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SUICIDE AT LUND.

Mrs. Virginia Wilcock of Parowan, Takes Her Own Life.

Despondent Over Treatment Received From Husband—Death by Far Sweeter Than Life.

Mrs. Virginia Wilcock, a resident of Parowan, but who has spent several weeks at Lund, Utah, fired a shot into her body Saturday that caused death after three or four hours of suffering.

The woman had received some letters in the morning, one presumably from someone with whom she had been familiar, and probably one from her relatives. Upon reading them she became despondent and cried a great deal. Nothing was thought of the matter, because it was well known that her husband had practically separated from her and had gone to Idaho. However he had written many letters to her in which he expressed great love.

After Mrs. Wilcock had brooded over her trouble for some time, she took a bath and changed her wearing apparel preparatory to the awful act she contemplated. She then wrote a letter to her mother the copy of which will be found below.

At about 1:15 p. m., while the attention of everyone was attracted by the arrival of a special Elks Train over the Salt Lake Route she went into a bed room and fired the fatal shot from a revolver she had procured, the bullet striking her in the left breast, just above the heart. The shot attracted the attention of some member of the Carter family, who keeps the hotel in which the unfortunate woman found employment. Help was called from the train that was at the depot, and a doctor responded, but he gave no hopes for recovery. A doctor was sent for from Cedar, but before his arrival the woman had died.

Rumors galore as to the real cause of the suicide have been flying around and many are the accusations made about certain people that to publish would be unwise. Suffice it to say that although the woman had the name of being foolish, she was not altogether to blame.

If reports be true she has had to battle alone for subsistence as a pre-ual of the letter will show. And it is not to be supposed that a person so near to the verge of death would make any attempt to lie. If this letter was written by her in her anguish of mind with the knowledge that she would soon face her maker and be judged it would debar the idea that she had written falsely.

Only to read the letter tells one that the woman had but little if any protection, from those whom she had a right to expect would protect her.

A careful perusal of the touching note left will go far to win for unfortunate the sympathy of the people, and it will also go far to show what depths of agony a person may go who is in such a predicament as she.

"Judge not that ye be not judged" should be the sentiment of all in this case. Let the woman lie in peace, for she has had a good share of her punishment, and there are those now alive that will no doubt suffer ten fold more than she, and be more severely condemned by the Supreme Judge. It must be remembered that she was the weaker vessel and did not have the protection that should have been hers. Those who failed to protect with a loving care are the ones that should be condemned and there is not a shadow of a doubt but that they will get just what is coming to them, and it should not be stinged in the least.

Following is a copy of the letter written by the unfortunate woman, just before she fired the shot that destroyed her life:

7-19 09, Lund, Utah

Dear Mother:
I write to tell you good bye. You will know why by the time this reaches you. I want you to forgive me for everything and take care of little Madge, poor little girl, and don't ever let anyone else have her.

Madge has never sent me only \$20 since I came home. He has been having a good time. It was left at

Wm. Whitney's, \$15.00 to go on the piano and that five he brought for Madge. So you see I have only had what I earned myself.

Don is the cause of this. You blamed me but he was to blame too. He followed me up and I could not get away from him. You can believe me or not as you like. Diza and Hubert, I have nothing to say. Tell father good bye, if he cares for it. My heart is broken and afloat too.

VIRGINIA.

Oh Mother, I am so sorry.

There is much to be read between the lines of the above letter and the readers of the Record are asked to do justice to it, and if they feel inclined to censure, let it be directed aright, and bear in mind that the woman was probably more "sinned against than sining."

How's This

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward or any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh cure.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last fifteen years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by his firm.

WALDING, KINNAN & MARVIN, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75c per bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

NOTICE.

The annual general meeting of the stockholders of the Cedar Sheep Ass'n will convene in the company store at 8 p. m., July 26, 1908, for the purpose of hearing the Annual Report, the election of officers, and any other business that may properly come before said meeting.

M. D. HIGBEE, Sec'y.

When the stomach fails to perform its functions, the bowels become deranged, the liver and the kidneys congested causing numerous diseases. The stomach and liver must be restored to a healthy condition and Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets can be depended upon to do it. Easy to take and most effective. Sold by Palace Drug Store.

Everyone would be benefitted by taking Foley's Orino Laxative for stomach and liver trouble and habitual constipation. It sweetens the stomach and breath, gently stimulates the liver and regulates the bowels and is much superior to pills and ordinary laxatives. Why not try Foley's Orino Laxative today?

ICE. ICE. ICE. Plenty of it at Harry Hunter's for 1 cent per pound.

A western editor when asked if he had ever seen a bald-headed woman replied "No, we never did, nor did we ever see a woman walking around town in her shirt sleeves with a cigar between her teeth and run into every saloon she saw. We have never seen a woman go fishing with a bottle in her hip pocket, sit on the ground all day and go home drunk at night. Nor have we seen a woman yank off her coat and swear she'll lick any man in town. God bless her; she isn't built that way."

Delay in taking Foley's Kidney Remedy if have backache, kidney or bladder trouble, fastens the disease upon you and makes a cure more difficult. Commence taking Foley's Kidney Remedy today and you will soon be well. Why risk a serious malady? Palace Drug Store and John T. Mitchell, Parowan.

People who are contemplating getting a fountain pen should wait for a few days. The Cedar City Drug Store has placed an order for the Waterman Ideal Fountain Pen, which is guaranteed to please the most critical writer and to satisfy any hand. An assortment of different sizes and prices will be on display and may be seen any time after their arrival, which will be within a few days.

Printing is our business. Let us do yours. THE RECORD.

Program of Meeting and Parade and Committees for Twenty-Fourth Celebration.

Program to be given at 10 a. m.
Song by Choir.
Prayer by chaplain, J. V. Adams.
Mixed quartet.
Oration, John Parry.
Song Mrs. Ada W. Webster.
Speech by Utah.
Male quartet
Toast to Pioneers, E. H. Ryan.
Song, Timothy Adams
Reminiscences, John Chatterly.
Song by Choir.
Benediction.

ORDER OF PARADE.

MARTIAL OF THE DAY.
CEDAR POLICE FORCE.
BRASS BAND.
FLOAT UTAH AND HER ATTENDANCE.

Cedar Pioneers.
Redman's Float.
City Fathers.
Prohibition Float.

FLOATS OF INDUSTRY.
Sheep and stock raisers.
Farmers and truck gardening.
Mining.
Milling.
Poultry raising.
Bee industry.

CEDAR STRING BAND.
EDUCATIONAL DIVISION.

High School.
Public School.
Musical Associations.
Iron County Record.

LADIES AND GENTS ON HORSE BACK.

COMMERCIAL DIVISION.

Commercial Club.
Dry goods.
Groceries.
Drugs.
Deliicatessen.
Millinery.
Furniture.
Hardware.

TRADESMAN DIVISION.

Tosorial Artists.
Harness makers.
Cobblers.
Carpenters.
Blacksmiths.
Masons.
Stone cutters.
Photographers.
Private automobiles, carriages, buses, etc.

A prize of five dollars will be given for the most artistic and best representation.

We will welcome out side settlements.

Parade will form in front of the Ward Hall promptly at 8:30. Those taking part please take notice.

LINE OF MARCH.

Parade will start at nine o'clock sharp—North to First North, thence west to Main; south to First South; back on Main to First north; west to First West; south to First South; east to first east; North to Ward Hall.

PARADE COMMITTEE.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.
Bishopric's of the East and West Wards. Henry W. Lunt, chairman.
Marshal of the Day, Harry Lunt.
Captain, Will Stephens.

PARADE COMMITTEE.

Roy Urie, Roy Armstrong, John Tait, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Foster, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Estough, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Macfarlane, Mr. and Mrs. Doss Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Rob. Thorley, Mrs. Ada Leigh, Mrs. Elizabeth Dutton, Will Wood.

PROGRAM COMMITTEE.

John U. Webster, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Knell, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Pace, Richard Bryant.

SPONSOR COMMITTEE.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Decker, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Palmer, Mr. and Mrs. William Lunt, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Higbee, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Hunter.

REPRESENT COMMITTEE.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Urie, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Corry, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Higbee, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Parry.

DANCE COMMITTEE.

Frank Wood, Nevada Watson, Rhoda Matheson, Agnes Brown, Ethel Jensen, Lottie Haight, Charles Bryant.

Parowan Letter.

Parowan, Utah, July 12.

One of the saddest and gravest messages in the annals of the history of Parowan is that which came across the phone line from Lund to Mr. and Mrs. Jackson of this place, about 2 o'clock p. m. of the 10th, stating that their daughter, Mrs. Virginia Wilcock, had just committed suicide, at the home of Mr. Carter of that place, where she was then staying.

Her father, Mr. Marcus Jackson, on receiving the message, was so stunned by the blow that he was unable to attend to the matter, and placed all in the hands of Bishop Richards, whose thoughtfulness and management of the smallest detail cannot be too highly spoken of. A team and carriage was immediately dispatched to the scene and a doctor from Cedar had already been sent for. John Davenport and George Rasmussen were sent with the conveyance which returned about 6 p. m. of the 11th, bearing the remains.

At the home were the father, mother two sisters and a brother and the little 10 year old daughter Madge, surrounded by many of their friends, who were all (at the request of Bishop Richards) there to help if possible, to alleviate the sorrows of this grief stricken family.

Just 11 years from this day this family had their dying son brought home, having accidentally shot himself while out duck hunting. Mrs. Jackson at the time being bedfast.

The secret of Mrs. Wilcock's trouble which caused her to become so desperate as to take her own life, was revealed in a letter which she had written to her mother and placed on the table a short time before the shooting.

Mr. and Mrs. Jackson are both people of good character and well thought of by the people of Parowan. Mr. Jackson has been manager of the electric power plant here since its beginning and is an expert workman, carpenter and mechanic. Mrs. Jackson is a true lady in every sense of the term.

The funeral services will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jackson as soon as Mr. Ralph Wilcock, the husband of the deceased who has been at work in Idaho, returns home. He is expected tonight.

The citizens of Parowan all extend their deepest sympathy to the bereaved parents, sisters, brother, the little daughter, and the husband.

Mayhew H. Dalley, who has been working on the County abstract records of lands, has finished and returned to his home at Cedar.

At the school election yesterday for a three years term trustee Kate Taylor, democrat; E. A. Burton, Republican. The former was elected by a majority of 12 votes.

Miss Rhoda Gurr and Joseph Jensen, both of this city, were married in the Clerk's office yesterday afternoon. Heartiest congratulations to the young couple.

Mrs. Barbara Matheson Adams has been very ill but is now improving. During her absence Miss Flossie Marsden has been assisting in the bank.

Mrs. Jane Ward is improving and has come to stay with her sister Mrs. Wm. H. Holyoak for a change, which will no doubt be beneficial.

Mrs. Ann Gunn accidentally fell the other day but no bad results followed excepting some scratches and bruises.

BOWERY COMMITTEE.

Bob Leigh, Edward B. Parry, Conrad Haight, Ray Lunt, George Gower, Claude Urie, Thomas Higbee, Roland Hunter, Vivian Decker, Arthur Nelson, Leonard Haight, Roy Wood, Willie Houchen.

DECORATION COMMITTEE.

Randie Jones, Lyn Higbee, Russ Macfarlane, Mame Jones, Rojes Nelson, Cash Webster, Green Bryant, Ina Leigh, Parson Webster.

The Eastwood Club will meet at the home of Mrs. E. C. Cox on Second east St., Wednesday July 28, 3 p. m. All are invited to attend.

KATE E. RYAN, Sec.

Subscribe for the "Record."

Indian War Records.

Manti, Utah, July 7th, 1909.

Editor Record:—For the information of those who are interested in the work of the Commission of Indian War Records of Utah, I wish you would publish the following items as news in the columns of your valuable paper:

"The Commission has completed its labors in Utah County and are now in Sanpete County beginning at Manti, the county seat. It is their purpose to visit each town where there is a likelihood of the veterans being able to perfect their records, it being required of the principal that he prove his service by the affidavit of two reputable witnesses, (taken by the Commission) who served in the same company with him.

The itinerary of the commission, decided upon, is as follows: completed Sanpete County by August 7th, if possible; commence work in Salt Lake City on August 1, in order that veterans who reside outside of Utah, or in isolated parts of the state, may be able to make their proofs, securing witnesses from the visitors to the G. A. R. encampment. This will be the best opportunity afforded during the service of this commission, for such persons to make their record. Transients will be served in preference to residents on that occasion. Will complete the work in Salt Lake County, as soon as practicable; then take the following counties in the order named, commencing at the county seat town, and working through the other towns of the county as most convenient: Juab, Millard, Beaver, Iron, Washington, Kane, Garfield, Piute and Sevier.

After those counties have been written up a new schedule will be made covering the remaining counties in the state.

Chapter 55, Laws of Utah 1909, gives a fair idea of what is requisite in order to make the record."

J. H. ANTHUR

Commissioner.

If people with symptoms of kidney or bladder trouble could realize their danger they would without loss of time commence taking Foley's Kidney Remedy. This great remedy stops the pain and the irregularities, strengthens and builds up these organs and there is no danger of Bright's disease or other serious disorder. Do not disregard the early symptoms. Palace Drug Store and John T. Mitchell, Parowan.

Open Air Meeting.

Program for outdoor meeting to be held Sunday night, July 18, at southwest entrance of the tabernacle: French Horn and Clarinet duet, Lyn Higbee and Irene Jones.

Song by Audience, "How firm a foundation."

Prayer.

Vocal duet, Ora and Irva Dalley.

Talk, Elder James C. Pirry.

Vocal Duet, Rhoda Matheson and Agnes Brown.

Talk, Pres. U. T. Jones.

Devology by all.

Prayer.

Teething children have more or less diarrhoea, which can be controlled by giving Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. All that is necessary is to give the prescribed dose after each operation of the bowels more than natural and then castor oil cleanse the system. It is safe and sure. Sold by Palace Drug Store.

Notice.

A special general meeting of the shareholders of the Cedar City Co-op. M. & M. I. will be held in the company's store 8 p. m., Monday, August 2nd, 1909, to hear the report of the company's business rendered by the outgoing Sec'y Treasurer, and to ratify the action of the Board in appointing his successor.

G. J. ANTHUR,

Pres'y-Treas.

July 12 1909.

Better stay home for the Twenty-Fourth. The town is going to celebrate right and will have a big parade. What is the use of going off when your home town can give you better entertainment than you can get elsewhere, and at cheaper rates?