

SANTA ROSA ROBBERY.

Treasurer Stofen Robbed and Locked In a Vault.

HE WAS RESCUED BY HIS WIFE.

She Was the Only Person Who Knew the Combination—Remained in His Prison For Eight Hours and Was Insuperable. Deed Was Performed by One Man Who Secured \$8,000—He Left No Trace.

SANTA ROSA, Cal., Dec. 30.—Santa Rosa had the biggest sensation in its history Friday. The county treasury was robbed of nearly \$8,000 and County Treasurer Stofen was left insensible in the vault to suffer death by the robbers, who locked the door to the vault on him. The robbery occurred about 9 o'clock in the morning, but was not discovered until about 5 p. m. All this time County Treasurer Stofen lay on the floor of the vault gasping for breath, fearing every moment during conscious intervals would be his last. Had it not been for the timely arrival of his wife, the only person in town who knew the combination, he would have been dead. She had been at Cloverdale and on her return here, about 4 o'clock, learned that the treasurer had not been home to dinner. The children said that they had taken his dinner to him and left it in front of the office, but that they could not get in.

Saved by His Wife.

Mrs. Stofen, suspecting something wrong, rushed down to the office, which is in the south corner of the courthouse and adjoining the sheriff's office. The door was locked, but with the aid of the janitor she opened the door. Between the front part of the office and the treasurer's front office is a wicket gate. This also was locked. On going inside Mrs. Stofen found her fear realized. On one desk was her husband's coat and hat. On the floor in confusion were money trays, on which the treasurer carried money from the vault, which is in a rear office, to his desk in the room. About that time a faint knocking was heard from inside the vault. Mrs. Stofen cried out that her husband was in the vault and that she could save him if she could remember the combination. The first time she tried she failed owing to her great excitement. Next time, realizing that her husband's life depended upon her coolness, she was more successful and the big iron doors of the vault slowly swung open.

He Dropped the Trays.

Treasurer Stofen was found on the floor of the vault unconscious, the safe door was open and most of the money removed. Treasurer Stofen, as soon as revived, said he was opening up the office as usual about 9 o'clock. As he was carrying one of the trays with money from the vault, a tall man in stocking feet stepped into the door of the vault and with uplifted dagger in his right hand told him to drop the trays, which he did. As he stooped to lay the trays down the robber struck him a powerful blow on the back of the head which rendered him unconscious, for how long he could not tell. He says the man was tall and wore chin whiskers and must have gained admittance to the office during the night and waited for him to open the safe. Officers are scouring the country for the robber, but not a trace has been found.

To Combine Printing Houses.

AKRON, O., Dec. 30.—It is stated here that there is a project on foot to combine all of the larger printing houses of the country. If the deal is consummated many millions of dollars will be involved the money coming not only from this country but from Europe. The information comes from one of the directors of the mammoth Wernier printing concern of this city. He stated that the matter would be fully discussed at the annual meeting of the Wernier company to be held at Chicago during the early part of January.

Embezzler Pierce Brought Back.

MOBILE, Ala., Dec. 30.—George A. Pierce, who was the secretary of the Planters and Merchants Insurance company and embezzled \$80,000 five years ago, arrived in this city from Abilene, Tex. He made a strong fight against extradition, carrying the case to the United States supreme court, which decided against him. Pierce gave bond in the sum of \$55,000 and was released.

Cease to Be Free Ports.

COLON, Dec. 30.—Panama and Colon will on Jan. 1 next cease to be free ports. A decree has been issued directing that on and after that date a duty of 10 per cent ad valorem be collected on all imports. Protests against this action have been made by the Panama Coal company and the Panama Railroad company.

Lowest Bid by an Omaha Man.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Bids were opened in the office of the supervising architect for the stone and brick work of the superstructure, etc., of the public building at Kansas City, Mo. The lowest bidder for marble was O. J. King of Omaha, Neb., at \$255,000.

Creedon Ready to Retire.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Police Captain Timothy I. Creedon, who testified before the Lexow committee that he had paid \$15,000 for his promotion, has filed his

application for retirement from the service. The police board refused this request.

Crusade For Cheap Bread.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 30.—The crusade for cheap bread here has resulted in 25 bakers in this city reducing the price from 5 cents to 4 cents per loaf. Some have reduced to 4 cents and but few now are able to maintain the 5-cent rate.

To Avoid a Potato Famine.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—The Daily News says: With a view to avoiding a potato famine in Ireland the government has decided to advance money, without interest, to the poor law guardians for the purchase of seed potatoes.

Ex-Senator Fair Dead.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 30.—Ex-Senator James G. Fair died suddenly at the Lick house.

TICKINGS FROM THE WIRES.

"Sim" Coy, for many years a picturesque figure in Indiana politics, died at his home in Indianapolis.

Colonel Michael Frank, the father of the free school system of Wisconsin, died at Kenosha at the age of 90 years.

The old Georgia statehouse at Atlanta was damaged by fire to the extent of \$40,000.

Lisbon Hauseley of Rose Hill, Tex., who imagined himself governor of Texas, killed himself at Dallas.

Burglars broke into the home of Henry Fecker at Piqua, O., and carried off his savings, amounting to \$4,750.

A plan to make national bank circulation more elastic has been prepared by Dubuque bankers and will be submitted to congress.

Six horses and two mules were killed in Philadelphia by coming in contact with electric light wires blown down by the storm.

The only bank at Somonauk, Ill., was looted by robbers, who blew the vault to pieces and secured \$8,100 in cash.

Alexander Williamson and William Perry, rivals, met at their sweetheart's home near Coalburg, Ala., and killed one another.

The directors and manager of the Commercial bank of Newfoundland have been arrested for issuing a false statement.

In an address before the American Economic association Carroll D. Wright declared the A. R. U. strike to be an epoch-making event.

Two safe blowers, who escaped from the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific passenger train by aid of dynamite and revolvers recently, were bound over in \$4,500 each and returned to jail in Muscatine.

The body of Stephen Glass, stolen from the cemetery at Greenwood, Ind., was found in the dissecting room of Indiana Medical college.

Leo Green was to have married Mae Paston at Roanoke, Mo., but did not appear at the last moment. John Key took his place.

Not the Truth.



"Say, Willie, what yer doin wid yer dress suit on at dis time in de mornin'?"
"Well, Freddie, yer see, I wuz at de club all night, and when I reached me chambers dis mornin I found me man had skipped wid all me odder clothes, even me yachtin suit, so I'm jist on me way to me tailor's. See?"—Truth.

THE FOURTH ESTATE.

A Spanish paper in the Pyrenees regularly suspends publication in hot weather. Its name is La Linterna.

The Birmingham library blots out all sporting news in papers before exposing them in the reading room.

A ten line ad. in all the newspapers in the United States would, according to Printer's Ink, cost \$12,150.

A Maine editor answered a farmer's query, "Do hogs pay?" by a reference to his delinquent subscribers' list.

A Nebraska paper, the Stella Leader, recently offered an apology to local merchants for accepting a Falls City man's ad.

An apology of another sort was required of a Kentucky editor. A country correspondent fond of big words wrote that a man was intoxicated when he meant asphyxiated, and there was a row.

SERMONETTES.

Poverty is less disgraceful than sin, but it's more unfashionable.

A man has to go to the bad to get there. It never comes to meet him.

Starvation at home and big contributions for converting the heathen abroad don't go well together.

It's just as well there's no tax on backsliders. All the young men would want to stay single just to prove they could afford it.

Self possession is a valuable quality, but most women are ready to lose it if the right man comes along.—New York Recorder.

ROYAL Baking Powder.

Highest of all in leavening strength.—U. S. Government Report.

Sheriff's Sale.

Notice is hereby given that under and by virtue of an order of sale, and decree of foreclosure and sale issued out of the district court of the 5th judicial district of Montana, in and for the County of Madison, duly signed and entered on the thirtieth day of November, 1894, attested on the 27th day of December, 1894, in an action therein Henry Eling was plaintiff and Thomas J. McKee, Lola McKee, Elijah Adams, and Mary A. Adams were the defendants, in which said action the plaintiff obtained a judgment and decree of foreclosure and sale against the said defendants on the thirtieth day of November, A. D. 1894 for the sum of ten hundred, ninety three and five one hundredth dollars, and the sum of ten and fifty one hundredth dollars cost of suit, and the further sum of one hundred and fifteen dollars counsel fees, decreeing the sale of the property hereinafter described, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the above mentioned sums of money and interest thereon at the rate of ten per cent per annum, I will, on the 19th day of January, A. D. 1895, at the front door of the court house, in the City of Virginia, county of Madison and State of Montana, at 11 o'clock p. m. of said day, sell all the right, title, claim and interest of the above named defendant, or in and to the following described property, situated in said Madison county, Montana, to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, to wit: The equal and undivided one-third interest in and to the Grub Stake lode mining claim, situated in Lower Hot Spring mining district, Madison county, Montana, and particularly described in the notice of location thereof as recorded at page 194 volume U, records of lodes, Madison county, Montana; an undivided two-thirds interest in and to the Rising Sun Lode claim, situated in Lower Hot Spring Mining District, Madison county Montana, and particularly described in the notice of location thereof as recorded at page 243 of Vol. 5 of Lode Locations, Records of Madison county, Montana, which records in both cases are hereby referred to and made a part hereof. Also that certain frame building known as the McKee and Adams saloon, situated in the town of Red Bluff and the lot on which the same stands, to-wit: that lot or parcel of land, described as beginning at the northeast corner of the Water Lode mill site, patented in Red Bluff, Madison County, Montana, thence west on the north line of said mill site 20 feet; thence northerly, one hundred and 10 feet; thence easterly to the west line of the Home Lode claim, thence southerly along west line of said Home Lode claim 110 feet; thence westerly 150 feet to the place of beginning. Also, all the counters, back bars, ice chests and fixtures on the inside of said building and used or appurtenant to the business of saloon keeping; Also, one front bar and all attachments thereto; back bars and fixtures; one large ice chest and cooler with attachments; one mirror and large looking glass; one coal stove and pipe; four chairs; 9 common chairs; 4 tables; one large Rochester lamp, together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appurtenant.

The above property described in the above notice will be sold at the town of Red Bluff, in the county of Madison on the 19th day of January, 1895 at 1:30 p. m. of said day.

JOSEPH I. HAINES, Sheriff.

Dated Dec. 27th, 1894.
First publication Dec. 27th.

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an execution issued out of the District court of the Fifth Judicial District of the State of Montana in and for the county of Madison, in an action wherein Henry Eling was plaintiff and Henry N. Blake was the defendant, upon a judgment rendered the second day of December, A. D. 1894, for the sum of four thousand one hundred fifty-eight and forty-two one-hundredths dollars damages with interest thereon at the rate of ten per cent per annum till paid, I have this day levied upon all the right, title, claim and interest of said defendant Henry N. Blake, of, in and to the following described real estate to-wit: north half, north half southwest quarter, south half southeast quarter; lots No. four and five, section seven, township three south range one east, south half southwest quarter section seven township three south range one east; northwest quarter northwest quarter section 18, township three south range one east; Lot No. 41, Red Bluff North lode, Lot No. 45, Red Bluff East lode, Lots No. 57, A and B, Red Bluff lode and mill site, all in township three south range one east; Lots No. 5 and 30 east and west, Mapleton Lode, township 6 south range three, west; all in Madison county, Montana. Public notice is hereby given that on Saturday the 19th day of January A. D. 1895, at one o'clock p. m. of said day in front of the court house door, in the city of Virginia, county of Madison, I will sell at public auction, for lawful money of the United States, all of the right, title, claim and interest of said defendant Henry N. Blake, of, in and to the above described property, or so much thereof as may be necessary to satisfy said judgment, with interest and cost, to the highest and best bidder, together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments, and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appurtenant.

JOSEPH I. HAINES, Sheriff.

By JAS. SUMMERS, Under Sheriff.
Dated this 27th day of Dec. 1894.
First pub. Dec. 29, 1894.

Administrator's Sale.

I, as the administrator of the estate of Dennis Collins deceased, will on Saturday, January 5th, 1895, commencing at 10 a. m. at the late residence of said deceased in the Ruby valley near Laurin, sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder all of the personal property belonging to said estate, consisting of a large amount of wheat and oats in bins and straw and hay in stacks:

One fine stallion, a number of work horses, wagons, harness, farming implements etc., and also about 200 acres of pasture, etc. Terms of sale made known at sale.
RAS ROCHESTER, Administrator.
Dec. 27 1894.

Stray Notice.

One red and white steer six years old, branded thus: (12) on left ribs, waddle on left front leg; ears rounded off.
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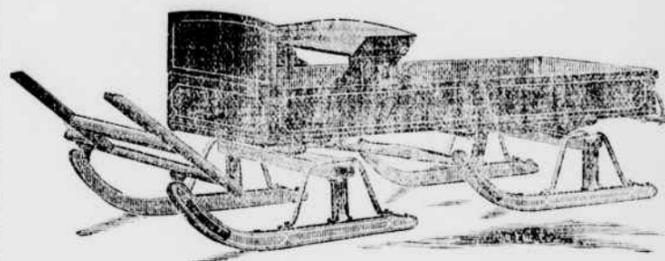
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