

PAYS PENALTY WITH HIS LIFE

UNFLINCHINGLY, GEO. W. LAUTH
MEETS DEATH ON THE
GALLOWS.

MAINTAINS HIS SELF-CONTROL.

And Mounts Scaffold With a Smile of
Resignation Upon His Placid
Countenance.

Not the Slightest Hitch or Delay in the
Ceremony and Condemned Murderer's
Life Is Snuffed Out in Clockwork
Order—Nothing to Say on Scaffold.

Smilingly and apparently the most untroubled and composed individual in the death chamber, George W. Lauth unflinchingly mounted the stairway leading to the scaffold at the penitentiary, a few moments after the hour fixed for his execution, yesterday, and met his fate which had been meted out to him for the crime he had committed against humanity and society without a word of fault finding or excuse.

The pleasant smile which he wore when he entered the institution, seven months ago, was the predominant feature of his placid countenance as he left the death cell and it did not wear off until the trap was sprung, at least until the black cap was stretched over his head. No sooner did he reach the platform of the scaffold than he stepped bravely and unhesitatingly upon the drop and, two minutes afterward, at precisely 12:38 o'clock p. m., the trap was sprung and the condemned man was plunged into the depths of eternity. Thirteen minutes later life was pronounced extinct and his body was lowered to be buried in Lee Mission cemetery.

Personally Liked.

Ever since his incarceration in the penitentiary, seven months ago, Lauth was conducted himself as a perfect gentleman, always wearing a smile and retaining a pleasant word of salutation for everybody until all who had occasion to come in contact with him had formed a personal interest and liking in him. Consequently, when he mounted the scaffold with the same look of cheerfulness and resignation so plainly marked upon his placid countenance there were few of the meager twenty souls who had assembled to witness the execution but turned their heads when the critical moment arrived.

No time was lost, Lauth having previously declined to make any statement upon the scaffold, and within the short space of two minutes after the arrival of the death party upon the gallows, the straps, hoods and noose were properly adjusted, the trap sprung and the form of the late George W. Lauth hung limp and practically lifeless at the end of a rope six feet and three inches in length. Thirteen minutes later Superintendent Calbreath and Dr. L. F. Griffith of the insane asylum, pronounced life extinct, and all was over.

Confesses Religion.

Soon after his arrival at the penitentiary, seven months ago, Lauth confessed religion and has conducted himself ever since in a most manner. He has held almost daily communion and prayer with the prison chaplain, Rev. St. Pierre, and the greater portion of the day previous to and the entire morning before his execution he spent with him in seeking spiritual solace. He said that he was prepared to die and looked the part as he ascended the steps to the scaffold and took his place upon the trap. The intense and almost morbid silence which pervaded the atmosphere of the death chamber immediately preceding and after the arrival of the death party, until the springing of the trap, was only disturbed by the repetition of a prayer by the condemned man, after Rev. St. Pierre, and the concluding word of "Unto Thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit," and a slight guttural sound as the noose was adjusted, when there was a jerk, a thump and a sickening twang and all was over, the penalty was paid and the ends of justice had been fully met.

History of the Crime.

George W. Lauth, during a fit of jealous rage because she had thrown him over for another and refused to have anything more to do with him, called at the parental home of Leonard B. Jones, in Oregon City, late last September, and, after a futile effort to induce her to reconsider her action, shot her several times with a revolver, inflicting wounds from which she died a few minutes afterward. He surrendered to the officials of Clackamas county, and was tried and convicted of the murder on November 10, 1904. An appeal was taken to the supreme court, was affirmed and Lauth was sentenced, on June 7, 1905, to be hanged for his crime, at the penitentiary yesterday.

The governor was appealed to for a commutation of his sentence to life imprisonment, but while he declined to interfere with the carrying out of the death sentence, the governor confessed to an unusual interest in the case and profound sympathy for the condemned man on account of the unsavory circumstances of the case which appeared to justify the deed to a certain extent. And were it not for the governor's frequently expressed lack of sympathy for a man who would assault a defenseless woman in any manner or form, no matter what the nature of the provocation, it is believed he would have listened to the appeal for clemency and granted the petition.

Sympathy for Him.

The circumstances which surrounded the life of Lauth and the nature of the things which led up to the commission of the crime was regarded by many who have made a study of the case, to have excused its commission to a certain degree, and there is none who has heard

the story who has failed to express genuine sympathy for the unfortunate victim of circumstances. Lauth had all the virtues of an honest and upright life until, several years ago he suffered an accident in a Washington sawmill by which he lost the right leg below the knee. Previous to that he also suffered the loss of the left eye. These together had a tendency to incapacitate him for hard labor, which had been his means of livelihood and he gradually drifted into the easier life, that of the gambler.

He had accumulated a considerable amount of money from the cigar store business when he met and became enamored of the Jones woman, who practiced her wiles upon him and who was credited with being blessed of an unusually beautiful face and figure and exceedingly winning ways. Lauth finally developed such an infatuation for her that he lavished all his money and sacrificed his business for her, the last of it being expended in sending her upon a pleasure trip to California. It was upon her return from this trip, the money all gone, that Lauth went to the depot to meet and greet her, when to his extreme chagrin she scorned him and chose the company of another. Lauth resented this rejection upon her part and finally worked himself up into a state of jealous frenzy and the murder of the girl he loved and had lost, was the result.

He Regretted His Deed.

Lauth had never conversed upon the deed except that he had expressed the deepest sorrow for what he had done, but he took the matter philosophically and, with a sigh and a sad, but pleasant smile, would remark that what was done could not be undone and he was ready and willing to suffer the consequences. He also made the remark, when asked if he wanted his sentence of death commuted to one of life imprisonment, that he would rather suffer the death penalty and have it over with than to spend his life behind prison bars. He was courteous and gentlemanly and at all times had a pleasant word and smile for all who addressed him. He had none of the qualities which one would expect to find in the criminal and never caused the prison officials the least trouble; in fact, contrary to the usual custom, a death watch was not placed over him until the week before the day set for the execution. He was possessed of all the gentler and delicate sensibilities of mankind and could talk intelligently and calmly upon the circumstances connected with his crime, until the memory of his aged mother was recalled to him when he would invariably break down and weep and would talk no more.

FOR AN ALLIANCE

GERMANY AND SWEDEN SAID TO
CONTEMPLATE A COMBINA-
TION OF INTERESTS.

Associated Press Has It on Good Authority That the Two Governments Will Ally Themselves Together for Purpose of Offense and Defence.

STOCKHOLM, July 13.—The Associated Press is able to state on good authority that a German-Swedish alliance is seriously contemplated. The question, it is said, was discussed at a conference between Emperor William and King Oscar on board the imperial yacht Hosenzoller at Gelfe today.

Besides Emperor William's personal visit, Germany is soon to make the greatest naval demonstration in its history in Swedish waters. On July 20th, six battleships will arrive at Uddvalla, while on August 3rd seven battleships, ten cruisers, and the torpedo squadron are due at Stockholm and Norrköping and five battleships at Karlskrona.

LARGEST LODGE IN AMERICA.

Portland Pythians Contemplate Consolidation of Their Six Divisions.

PORTLAND, July 13.—With a membership of from 1,200 to 1,500 in consolidated lodge, Portland Knights of Pythias claim the largest single organization in the world. The lodge to combine are: Ivanhoe, No. 10; Oregon, No. 1; Orpheus, No. 59; Portland, No. 68; Phalanx, No. 14, and Calantha, No. 21. Plans have already been drawn for a new temple to cost \$50,000, and already been purchased. Two of the lodges have voted for the consolidation, another will pass on the matter tonight, and the others will take action soon. Consolidation is expected to be effected within a short time. This membership will place the Portland lodge in a membership class ahead of any in Chicago or New York.

DR. PEARSON DEAD.

Central Figure in Famous Henry Trial Passes Away in London.

QUINCY, Ill., July 13.—Rev. Dr. Charles L. Pearson, pastor of the Unitarian church of Quincy, is dead in London, where he was visiting his daughter. He was twenty-seven years professor of literature in Northwestern University, and was the central figure of a famous heresy trial in the Methodist church, after which he affiliated with the Unitarians. He was author of several volumes of poems, and "The Carpenter's Prophet." Dr. Pearson was born in England sixty years ago.

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BLOODY DEED OF A MANIAC

FRENZIED BY MELANCHOLY, MAN
MURDERS ENTIRE FAMILY.

THEN DESTROYS HIS OWN LIFE.

Almost Severs Heads of Wife and the
Three Months Old Baby
From Bodies.

Wields a Razor with Murderous Effect
Because He Thought His Wife Was
Not Assisting Him to Save Money as
She Should—Gave No Warning.

SPOKANE, July 13.—Frenzied by melancholy and continued brooding over alleged injuries, Charles H. Davis tonight slew his wife, his three-months old baby and committed suicide in the house near the side of the city. Without a moment's warning or uttering a cry, the wife and baby had their heads nearly severed from their bodies by a razor in the hands of the husband and father. Davis then made three gasps in his own throat and fell weltering in a pool of his blood. In the brief space of five minutes this entire family was blotted out.

The tragedy occurred so quickly and thoroughly the nearby neighbors heard not a sound. Mrs. Davis, across the street from the Davis dwelling, saw Mrs. Davis suddenly pitch forward from her chair in the front room of her house. This started an investigation. The position of the bodies indicates that Davis approached his wife from the rear and, seizing her by the hair, swiftly drew the razor across her throat. He made two strokes and the head was almost severed from the body. He then went into the bedroom where the baby was sleeping, cut its throat and carried the body into the front room, where he placed it beside its mother. He then returned to the kitchen, where he killed himself.

Davis was morose and melancholy. He complained as was not given to her in the saving of his money as his wife should give him.

ALICE NOT TO VISIT AUSTRALIA.

President Declines Invitation Extended to His Daughter by Commonwealth Government.

MELBOURNE, July 13.—President Roosevelt has declined the invitation extended by the Commonwealth Government to Miss Alice Roosevelt to visit Australia with Secretary Taft and the members of the family, which was accompanied by the assurance that the party would be cordially welcomed by all classes.

LIQUOR LAW MUST BE ENFORCED.

Attorney General Moody, in His Opinion, Says Citizenship Does Not Count.

OLYMPIA, Wash., July 13.—C. F. Larrabee, acting commissioner of Indian affairs, has issued orders for the Indian agents to enforce the laws against the sale of liquor to Indians, and Charles M. Buchanan, superintendent of the Tnapup agency, has written to the attorney general of this state asking advice how to proceed. The attorney general replied telling the superintendent to bring in evidence to support the action of the prosecuting attorney of the county. "If you have a good case, ample proof and the prosecuting attorney refuses the warrant, you may communicate with this office," writes the attorney general.

As has been generally published, the federal courts have decided that the United States statutes prohibiting the sale of liquor to Indians do not apply in cases of Indians who have given allotments. Superintendent Buchanan inclosed to the attorney general an extract from a circular letter of instruction from the department sent out from the Indian bureau, reading:

"As the allotted Indians are now declared to be citizens in the full meaning of the term, and are subject to the laws of the state in which they reside, and seem to be entitled to the rights and privileges of citizenship, you will see that they endure the penalties of the laws as well, and that the statutes prohibiting the sale of liquors to Indians is enforced."

WELL KNOWN IN THIS CITY.

Dr. John Welch, Pioneer Dentist, to Oregon, Dies at His Home in Portland.

(From Thursday's Daily.)

Dr. John Welch, who died at his home, 30 East Sixteenth street, North, at Portland Tuesday afternoon, after an illness of several months, was well known in this city. Dr. Welch was a native of Mineral Point, Wis., and came to California in 1850, with his father. A few years later he returned east to complete his education, and after studying in the academy at Rock Island, Ill., took up the study of dentistry at Lyons, La. In 1857 he was married to Miss Elizabeth Clements, and in 1863 moved to Oregon City. In 1870 he moved to Portland. Dr. Welch served on the state board of dental examiners and on the fire commission and was well and favorably known throughout the state. He was a member of the L. O. E. F., which order will be represented at his funeral tomorrow at 11 o'clock.

Dr. Welch leaves a wife and the following children: Dr. William Edward Welch, Pittsburg, Kan.; Dr. John C. Welch, Mrs. E. E. Caywood, Henry Catherine, Reuben, Annie and Benjamin, Portland. He also leaves a brother, W. M. Welch, of Silverton.

STAYTON STORIES.

STAYTON, July 12.—Mrs. Fisher

and little son are visiting relatives in the Waldo hills country.

Miss Edna Robertson, who has been in Vale the past few months, is at home again.

Mr. and Mrs. Jackson, late from Michigan, arrived in Stayton Tuesday and have taken up their residence in the home recently purchased from R. B. Worley.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Wirth, who was badly burned on July 4, is improving slowly.

Arthur Elder, was married Sunday to Miss Bernice Neal of Ale. They will make Stayton their home.

Quite a number from here are planning to go to Newport Sunday on the excursion.

South Salem's baseball team came up Sunday and crossed bats with the Stayton boys, and were defeated by a score of 16 to 4.

Saturday was the warmest day on record in Stayton, thermometers over town ranging from 104 to 108 degrees. Jake Miser and Bud Davis have joined hands with the enterprising citizens and each are erecting a new residence on their lots.

Mrs. Kelly of Albany and Mr. Dick Miller of eastern Oregon, mother and uncle of Mrs. Queener, were guests at her home this week.

ASKS COURT TO MATIFY HIS ACTS

As Executor of His Father's Estate He Sold Thoroughbred Horses to Himself.

NEW YORK, July 13.—Harry Payne Whitney, executor of the will of his father, William C. Whitney, has taken proceedings in the supreme court to have his acts as executor ratified. Some question has been raised as to the propriety of the purchase by Harry Whitney of horses belonging to the estate of his father, late of about \$300,000. The sale was at auction. The son selected the pick of the stable, selling as executor to himself individually several of the horses by an agreement with his brother, Payne Whitney, who is entitled to share in the residuary estate. He says the sale was made openly, that the prices were fair and reasonable, and the total realized more than would have been otherwise paid. He says he is willing, if it shall appear just to restore the horses to the estate and to have a resale of them.

"I owe my while life to Burdock Blood Bitters. Scrofulous sores covered my body. I seemed beyond cure. B. B. B. has made me a perfectly well woman." Mrs. Charles Hutton, Berwick, Mich.

BILL IS KILLED

UNLESS BY PRESIDENTIAL DECREE THERE WILL BE NO AMNESTY IN FRANCE.

Members of Parliament Upon Eve of Adjournment for Summer Recess, Get Into Wrangle and Measure Is Withdrawn—Minister Defends Predecessor

PARIS, July 13.—Parliament adjourned for the summer recess tonight after an exciting scene in the chamber of deputies over the clause in the amnesty bill, passed by the senate Wednesday, reinstating those convicted of drawing up secret reports concerning the conduct of army officers, during which M. Lascies (anti-Semite) violently attacked General Andre, the former minister of war, calling him a "reptile."

M. Berteaux, minister of war, vigorously defended his predecessor and he declined to continue to support the government's amnesty bill in consequence of the charges made. The minister then left the chamber.

M. Berteaux's action aroused such confusion that the sitting was suspended and at an impromptu ministerial council decided to withdraw the bill. On resumption of the sitting Premier Rouvier announced the prorogation of the chamber, thus annulling the amnesty bill. In order, however, not to disappoint the public on the occasion of the national holiday, it has been arranged that amnesties be granted by presidential decree. There is some gossip in the lobbies tonight regarding the probable resignation of M. Berteaux, but it is thought such resignation is unlikely.

FIRE NOW BEYOND CONTROL.

Ranchers, Exhausted, Send Urgent Call to San Jose for Immediate Assistance.

SAN JOSE, July 13.—An urgent call for help comes today from the Mount Hamilton section, the fire east of that mountain having broken out again with increased fury. The fighters are exhausted and a rancher rode to the Lick Observatory from the scene this afternoon and asked them to telephone this city for assistance. Danger to the observatory has been past, but ranches, hitherto believed to be safe from the flames, now seem doomed.

Gonzales, Crow, Hayes and several other ranches were burned over and at present the fire is having its own way as the exhausted ranchers are helpless.

ELKS ELECT THEIR OFFICIALS.

BUFFALO, July 11.—The following grand lodge officers were elected at the annual reunion of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks today: grand exalted ruler, Robert W. Brown, Louisville, Ky.; grand secretary, John Knight, C. F. Tomlinson, Winston, N. C.; grand esteemed loyal knight, Charles W. Kaufman, Hoboken, N. J.; grand esteemed lecturing knight, Edward McLaughlin, Boston; grand secretary, Fred C. Robinson, Dubuque, Ia.; grand treasurer, John T. Kener, Charleston, Pa.; grand Tyler, W. W. McNeill, Pittsburg; grand trustees, John D. O'Shea, Lynn, Mass.; Dr. W. H. Haviland, Butte, Mont.

VERDICT IS A COMPROMISE

JURY IN CHARLES MONTE CASE
RETURNS ITS FINDING.

MURDER IN SECOND DEGREE.

Long Struggle and Sixteen Ballots Taken Before Jurymen Reach Decision.

Four Jurors Hold Out Against Murder in First Degree—Instructions of Court Said to Be Responsible for Verdict—To Be Sentenced Saturday.

(From Thursday's Daily.)

"We, the jury in the above entitled case, find the defendant, Charles Monte, guilty of murder in the second degree."

Such was the verdict returned into the circuit court at 9:45 o'clock last evening by the jury before which was tried the case of the state of Oregon vs. Charles Monte, who was accused of being one of the parties who furnished the guns to Tracy and Merrill with which the desperate convicts killed Guard Frank Perrell while making their escape from the Oregon penitentiary on the morning of June 9, 1902. The jurors had been locked up since the noon hour of yesterday and it required sixteen ballots before a verdict could be reached. Upon being advised that the jury had agreed on a verdict, Judge Burnett ordered Sheriff Culver to bring the defendant into court. Monte, who had occupied the woman's cell in the county jail during the afternoon and evening, showed that he was deeply affected by the uncertain moment as he walked up the aisle in the court room and took his seat in front of the bar. When the verdict was read he simply bowed his head and was led from the court by Sheriff Culver, Guard Charlton of the penitentiary and Bailiff Hickman. He was taken to the sheriff's office and handcuffed and later returned to his cell at the penitentiary.

Monte's Threat.

While waiting for the street car Monte turned to Sheriff Culver and said: "How would you like to take me for something I had really done? You may have that chance in the future." This remark is supposed to have been an intimation that Monte would take the life of Convict Morris, who testified against him, if he should ever find the opportunity.

As near as could be ascertained the twelve jurors from the start agreed that Monte was guilty, but held different opinions as to the degree of the crime. It is said that at one time eight of the twelve men voted for murder in the first degree, while four positively refused to entertain such a verdict. On the sixteenth ballot, however, the matter was compromised and a second degree verdict agreed upon. It was intimated by some of the jurors that under the instructions given by Judge Burnett they finally agreed that a verdict for murder in the second degree was the best they could find.

Sentence will be pronounced upon the convicted man Saturday morning.

Continues Argument.

When the circuit court convened yesterday morning Attorney H. J. Bigger continued the argument before the jury on the refusal of the defense, in the case of the State of Oregon vs. Charles Monte, which had been opened on the previous afternoon by his colleague, Hon. P. H. D'Arcy. He was followed by District Attorney J. H. McNary, who closed the argument for the state, after which the court received the court's instructions and at the noon hour retired to the jury room for deliberation. Mr. Bigger made an earnest plea for his client and presented the case from a point of view most favorable to the accused man. The jury, on the other hand, reviewed the testimony offered by the state's witnesses, which he held would justify a verdict favorable to the prosecution.

The instructions given by the jury upon which juries are enlightened in such cases and were to the effect that if the evidence introduced during the trial warranted the jury might return a verdict of murder in the first degree, murder in the second, or manslaughter. The jurors retired for deliberation without being permitted to dine and were kept locked up until 6 o'clock, when the court instructed Bailiff Gans to take the twelve men out for their evening meal. At 7 p. m. the jury was again locked up and at 9:45 the foreman informed the bailiff that a verdict had been agreed upon.

Wright's Trial Begins.

At 1 o'clock the case against Harry Wright, who was jointly indicted with Charles Monte, was called for trial and the entire afternoon and a portion of the evening was consumed in selecting a jury. From the seventeen men on the regular panel five were selected and the sheriff was instructed to draw special jurors from the body of the county. Later five more were drawn and when Judge Burnett adjourned court at 8 p. m. eleven men had been found who were qualified to serve in the case. The sheriff was ordered to summon ten additional jurors to appear in court at 9 o'clock this morning and the twelve men will be chosen. The eleven men were placed in charge of Bailiff Denny, who was instructed to keep them together during the night.

The jurors accepted are as follows:

List of Jurors.

L. W. Condit, Aumsville, farmer; L. Ames, Silverton, merchant; C. A. Dunagan, Scotts Mills, farmer; Albert O. Smith, South Silverton, farmer; Joseph J. Buchheit, Mt. Angel, laborer; Julius Vogel, Salem, lumberman; Henry Radcliff, Salem, real estate agent; D. P. Jones, Salem, capitalist; Hugh Jory, Salem, farmer; Alonzo Gesser, Salem, surveyor; A. C. Smith, Salem, real estate agent.

A household necessity, Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. Heals burns, cuts, wounds of any sort; cures sore throat, croup, catarrh, asthma; never fails.

During the afternoon session of the court Judge Burnett rendered a decision in the case of the State of Oregon vs. D. Clinton, overruling the defendant's demurrer to the information filed against him by the district attorney. Clinton is charged with malicious mischief, the specific accusation being that he mutilated a maple shade tree in front of the D. J. Fry property on North Commercial street, while stringing telephone wires.

DEFENDANTS FILE DEMURRERS.

Attorneys for Kelliher and Turner Attack Indictments Returned by Grand Jury.

Also Holds That the Time Has Passed in Which to Discuss the Validity of the Indictment—Idaho Grand Jury Returns Eight Indictments.

PORTLAND, July 13.—Before commencing to introduce testimony in its behalf Judge Bennett, senior counsel for the defense in the Williamson-Gessner-Biggs case, today moved that the charges against the defendant be dismissed and a verdict of acquittal ordered. Bennett contended the government had failed to make out a case showing conspiracy to suborn perjury. He also contended the indictment defective. Hence, in presenting the government's side of the contention, contended the guilt of the defendants had been absolutely established.

Judge De Haven decided there was sufficient evidence presented to warrant the case going to the jury and ordered the trial to proceed. He also stated the present was not the proper time to discuss the validity of the indictment. Bennett asked for a continuance till tomorrow, which was granted.

Idaho Jury Also Gets Busy.

Boise, July 13.—The special United States grand jury investigating the land frauds in the Lewiston district concluded its work today. Seven indictments were returned today, making eight in all. Of those returned today are for conspiracy to defraud the United States. It is the understanding that George Kester and Frank W. Kettenbach, bankers of Lewiston, are the two men affected by those indictments, but nothing has been officially made to the public on that point.

Of the other indictments, two were for subornation of perjury and three for perjury. William Dwyer, who formerly acted for the state, assisting in selecting the lands, is believed to be one of the persons indicted for subornation of perjury. No information has been secured as to the other names. The case of Ivan Corbett, indicted for perjury, was called up and the defendant was given until August 1 to plead at Moscow.

THIRTEEN DIE FROM HEAT.

Humidity in New York City Kills and Scores Are Carried to the Hospitals.

NEW YORK, July 13.—Thirteen fatalities are attributed to hot weather recorded in New York today. In addition a score or more persons were overcome by heat and are under treatment in the city hospitals. Despite a drenching rainfall during the night and scattered showers throughout the day the thermometer arose to a maximum of 85 degrees.

HE OPPOSES IT

IMPORTANT CONFERENCE BETWEEN LABOR LEADERS AND ROOSEVELT YESTERDAY.

Gompers and Duncan Call on President in Relation of Immigrant Labor—Chief Executive Assures Visitors He Opposes Chinese Cooly Labor.

OYSTER BAY, July 12.—Immigration to the United States and its relation to the labor problem formed the subject of a conference this afternoon between the president and two important labor leaders, Samuel Gompers of Washington and James Duncan of Quincy, Mass., respectively the president and vice-president of the American Federation of Labor.

The conference was devoted particularly to the consideration of an order recently issued by the president against the enforcement of the Chinese exclusion law. The impression gained by many members of labor organizations was that the order, to an extent at least, would let down the immigration bars so far as the Chinese were concerned. The president said he called the order because no such construction properly could be placed on the order and that he was just as vigorously opposed to the admission to this country of the Chinese coolies as they could be.

TAYLOR HAS NO SHORTAGE.

Says He Will Balance Umatilla County Accounts by His Own Check.

PENDLETON, Or., July 13.—"There will be no shortage in my office. Should any money be found due the treasurer from me, I will pay the amount when notified. Yesterday I was informed that \$12,000 was due the treasurer, and I at once gave my check for that amount. It has never been the custom in this office to turn money over to the treasurer each Saturday, but instead when the rolls were balanced."

The above statement was made this morning by Sheriff T. D. Taylor, in answer to charges that a shortage of \$20,000 exists in his office. Exactly what the condition of affairs is in the office is not known definitely, as the experts are not yet through with their work. No report has yet been made by them, and all the officials say no authoritative statement was given out last evening. It is said the treasurer has been greatly magnified for political effect. District Attorney Phelps stated today that he knew of no shortage and would take no action in the case until the experts have completed their work, which will require about two weeks.

At one of the alleged shortages is said to have occurred during the term of State Senator William Blakeley. However, neither of the two sheriffs is believed to have done any intentional wrong, both being of the highest standing. The books of the county officials have never been experted before in the history of the county, and the present investigation is for the past six years.

This intelligence, associated with the murder of Skulvaloff, has made a deep impression. The czar has now given up all idea of staying at Ilinskoye."

IS CONTINUED UNTIL TODAY

WILLIAMSON CASE WILL ULTIMATELY GO TO THE JURY.

COURT REFUSES TO DISMISS.

Decided Was Sufficient Evidence to Warrant Trial of Case to Proceed.

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AFTER THE PERPETRATORS.

Grand Jury of Lincoln County Is Investigating Sharrett Murder Mystery.

ALBANY, Or., July 13.—(Special to The Statesman.)—The grand jury of Lincoln county is making a thorough investigation of the mysterious murder of E. G. Sharrett, formerly postmaster at Lugens, who was killed last February by some unknown person or persons. A number of parties, who are under suspicion of having committed the deed or have knowledge of the identity of the perpetrators, are under arrest and undergoing a criminal examination. Up to a late hour tonight no conclusion has been reached. The case of Gus Olsen, who is under arrest for the theft of the doors and windows of the Catholic church of Toledo for use in his home in the country, was tried before a jury at Toledo today. The case at last reports was still in the hands of the jury.

HIS EFFORTS WERE FUTILE.

District Attorney Jerome Attempts to Secure Copy of Equitable Record.

NEW YORK, July 13.—District Attorney Jerome today made an unsuccessful attempt to secure from the office of the first deputy superintendent of insurance, Robert A. Hunter, in this city, a copy of the detailed evidence on the affairs of the Equitable Life Assurance Society taken before superintendent of insurance Francis Hendricks.

After the failure to get the report the district attorney sent deputy superintendent Hunter a letter in which he said he had Governor Higgins' order for a copy of the report, and requested it be delivered to one of his assistants. Hunter declined to comply with the request unless Jerome gave him a receipt to show the copy in Hunter's hands was the property of Superintendent Hendricks, and would agree to return it in a reasonable time, when requested to do so.

DYNAMITE FOR CZAR IN CELLAR.

Terrorists Plan to Blow Up the Imperial Family During Projected Visit to Moscow.