

being enacted. Both of the car men saw their predicament and lost no time in obeying orders. One of them gave up four dollars and a half in dimes, nickels and quarters and a silver hunting case watch and chain. The other turned over just \$2. Their work over, the men started to the west towards the White Bridge with their faces still masked. It is not thought, however, that they journeyed very far in that direction.

As soon as the car men recovered from the fright and astonishment they boarded their car and came up town and reported the robbery to the police, who, during the night, kept a vigilant look out for the rascals. At a late hour the officers captured two suspicious characters whose general appearance tallied closely to that given by the conductor and motorman and they are now in jail awaiting identification.

Territorial Statistician J. P. Bache has forwarded a letter of which the following is a copy to each county court in the Territory:

"I respectfully call your attention to an act of the Thirtieth Legislative Assembly, entitled, 'An Act Creating a Bureau of Statistics,' approved March 10, 1892, found on page 47, laws of 1892, section 3 of which reads as follows:

"Section 3. The county courts in the several counties shall, on or before the 1st day of January, in each statistical year, appoint one or more competent men as deputy statisticians, whose duty it shall be to collect such statistical data as the blanks mentioned in section 2 of this act call for, and such additional statistics as the territorial statistician may deem for the best interests of the Territory, and shall forward the same to the territorial statistician, as provided in this section. Such deputy statisticians shall be paid such sums per diem, out of the county treasury, as shall be fixed upon by the county courts, and shall act under the direction of, and instructions from the territorial statistician.

"The county courts shall, where there is more than one deputy statistician, appoint one of said deputies to compile and tabulate the statistics under this act, whose duty it shall be to forward the same to the Territorial statistician by June 1st in each statistical year.

"I shall be pleased to know that at the proper time you give this matter your attention, and that a competent and suitable person be appointed to carry out the work laid down in this act, thereby assuring an able and complete statistical report of Utah Territory for 1895."

R. A. Brownlee, the under-sheriff of Napa county, California, arrived in this city at 8 a. m. Friday with requisition papers for the return to his state of Charles Weston, alias Ford, the young Salt Laker arrested by the police of this city on the charge of murdering a Chinaman on the 31st of October last.

Concerning the crime for which young Weston is wanted in California Officer Brownlee said that the evidence against the trio arrested for the deed was very strong. The murder took place within half a mile of the Napa county court house on the outskirts of the town which has a popu-

lation of about 4,500 people. Several Chinamen saw their countryman killed. He was stabbed in the breast near the heart and died within five minutes afterwards without uttering a word.

The tramp and Anderson were arrested and both were drunk. They declare positively that the fatal knife thrust was made by Weston, and their statements are corroborated by a number of Chinamen. Some of the Mongolians, however, emphatically assert that the tramp was responsible for the crime.

As to Weston, Mr. Brownlee says that he has a good reputation in Napa, where he has worked at different times during the last few years. His employers and friends, he says, simply swear by him and say they are sure that he is innocent of the murder. Mr. Brownlee inclines to the view, however, that Weston's friends are mistaken and that he committed under the influence of liquor the crime for which he is wanted and that under other circumstances he would have shrunk from it. It appears that the three white men were about to kindle a fire and asked the Chinaman for a match. The latter replied that he had none whereupon one of the trio seized his coat which was on the ground near by and started off with it, at the same time making a jocular remark. The Chinaman started in pursuit and was making a vicious attack when he met his death. The trial of Anderson and the tramp is set down for December 4th next.

A YOUNG GIRL'S RUIN.

The particulars of a most lamentable story of a young girl's ruin have just come to light in this city. The victim's home is in Lehi and her name is Edith Karens and her age about eighteen.

Her father is the city marshal of the sugar factory town and the instruments of his daughter's discomfiture and ruin are said to be Nellie Davis and Minnie Haley, two notorious and shameless dive habitués on Franklin avenue, and "Billy" Lynch, an Omaha pugilist of a very bad reputation, who was shot through the body three or four months ago by Baterio, the Cuban complexion specialist, on account of murderous threats made by him. The trouble arose at that time over the division of "blood money," a portion of which, it is claimed, had been reluctantly given up by Probate Judge Reid, of Sanpete county. The woman in the case was the wife of Frank Purcell, the barber bruiser who went from here to Denver on getting out of jail.

Being closely questioned as to her present predicament and the details leading up to it, Edith stated that she left her home last summer. On arriving in this city she sought and obtained employment from a Mrs. Moffat who lives on Sixth South street, and later she accepted a position as servant at the Templeton hotel. Her employment terminated there on Wednesday of this week when she returned to Mrs. Moffat's to see if there was any mail for her. From Mrs. Moffat's she came back up town and was passing along Third South street where it is intersected by Franklin avenue. See-

ing a woman standing in the street she inquired of her how near she was to Second South street, as Edith claims she knows little or nothing about the location of them. The woman replied in an evasive manner and at once proceeded to engage her in conversation, and learning that she was from the country and that she was searching for work, promised to assist her and invited her in a house near by. The girl accepted the invitation, declaring and maintaining that she was wholly ignorant of the kind of place that she was entering. It was the Davis woman who played this role and who introduced her to another within, whom she called Minnie and who she said was her daughter.

The girl further avers that she was persuaded to stay until supper and was given the promise that employment would be found for her. It appears also that she consented to drink with the women, who, during the evening, were joined by male companions, among whom were Billy Lynch and "Fug" Wilson, a hackman. The drink, she says, absolutely overcame her. Wednesday night the police learned that some unusually evil deed was being perpetrated in the place. Sergeant Ford and Patrolmen Johnson and Pack raided it, finding the girl stupefied almost to unconsciousness. The two women were arrested and taken to the police station and locked up. Miss Karens was also escorted to the station, but has been kindly cared for by the officers. She remained there until today awaiting the arrival from Lehi of her father, who was notified to come to Salt Lake at once. Lynch was also locked up, and the feeling against him about headquarters is very high.

Where Shoe Pegs Are Made.

The little town of Shelburne Falls, in Western Massachusetts, enjoys the peculiar distinction of having the products of its peg factory taken exclusively by parties in Germany as supplying a need which that country, for natural reasons, cannot furnish, there being no timber in Germany that equals the American white birch in the manufacture of pegs. The process of manufacture is simple. A four-foot stick is shaved of its bark and sawed into blocks the required length of the peg, the knots and dead wood are cut out with a pressure auger, and then the thin wheel of wood is ready for the cutting and splitting machines. One operator thrusts two or more blocks into the jaws of the cutter and splitter at a time, and the manufactured article comes out on the other side to be brushed right and left, according to quality into barrels. The pegs are thoroughly dried in heated cylinders and bleached white and firm. It is no uncommon thing to secure thirty bushels of fine pegs from a cord of white birch, and sometimes a much larger quantity.—*Chicago Times.*

Ralph Minnehan, a young man about twenty-two years of age committed suicide at Alma, Colo., early on Friday morning by taking morphine. No cause is known for the rash deed. He attended the Thanksgiving ball the previous night and appeared in his usual good spirits.