

DURANT'S CHANCES ARE IMPROVING

Another Strong Witness in His Behalf Has Been Discovered.

REV. MR. GIBSON IMPLICATED

A Woman Says She Saw Him With Minnie Williams the Day Before Her Murder.

San Francisco, May 19.—A very important witness in the Minnie Williams case was discovered yesterday in Mrs. Schwaibler. She affirms that on April 12, 1905, the day before the body of Minnie Williams was found in the Emmanuel church, she saw the unfortunate girl with the Rev. J. George Gibson on the Alameda ferry-boat coming to this city.

A JUDGE GETS ANGRY.

Kansas City Judge Forgets His Dignity and Makes Loose Statements.

Kansas City, May 19.—It's beginning to look as if any man with money can kill another in this country and get clear. This was the startling statement by Judge Wofford from the bench of the criminal court yesterday.

A BELATED MISSIVE

Tidings of the Lost Laker Mantle at Last Found.

Hayfield, Wis., May 19.—Five miles south of this harbor, half imbedded in the sand on the beach, James Taggart, a lumberman, discovered the first message from the forty persons who perished in the wreck of the steamer Mantle, nearly 14 years ago.

PINTA TO BE BROUGHT BACK.

San Francisco, May 19.—The gunboat Alert will leave Sika in a few days to tow the old war-vessel Pinta from the north to the rotten pier at Mars Island.

WOMEN'S TICKET DEFEATED.

St. Louis, May 19.—Woman's cause received a shock yesterday when the non-partisan school board ticket was elected by a decisive majority.

TO STUDY FINANCE.

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