

THE ASSAULT A FAKE

Mr. Street's Stories Will Not Hold Water.

Proven to Be Very Reckless in Handling the Truth as Well as His Rifle.

About 10 o'clock last Saturday evening great excitement was caused in this city by cries of "help! help! murder!" immediately followed by a gun shot. The cries came from the building on the corner of Main and Upton streets, used by the Colfax Implement Company as a warehouse. There were more than the usual number of people on the street, the town being full of harvest hands, and in a very short time there were over a hundred people on the scene. The first to arrive met a young man covered with blood, who claimed that he had been assaulted while passing through the building going to his room, which was on the upper floor. The young man proved to be R. T. Street, bookkeeper for the Colfax Implement Company, who ran around into the alley north of the building, crying, "This way, this is where they went," citizens followed him, but saw nor heard no one. Mr. Street then fell to the ground, and two harvest hands who were close to him assisted him to rise and started to take him into a near-by saloon, presumably, because it was light inside and they could see to give him what assistance he needed. Mr. Street set up a terrible row about being taken into the place, intimating that they wanted to get him in there to murder him. He was then taken to the office of Doctors Palamontain & Balsiger, where his wounds were dressed. He had a severe cut on his nose, a small cut on the forehead and another on his leg, none of the wounds being dangerous.

To a Gazette representative Mr. Street said that he started through the building, carrying a hatchet in his hand, as he expected to be assaulted, and when he got about half way through a man stepped out from between the implements and told him to throw up his hands. Instead of complying with the gentleman's polite request, Mr. Street struck him with the hatchet, and the fight started. Mr. Street said that he was sure he hit his assailant with the hatchet and that when they found the man they would find his head cut open. He said they fought for some time, he using his hatchet and his assailant a knife. They finally broke away from each other and his opponent fired a shot at him and then ran, going out through the back door, he (Street) running to the front.

Officer Hickman, who was on duty at the time, procured a lantern and searched the building, finding a hatchet and two hats near Mr. Street said the fight occurred. The hatchet had no blood marks on it, and there was no blood on the floor nor on the machinery near, neither had the accumulated dust been disturbed on any of the implements, although there was only a narrow space between them. These facts led the officers, and others who were there to believe that no assault had been committed.

Several statements made by Mr. Street sounded decidedly fishy, and the further they were investigated the more fishy they became. He said the man ran out of the back door and crossed the creek, that he heard him splashing through the water and scrambling up the bank on the opposite side. There is a small platform at this back door, and there is a sheer drop of at least eight feet from this platform to the ground. A man trying to get off from that platform in the dark would be phenomenally lucky if he did not get any bones broken. Then again there is a step about 25 feet wide along the bank of the creek which is covered with mud, that a man could not step into without leaving his footprints, but through search of this ground failed to reveal a single footprint.

There is a barber shop in the corner of the building where the assault is supposed to have occurred, and the partition between this and the main building is only a plain board, raised on perpendiculars, and covered with ordinary wall paper. There were two barbers and the small boy who does the porter work, setting close to this wall, only a few feet from where two men were battling for life, and they heard no sound, except Mr. Street yelling, and the gun shot.

In Tuesday morning's Review an article was printed which sought to cast reflection on our city officers, because they had said that a shot was fired in the office of the Colfax Implement Company on the evening before the alleged assault took place, insinuating that they were doing this to discredit Mr. Street. The Gazette man, interviewed Mr. Street on the subject of this shot, in the office of the implement company in the presence of two members of the firm and Officer Hickman. He stated positively that there was no shot fired there and that he heard nothing that sounded like a shot.

The young man who was in the office with Mr. Street at the time the shot was fired was looked up and stated that a shot was fired; that Mr. Street had been cleaning his rifle and throwing shells in and out, when the gun was accidentally discharged, the bullet going into the floor. On investigation the bullet hole was found, thus substantiating the boy's statement and proving Mr. Street a liar—a liar when there was no occasion for lying.

When it was proven that Mr. Street had told a point blank lie about this matter many people who had previously believed in him, expressed their belief that the alleged assault was a fake from beginning to end, concerted for the purpose of influencing public opinion.

Schools Need More Room.

Owing to the rapid growth of the schools and the ever increasing size of the classes, the school board has found more difficulty than usual in providing the requisite room. The classes have had to be placed temporarily wherever the room is of sufficient size to hold the pupils. It is sincerely hoped that this congested condition of the schools can be relieved within the near future. At present the board has been unable to secure more room or teachers than were provided last year.

Resolution of Condolence.

Whereas, An all-wise God has seen fit to take from our midst our beloved sister, Fannie Skaffe, bringing sorrow

and loneliness into her home, and to us all a realizing sense of the shortness of this life, and the necessity of making ready to enjoy the life to come; therefore be it

Resolved, That we, the members of Verona Rebekah Lodge, No. 13, deeply regret the death of our esteemed sister, and extend to the bereaved husband and children our deepest sympathy and assure them that while they mourn the loss of their dear one in the home, we mourn the loss of a worthy friend and sister; and be it further

Resolved, That our charter be draped in mourning for thirty days and a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of this lodge, a copy sent to the bereaved family and also published in the home papers. (MILLS, MITCHELL, Committee. EDNA HAMPTON, URSULEE BASS.

Succumbs to Heart Disease.

James B. Anderson, aged 45, died suddenly last Friday night under very peculiar circumstances. He was milking a cow for a neighbor who was away from home, and while thus engaged was at the same time enjoying a funny story being told by his friend, Mr. Degau. At the conclusion of the story Mr. Anderson laughed heartily, and rising suddenly to his feet remarked, "Jim, I've lost my sight; I'm blind." He started to walk, but fell forward in the attempt. He was assisted to a near by barn, where he expired in a few moments. Mr. Anderson for several years had been a victim of heart trouble. He leaves a widow and several children.

AT THE RIDGEWAY.

Under Southern Skies.

It has been said by those who have made a careful study of dramatic literature, that no play can make a popular success that has not a good love story at its very foundation. Dramatists have found this so true that whatever themes may appeal to their artistic sense as novel or instructive material for the basis of a play, it is put aside as not likely to meet the taste of the majority of theatergoers and some variations of the old but never worn out theme of love is again and again written for that public which is always demanding it. It is no doubt, the strength and interest of the love story in "Under Southern Skies" that has given it its stronghold upon the public. "Under Southern Skies" is now in its fifth year of uninterrupted success, playing to crowded houses wherever it has appeared. The strong story showing the broken life and hearts of a man and a woman, and the almost wrecked happiness of a young girl, has never failed to hold an audience fascinated and deeply interested from the opening of the play to the fall of the final curtain.

In bringing out this absorbing story, the author, Lottie Blair Parker, who also wrote "Way Down East," has followed the same method of work which made "Way Down East" so delightful. She has made each one of the twenty-seven characters in "Under Southern Skies" a distinct type of individual life as found in the south. The impulsive "colonel," of flowery speech; the cool, impressive demeanor; the courtly "major," who covers a sad heart with smiles of cordial hospitality; the young, hot headed suitors for the love of the heroine, these are all the men of the south in the years falling closely upon the great rebellion. The women too, dainty, airy, full of light hearted gaiety, are the women of the south, not yet ingrained with the stern lesson of work and necessity which is the very birthright of the New England woman. These characters, set against a background of beautiful scenery and stately old southern homes, move lightly and gaily through the succeeding scenes of the play, the thread of the story, the tragedy underlying it all growing stronger and stronger until the climax of the third act finds the audience tense and breathless. Curtain call after curtain call follows this act, ten and twelve calls sometimes being taken.

A novel scene introduced in the play is a Halloween celebration, the like of which has never before been done upon the stage. Halloween tricks are performed and a pumpkin dance follows. The diversion is so natural and is entered into with so much spirit that it rouses the audience to the highest pitch of laughter and enjoyment. Taken in its entirety "Under Southern Skies" has truthfully been said to be the most original, diverting and unhackneyed play of southern life ever written. Our theater patrons are to be congratulated upon the fact that they will have an opportunity of seeing this highly successful play, "Under Southern Skies" is to appear at the Ridgeway theater, Friday evening, September 8.

A Game Dinner.

On Monday last M. A. Rose reached the 49th milepost of his life. Mrs. Rose invited a few of her husband's friends in to celebrate the event with a game dinner. While Mr. Rose had no warning of what was going to happen to him, he was "game" and stayed and enjoyed the occasion and, it is said, did duty to the "game" set before him. The guests presented Mr. Rose with a weathered oak rocking chair as a souvenir of the occasion.

Rates to Seaside and Fair.

The O. R. & N. Co. makes a round trip rate of \$19.00 to the seaside and Long Beach from Colfax, good until Sept. 30. Stop over at Portland allowed.

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Girl wanted for general housework. Mrs. Leon Kuhn.

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LOCAL BREVITIES.

The following is taken from the Northport News: Mrs. J. A. Perkins, mother of Mrs. L. L. Tower, is here from Colfax, accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. Scriber, and son, Sumner Perkins. The party will go into camp at Deep Creek lake for several weeks.

One of the most important engagements made for the present season will be the production of Lottie Blair Parker's play of the southland, entitled "Under Southern Skies," which will be presented at the Ridgeway on Friday evening, September 8.

Lewis L. Bruning of Belvedere, Neb., has accepted the position made vacant in the Hall undertaking parlors by the removal of Mr. Horwell to the coast. Mr. Bruning has spent the past two years as embalmer and funeral director with Smith & Co. of Spokane.

B. F. Sherley, chairman of the board of county commissioners, has been receiving complaints the last three weeks from people who think their assessment is too high. Yesterday the full board met and passed on the complaints.

The stipulation in the case of F. N. English and George T. Boyd vs Anna Martin was filed in the superior court last Monday in which it was stipulated and agreed by and between the parties that an injunction may issue in this case against defendant on the 10th of November 1905, and that the plaintiffs will proceed no farther in this case until said date, and that each party shall pay his own costs and expenses. Signed T. H. Bain, S. D. O'Neal, attorneys for the plaintiff. Sullivan, Nuzum & Nuzum attorneys for the defendant.

Former County Commissioner John G. Gibson of Johnson, Wash., has sold his fine farm of 580 acres to A. O. White, a recent arrival from Illinois.

O. B. Whitmore, deputy supreme president of "The Fraternal Brotherhood," a beneficiary order with headquarters at Los Angeles, Calif., will institute a local lodge in this city tonight, at the A. O. U. W. hall. It is expected that the lodge will be organized with at least 20 charter members.

About a dozen friends and neighbors surprised Mr. Albert Powell Saturday evening, the occasion being his 45th birthday. Ice cream and cake were served and a very enjoyable evening spent.

Frank Lee has sold his farm near Pencawa for the consideration of \$14,000, a Lewiston, Idaho, real estate firm being the purchasers.

The Gazette's power press met with an accident on Wednesday evening while the foreman was printing the first form of this week's edition, and through the kindness of Editor Goodyear of the Commoner, the Gazette was printed this week on the Commoner's press.

The rate for Portland and return will, on September 1, be reduced to \$11.35 by the O. R. & N. This reduction is made voluntarily and should be taken advantage of by those who contemplate visiting the fair from this vicinity.

A meeting of the stockholders of the bank recently financed by Lillis F. Smith, Geo. W. Larue and others will be held at Larue & O'Neal's office at 2 o'clock Saturday, August 26.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Judge Sullivan and Attorney Nuzum of Spokane were in Colfax Monday on legal business.

Attorney A. E. Williams of Tekoa was attending to legal business here last Monday.

W. O. McCaw left Monday for points in Montana and Idaho, where he will spend a week or 10 days visiting friends and looking over the country.

Oliver Hall left for Soldier, Idaho, last Tuesday, where he goes to look into the government land which is now being thrown open.

C. M. DuVall and family returned last Monday from a two weeks outing on lake Chatcolet.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Vollandorf returned last Friday from Portland, where they have been taking in the fair.

Rev. J. H. Bainton and family returned Wednesday from West Lake, Idaho, where they have been for an outing for the past month.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Lommission returned Wednesday from a visit to the Portland fair.

Mrs. Fred Coleman and little daughter of Boise, Idaho, is spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bramwell.

Mrs. W. J. Hamilton returned Wednesday from a week's visit with her son, Boyd Hamilton of Coeur d'Alene City.

Dr. R. J. Skaffe and son, Oris, returned from a two weeks outing Wednesday.

Mrs. Albert Powell left Monday for Washtucna, to visit relatives for a week.

Mr. and Mrs. Zell M. Beebe and Mrs. Strey returned Thursday morning from a two months visit on the Sound and at the fair at Portland.

E. Miller of Chicago visited at the home of W. G. Buse Monday.

Mrs. G. E. Williams left Saturday for a six weeks visit with relatives in San Francisco.

F. A. Russell returned Sunday from New York, where he spent four weeks selecting goods for the Wheeler-Motter Co.

Cash Gaddis of Pullman was transacting business at the county seat Tuesday.

Andrew Johnson returned Wednesday from Denver, where he went as delegate to the Grand Aerie, Fraternal Order of Eagles.

R. J. Street, who has been employed with the Colfax Implement Company for several months as bookkeeper, left Wednesday for his home in Portland.

Gas Lineart of Wallace, Idaho, visited friends in Colfax for several days this week.

William Goodyear and family returned Wednesday from a two week visit to the fair at Portland.

Mrs. Anna Disney of Tacoma is visiting with her sister, Mrs. H. Wilson, of this city.

Mrs. J. B. Doolittle and children left this morning for a visit to the Portland fair and with friends on PUGIT SOUND.

Mrs. G. W. Larue left Thursday for a visit with relatives at Dixie, Wash.

W. J. Hamilton of the Pioneer Drug Store, reports an average yield of 51 bushels of wheat to the acre on 300 acres of his ranch near this city. The grain was the Red Russian variety, and the

yield is the largest thus far reported where the whole crop is considered.

Milton McCroskey underwent an operation for appendicitis on Wednesday last at the St. Ignatius hospital. The operation was successful and Mr. McCroskey is reported as doing nicely.

Mrs. E. T. Smith who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. C. W. Hess for the past three weeks, returned to her home in Pittsburg, Mo., Monday.

M. E. Carley of Carley, Ore., visited his brother W. O. Carley in this city for a few days this week.

W. L. Hunter and wife left last evening for Portland to take in the sights at the Lewis and Clark exposition.

Marriage Licenses.

The following marriage licenses were issued by the county auditor during the past week at Colfax:

W. A. Moore, Stephenson, Wash. Lavenir McGaha, Sunset. Thomas William Ryan and Jessie Leona Clark, both of Pullman. Allen E. Benner, and Marie Katherine Nelson, both of Dusty.

Leg Broken.

Chandler, the 11-year-old son of Mrs. W. M. Earl, suffered a very painful accident Thursday afternoon. He was engaged in saddling a horse, when he was kicked by another animal which happened to be near by, resulting in the breaking of both bones of the leg below the knee.

Grain Fire.

The Wm. Sever grain fire damage amounted to \$70.20 which was paid by H. W. Goff who carried the insurance.

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