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STICKEL MAKES A CONFESSION

Admits That He Alone Killed Shanklin and the Two Knapps—Totally Absolves Ed Pierce From Complicity in the Crimes.

TACOMA, Dec. 11.—Deputy Sheriff Watson, of Cowlitz county, has obtained a confession from Martin Stickel, the murderer of the Knapp family and William Shanklin, in Cowlitz county, in which Stickel acknowledges that he himself killed the three persons mentioned. Stickel says that Ed Pierce, whom he has heretofore implicated, declaring that Pierce did the shooting, had nothing whatever to do with the killing, and that he went unassisted and alone to the home of Shanklin and the Knapps and committed the murders.

Stickel's second confession is the result of a religious turn which the man's mind has taken in the past two days. The Salvation Army had an evangelistic meeting in the county jail yesterday afternoon, and Stickel was a very interested listener. The Salvation Army officers prayed with him, and he professed to have a change of heart. He seems far more cheerful and contented, and appears to have a desire to make a clean breast of his criminal acts.

On the heels of Stickel's professed conversion came Deputy Sheriff Watson to see if he could not get Stickel to confess, the Cowlitz county authorities having investigated the whereabouts of Pierce and discovered that he had had nothing to do with the murder. With but little persuasion, Stickel freely admitted that he alone was the guilty man. By making this confession, Stickel virtually places a rope around his neck, as he stands self-confessed, guilty of murder in the first degree.

Stickel seems to have told the truth about the crimes in the first confession, in the matter of the time and manner in which the murders were committed, the only statements foreign to the truth being his implication of Pierce, which he now says is a pure fabrication. The murderer appears anxious now to assist the law so far as possible in the prosecution of the crimes.

Taken altogether, Stickel's mind is a

queer mix-up of chilliness and brutality. There is an utter lack of cunning, and also an apparent total disregard of the promptings of his conscience, if, indeed, the man has any mental development of that character whatever. In none of his confessions has he evinced the slightest sign or evidence of repentance or regret, and as for haunting visions of his victims disturbing the man's peace, it is the last thing anyone would expect who has heard him talk for a short time in his easy, rambling way of the road he took to do the killing of the Knapps, of the struggling he heard inside the house when he shot the venerable couple through the window, and the lot he obtained from the house. He also talks as composedly of the Shanklin tragedy, telling of his careful avoidance of roads, the condition of the weather on the fatal night, and the firing of the house after the terrible deed was done.

While Stickel evinces no evidence of insanity, he is certainly near akin to idioity, or else a most pronounced degenerate. By no reach of comprehension can he be made to see the enormity of his offenses, but appears to think that so far as the law goes, he is in a "rather bad fix, and he'll be glad when he is out of it."

Played Out.

Dull Headache, Pains in various parts of the body, Sinking at the pit of the stomach, Loss of appetite, Feverishness, Pimples or Sores are all positive evidences of impure blood. No matter how it became so it must be purified in order to obtain good health. Acker's Blood Elixir has never failed to cure Scrofulous or Syphilitic poisons or any other blood diseases. It is certainly a wonderful remedy and we sell every bottle on a positive guarantee. Blakeley, the druggist.

His Last Hope Gone.

THE HAGUE, Dec. 11.—The Dutch government today finally and definitely refused to take the initiative in behalf of arbitration between the Transvaal and Great Britain. The decision was communicated in an interview between Mr. Kruger and Dr. Leyds on one side and the Dutch foreign minister of finance, N. B. Pierson, on the other. Mr. Kruger explained that the object of his journey was to disseminate the idea of arbitration, and the Dutch minister replied that the role of the Netherlands must be passive. The initiative belonged to the great powers, he added. When the powers had reached a decision, the Dutch government might see what it could do.

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\$10.00 Jackets reduced this week to	\$ 6.70
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In gilt, in white metal, leatherette, etc, valued regularly at from 35c to 50c.

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Burned With Carbolic Acid.

BUFFALO, Dec. 11.—George Harmon, a stationary engineer employed by the Union Dry Dock Company, staggered from a hallway on South Division street, and fell to the sidewalk in a dying condition, resulting from carbolic acid burns. He was taken to an accident hospital, where he died a few moments later. It was learned by the police that Harmon had been in the room of Mrs. Maggie Culp. The woman left the building through a rear door, and the detective force of this city has been unable to find her. The police were at first inclined to believe that Harmon had committed suicide, but after an investigation they state that they believe that in passion of jealous rage the woman poured the acid in the mouth and over the face of Harmon, whom they assume was sleeping. It is stated that Mrs. Culp had made threats to kill Harmon, whom she knew was contemplating marriage to another woman.

Brave Men Fall

Victims to stomach, liver and kidney troubles as well as women, and all feel the results in loss of appetite, poisons in the blood, backache, nervousness, headache and tired, listless, run-down feeling. But there's no need to feel like that. Listen to J. W. Gardner, Idaville, Ind. He says: "Electric Bitters are just the thing for a man when he is all run down, and don't care whether he lives or dies. It did more to give me new strength and good appetite than anything I could take. I can now eat anything and have a new lease on life." Only 50 cents, at Blakeley's drug store. Every bottle guaranteed.

Two Miners Frozen to Death.

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 11.—News is brought by the steamer Danube of winter tragedies of the northern trails. The last victim of the stampedes in search of gold at the Rainbow Topare Harry Ganb and another Dawson miner, who left the Klondike capital but a short time ago to join the rush to the recently-found diggings in the Tanana country. The two miners were frozen to death on the trail between Circle City and Tanana.

If you have dandruff, your hair is falling out. Use Coconut Cream. For sale at Frizer's barber shop. n9-1m

War-Renue Reduction Bill.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—The House republican caucus on the war-revenue reduction bill decided tonight by a large majority to stand by the bill as now drawn and reported by the ways and means committee. There were about 100 members present, and the vote in support of the bill as now framed stood 68 ayes and 29 noes. The resolution finally adopted was offered by Representative Hepburn, of Iowa, and was as follows: "Resolved, That the recommendations made by the committee on ways and means in house bill No. 12,394, are judicious, and merit the approval of this conference, and we recommend that all republican members of the house be urged to vote against all amendments and for the passage of the bill."

Two other resolutions were put before the conference. One was framed by representative Pearce, of Missouri, and provided for the reduction of the tax on beer to \$1.50 a barrel. It was lost—45 ayes and 68 noes. Representative Roberts, of Massachusetts, moved that the present tax on beer be reduced only 10 per cent, and that a reduction of the duty on leather be made from 10 cents to 5 cents a pound. The motion was lost almost unanimously.

"I have used Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and find it to be a great medicine," says Mr. E. S. Phipps, of Poteau, Ark. "It cured me of bloody flux. I cannot speak too highly of it." This remedy always wins the good opinion, if not praise, of those who use it. The quick cures which it effects even in the most severe cases make it a favorite everywhere. For sale by Blakeley, the druggist.

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The business will be continued under the old firm name of Mays & Crowe by L. E. Crowe. All claims against the firm will be paid, and all accounts and notes due the firm collected by him.

GRANT MAYS,
L. E. CROWE,

Notice of Dissolution.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between J. E. Adeox and Theodore H. Liebe, under the firm name and style of J. E. Adeox & Company, is this day dissolved by mutual consent, J. E. Adeox retiring from said firm. Theodore H. Liebe will continue the business of said firm under the name and style of J. E. Adeox & Company, and is authorized to receive and receipt for all moneys due said firm, and all claims against said firm should be presented to him for payment.

Dated this 10th day of December, 1900.

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