HORRIBLE SHOOTING.

The Killing of Poor Little Clyde Robertson on Saturday.

CORONER'S INVESTIGATION TODAY.

The Evidence Shows That Harry Hammond Fired the Fatal Shot.—Story of His Youthful Confederates.

One of the most dreadful cases of youthful homicide in the history of this Territory was being inquired into by Coroner Taylor today. The investigation was brought about through the killing of Clyde, the five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Robertson of Farmers ward, near Eleventh South street on Saturday evening last. Four boys, Harry and Carl, Hammond and Heber and George Gaylor, lads ranging from twelve to fifteen years were taken into custody by Under Paul and turned over to Sheriff McQueen and are now in the county jail, not under arrest ostensibly, but being held pending an inquiry as to who is responsible for Clyde's death.

It is said that these boys are given to worrying smaller children and causing a good deal of trouble generally. On saturday the quartette went over Jordan shooting, Harry carrying his father's double barrelled shot gun.

In the evening after the boys returned little Clyde was shot while standing on a box while looking over his father's fence. No one so far as known saw the shooting, but each finger pointed to Harry Hammond as being the guilty one. He denies emphatically, however, that he had anything to do with it.

The inquiry commenced at 11 o'clock. Attorney Whitlemore appeared for the accused boys and Lewis Ferguson and Free for Mr. Robertson, who is determined to sift the matter to the bottom.

The body lay in a back room at Rhowes's undertaking establishment in the presence of the jury. The breast and arms of the boy were perforated with shot, the News reporter counting eighty-eight distinct holes. The story is best told by the various witnesses as follows:

SEEN WITH THE GUN.

Mrs. Whiting, who resides on Eleventh South street, between State and East Temple, testified having seen three or four small boys pass by her place some time in the afternoon, in twixt three and six o'clock. They had but one gun. The lad who carried the fowling piece wore a straw hat. Witness was very much shocked at seeing so small a boy handling a gun. She was not sure that she could identify the boy, but believed she could in case he had not changed his clothing.

A DELAY OCCURRED.

Assistant County Attorney Eichner at this time telephoned from the City Hall to the effect that he would like to be present during the investigation and the inquiry was interrupted pending his arrival. On reaching the scene of inquiry Mr. Eichner announced that the county would make the most searching investigation possible.

MR. WHIPPLE'S NARROW ESCAPE.

Henry E. Whipple, a carpenter, testified that he was stooping over picking up a board at 4.15 o'clock, when he heard a shot fired and also heard the whistling of shot a few inches above his head. He dropped the board he had picked up and looking around he heard a little girl cry out, "They have killed our little brother." "I sprang towards her and saw her dragging her little brother and I picked him up and carried him to where his home. Within a very short distance of it his form became rigid and stiff. He then gasped and immediately expired. I laid him on the grass and started to find out who had done the shooting. I met Mr. Gaylor and said Clyde Robertson had been shot. I saw an old man standing in Whiting's lot and inquired of him who did the shooting. He was a foreigner and couldn't understand.

THE GUN BROUGHT BACK.

"I was misrepresented by the *Tribune*. I did not see the boys running as reported. Saw Harry Hammond first and asked him if he had a gun and he replied that his father had. Some old gentleman went with Harry Hammond to his father's house—less than a block away—and brought back the gun and a peck of cartridges. The gun was sent for on account of Mrs. Gaylor telling me that she had seen four boys, one of them carrying a gun, run towards the Hammond residence. I asked both of the Hammond boys and both of the Gaylor boys who did the shooting, and they all replied they didn't know; that they were half a block away."

SAW CLYDE FALL.

Rose Ora Spence, a sister-in-law of Mr. Whipple, testified that she saw Clyde climb half way up the fence and just after he had been standing in sight for a few seconds when she heard a shot and saw Clyde fall; did not see who did the shooting.

SAW THE BOYS RUNNING AWAY.

C. Jom Nichols testified that he heard the shooting; he was lying on the bed up stairs; he immediately got on his shoes and rushed down and out and saw two of the Gaylor boys and one of the Hammond boys running directly away from the scene of the shooting. Neither of these three lads had a gun. "I interrogated George Gaylor, the largest boy, and he disclaimed all knowledge of the shooting, he said he had heard the shot fired, however. I asked him where he was and who was with him. He said that his brother and the two Hammond boys and himself were down near Mr. Dunbar's about six hundred feet away at the time. He took me down and showed me the shot and I called his attention to the impossibility of his statement being true. After that he was evasive in all his answers as were all of the others."

A BRIGHT LITTLE WITNESS.

Vinnie Ross, a little brown haired girl of six years, said she saw Harry and Carl Hammond and George and Heber Gaylor in Mr. Whiting's lot. Harry Hammond had a gun. She heard the shot and saw Clyde fall off his fence after which she became frightened and ran home. Before that she was in Mrs. Robertson's yard playing with Clyde and his little baby sister.

"Why were you frightened?" she was asked.

"Well, Clyde fell off the fence close to me and mamma was away from home, that was why," promptly responded the child.

THE BOYS HIDING.

Mrs. C. S. Nichols testified to hearing the shot and running out of her house toward the locality from which the sound came. Directly in front of her were two of the Hammond and one of the Gaylor boys apparently hiding behind a large patch of mustard weeds. "I asked them what was the matter and one of the little fellows said, 'I'm afraid some one is hurt.' Just then Vinnie Ross, the child who has just testified came running up and said, 'Clyde Robertson has been shot.' I ran to him in time to see him die."

TOOK THE GUN FROM HARRY.

Mrs. C. E. Barrett testified that she heard the shot and saw the Gaylor and Hammond boys together. Harry had the gun. I took it from him and asked if he had shot it off and he said "Not since I left the Jordan."

"Are you sure?" I inquired.

"Yes, Mrs. Barrett, I am sure of it and I can prove it, can't I George?"

"Yes he can," promptly called George Gaylor. "He didn't fire the shot."

THEY WERE "WESTERN BOYS."

Juror Randolph—Are the boys rough ones?

Witness—They are western boys and you can judge for yourself.

Attorney Ferguson—What do you mean by western boys?

Witness—Well, the boys out here are wilder and have more scope than they do in the East. In such a world they are always ready for a joke. (Laughter.)

THREATS OF KILLING.

Mrs. Annie Dancerville said the Hammond and Gaylor boys were very bad ones and had given her "no end" of trouble. Harry Hammond had strewn a gun in her little girl's about a month ago and had threatened to shoot her. At noon on Saturday last she heard Harry Hammond say: "I will kill the whole d— outfit, chickens and all." These remarks were addressed to Clyde and her own children. Harry on one occasion had chased little witness' little boys to climb a tree and keep him up there for some time. When he came down Harry broke him violently.

REPEATED THREATS.

May Dancerville, a twelve year old girl, testified that she heard Harry Hammond say to her little brother on Saturday that he would kill him, the chicken and the whole—of a—of an outfit.

STONED LITTLE CLYDE.

Virgil Dancerville testified that the two Hammond boys, the two Gaylor lads, a Mecklenan and a Dyer boy were at his father's house and called him a lot—small a boy that they were afraid he would tell; that the Dyer and the little Clyde on the head with rocks and the Mecklenan boy had stoned him on the back.

THREATS FOLLOWED AND POISONING.

Mary Dancerville, a twelve-year-old sister of the deceased, said she was playing in the garden and her little brother came climbing on to the fence looking over at the boys. She took him down several times. The last time he was up she heard a shot. Then the shot "went off" and she saw it in again like Clyde did but he fell "full of holes and dead." She looked through the fence and saw no one. At noon Harry Hammond said he would shoot Clyde and poison witness before she was there very long.

THE BOYS DENIED WILFULLY.

Maggie Robertson, another sister of the deceased, said Clyde was playing in the back yard when shot. She saw him in the act of falling immediately after the shooting. The shot came from Mr. Whiting's yard. Little did not see who fired it and could not on account of the intervening fence being a high board one. She heard the boys bark wildly and saw two of them close to where her little brother fell. In the morning her mamma went to town and was afraid something would happen to Clyde and wanted to take him along, but her papa said he would be all right and she left him at home.

NONE OF THEM WOULD TELL.

Mrs. Henry Gaylor, mother of two of the boys, testified that she was at home at the time of the shooting. Heard the shots it was followed by horrifying screams; saw one of the Robertson girls holding her little brother in her arms; near by were two of witness' boys, and Heber and Henry Hammond. She asks earnestly to her boys: "For God's sake tell who has done this! My boys, my boys, don't deceive me. If you shot this little boy say so." All of them denied the shooting and said they knew nothing of it. The boys were excited. Another attempt was made by witness to get at the facts in the case. She said to none of her boys: "George, for God's sake if either of you or the Hammond boys shot Clydie say so, for he is as dead as dead can be." This met with nothing but silence.

"SHOT AT A BIRD."

Heber Gaylor testified: "I am nine years old. Harry Hammond was shooting at a bird in a tree and hit the little boy on the fence. He didn't see the little boy at all and didn't intend to kill him."

Mr. Whitlemore was proceeding to ask a question when he was cut short by Coroner Taylor saying: "The attorney must not and cannot ask a single question; there must be no leading or misleading."

"GUN LIFTED THE GUN AND SHOT."

Carl Hammond, aged seven, testified that he didn't know Harry had shot at any one. "He just lifted up the gun and shot," in front of Gaylor's. He didn't shoot at anything or any body. He didn't hear any other gun fired. He wasn't down at the river with the other boys; he got them home from Gaylor's place. The report sounded like Harry shot it.

The little fellow was a most stubborn and determined witness, and it was with the greatest difficulty that he could be induced to say anything.

George Gaylor, the eldest boy of the four, said: "When we got up to Whiting's lot Harry said he would shoot at the tree over towards Mr. Robertson's, just to see if it would carry the shot that far." Witness loaded the gun with No. 7 shot.

The Coroner—Are you satisfied that Harry shot little Clyde?

Witness—There was no other shot there. No one else could have fired it.

The Coroner—You think, then, that Harry fired the fatal shot.

Witness (hesitatingly)—Yes, sir.

The witness said the gun was loaded with a detective cartridge; that they had "tried it" several times, and that it wouldn't "go off."

HARRY BREAKS DOWN AND CONFESSES.

Harry Hammond, a dark complexioned, low browed, firm faced boy of twelve years came forward under guard of Sheriff McQueen and County Jailer Hill, in relation to the killing he said he was on Eleventh South street when it occurred. He shot at an apple tree just to see if the gun would go off. He didn't know whether he had shot little Clyde or not. He shot five snipes and two "blackbirds" during the day. He told Mrs. Barrett and Mrs. Whiting that he knew nothing of the shooting.

When questioned as to why he had not told the truth he broke down and sobbed out the words, "I was afraid to."

This finished the taking of testimony and Sheriff McQueen was instructed to take the four boys back to jail, which he did. At 4 o'clock the jury went out and will probably have their verdict ready at 8 o'clock.

AMUSEMENTS.

The farce comedy of O'Dowd's Neighbors which will be seen at the Theater tonight and tomorrow night, is spoken of as an operatic farce comedy, the music which that smart bit of a man, Mr. Mark Murphy, has put in the play justifying its title. In the course of the entertainment, the following are among the selections: An opening chorus by the O'Dowd quartette, Minnie Hagen, Reynolds, Edwards and Hogan, which is received with great enthusiasm instantly, the voices being spoken of by New York papers as fairly rivaling the celebrated Clipper quartette.

Probably the song Pass Around Those Bottles Here Wont, by Mr. Murphy, marks the hit of the performance, judging from the old saying "make extreme most," it strikes one as being peculiar that the celebrated selection from Lucia di Lammermoor so sung by the worthies should follow the comedy selection On the Bowery. Still this is the course of things with O'Dowd's Neighbors. Nothing has been thought of or said in New York to New years which was funny that cannot be discovered in O'Dowd's Neighbors.

Mr. Stephens' work with the Tabernacle choir at the present time may be justly described as leviathan. The singers are meeting night and day, and have already made astonishing progress at the music, which is the most difficult of anything they have attempted, and is not appreciated by anything ever sung by a local body of singers. The very intricate, difficult and important task of choosing the 250 out of the entire body, is progressing rapidly, and only 30 or 40 more selections remain to be made. As yet the entire choir is kept at work on the competition music.

The New Marshal.

U. S. Marshal Brigham has a sort of "at home" in his official headquarters today and was called upon by quite a number of friends. He will not, however, take actual possession until next Saturday. Marshal Brigham expects to appoint some of his deputies within the next day or two. Meanwhile a good deal of speculation goes on.

TO GARFIELD BEACH.

The Twentieth Warders Will Have a Day's Pleasure There.

On Thursday next the good folks of the Twentieth ward will have a day of recreation and amusement on the shores of the Great Salt Lake, the Sunday school and the people of the ward generally combining in the day's festivities. The bathing there was never better than it is at present, and everything now is in admirable temporary shape. Besides the bathing and bathing facilities, there are spacious pavilions, and these inclosed to accommodate dancing and enjoyment in that line. The factory in the south of the beach has been cleaned and covered with a new shingle roof, and other features have been added to enhance the comfort and convenience of patrons.

A Small Fire.

A fire broke out this morning at 9:52 o'clock on the third floor of the Union Pacific hotel, in a room occupied by a cigar maker. There was about $50 damage done, which was covered by insurance. The cause of the fire is unknown.

A BLAZE IN ogden.

The Departments' Good Work Averted a Serious Fire.

Special Dispatch to the News.

OGDEN, June 26.—A fire broke out this afternoon in a frame dwelling, the property of Geo. A. Scollaig, on Grant avenue between 25th and 26th streets. The prompt action of the fire department saved what otherwise might have been a disastrous conflagration. Loss $100, covered by insurance.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

The Stand at the Tabernacle Occupied by Elder Chas. W. Penrose.

Religious services were held in the Tabernacle at Salt Lake City, Sunday, June 25, 1893, commencing at 2 p. m.

The choir sang the hymn commencing:

Through long ages count thining your way.
Press on, press on, ye hosts of God.

Prayer was offered by Elder Reddon Allred.

The choir further sang:

Round the good Redeemer's throne,
Let us lift our voices in melody.

The Priesthood of the Twenty-first ward officiated in the administration of the sacrament.

ELDER C. W. PENROSE

addressed the congregation on the subject of the inspiration of the Bible, taking for a text Paul's remarks to Timothy:

"And that from a child thou hast known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

"All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness."

He prefaced his discourse by expressing his pleasure that so large a congregation was present on the day set apart for rest and the worship of God, notwithstanding the many inducements offered by way of worldly pleasure.

The speaker referred to the suggestion of eminent preachers from the ministry, to teaching that the Bible is not in every chapter and verse the very word of God. He considered that their suggestion was proper, seeing that they had acted solemnly to support and promulgate the creed of their church. If they could not do so consistently they ought to leave that church, and go where they could advocate what they believed, unless they could succeed in the church in their views and persuade it to revolve in creed.

But the speaker held that the Bible, which is a collection of books translated from the Hebrew and the Greek, does not claim for itself what orthodoxy claims for it. The scriptures which Timothy had when a child were not the Bible as we have it. The new Testament was not then written. Many of the writings of the ancient prophets spoken of in the book we have now, had thereby might have them. And the scriptures were only able to make him wise unto salvation "through faith which is in Christ Jesus."

All scripture is not given by inspiration. But all scripture given by inspiration is profitable. That is the proper rendering. The word is in the text, was interpolation of the translators and makes nonsense of the passage.

The Latter-day Saints believed in the Bible and showed their faith by their works. But they were not given to Bible-ism; nor did they close their eyes to the fact that the original books of the Bible were not in existence and that some of the historical books included in the volume were evidently prepared according to the best natural understanding and experience of the writers.

The speaker showed from many quotations that it is not a book which revelations of God, but that God is Spirit and God throughout the living oracles and by the Holy Ghost, as a present guide, not exclusive. Christ is "the way, the truth and the life," not the sacred letter which killeth. It is the spirit which maketh alive and guideth into all truth.

Dependence upon the collection of books which does not contain all the writings of the prophets was shown to be the cause of much religious dissension and the bane of the ages. That by confounding biblical scholars who were fine wordsippers fell out a practical in the Bible they so called was proven by quotations which they rejected as part of the Christian creed.

The speaker testified of the gospel and the authority to preach it with the Holy Ghost and the accompanying gifts was conferred upon and the speaker bore emphatic testimony to the truth of these things and exhorted all present to give heed to them. He gave the Bible due credit as the most valuable book in existence, and for all that is claimed for it by its writers, showed the corroboration of its doctrine in the Book of Mormon and Doctrine and Covenants, but urged the greater importance of the Spirit by which the prophets spoke or in those who were inspired, which is free to all who repent, are baptized for the remission of sins and receive the imposition of authorized hands by which it is imparted.

The discourse was supported by numerous citations from the Old and New Testaments and was listened to attentively by a very large congregation.

The choir sang the anthem, "The gathered Saints."

Benediction by Elder Claudius V. Spencer.

The P. O. S. of A.

Commissioner Pratt today decided the long pending suit of H. F. Fenton vs W. A. Stanton et al. The premises have previously been laid before readers of the News, and the action hinged on the liability of persons to an incorporated company for debts incurred by an agent. After summing up the facts, the court proceeded to dismiss the case presented by plaintiff as to the liability of individuals of such a company, stating the law and citing the authorities bearing thereon. He also referred briefly to the law regulating transcripts and referring to the legal points made and conclusions reached sold in extension.

The judgment of the court will be against all of the defendants herein served with process and appearing at trial, except defendants T. A. Walker, Henry Barnes and J. M. Harvey, who were not members at the time the contract was entered into. As to that the action is dismissed.

S. H. Courtney, of the firm of Courtney, Case & Gruvelle, Butte, Montana, is a visitor in the city and dropped in on the News for a pleasant call this morning.

COMMERCIAL.

REAL ESTATE.

Transfers filed in the office of the county recorder of Salt Lake County since 2 p.m. yesterday.

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STOCKS AND MARGINS.

NEW YORK STOCKS.

New York, June 24th, 1893.

Lonsdale	[illegible]	Northwestern	[illegible]
Pacific Mail	[illegible]	North American	[illegible]
Adams Express	[illegible]	Western Union	[illegible]
Central Pacific	[illegible]	Am. Spirits	[illegible]
Harlem	[illegible]	Sugar Trust	[illegible]
Illinois Central	[illegible]	St. Paul & Omaha	[illegible]
Lake Shore	[illegible]	Texas Pacific	[illegible]
Michigan Central	[illegible]	Union Pacific	[illegible]
Northern Pacific	[illegible]	Wabash	[illegible]
Preferred	[illegible]	Wells Fargo Express	[illegible]

CHICAGO MARKET.

June 24th, 1893.

Wheat—June	[illegible]	Pork—July	[illegible]
July	[illegible]	Sept.	[illegible]
Sept.	[illegible]	Lard—July	[illegible]
Corn—June	[illegible]	Sept.	[illegible]
July	[illegible]	Ribs—July	[illegible]
Sept.	[illegible]	Sept.	[illegible]
Oats—June	[illegible]	Cash quotations were as follows:	
July	[illegible]	Flour—Quiet.	
Sept.	[illegible]	Wheat—No 2 spring	[illegible]
Pork—June	[illegible]	No 3 spring	[illegible]
July	[illegible]	No 2 red	[illegible]
Sept.	[illegible]	Corn—No 2	[illegible]
Lard—June	[illegible]	No 2	[illegible]
July	[illegible]	Oats—No 2	[illegible]
Sept.	[illegible]	No 2 white	[illegible]
Ribs—June	[illegible]	No 3 white	[illegible]
July	[illegible]	Barley—Nominal.	
Sept.	[illegible]	Pork—[illegible]	
Flax—Cash	[illegible]	Lard—[illegible]	
Sept.	[illegible]	Ribs—[illegible]	

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