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## HAS FIRED HIS LAST SHOT

Once a Member of the Famous James Boys' Band—Romantic Love Affair.

He was out on Parole and was Leading and Exemplary Life in St. Paul.

St. Paul, Oct. 19.—James Younger, formerly a member of the notorious James band of outlaws, which infested the western country a quarter of a century ago, committed suicide today by shooting. He left a letter to the press in which he gives as a reason for his act, despondency over continued ill-health, and separation from his friends. Death is supposed to have occurred early this morning. Younger occupied a room in a downtown block, and when he did not make his appearance as usual to-day, search was made for him. The door of his room was broken in late this afternoon and his dead body was found stretched out on the floor beside the bed, a revolver clutched in his right hand.

Younger, since his parole from the state penitentiary in July of last year, has led an exemplary life. His first employment was as a traveling agent for a tombstone dealer, and on one of the trips he made about the state, he was seriously hurt by a fall from a wagon. Old wounds also gave him much trouble, and, although he obtained lighter employment, his health was precarious, and this caused him much worry. He was 54 years of age.

On a bureau in the room was found a long manila envelope on one side of which was written: "To all that is good and true, I love and bid farewell."

JIM YOUNGER.

On the other side of the envelope were these words: "Oh, Lizzie, good-by. All relatives, just stay away from me. No crocodile tears wanted. Reporters—Be my friends. Burn me up."

JIM YOUNGER.

On another sheet of paper Younger had written this message, evidently his last words before committing suicide: "Oct. 18.—Last night on earth. So good-by, Lizzie, for I still think of thee. A. U. G. Forgive me for this, for this is my only chance. I have done nothing wrong. But politics are all that Van Sant, Weller and others of their stripe care for. Let the people judge. Treat me right and fair, reporters, for I am a square man. A socialist and favorably in favor of woman's rights. Bryan is the brightest man these United States has ever produced. His one mistake was in not coming out for all the people and absolute socialism. Come out, Bryan. There is no such thing as a personal God. God is universal and I know him well and am not afraid. I have pity for the pardoning board, they do not stop to consider their wives nor to think of the man who knows how to love and appreciate a friend in truth. Good-by, sweet Lizzie."

YOUNGER LOVED GOOD WOMAN.

The envelope contained a package of letters that had passed between Younger and a lady with whom he is said to have been much in love. The lady, who is prominently connected, is said to have reciprocated his affection, and it was reported at one time that they were to be married. The lady's relatives raised strenuous objections to the marriage, and a further obstacle was the fact that it was pointed out that a pardoned prisoner could not legally contract a marriage.

The couple determined to disregard the objections of relatives, and an effort was made to overcome the other obstacle to their marriage, by securing from the state board a full pardon and restoration to citizenship. This effort failed, and it is thought, did much to do with Younger's determination to end his life. The lady is said to be now in Boise, Idaho, for her health.

It is also said that the relations between Jim and Cole Younger were very much strained—in fact, that the brothers had not been on speaking terms for the past six months. Cole Younger is confined to his bed with sickness, and could not be seen by reporters. The difference between the brothers is reported to have been over money matters.

The coroner decided that an inquest was not necessary. It is not yet known what disposition will be made of the remains, some doubt arising under the terms of the parole, as to whether the body can be removed from the state.

MEMBER OF JAMES BAND.

James Younger was the youngest of three brothers, Robert, Coleman and James, who between the years 1866 and 1873 gained great notoriety through their association with Jesse and Frank James. The band headed by Jesse James was charged with almost innumerable robberies of banks and railroad trains, in the execution of which many desperate encounters took place and many men were killed. The members of the band had served through the civil war, fighting on the side of the confederacy with Quantrill and his guerrillas.

The scene of most of their alleged post-bellum depredations was the states of Missouri and those adjacent thereto, but in September, 1876, the band entered Minnesota, traversing the state as far as Northfield, Rice county. Then, on September 7, after terrorizing the people on the street, an attempt was made to loot the First National Bank. Cashier J. L. Heywood, who was in charge of the bank, made a plucky fight to preserve the funds of the institution and during the encounter he was shot and killed. Not, however, until he had wounded one or more of the raiders.

BATTLE WITH THE GANG.

The citizens of Northfield, quickly

## ABSOLUTE SECURITY.

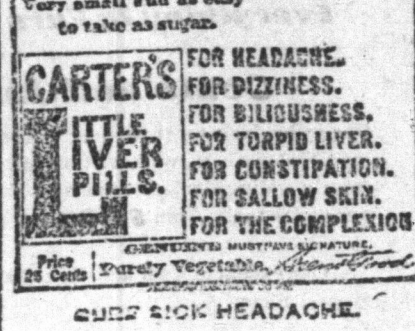
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recovering from their panic, armed themselves and started in pursuit of the desperadoes who, baffled at the resistance they had encountered, had mounted their horses and were aiming to escape. A week was spent in their desperate retreat, the pursuing posse of citizens time and again coming into contact with the bandits and exchanging shots with them. The raiders were handicapped by two wounded, whom they were endeavoring to carry with them, and finally, in a thick wood, the posse succeeded in surrounding them. A battle ensued in which three members of the gang were killed and the three Younger brothers were captured. Jesse James and the other outlaws succeeded in making good their escape.

The prisoners were brought to trial on Nov. 21, 1876, pleaded guilty to the charge of murder in the first degree, this plea, it is said, having been entered to avoid the infliction of the death penalty. The brothers were sentenced to serve life sentences.

In 1889 an effort was made to secure an unconditional pardon for the brothers, it being pleaded that it had not been proved that either of the brothers had fired the shot that killed Cashier Heywood and a further plea for mercy was based upon the ground that Bob Younger was dying of consumption. Superintendent of Census Wm. B. Merriam, who then occupied the gubernatorial chair, refused to grant a pardon, there still being a very strong sentiment against the brothers in Northfield and Rice county. Soon after this Robert Younger died in prison.

ATTEMPTS AT PARDONING.

Frequent attempts were made to secure pardon for the brothers, the petitions being signed by leading men in all walks of life, both citizens of this state and of Missouri. Among those who made especial effort to secure the granting of a pardon was Senator Stephen B. Elkins of West Virginia, who it was said, had known the brothers well in the days before the war.

All efforts at securing an unconditional pardon having failed, a bill was introduced in the state legislature in 1901, empowering the state board of pardons to grant paroles to life prisoners who had served 25 years or more. The bill was opposed, but finally passed both branches of the legislature and was sent to Gov. Van Sant for his signature. The governor had three days within which to sign or veto the bill, failing to do so would become a law without his signature. Before the three days had expired the house recalled the bill and did not return it to the governor until the state pardoning board, however, of which the chief justice of the state is a member, decided that the bill had become a law without the signature of the governor. On July 10, 1901, upon recommendation of the board of prison commissioners, a parole was granted to Coleman and James Younger, and on July 14 they were released.

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## FATE OF HINDOO GIRLS.

Nepal Rajpoots Cause Their Daughters to Be Murdered.

A Capuchin monk engaged in missionary work in Nepal, writing of Hindoo family life, remarks that it is very difficult for parents to make advantageous matches for their daughters. The Hindoos therefore find a means of ridding themselves of too many daughters by murdering them. It is a well known fact that Hindoos of high birth, those who are called rajpoots, caused their daughters to be put to death after their birth by men specially engaged to do so. This criminal custom had become so general that in 1840 in the seventy-three villages of the Allahabad district there were only three girls under twelve years of age, and three years later in the town of Agra there was not one to be found under that age. All had been put to death.

The English government has very naturally passed severe laws against this abominable crime, but to evade them the Hindoos allow their girls to live until the age of twelve, after which they do away with them by administering poison in small doses. Orientalists are past masters in the art of poisoning, and after some minute inquiries it transpires that in many districts twenty-five out of every hundred girls have been got rid of in this manner. Those girls who have been spared their marry very early, generally between fourteen and fifteen years, and that not according to their own choice, but by the will of their parents, which is decisive.

An Indian family of good rank could not keep an unmarried daughter. It would not only be a public shame, but also a crime against religion. To procure husbands for those who have not already found them there are a number of Brahmins, old and decrepit, called Kulin Brahmins, who go about with the one object of going through the ceremony of the "seven steps" with as many young girls as they can upon receipt of a large sum of money, but who afterward leave the country and perhaps never see them again.

## KINGS AND QUEENS.

The king of England who could not speak the language of his kingdom was George I.

In the battle of Bosworth Field, 1485, a king was killed (Richard III.) and a king was crowned (Henry VII.).

The motto, "Dieu et Mon Droit," was first assumed by Edward III. of England when he took the title of king of France.

"Your majesty" as a royal title was assumed in England in 1527 by Henry VIII. The title before that was "your grace" or "your highness" for the king or queen.

William IV. was at the time when he succeeded to the throne the first William of Hanover, the second William of Ireland and the third William of Scotland.

Henry VIII. was the first to assume the title of king of Ireland. The title king of Great Britain was assumed by James VI. of Scotland when he became James I. of England.

Richard I. was the first to call himself king of England. Every king from William to Henry II. called himself king of the English. The title was assumed by Egbert, the first king of England, in 825.

King of France was a title borne by the monarchs of England for 432 years, and when Elizabeth became queen of England was also "king of France," asserting that if she could not be a queen she would be king.

The Spendthrift.

Once upon a time there was a spendthrift who made his father very unhappy through his profligate habits. "My son," said the parent, "you spend every penny that you get, and it must cease. Remember that the pennies make shillings and the shillings make pounds. If you do not change your habits of always spending to habits of judicious saving, I will not spare the rod."

The admonition had no good effect on the youth, and he continued to spend the pennies before they could accumulate into shillings.

His father spoke no more about the matter, but he applied the rod most vigorously to him until he howled with pain.

Moral.—He who spends the pennies will get the pounds.

Instinct of Horses in War.

Arabian horses manifest remarkable courage in battle. It is said that when a horse of this breed finds himself wounded and perceives that he will not be able to bear his rider much longer he quickly retires from the conflict, bearing his master to a place of safety while he has still sufficient strength. But, on the other hand, if the rider is wounded and falls to the ground the faithful animal remains beside him, unmindful of danger, neighing until assistance is brought.

Plenty of Color.

"That Mrs. Wadhams to whom you introduced me the other evening reminds me very much of a portrait by Rembrandt."

"Is that so? Which one?"

"Oh, any old one. They all look, when you get close to them, as if the paint had been thrown on by the hand."

A Serene Temperament.

"Mike," said Plooding Pete, "don't you wish you was rich?"

"Kind o'," answered Meandering Mike. "Course I couldn't eat any more dan I does, but I'd be saved de trouble o' sayin' 'much obliged' so o' ten."

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