

NEWS OF THE COAST.

Druggist Putnam Killed by Editor Sehorn at Willows.

TRAGEDY ON A STREET.

Four Shots Fired While Spectators Tried to Separate the Men.

THREE BULLETS TOOK EFFECT

A Dispute Over the Payment of a Bill Led to the Murder.

WILLOWS, CAL., Oct. 7.—Editor W. A. Sehorn this evening shot and killed J. E. Putnam, a member of a local firm of druggists.

The tragedy took place in front of Putnam's store on Tehama street, in the view of a score of spectators, who tried vainly to prevent it. Four shots were fired, three bullets burying themselves in Putnam's body.

It appears that during the settlement of accounts on the first of the month between Editor Sehorn and Putnam & Walker there was a difference of a few dollars in favor of the latter, and they made a demand on Sehorn for the amount. At the meeting of Sehorn and Putnam this evening the trouble over the bill was renewed. Angry words were exchanged; then Sehorn drew a pistol and shot four times at Putnam, three of the bullets taking effect in his body. One entered the abdomen, the second the diaphragm and the third lodged in the neck.

The men were standing on the sidewalk in front of the drugstore when the shooting commenced, but friends tried to separate them, but when the fourth shot was fired Putnam fell in the middle of the street. He was immediately carried into the drug store, but life was found to be extinct. Sehorn was taken away from the scene of the tragedy and soon gave himself up to Constable Thomas O'Brien, and later was taken into custody by Sheriff Stanton.

J. E. Putnam was the senior member of the firm of Putnam & Walker in the drug business. He leaves a widow and daughter, the latter the wife of his partner, Mr. Walker. He was an old resident of this city, and was president of the Board of Trustees. He was one of the leading members of the Baptist church and also a member of the Masonic lodge.

Dr. W. A. Sehorn has been editor of the Willows Daily and Weekly Journal for about two years. He is a dentist by profession, but has not followed that calling since taking charge of the Journal. He has a wife and one son, and many relatives in Willows.

Coroner Johnson will hold an inquest tomorrow forenoon.

A SHOOTING AT FRESNO.

Policeman Caulfield Wounded by Rancher Pero in a Saloon.

Brutal Attempt to Murder Following a Quarrel Over Dice.

FRESNO, CAL., Oct. 7.—Police Officer P. A. Caulfield was dangerously shot to-night by a rancher named Henry Pero in a back room of Mills' saloon, at the corner of I and Kern streets.

The bullet entered between the second and third ribs below the right shoulder, passed through the top of the lung and lodged in the shoulder. Pero and Caulfield had been shaking dice for drinks and an altercation arose over the payment of 25 cents for the drinks. Hot words were passed, but by the intervention of the barkeeper the trouble was amicably settled. Pero then bought drinks for both, and from all appearances they were the best of friends.

Presently Pero called Caulfield out into a back room, and there, according to the latter's statement, Pero whipped out a pistol and exclaimed: "I will give you what you are looking for." He pulled the trigger and Caulfield fell.

No one else was in the room at the time of the shooting, but when Barkeeper Casey heard the shot he rushed toward the room. Pero came out of the door with the smoking revolver in his hand, and seeing Casey, leveled the pistol at him. The barkeeper jumped back and cried out to Pero not to shoot him. Pero then ran out through a side door and hurriedly untying his team, which was hitched there, jumped into the wagon and started away with the horses on a gallop. Shortly after Pero had left, Caulfield, who had remained in the back room, called the barkeeper and told him that he was shot. The barkeeper then sent for medical assistance.

The wound, though not necessarily fatal, is a dangerous one. At the time of the shooting Caulfield was off duty and unmarried.

Caulfield and Pero, and especially the latter, were much the worse from liquor when the shooting occurred. Pero is a well-to-do rancher and bears a hard reputation. Officers have gone out to-night in different directions after Pero, although it is believed that he will make for the mountains in Madera County, where he owns a ranch.

CATOR AND IRISH DEBATE. Fifteen Hundred People Hear Financial Topics Discussed.

FRESNO, CAL., Oct. 7.—Thomas V. Cator and John P. Irish met in joint debate on the currency question to-night at the Barton Opera-house, in the presence of 1500 people.

The debating was very well received, Cator's free-silver arguments being the more applauded, as the greater part of the audience favored his views.

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One Strip of Land All That Keeps the Construction Trains Idle.

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Citizens of the San Joaquin Metropolis Put Their Shoulders to the Wheel.

STOCKTON, CAL., Oct. 7.—Vice-President Watt, Chief Engineer Storey and Directors Sloss and Payson of the San Joaquin Valley Railroad were present at this evening.

President Buell presided and there was a fairly good attendance, but had the importance of the gathering been better known there would have been few public-spirited citizens absent.

Of late some people, prompted by motives known only to themselves, have been criticizing the progress on the Valley road and claiming that those at the San Francisco headquarters were not pushing the work as it should be, in order to redeem the promises of speedy construction made just after the great enterprise passed the stage of inception.

Vice-President Watt to-night told the members that all that was retarding the prosecution of work on even a greater scale than at present was the speedy redemption of the association's promises in regard to the donation of certain blocks of land near Mormon Channel.

He sifted the matter thoroughly, and said that the Simpson and Gray block, bounded by Center and El Dorado, Taylor and Scott streets, must be had at once. The pressing necessity arose from the fact that a short section of the track from the Taylor-street line to the material yard must be put down in order that the ties and rails may be moved by the already made-up construction train to the grade outside the city limits.

Mr. Watt said that he had hesitated to speak of the matter, but as it had reached a point where the progress of the enterprise was involved he spoke plainly. He appreciated the fact that times were hard, and that a few Stockton citizens were doing their best to hold up their end, but that the considerations would have to ask the association to put the road in possession of this strip of land at once, as the company wished to push construction work with all the speed possible.

Chief Engineer Storey supplemented Mr. Watt's remarks and called the attention of the citizens to the fact that winter was approaching and the materials must be moved in order that the line to the river be completed before winter.

Hugh Corcoran in explanation stated that the association felt embarrassed on having to be reminded of the matter, but there were mitigating circumstances arising through the prevalence of the monetary stringency; and that the association, being informed of the pressing necessity of the block, its purchase would be consummated at once, but he thought the citizens of Stockton had done their share in the matter, considering everything.

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Out for Big Game

WE WON'T CONCEAL OUR OBJECT!

We're after big game this season, or to be plainer with you, we're after more business and we will rely upon the superiority of our merchandise, the largeness of our stock, the great variety to select from and prices. These will positively be the lowest ever quoted for dependable merchandise. We're in a position to name prices that no other house on the Coast can name.

THE GREEN TAGS WILL TELL THE REST OF THE STORY.

EVER WORN A STEIN-BLOCH SUIT?

They're the swell tailors of New York. They make garments that few tailors in America can surpass. They're the makers of 500 Suits of ours in those fashionable black Cheviots, in Single and Double Breasted Sacks and in the new English Frock. More stylish garments cannot be had for the money.

The Stein-Bloch Company seldom make a suit to retail for less than \$20.

We have Green Tagged these

-\$10.00-

Won't there be a scramble for 'em when the good dressers of Frisco learn that the Stein-Bloch Suits will be sold at \$10.00? They know who the Stein-Bloch people are, but

WE'RE AFTER BIG GAME THIS SEASON,

And we propose to give you the very highest class of merchandise at prices that won't allow you to forget Green Tags in a hurry. Just keep your eye on Green Tags this week.

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A San Francisco House Run by San Francisco Boys.
FRISCO'S BIGGEST STORE—2 ENTIRE BUILDINGS,
9, 11, 13 and 15 Kearny Street.

site was graded and other little matters disposed of citizens might expect to see still greater amount of money placed in circulation and more mechanics given employment.

ARTHUR THORNTON INJURED. The Victim of a Fatal Runaway Accident at Woodbridge.

STOCKTON, CAL., Oct. 7.—A report from Woodbridge states that Arthur Thornton, a wealthy farmer, prominent in political and financial circles of this county, received probably fatal injuries in a runaway accident near New Hope this evening.

SANTA ROSA DEDICATION. The New High School Building Opened With Imposing Ceremony.

A Pretty and Commodious Structure, Modernly Equipped in All Departments.

SANTA ROSA, CAL., Oct. 7.—The new High School building on Humboldt street was formally dedicated to educational purposes this morning. The programme arranged for the occasion was an appropriate one. The chief feature was the address by Rev. William Martin, formerly of Oakland and now pastor of the First Presbyterian Church here. It was full of good points, and was frequently applauded by the vast audience that crowded the assembly hall and the hallways leading into it.

The formal act of dedication was made by R. C. Moody, president of the Board of Education. The new building presents a handsome appearance. From the foundation it stretches up until at the top of the flagpole a height of 125 feet is reached. There are 18,000 bricks in the huge chimney. The school lot is a commodious one, 300x200 feet in dimensions.

The building has cost about \$30,000, the sum voted for that purpose four months ago. The work of erection has been carried on rapidly and reflects credit on the Board of Education. The interior is equally handsome and very conveniently arranged. The assembly-room is 70x52 feet in size, the various classrooms are 30x32 feet, and the height from floor to ceiling 14 feet. The rooms are furnished in mountain pine and the seats are armchairs with rests.

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town early this morning for a drink and was captured by the officers in Chinatown. Pending the results of Barnes' wounds, which are thought to be fatal, no charge will be placed against Maguire.

PASADENA FRUIT-GROWERS. Reports of the Output During the Association's First Year.

PASADENA, CAL., Oct. 7.—The Pasadena Fruit-growers' Association held its annual meeting this afternoon at the City Hall, and reports of the year's work were submitted to the stockholders. This is the first year of the association, and while there is a general dissatisfaction among growers over the results, especially in regard to receipts, the general sense of the meeting was that the past year was peculiarly disastrous to growers through various combinations of circumstances, but that the future of California's fruit industry is largely dependent upon co-operation and a continuance of the association.

The secretary's report showed 21,010 boxes of oranges and lemons handled during the year, and that the net proceeds to growers was as follows: Fancy navel, \$1.52 per box; choice navel, \$1.33; standard, 92 cents; choice, 77 cents; standard, 59 cents; choice seedlings, off, 12 cents; standard, regular, 5 1/2 cents; choice Mediterranean sweets, regular, 23 cents; choice Mediterranean sweets, off, 22 cents; lemons, 79 cents.

A Kneeland Prairie Suicide. EUREKA, CAL., Oct. 7.—D. Giacomini, a rancher living at Kneeland Prairie, committed suicide this morning by swallowing the contents of a bottle of strychnine. He took the poison on the street and died in a wagon on the way to a drugstore. Giacomini was under arrest on a charge of arson and was unable to obtain bail. Several days ago a large barn filled with hay was burned at night. Giacomini had it leased, and his hay in it was under an attachment. His watch was found afterwards near the scene, and suspicious tracks caused his arrest.

PORTLAND'S ALLEGED HEALER. Tryon, the "Messiah," Denounced as an Impostor.

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A local paper this afternoon publishes an expose of the bogus Christ, and denounces Dr. Tryon as a fakir of extraordinary ability.

Deb White's Body Found Near Where Mrs. Flaville Was Drowned.

It is Thought the Woman Attempted Suicide and He Tried to Rescue Her.

SACRAMENTO, CAL., Oct. 7.—The mystery surrounding the drowning of Mrs. David Flaville and the disappearance of Deb White, a river boatman, at midnight Thursday is deeper than ever. White's body was found to-night a short distance above where the woman's was found a day or two ago, and her watch was secreted in his pocket, showing by the hands that it had stopped at 1:20 o'clock in the morning.

This removes all suspicion of murder, and the only tenable theory seems to be that the woman gave White her watch and then jumped into the river; that he sprang in to save her and both were drowned.

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