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MONTE KATE.

Some of the Bright Sides in the Life of a Notorious San Antonio Favorite.

Showing That Good is Mixed With Evil, and Virtue Alone Offers Substantial Happiness.

A strange woman died in Lenoir, Texas, from drinking and filled a pauper's grave. That woman was at one time well known in this city by the appellation of Monte Kate. She was not a moral woman, but she was a woman with a great heart. In early life her blooming womanhood was snipped in the bud by a betrayer, who had won her love and then deserted her. She arrived in the city soon after the war. None knew where she came from, but she was the queen of the demi monde. She was brilliant, witty, young and beautiful, and many of the now virtuous merchants then paid court to her, lying at the feet of the fair, but frail Venus.

Some interesting stories are told of her. An old citizen says he saw one instance of her charity. On the platform at the station was huddled a little group, a man, evidently a German, his sick wife and three little children, the youngest a baby, who was crying piteously. They were on their way to New Braunfels, and were out of money. A street hawk drove up and Monte Kate alighted. Her cheeks were flushed and she walked unsteadily. The crowd about the poor family caught her eye and she came toward it. When she saw the man's tears and the big, hungry eyes of the children, and the wan, thin face of the mother, her womanly sympathy was aroused. She pushed forward and addressed the man a few words in his native tongue. He wiped his eyes with his hand and replied, and for several minutes they carried on an animated conversation. Suddenly Kate began tracing the rings of her white fingers. She called the hackman up, added earrings, a long chain, a costly watch, a necklace of pearls and a diamond brooch to the lot and poured them into his hat.

"Sam," she said, "take these and get all you can on 'em. Tell him I want the money for a particular purpose."

Presently the man returned, and jumping from his carriage, placed a roll of notes in Kate's outstretched hand. Without looking at the amount she passed over to the German. He fairly capered with joy, and the sick wife would have kissed their benefactor's hand. Kate prevented this act of homage, and drew back with something like a frown of shame on her face.

"No, no," she cried, "not that."

Again she was seen at the monte table. It was just after pay day, and, judging from the size of the "bank" spread out on the table before her, she had made a big winning. It was very cold outside, and the adobe Casino was full of that heterogeneous crowd only to be found on the frontier—soldiers, gaudiers, cowboys, scots, Mexicans, rustlers, Indians and negroes. In the back room a ball was in full blast, and the clink of the gambler's ivory chips kept time to the music of the asthmatic orchestra.

When the dance ended and the dancers came out for the usual refreshments, Kate motioned my gambler acquaintance to take her place behind the monte table and walked up to the bar with the rest.

"It's my treat," she cried. "Everybody drink at my expense."

All came forward except the vaquero sitting behind the stove.

"Come, partner," said Kate, clapping the man on the shoulder, "take something."

The man shook his head and dropped his arms. His eyes were red and swollen, and he had evidently been crying.

"What's the matter, old man?" she asked, and her voice softened in tone.

For several minutes the man would not speak, but he finally told his story. He was a poor vaquero, who made a scanty living for a large family of little children, "riding the range" on a big stock ranch. That morning his little son, ten years old, while riding a broncho pony, had been thrown by the animal and when he was picked up it was found that his leg was broken.

"I ken in hysse arter the doctor," concluded the man, beginning to cry again, "but he 'lows es how he won't go out thar for less than \$200, an' I hain't got that much money, Jimmy, that's my boy, nuss, is crachin' and takin' on terribly with pain, an' I don't know what to do."

"I reckon the doctor'll go out," said Kate, very quietly. "I think I can induce him to go."

We saw now more of her that night, but the next morning the whole story came out. At the message of her six-shooters she had forced the substitute surgeon to mount a led pony, and, guided by the overjoyed vaquero, had conducted the man of medicine to the poor fellow's camp and had remained there until the broken limb was properly set.

"That's like Kate," observed the gambler, who had been running her game. "She can't bear to see any living thing suffer."

The surgeon threatened to have Kate arrested, but he never did. As years went by she became more addicted to the use of liquor, and her peerless beauty began to fade. With the wane of her physical charms her luck deserted her, and she was often "lrocks" than "well fixed." During the yellow fever epidemic of 1878, Kate was also

gan claiming its victims right and left, and everybody who could get away fled from the plague-spot, Monte Kate remained, and conscientious of doing her duty, did woman service as a nurse until stricken down by the terrible malarial fever.

She recovered, and returned to her old life, but her beauty had gone, her wit had passed away, her charms were eclipsed, and she had ceased to be a favorite. Despondent and deserted she became a prey to drink, which ultimately carried her beyond the veil. If ever biography taught a lesson, some can be more forcibly taught than by the life and death of Monte Kate.

LAREDO CORRESPONDENCE.

Carrey Has Something to Say About the Jeff Miller Affair.

Billon San Antonio Light. LAREDO, August 23.—The topic of conversation for several days past has been the letter in the Express, signed "El Gringuito." Those who were at the scene say that "El Gringuito" knows nothing of the sad affair; that Miller was not a desperado and callow, and was never before known to have hurt any one. "El Gringuito" says Miller was in the Casino and was just out for disorderly conduct, while a gentleman, just from there, informs us that he was in the Casino all day; saw Miller as they passed with him to the jail (not to the hospital as stated by "El Gringuito"), and says Miller never came in the Casino at all during the day. And further, that Miller had no trouble, or even any words with Argentine Mall, and that Miller was only shot through the leg at the time of his being taken as prisoner, and it's not likely that a shot in that place would kill a man by the second day with that "great hospital care" he received from "El Gringuito" and his friends. And the people generally think it a very favorable supposition that Miller was murdered after being made a prisoner, instead of bringing him before a court of justice to account for the crime he had committed. No one denies the fact that Miller was drunk at the time and was entirely in the wrong, and should have been made to answer for the same in any county, yet he should not have been murdered by a mob while drunk.

CARREY.

A STRANGE DEATH.

A Belgian Drinks Lemonade and Falls in a Premature Grave.

Many men die from drinking whisky, but few from drinking lemonade. A case of the latter description was reported yesterday. The victim in this case was Leon Stuckelant, a Belgian, who has been in the city for several months. He went into Colombo's saloon, across the San Pedro, at 4:30 p. m. yesterday and drank a glass of ice lemonade, washing it down with a glass of ice water. Soon after he was taken ill and died. The jury assuming that death was caused by an overdose of ice drink, coupled with exhaustion consequent upon excessive heat, the inquest jury came to the conclusion that he died from natural causes. This may be the case, but the circumstances are such that in any other civilized community all doubts would have been set at rest by a post mortem examination. The County Commissioners are, however, too patriotic to protect the lives of citizens by a rigid investigation into the causes of sudden deaths and the coroner's hands are thus tied to a great extent. One thing, however, should be borne in mind. There is great danger in the excessive use of ice drink during the hot weather.

Stuckelant was 40 years of age and resided with his wife and four children, at No. 207 Texas street. The family are unprovided for.

THE WHITE ELEPHANT.

Some Comments Upon The Boss Saloon of The Southern States.

The LARRY calls attention to the beautiful electrolyte of the White Elephant, which appears in the daily issue of the LARRY, and which is, without exception, one of the prettiest buildings in the city. The interior is quite in keeping with the grandeur of the exterior. The fittings are elegant in the extreme, and it is no figure of speech to say that they are not equalled by any saloon or hotel south of Chicago. The liquor are of the finest character and are served by experienced bar tenders in a style that commands satisfaction. Civility to customers is one grand feature here, and good order at all times reigns supreme. The establishment and the way in which it is conducted is creditable to the enterprise of the proprietors, and the LARRY wishes them the success which they deserve.

AXING HER WAY.

Mrs. Dan P. Smith Locked Out of Her House, But Finds Her Way In.

The last phase of the Dan P. Smith family affair is rather exciting. Mr. Smith availed himself of the temporary absence of his wife to lock up the house, and remove the children. When Mrs. Smith returned she found herself locked out, and axed her way in. She is therefore queen of what she surveys.

Mrs. Smith claims the house under a deed given to her by her husband, who says that, not contemplating the present state of affairs, he deeded the property for the joint benefit of his wife and children. Further developments are expected.

Real Estate Transfers.

J. B. Polley to Jonathan J. Polley, 215 acres on the east bank of the Cibola creek, and part of the land known as the Homestead tract; consideration not given.

James H. French to J. E. Dwyer, lot 11, range 5, district 6, containing 92 500 acres; also lot 8, range 4, district 6.

TELEGRAPHIC.

Interesting News That Flashed Over The Wires From All Quarters of The Globe.

Frank James' Trial at Gallatin, Mo.—Newspaper Said for Month With Name—Yellow Fever, Etc.

ALEXANDRIA, August 23.—There were 31 deaths from cholera yesterday.

LONDON, August 23.—The rioting between the Catholics and Orangemen was renewed near Colindale, last night. The police checked the disturbance and made 34 arrests.

WASHINGTON, August 23.—Jehon A. Fitzgerald, the pension agent, recently discharged from practicing before the Interior department, will no longer be recognized as an attorney at the Treasury department.

KANSAS CITY, August 23.—Stade, with his trainer, left Independence to-day. It is stated that he has gone to Atchison to prepare for the coming prize fight. This takes the case out of the jurisdiction of the Missouri authorities.

GRAND CITY, August 23.—A remarkable and posse attempted to take W. M. Andrews from a house of ill repute at Lusk, and were fired upon by him, one of the party, Dr. J. C. Rex, being killed. Andrews gave himself up. Rex was an infamously citizen.

MOBILE, August 23.—Upon the receipt of the news of discovery of yellow fever at Pensacola, the Mobile board of health recommended the establishment of quarantine against that place, and the government reclamation proclamation was accordingly made.

LIMA, August 23.—Civilian Chief Humeaga was informed that a large body of Indians intended to sack the city, and on the occasion of the evacuation of the place by the Chileans, surprised 3000 Indians, killing 400 and wounding 400 others. The Chilean loss was insignificant.

TORONTO, August 23.—Prince Hohenlohe says that his mission was greatly misunderstood. The German Government had no intention of encouraging the immigration of Germans to Canada, but simply desired to ascertain how the English carried on their system of colonization.

AVULIN, August 23.—The South route and the Texas and New Orleans paid \$1365 passenger tax to-day, the first paying \$1102. The revenue paid in to-day was \$10,000, making a total this month of over \$81,000. John Hillingsley, an old citizen, well known in San Antonio, died last night and was buried to-day.

ST. LOUIS, August 23.—George W. Cole, who brought suit against the Chronicle Publishing company, in this city, claims \$50,000 damages, for publishing a bitter article, purporting to give a sketch of the plaintiff, in which he was accused of keeping an improper house in Texas several years ago, and of passing counterfeit money, and forgery.

ATLANTA, Ga., August 23.—Arrangements were completed to-day between H. S. Kimball, the owner of the Kimball house and property, and certain persons by which a larger house is to be built at a cost of \$200,000, the ruins being torn away. A large number of people from Pensacola passed here to-day, refugees from the fever. They report that 500 left Pensacola yesterday.

ROCHESTER, Minn., August 23.—One-third of the buildings of Rochester are ruined. Twenty-four people are dead, but a number of these have not been identified, owing to their frightful mutilation by the storm. The cyclone swept through Dodge and Alameda counties, causing greater destruction than the cyclone of a month ago. The damage in Rochester will reach fully \$200,000.

NEW YORK, August 23.—At the session of the Federation of Organized Trades and Labor Unions this morning, a resolution was adopted requesting the Legislative committee of the federation to support the cigar makers in their fight to secure the enforcement of the law passed by the last New York Legislature prohibiting the manufacture of cigars in tenement houses. It is stated that the manufacturers intend to contest the constitutionality of the law.

WACO, August 23.—Mrs. William Edwards, who left Bryan recently after telegraphing for her husband to come after their children, giving as a reason that she could no longer stand the treatment she had put up with for years, had her children returned to her at Bernard by her husband. She is now here with her children en route for Fort Worth, where she will join her husband, a reconciliation having taken place between them.

DALLAS, August 23.—The newly appointed postmaster is still outside. Assistant Postmaster Johnson, under Whisman, refusing to turn out in the absence of his chief, Garrison has telegraphed the department at Washington regarding the situation. There is no apparent ill feeling in the matter. Judge Hurt, of the Appellate court, rendered a decision in a case submitted to him whether the city has jurisdiction over the bawdy houses. He decides that the city has concurrent jurisdiction with the County court.

GALVESTON, August 23.—It is rumored that a syndicate intend to purchase Garcia's place, seven miles below the city, and erect a large hotel directly on the beach and near the shores of a lake abounding in fish. The agency of the Victoria Refrigerating company would be established here. A cooling room having a capacity of 30 brewers now being built, will be ready on September 1. The Loggert's base ball club have about given up the trip to the Dallas tournament. They are unable to bear the expense.

SAN FRANCISCO, August 23.—The following officers were elected by the Knights Templar: Grand Master, Robert E. Withers, Virginia; Deputy Grand Master, Charles Rounse, New York; Generalissimo, John P. S. Galois, Pennsylvania; Captain, General, Hugh McCurdy, Michigan; Senior Warden, J. Larve Thomas, Kentucky; Junior Warden, G. C. Perkins, California; Treasurer and Recording Secretary, J. C. McLaughlin, Missouri. The inauguration of the Garfield foundation monument, has been declared a State holiday. All business will be suspended.

WASHINGTON, August 23.—Post Assistant Surgeon J. W. Gruterius, now on board the United States steamer Swatara, has volunteered for duty at the Pensacola navy yard, where the yellow fever has broken out. He will be at once ordered to the post, if he can be detached before the sailing of the Swatara from New York. The Collector of Pensacola telegraphs that a house on the Patuxa wharf, where the first yellow fever was discovered, has been burned. Dr. Gutman, of the Board of Health, does not believe that there will be an epidemic.

HONG KONG, August 23.—A European, Tilewast, at Canton, in an altercation recently with some coolies, drew a revolver and killed a boy and wounded two men. He was arrested and now awaits trial. The coolies had exasperating effect on the populace, already greatly excited by the action of the French in Tonquin. Pacards are posted on the walls of the city summoning the people to rise and kill the Europeans. The pacards included in the banner that Europeans in Canton became greatly alarmed and the British Consul sent an appeal to the British Commodore for protection. The British stop-of-war fleet has left Hong Kong for Canton.

WASHINGTON, August 23.—The Second Comptroller has recommended the cases of the following named officers to be referred to the Court of Claims for adjudication: Adam Bateman, Frank Bennett, F. H. Vay, Vincent Patten, Robert H. Montgomery, James Vandervelde, John H. W. Blair, Jr., Charles P. Miller, William K. Gould and B. F. Pope. These cases are claims for arrears of longevity pay, alleged to be due under the recent decision in the case of R. W. Taylor. The Second Comptroller has referred them in reference to the Court of Claims under the old law contained in the section 1063 revised statutes, and not under the new statute.

GALLATIN, August 23.—At 4 o'clock the Sheriff called the 12 jurors, as selected to try Frank James, charged with a train robbery at Weston and the Murder of Conductor Westfall. Following this the witnesses were called, by the State and by for the defense. Of the State's witnesses, 50 responded and were sworn. Among the absent ones were Mrs. Sarah Hill, Mrs. Bolton, Dick Liddell, J. Cummings and the Fields. The prosecution was positive, however, that they will appear when wanted. About 30 of the defendant's witnesses answered and were sworn. After the charge to the jury and witness the court adjourned until 8 o'clock to-morrow. Among the prominent witnesses for the defense are members of the Samuels family, Frank Tatt, coal oil inspector, and General J. Shelby. Of the jury it can be said that they are all comparatively young men, the oldest being 45. They are thirty farmers.

THAT BURGLARY.

An Audacious Burglar Fires at His Victim and Accuses the Third Ward. The LARRY commissioner lay on the front gallery of his house last night, perfectly oblivious to the pumps and vanities of this wicked world, when he was awake by the loud report of a pistol, and heard some excited individual cry out: "Burglar! burglar! burglars!" He jumped up, felt if he was all there, and, being satisfied he was not shot, grabbed his revolver which, since the negro's visit, has been loaded and handy. Hastily dressing himself he went in search of the burglars. When near Mrs. Murphy's boarding house he soon saw that all was consternation there. He learned that one of the burglars, Mr. J. McCluskey, a jeweler of Commerce street, had been robbed. It seemed that Mr. McCluskey was asleep in his room, when he was awake by some one attempting to remove the diamond pin from the shirt he wore. He jumped up, made a grab for the man, who drew a pistol and fired at him, the ball of which whistled by his ear. The burglar and a companion who was there then escaped hurriedly and have not since been caught. Mr. McCluskey misses his safe key and \$15, which was extracted from his pockets. The excitement was soon allayed, and the commissioner then returned to his virtuous couch, first taking care to see that all the fastenings were secure, that no burglars were in the house, and that his revolver was handy. Then he slept securely, for he was quite certain that if the burglars got in their game would not be worth the candle.

When interviewed this morning Mr. McCluskey informed the LARRY that the man who shot at him had nearly killed him, for it was so close as to cut his shirt in two places, and but for a sudden turn his neck would have been shot through the heart. He was unarmed. The two men were seen and recognized. There is, therefore, hope that they will be caught. The men went into a lady's room first, but gallantly transferred their attention. Mr. McCluskey does not thank them for their attention, and promises them a warm reception if they will call again.

WHAT IT MEANS.

Mr. Eugene Staffel Hires and Explains His Position. Mr. Eugene Staffel is the subject of a vituperative article in a contemporary, on account of his opposition in the Volkstaat to the issue of complimentary tickets to the press, and he therefore authorizes the LARRY to state that he has not, and never had, any intention to prevent due courtesy being extended to the representatives of the press. He did not intend his remarks to bear that interpretation. In any case the Executive committee quite realize the assistance they have received from the press generally, and are quite prepared to extend to the newspaper men all the consideration that they can fairly claim. The newspaper men will all be furnished with badges that will secure their reception as guests of the committee during the celebration of the Volkstaat.

Marriage Licenses. G. F. Lock and S. J. Thornton; Frank Moore and Tomisin Sumoro; Carl Seidel and Emma Stange.