

FROM SATURDAY'S DAILY OCTOBER 27.

## THE CHINESE MURDERER.

"Little Charlie" and "Old Jake"  
Probably Equally Guilty.

The examination into the charge of murder against "Little Charlie" was proceeded with yesterday afternoon. In addition to the testimony of Mr. Davies, already published, that gentleman added that they found a broken lamp glass near the stove in the room where the body of the murdered woman was found.

The Chinaman known as "Big Jim" testified—My proper name is June Bug; have lived in Alta about thirteen years; know Little Charlie, the defendant; live about seven feet from his house; I lived with the woman who was murdered, and she was my wife; we have lived together about eleven years, and in the house where she was found dead about ten years; the defendant has lived with me, and frequently called at my cabin; I saw Little Charlie two weeks ago last Sunday, near Old Jake's house; and again when he went down to the trail; the last I saw of him was about 1:30 on Sunday; I asked Charlie for some money that he owed me, but Charlie said he had not any; that he had sent it all to Salt Lake; the last I saw of my wife alive was when she was watching me as I went towards the trail; I returned to Alta on Tuesday morning, and found her dead, lying on her bed, with several wounds in her body. There was about \$40 in gold in the house when I left for Salt Lake; it was kept in a trunk, and the trunk was under the bed or bunk where the woman was found; when I returned Tuesday the money was gone, the trunk being broken open, the lid being pried open; I had left it locked, and the key had been given to China Mary, my wife; the trunk was found under the bunk, where I had left it, but the money was gone; saw Old Jake on Tuesday; Charlie had said a short time ago, that I had money enough, and ought to go back to China; I replied that I had been thinking about it, and would probably go back next year; Charlie had borrowed \$10 from me about six weeks ago, but said nothing about borrowing anything on Sunday. Old Jake may have known about the money, but I can not say whether he did or not; told defendant I was coming to Salt Lake, but did not say anything about my return.

To the defense—I do not know to which company either Old Jake or Little Charlie belong; I regard an American as equal with that of a Chinese man; Old Jake frequently visited my house, but not within the last two months; never had any trouble with Old Jake and never ordered him to move away from there; never told Old Jake to stay away from my house; was a good friend to both Charlie and Old Jake; when I came to Salt Lake that Sunday I gave the key of the trunk to my wife and she usually kept it in her pocket; looked for the key when I returned, but failed to find it. The money was the only article missing from the trunk.

Mr. Davies was recalled and stated that the key to the trunk was found hanging on the wall; the trunk had been burst open and gone through, evidently in a hurried manner.

"Old Jake," accused of complicity in the crime, was brought in and sworn. He said—My name is Ah Gee; live in Alta, and about ten feet away from the house of Big Jim, whom I have known fourteen years; knew China Mary—she lived with Big Jim; am willing to tell whatever I know about the case as against Little Charlie. On Sunday—the day of the murder, Charlie was at Jake's house all day, and Big Jim came to Salt Lake. Charlie owed Big Jim some money; he said he did not have it; on Sunday night Charlie was at my house; I was up stairs smoking opium; saw China Mary after Big Jim left; Mary locked the door; Charlie came to the washhouse at about 8:30 and told me that he had killed Mary; I was smoking opium, you know; Charlie came into the washhouse and laid a miner's candlestick on the table, or a piece of one; he did not notice whether it had blood upon it or not; he said he had killed Mary enough; and was going away; he went, taking the candlestick with him; he left my house about 9 o'clock, saying she was going to Park City; Charlie did not say anything about killing the woman until he returned to the washhouse; he said he threw her on the floor, and stabbed her with the candlestick, and that she uttered but one cry; Charlie changed his clothes after he returned; some of them do put in the stove, and others he threw away; Charlie said he had broken open the trunk, and had got only \$5, which he put on the table; he did not give me any money—not a cent. I was not in Mary's house Sunday night, and did not even look in the door; I was smoking opium, and did not have time; I did not help Charlie wipe up the blood from the floor—Charlie himself did it; I did not come out of Mary's house with a light—Charlie did, but I didn't; I do not know where Charlie got the light; it was late when I got up Monday morning, because I had to smoke opium.

To Mr. Sutherland—Am 54 years old, and was born in San Ynp, China; do not know where Charlie came from; he came to my house five or six weeks ago from the mine where he had been working, and brought the candlestick with him; he took off the ring and hook, and it laid around the wash-

house; two or three days before the murder I think Charlie took the candlestick up to the Emma mine and sharpened it; I think so, because Charlie brought it back sharpened, and he then put it under the bed in a blanket, near where he slept; after Charlie had changed his clothes he said he was going to Park City; the \$5 put on the table by him were silver dollars; when Charlie came back he said he had killed Mary, and I said, All right, you have got a good fortune. He no pay money to me. No, no, no, I get none! I did not agree with Charlie that we should kill Mary and divide the money.

An adjournment was then taken till this morning, and at 11 o'clock today the case was resumed.

Big Jim was recalled and told again the story of his being in Salt Lake at the time of the murder. He said he had never had any talk with Charlie or Jake about Mary's money. He declared that he had never said he was tired of keeping Mary and wanted to get rid of her. The money in the trunk was his.

Old Jake was called by the defense and testified—I have known China Mary about 15 years; lived at her house about two months last year; am very poor; have no money; I did not stab Mary; did not help Charlie and another Chinaman to carry her from the washhouse and throw her on the bunk; had no talk with Big Jim concerning her.

This closed the testimony and Commissioner Norrell held "Little Charlie," or Ah Gee, without bail, to answer to the charge of murder.

## OLD JAKE

was then arraigned on a charge of murder, and pleaded not guilty.

Mr. Wallace was the first witness, and recited the finding of the dead body and the circumstances connected therewith, as given in his testimony yesterday. He also said—Jake described to me how Mary was killed; he said Charlie went to the back door and told her he wanted to pay her some money; she opened the door and he seized her by the hair and stabbed her; Jake said Charlie had told him this; he said he heard Mary scream out, and Charlie said he then choked her and finished the work; he said Charlie had wiped the blood up with the scarf, but did not say he saw him do it; he said it occurred about 8 o'clock on Sunday night.

Mr. B. L. Davies testified of his visit to Big Jim's house and the finding of the body of Mary, as recited in the examination of Charlie; he saw China Mary alive about 20 minutes to six on Sunday evening; the trunk in the house had been broken open and apparently rifled; I conversed with Old Jake after the body was discovered on Monday evening; he was in his bunk smoking opium; he did not come out when we were getting into Mary's house; we asked him who killed her and he said he did not know; he also said he did not know why he did not tell sooner when he knew she was dead; we piled him with questions for an hour and a half, but could get nothing out of him; finally some one shouted out to me, "Look out for him, Davies;" I drew a gun on him, though I hated to do it; I remarked to him that he had better make a clean breast of it, or short work would be made of him; we told him he had better write to his friends in China, as, if he would not tell, he would die at 12 o'clock; he then said Charlie had killed Mary, and had gone to Park City; we asked him to go to the Park and help arrest him, and he consented; when passing Mary's house I told him to go in and he refused; I told him he had to go and he went; when I showed him the body he trembled considerably; I asked him, "Who killed her?" and he said "Charlie." I asked, "Did you see him?" he replied "Yes—no; he told me about it;" he then described minutely, as though he had witnessed it, how Charlie had gone to the door and when Mary asked who was there replied that he wanted to pay Big Jim \$5; she opened the door; Charlie then seized her by the hair and began stabbing her; he said the struggle was chiefly near the stove; we pointed to the blood on the floor, and he said that was where Mary bled; he said it had been wiped out, and pointed out a comforter with which it had been done; we then took him to Mr. Wallace's.

J. H. Dallin was one of the party that went to the house where the dead woman was found. He testified—I saw China Mary about 5:30 Sunday; saw Big Jim on Sunday morning, when he came to the shop for some meat; he said he was going to Salt Lake that day; in the house on Monday night Old Jake said, "Maybe so, Charlie kill her; killed her with candlestick." He also told us Charlie got to the house under a pretense of paying Big Jim some money, as Charlie and the woman were bitter enemies; he said she was killed by the back door, and he pointed out the place, and the comforter with which the blood was wiped up; he said Charlie carried the body to the bed; an eye witness could not give a better description; he said Charlie told him of the killing; said Charlie only got \$4 or \$5 out of Mary's pocket, which he showed him; he said Charlie wanted to go to New York or Albuquerque and told him that if he had got \$400 or \$500 he would have given him (Jake) some.

Little Charlie was called as a witness and sworn.

Mr. Sutherland, his counsel, objected; overruled.

Little Charlie testified—My name is Charlie Lung; I have lived in Alta since 1881; in June, 1887, lived about a week in China Mary's house; lived in Jake's house 20 or 25 days; was not there the night Mary was killed; was in Salt Lake; I got my money, \$40 30, on Saturday, from Mr. Wallace; left Alta at 12 o'clock Saturday on the train; got to Salt Lake about quarter to 7 in the evening; left for Ogden on Sunday morning, on the train; went on a freight train to Evanston; never saw anybody kill Mary; Jake never helped me; I never saw anything of it; was not at Old Jake's on Sunday; I left on Saturday; don't know anything of the killing; I was going to New York; did not have money enough, so I bought a ticket to Chicago; Old Jake and Big Jim are good friends, "you bet;" I never had any trouble with Mary; we were good friends; I don't know anything about who killed her.

A recess was then taken till 2:30 this afternoon. There is no doubt that Old Jake will also be held on the charge of murder.

Little Charlie, on the witness stand, showed himself to be as sharp as a steel trap, and tells a story that, were there no positive evidence that he was speaking falsely, would probably get him off. Old Jake seems much more nervous about the outcome of the case than does his companion.

## TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

MILWAUKEE, Oct. 30.—The finding of the pilot house of the propeller *Vernon* by a tug near Manitowoc, Wis., settles all doubt regarding the identity of the lost vessel. Scarcely any other trace of the cargo has been seen today, and nothing has been heard of those on board. It is feared not a single soul of thirty or more aboard is left to tell the story of the disaster. The forlorn hope is entertained that a passing vessel may have picked up some of the unfortunates, but with the terrible sea that was running, it would have been almost a miracle to accomplish a rescue. The captain of the life-saving crew at Two Rivers announces the storm as the worst ever seen by him on the lake. The waves rose to the height of thirty or forty feet. The

## FIRST INFORMATION

received by him was from this morning's paper, although the wreck is supposed to have taken place within seven miles of Two Rivers. It is his impression that no one has survived the wreck. It was bitter cold on the lake, he said, and a person could not have stood the exposure over night. The spray dashed over the men, clinging to the wreckage, must have frozen as it fell and completely encased the unfortunates, if indeed they held on long enough to permit such a thing. My impression is that they are all at the bottom of the lake.

Neither at Manitowoc nor Two Rivers were any traces of the lost vessel to be heard of yesterday, either by vessels arriving there or by means of tugs going a few miles out.

## CAPTAIN HAWKINS,

of the schooner *William Home*, arriving in Milwaukee this morning, reports passing three dead bodies Saturday afternoon about six miles southwest of Manitowoc. One body was that of a woman with long black hair. She had a life-preserver on. The other two bodies were those of men. None of the other vessels arriving here yesterday saw any wreckage or bodies, most of them having been too far out in the lake.

From dispatches sent out by the *Sentinel* to its correspondents, the following names of passengers have been secured, though it cannot be positively asserted that the persons named were aboard. Its Mackinac correspondent gives the names of the following

## TWO PERSONS

supposed to have been on board: Miss Katie Gallagher, Mackinaw Island; Miss Sallie Durkin, Chicago, cousin of Miss Gallagher. Both were on their way to Chicago, from Sheboygan. One giving the name of Banorgas, Chicago, is reported as having taken passage on the ill-fated steamer. So far, these are the only three names obtainable of passengers, as there appears to have been no list kept.

## FROM CHICAGO.

CHICAGO, Oct. 30.—But little can be learned here regarding the passengers on the lost propeller. The owners of the Northern Michigan line say the *Vernon* was on her return trip to Chicago, and whatever passengers she had would be registered only at points where they embarked and in the ship books. Managers of the line regard the *Vernon* as a staunch boat and say it is hard to the storm should have been able to stand any kind of weather. Captain John Prindiville, brother-in-law of one of the mates, says the *Vernon* had four good boats and that some of the crew ought to have been able to make a landing in them. He is confident some survivors will turn up yet.

SAN FRANCISCO, October 30.—A week ago today the dead body of Henry B. Chayon, a dentist, was found in a lodging house in this city. The first examination seemed to indicate that death was the result of his own hand, he having taken poison; a more thorough examination, however, pointed to murder. He was one of the most important witnesses against his brother-in-law, Dr. G. Milton Bow-

ers, who is now in prison under sentence of death for poisoning his wife, Bennayon's sister. The fact that Bennayon

## LEFT A LETTER

the day of his death to the effect that he and not Bowers was guilty of his sister's death in 1885 caused at first intense public interest, for it seemed that an entirely innocent man was about to be hung. After a day or two had passed, however, the general public was confronted with the theory based on a train of circumstances that not only Bennayon's death was caused by murder, but that the man who planned the murder was Bowers or his friends in the hope of saving him from the gallows. The inquest before the coroner's jury dragged slowly on during the past week, each day giving a new theory to Bennayon's death. It is the mystery surrounding the case and the number of complications involved that make it one of great interest. The standing of the parties implicated or suspected would not justify the space devoted to it by the local press. Each day the San Francisco journals have contained from six to

## FIFTEEN COLUMNS

of testimony in the case and theories thereon. It has been the all-absorbing question. Interest in the case has subsided somewhat, however, and the public in general have seemingly reached the conclusion to theorize no further and to let the detectives unravel if possible the mysterious plot.

ST. PAUL, October 29.—A *Crow* agency, Montana, special to the *Pioneer Press* reports that Sword Bearer and his band made a demonstration at the agency yesterday, unstringing their rifles as if about to attack the single company stationed there, but immediately changing their defiant aspect when Major Snyder's battalion appeared on the brow of a hill three miles away. Sword Bearer immediately crossed Little Horn River and withdrew up the bottom. The cavalry is expected to move Monday. The excitement among the Indians is intense and a false move by the authorities or wrong Indian killed will precipitate a general outbreak, as the faith of the Indians in Sword Bearer's supernatural power is unshaken.

LONDON, Oct. 30.—A terrific gale raged in South England on Saturday night. Many buildings were unroofed and there were numerous shipping casualties in the channel. A boat with a party of twelve persons, which left Weymouth for a night's trolling, was capsized and ten of the party were drowned. A sloop was wrecked off Dorset and four men drowned.

DUBLIN, October 31.—The appeal of William O'Brien, editor of *United Ireland*, against the sentence of three months' imprisonment imposed upon him by the Mitchelstown court, has been refused and the sentence of the lower court confirmed.

## BIRTHS.

BARNES.—In the Twenty-first Ward of this city, October 23d, 1887, to the wife of Henry Barnes, a daughter. All doing well.

## MARRIAGES.

WEITZEL-CLIFT.—On Friday evening, October 23, 1887, at the residence of the bridegroom's parents in the Sixth Ward, Salt Lake City, Edmund M. Weitzel to Virtue Clift.

A large concourse of friends were present on the joyful occasion and there were a number of neat and appropriate presents. The band enlivened the proceedings during the evening.

HELD-EVANS.—At the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. John Held to Miss Anna Evans, daughter of Mr. James Evans of the 20th Ward, on the 18th of the month.

## OBITUARY.

MONSON.—At Hyrum City, Cache County, Utah, on Wednesday, October 19th, 1887, of old age, Martha Jensen Monson, aged 84 years.

Deceased was born December 12th, 1803, at Svenborg, Langeland, Denmark; embraced the Gospel at Svenstrop, Sjælland March, 1853, and emigrated to Utah the same year; settled in East Weber. In the spring of 1880 he came with the first settlers to Hyrum, and remained there till her death. For many years she served the people in the capacity of nurse. She was a woman of great faith in God. During her long life she was happy in doing good among the sick, poor and suffering. The funeral services were held on Saturday. A large audience assembled to pay their last respects to one who was beloved by all who knew her. Appropriate remarks were made by I. C. Thorsen, Charles C. Shaw and Bishop S. M. Moien. Her husband, aged 85 years, is so feeble that from all human appearances he will soon join her on the other side. She died as she had lived, a faithful Latter-day Saint.—*CON.*

*Bikuben and Scandinavian Star*, please copy.

ANGELL.—Truman Osborn Angell was the third son of James Angell and Phebe Morton, and was born at North Providence, Rhode Island, June 5th, 1810.

When about seventeen years old he commenced to learn the carpenter and joiner's trade, and afterwards became a proficient mechanic. His early educational advantages were very limited. When about 19 years of age he joined the Freewill Baptists.

In the fall of 1831 he removed with his mother to China, Green County, N. Y., where her kinfolks resided, and here he shortly after married Polly Johnson, who was familiarly known throughout our com-

munity until her death, which occurred in 1878, as "Aunt Polly."

He joined the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in January, 1832, and the next spring went on a mission with Elder Joseph Holbrook. He resided for some time at Lima, New York, gathered with the Saints at Kirtland, Ohio, in the fall of 1835; and immediately commenced working upon the Temple, where he continued until its dedication, and had the supervision of finishing an important portion of the same.

He was a member of the Second Quorum of Seventies; passed through the persecutions in Missouri, and found refuge in Nauvoo. He was superintendent of carpenter work on the Nauvoo Temple under William Weeks, the architect, and after the latter left Nauvoo in company with the Twelve Apostles, the sole charge of finishing and design fell upon him.

He was chosen to be one of the Pioneers of the valley, and soon after arriving he was chosen Architect of the Church, which position he held until his death. In 1856 he went on a mission to Europe which occupied 13 months, spent in traveling over the British Isles and considerable of the continent, collecting information concerning architecture, and preaching.

He designed many buildings for the Territory including the Temple now in course of erection in this city, and the one at St. George.

He leaves 2 wives and 13 children living, and was the father of 29 children and 42 grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren. He was the senior President of the Fourteenth Quorum of Seventies for many years, until, becoming too feeble to attend to the duties of that position he was in Feb. 1844, released from it and ordained a High Priest and Patriarch.—*CON.*

## DEATHS.

COX.—In Spanish Fork, September 11th, 1887, of typhoid fever, Zilla, daughter of George and Lucy Cox, formerly of Burton Overy, Leicestershire, England.

Also on October 3d, 1887, Lucy, daughter of the above deceased and granddaughter of George and Lucy Cox.

WHEAT.—In Spanish Fork, of typhoid fever, Venus, daughter of Harry and Sophy Wheat, formerly of Burton Overy, Leicestershire, England.

SMITH.—In Spanish Fork, October 18, 1887, of summer complaint and cancer, Mary A., daughter of Thomas W. and Trueviolet Melior Smith, formerly of Leicestershire, England. Utah papers read *Millennial Star*, please copy.

BRUCE.—At Almy, Wyoming, Oct. 11, 1887, of typhoid fever, Bella M. L., beloved daughter of James R. and Isabella Bruce, aged 14 years, 8 months and 4 days.

FOXLEY.—At Kaysville, October 20th, 1887, Ann, wife of William Foxley. Deceased was born at Beeston, Bedfordshire, England, June 24th, 1831; she embraced the Gospel in her youth and has ever been true to the cause of God; she was ever on hand to help the needy and comfort the distressed. During the last four years and a half of her life, she was greatly afflicted, but ever felt to put her trust in God. She leaves a husband and a host of relatives and friends to mourn her loss.—*CON.*

HOWE.—In Salt Lake City, October 24th, 1887, of marasmus and teething, Julia Cruise, daughter of Edgar and Annie A. Howe, aged 1 year, 5 months and 21 days.

SYMONS.—At her residence in the Eighth Ward, at 10:45 a.m., October 24th, Eleonora Symons. Born in Scotland, on November 20th, 1822.

She with her husband gathered with the Saints at Nauvoo and was among the number that was expelled from that place by the mob. They gathered with the Saints to this valley in 1848, when soon after their arrival her husband died, and she has continued faithful and true to the principles of the Gospel, which she valued beyond everything else. She maintained her activity remarkably for her years and is kindly remembered by most of the early settlers of this city.

*Millennial Star*, please copy.

MCKAY.—At the residence of his parents in the Eleventh Ward of this city, of consumption, at 10 a.m., Thursday the 25th inst., Charles, son of Bishop Alexander and Eunice McKee, aged 34 years, 9 months and 14 days.

The funeral will take place from the Eleventh Ward meeting-house at 10 a.m. Sunday the 30th inst. Friends of the family are invited to attend.

RILEY.—At her residence in Bountiful, Davis County, at 6:30 a.m., Thursday, the 27th inst., of heart disease and dropsy, Mary Ann, wife of Wm. L. Riley, born June 4th, 1830. She leaves a husband, six children and numerous friends to mourn her loss.

The funeral will take place at the East Bountiful meeting-house, at 2 o'clock p.m. on Sunday, the 30th inst. Friends of the family are invited.

*Millennial Star*, please copy.

HENDRICKS.—In Richmond, Cache County, Monday, October 24th, at 8 a.m., Frances Alvira, daughter of James A. and Frances Lucy Hendricks, of whom enough, aged 22 days.

FRANSON.—At 239 Second North Street, October 27th, 1887, Harriet Pearson, late of Rochdale, Lancashire, England, aged 61 years.

Funeral from residence at 2 p.m. tomorrow (Friday). Friends invited.

*Millennial Star* please copy.

KINSELEY.—At his residence, Nineteenth Ward, Oct. 29, 1887, of general debility, Henry Kinseley, born Aug. 3d, 1807, in Much Ben church, Herefordshire, England; joined the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints at Bryn Mawr, Breckonshire, South Wales, in May, 1859; emigrated to Utah in the year 1860. He died as he had lived, a conscientious Latter-day Saint.

*Millennial Star*, please copy.

BALL.—In the Fifteenth Ward, of this city, October 30, 1887, of typhoid pneumonia, Percy Joseph, son of Samuel F. and Margaret Pomey Ball; aged seven years, eight months and nine days.

*Millennial Star* please copy.

SMITH.—In Salt Lake City, Oct. 30, 1887, of peritonitis, Ellen Smith, aged 25 years. Deceased was the daughter of Joseph and Emma Smith.