IS NOW A FREE MAN

Charles Goames, a Convict, Pardoned by Governor

WAS CONVICTED OF MURDER

Investigation Shows That the Man Was Innocent—Sent Up From Tacoma.

Charles Groames, formerly a Tacoma longshoreman, after serving one-fourth of a 20-year sentence in the state penitentiary, has been pardoned by Governor McBride. This is the result of a year of effort on the part of Peter David, chief deputy in the county clerk's office of Pierce county.

The crime for which Groames was convicted was committed October 30, 1897. Celia Hansen, a half-breed Indian woman, was found in the cabin of Tom Burns, corner of Thirty-first and MacCarver streets, with her throat cut from ear to ear. A few hours before this discovery was made Groames was found about 400 yards from the cabin clinging to a pile in the bay and calling loudly for help. His throat was also severely cut.

Claims Mind Was Blank.

Groames has always maintained that his mind was a blank concerning the events of the night. He and the woman were known to have been drinking heavily. It was also known that Groames secured the cabin from Tom Burns and went there with the woman. The tracks of Groames were found headed toward the bay, but additional evidence, other than that of the general circumstances of the case was wanting. A razor was found about 100 yards from the cabin and in a different direction from that followed by Groames.

The theory of the prosecution was that Groames had killed the woman and had then tried to end his own life with the same razor, but, losing his nerve, had attempted to drown himself, and had again lost his nerve.

The theory of Groames' friends has always been that another man who had some affection for the woman had followed the pair to the cabin and tried to murder them as they lay asleep; that he succeeded in the case of the woman, but that Groames escaped and ran in wild flight to the bay. They hold to this belief for the reason that there was no apparent motive for the crime on the part of Groames, who had always been regarded as an inoffensive, good-natured young man, with almost no combativeness, irritagility or jealousy in his disposition.

AMUSEMENTS

"The Little Outcast."

"A Little Outcast," that much-talked of production, will be seen at the Walla Walla theater next Wednesday, November 18th. It comes with a wealth of scenery and tons of electrical appliances for these bewildering effects which have been astonishing theatergoers.

The play itself is a pretty, natural story—all warmth and grace and singular originality, the kind of play to captivate all kinds and conditions of men and women. The play opens in the office of Mr. Harcourt, a wealthy broker, who is about to take his clerk, Paul Weston, into the firm as junior partner. Incidentally Weston has won the heart of the broker's pretty daughter, Madeline, and has wedded her secretly. Mr. Harcourt approves of him, and the young people agree to announce their marriage that evening when the partnership papers are signed.

But before evening De Voe, the broker's graceless nephew, who had hoped to be both son-in-law and business partner of his uncle, discovers a dark secret in Weston's life, and plans the young man's downfall. He discovers that years before Weston had served a state's prison sentence for another's crime, and De Voe chanced to be present when Weston is recognized by "Red" Darby, a former cell mate.

Weston in buying the man's silence, becomes involved in a money transaction, and is denounced by De Voe to Mr. Harcourt as an ex-convict and thief. He is utterly cast off by the broker, and Madeline is ordered to forget him. Branded as a thief and forsaken by his friends, Weston becomes an easy prey to drink, until he falls to the level of habitual drunkards and consorts with criminals and outcasts. At the darkest part of his career, on the eve of committing a great crime, Weston is brought to a sudden realization of his situation, and his manhood asserts itself. His redemption and ultimate triumph over his enemies is accomplished by a series of powerfully dramatic incidents, in all of which the faithful little newsboy, "Bob," is his trusty ally, and the curtain falls on a happy scene, where Weston, restored to his friends' confidence and to his wife's love, receives the spontaneous cheers of the audience, which is ever ready to applaud the triumph of virtue and good-will.

A number of novel characters are introduced, among them being a new type of "dope-fiend,' in the person of "Quinn,' a once brilliant lawyer, who, when under the influence of the drug, raves in every language but his own, and, in his own words, was "As the gods," knowing good and evil, but untouched by either."

De Wolf Hopper's Stage Fat.

De Wolf Hopper's pads, used in his remarkable make-up of Mr. Pickwick in the musical production of Charles Dickens' masterpiece to be seen here Nov. 21. are fearfully and wonderfully made, and the audiences invariably imagine that he is stuffed with excelsior or horse hair or some other artificial padding to the huge bulk which he assumes as Mr. Pickwick. The remark is frequently heard: "He must suffer intensely from the heat" during his long and arduous duties, but the wily Hopper has succeeded by his inventive genius in eluding the misery with that stuff, so that he easily endures it. As is well known, Hopper is tall and of very large proportions naturally, and it has been necessary for him to resort to artificial means to increase his bulk so as to please the eye of the Dickens 'tudent, who has formed his own opinion from the drawings by the famous Cruikshank and other noted artists as to what Mr. Pickwick should be. At first he tried the usual methods employed by thin people, who wish to become fat upon the stage, but he soon found that the heat from this process would be unendurable. He then set about to find some way to overcome this difficulty and finally concluded to make his body from the hips up, out of wicker work, so that his girth is suspended by a curious basket-shaped thing without bottom or top. This he pulls on and straps over his shoulders in such a manner as to give him the exact appearance of the portly Pickwick as far as the better portion of his anatomy is concerned. Next came his extremeties and he soon discovered that the basket idea would not work, but again the old adage "necessity is the mother of invention" came into play and he conceived the idea of having erected a number of whalebone rings, graduating in size from the knee up. These were secured by springs and wires and the trousers fell neatly from them so that his limbs had perfect freedom and at the same time gave him the desired appearance, and his audience is startled when it sees the remarkable change that is made by this device in the comedian's physical appearance.

"The best part of it is," said Mr. Hopper, speaking about his make-up, "is the fact that there is at least five inches of ozone between the illusion and the reality, so that in the hottest weather I am perfectly cool and comfortable."

Mr. Hopper comes to this city with his original company of supporting players, including Digby Bell, Marion Field, Marguerite Clark, Lauro Joyce Bell and sixty others, and his new play will be presented with the same historical costumes, scenery and general properties that made "Mr. Pickwick" a Broadway attraction for three months.

There is more Cartarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address,

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BLUE PENCIL POSTAL REPORT

As Presented by Mr. Bristow It Contains Over a Million Words.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 16.—The delay in making public the famous and long expected Bristow report on the postal service scandals has excited considerable comment in Washington. Just at present the president the postmaster general and Mr. Bristow are trying to decide just how much of the report to give out. The report proper with exhibits and testimony consists of over a million fords and is a most formidable looking document. It was at first decided to make public a 50,000 word abstract and permit the various newspapers to print such portions as desired.

After considerable discussion, however, Mr. Bristow was told to make a 25,000 word abstract and was later told to cut this to about 12,500 words. Mr. Bristow protested that it was impossible to tell the straight out story of the postal service scandal investigation within this limit, much less to deal with the ramifications of the inquiry, but said he would do his best. When still another order came from the postmaster general, however, instructing him to make a 6000 word abstract of his million word report, Mr. Bristow threw up both hands and declared it could not be done.

The postmaster general was insistent, however, urging that he did not want the history of the postal service scandals printed "in bunches," and wanted the abstract made so brief that any and every newspaper would print it all. Mr. Payne and Mr. Bristow are at present urging their opposing views on President Roosevelt.

Secrecy with regard to the contents of the report is still being maintained here, but one interesting fact concerning it has become known. Mr. Bristow gives H. H. Rand, former confidential secretary to the postmaster genersence, without pay and never came al, who left the postoffice department on June 1, on indefinite leave of abback, a clean bill of health.

"Got any oysters?" asked the guest in a village restaurant. "No, sah," replied the sable waiter. "We all ain't got no shellfish 'cept eggs, sah."

"I hate to go to a barber twice a week to get shaved," said Tommy Peterby, who had a slight discoloration on his upper lip. "Why don't you try a piece of india rubber?" asked his amused father.

WALLA WALLA MARKETS

REVISED DAILY.

Retail Prices.

The selling quotations on the local market are:

Sugar—Per 100 lbs., $6.10.
Cheese—Per lb. 20c.
Vegetables—Potatoes, per sack 70c.
Onions—Per 100 lbs. $1.
Cabbage—Per lb. 1¼c
Beets—Per lb. 1c.
Celery—Per doz. bunches 40c.
Potatoes—Per 100 lbs. 70c.
Sweet potatoes—Per lb 5c.
Peppers—Per doz. 5c.
Apples—Per box 75c. and $1.
Winter Nellie Pears—Per 50-lb. box 75c.
Fruits—Oranges per doz. 50c. to 65c.
Lemons—per doz. 25c.
Eggs—Per doz. 35c.
Butter—Country per roll 55c. and 60c. Creamery per roll 70c.

Flour—Per bbl. $4 to $4.60. Graham flour per 50-lb sack, $1.20, Whole wheat flour per sack, $1.20, Rolled Oats per lb. 5c.

Hay—Baled per ton, Alfalfa, $16; Wheat $18; Timothy $20.

Bran—Per ton, $20, per sack, 70c, Shorts, per ton 21, per sack, 90c, Rolled barley per ton $20; per sack 85c. Rolled wheat per ton $28, per sack $1.10. Wheat per ton $25, per sack $1.85. Oats per ton, $25, per sack $1.30.

Fish—Per lb. Salmon 15c; Halibut 12½c; Soles 10c; Perch 12½c; Rock Cod, 12½; Herring, 10c; Crabs 25c; Oysters, Eastern in qt. cans, 65c to 75c. Olympia, bulk qt. 70c.

Meats—Beef—Porterhouse steak 17½ Sirloin steak 15c, round steak, 12½c, shoulder steak 10c. No. 1 prime roast 10c to 12½c; common roast 8c to 10c; boiling beef 6c to 8c; leg of mutton 12½c to 15c; chops 12½c and 15c; pork roast 10c to 12½c; chops 10c to 12½c.

Buying Prices.

These are the quotations on the local market:

Onions—Per cwt. 70c to 85c.
Carrots—Per sack 50c.
Beets—Per sack or box 50c.
Potatoes—Per cwt. 40c to 50c.
Sweet potatoes—Local $2.50 per cwt. California—4.50 per cwt.
Sabbage—Per cwt.
Tarnips—Per sack 50c.
Parsnips—Per sack 65c.
Carrots—Per sack 50c.
Pumpkins—
Celery—½crate 90c.
Squash—Per cwt.
Apples—Per lb. 1c.
Grapes—Per crate 50c.
Butter—Country 50c to 60c per roll.
Eggs—Fresh, per doz. 30c.

Poultry—Chickens—Hens per lb 8c, Roosters per lb. 5c, Spring Chickens per lb. 9c, Geese per lb. 7c, Ducks per lb. 7c, Turkeys per lb. 10c, Eggs 25c cash, 27½c in trade.

Choice Beef Cattle—Cows 2¾; steers 3c.

Calves—Live 4c to 5c, dressed 8c.

Good hogs—Live 5½c; dressed 6½c.

Sheep—Wethers, $2.50; Ewes, $2, Lambs, $3.

After her parents have been put to bed, we compliment Imogene on their charming manners. "It's all a matter of patience and kindness," replies the little girl, simply. "I have never struck either my father or my mother a blow." But few children, alas! have her tact in bringing up their elders.

Hit's mighty strange dat de man dat holler de loudest is allus got de least ter say. De good book say you mus' love yo' enemies; but ef you done dat in time er war, whar in de worl' would you be?"

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