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LOCAL BRIEFS.

The committee on buildings and grounds of the city board of education is scheduled to meet this afternoon at 4 o'clock and the entire board will meet in committee of the whole tonight at 8 o'clock.

County Clerk Eldredge reports the fees of his office for the month of April to be \$670.90. In the last year the fees amounted to \$1,622.15, an increase for the month this year over that of last amounting to \$38.75.

The Deacons of the Twentieth ward will hold their regular monthly meeting in the Tabernacle at 10 o'clock, at which Elder C. C. Nelson will speak on the subject, "Russia." All are invited to attend.

John and Peter Duffy, who created a disturbance at Bluffdale Junction on Friday night, were now taking a sick leave in the country, but when they will remain as the guests of Sheriff Emory for a period of 45 days each. John was a little to strenuous in demanding a trial by jury, but the court became permanent. Mrs. V. H. Leggett of Yuma, Tennessee, 18, a well known American Bohemian musical composer, well known in America, died in Prague, born 1841.

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AWFUL TRAGEDY AT FORT DOUGLAS.

Capt. William A. Raibourn Shoots At Companion and Then Kills Himself.

WHISKY AT THE BOTTOM OF IT

Lieut. Point Was Befriending Him When Unfortunate Man Drew His Revolver and Fired.

There was a bloody tragedy at Fort Douglas Saturday midnight, which adds another chapter to the already too long list of murders, suicides and shootings that have given the post an unfortunate reputation in military circles. Whisky was at the bottom of the tragedy, just as in countless other episodes of the same kind. The victims were Captain William A. Raibourn of G company, Twenty-ninth U. S. Infantry, aged 33, who was drunk and under arrest at the time, and First Lieutenant Will H. Point of E company, same regiment, who had the captain in charge. The latter is dead, a suicide, and the lieutenant who was shot by Captain Raibourn, died with head wounds which are not serious.

The captain has long been a drinking man; he seemed to have lost all control over his appetite, and of late has been frequently intoxicated. Captain Raibourn was appointed officer of the day, Tuesday, but failed to report for duty as he had been on a spree, and was arrested the following day after having been absent from his post by his detail of duty without leave. He however, was given by Col. Lockwood, the commanding officer, the liberty of the post, and after a conference with that officer sent in his resignation to the secretary of war rather than suffer court martial with possible dismissal from the army in disgrace.

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LIEUT. POINT SHOT.

Upon the arrival of the ambulance in front of the captain's quarters on the Plaza, the unfortunate man was assisted out, and he said, "Well lieutenant, I am glad you have brought me home; it might save me some trouble." "I am glad too," replied Lieutenant Point, who turned to go to his own quarters when he suddenly heard some ominous remarks from Captain Raibourn, and turning sharply around found himself looking into the business end of a sixshooter. "Don't do anything foolish!" shouted the lieutenant, "Bang! Bang!" went the captain's big revolver. The first shot took effect in the lieutenant's thigh, and before he had time to get behind a tree the second bullet went through the calf of his left leg.

CAPTAIN SHOOTS HIMSELF.

The captain, insane from drink, then instantly placed the muzzle of the gun to his head, just over the right ear, and fired his third and last shot, and dropped to the ground with the bullet in his brain, and instantly expired.

LIEUTENANT'S WOUNDS SLIGHT.

The shots alarmed the post, and Capt. and Adjutant B. H. Wells, whose quarters are No. 15, was immediately on the spot with the sentries who were within hearing, and the prostrate men taken to surgery, and Surgeon Major Smith hurriedly summoned. Captain Raibourn was found to be dead, and Lieutenant Point, on being removed to his quarters, was fortunately found to have sustained only superficial flesh wounds. It was not necessary even to take him to the hospital, and he is being cared for at his quarters.

COURSE OF THE FATAL BULLET.

The body of Captain Raibourn was removed to the hospital building, where a hurried autopsy revealed the course of the bullet, which was found lodged against the spine, just above the heart. The sad event caused a profound gloom to spread over the post, and soldiers who chanced in town during the day, refused to talk about it. A coffin was set up to the fort in the afternoon, and the corps laid out preparatory to shipment to the home in Oakdale, Conn.

HIS MOTHER'S DREAM.

Funeral exercises were held this morning in the post chapel, and the deceased given military honors. A tearful and Indian sister, as a curious coincidence, that Captain Raibourn's mother dreamed Saturday night, that her son was dead, and was brooding over the matter when a message came stating that he was dead. She has been of weak mind ever since the death of her husband, two years ago, and is now in precarious condition.

ROSE FROM THE RANKS.

The deceased rose from the ranks. He was born in December, 1858, and enlisted as a private in F battery, Third artillery, from Warrick county, Ind., in 1881. He was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Fourth Infantry in October, 1894, was made first lieutenant in the Tenth infantry, in April, 1898, and captain in the Thirtieth infantry in 1901. He was transferred to the Twentieth infantry in May of the same year, when the regiment was in the Philippines. Captain Raibourn was outside of his weakness a good soldier, and was much liked by his men, but his fondness for liquor got the better of him. He was under arrest on the transport, coming home from the islands, and after arriving at this post, he drank so heavily that he at times became insane, and being a very strong man, it was difficult to handle him, when the delirium tremens were in possession of him.

MEN ON GOOD TERMS.

Lieutenant Point and the deceased were on the best of terms, and nothing but an insane friend would have induced the captain to shoot his friend. The lieutenant also rose from the ranks, having enlisted in 1892, from Iowa, as private K troop, First U. S. cavalry. He was mustered out in 1895, and in the following year was commissioned first lieutenant in the Thirtieth U. S. Infantry, being made a captain later. In February, 1901, he was appointed first lieutenant in the Eleventh U. S. Infantry, and was transferred to the Twenty-ninth Infantry in March, 1902. He is now 33 on the list of first lieutenants of the infantry arm of the service.

INFORMATION WANTED.

Mrs. C. H. Leffel of Comanche county, O. T., wishes to make contact with Thomas Box, or some of his descendants. He went to Utah many years ago. Her address is Rush Springs, Chickasaw Nation, Indian Ter.

Any relatives of Ezra Whitney, who emigrated from Oakridge, Gloucestershire, England, that are still alive, will hear something to their benefit by corresponding with Sarah Ann Whitney Crittley, daughter of his brother Joseph, send letter in care of Mrs. Franklin's Dairy, High street, Stroud, Eng-

land.

Grocers who carry Burnett's Vanilla, need not worry about the law. No state board has ever questioned its purity.

Bennett Glass & Paint Co. have a car-

load of JAPALAC; all colors.

Bennett Glass & Paint Co., at 67 West 1st South, are giving away Japa-

lac.

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Lieut. Point is married and has one child. Captain Raibourn was unmarried.

POST TRAGEDIES.

This is the first officer suicide at Fort Douglas since Lieut. Vane of the Sixteenth infantry blew his brains out in his quarters while under arrest charged with invading the bedroom of a brother officer late at night, while the latter was away. Vane was drunk and did not know where he was going. Femine shrieks speedily brought help and Vane speedily was put under arrest. It would require over a column to recite the names of hanging and drowning tragedies that have occurred at Fort Douglas in the last 15 years and the superstitions are coming to regard the post with feelings of aversion.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy the Very Best.

We have for sale Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and have ever taken says Geo. L. Chase, a merchant of Harbin, Mich. There is no question about its being the best medicine I have ever taken. It would require over a column to recite the names of hanging and drowning tragedies that have occurred at Fort Douglas in the last 15 years and the superstitions are coming to regard the post with feelings of aversion.

His Wife Left Him.

Became Jealous of Another and Husband Now Seeks a Divorce.

Suit for divorce has been filed in the district court by Caleb A. Inlow against Hattie Inlow on the ground of desertion. They were married in this city on March 4, 1904, and it is alleged that defendant deserted plaintiff on April 21, 1904, less than two months after their marriage, without any definite promise or word, to return. It should always be kept in the house ready for instant use, for a cold can be cured in much less time when promptly treated. For sale by all druggists.

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