

OFFICERS SHOT DOWN BY OUTLAWS

Sheriff Jesse Tyler and Deputy Samuel Jenkins, of Grand County, Fall in Robbers' Roost Country, While on the Trail.

Considerable Doubt as to the Identity of the Gang that Did the Work—Officers Taken at a Disadvantage—A Posse from Salt Lake, Headed by Sheriff Howells, Now at the Front—Bodies of the Murdered Officers Recovered—Governor Wells Determined that the Guilty Ones Shall be Captured—A Desperate Fight Expected—Grand County is Aroused.

SPECIAL TO THE "NEWS." Thompson, Utah, May 28.—A horrible murder was committed at noon today by outlaws on Hill Creek, in the north of here. The victims are Sheriff Jesse Tyler and Deputy Samuel Jenkins, of Grand County.

The killing was a cruel, cowardly and dastardly one. The officers were taken at a disadvantage. They were on the trail of a gang of outlaws, and were taken by surprise. The bodies of the murdered officers were recovered. Governor Wells determined that the guilty ones shall be captured. A desperate fight is expected. Grand County is aroused.

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MISSIONARY FOUND DEAD.

Elder W. J. Beecher of Willard City is Asphyxiated.

LEFT HOME ON 17TH INST. Was Discovered in His Room at Los Angeles This Morning—28 Years Old—Body to be Brought Home.

A dispatch to President Snaw this morning from President E. H. Nye of the California mission, conveyed the shocking intelligence that Elder Wm. J. Beecher of Willard City, Utah, was found dead in his room this morning at Los Angeles, California.

The family of the deceased has been notified and President Snaw has sent word to President Nye to have the remains shipped home at once.

An Associated Press dispatch to the "News" from Los Angeles, Cal., this afternoon says: "Elder W. J. Beecher, a missionary of the Latter-day Saints, who came to this city on Friday of last week, was found dead in his room yesterday. He had blown out the gas, and death from asphyxiation was the result. Beecher was sent here from Salt Lake to assist in the campaign which is being waged in Southern California in the name of the Latter-day Saints, and expected to remain some months. He was evidently unfamiliar with the use of gas."

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CRITICISM OF THE PRESIDENT

Methodist Conference Finally Voted to Exclude It.

ARRAIGNMENT WAS SEVERE Led by a Prohibitionist Candidate for President—Amusement of a Question Proposed in a Peculiar Way.

Chicago, May 28.—Criticism of President McKinley for his attitude in regard to Attorney General Griggs' interpretation of the anti-entertainers law was overwhelmingly voted down by the Methodist general conference after two hours of warm debate. The matter was brought up by the presentation of the report of the committee on temperance of which Samuel Dickie, candidate for President on the Prohibition ticket, in 1892, is chairman.

The conference finally adopted the minority report, which contained the paragraph referring to the chief magistrate, "We are charged, humiliated and exasperated by the puerile and absurd construction placed on the anti-entertainers law by the attorney general of the United States, and with all due respect to his exalted station, we record the fact that we are pained and disappointed at the course of the President in accepting as final and satisfactory an opinion without binding force. Such an abuse of power is a nullification in its most dangerous form. Upon the President, as chief of our army, rests the responsibility for the existence of the anti-entertainers law, an evil which he has ample power to suppress, a more deadly foe to the soldiers than the bullet or the tropical heat."

Dr. J. E. Price, of New York, struck out all of the majority report in which President McKinley was condemned. "We are here to deal in principles and not indulge in personalities," said Dr. Price, amid vigorous applause. "This is not simply a question of whether or not the President of the United States is at fault. I hold that the cause of temperance and prohibition, and the cause of the church of Christ cannot be advanced by this personal arraignment of our chief magistrate."

Judge Lore, of Delaware, speaking in support of the minority report, paid a strong tribute to the President, with whom he served four years in Congress. "I have his elemental manhood," said Judge Lore. "And I hope the Methodist church will not strike down one of the most loyal men within the borders of this country."

Dr. A. B. Leonard made an impassioned plea for the adoption of the majority report. "We hear much about government by injunction," he said, "but this is government by an opinion of a member of the President's club. I cannot shut my eyes to the faults even of the chief magistrate. I am a member of the President's club, and I am a member of the President's club."

Rev. F. M. Lynch, of Philadelphia, Rev. F. M. Lynch, of West Virginia, Governor Shaw, of Iowa, and Dr. Buckley, of New York, all spoke in support of the majority report which was adopted by the conference.

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BRITISH ENTER JOHANNESBURG

Rumor from Capetown that Gen. French is in the Place.

Capetown, May 28.—It is rumored here that Gen. French has entered Johannesburg.

London, May 28, 2:15 p. m.—Although the generals are said to be preparing for strong resistance at the Kip river, those who have most closely followed the progress of the war since the British and Boer armies came in touch at Brandfont are skeptical as to the Boers' advance even there. If no stand is made at the Kip river the safety of the Boer guns at Laings Nek will be seriously imperiled, for there will be nothing to prevent Lord Roberts from

seizing the Johannesburg Laings Nek railroad. Indeed, it is already reported that the railroad has been cut, and it is quite possible the first official news will record the occupation of Heidelberg. Lord Roberts may be forced to halt at the Vaal river to repair the bridge cut by the Boers, and transport across but the mounted men will not be delayed. It is said in high quarters that the Boers' cavalry at Johannesburg will not surprise the war office. Dispatch from Mafeking, dated May 28, says the total casualties since the commencement of the siege were 502. Out of 40 officers, 22 were killed, wounded or missing, and 190 men out of 975 privates were killed, wounded or missing.

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MILLIONS BEHOLD THE GREAT ECLIPSE

Clear Weather Along the Entire Path of Totality—Pres. McKinley and Party Have a Splendid View.

A Marvelously Magnificent Picture—Success was Highly Gratifying—Time of Totality Nearly a Minute and a Half—Many Photographs Taken—News Flashed Around the World—Description of the Scene in the Heavens—Brilliant Star Discovered—Bright Coronal Streamers and Dark Shadow Bands—Every View Favorable for Good Scientific Investigation.

Washington, D. C., May 28.—The weather bureau here reports clear weather for the eclipse observations along the entire path of totality, a strip 485 miles wide, reaching from Norfolk, Va., to New Orleans, La.

President McKinley saw it. Fort Monroe, Va., May 28.—The sun was totally eclipsed at 8:53 o'clock in a cloudless sky. Thousands of people crowded the pier, verandas and ramparts to watch the marvelous phenomenon and at the moment the sun was suddenly shrouded in an involuntary one degree. The shadow of the moon on the sky and the dark bands were well seen. Venus and Mercury were conspicuous. The inner corona was visible in the telescope several seconds after totality was over. There was no dark band around the moon's limb during the partial phase, and no detail on the moon during totality.

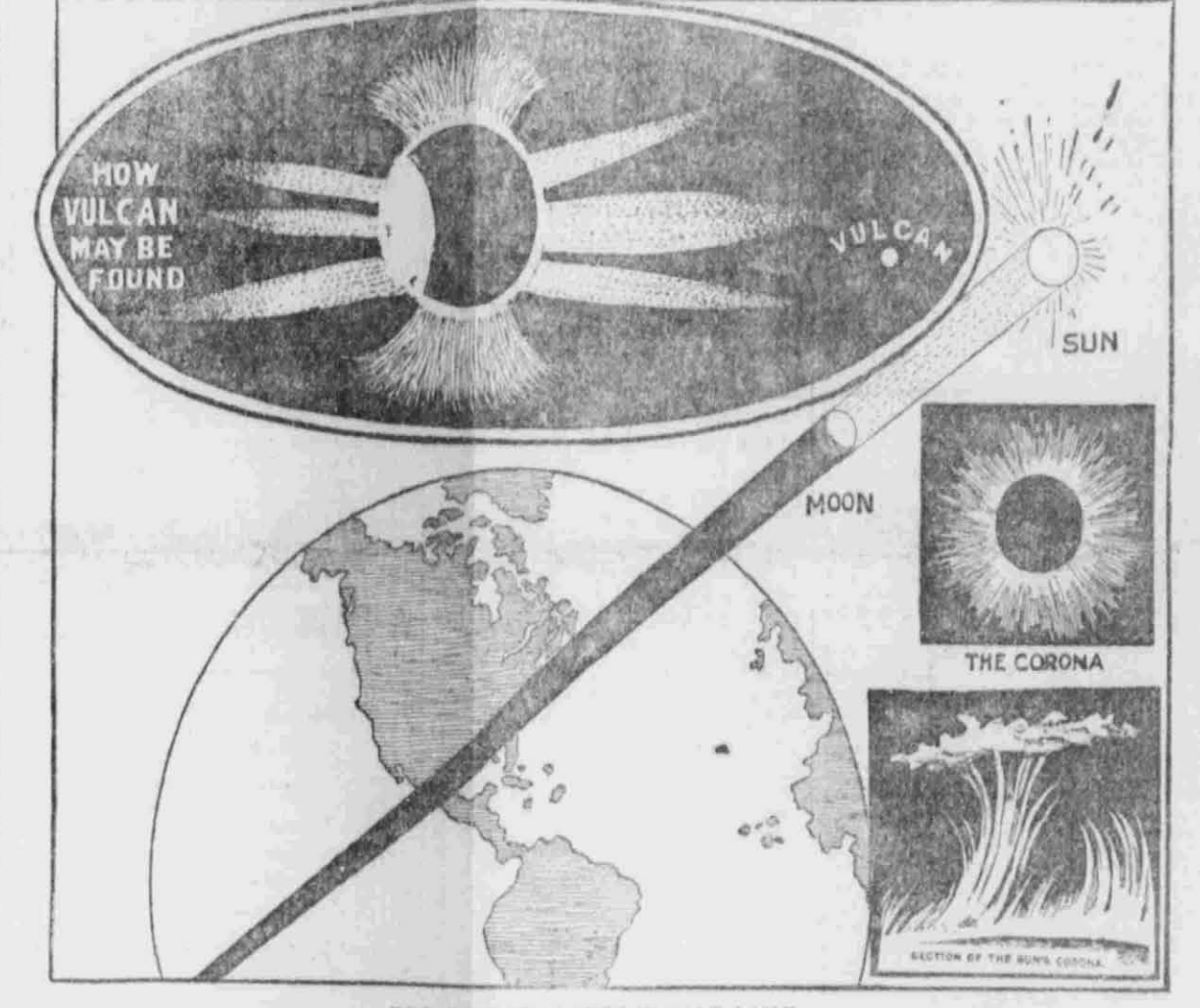
AT ATLANTA, GA. Atlanta, Ga., May 28.—At this place, forty miles from the belt of totality, the eclipse of the sun today was very noticeable. At 7:40 a. m. the moment of greatest totality, the usual brilliancy of the sun which prevailed earlier in the morning, owing to the clearness of the sky, took on a very yellow cast and shadows were dim and thin. At the government weather bureau observations of the temperature were taken every 15 minutes from 6 a. m. until 9:10 central time. There was a variance of about one degree. At 8:55 the thermometer registered 76. At the moment of greatest totality it was 85.5 while fifteen minutes later the lowest degree was reached the register showing 88. At 9:55 when the eclipse passed off, the thermometer stood at 78.5. The sky assumed the appearance of twilight, but not a sign of the great shadow in the totality was visible. During the eclipse the temperature fell very much in department stores, factories and large office buildings. The schools were not convened until 10 o'clock. Students from here to points in the belt of totality were generally present.

AT THOMASTON, GA. Thomaston, Ga., May 28.—The eclipse observations here were conducted under perfect conditions. The totality was about 35 seconds. Not a cloud was anywhere near the corona, but in the west heavy clouds were discerned. Standing some distance off from the corona's outside rim a brilliant star was distinctly visible. The effect at the time of complete obscuration was that of a deep twilight. The sun's rays began to appear at 9 o'clock.

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A LINEMAN'S MARVELOUS ESCAPE

For Twenty Minutes Henry McDermott's Body Hung Rigid and Apparently Lifeless Thirty Feet Above the Ground—Cool Rescue Work.

Henry McDermott, an electric lineman in the employ of the Rocky Mountain Bell Telephone company, enjoys the painful distinction today of having had as narrow escape from death as any other man in Salt Lake City or perhaps in the world. That he is not now numbered among the dead is not one whit short of the realm of the marvelous. Whenever his thrilling experience was spoken of by friends or other persons today who were cognizant of the affair it was with a shudder.

HOW THE ACCIDENT OCCURRED. The accident occurred at 7:45 o'clock this morning on First South street between Second and Third East streets where McDermott and a number of other men were engaged in stringing two telephone wires. McDermott was standing on a cross arm of the big electric pole about thirty feet above the ground when an electric current of two thousand volts struck through his body with a suddenness that hurled him out on to the arm beyond the wires where his body hung rigid and apparently lifeless until taken down.

Wires touched. McDermott was guiding the wires along an insulator to which they were to be attached, the wires being reeled off from a big wooden wheel on the wagon in the street below. At this wheel was C. J. Gady, while two other men were ahead, farther up the street pulling the wires into the position desired before connection was to be made. The telephone wires were on a bar above McDermott while the electric light wires were on the bar upon which he was standing. It seems that the wire which he was handling was intended to become so slack that they came in contact with the electric light wire

LAND ENTRIES.

Original Homestead—May 24—Joseph W. Parker, Joseph, 15.61 acres, sections 20 and 21, township 24 north, range 4 west. John A. Parker, Joseph, 160 acres, sections 23 and 24, township 24 north, range 4 west.

May 25—William M. Gies, Heber, 160 acres, section 20, township 24 south, range 5 east. May 25—Herman A. Andelin, Panguitch, 160 acres, section 17, township 23 south, range 1 west.

May 26—Louis L. Ribby, Garrison, 160 acres, sections 18 and 19, township 24 north, range 19 west. Joseph A. Warren, Panguitch, 160 acres, sections 10 and 11, township 24 north, range 9 west.

DUAL TRACK MEET.

Pennsylvania and California Are Testing Their Skill. A Philadelphia dispatch today says the dual track meet between the University of California and the University of Pennsylvania, postponed from May 19th, took place today on Franklin Field. California kept most of her men out of the intercollegiate events last Saturday in order to have them in shape for today's contest. Ideal weather and an excellent program of sports had the effect of attracting a large crowd and the spectators were in no way disappointed in the showing made by the athletes. Pennsylvania was at a disadvantage, being without the services of Kranzlein and Mackay. In Saturday's game in New York, Kranzlein had himself and McCracken wrenched his side in throwing the hammer.

Four hundred and forty yards dash—W. P. Drumheller, Penn., won; S. Meiser, Penn., second; W. P. Drum, Cal., third. Running high jump—J. K. Baxter, Penn., 5 feet 10 inches; J. W. Woolsey, Penn., 5 feet 7 inches; H. Woolsey, Cal., 5 feet 6 inches. Third. Two hundred and twenty yards hurdle—W. P. Drumheller, Penn., won; Roy Woolsey, Cal., second. Time 25 seconds. McCracken did not compete. Broad jump and pole vault—Won by default. Mile run—E. R. Stuehnli Jr., Pennsylvania, won; Alex. Grant, Pennsylvania, second; C. H. Moser, California, third. Time 4:42. Pennsylvania scored 70 points to California 20.

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