

# CAUGHT JACK FROST

## Nevada Officer Who Captured the Murderer Is Here

### Says Frost Put up a Fight—His Trial Takes Place Dec. 2—He Will Hang

Constable T. N. McCoy, of Elko, Nevada, is in the city, having come down from Burns with officers who brought several prisoners to the penitentiary. Mr. McCoy is the officer who captured Jack Frost, alias Egbert, the Harney county murderer. He says that Frost, when he found himself pursued by the constable's posse, abandoned his horse and ran on foot for about three miles across the hills, shooting at his pursuers constantly, and when the posse closed in on him, he hid his gun before he was taken. Frost at that time thought he was wanted for horse-stealing, having no idea that the posse wanted him for the Harney county crime. Frost was returned to Burns, where his trial will

begin on December 2d. A. D. Leedy, formerly chapel guard at the penitentiary, and who studied law while filling that position, is Frost's attorney. Leedy demurred to the indictment, which charges Frost with the murder of the two deputies sheriff, on the ground that two of the grand jurors were not tax payers, but the demurrer was overruled by the court, and it is possible that, shall Frost be found guilty, the case will be appealed. Mr. McCoy is confident that Frost will hang.

## Blind Couple Get Married

Love is proverbially blind, but people usually take up matrimony with both eyes open. Miss Sadie Bristow and H. C. Smith, who were married at Keno, Klamath county, last Wednesday, are exceptions to the rule, for each is totally blind. Both bride and groom were at one time able to see and enjoy the beauties of nature. Miss Bristow, who is now 30 years of age, has been without her sight for fully 20 of those years, and it was while attending the Salem school for the blind that she became acquainted with her present husband, through the medium of correspondence for the blind. Mr. Smith is 40 years of age, and he had perfect sight until he was 21, but hard study, after a severe case of measles, at that time caused his blindness. He is a man of considerable means, owning a country store and some fine property in Klamath county. That he has not allowed his loss of sight to impair his usefulness in the world is proved by the fact that he conducts his own business, and almost entirely constructed the house in which he now lives. He goes into the timber and cuts his own wood, felling a tree as ably as a man with two good eyes. Miss Bristow is not far behind him in accomplishments, for she is able to go about the city alone, and does housework with perfect ease.—Ashland Tidings.

**Gold Hill Dam Went Out.**  
The high water in Rogue river Saturday washed out the dam of the Houck electric power and light plant at Gold Hill, and the latter town is likely to be without electric lights for some time, until the water in the river becomes low enough to allow the rebuilding of the dam.

**Clocks! Clocks! Clocks!** of all kinds and descriptions, just arrived, which will be sold very cheap, at W. Calvert's, practical watchmaker, 158 State street.

# THUGS WILL MURDER

## Ashland Citizen Was Knocked Senseless With a Club

### All Oregon Infested With Murderous Gang That All Should Be On Guard Against

John Pierson, a well-known resident of Ashland, who resides on Nutley street, was laid low by a blow on his head, by a bludgeon in the hands of a party unknown, in the rear of the Ashland House, Saturday night, and robbed of his open-face gold watch. Mr. Pierson was in a state of delirium all day yesterday, from the effects of his injuries, and unable to give a connected account of the affair. The first knowledge of the robber was when the injured man walked out of the alley near the hotel about 7:30 o'clock in the evening, and was found by Night-watch M. N. Long in a condition that bore irrefutable evidence of the dastardly deed. Mr. Pierson's face and clothing were covered with blood, and there was a clotted mass of the fluid which had saturated his shirt and vest front. He had evidently laid unconscious some minutes before he was seen by the officer. Near the old stone fountain in the rear his hat was found, as well as a laurel stick of stove wood, four feet long. The derby had a long, jagged hole in it, extending from the brim diagonally up toward the crown, and the terrific force of the blow can be inferred from the piece of bark which adhered to the hat. The blow had made a long, contused scalp wound on Mr. Pierson's head, which is believed to be superficial, and it is thought will not result seriously. The chain attached to the watch which was taken had been broken by the thug, who appropriated the watch, and part of it was still hanging from the button-hole of the vest. It was known that during the day Mr. Pierson carried some money in his pocket, but at the time of the robbery the amount was not large, and the robber got a very small sum, if he got any at all.

Saturday Ashland was invaded by a numerous gang of hoboes, and it is thought that one of the number committed the assault on Mr. Pierson. Yesterday Chief of Police Chase put on an extra force of police, and since that time 28 of the Wozey Willies have been rounded up. Some days ago the police received word that a gang numbering 150 or more were to the north, about Roseburg, and were headed this way, and the detachment arriving Saturday, they think is the first installment.—Ashland Tidings.

**The Bargain With Colombia.**  
Late Washington dispatches indicate that with the retirement of the obstructive Colombian minister, Senor Concha, and the transmission of plenipotentiary powers to the charge d'affaires, Dr. Herran, an agreement will be speedily reached with Colombia for the right of way for the Panama canal. Dr. Herran is credited with saying that his government is prepared to execute a treaty which will be satisfactory to the United States, and there would seem to be little room for further delay in the equal negotiations.

It appears that Colombia is averse to any actual cession of territory, which its present constitution forbids, but will execute a lease for a hundred years renewable at the pleasure of the United States. We can afford to respect Colombian sensibilities in that regard, provided the conditions are such as to preclude any possible hindrance in the maintenance and protection of the waterway. A lease renewable at the will of the lessee is practically perpetual, and in any case we can leave the next century to take care of itself.

With satisfactory terms and conditions the question of compensation within reasonable limits becomes of minor importance. Although the first Colombian proposal was for a lump sum of \$7,000,000, it is now said that at least \$10,000,000 will be insisted upon. While our government cannot submit to a grasping bargain to save trouble, we can afford to pay a liberal sum for the canal rights as a matter of good policy.

**Present Month a Record-Breaker.**  
The month of November, 1903, will go down in history as a record-breaking month in the amount of precipitation of moisture in Ashland. For nearly eight days, ending yesterday morning there was rain daily, and several snow flurries. At that date the total precipitation was 6.42, being

\$45 above normal. The biggest rainfall for any single day was for the 24 hours ending at 8 o'clock Saturday morning, when the rain gauge marked 2.60. Volunteer Signal Service Officer F. H. Carter says the record for that day beats any single day's rainfall since he has been in charge of the local weather bureau, which extends for a period of 20 years back.—Ashland Tidings.

## Wants a French Zion City

Paris, Nov. 17.—Mrs. Dowie is here trying to organize a branch of Zion City. She leaves for Australia tomorrow.

**A Live Stock Procession.**  
The government states that if all of the animals received at the Chicago stockyards during the last year could be gathered together on the roads of the country, the horses going two abreast and the cattle, sheep and hogs following, there would be a solid block of animals five feet wide and 5,000 miles long, and at the rate of three miles per hour for eight hours per day it would require eight months for this procession to pass.

**An Odd Claim.**  
Representative Grosvenor has presented in congress a very curious claim preferred by Jacob Rittersbach, who wants pay for a kit of carpenter's tools lost or stolen in 1865. The claimant says he was a stage carpenter at Ford's theater, Washington, on the night when Lincoln was shot, and that he was arrested as a witness and held thirty days, during which time his tools disappeared.

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- Insane Asylum, Cottage farm, 1000 cords first growth fir.
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- Reform School, 800 cords first growth fir; 25 cords grub oak.
- Deaf Mute School, 150 cords first growth fir; 100 cords grub oak or ash.
- Blind School, 100 cords first growth fir; 15 cords grub oak.
- Capitol Building, 450 cords first growth fir.

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