

# DEN OF THIEVES IN A WINDMILL

## The Strange Discovery Made by Four Seattle Detectives.

# WHO WERE LOOKING FOR CROOKS

## They Lie in Wait in the Old Mill and Make a Big Haul of Crooks for Judge Cann to Reprimand in Court.

Late yesterday afternoon Detectives Cudihoe, Wappenstein, Phillips and Williams located what they have reason to believe has been the hiding place of a gang of thieves who have been operating in Seattle for some time. About 3 o'clock in the afternoon a tip was given to the police that a highwayman, name unknown, had taken up his abode in a shack near the corner of Sixth avenue south and King street.

The officers went toward the Black Chapel district as a result of this information, and almost the first person they met was the highwayman. He seemed to suspect that his identity had been discovered, and dodged between two old buildings. He was out of sight in a moment.

Before the officers had proceeded a block further they met Joe Golden, the well known larceny thief. They stopped him and asked where he had been.

"Just up to see a friend," was the evasive reply.

Joe passed on, but the officers decided to follow him. He took a roundabout route and went back towards the place where he first met the officers. They quickly guessed that there was a rendezvous in the neighborhood, probably in the direction from whence Golden had come.

After a half hour's search the officers went to the old windmill at Maynard avenue south and King street.

Dilapidated steps led up to a door in the side of the structure. Williams pushed it open.

There was no one person found inside. He gave a start as the detectives fled into the place. They asked him questions but he was in such a state of excitement that he could not answer.

"I think we'd better take this fellow to headquarters," remarked Cudihoe.

The man was immediately handcuffed and the officers seated themselves about the room and quietly waited for the return of his confederates.

About twenty minutes later a tall man walked into the room. He stood amazed at the sight of the officers. The detectives then shut the door.

The newcomer realized that the jig was up. He made no protest when handcuffed and was told to keep quiet.

The detectives had just about decided to take their two prisoners to headquarters when to their astonishment Joe Golden appeared.

He smiled in a sly manner in seeing the detectives, and while being handcuffed remarked, "Well, I guess it's all off."

Within a few minutes a fourth individual made his entrance. It was now getting dark and the detectives decided to take their batch to headquarters.

Detective Wappenstein went to the nearest police call and rang for the patrol wagon.

At the station the first two men arrested gave their names as Charles Clark and Frank Thomas. Golden is known to the police and was booked under his present name. The fourth man said that he was Charles Crane.

The police regret that they did not succeed in capturing the supposed tall highwayman whom they had first spotted on King street.

This morning Detectives Wappenstein and Williams and a Star reporter visited the windmill.

Appearances indicated that the place had received a visitor during the night.

Nothing could be used as evidence against the arrested men was found except an overcoat with a skeleton key in the pocket. This was disowned by all of the prisoners.

Several decks of cards, a cigar case, a pocket knife and a dime novel entitled "The Bag of Diamonds," were taken to headquarters.

The arrested men will be given a hearing before Judge Cann this week.

# HAS THE LADYSMITH SEIGE BEEN RAISED?

## More Encouraging News for the British Is Received.

CAPE TOWN, Dec. 7.—General Walker has received an official dispatch from Methuen, dated Dec. 6, saying that he has resumed command of his column and is in daily communication with Kimberley. The health of his troops is excellent. Some of the Boer prisoners, who arrived here, say that if Kimberley is released many Free Staters, who are dissatisfied, will stop fighting.

LORENZO MARQUEZ, Dec. 5.—Delayed—President Kruger is anxious to go to the front, but is being dissuaded from the move by Transvaal officials.

LONDON, Dec. 7.—A Dalziel dispatch from Durban, Dec. 5, asserts on Kaffir authority, that the Boers made a final assault on Ladysmith Dec. 4, opening with a furious bombardment. The British met the Boers and drove them back, the latter retreating with the loss of hundreds. The siege of the town has probably been raised. The story coming from the Kaffirs is looked on with suspicion.

MODDER RIVER STATION, Dec. 5.—Delayed—Gen. Cronje, who concentrating his troops at Spilfontein, six miles north of here, has been reinforced by 3,000 Boers from Natal. A new bridge over the Modder is being constructed by the engineers and is rapidly nearing completion. Methuen is waiting on this work to get artillery across, when he will be in a condition to advance on the last stage to Kimberley. Naval guns with lyddite shells are expected.

LONDON, Dec. 7.—A Bloemfontein dispatch, dated Dec. 3, says that President Steyn has joined the Boer forces at Modder river and that his appearance there was the cause of great enthusiasm.

PRETORIA, Dec. 7.—An American newspaper correspondent was captured inside the Boer lines at Ladysmith, whether he had gone apparently for the purpose of affecting an impression on the Boers. It is an-

the corpses in the river, consequently the camp has been shifted back. The morals of the troops are excellent.

Most important news, if true, reached here today from Natal. It is confirmed in a Freer dispatch dated Dec. 2, saying: "Clery has arrived."

Clery is commanding the second column of the Ladysmith relief force and the dispatch indicates that this force has joined with Hillyard. Furthermore, it is reported that the engineers have completed a temporary bridge at Freer, over which the British artillery can be transported.

# CITY NEWS.

T. H. Westby, a Yeaser way butcher, swore to a complaint yesterday, charging Wm. Rule, a driver in his employ, with the embezzlement of \$61.

Chas. Nelson, owner of the steamer Cleveland, has filed an answer in the federal court in the suit of John Cravan and others against the steamer for alleged hardships. He says the hardships were mainly imaginary.

Herman Quandt, Frank Lord and Mrs. Laura Stanton, the former proprietor, and the latter inmates of the Belle Union Concert hall, who were arrested several days ago on a charge of larceny, were discharged by Judge Cann yesterday afternoon.

There is a special meeting of the Seattle real estate board at the chamber of commerce rooms this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. This is the first session the board has had for some time, and has several important matters to attend to.

Ex-Gov. John H. McGraw and Geo. B. Kettinger have formed partnership in the real estate and general brokerage business under the name of McGraw & Kettinger. Both are well known men of Seattle and the state.

Several local firms are making preparations to send up large shipments of cattle to Cape Nome in the spring.

The British ship Glendon will sail for this port Saturday. Her cargo consists of 5,000 barrels of cement.

In the case of M. Selzer & Co., against the steamer South Portland, Judge Hanford today issued decrees in favor of intervening libellants as follows: San Francisco Bridge company, \$169.90; W. W. Watson, \$200.35.

# THE PARALYZED ALASKA MAN

Allen C. Fisk, who was brought back from Alaska early last September on the Humboldt, paralyzed and speechless, is to go back to his home at Leominster, Mass., today.

When Fisk came down, his identity was shrouded in mystery. He could say only the one word, "Yes." Gradually his speech returned sufficient to say "No." He was taken from the Alaska Commercial hotel to the county hospital. Papers on his person showed him to be a member of the A. O. U. W. lodge in Massachusetts. They sent out W. C. Phillips to this city. Phillips identified Fisk, and will take him East, where his wife, who is a professional nurse, has a comfortable home. Fisk was before his Alaskan trip a barber, and was in prosperous circumstances. He had a diamond suit and gold watch and chain on arriving here. They are missing, now.

# BURLEY AND SMITH TO BOX

## A FIGHT ON THE STREET

Umbrellas and fists filled the air to the musical accompaniment of two men's curses and a woman's shrieks, this morning. The scene was on First avenue, near the postoffice. Geo. Penner, his wife, and an unknown, were the actors.

Penner hails from San Diego. Two years ago he claims he married the woman in that city. Six months ago she left him and came to Seattle. Later he went to Spokane. A few days ago Penner came to this city. He met his alleged wife. They patched up a truce. Everything was lovely until this morning.

They left the hotel and separated after breakfast. The lady went downtown. Penner was suspicious and followed her. He met her with a tall, slender young man—name unknown. All three came together hard. It was a noisy affair. No deaths.

# G. N. OFFICIALS HERE

General Supt. F. E. Ward, of the Great Northern, accompanied by General Western Superintendent Downs and party arrived this morning on their trip of inspection. Mr. Downs has the position left by Mr. Shields.

The party spent the day visiting the elevators and docks at Smith's Cove.

In the case of the United States against the steamship Laurada, J. Carroll, receiver, and A. E. Cronewett and other libellants, Judge Hanford today issued an interlocutory decree awarding judgments as follows, with interest: A. E. Cronewett, \$6,333.66; Scandinavian-American bank, \$170.92; R. V. Ankeny, \$6,273.66; Frye-Bruhn Company, \$706.52; Pacific Coast Company, \$753; Seattle Hardware Company, \$197.20; Puget Sound Machinery Depot, \$106.70; Moran Bros. Company, \$1,221.47; White Star Transportation Company, \$148.49; North American Commercial Company, \$2,205.60; W. P. Fuller & Company, \$179.28; George H. Fuller Desk Company, \$459.68; C. F. Meyer & Company, \$292.13; General Electric Company, \$960. The interest on the above aggregates \$2,051.69.

MANILA, Dec. 7.—The native police of one of the towns on the island of Negros mutilated. One American officer was killed. The name of the town has not been received.

# THE STRANGE CAREER OF MAGGIE LOOMIS

## Who for Years Secretly Aided the Police in Capturing Criminals.

By the death of Maggie Loomis in her shack in the Blackchapel district yesterday morning, the Seattle police have lost one of their most valuable assistants. For years Maggie has kept the police posted regarding the arrival of thieves in this city, and has aided in the capture of many noted crooks.

In speaking of her death today, City Detective Jack Williams said: "Maggie Loomis in her younger days was one of the shrewdest women in the United States. Her husband is at present in the second-hand business in San Francisco, and is said to be running a fence."

"At one time Maggie knew every safe-blower of reputation, and most of the professional thieves."

"About eight years ago Maggie's residence in the tenderloin district was used as a place for concealing the plunder of thieves, and she had thousands of dollars to her credit."

"During the early months of 1894, Maggie was persuaded to enter into a secret arrangement with Detectives Harbee, Phillips, and myself, and through her aid we captured five of the most noted crooks on the coast."

"At that time the Seattle police were troubled with a number of cases of safe-blowing."

"Maggie volunteered to bring the culprits to justice."

"One night soon afterwards she notified the officers that several criminals would assemble in her house that very night. Phillips, Harbee and myself took measures accordingly."

"About 10 o'clock that night we suddenly entered the shack. There sat Joe McCowley 'Red' Thurston, a fellow by the name of James, and two others who names I do not remember. We had our guns drawn, and they made no resistance."

"When searched at headquarters, two revolvers, flimnies, and tools for safe-blowing were found on the men. They served short terms, and were released."

"McCowley is now in the penitentiary at New Westminster. Thurston is serving five years at Walla Walla."

"The arrest of those five men stopped the safe-blowing in Seattle."

"Maggie began drinking heavily and leading a sporting life about two years ago, which caused her death."

"At one time she was a beautiful woman. She was about 50 years of age."

# REV. NAYLOR WAS DIVORCED

Rev. Isaac Naylor, the English evangelist that made such a favorable impression here last spring and summer, is the subject of a grave accusation. Dr. Naylor came to Seattle with a very fascinating wife, whom he had married in California. It now appears he had a divorced wife living in England.

A letter from London containing this statement was received by Dr. W. S. Harrington, of Whatcom, recently. It is said in extenuation that Naylor had secured a divorce from his English wife in Dakota. The religious journals consider this proceeding unfair to the first wife, and the evangelist unworthy of the cloth.

The present location of Dr. Naylor is unknown. He has made no answer to the charges.

Dr. Naylor has rendered no opinion against him. They will make an effort to find him and will demand an explanation. While the Rev. E. M. Randall was absent last summer he filled the pulpit of the First Methodist church.

Dr. Naylor was confronted with these charges while in Whatcom, and admitted the divorce from a wife in England.

# BURLEY AND SMITH TO BOX

## A FIGHT ON THE STREET

Nick Burley and Australian Billy Smith meet at Germania hall tonight. There seems to be a great deal of out-of-town interest in the fight. Tacoma sent over a large number of sports today; some by train and others by boat. Whatcom's sports, it is understood, will arrive on the Great Northern this evening. Both men have sympathizers in each crowd.

The prevailing opinion about town is that the fight will go close to the limit. Both men look in excellent shape. Burley's cleverness and ability to take care of himself, and Smith's faculty of taking a good amount of punishment and looking for more, strengthen the hopes for a long fight.

The selection of the referee takes place at 4 o'clock this afternoon. The contestants have instructions to be in readiness to enter the ring at 9:30. Paddy Smith, Arthur Walker and Denny Murphy will second Smith; while Jimmy Doyle, Barney Miller and Dan McCausland will stand behind Burley.

Charles Lee, of Montana, and Bibby, the Honolulu cyclone, meet in the curtain raiser at 8:30 sharp.

The Hawthorne club wish to announce that it has spared no pains in putting the hall in shape and getting everything ready for a first-class contest. It guarantees its patrons an evening of clean, enjoyable sport.

# ROBERTS CASE IS CONSIDERED

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 7.—When Chairman Taylor called the first meeting of the special committee appointed to consider Roberts' case, all the members were present.

Several think it may be necessary to send to Utah for witnesses and records and on account of that no report can be expected for a month or more.

Others are of the opinion that Roberts may admit that it is necessary to enable the committee to arrive at a decision and that the conclusion may be reached by next week.

The committee adjourned at noon to meet again tomorrow. Little was accomplished except to hear the individual views of the members as to the course of procedure to be followed.

There was a general discussion on this without any definite decision being reached. Chairman Taylor said Roberts must be removed from the floor of the house pending the investigation.

# STUCK VALLEY UNDER WATER

Practically the whole of the Stuck river valley is one vast sheet of water. The valley itself is a raging flood, destroying acres of the most productive land in the state and threatening some substantial dwellings. It is higher than ever before known since the valley was settled by white men. Several families in the vicinity of Sumner have been compelled to move to escape the torrent.

At the county bridge, just below the town there has been recently built a substantial breakwater for the protection of the structure. A back eddy has been formed there and the bank is already cut away for over 25 feet. If this action of the water continues a new channel will be formed and the large amount of rich land known as the flats will be wiped out of existence.

# SOLD INDIANS LIQUOR

## WHERE IS THE BLOMEFONTEIN?

In the federal court today Judge Hanford passed sentences on two prisoners who pleaded guilty to selling liquor to Indians. The sentences were as follows: Geo. Wright, Spokane, two months and \$100 and costs; Oscar Spencer, Spokane, two years, \$100 and costs. The following pleaded guilty, but sentence has not yet been passed: Charles Sweeney, Spokane; John Germain, Walla Walla; James Kelley, Walla Walla; Geo. Sanborne, Anacortes.

The steamship Bloemfontein, of the British-American line, which was to have arrived here Dec. 1 from Australia, has not been reported. Grave fears are entertained for her safety. It is feared that she was disabled in the fierce gales which have prevailed on the Pacific since she sailed. The vessel has not been sighted by any of the incoming ships, which gives credibility to the belief that she was blown out of the regular course. She left Australia over a month ago.

The Bloemfontein is a staunch ship and is exceptionally seaworthy. The British-American line had her scheduled to sail from here on the fourth of this month.

# A Short Session.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 7.—The house had a brief session today. No important business was transacted. Speaker Henderson announced as his associate on the committee of rules: Dazell and Grosvenor. Republicans: Richardson and Bailey, Democrats.

**BUILDING PERMITS.**

The following building permits were issued today: Wm. L. Field, 1706 Twenty-fourth avenue, 1 1/2 story frame, \$1,600; John Brown, one story frame, Lake Dell avenue, \$600; E. Kaufman, 706 Twelfth avenue south, one story frame, \$100; Florence J. McClinton, 523 Broadway, two story frame, \$1,650; Solengquist and Rosendahl, 713-715, 717 Seventh avenue, two story brick, with stone basement, \$10,000; same, 1732 Fourteenth avenue two story frame, \$2,800; same, 1730, Fourteenth avenue, two story frame, \$2,350.

**Indicted for Bribery.**

LANSING, Mich., Dec. 7.—Edward J. Adams, of Grand Rapids, speaker of the house of representatives, was arraigned yesterday afternoon under two grand jury indictments, charging him, respectively, with receiving \$20,000 and \$6,000 in the alleged bootlegging law library transactions. Mr. Adams pleaded not guilty, reserving the privilege of changing the plea if so advised by counsel. He gave \$3,000 bail.

The steamer Dirigo, Capt. George Roberts, is expected to sail for Lynn canal ports about midnight tonight.

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