

# COL. CODY'S DEATH RECALLS BUFFALO

Animal Which Gave Him Sobriquet Saved.  
 Vast Herds Halted Man Once Numbered 75,000,000; are 4,000 Now but the Herds are Increasing.

Curious as it may seem, on the very day that Col. William Frederick Cody (Buffalo Bill) died in Denver the mails were carrying the annual report of the biological survey telling that the danger that once threatened the complete extinction of the bison apparently had passed. It was the extraordinary hunting of the bison or buffalo that gave Buffalo Bill his famous sobriquet.

In 1867 when the Kansas Pacific railroad was laying its rails through the wilderness 1,200 laborers were employed and it soon became a problem to Gen. Webb as to how to feed these men.

It was suggested to him that Gen. Cook's chief of scouts, Cody by name, was a noted big game hunter and might be induced to enter the employment of the railroad. An interview was arranged and it was agreed that the scout should get a leave of absence and be paid \$500 a month, on the understanding that he would supply a certain number of buffalo, deer and antelope a week. In the 18 months of his employment Cody furnished 4,280 buffaloes. Thereafter the titles he previously acquired in his early frontier days were supplanted with the one he afterward made famous, that of "Buffalo Bill."

Buffalo Bill was not only an excellent horseman, but he was what some one has called the "best work of God, a crack shot. Also he had courage. In the days when he sought buffalo meat he would ride into a herd of buffalo with pistols in both hands, holding his mount with his knees, the reins lamped between his teeth. With six shots in each pistol he had eight buffaloes at his feet when the chambers were empty.

That was in the days when vast herds halted steamboats on the upper Missouri, when on the plains they missed wagons and even railroad trains. Hide hunters, shipping 2,000,000 hides annually depleted the herds of the great time could buy an ordinary overcoat for \$16 and if it was silk lined you could get elegant coats for \$25. I have worn them when the weather was 25 to 30 degrees below zero, and our people have to wear fur coats in such weather. Those coats were used by everybody.

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"What have our farmers got to wear now? Most of their fur coats are of dogskin and other kinds of plunder. I should like to see the bison herds restored so that all farmers could have the old time buffalo overcoat that we used to wear in the old days in Minnesota. There is nothing either for warmth, for protection or for wear, equal to the overcoat made from buffalo skins. I hope to God we can have the buffalo herd restored so that all the farmers in the northwestern country can have heavy buffalo robes and overcoats as in the good old days before we had the initiative and referendum and the recall and all other fads."

"And the Indians, the good, old time, bloodthirsty, menacing, war whooping Indians—well, they are either playing football at Carlisle or some similar place or else their children, clad in hot hats and frock coats, are going to pink teas. All the Pawnees, the Arapahoes, the Sioux, the Cheyennes, the Navahoes, the Kiowas and those of the other tribes who furnished us our original leading men and women have given way to or have become assimilated with the whites and are helping them to make the prairie blossom like the rose."

A few men whom future generations will thank for saving the bison, including former President Roosevelt, W. T. Hornaday, David Starr Jordan, Dr. T. S. Palmer, Gifford Pinchot, Prof. F. W. Hooper, and Ernest Harold Baynes, are more or less responsible for saving the animal from extinction. They formed themselves into the American Bison Society and called the attention to the needs to save this particularly American animal.

Worth hundreds of dollars each now, at one time bison were looked upon as encumbrances of the Kansas prairie, and along the line of the old state Fe trail bison hides sold for a dollar or two, and a few cents a pound was paid for the bones.

In 1912, when the bill to provide for a herd of bison was before the Senate, it was amended to read "buffalo," the name best known to the American people, which led Senator Borah of Idaho to remark, "What possible benefit can they be to anybody? They look just as well in photographs as they look in reality, and when they are gone the country and the world will be no worse off than before."

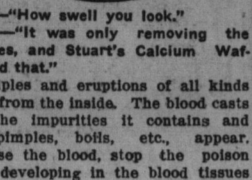
Then rose up Knute Nelson, the noble old Scandinavian from Minnesota, and a fine type of American who responded thus:

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## CHARGE OF MURDER AT ALDERSHOT

R. A. M. C. Sergeant in the Dock.

At the Aldershot Police Court recently Sergeant Leo George O'Donnell, R.A.M.C., was charged with the murder, on January 1, of Lieutenant and Quartermaster W. F. Watterton, R.A.M.C., whose body was found in some entrenchments on waste land with terrible injuries to the head. At the inquest on Friday a verdict of wilful murder against O'Donnell was returned.

Outlining the case the Crown Solicitor said the accused was the last person seen in Lieutenant Watterton's company, and when the body was found there was beside it a curious cudgel, with which some of the wounds could have been inflicted, and it was known the accused had such a weapon. The accused had been paying attentions to Miss Watterton, and the couple had arranged that O'Donnell would ask her father's consent to their engagement on January 1. When charged on Friday about the murder the accused attempted to get up an alibi, and mentioned the names of several comrades who had seen him between the hours when the prosecution alleged the murder was committed. Those men would be called, and would say they had not seen him.

Miss Watterton gave evidence that her father was a widower, and that she lived with him at the quarters in the Isolation Hospital. O'Donnell visited the house nearly every evening. On the evening of January 1 he called at the house about 6.40 and about eight o'clock the witness, with Miss White, left, arranging that O'Donnell should meet them on their return journey and bring them home. She left her father and the prisoner together in the house, her father preparing to go to bed.

She failed to see the prisoner as arranged, and when she returned home the house was locked up and her father gone. She and Miss White remained in the house till 11.30, when the prisoner returned and asked where her father was. She asked him if he had spoken to her father regarding their engagement, and he said her father had put him off. He then asked where the truncheon was he brought to the house earlier in the evening, and described it to her as a lavatory brush with the bristles cut off. Had he brought such a thing and laid it on the table, as he stated, she would certainly have seen it. The accused said "Perhaps daddy has taken it with him." But the witness replied that she did not think that was possible, as he had taken his stick and gloves.

Mr. John Webster of St. Mary's Hospital, London, assistant scientific analyst to the Home Office, said he had examined with the usual tests four £1 notes handed him by the police and found recent bloodstains upon them.

Superintendent Davis, Hants Constabulary, said he saw the accused at Lieutenant Watterton's quarters on January 2, and asked him to give an

account of his movements, as he was the last person seen in Watterton's company. O'Donnell said he left Watterton about 8.10, sitting on his bed and intending to dress and go out to keep an appointment. O'Donnell, detailing his movements, said he went to the barrack-room, then to the sergeants' mess, and afterwards up the avenue to meet Miss Watterton. Failing to see her, he returned, looked in at a social at the training school, and then returned to Lieutenant Watterton's quarters. He went on to say he had brought a baton to the house intending to use it in a song he was going to sing, and had left it in the house. When he returned at 11.15 Miss Watterton had gone and the baton was missing.

Sergeant Wood, R.A.M.C., said he was in the sergeants' mess from seven till nine on the evening of January 1. There were few members present, and the prisoner could not have come in without the witness seeing him.

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