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## KILLED BY HIS SISTER

GEO. H. MITCHELL SHOT.

Esther Mitchell Shot and Instantly Killed her Brother. Mrs. Creffield Arrested.

George H. Mitchell, who shot Franz Edmund Creffield, leader of the Holy Rollers, in Seattle, May 7, was acquitted Tuesday, July 10. Just two days after the above announcement was made George Mitchell was shot down by his sister Esther, at the Union depot in Seattle, just as he was going to take the train to come to Portland. Miss Mitchell was walking behind her two brothers, in company with a third brother, Fred. She had gone to the depot for the purpose of killing her brother, and though she greeted him with a smile and a hearty handshake, she loitered behind to get her opportunity. A revolver purchased the day before by Mrs. Creffield for the assassination was carried concealed under a cape thrown carelessly over Esther Mitchell's left arm.

Fred Mitchell offered to carry the cape and as she handed it to him, the sister raised the revolver and fired. The bullet struck young Mitchell behind the left ear and he died instantly.

As the gun was brought up Fred Mitchell leaped to seize the weapon but he was too late. He grabbed Esther's arm just after she fired and the girl collapsed in his arms. She stayed there until depot policeman hurried up and placed her under arrest.

Both Esther Mitchell and Mrs. Creffield who was arrested, acknowledged in statements taken before Chief Wapenstein that they had conspired to kill George. Had it been necessary Esther Mitchell was prepared to follow her brother to Portland. It was this insane demand for vengeance that prompted her to refuse to accompany her father on his return to Illinois.

"I killed George because he had killed an innocent man, and because he had ruined my reputation by saying that Creffield seduced me," Esther Mitchell declared, but both her statement and that of Mrs. Creffield indicate that the two had conspired to assassinate.

Corvallis, Or., July 12—The feeling of satisfaction felt here over the acquittal of George Mitchell gives place to one of sorrow tonight over the news that the slayer has been slain by the hand of his own sister. The entire population is deeply concerned.

Esther Mitchell left this town for Seattle to join Mrs. Maud Hurt Creffield as soon as the news of the shooting of Creffield was received. On the subject of Rollerism she was always the most fanatical of any of Creffield's followers. This was evident in the earlier days of the cult, when she was the most enthusiastic of all who practiced it.

It is well known that it was Esther Mitchell that Creffield originally selected to be his companion, but that the plan was disarranged by her being taken East, after which Creffield married Maud Hurt. Esther Mitchell was the first one to be committed to the Boys' and Girls' Home, having been until that time an inmate for some time of the home of O. V. Hurt.

Then, as now and at all other times, there was a far-away look in her eyes and she had an absorbed air. Little interest was taken in affairs about her. She rarely smiled, and was never gay. In disposition, however, she was kindly and gentle.

"I am not surprised to hear of this terrible affair," said Mr. Hurt. Esther Mitchell is, as I said in my testimony at Seattle, and have always said, 'off' on this subject. They were all mentally unsound on this religious business, though well-balanced on all other subjects. That a freak notion to avenge Creffield in the same way that he was killed should have seized her or other pronounced followers of the

cult is no more than might have been suspected.

"I was with Esther Mitchell and my daughter in Seattle and was twice with them when they visited Creffield's grave, but nothing was dropped on either occasion giving any hint of a desire for revenge. But underneath this religious hallucination and controlled by it ran a current of fanaticism that I was familiar with, and which, before I left Seattle, caused me to advise George Mitchell, in case of his acquittal, to leave there at once and come to Portland and their go about his business.

"I felt that something might happen, and in this tragedy of this afternoon my fears are realized. It is a most melancholy affair."

Esther Mitchell was 18 years old last January. While a witness at the Seattle trial James K. Berry, of this city, was asked by the Mitchell brothers to visit her and ascertain if she would consent to accompany her father and Perry Mitchell to Portland, and there keep house for them.

"I made the trip for them, and was kindly and graciously received," said Mr. Berry tonight. "Esther was then with the police matron. When I explained my errand she readily consented to the plan to go to Portland; but stoutly refused to go East. There was nothing in her manner at the time of the interview to lead me to anticipate such trouble as has occurred, although she was angry with her brother for the killing of Creffield, and did not hesitate to say so.

"The fact that she declared after the shooting that she was commanded by Joshua to do it; that she shot her brother in about the same spot that he had shot Creffield, show how completely she is under the spell of her betrayer still, and in all things connected with religion as crazy as a loon. On all other subjects she is well balanced and intelligent."

## Earthquake in New Mexico.

El Paso, N. M., July 13—Earthquake shocks throughout central and Southern New Mexico early this morning shook things up considerably. The disturbance was felt all the way from Socorro on the Santa Fe railroad, between El Paso and Santa Fe, southwest to Silver City, and throughout the intervening districts.

At Socorro people were thrown from their beds, chimneys toppled over and dishes were broken.

At San Marcial, near there, dishes were rattled and plaster fell from ceilings.

At Silver City no damage was done, but several distinct shocks were felt and people awakened.

In many of the mining camps the shocks were severe and it is reported that there are fissures in the ground in many places. Socorro has been having earthquake shocks for the past week and quivers were felt two months ago throughout northern Arizona.

A New York special says that Terrance McNamus, one of Thaw's counsel, states that every mail brings a flood of a new kind, cranks offering all sorts of circumstantial testimony in connection with the tragedy, but always accompany the offer with "Please remit." He says that nearly every misguided chorus girl is boasting of attentions she claims White paid to her. Many men offer to come and serve as jurors, declaring that they think that Thaw was justified in killing White. They always offer to sell their service.

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## NEW NATURALIZATION LAW

AN END TO ALIEN FRAUDS.

A More Complicated Form to Comply with. Less Chance to Rush in Voters.

St. Louis has occasion to remember a series of gross frauds in naturalization for which, after trial and conviction in the United States courts, several offenders were sent to the penitentiary. Among those who are in strips, for this crime are an officer of the court of appeals and a branch president of the Jefferson club. The evidence showed that immigrants who had landed only a few months before were induced to perjure themselves and cast ballots in elections here. Doves of aliens were rushed through the court in this manner, and most of the business of naturalization. Early in June the House passed a greatly amended naturalization law and last month it received the approval of the Senate. The president has long seen the necessity for such a measure, and recommended it in his messages. Under the new law jurisdiction in naturalization matters is confined to the United States circuit, district and territorial courts, and state courts having a seal, a clerk and jurisdictions in actions at law or equity. Before these courts can act finally many preliminary steps must be taken under a succession of new safeguards and restrictive provision.

By the national constitution Congress has authority "to establish a uniform rule of naturalization," and it has now acted with a definiteness, and thoroughness never before attained. The new law is based on the report of the commission created by the President to investigate the subject, the members of the commission representing the departments dealing with the naturalization of aliens and legal prosecutions connected with it. A bureau of immigration and naturalization henceforth takes the place of the bureau of immigration in the department of commerce and labor. It is required to keep at immigrant stations books of record in which are registered all aliens entering the United States, with full details of identification. Certificates of registry are granted each alien by government commissioners at the port of landing. An alien desiring to become a citizen must first make oath in a competent court at least two years before naturalization and, after reaching the age of eighteen, that is his bona fide intention to become an American citizen, renouncing his former allegiance, giving name, age, occupation, personal description, birth place, last foreign residence and allegiance, date of arrival, name of vessel on which he came to this country and present address.

At the end of not less than two years, and not more than seven, the applicant must file his petition in duplicate setting forth his eligibility. He must be able to speak English, and must declare that he intends to become a permanent resident of the country. This petition must be filed ninety days before the hearing in court and be verified by two American citizens, residents of the United States for five years and of the state for one year. These citizens must testify that the applicant is of good moral character and entitled to become a citizen. At the same time must be furnished the department of commerce and labor record in the case. The final step must be taken in open court. In any court the United States district attorney is empowered to appear to examine into and, if considered necessary, to oppose a naturalization order. The old order of things that left naturalization at the mercy of ward bumpers and corrupt court officers, with the criminals higher up directing the infamous jobs, is completely broken up by the new law.

There are now 100 cases of typhoid fever in the city of Pendleton. Few deaths have resulted up to this time, and all precautions are being taken to prevent the spread of the disease. St. Anthony's hospital is crowded with patients and it is impossible to get the sick into a hospital in the city. Since the flood of the latter part of May, when Umatilla county was flooded the water has not been considered strictly pure and the health officers warned people to boil all the water for drinking purposes, but in many cases this was not done, though not all cases are attributed to this. The weather is very warm, making it very hard for the patients.

## A Tragic Finish.

A watchman's neglect permitted a leak in the great North Sea dyke, which a child's finger could have stopped, to become a ruinous break, devastating an entire province of Holland. In like manner Kenneth McIver, of Vanceboro, Me., permitted a little cold to go unnoticed until a tragic finish was only averted by Dr. King's New Discovery. He writes: "Three doctors gave me up to die of lung inflammation, caused by a neglected cold; but Dr. King's New Discovery saved my life." Guaranteed best cough and cold cure at all drug stores. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

## A Hidden Compliment.

The schoolmaster opened the dirty envelope and smoothed out the crumpled sheet of paper. His brow contracted as he read the first word. Who had dared to insult him thus—he, a village school-master? This is what he read: "Cur, ass, you are a man of no legs I wish to inter my son in your skull."

Who was insulting him? Who had dared to play a practical joke on him? Then the truth slowly dawned. He had received some queer letters from illiterate parents, but this was the strangest of all. With a fellow-master, he translated it correctly like this: "Sir—As you are a man of knowledge, I wish to enter my son in your school."

The Portland Journal notes that a cow owned by Riley Boyd, at Forest Grove, during the month of May gave 993 pounds of milk, worth at the market price \$18.50. The cow, it appears, is of humble birth and no pedigree is submitted with the account of her wonderful performance recorded in May. She will be made nationally famous by the traffic department of the Harriman lines, which will print in its literature an account of her wonderful performance and send it broadcast over the country to show the possibilities in the dairying business in Oregon.

## COMMISSIONERS PROCEEDINGS.

BALANCE FROM LAST WEEK.

A. A. Morrill Appointed Deputy Co. Surveyor. Reasoner Gets Geiger Bridge Contract

The commissioners held session on July 10, date of adjourned meeting caused by the illness of Judge Goodin. The rest of the business was rapidly disposed of, and court adjourned. Part of the proceedings were published last week, following is the balance:

The appointment of A. A. Morrill by L. C. Walker, as deputy surveyor, was confirmed by the board. The resignation of J. J. Haynes, road supervisor of district No. 10, was accepted and G. W. Stitt was appointed to fill that position.

Upon examination of sealed bids for the construction of the Geiger bridge, the bid of D. B. Reasoner for \$345.45 was found to be the lowest and the contract was awarded to him. There was one other bid by Clyde Lincoln for \$347.00.

The county clerk was authorized to issue a warehouse license to the Gaston Milling Company. A warehouse license was also granted C. B. Buchanan & Company.

Max Crandall was employed to examine the books and accounts of the various county officers. The compensation for which shall not exceed \$250.

The official bonds of the following county officers were examined and approved: J. W. Connell, sheriff, and E. J. Godman, county clerk, \$10,000 each; Willis Ireland, recorder, \$3,000; W. M. Jackson, treasurer, \$40,000; E. C. Brown, coroner, \$3,000; L. C. Walker, surveyor, \$3,000.

Recorder E. I. Kurall reports the recorder's fees for the month of June to be \$183.60.

E. J. Godman collected \$144, fees of the clerk's office.

Wm. Riefenberg, Frank Webster and C. A. McClellan were appointed fire wardens.

E. B. Tongue was granted the privilege of using giant powder in clearing logs from Dairy Creek, in preparing a swimming hole.

The balance of the bills allowed are:  
L. M. Alexander, ct. h. .... 57 50  
J. I. Kurall, recorder ..... 8 00  
J. C. Lamkin, election ..... 2 00  
G. L. Bickwell, supv sal. .... 5 00  
Henry Van Dyke, supv sal. .... 13 75  
Gustav Bronner, supv sal. .... 7 50  
T. G. Meacham, supv sal. .... 8 75  
H. L. Flint, supv sal. .... 5 00  
Andrew Heckman, supv sal. .... 17 50  
C. E. Wolf, supv sal. .... 50 00  
Ed Boge, supv sal. .... 22 50  
H. L. Russell, supv sal. .... 87 50  
G. W. Hines, supv sal. .... 15 00  
John McLaran, supv sal. .... 30 57  
J. E. Shute, supv sal. .... 22 50  
John Nyberg, supv sal. .... 20 00  
C. P. Berry, supv sal. .... 12 50  
W. W. Lewis, supv sal. .... 6 25  
R. C. Vanght, relief. .... 90  
J. B. Matthews Post, G. A. R. .... 10 00  
C. S. Merrill, r. and h. .... 13 50  
J. J. Smith, sup sal. .... 38 75  
W. J. Butner, sal, etc. .... 41 80  
J. H. Davis, r and h. .... 1 50  
The Argus, printing. .... 16 00  
L. J. King, supv sal. .... 15 00

Albert Friday, supv sal. .... 15 00  
J. H. Doreland, supv sal. .... 2 50  
C. B. Buchanan, sal, etc. .... 34 85  
A. Bunning, r and h. .... 3 00

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## The Designer for August.

In addition to the many handsome and practical fashion designs of the month The Designer for August presents two special articles: One is on "The Baby's First Short Clothes," and the other on "Becoming Styles for the Stout Woman." Hats for late summer wear are also pictured, and shoes and slippers of the latest cut are given an entire page. A new departure is the picturing of several full-page fashion plates in two colors in addition to the regular color plates. "Points on dress-making" this month tells how to fit and bone a close-fitting lining, and the Millinery Lesson instructs as to the making of a horsehair hat.

"The Work of Vacation Schools" is set forth by Della Austrian, Mary Kilsyth gives advice as to buying "Dining Tables and Sideboards, and Bertha Hasbrook "In the Interest of Bread-Winning" advocates giving embroidery lessons. A droll little picaninny drill is "Dat Water-millyun," by Harriet Wilbur, Caroline Fuller, the author of "The Alley Cat's Kitten, contributes "A Hook-and-Ladder Kitten," a short story for children, Susie Bouchelle Wight, author of "A By-Path in Alturia," presents "By the Grace of Anne," a love story in which humor is prominent, and Della Thompson Lutes tells of later doings of "The Village Improvement Society."

In fancywork are supplied "Lace and Embroidery for Table Linen," and "Copenhagen Cat Work," "Hot Weather Breakfasts" are pictured and described in detail, so too is "A Make-Believe Vacation," which gives suggestions to the stay-at-homes. "Men's Fashions" illustrates new materials for autumn suits, and the various departments edited by the readers are filled with most interesting and helpful suggestions.

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