

FEARED OLD AGE AND PROVERTY, SO DIED

DENVER, Colo., Oct. 22.—Leaving a note identifying himself and declaring himself fearful that it would be but a matter of a short time until he would become dependent on charity, George Hubert Williams of Marysville, Cal., is today a suicide, having taken his life at the Elks hotel. In the note he said:

"I have drifted into dreary middle age, poverty-stricken and friendless, and I view with alarm the prospect of a dependent old age."

Williams also left a bundle of manuscript which indulged in philosophical flings at various phases of life. One said:

"In comparing religions, I have come to the conclusion that the basis for religion is superstition."

Another says: "Those who haven't the patience to fully pursue the mazes of metaphysics nor the intelligence to reach at lengths in trying to understand speculative science, cannot and will not find God."

A third and fourth manuscript remarked:

"Morality is now understood to mean adherence to custom in the matter of intercourse between the sexes."

"Love is undeniable. Marriages as at present instituted will remain as long as it is needed for economic reasons. When that day goes, there will supervene some other form of union between the sexes."

WANT LOWER RATES TO WHEAT TO THE EAST

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Oct. 22.—Wheat farmers of the Inland Empire to the number of 100 met here today for a conference with the officials of the Oregon & Navigation company and the Northern Pacific Railroad company in an effort to get a reduction of grain rates on eastern and coastbound wheat shipments.

It is understood that the following three reductions would be asked for:

First, a reduction of from 8 to 10 cents on the rate from the Inland Empire to the middle west and the east; second, a slight reduction to the coast; third, a reduction on the rate from Walla Walla to Tacoma on the O. R. & N., making it equal to that of the Northern Pacific.

President Crow of the Farmers' Union, with other officials, arrived last evening and last night held a conference.

O. O. Calderhead, rate expert, arrived here today from Olympia. He was sent to attend the meeting by the state railroad commission.

JULIA WARD HOWE OWNED LAND NEAR OLYMPIA, WASH.

OLYMPIA, Wash., Oct. 22.—A petition for letters of administration of the estate of Julia Ward Howe, the grand old woman of America, who wrote the "Battle Hymn of the Republic," is on file with the clerk of the Thurston county superior court today.

The petition was presented by W. Z. Lindley and sets forth that Mrs. Howe owned 25 acres of land near Tumwater, just south of this city, since the civil war, which is now worth \$4,500.

MOUNTAINEERS TAKE PRISONER FROM JAIL

LOVINGTON, Va., Oct. 22.—Fears are felt here for the safety of John Moore, who was spirited away from the local jail here early today by mountaineers, who disappeared in the hills with their captive. Fully 75 men comprised the band that took Moore from the jail.

Moore was convicted of poisoning Frank Howell, in order that he might marry Howell's wife, according to the charges. Moore asserted in his defense that moonshiners poisoned Howell to avenge themselves for derogatory testimony Howell had given against them. This testimony is believed to have so angered the mountaineers that they determined to take Moore's case out of the law's hands.

Young Corbett Whipped.

NEW YORK, Oct. 22.—Young Corbett's days as a pugilist are over. For the second time since he first retired, the former great lightweight attempted to "come back," but he was handed a terrific beating by Willie Beecher, a New York second rate, in a scheduled 10 round go here last night.

Major Scott Dead.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Oct. 22.—Major Winfield Scott of this city, formerly national chaplain of the Grand Army of the Republic, died yesterday at Scottsdale, Arizona. Major Scott served with distinction in the civil war.

Elkins Better.

WHEELING, W. Va., Oct. 22.—The condition of United States Senator S. B. Elkins today is not serious, according to Colonel Snyder, Elkins' private secretary. He says he has been ill several days.

"THE APPLE MAN"

(By Emory S. Cook, Baltimore)

When fruit is good and the prices are low,

When commerce goes on with a generous flow;

When consumers or dealers their favors bestow;

It is time to be an "Apple Man".

When fruit is bought at a reasonable price, And packed with a care that makes it look nice, and fine,

Consumers appreciate your efforts And keep things busy along the line,

Then it's great to be an "Apple Man"

When prices start off at a dollar or two,

Everybody eats apples and so do you,

The autumn consumer cultivates a taste,

Which makes the crop without a loss or waste;

Then it is an honor to be an "Apple Man..."

When buying is based upon supply and demand,

And packing is done—the best in the land,

When sanity and sense your actions control,

The wheels of commerce will continually roll,

Then it is wise to be an "Apple Man"

When the honest old farmer is willing to take,

A price that is fair, and a decent assortment allow you to make,

Your wife and your children may have plenty to eat,

And all may wear clothes that is comfortable and neat,

Then it is a privilege to be an "Apple man."

But when growers become speculators and selling stops,

And farmers grow whiskers and talk of the shortness of crops,

And newspapers all publish in a headline so big,

That consumers get frightened—then up is the jig;

It is bad to be an "Apple Man."

When plungers begin to hellow and shake,

And imagine how much profit they surely can make,

By buying and storing at an extravagant price,

It is dangerous, sure, and not very nice

To be an "Apple Man."

When horns in the place of shaggy coats grow,

And plungers their autos make ready to go,

When sense and sanity are thrown to the winds,

With "tree run" buying the slaughter begins,

Then you had better be anything than an "Apple Man."

Reports that buyers have thus run amuck,

Soon spread to the grower and to the raiser of truck,

What results may follow you plainly may see,

Great losses for all of these there surely will be,

Then it is foolish to be an "Apple Man".

When "farmer Jones" bewhiskered and shrewd,

Under the trees in his orchard stood,

And three autos (each with a plunger) he sees at his door,

He snappishly says "Waal I think I'll not sell, but store,"

It is wise then to let him be an "Apple Man".

When fruit in the fall brings twice it is worth,

When consumers are cheated by cries of a dearth,

Rent for storage for what they will bring,

And then you will have money left in the spring,

Then you are a wise "Apple Man."

But just as sure as you plunge and and you shake,

Fearing that you won't get fruit for high prices to take,

You'll loose what you've got by labor and toil,

To the banks who aid you or to the tillers of soil,

Then it is hell to be an "Apple Man"

Truth is the truth, whether expressed in story or song;

Logie is logie, and never is quite wrong.

Apples are necessary, but by a time of the dice

You can make them a luxury by raising the price.

It is well to be a thoughtful "Apple man."

"The consuming public"—your court of last resort,

When is asked for apples, answers not with quick retort.

Feed it, cultivate its taste, cater to its desire,

And charge it for fruit only what equity and honesty requires.

Then you will be a useful and successful "Apple Man."

A merchant who wouldn't close up for a while now and then "to save running expenses" shouldn't stop advertising now and then to "save ex-

AT THE CHURCHES

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Service Sunday at 11 a. m. Subject of lesson-sermon, "Probation After Death." Sunday school at 10; testimonial meeting Wednesday at 7:30 p. m. All are welcome. 128 North Grape street, north of Sherman-Clay music house.

Methodist Church South.

Corner Main and Oakdale streets. Sunday, October 23, 10 a. m., Sunday school. Sermon at 11 a. m., subject, "How to Add." Epworth League, 6:30 p. m. Join with other churches in union services at 7:30. J. P. Higgs, pastor.

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