

SHOOTS WIFE AND THEN KILLS SELF

John Carlisle Attempts Reconciliation--Fails--Uses Gun.

BOTH WERE WELL KNOWN HERE

Mrs. Carlisle Kept New England Home Near Woolen Mill For Six Years--Her Hurt Not Fatal

Residents of this community were shocked Tuesday to learn that John Carlisle, a resident of this city, had attempted to kill his wife, Mrs. Ida May Carlisle, who until recently conducted the New England Home here, and supposing her dead, turned the pistol on himself, blowing out his brains and dying instantly. Carlisle was a ne'er-do-well, frequently getting drunk and abusing his wife, and she left him for this reason, going to Portland last fall, where she opened a lodging house on Jefferson street.

Carlisle, who has supported himself during his wife's absence by doing odd jobs, sold a wheelbarrow to a second hand dealer, was shaved, packed his grip, and took it and his violin to Portland, where he went to the boarding house in an endeavor to make peace with his wife. Failing in this, he tried the more deadly plan. The missile fired at Mrs. Carlisle struck to the left of her upper lip and shattered two teeth, which deflected the course so it passed out of her left cheek. While painful, the wound is not dangerous, and her recovery is assured.

JENNINGS LODGE

Ten of the members of the Industrial Club met at the home of Mrs. L. Wilcox on Friday afternoon, February 28th. Mrs. Wilcox was a charter member of the club and has also been its president for one term, but since baby Kenneth arrived at her home has been unable to attend the gatherings which the members have had from time to time. A most delightful time was spent and dainty and delicious refreshments were served and a beautiful bouquet of violets was presented to Mrs. Wilcox.

FIRWOOD.

E. D. Hart was transacting business in Portland and Oregon City last week. Several parties from Portland have been out in our vicinity seeing the sights lately. All seem to be very favorably impressed with the country. Of course, for it is one of the best locations in the state to live in.

number were present and a new call bell was added to the school. The Misses Edna Ross, Helen Painton and Fern Hart sang "Speed Away, Speed Away," which was very good and carried out the missionary spirit along the line of the Sabbath school lesson. As Rev. Mr. Shupp was ill there was no preaching. It is hoped by Rev. Shupp's many friends here that his illness will be of short duration.

Mrs. Rose spent the week in Portland with the Olson family and reports Mrs. Olson doing nicely now. Mr. Thompson has the material hauled for a very modern cottage which he expects to build on his property on the east side of the car track as soon as the weather will permit.

Judge Bronnough is to have a new well and H. G. Patton expects to remove his drilling machine there this week.

L. Wilcox has just had the interior of his house tinted and stained, which adds to its appearance very much. George Morse transacted business in Portland on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilman and family, Mrs. Harden and children and Mrs. Cridler of Portland spent Sunday at the Welch cottage.

Mrs. Frank Pratt has received word that her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Smith, left Manchester, Iowa, on March 1st for Portland, and will arrive here about March 6th.

H. H. Emmons is having his gasoline launch, "Dixie," overhauled and repaired and a six-power Gray motor installed, and it will be one of the swiftest as well as one of the fastest launches on the Willamette.

Willie Spaulding has resigned his position as janitor of the school and Lloyd Rice will now have the janitorship.

Miss Lelia Brown, of Detroit, Michigan, will spend the remainder of the week with her uncle, Spencer Brown of Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Hal Emmons will be over-night guests at the home of Mrs. George Brodie at Creston.

Harry Painton was a business visitor at the Rose City on Monday. Messrs. Byron & Jensen have some very choice and beautiful violets at the present time, but the demand is so great that they have no trouble in disposing of them at a good price.

Mrs. Terry and Mrs. Emmons were the guests of honor at a delightful luncheon given by Mrs. George Miller at her beautiful home on Beacon street in Portland on Tuesday, March 2.

Mr. McClure is building a new fence around his property and Mr. Hampton has just completed a fine women wire fence around his property on the river front.

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WILLIAM HOWARD TAFT AND JAMES S. SHERMAN--SCENE AT A PRESIDENTIAL INAUGURATION.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE IS INAUGURATED

Washington, March 4.—In the presence of a mighty concourse of people, William Howard Taft, of Ohio, swore today to "preserve, protect and defend the constitution of the United States," and by so doing became the 27th president of the United States.

Immediately after the administration of the oath to Mr. Taft by Chief Justice Fuller the new President delivered his inaugural address to the crowds that filled the plaza in front of the east portico of the capitol. At the conclusion of his address he was escorted to the White House, where he and his escort partook of luncheon before proceeding to the grand stand, at the court of honor, to review the inaugural parade.

Accompanied by President Roosevelt and escorted by a veteran guard commanded by General O. O. Howard, Mr. Taft was driven to the capitol. On their arrival Mr. Taft and Mr. Roosevelt proceeded at once to the senate chamber to witness the inauguration of Vice-President Sherman.

Beginning of the Ceremonies. When all the witnesses to the ceremony were assembled, Vice-President Fairbanks rose and called the session of the senate to order. After a brief valedictory address, in which he thanked the senators for the courtesy and respect shown to him during his term of office, Mr. Fairbanks called to his rostrum the Vice-President-elect, James Schoolcraft Sherman, of New York, and, the crowd standing, administered to him the oath and turned over to him the gavel that is the outward symbol of the authority attaching to his new office.

The first official act of the new Vice-President as presiding officer of the senate was to call the senate to order and direct the recently elected members to come forward and take the oath. This accomplished Vice-President Sherman declared the senate adjourned for the time being.

Led by the sergeants-at-arms of the senate and house, the members of the two houses and the other officials marched through the corridors of the capitol to the inaugural stand that had been erected at the east portico.

As the retiring chief executive and his successor appeared at the main door of the capitol and proceeded to walk to the front of stand toward Chief Justice Fuller, who, with Bible in hand, awaited Mr. Taft, the troops massed in front of the stand and drawn up on two sides presented arms and a cheer rose from the crowd that extended as far as one could see from the stand. The crowd was very quiet as Mr. Taft repeated the words of the oath after Justice Fuller and their voices were plainly heard.

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this county. Daughn was of the Clydeville stock, and when in his prime weighed about 1600 pounds. His service extended from a single driver to a heavy logging team, and his usefulness made many thousands of dollars. He was so ready and willing that he pulled himself blind, and though he was totally blind he was ever ready to obey and would pull at the word, never flinching. We don't claim him to be 46 years old, though his age was away up; but this winter he succumbed to the monster Death, and is now in the boneyard, dead but not forgotten.

(Too late for last issue.) We will try to write something in the shape of news, though news is scarce. Winter is still within sight all the time. The roads are still with us, though very muddy.

We read something in the Courier that makes us feel bad. It was an explanation of the tax question—why taxes are so high, which is on account of so many bridges and so many miles of county roads. Well, we will always have the bridges and the county roads; so according to that argument taxes will always be high. Well, let's be social in this matter. The farmer and stock raiser has to stand all the time in taxes and all other laborers now work for the social part. Let the county officials stand a little reduction in salaries and let that go towards helping the struggling tax payers.

There are some people in this county who are blue, as four horses have died in this vicinity this winter. This is a heavy tax on some. We as a people are still hopeful that good weather will come in due time—four changes of the moon and every change brings bad weather.

Mrs. Burkner had the misfortune some time ago to lose her footing and received a fall for which she had to call the doctor. We hear that she is better now and hopes that she will fully recover.

The Russellville teacher called on Mr. and Mrs. Wingfield last Sunday and reports having a pleasant time. Charles Brown has finished his spring plowing and will be sowing as soon as the weather will permit.

Mrs. Scott Carter and son Arthur, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. H. Daugherty near Oregon City. They will return soon. Mr. Lehman and wife of the upper mill made a flying trip to Oregon City a few days ago, as bad as the weather is.

Mr. Wingfield has been busy for some time fencing against a climbing hog. The hog climbs in bad weather just the same.

ESTACADA. Garfield Grange met Saturday with 28 members present. Suitable memorial resolutions were passed in memory of Mrs. Nora Looney. Y. W. Parker was initiated in the third and fourth degrees and Mr. Stokes and Mr. Wheeler in the first and second degrees. C. A. Looney, L. J. Palmateer and P. M. Wagner were elected members of the executive committee; F. M. Gill and W. H. Holder are ex-officio members of the same committee. The master appointed as a visiting committee Mrs. M. K. Irwin, Mrs. M. N. Holder and Mr. T. W. Parker; finance committee, W. W. Davis, L. J. Palmateer, Mrs. E. J. Vocum; kitchen committee, Mrs. Sarah Palmateer, Mrs. Mary N. Holder and Mrs. Martha Davis. One application was received.

It was necessary to call Dr. Adix to attend Norman Tracy last week. A meeting has been called for Wednesday evening at 7:30 to organize a development league. The meeting will be at the Grange hall.

MAPLE LANE. Mrs. John Crawford and Mrs. Frank Aldridge of Ely were visiting Mrs. Parker in this vicinity Monday. Rev. R. C. Blackwell did not preach last Wednesday evening at the Maple Lane schoolhouse, as the weather would not permit. There will be preaching there Wednesday, March 10th. All cordially invited.

Mrs. C. W. Swallow and daughter Dorothy were visiting Mrs. C. Reynolds Monday. Miss Emma and Claud Van Hoy went to Goldendale, Washington, Tuesday to spend the summer. Frank Thorn of Portland was out to his ranch, visiting Mr. and Mrs. G. Guillian, during the week.

H. A. Heaster is hauling cordwood to Oregon City this week. A. J. Lewis was out through Springfield and Elwood Saturday and Sunday. Frank Parker is hauling his potatoes to Oregon City this week and shipping them to Portland.

Miss Anderson is working for Mrs. Currin of Oregon City. A very pleasant surprise party was tendered Emma and Claud Van Hoy Saturday evening at their home. The evening was spent in games and music. During the evening refreshments were served. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. G. Guillian, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Mertz, Mr. and Mrs. O. Van Hoy, Miss Mary Davies, Miss Mary Dickerson, Miss Martha Mertsching, Miss Emma Van Hoy, Miss Della Burkhardt, Miss Ruth Kunzman, Messrs. Frank and Paul Mertsching, Claud Van Hoy, Lewis Davies, Elvess Allen.

County Court in Session. The regular monthly session of the county court convened Wednesday forenoon. There will be few matters of great importance to come up for consideration at this session, the work being more of a routine order.

COLTON. March surely came like a lion, but our hopes are that it will go like a lamb. The mountains are covered with snow, and as it is the talk of the day. Mr. Axin is out from Portland and is busy planting his fruit trees. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Stromgreen were at Oregon City on business Saturday and returned Sunday. Mr. John purchased a horse from E. Beck at Clarksville last week. W. E. Bonney took a business trip to Molalla last Thursday.

This weather is keeping the farmers back from doing their farm work. J. A. Stromgreen, who has been

WOMAN KILLED IN RUNAWAY

Mrs. Crowell Dies From Injuries Received Friday.

ONE ESCAPES BY JUMPING

Frightened Steed Leaves the County Road Near Gladstone With Painful Results

Mrs. Crowell, a well known resident of Clackamas is dead Miss and Morris is nursing a great many bruises as the result of a runaway that occurred near Gladstone Friday morning. In company with Miss Crowell, a daughter of the dead woman, they were driving along the county road, and when near the grounds of the Chautauqua Association, the horse became frightened and leaving the road, dashed among the oak trees, upsetting the occupants with the above result. Before the buggy reached the trees, Miss Crowell jumped from it, escaping with a few slight bruises.

Mrs. Crowell's hip was fractured, and she was injured internally. She was moved as soon as possible to a neighboring house, and medical aid was summoned, but she succumbed to her injuries Monday.

CITY ENGAGED IN STREET WAR

Petitions for Improvement of Four Streets Read

REMONSTRANCES SENT IN

Matter Referred to Street Committee to Report on 15th and 17th inst.

"To improve, or not to improve," that is the question that is disturbing the minds of residents of portions of Taylor, Washington, Eleventh and Twelfth streets, and for the past week, those portions have been the scenes of the singing of both petitions and remonstrances.

At the meeting of the city council Wednesday night, the hall was crowded with representatives of both factions from every street, who were determined not to see their side get the worst of the deal. A petition for the improvement of a large part of Taylor street was read, and was followed by the reading of a remonstrance against the improvement, both papers being equally signed. This matter was referred to the street committee with instructions to report at a special meeting on March 15.

The numerous signed petition for the improvement of Eleventh street, from the river to Van Buren was next read, as was the remonstrance, which also had a large quota of signatures. Twelfth street was the next to come up for consideration, and after the papers for and against had been read, the affair was laid over till the meeting on the 15th.

The improvement of Washington street was next for consideration, and after the papers for both sides were read, it was laid over to another special meeting on the night of the 24th. The petition of the Hawley pulp and Paper Company for a permit to operate pipes, wheels and machinery under the plank roadway during the period of their lease from the P. R. L. & P. Co. was voted down, but the vote was reconsidered, and the matter referred to the street committee.

Regarding Assessment and Taxation. Mr. Editor: There seems to be a diversity of opinion in regard to the assessment of property for general taxation and a wonderful mistake in much of the assessor's estimate of tax valuations. I have handled property in Oregon City and vicinity that was assessed for considerably more than it could have been sold for at private sale. It seems to me that tax valuations ought never to be greater than the price it would bring under the hammer. This really may be owing to a neglect in sending out competent men to view and judge of property values before making up the tax rolls. Men that are capable of judging from experience in constructing or handling property of actual values. Property old and run down is always in a condition of depreciation, and should be estimated and regulated accordingly. The practice of guessing at values of taxable property creates in every instance great injury to the owner thereof. There are many pieces of property in Oregon City and vicinity together with outside lots that are assessed for nearly twice what they are really worth. The board of supervisors should try to seek a remedy for the injustice of wild estimates. O. A. CHENEY.

quite sick with the grip, is improving. Dolph Freeman of Elwood has been busy plowing the last week for Mr. Johnson at Colton. Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Bonney of Meadowbrook were visitors at Colton one day last week. Mrs. Bergreen was at Oregon City last Monday. Mr. Danielson, our merchant, handled a load of store goods to Mr. Fickler in the mountains last Saturday. Mr. Engstrom is busy getting ready to build a new house.

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TRIO WALKING ACROSS CONTINENT

Mr. and Mrs. Hildebrand and Fred Lange Pass Oregon City on Long Trip

Mr. and Mrs. Hildebrand and Fredrick Lange, all of Seattle, Wash., arrived in this city Sunday evening on their hike from Seattle to New York. They started on their journey February 13, and expect to reach their destination in four months at the very latest. Their route will carry them through Arizona, Texas and the other Southern states, and will cover about 5000 miles. Mrs. Hildebrand severely sprained her ankle while traveling between Auburn and Summers, Wash., and as a result she has not been able to walk as fast, but they are able to cover at least 18 miles a day. All of their equipment is carried in knapsacks on their backs, a burden of about 40 pound each.

The business meeting of the Progressive Association was well attended Wednesday evening. A. J. Maxwell is improving his spare time by slashing on his ranch. We like to see such people move into this country. A. G. Milliron was transacting business in Portland and Oregon City this week. M. J. Lawless made a business trip to Boring Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Hart and son