DIED ON THE CROSS

Superstitious Fanatics in Trinidad Imitate the Saviour

VICTIMS MADE OWN CROSSES

Mexican Penitents Accustomed to Carrying Out Crucifixion Select One Member for a Sacrifice and the Scenes Are Reacted.

Trinidad, Col., April 22.—On the cross, just as the Savior died centuries ago, fanatical members of the Penitentes, is reported to have died yesterday at Torres, Las Animas county, Col. Several Trinidad people claim to have been among the eye-witnesses, but they agreed among themselves not to talk for publication, so the details are not yet known. According to the report current here, however, the victim was nailed to a cross of his own formation and died in agony that he did not seem to feel, wrought as he was to a delirium of religious fervor. The story of the crucifixion is vouched for by Henry D. Robinson of this city, an automobile agent, who saw a crowd of Mexicans who had been eye-witnesses and were discussing the tragic scenes In the old days, so it is said, the carrying out of an actual crucifixion was not uncommon among the penitents, but it was supposed to have been abandoned long ago. Although it is known that the practice of self- torture is still carried out among the members of the order during holy week.

Elmore Brings Stock.

There was a large attendance at the meeting of the Seaside lodge, A. O. U. W. last night at their hall, everyone being interested in devising some scheme whereby the organization would be maintained, notwithstanding the actions of the grand lodge in increasing the assessment. Nothing was done at the lodge meeting, but immediately after adjournment, a meeting of citizens was held and a committee appointed to formulate a plan for organizing a separate insurance company and withdrawing from the grand lodge, if such a plan, in their judgment was feasable. From the sentiments expressed it is very probable that the local lodge will withdraw from the jurisdiction and incorporate a local insurance company, although this is problematical.

Seaside Lodge.

The steamer Elmore arrived in last evening from Tillamook. Among the cargo of freight was a fine cow, probably all that there is left from the Elmore stock farm, and it was brought to Astoria for safe keeping. Several years ago Mr. Elmore bought a fine farm and stocked it with thoroughbred cattle. There ought to be an increase in the stock, but every time Walter Ridhalgh went down to take an invoice, there seemed to be no increase. What is necessary on a stock farm is a manager that can report an increase of at least one bull calf a year. There is no question as to the adaptability of the farm or the quality of the stock but there has always been a large sized discrepancy in the increase.

He Needed the Money.

"I have decided," said the dignified Astoria gentleman, "to let you have that young man after all, if you are positive that you can't be happy without him."

"Oh, father!" the beautiful girl cried, "you don't know how happy you have made me. Now I can see the gates of Paradise opening on the beautiful Easter morn. Dear, good, kind papa. Let me kiss you for those sweet words. Oh, I can hardly wait to fly to him and tell him the glorious news. He will be so glad. We shall be so happy now. It seems almost like a lovely dream. I can hardly believe I am awake. But tell me, what made you change your mind? Yesterday when I tried to plead for him you said you would never permit us to see each other again. And if you had known how these words bruised my heart. What has happened father, to make you relent?

He kissed her fondly, and then, with tears in his eyes, replied:

"I sat in a little game of poker where he happened to have a hand, last night, and if we don't get that money back in the family some way, my business is going to suffer."

Fishers' Opera House.

A comfortably filled house greeted L. R. Stockwell and Charles E. Verner and their company last evening in their latest political comedy success, "The Hon. John North." The story is very amusing and the sitiations are such that the audience was kept in constant good humor all through the four acts. R. R. Stockwell is a comedian of the old school, of which there are very few left. His impersonation of the candidate, John North, is one of his best characters. Charles Erin Verner does some very clever work as the Count and Patrick Jones. Miss Cecil Irving, as the divorced wife, is a very attractive woman and plays Mrs. Delmar for all there is in the character and her rendition of the warrior bold was a treat. Bob Gilendo is up to date as the tough kid. Miss Ballard, as unity Jane, plays the part of a stupid servant very perfectly. The company is good in all parts The play, by request, will be repeated tonight.

Church Notices.

Babtist church: The subject for the morning service will be "Lessons From the Grave of Lazarus." In the evening the Sunday school will present an interesting Easter exercise. All the other regular services will be observed as usual. Everybody invited.

First Lutheran church will celebrate Easter in the following manner: Morning services in Swedish at 10:45, when the pastor, Rev. Gustaf E. Rydquist, will speak on the "Resurrection." The choir will render special selections. In the evening at 7:30 the Sunday school will give its Easter entertainment. A fine program will be rendered. All the friends of our Sunday school are cordially invited. A collection will be taken up at this occasion for the Sunday school treasury.

First Methodist church: The children will render a special Easter program at 11 o'clock, consisting of good music and well drilled children exercises. A cordial welcome to all. Sunday school at 12:15. Epworth league at 6:30 and at 7:30 the pastor will preach an Easter sermon. Everybody invited to all of these services.

Presbyterian church. Rev. W. S. Wright of Portland will preach morning and evening. Special Easter music by the choir on both occasions under the leadership of Miss Hobson. The Sunday school, with the assistance of the orchestra, will hold a special Easter service of song immediately following the morning service. Parents and friends are most cordially invited.

First Congregational church, preaching at 11 a. m. by the pastor, Rev. L. D. Mahone. Subject: "A Risen Christ." Mrs. Geo. C. Watkins will sing. Sunday school at 12:20 p. m. At the evening service the Sunday school will give their usual Easter program, beginning at 7:30 p. m.

Baby Enjoyed It.

A laughable incident occurred yesterday on Eleventh street. A party of ladies were going from Bond to Commercial street, and one of the young ladies had one of these two-wheeled go-carts, in which was a baby strapped in. As is fashionable, the lady was pulling the cart behind her and evidently much annimated in a conversation over Easter hats and the prevailing styles. So interested was she in the conversation that she did not notice that the strap broke and the baby slipped out on the sidewalk. A gentleman who had noticed the kid as he slipped out of the cart went up to her and said:

"Madam, I guess you have dropped something."

The incident created considerable merriment, even among the ladies, who went back with her and picked up the baby, who seemed to enjoy the fun.

A Musical Event.

The fine vocal work of J. Adrian Epping is a delight to his audiences. He possesses a baritone voice of great range and beauty. His repertoire covers a broad field; from the romantic to the tragic, from the delicate to the forte passages he meets every requirement. His dainty interpretations make a pleasing contrast to the heavier dramatic work. Among other selections Mr. Epping will render The Prologue from "Pagliacci" and the Aria from "La Jolie Fille de Perth," by Bizet. The advent of Mr. Epping is the most notable event of the musical season.

A. O. U. W. Meeting.

Astoria, Ore., April 17, 1905.—Each and every member of Seaside lodge, No. 12, is hereby requested to be present at the lodge room next Saturday night, April 22, 1905, at the hour of 8 o'clock p. m., as business of vital importance to each member is to be considered. Come one and all without fail. By order of the Master Workman,

B. L. CLARK,

Attest: F. D. WINTON, Recorder.

Child Burned to Death.

Last evening the child of Mr. and Mrs. Mattas, living in Uppertown, was burned to death. The family had gone away for a short time and left the littel one at home. In some way it got hold of some matches and lighter one setting its clothes on fire, and before it could be rescued it was badly burned. Medical attention was summoned, and after two hours of intense suffering, the little child died.

An Investment Offering.

The Western Loan and Savings Co. of Salt Lake have a $5,000,000 capital. They guarantee 8 per cent interest on their savings stock, and any surplus earnings in addition. Mark T. Brownson, Special Agent.

I. O. O. F. Notice.

All members of Beaver Lodge, No. 35, I. O. O. F., are requested to attend the anniversary exercises, to be held at Odd Fellows' hall, Thursday evening, April 27, 1905, at 8 p. m. Visiting members and Rebekahs are cordially invited to attend.

THE COMMITTEE.

COLONIZING SCHEME

Wild Cat Speculators Unload Some Worthless Property

BIG PROFITS IN TOWN LOTS

Invest Five Thousand Dollars and Clean Up Nearly Four Hundred Thousand Dollars by Deception and Wilful Misrepresentation.

Modico, Cal., April 22.—American Consul General Parsons has commenced an investigation of the alleged colonizing schemes of the Pan-American Land Company in Chiapas. Numerous complains have been filed with the consul general. Inducted by advertisements of the company, farmers of western Texas, Oklahoma, Nebraska and Washington states came to Chiapas at their expense to investigate. It is alleged that the Pan-American Land Company bought 1000 acres of land from the state government for $5000, and by advertising sold town lost for over $375,000 gold. The advertisements pictured comfortable homes being erected and extensive railroad shops and cultivated lands. The investigators found the few railroad buildings were being removed to better towns, Geronimo and Tola, and claim the so-called cultivated lands were a sandy waste, a creek a few inches deep instead of a navigable river and the only available harbor some distance out in the Pacific ocean.

The consul general has summoned the officers of the company at Kansas City to appear here to show cause why they should not be barred from their use of the United States mail as well as to stop all further operations.

Funerals Today.

The funeral of Henry Selvon of Seaside will take place from Pohl's undertaking parlors today. The interment will be at Greenwood.

The funeral of the late Mrs. M. McAllister will be held from Pohl's undertaking parlors at 1 o'clock this afternoon.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Schultz will be held from her late residence, this afternoon at 1 o'clock. The interment will be at Greenwood.