

# SLASHED HIS THROAT

Ching, a Chinese Gambler, Murdered Sunday Morning.

"Highbinder" of Tartar Blood Accused and Captured at Penawawa.

A bloody Chinese murder, done in the regulation blood-thirsty style of the Oriental, occurred Sunday morning at 1 o'clock at Colfax. The deed was committed in a narrow alley between two Chinese shacks at the north end of Main street bridge and was not witnessed by anyone. Ching, a Chinese gambler, on his way to bed, was waylaid in a small court, struck a terrific blow which completely shattered his right cheek bone and knocked down. The murderer then cut his throat, apparently with a heavy knife. The blade was driven into Ching's throat just to the left of the center until the point struck the vertebrae and then slashed to the right side. The Adam's apple was cut squarely in two. The jugular vein was not severed, but the large arteries were grazed by the knife and laid bare. The windpipe was severed, but notwithstanding the terrible wounds the man lived seven hours, dying at St. Ignatius hospital at 8 o'clock in the morning.

**Supposed Murderer Caught.**  
Wong Kee, commonly known as "Highbinder," the supposed murderer, is in jail, being captured at dusk Sunday evening in a side canyon of Snake river, two miles below Penawawa, by Deputy Sheriff Carter. Wong Kee and Ching came to Colfax together eight months ago. The motive for the murder can only be conjectured, but it is supposed to have been done for robbery, probably mixed with revenge. Three dollars paid Ching by his employer ten minutes before the murder was not on his person, though \$30 in bills hidden away in a small pocket of a chest protector was not taken, nor was his gold watch. A scarf pin was missing.

An hour and a half before the murder "Highbinder" came to Ching in a saloon where he was employed and apparently asked him for money, as Ching turned a pocket wrong side out to show that he had none. This was the last seen of "Highbinder" until caught by Deputy Carter. In a thorough search of all Chinese quarters made a few minutes after the tragedy by Sheriff Canutt and assistants all Chinamen were found except "Highbinder." He had disappeared and was at once suspected. When morning came the sheriff learned that the suspected murderer had friends among the Chinese at Penawawa and dispatched Deputy Carter there, while all points accessible by wire were notified.

"Highbinder" no doubt left town at once on foot. He ate breakfast at Henry Cram's and said he was on his way to Pomroy. About noon he arrived at Penawawa, 23 miles from Colfax. Deputy Carter was two or three hours behind him. When the officer arrived he found his man sitting calmly on the hotel porch smoking a cigar and waiting for a boat down the river to Riparian. The deputy thought him to be the man, but was dressed differently to what was expected. He was thoroughly examined, and while answering to the general description of the man wanted the deputy was fooled by the assertions of a number of Chinese, including the foreman of the gang at Fincher's orchard, that the man had been working there for several days and had been paid off Saturday night. The deputy, knowing the unreliability of Mongolian where trouble has arisen among them, would not have been fooled for the time being, but two white girls working in a fruit packing house—to whom probably all Chinamen look alike—added their testimony that the man had certainly worked with them for several days. On the strength of this, the officer let him go and started back. A short distance up the creek he found a man who had seen a Chinaman pass down the road that morning who said he came from Colfax. This convinced the deputy that he had at first found the right man. He returned at once, but the Chinaman had disappeared. Others told him the fugitive had gone up the river fishing, but he had at first observed the pointed shoes worn by his man and found his tracks going down the river. Two miles below the tracks led up a side gulch. Mr. Carter tied his team and followed swiftly on foot up the steep gulch. Night was approaching. A mile and a half up the canyon he saw his man move before him. Presently the Chinaman caught sight of his pursuer and tried to hide in the bushes. But the officer kept approaching. When within about 100 yards the Chinaman jumped and ran. After two sharp commands to halt which were not obeyed Mr. Carter shot at the fleeing man. Out of breath with his swift and steady climb the deputy's aim was not quite true, though the ball came near. The Chinaman jumped high in the air, took his hat in his hand and ran the faster. Only the upper part of his body was visible. The officer fired squarely at him. The ball grazed his neck and the fleeing Mongolian threw up his hands and rolled into a ditch, where he lay until Mr. Carter reached him. The deputy thought he had killed him, but could see no blood and ordered him up, and up he came.

**A Fatal Admission.**  
Not a word had been said to the Chinaman as to why he was wanted. As he arose he said in a scared way: "Who tellee you? I no kill Ching."  
On his feet the man refused to submit to the handcuffs and said:  
"I no go. You killee me dead now. I no go."  
The bracelets were put on by force and then the prisoner refused to move, but two or three sound kicks started him down the canyon.

On the way to Colfax, where the officer arrived about midnight with his prisoner, the Chinaman talked considerably, but could not be understood. He has since sat huddled up on the floor of his cell with a most hopeless look on his face.

**Chased a Russian.**  
Early Sunday forenoon a report came from Diamond by telephone that a Chinaman had passed there walking briskly down the railroad between 6 and 7 o'clock in the morning. Sheriff Canutt gave chase and after following nearly to Winona discovered that the man passing Diamond was a Russian instead of a Chinaman.

**Found Gun and Hat.**  
Between the time when first examined

by the deputy sheriff at Penawawa and the later arrest "Highbinder" had changed his coat and hat. Sheriff Canutt went to the Fincher Chinese camp Tuesday and through threats of arrest of all the Chinamen there for aiding the murderer to escape, succeeded in finding the hat which the Chinaman had worn while about town and also a heavy Colt's 44 revolver. The pistol has blood upon it and is known to have been carried here by "Highbinder." When threatened with arrest and through the good offices of Chung, the lessee of the Fincher orchard, an honest and intelligent Chinaman, one of the Chinese at the camp dove into the house and uncovered the hat and revolver where it was hidden in a cubby hole beneath some old sacks and other rubbish. They tried to explain that "Highbinder" had come to the camp during their absence and took some of their clothes and left these things.

**How Murder Was Discovered.**  
The murder was discovered a few minutes after committed. Ching had went to the house at about 1 o'clock. Where he fell was just in front of the door of another Chinaman, who heard the fall. He came to the door soon after and found Ching. Two Chinamen came up town and notified Night Policeman Carter. He was on the ground in a few minutes and called others and Dr. Boswell. The wounded Chinaman was still breathing through the severed end of the windpipe and was carried to Dr. Boswell's office, he and Dr. Pocock sewed up the terrible gash and put in a tube through which to breathe. He was then sent to the hospital, but died a few hours later.

**Coroner's Inquest.**  
Coroner Crawford empaneled a jury and held an inquest over the dead Chinaman at Hall's undertaking establishment Monday afternoon. The jury was composed of Thos. Amos, J. E. Bennett, A. R. Horwill, A. W. Ward, H. S. Hulin and C. H. Bilsland.

From the evidence the jury determined that the death was due to murder at unknown hands.

"Highbinder" is said to be a relative of Seid Beck, the rich Chinese merchant and boss of Portland. It is said he will take a hand in the defense. E. K. Hanna has been employed to defend the accused man.

**INSECTS AND RUST IN WHEAT.**  
College Says It Is Leaf Rust and Scald Only.

Some farmers of the Palouse country have become somewhat alarmed over alleged insect injury and rust on fall wheat. Walla Walla farmers have thought the same thing and have forwarded to the botany department of the Agricultural college samples for examination. Professor Beattie, after examination, wrote as follows: "The wheat which you send has probably been injured by a 'scald' or some similar condition. That is, it has been exposed to wet weather, and then to a hot sun. There is rust on the leaves, but 'leaf rust' is not very injurious to wheat, even in large quantities, and there is not enough rust present to cause the injury which has been done. 'Stem rust' of wheat is very injurious, but it does not seem to be present on the material sent. Our entomologist has examined the material and sees no sign of any insect work which might account for the trouble. So I presume the true explanation is, as I have given above, the 'scalding' of the wheat, or at least it is some physiological condition of the plant and not a fungus or insect parasite which is causing the trouble."

**Knights at Pullman.**  
A large party of Knights of the Uniform Rank and of Coeur d'Alene Lodge No. 12, Knights of Pythias, visited Evening Star Lodge No. 26 at Pullman Monday night. Two candidates for Knighthood were put through, and after completion of the regular work a splendid banquet was spread. Lieutenant Colonel Erb, grand chancellor of Idaho, acted as toastmaster. A number of speeches were made and a Knighthood time enjoyed. Those present from Colfax were: Uniform Rank, Captain R. W. Roberts, Lieutenant W. T. Booth, Sergeant A. E. Stubb, Sergeant H. M. Love, Past Captain Cal. M. Bonwell; Knights Loyal F. W. Bricker, J. M. Blackhurst, Sam Boyer, Chris Bori, Simon Dreifus, W. A. Gordon, John Hart, O. H. Horton, W. W. Renfrew; Knights of Coeur d'Alene Lodge No. 12, Thos. Neill, S. J. Chadwick, C. M. Wyman, W. L. Schmidt, E. C. Murray, U. L. Ettinger, C. E. White, Harry Allen, J. R. Lee and Messrs. Ingraham, Allen, Banks and Allen.

**Somewhat of a Snake Yarn.**  
Last week A. E. Randall while on the trail between the Dewey mine and the Chinese gardens, espied a rattlesnake, which he shot with his revolver, says the Mount Idaho Mail. No sooner had he fired than a dozen or more snakes sprang up from all directions, and Al kept blazing away as long as his ammunition lasted. While trying to get a snake from a crevice where it had fallen after being shot, another one lying concealed bit his thumb. Hastily sucking the poison out as best he could he hastened to camp, where by using such remedies as were to be had, succeeded in curing the wound without it causing him much inconvenience. The battle resulted in the death of twelve of the noxious reptiles.

**Death of Lloyd Williams.**  
Colfax friends have received further information concerning the death at Belmont, N. Y., May 17, of Lloyd Williams, son of Mrs. David T. Williams, at the age of 13. Death followed a severe attack of appendicitis and an operation therefor, performed by Dr. W. J. Hardy and Dr. D. G. Wilcox of Lexington Heights hospital at Buffalo. The operation was performed Sunday and hope alternated until Thursday morning following, when death came. Master Lloyd was endowed with unusual mental gifts and a most lovable nature, and his death at the very threshold of understanding was a great bereavement to his mother, elder brother Leonard and a large circle of teachers and friends.

**Report District 118.**  
Report of the school in district 118 for the month ending May 25, 1900: Those neither tardy nor absent during the month and whose department has been excellent, are: Vera Pearson, Austin Lynch, Tracy Askins, Mand Thompson, Alkie Lynch, Tommy Lynch. The average daily attendance of girls was 18, of boys 16.—Geo. Boyd, teacher.

Rolled oats 25c a bag, at Economy, opposite Bennett's. See Gaines.

# THREE YEARS IN PEN

William Clifford Sentenced To the State Prison.

Broke Down and Cried When His Doom Was Pronounced By the Court.

A motion for a new trial in the Clifford case, wherein he was convicted in ten minutes by a jury of the larceny by embezzlement of two carloads of barley from J. D. Evans, was denied by Judge McDonald in the superior court Tuesday afternoon. The matter was rather warmly argued for three hours by the opposing counsel, Judge E. K. Hanna for the defense and M. O. Reed for the state. The judgment of the court was that, so far as this court is concerned, the verdict of the jury stands.

A motion for arrest of judgment was also made and argued, but this was also turned down by the court.

**Went When Sentenced.**  
At the end of the proceedings Judge McDonald called upon the convicted man to stand up and pronounced his sentence to be three years in the Walla Walla penitentiary. Clifford broke down for the first time since his arrest when the sentence was pronounced, light though it was, and cried.

The attorney for the prosecution, M. O. Reed, declares that, notwithstanding the one conviction and sentence and the disagreement of the jury on the second charge of larceny of the Strieb wheat, the end of the prosecution against Clifford has not been reached. He says there are still a number of like charges against the man, and that he will be arraigned and tried upon them.

Notice of intention to appeal the case to the supreme court was given by the counsel for the prisoner.

# OAKESDALE REPUBLICANS.

**Splendid Club Organized There Monday Night.**

Oakdale, May 29.—Editor Gazette: This is a red letter day for republicanism in Oakdale. A club was organized with 147 members. Perfect harmony prevailed and a great deal of enthusiasm was displayed. The republican party was never stronger, or better organized, in this town, and we feel sure of success in the coming election. J. W. McKUNE.

**Entries On Land.**  
[In the election of 1896 78 republican votes were cast in the Oakdale city and Oakdale country precincts combined for presidential electors. In the election of 1898 the highest republican vote in the two precincts was 116 for Congressman Jones. Oakdale is all right.]

**Woodmen Decoration Day.**  
Sunday, June 3, is to be the annual decoration day of the Woodmen of the World, when the graves of all deceased members will be decorated. The day will be appropriately observed by the Woodmen of Colfax, and all members of the order are especially urged to be present and participate in the ceremonies, to be held at 2 p. m.

**Shipped Some Hogs.**  
Johnston & Co. of the City Market shipped three cars of fat hogs Monday, two to G. L. Simpson at Seattle and one to the Cold Storage Company at Spokane. The Seattle shipment comprised 169 head averaging 205 pounds, and 89 were sent to Spokane averaging 195 pounds each. Five cents a pound, live weight was paid.

**Twenty Dollars a Head.**  
Kiddle Bros. bought a band of 28 range horses Tuesday for shipment east. They were delivered at Colfax. The price paid was \$20 a head. Henry Hickman sold two of them, Niles Champlin 18 and J. R. Wicks 8.

**A Life and Death Fight.**  
Mr. W. A. Hines of Manchester, Ia., writing of his almost miraculous escape from death, says: "Exposure after menial induced serious lung trouble, which ended in Consumption. I had frequent hemorrhages and coughed night and day. All my doctors said I must soon die. Then I began to use Dr. King's New Discovery which wholly cured me. Hundreds have used it on my advice and all say it never fails to cure throat, chest and lung troubles." Regular size 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free at The Elk Drug Store, F. J. Stone, Prop.

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The Harper's Black and White Prints can be found at Sherman's Art Store, at 1 1/2 cents per copy.

Acceptable produce wanted at Economy, opposite Bennett's. See Gaines.

# AROUND THE COUNTY.

Pullman will celebrate the Fourth of July.

Garfield Enterprise: Friday while Mrs. Bryan Westcott and Miss Bessie were gathering greens for dinner they found a quail's nest containing 26 eggs.

The summer science school for teachers opens at the state agricultural college at Pullman June 25 and will continue six weeks. The purpose is to give teachers training in sciences free of cost at the only season of the year when they can avail themselves of the facilities offered.

Mr. Baxter has lost four head of young cattle on Steptoe Canyon from the disease known as blackleg, says the Genesee News. It is not believed the disease is contagious. A remedy that is given: Cut the hide of the animal where affected, insert a quantity of saltpeter and then sew up the gash made.

Pullman Herald: Abe Haines of Clenton, was thrown from a horse Thursday evening while riding after cattle, striking the ground violently on the top of his head. He was rendered unconscious, but the doctor reports that he is now coming out all right, and will sustain no permanent injury.

A. Crisp will ship two threshing machines to Garfield for the fall run on which he has his patent self feed for bundles. This attachment is Mr. Crisp's own invention and with it on a 40-horse cylinder it is said that he can thresh 5000 bushels of wheat a day. Mr. Crisp proposes to put in a shop at Garfield for the manufacture of this self feed.

# This State of Ours.

Since the revival of prosperity there is no state in the Union that has made greater progress than Washington or that has more to recommend it. What with mining, agriculture, fruit growing, stock raising, timber, wool and fishing interests, there is a list of natural resources that has no equal. In addition, there is the advantage of unrivalled water power and manufacturing facilities in the interior, while there is a long stretch of coast line furnishing a great number of ideal harbors and a foreign trade to cater to that no other commonwealth of similar extent of territory in the world can equal. Besides all these, there is a matchless climate and a class of inhabitants growing in thriftiness every day. In the light of these things, what is to prevent Washington in time becoming one of the greatest states in Uncle Sam's domain? People who have no positive certainty of doing better are advised to remain here. Those who are not satisfied elsewhere and have the necessary capital or energy to make a start are advised to come here.

**Range Horses.**  
The following from a St. Paul paper of recent date shows a poor demand for the common range horses of the west: The range horse market season is now on in full blast, and train loads of western horses, good bad and indifferent, are east-bound from Montana, Idaho and Washington to be dumped into the sale ring or retailed throughout the country. There are so many buyers in the west now that there is really competition for the branded horse, and even the Indian cayuses are in demand by the railroads and the commission men, at least, who make the same on the poor animal as on the good one. The indiscriminate shipment of these common western horses has proved a loss to the shipper and always will. It is quality and not quantity that is wanted—and this holds true with the western horse. The sale at South St. Paul Thursday showed this when several hundred head sold at prices that did not make good feed, freight and commissions.

**A Good Cough Medicine.**  
It speaks well for Chamberlain's Cough Remedy when druggists use it in their own families in preference to any other. I have sold Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for the past five years with complete satisfaction to myself and customers," says Druggist J. Goldsmith, Van Etten, N. Y. "I have always used it in my own family both for ordinary coughs and colds and for the cough following la grippe, and find it very efficacious." For sale by all druggists.

**Household Furniture at Private Sale.**  
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**Lost—Reward.**  
Lost, at or near the Colfax depot, Sunday, May 13, a child's blue enameled open face gold watch. \$5 will be paid for delivery of same to Gazette office, or to John F. Corner, at county auditor's office.

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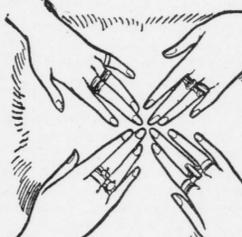
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