

WALSH HOME AGAIN.

Klondike Argonaut and Democratic Politician in Town.

SAW COPPLE AND OTHERS IN DAWSON

Tells of the Improvements Being Made and the Telegraph Line—Hathor Retiree on Politics and Pleads Ignorance.

From Monday's Daily.

Charles A. Walsh, secretary of the national democratic committee, editor Klondike Argonaut, and business man, is at his home in this city after a flying journey almost half way around the world from Dawson City to Chicago, to attend the meeting of the democratic committee.

Mr. Walsh's trip from Dawson City to Chicago, which he made in sixteen days, is considered one of the most remarkable journeys out of the gold country.

"You know I am just out of the interior and am not able to hazard an opinion about the matter," was Mr. Walsh's adroit answer to the question as to the importance of the Algeid-Harrison fight in the democratic ranks of Illinois.

Talks About the Klondike.

"Oh, by the way, I saw Henry Copple in Dawson City," was the ejaculation with which Mr. Walsh turned the subject from politics. He had just got into town and was on his way to the Cape Nome district.

"Before the summer is over, I think getting in and out of Dawson will be much easier, and the mail service will be much improved. At present the Dominion Telegraph line, which is being erected from Ottumwa to Dawson, is completed to Five Fingers, and it is expected that the line will be finished in less than two months.

The secretary of state took in between \$2,000 and \$3,000 for fees from new corporations Saturday.

A Wrong Notion

Advertisement for Mother's Friend medicine, featuring an illustration of a woman and child.

DEATH WAS ACCIDENTAL

Rumors of Suicide in Case of W. H. McLeod Disproved by Post Mortem.

Williamsburg, July 26.—A telegram received by the operator Sunday morning was the first announcement that our fellow townsman, W. H. McLeod, had been shot to death near the Iowa river the previous evening.

A post-mortem examination was made in the afternoon, but it was kept quiet so that the real facts of the case could not be arrived at till an inquest was held.

The story as told by the witnesses at the inquest is substantially as follows: W. H. McLeod left home about 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon with the intention of going to the old McLeod homestead to see the tenant in regard to some grass seed.

When he did not come home at the expected hour, his folks began to worry about him, and the following morning his sister, Miss May McLeod, entertained great fears for his safety.

There were blood stains on his clothing and the ground near him, but none on the gun or near it. As Mr. Evans could not move the body alone they drove to the colony and secured assistance and went back after it, and took it to South Amama and sent it to Williamsburg on a freight train.

Mr. McLeod was a very prominent man here, and having been interested in all the grain elevators between here and Ottumwa he is widely known in this part of the state.

According to a recent decision issued from the office of the commissioner of internal revenue at Washington, D. C., banks must not affix stamps to unstamped checks presented and must return to drawer any unstamped checks presented for payment.

The instructions contained in treasury decision 10,606, under date of June 29, 1898, to the effect that there was no objection to the affixing by the bank of the requisite stamp to an unstamped check presented for payment, is hereby revoked.

Paris, July 26.—(By Associated Press.)—Castelin will interpellate the government on the concession of the minimum tariff to the United States.

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APPLAUDS GEN. OTIS

Private Soldier Who Refutes Yellow Journal Charges.

Directly in the face of the hue and cry that is just now being raised by yellow journals throughout the country, there comes to Ottumwa an emphatic contradiction of the condemnation of President McKinley's war administration in the person of Private Benjamin O. Smith, a member of Company A, First California regiment, Eighth brigade, who was in the city Sunday enroute to his home at Louisville, Kentucky, after a year's service in the Philippines.

Private B. O. Smith, of the First California, Passes Through Ottumwa, After a Year Spent Fighting Filipinos.

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That truth, containing the cold, hard facts, is stronger than political fiction, was illustrated when Private Smith, a life-long democrat, who voted for Bryan in 1896, said to a Courier reporter:

"The soldiers in the Philippine Islands, with the exception of a few scoundrels and some democrats, are unanimous in praising the action of President McKinley, General Otis and the war departments generally during the existence of the trouble with Aguinaldo and his fence-followers.

"The volunteers are being sent home in the order they reached Manila, as rapidly as the regulars arrive. Considering all things, there has not been much loss to American forces through disease; the prevailing cases of illness are smallpox, dysentery, malaria and drunkenness, the latter resulting from a very intoxicating gin made on the islands from rice. It is a cheap liquor compared to imported beer, which sells for 25 cents a glass, American money.

"Every precaution has been taken to purify the water, which is the greatest source of trouble. It is boiled and otherwise sterilized before being given to the soldiers. Many of the volunteers are re-enlisting upon their arrival home, a strong demonstration of their satisfaction with army life in the Pacific and a hard blow to the politicians who have been advocating the soldiers' cause.

"Private Smith looks the typical soldier, who has been living under a tropical sun. His skin resembles the copper-colored face of an American Indian, though perhaps a trifle browner—almost black. He wears the regulation blue uniform and shows his hardened condition in every move. Personally, Mr. Smith is not anxious to locate in the Philippines, but he thinks there is a wonderful opportunity for capitalists to enhance their riches by developing the country.

Typoid Fever Sufferer in Dubuque Slumps From Window to Death. Dubuque, July 25.—(Special.)—Alena Wilson, steward of the Diamond Jo steamer Quincy, while suffering from an attack of typhoid fever, left his cot in Mercy hospital this morning and jumped from a window in the third story. He was dead when found.

MURDER THE RESULT

The Shooting of Fred Bennett Causes His Death. From Wednesday's Daily.

Fred Bennett died last night at 8:15 from the effects of a bullet wound in his abdomen, received from a 4-caliber revolver, held in the hands of a negro.

Bennett was brought to the hospital early Monday morning from Rome, where he was assaulted by three villainous negroes, who in the sleeping car used by C. J. Calthorpe, who is working for the Burlington, were held up by a force of men on the Burlington. It was about 1 o'clock when a sure of hands upon his aroused his deadened senses and three large negroes, standing bunk. Bennett offered no resistance and one of the drew a revolver and fired the bullet which entered the left side, ranged downward in the hip, from where it was not extracted. Shortly after his examination by the physicians Monday morning the expressed grave doubts of his recovering and it was even predicted that the fated man could not survive Tuesday night, which statement proved correct.

Although conscious till the last moment of death, which came suddenly in the face of expectation, Bennett remained silent. He accepted his doom in the same courageous manner that he defended himself against his murderers, and displayed a heroism very little can be expected of a laborer. He had been employed by Contractor Calthorpe for the past five years and was a temperate man. The remains were prepared for shipment by C. T. Sullivan and taken to Ottumwa this afternoon, where the inquest will probably be held tomorrow. Dr. A. O. Plocher, who accompanied Bennett to this city, returned home with the remains.

POSITIVELY IDENTIFIED.

Sheriff of Henry County Identifies Men in Jail at Muscatine.

Muscatine, July 26.—(Special.)—Sheriff H. G. Putnam, of Henry county, arrived in the city this morning to positively identify the two negroes under arrest here, as the man wanted at Mt. Pleasant for the murder of Fred Bennett, who was held up and robbed and shot at Rome early Monday morning.

The men were arrested last night, under the new method of bringing on a telegram from the sheriff to arrest a party of negroes, supposed to be on a lock island freight train, the train had arrived in town when the word was received, and the men were arrested later. The fourth man of the party is in jail at Columbus Junction, where he left the others, who came on of this city. One of the men arrested here wore a white hat, which is the description given by Bennett, of one of his assailants, before he died. The men have their names as Chas. Field, of Cairo, Ill.; Marshall Henderson, of New Orleans, La.; and John Field. Field was positively identified as one of the men wanted, by a bullet wound in the left shoulder, which he is said to have received in a previous robbery. All three of the men here refused to talk about the case.

These men were charged with having committed another robbery after they held up and shot Bennett. Two boys were the other victims. They were robbed of \$3.75, a watch and a pipe. The watch was found on the person of one of the men, as was also a small pocket knife, a revolver, with which it is believed Bennett was shot, was found under the bridge where the men had thrown it, when they were arrested.

Charged With Forgery.

Centerville, July 25.—(Special.)—Edward Hallenbeck, of near Exline, is in jail here charged with forging United States Express company money orders to the amount of \$150. He is held in \$1,000 bonds to the grand jury. The charge is that he forged and cashed \$50 United States Express company money orders, which are dated back twelve years. He claims they are not forged, but were stolen to him through an estate left by a relative, and had never been cashed.

Monument Dedicated.

Ulen, N. Y., July 25.—(Associated Press.)—A monument to the memory of Justus H. Rathbone, the founder of the Knights of Pythias, was dedicated here today. The dedicatory address was by Supreme Chancellor Thos. G. Sample, of Allegheny, Pa.

LETTER TO MRS. PINKHAM NO. 78,463

"I was a sufferer from female weakness. Every month regularly as the menses came, I suffered dreadful pains in uterus, ovaries were affected and had leucorrhoea. I had my children very fast and it left me very weak. A year ago I was taken with flooding and almost died. The doctor even gave me up and wonders how I ever lived.

"I got for Mrs. Pinkham's advice and bought a bottle of her medicine and began to get well. I took several bottles of the Compound and used the Sanative. Oh, and can truly say that I am cured. You would hardly know me, I am fat and looking so well. Lydia E. ... at I am."—MRS. J. F. S. CAMDEN.

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Price's and Royal Baking Powder, 40c for full pound can

Cherry Phosphate, 10c. Tomato Catsup, 6c. 10c box of Lye for 5c.

Star Tobacco, 40c per pound. Best new Potatoes, 35c bushel.

Horse Shoe Tobacco 40c per pound. Standard Navy 34c

White Russian Soap by the box of 100 large bars, only 2.30

40 Bars White Russian Soap \$1.00

Best 12c Bulk Coffee, 10c pound. 50c jar preserved Ginger for 38c.

10c package Corn Starch for 3c. 1 pound Laundry Starch, 3c

POTTED MEATS. Potted Ham 5c Deviled Ham 5c

Smoked Plates, 5c. Good Bacon, 7c. Dried Salt Pork, 6c.

3 lb can pumpkin 5c 3 lb can baked beans 5c

Vanilla or lemon extract 5c Large cake chocolate 5c

50c Japan Tea for 39c. 75c Oolong and Eng. Breakfast Teas for 59c.

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GOING EAST. Depart No. 7—Chicago, Peoria & Rockford 12:27 am

TRAINS LEAVING JEFFERSON STREET UNION STATION W. G. Miller, Agent. IOWA CENTRAL.

St. Paul Passenger—daily, 9:05 pm 6:15 am

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