be carried to the gallows. There his ankles and knees had to be pinioned while he was lying on the platform.

SUPPORTED ON THE SCAFFOLD.

Two strong men then raised and held him in an erect position while the body and arm straps were being adjusted. Before the noose was placed about his neck his chin was raised by the executioner, who admonished him to try and be a man and asked him if he had anything to say.

Between his loud cries he managed to say: "No."

The noose was then tightly drawn about his neck which choked his cries. The black cap was drawn over his face, and to the relief of the men supporting him the trap was sprung at 1:14 o'clock.

His body was allowed to hang seventeen minutes, when life was pronounced extinct by the physicians. His neck was broken by the fall.

Fully 400 people witnessed the scene from the jail yard, while hundreds of others viewed it from neighboring rooftops and hillsides.

HAD ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.

For some days past inflamed spots were noticeable on Myers' neck immediately in front of the larynx. The cause of this was explained by the finding of a slip-noose among his bed clothing this afternoon by the officers, after his execution. It was made of strong strips torn from a cotton shirt belonging to him. He had evidently made an attempt at self-strangulation, but his courage failed.

THE IMPROVED NAVY.

Secretary Whitney Reports Progress Made Up to Date.

WASHINGTON, November 30.—Secretary Whitney has presented his annual report to the President. After giving a brief review of the condition of the navy as it will exist on the fourth day of March, 1889, in comparison with the same as it existed on the fourth day of March, 1885, and furnishing a list of the armored vessels heretofore authorized by Congress, the Secretary says:

So far as armored ships are concerned, the subject is yet to be treated in a broad way by the department and Congress. At the present time the conditions are such that everything necessary to a first-class fighting ship can be produced and furnished to the department in this country as soon as in the course of construction any element or feature is required. But this has never, until the present time, been true. Therefore, consideration of the subject has been necessarily postponed by the department until the present time.

COMMERCE DESTROYERS.

The efforts of the department in ship construction have necessarily, since March, 1885, been devoted to unarmored vessels, and as to others, the department is able to report that when the ships in course of construction and those authorized shall have been completed, the United States will rank second among nations in the possession of unarmored cruisers or "commerce destroyers," having the highest characteristics, viz.: a size of 3,000 tons and upwards, and possessing a speed of nineteen knots and upwards per hour.

The Secretary quotes authorities as to the value of this class of vessels, and continues: "We cannot at present protect our coast, but we can return blow for blow, for we shall soon be in a condition to launch a fleet of large and fast cruisers against the commerce of the enemy, able to inflict the most serious and lasting injury thereon."

With regard to the production of power by machinery the report says: "The standard in 1885 was ten-horse power to a ton of machinery. All contracts since then have been upon the highest standard, and at the present time the department has reached a point where reliance can be placed upon it for the production of war vessels equal in character to those of any other country.

REDUCED EXPENDITURES.

"It is gratifying to be able to report," says the Secretary, "that notwithstanding the large expenditures for the new navy in the last three years, reductions in other directions have made the total expenditures of the Department less for these years than for the three years ending June 30, 1884, the ordinary expenses of the Department having been reduced over 20 per cent. The total expenditures of the Department for the three years ending June 30, 1884, compared with the three years ending June 30, 1888, were $47,979,397 and $46,830,630.

Under the head of "Coast and Harbor Defense Vessels" the Secretary states: "In the last annual report of the Department considerations were given, leading to the conclusion that it would be unwise for the Department to follow the course of the European powers in building unprotected torpedo boats and in the present uncertainty regarding the practicability of submarine boats and while waiting a practical trial of the dynamite gunboat, it has been deemed wise by the department to build one light draught, heavily armored harbor defense, floating battery or ram, for which designs have been prepared. The advertisements for this vessel call for the submission of bids in February next, the characteristics to be found as stated in the table of armored vessels."

Considerable space is devoted to business methods and the introduction of the system into the department.

NEED OF ARMORED CRUISERS.

A chapter is devoted to naval progress during the year at home and abroad, and in it is the statement that the necessity for an increased number of fast protected cruisers, whether for purposes of protecting or destroying commerce or for service with the fleet as scouts, has been emphasized during the naval manœuvers of the year, and fully recognized by all the naval powers. But with an increase of the number of cruisers it has been recognized in view of the recent introduction of high explosive projectiles and the increase of power, rapid fire and other guns, that renewed attention must be given to an armored fleet, and the prevailing opinion in England, France, Italy, Germany and Russia is strongly in favor of additional armored ships to be built at an early date. In these new vessels the armor will be much more widely distributed and will certainly protect battery and crew, as well as the water line and machinery. The destructiveness of high explosive shell fire against the unprotected sides of vessels, emphasizes the peculiar advantages of the Monitor type for the coast defense service.

The Secretary considers the subjects of improved powder projectiles and torpedo boats, saying in regard to the latter that recent naval manœuvers abroad, show that they must still be regarded as the most useful for coast and harber defense. The estimates for the navy and marine corps for the current fiscal year amount fo $23,003,624. Those for the next fiscal year are $26,767,677. The appropriations for the current fiscal year are $19,742,481.

Mexican Matters.

MEXICO (via Galveston), November 29.—President Diaz and the Governor of the Federal district yesterday received the members of the Press Association from the United States, who arrived here. The President made an address of welcome to his guests in which he dwelt on the grandeur of the press.

The editor of the *El Nacional* has been sentenced to eight months' imprisonment and a fine of $1,000, or instead of the fine to 500 days additional imprisonment.

The entire press is unanimous in attacking the concessions granted by the Governor to Louis Huller in Lower California, on account of the irregularities, denounced by Engineer Sanchez Facio in his report.

President Diaz has repeated his assertion that he would make no changes in his Cabinet, and that he would not leave Mexico during his term of office, notwithstanding rumors to the contrary.

Meeting of Forestry Congresses.

ATLANTA, Ga., November 29.—Governor Bullock, President of the Southern Forestry Congress, is in receipt of notices from many of the Governors of the several States, naming delegates to the convention to meet here on December 5th, 6th and 7th. The American Forestry Congress will meet here at the same time, and large delegations are coming from the North.

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AN INTERESTING PICTURE.

W. M. Short's Crayon Portrait of H. E. Kronnick and Family.

All day yesterday the sidewalk in front of No. 8 South Spring street was almost blockaded by pedestrians who stopped to admire a masterpiece in crayon, which was executed by the eminent local artist, Mr. W. M. Short, whose studios are situated at 44½ South Spring street.

The work which proved of such attraction to the public is a free-hand crayon drawing—size, 4½x5½ feet—of Mr. H. E. Kronnick, the well-known contractor, and his entire family. The central figures are Mr. and Mrs. Kronnick, and about them are grouped the children, eleven in number—ten boys and one girl; the last two are twins. Eight of the boys have reached manhood and are engaged in business in the city.

Aside from the interest which naturally attaches to the subject of the picture, the work itself is of a sort calculated to attract attention. It is one of the latest and best efforts of an artist whose work in crayon has received such favorable comment from time to time. Mr. Short is certainly an artist of unusual talent, specimens of his ability can be found in nearly every household in Los Angeles.

There has been exhibited in the windows of different stores caricatures on current events by this same artist, which have called forth a considerable degree of praise.

The lover of art who will take the trouble to call at the studios of Mr. Short will be delighted with the high order of beautiful work with which the rooms abound. Mr. Short does all kind of crayons and drawings, but his specialty is the enlargement of photographs to crayon portraits of any desirable size, and in this line of art he invariably gives satisfaction, in fact he guarantees to do this.

The subject which was displayed yesterday gives special opportunity for the exercise of his abilities in this direction. The faces all show a strong family resemblance, which exist to an unusual extent, yet each is stamped with a complete individuality. The expression in each countenance is clear and life-like, each stands out in bold relief. The high lights and shadows are blended in a manner that shows the true artist. The power of reproducing a photograph so that it is not only recognizable but retains the natural expression of the original, requires not only a great deal of study and experience, but natural ability also. The artist in question is fortunately the possessor of all the above requirements, as is proven by the excellent piece of art above mentioned.

During the day hundreds of people stopped to look at it, and the comments, though varied, were all to the same point—namely, that it reflected great credit upon the artist.

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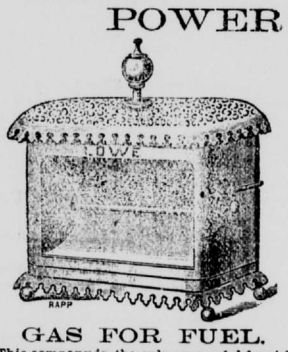

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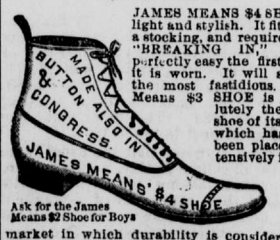

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