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HANGED AT 10.41 A.M

Thiele Protests His Innocence to the Last.

MADE NO CONFESSION.

All Statements That He Had Done So False

THE ROPE WAS NOT BROKEN.

Died From Strangulation 11 Minutes After the Fatal Drop.

STORY OF THIELE'S AWFUL CRIME.

Body Turned Over to the Undertaker for Burial—Funeral on Sunday Next—His Last Will.

Thiele has gone to his doom. He has given his life for life. He has satisfied the inflexible demands of earthly law.

His execution took place in an enclosure at the rear of the Salt Lake County Jail this forenoon. He succumbed the ordeal most as an arrow. His face was pale but firm and he a little for some time to breathe rapidly and he gave to heat violently. There is never the evidence of life remaining but not long afterwards, until the last spark had fled. An examination showed that death was due to strangulation. It was entirely, and the conclusion was unanimous among those present with the drop of the weight, and that the agonies of the noose experienced no pain whatever.

Rev. Gibbons of the Methodist church, who for some time past was the condemned's spiritual adviser, was present the execution, though he declined to be interviewed in public regard to his belief. Some so late time to be known. Words given to the condemned the world from the view of the condemned. It is stated that Thiele stood more resolute in the way of advice and consolation that were given him by the Christian Scientists, a number of whom spent a goodly portion of last night with him.

Thiele ate no breakfast. Five cups of coffee and three cigars of milk with a quantity of liquor constituted the only stimulants given to him. He was little time in making preparation for his fate. One of the Bill looks as prisoner was the presence of a document in which he asserted in strong language that he was guilty of the terrible offence that has brought him under the shadow of death. In immediately on his completion he asked Sheriff Hardy to read him a couple of thirty minutes. It was the sheriff's earnest intention to perform the execution immediately after 11 o'clock as he was requested to by Thiele. But as the request was by the prisoner that was the last he could accede to to readily yielded. During that period Thiele passed a statement in which he positively denied that he had at any time or to any person ever confessed that he was guilty.

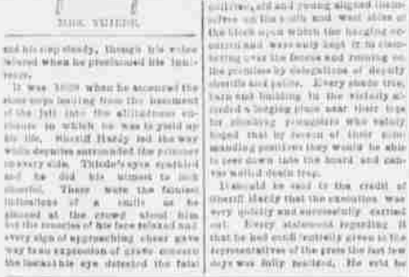
The place in which the execution occurred was a board shed 24x24 feet in area and 16 feet high. (At the time of the fatal drop it contained a little more than half a hundred persons, all men. They were composed of sheriffs, police, attorneys, physicians and representatives of the daily newspapers. The crowd on the outside was a motley and mixed one numbering thousands. Men and boys, women and children, old and young aligned themselves on the walls and went sides of the block upon which the hanging occurred and were only kept in the counting over the fences and running on the premises by discipline of deputy sheriffs and police. Every place, tree, barn and building in the vicinity afforded a hanging place near their top for obtaining prospects who valiantly hoped that by dint of their commanding position they would be able to see down into the board and enjoy the awful death trap.

It should be said to the credit of Sheriff Hardy that the execution was very quietly and successfully carried out. Every statement regarding it that has had credit entirely given to the representatives of the press the last few days was fully realized. He sent he

REV. GIBBONS.

and his cup steady, though his wrists shivered when he pressed his handkerchief.

It was 10:00 when he mounted the stone steps leading from the basement of the jail into the enclosure on which he was to yield up his life. Sheriff Hardy led the way with deputies surrounded the prisoner on every side. Thiele's eyes sparkled and he did his utmost to look cheerful. There were the faintest intimations of a smile as he glanced at the crowd about him and the muscles of his face relaxed and every sign of approaching cheer gave way to an expression of grave concern the instant his eye detected the fatal



THE GALLOWS.

1—The Rope Holding Weights. 2—Weight Weight Dropped. 3—Lever Holding Up the Large Weight.

rope that hung high and free from the planks under which he walked. It was then he stepped on to a wheelbarrow improvised platform, threw back his head, drew a long breath and decided his countenance for the last time of the crime for which he was about to swing. A moment more and the mechanical part of the execution was over and he was in the throes of death. Fourteen minutes elapsed from the time of the last drop until Dr. Wright, the county physician, and Dr. Bower, who each held a wrist of the dying man in their hands, pronounced him dead.

It was believed that the terrible jerk on the air of the body by the 400 pound weight would have broken Thiele's neck but it did not

THIELE'S LAST PHOTOGRAPH.

Taken Yesterday Yesterday in the County Jail for the News by the Lawrence Company.

be the weight, and seemed to raise it the proper height, very smoothly.

There was not a tremor of the body for almost a minute, but at intervals till about 10:35 there was evidence of the sensitiveness in the drawing up of the knees slightly.

At 10:40 the strings were removed but the body was not taken down because the pulse was very strong and continued so until at 10:41 the physicians pronounced him dead.

There were present fifty-three persons, including Sheriff Hardy, Deputies Wright and Bowers and Chief Pratt with twelve officers.

TAKEN DOWN.

The body was taken down at 5 minutes to 11 and taken charge of by Undertaker Joseph W. Taylor, who placed it in a casket and removed it to his establishment.

Thiele weighed 225 pounds and the fact that the execution was so successful was due to the precautions taken by the sheriff.

THE DECLARATION OF INNOCENCE.

As soon as the prisoner had partaken of the meal Deputy County Attorney Whitemore took upon an envelope, which Thiele leaned him a few minutes before, the envelope containing the prisoner's declaration of innocence. He read it in a clear, strong voice. It was as follows:

To the public and to all whom it may concern:

I, Charles Thiele, tried and convicted of murdering my wife, have only a few hours to live with me and am not to part from it, and am convinced in the calmness this morning will show to the world that I am innocent of the crime of which I have to die for, that I know but one man being the author of the murder, Will Hughes and John Moore, a party made on the witness stand that I can call to bind I had murdered my wife is absolutely false and that my conviction will not hold in the long or long run.

I have prayed to our Heavenly Father to forgive them and all those who have wronged them. I know I shall live in, they have taken my body but they cannot take my soul, and therefore I will sing the gentle song to Jesus. I have not prepared more to our Lord that I may be the first and the last victim who has to die on the gallows in our new and glorious State of Utah on Friday, commencing at eleven, August 7th day of August in the year of our Lord, 1866, at 9 a. m.

A LAST PRAYER.

Appended to the prayer mentioned in the margin is a number lines was the following prayer written in Latin by Thiele himself:

Ne desertas deus quoniam in te
Ut sum sic hoc: sum Domine mea
Ne tuo recess in ultimo polo
Longitudo dentibus quadrato in et quos
Sudorem
Adeo, impetus, et Domine mea!

CHARLES THIELE.

"Charles Thiele, have you anything to say?"

With quivering lips and tears the fellow Thiele said:

"I did not kill my wife. For the last time on this earth I protestant my innocence."

THE DEATH CAP.

The black cambric death cap was then over the condemned man's head by Sheriff Hardy at 10:35.

THE NOOSE ADJUSTED.

At 10:40 Deputy Sheriff Gibbs adjusted the fatal noose around Thiele's neck and stepped back.

THE DROP.

It was just 10:41 when Sheriff Hardy gave the signal and some person hid behind the canvas pulled the lever and Thiele swung in the air with his face about two feet from the platform upon which he had stood. Instantly he expired as the body was yet jerked up very high

THIELE'S SALOON AT HOUSEKEEPER'S.

Where the Body was Found.

and fell heavily to the platform. Twenty seconds after the drop Thiele's face was turned toward the spectators and he looked at them with a smile. Twenty seconds after the drop the