

# TELEGRAPHIC. DELIBERATE MURDER

A Prisoner, Accused of the Killing, Hates & Confesses.

THE VICTIM SHOT IN THE HEAD.

Attempts to Burn the Body and Cover All Trace of the Cold-Blooded Crime.

ELKHORN, Ohio, Dec. 1.—The full story of the crime of the murder of Wm. Gistler, of which Charles Green is accused, has just been made known and is almost unparalleled in some of its cold-blooded features. Gists made a confession to the sheriff, in which he stated that he had two confederates from Cleveland named Michael Phane and Charles Told. The two went to Gistler's house on the night of November 13 and found Gistler by his fire-side. Seeing that the intruders would not leave, Gistler tried to draw a pistol but dropped it. On stamping to pick it up he received a shot, thus a shotgun to the head. The weapon was fired by Charles Gistler, the prisoner. The gunner ran to the barn and soon returned and found that Gistler and another stood by the front door and window. They found a cap and dragged the victim to the barn and placed a lot of powder in the hay mow, to which a ignited fuse was attached. They then disappeared. The body had been burned and no trace left. The prisoners of the fire, a dark skinned woman, was seen to run from the hay mow at the site of the burning barn.

## STATE NEWS.

HOMEDALE, Idaho, Dec. 1.—No attempt to burn the body of Wm. Gistler, 40, who was accused of being a murderer, was made yesterday. The coroner will soon reach the trial. The county has given notice that they would try to find place in other mines for the married man who was killed on account of the fire. This move gives great satisfaction and will relieve the mining community.

## DISGRACED Conduct of Students.

HAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 1.—Wilson Wren, president of the university of California, and Stanford, president of the university of California, have issued joint statements to the effect that the students will soon reach the goal. The university has given notice that they would try to find place in other mines for the married man who was killed on account of the fire. This move gives great satisfaction and will relieve the mining community.

## No Strike for Men.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30.—Secretary M. L. Scott, of the Department of Agriculture, said to-day that no strike will occur in the coal fields of the country for American miners. Mr. Scott wrote:

"Very German farmers and stock breeders were compelled to sell their cattle irrespective of price and condition. It was then predicted this year testimony would be short of beef cattle, resulting to a rapid advance in the market. The same would be true of foreign meat exporters, an opportunity to establish themselves in the German market. I have visited many of the principal German cities and paid attention to the sale of imported meat, but to my knowledge Germany has not sent a large quantity of imported meat. The poster cannot manifest allow themselves the luxury and the more important are produced against foreign meat."

## PEOPLES' PARTY.

Call to a Meeting of the Central Committee of St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Nov. 30.—The following call explains itself:

"—By the request of the members of the national executive committee of the People's party, and at the suggestion of the chairman of the state committee, I hereby call a meeting of the People's party to be held in the Library Hall, in the city of St. Louis, Mo., December 12 and 13, 1894.

The object of this meeting is to map out policy for an educational campaign between now and the meeting of the national convention, and any other business which may come before the convention.

SENATOR STEWART, Late Pease, General B. W. Weaver, General J. G. Field, Mario Riles and many other leaders who are not members of the committee, will be present.

## UNITED STATES ARMY.

Report of Secretary, Lieutenant of the War Department.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30.—The annual report of Secretary Lamont shows a saving of half million dollars in salaries and contingencies expense in the administration of the war department at Washington, besides economy in the recruiting service. The amount saved last year was \$50,000; appropriations for the current year are \$22,000; estimated for the next year are \$22,000.

On October 1st the army numbered 100,000, but without men, while at the time of the last census, Oct. 1, 1890, there were 120,000. Secretary Lamont, however, commended the retention of the existing departments and the maintenance of a strength of 100,000 in the regular army, as well as in the militia, which is to be increased to 100,000. It is proposed to add two companies to each of the sixty-five infantry regiments and two bat-

tions to each of the five cavalry regiments. No increase in cavalry is proposed.

The cost of the increased number of men would be \$1,200,000 annually, but the reduction of the war department at Washington is to cost only \$100,000. By increasing the strength of the regular army, sufficient strength can be obtained at an increase of only \$10,000. It is proposed to meet the necessary increase in line offices by reducing the staff and increasing the number of clerks. A consolidation of the quartermaster and commissary departments in the bureau of supply is recommended.

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