HAD A CLOSE CALL

Officer McPhee Desparately Wounded by a Spokane Burglar.

GOOD CHANCE TO RECOVER

Would-be Murderer, Arthur Chappel, Was Hotly Pursued and Shot Himself When Cornered—Leaves a Wife and Five Daughters at Dayton.

SPOKANE, Wash., April 12.—[Special.]—City Detective D. D. McPhee, while in the act of arresting a burglar named Arthur Chappel, was shot through the neck by the latter early this morning, receiving a wound that though serious is not necessarily fatal. Chappel was closely pursued by officers and citizens and, seeing no chance of escape, fired a bullet into his own brain, dying almost immediately.

Such in brief is the story of the tragedy that created the wildest excitement and scared the city to its very center this morning. It was but a few minutes after the shooting of McPhee took place until the news spread like lightning that he was dead. Following these rumors came news that the murderer was being closely pursued and was sure to be taken. Then followed the most gratifying news to the crowd, that the murderer had died by his own hand. By this time hundreds of citizens had taken up the trail of the fugitive, who led the advance guard but a few feet, but as he still carried the weapon in his hand with which he shot the officer, no one was particularly anxious to grab him for fear of being shot. He was, however, kept in sight until cornered, and when brought to bay by Deputy Sheriff Ferguson, he ended his own existence by sending a bullet through his brain.

The little outhouse where the body lay was in a few minutes surrounded by a vast multitude, all anxious to get a sight of the ghastly spectacle and notwithstanding the efforts of the officers to keep back the crowd the crush was so great that the frail building was partially torn down.

He Was a Dayton Gambler.

As soon as Coroner Kimball had the body of the dead burglar removed to the Washington undertaking parlors, a perfect stream of people kept coming and going through the establishment, all eager to take a look at the dead man. The identity of the suicide remained in doubt until a number of Dayton, Wash., citizens who are here in attendance as witnesses before the United States court recognized the man as being Arthur Chappel, a resident of that place, where he has lived for the past six years and where he has a wife and five children, all girls. He was a gambler and has long been looked upon as being a desperate crook.

McPhee Likely to Recover.

Immediately after being shot McPhee was taken in a carriage to the Sacred Heart hospital and a physician summoned. Doctors Luhn and Russell examined the patient at the hospital and dressed the wound and Dr. Luhn described the nature of the wound as follows:

"The ball struck the left part of the under lip about three-quarters of an inch from the angle of the mouth, cutting through the jawbone and passing downward, severing the arteries of the face. It lodged in the large muscles at the back of the neck. The profuse hemorrhage was caused by the severing of the arteries, which have since been tied by passing threads through from the outside of the face. This controlled the hemorrhage. The bullet has not been located as yet and will not be at present until it causes or threatens to cause trouble where it is. Dr. Russell and myself agree that the patient is doing as well as could be expected under the circumstances. He is in an excellent condition and the prospects for his recovery are very promising. But it is impossible to tell definitely in cases of this kind for at least 48 hours."

Story of the Tragedy.

The story leading up to the shooting is in substance as follows: Shortly before 7 o'clock this morning Chappel appeared at Whitney's second hand store and offered to sell a lot of cutlery that he carried in a sack under his overcoat. Whitney divining that the goods had been stolen induced Chappel to leave the stuff behind for examination, telling him to return by 8 o'clock and he would decide whether he wanted to buy or not. As soon as Chappel went out Whitney sent word to McPhee, who soon appeared at the store. Judging from Chappel's appearance that he was a desperate character and fearing he might wreak vengeance upon him if identified with his capture, Whitney arranged with McPhee that Chappel should be captured somewhere on the outside. Under these plans when Chappel returned McPhee waited for him on the outside. Whitney informed Chappel that he did not want to buy the goods as he believed they were stolen. This Chappel practically admitted.

Was Quick With His Gun.

Chappel then came out and went east on Sprague avenue. When he had reached about the centre of the block, between Howard and Stevens, McPhee walked up to Chappel and tapped him on the shoulder. Quick as a flash the latter wheeled around and fired point blank at McPhee from a revolver carried in his overcoat pocket. McPhee fell to the walk with blood spurting from the wound in the chin. Taking one hasty glance to see the effect of his shot, the would-be murderer dropped his cultery and started to run. He made directly across the street and through the vacant property between the Blalock block and Sloane-Paine-Richmond company's store. He shed his overcoat on the run, but still retained the revolver in his hand. He was closely pursued and took refuge in an outhouse across the track between Howard and Stevens streets.

Died Sooner Than Surrender.

Here he was held at bay until Deputy Sheriff Ferguson arrived. When ordered to come out a shot was fired from within. Ferguson returned the shot under the impression that Chappel was firing at him. Waiting a moment and hearing no sound from within the officer looked in and there on the vault stool lay the man with blood and brains oozing from a gaping wound in his right temple. His death had come almost instantly.

For a time Ferguson thought that the bullet from his gun had killed the man, but it was found later to be a case of suicide. The shot fired by Ferguson had only caused a flesh wound in the man's arm. Chappel has a brother named Wm. Chappel, who is engaged in mining somewhere in British Columbia.

M'PHEE WAS CARELESS

He Tells How Chappel Got a Chance to Shoot Him.

Had Noticed the Peculiar Way He Held His Hand, But Never Imagined He Had a Pistol.

SPOKANE, Wash., April 13.—[Special]—Detective McPhee, who was shot by the burglar Arthur Chappel, is getting along nicely, and, while the wound is becoming very painful, Dr. Luhn says his condition is such as to give every hope of his ultimate recovery. Many friends of the well-known officer have called at the hospital today to make inquiries as to his condition. In nearly all cases the visitors were denied admission to the sick room, as the patient is not in a condition to stand the strain of talking or of being talked to.

THE MINER's correspondent called at the hospital this morning, and was permitted by Dr. Luhn to hold a brief interview with the wounded man concerning the immediate circumstances surrounding the shooting of himself by Chappel. With considerable difficulty McPhee recounted the arrangements made with Mr. Whitney, the second-hand man, for Chappel's capture all of which was told in yesterday's MINER, and also how he trailed the man on the street.

McPhee's Story.

"He was on the point of going into Osborne's second hand store when I stepped up to him and tapped him on the shoulder and asked him what he had in the sack," said McPhee. "He replied that he had some knives. 'Where did you get them?' said I. He said: 'I got them at a second hand store.' 'Well,' said I, 'come on with me to the store and we will see about it.' With that I turned about to start off with him when he up and fired at me.

"I was not feeling well at the time and to this circumstance I attribute my want of proper precaution in watching the fellow closely. The moment before he shot me I noticed he held his right hand in a peculiar manner, but thought nothing strange of it. When I was shot I for the first time discovered that he had a revolver in his hand, the barrel of the weapon having been in the sleeve of the mackintosh that he wore. What happened after I was shot is a blank to me."

Bullet Not Yet Located.

It is a remarkable circumstance from the nature of the wound that McPhee's jaw bone was not shot away. How the bullet escaped is a mystery yet unsolved as the doctors have not attempted to trace the course from the point of entry. One tooth was carried away.

A curious stream of people has been going in and out of the morgue since the body of Arthur Chappel was taken there yesterday morning, and thousands of men and many women have viewed the grewsome sight. This morning Coroner Kimball held an inquest over the body, the jury finding a verdict in accordance with the facts previously given, that he died from a bullet in the brain fired from a revolver held by himself with suicidal intent.

A request was received from Chappel's wife at Dayton today asking that the body be shipped there. His brother, William Chappel, is in the hog raising business near Trail.

LOUIE GRICKSON WANTED

He Half Killed Henry Dixon at Sheep Creek Falls.

The Latter is Lying in Northport in a Critical Condition—A Most Fiendish Assault.

NORTHPORT, Wash., April 12.—[Special.]—A serious cutting affray occurred Sunday evening about 6 o'clock at August Nelson's boarding camp just above Sheep creek falls, on the Red Mountain railway. A man named Louie Grickson returned from Northport full of fighting whisky and proceeded to pick a quarrel with Henry Dixon, a railroad hand, who was temporarily assisting the cook, J. B. Kean, in the kitchen. A man named Anderson heard the two men quarrelling inside the tent and looking in, saw Dixon speechless and trying to crawl to the door of the tent and Louie Grickson, with uncontrollable passion, stamping on his face and standing over him with a hatchet.

Anderson rushed out, called for help, and by the time he returned to the cookhouse the injured man lay outside by a stump in an unconscious condition. His head was bathed in blood, and an examination showed his skull to be split open nearly five inches long and his left arm broken and cut to the bone above the wrist.

Kean, the cook, washed his wounds and applied flour to staunch the bleeding, while medical aid was summoned from Northport. Dr. Harris responded, and today the injured man was brought to town on a litter, and he is now lying in a very critical condition at the Gem lodging house.

Deputy Sheriff Sam Wigton left early this morning for the camp armed with a warrant for the arrest of Erickson. Wigton found his man had started for Rossland and has gone on there, and if necessary will apply for his extradition. The hatchet that did the deadly work is now in the possession of the justice at Northport.

THE BONDING SYSTEM.

Is Advantageous to Both Nations, Says Edward Farrar.

OTTAWA, Ont., April 12.—Edward Farrar, of Toronto, has written a report on "The bonding privilege," addressed to the chairman of the committee on interstate commerce of the United States. The report has been prepared at the request of the committee and is taken from the blue books of the Canadian government and the books of the Canadian railways which make use of the bonding privileges. Dealing first with the territory west of the great lakes, Mr. Farrar says:

"It is also true that west of the great lakes there is no overlapping of territory such as occurs east of them to render the bonding system almost a necessity. Nevertheless it would appear to be in the interest of both countries that the bonding system should be maintained west of the great lakes where nothing but a surveyor's line divides the two, or rather distinguishes one from the other, for a distance of 2,000 miles. If the Canadian Pacific obtains a share of the trans-continental railway traffic of the United States, which but for the bonding system would all be divided amongst the American railways, it seems obvious that its competition must be beneficial to American shippers just as the competition of the Northern Pacific and Great Northern for the transcontinental traffic of Canada must be beneficial to Canadians, although it diverts traffic from the Canadian Pacific."

In conclusion, Mr. Farrar, in his report says: "Leading Canadian liberals including Mr. Laurier, now premier of the Dominion, have all along condemned the restrictions imposed upon American fishermen in Canadian ports. No doubt they will take steps before long to remove the grievance. When it is out of the way the bonding system will be fairly administered from one end of the international frontier to the other. The maintenance of the system is advantageous, I venture to think, to the interests of the upper tier of states, between the Atlantic and Pacific, as those of Canada, and its impairment or abolition, whether east of the great lakes or west of them, would look like a blow at civilization."

JIM HILL'S SLATE.

The Men He Wants for Officers of the Northern Pacific.

NEW YORK, April 12.—A railway president of national prominence said to an Associated Press reporter today: "Whether J. J. Hill will succeed in being the power behind the throne in the Northern Pacific Railway company's affairs, or whether he will be beaten now as he was two years ago, when he tried to consolidate the Northern Pacific and the Great Northern systems, I can only surmise. This I do know. Mr. Hill's slate as successor next June to the Winter regime in the Northern Pacific is: Daniel S. Lamont, ex-secretary of war, for president; Marcus Daly, the multi-millionaire and well-known horse breeder, for vice-president; Fred. Underwood, now general manager of the Minneapolis, St. Paul and Sault Ste Marie railway, for general manager. This was the slate canvassed in London with the Deutsche bank stockholders."

Pennsylvania's Starving Miners.

WILKESBARRE, Penn., April 13.—The closing down of the mines in Plymouth has caused much destitution among the miners and their families residing in that town. Today Mayor Nichols of Wilkesbarre visited the garbage dumps on the east side of the Susquehanna river, opposite Plymouth, and was surprised to find scores of persons picking through the garbage and rubbish, eagerly seizing scraps of victuals, decayed vegetables, etc., in order to keep from starving. The mayor will make an appeal to the charitably inclined for immediate relief for the sufferers.

To Preserve Order In Hawaii.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 13.—The Japanese legation authorizes the statement that only one Japanese ship of war has sailed for Hawaii. The purpose, the legation says, is not to intimidate Hawaii, but to aid in preserving order among the excited Japanese residents. The Japanese government believes the difficulty in regard to rejected immigrants is susceptible of settlement by diplomatic negotiations, and it is asserted at the legation that that will be the only method resorted to.

Smuggled From Canada.

NEW YORK, April 13.—Adolph Kluge, of the firm of Kluge Bros., constituting the German Artistic Weaving company, of this city, was held in $2,500 bail today by United States Commissioner Alexander for examination on Saturday, upon a charge of aiding in smuggling from Canada into the United States several trunks containing woven labels and silk trimmings, and the customs officials claim the goods were smuggled across the border last Saturday.

FIRST TEST VOTE

Alderman Raymer Wanted to Enlarge the Standing Committees.

SCOTT COULD NOT SEE IT

He Voted With Fraser and McPherson, Making Each Vote a Tie—Lots of Applicants for Jobs—License By-Law Ordered Prepared.

After listening to a number of applications for various positions the city council Monday adopted resolutions providing for the building of crossings on certain streets; instructed the fire, water and light committee to purchase 1,000 feet of hose, and prepared the way for adopting a set of by-laws regulating licenses for liquors and so forth, and then adjourned till Tuesday eveining, April 20.

When the mayor called the meeting to order Alderman Campbell was the only member absent. The following applications were read by the clerk: William Henry Cooper, for municipal clerk; B. F. Bradford, sewer department; J. G. Cameron, water department; J. E. Hooson, chief of police; Alfred W. Dyer, city engineer; George L. Merry, street commissioner; L. Martin, janitor; William McQueen, city clerk; Guy R. Wilcox, chief of fire department; Fred Winsor, same; James Langsley, sanitary officer; W. C. Forrester, assistant chief of police; C. D. Smith, sanitary officer; E. V. Crafton, city scavenger; D. H. Gerow, police officer.

J. L. Stanford submitted a plan for equipping the business portion of the city with a proper sewerage system, which will cost $40,000, and providing for two receiving tanks with a capacity of 50,000 gallons each. The matter was referred to the board of works.

A petition signed by business men, protesting against the erection of a building on Lincoln street for immoral purposes, was also referred to the board of works.

John Bennett made an application for the position of assessor, and suggested that the duties of assessor and collector be combined.

The board of works was instructed to purchase lumber with which to make crossings for Spokane and St. Paul streets.

The finance committee reported that its members had visited the different banks for the purpose of raising municipal funds until the city was in a position to care for itself, and had no trouble to get money as soon as it was needed.

Resolutions petitioning the government to locate a proper court house in this city, owing to increased court business, were read and adopted, and the clerk was instructed to telegraph the purport of the same to the government, at the same time urging the necessity of speedy action.

Councilman Fraser thought that the assessed value of the city ought to be known, and advised that the offices of collector and assessor, or of city clerk and treasurer, be combined, in order that those officials could be appointed as soon as possible.

The mayor said it was a matter of business to curtail expenses, and thought it a very good plan to combine the two former offices if found practible.

Mr. Raymer was in favor of making the assessor do the collecting and act as city treasurer besides. The city clerk, he thought, would have all he could attend to.

Mr. Raymer's next remarks met with strong opposition. In order that three members might be on each committee, so that two members would always be present, he moved that the following additions be made: Johnson on board of works, McPherson on finance and Wallace on light and water. Wallace seconded the motion. Considerable discussion was then indulged in as to the position of the mayor in his relation both to the council and its committees.

Mr. Fraser objected to Mr. Raymer's motion on the ground that all the members were not present. Raymer insisted on the motion and Fraser moved to adjourn. Raymer raised a point of order, but the chair put the motion to adjourn, which was lost.

Then an amendment to the original motion, which required the full council to be present before considering the original motion, was made by Fraser. The question then came up whether or not the mayor could vote, and the city solicitor was appealed to. He read the law and decided that the mayor could. The mayor then voted for the amendment and against the original motion. This resulted in a tie, so both motions were lost, the law providing that the mayor can vote, but whenever the vote is a tie the motion is lost. Aldermen Raymer, Johnson and Wallace voted together, and Mayor Scott voted with Aldermen Fraser and McPherson in each instance.

City Solicitar McNeil was given notice to prepare a license by-law, to be acted upon at the next regular meeting. A by-law providing for the storage of powder, with penalties attached, will also be submitted at the same time.

The finance committee was instructed to purchase a corporate seal for the city.

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