

LOOKS LIKE MURDER

Another Body Found in the Yukon

Peices of Rope Tightly Bound to the Left Wrist and Left Ankle.

There is a probability that the list of Yukon murders has been augmented in the not very remote past, another added to the list of crimes of which this country has been the scene since the greed for gold induced men to leave their homes and come to this far-off northland.

A body picked up in the Yukon river by a log rafter named Paul Forrest was brought to the city yesterday evening. It was found some distance above Ogilvie in a slough into which Forrest's raft had been carried by a contrary current. Forrest, on seeing the body, tied up his raft and dragged the remains on it from the water. He sent word to the police at Ogilvie of his find and they in turn notified their superiors at Dawson.

Inspector Jarvis and Surgeon Madore of the Selkirk post were instructed to repair to the place of the discovery, which they did, bringing the body on to Ogilvie where a brief examination was made, but enough to arouse a suspicion that a murder had been committed. It was therefore decided to bring the body on to Dawson which was done, arriving here yesterday evening.

The body has evidently been in the water some time, possibly three months or longer; in fact, from its decomposed appearance it may have gone into the river through the ice sometime last winter.

The most suspicious feature discovered in the brief examination made at Ogilvie was the fact that a cord is tied around the left wrist and one around the left ankle, each cord or rope being of quarter-inch size and about 30 inches long. Money to the amount of \$10.15 was found on the body. The body was taken to the barracks morgue last night.

This morning a coroner's jury was empanelled which has been in session since. Owing to the decomposed condition of the body the process of close examination for wounds is necessarily slow. At two o'clock this afternoon nothing had been found by which the identity of the body could be established. The examination will be a thorough one, requiring perhaps several days to complete, and if another murder has been committed the fact will be established.

The body is evidently that of a medium sized man but as yet no exact idea can be formed as to probable age.

Ever since the finding of Bouthillette's body and the learning of his having left Whitehorse in company with four other men, there is said to be grounds for a belief among the police that three of the five men were killed instead of one, and on that theory a most careful and systematic search is being conducted by the police on the river the entire distance between Dawson and Five Fingers.

The Yukon is remarkable for giving up its dead and the police are equally remarkable for ferreting out clues, and the two together render it next to impossible for the perpetrators of these river murders to escape detection.

CHURCH NOTICES.

Methodist Church—The regular quarterly sacramental service will be held in the morning. Pastor's subject, "A Personal Sacrifice for Sin." Evening subject, "Make the Most of Yourself." Special music with Mr. J. A. Boyle at the organ. Mrs. R. P. Ritchie will sing at the evening service tomorrow during the offertory, "The Earth is the Lord's," by Schencker.

St. Andrew's Church—The following special music will be rendered at tomorrow evening's service at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church: Messrs. Friemuth and Searelle will play Raff's Cavatina, a duet for violin and organ, and the choir will sing Schilling's anthem, entitled "Softly Now the Light of Day," with soprano and contralto solos.

Entertainment Last Night. A noteworthy entertainment was given at the St. Andrew's church last night. The occasion was in the nature of a farewell to the old officers of the Salvation Army and a welcome to the new ones who have just arrived in Dawson.

The auditorium of the church was

comfortably filled by an audience all of whom thoroughly enjoyed the splendid program which was rendered.

The Salvation Army has accomplished a vast amount of good work in Dawson a fact of which the citizens of the town generally are strongly appreciative. The program of the evening was as follows: Selection, organ. Selected Mr. Searelle.

Address: Rev. Dr. Grant. Solo—"The Better Land" F. H. Cowen Mrs. Dr. Thompson.

Address: Rev. W. H. Barraclough. Reading—"So Flows the Yukon" Miss E. Coleman.

Address: Adjutant J. Barr. Solo—"Now I Lay Me Down to Sleep" Stanley Mrs. Boyes.

Address: Adj. G. Kenway. Solo—"Daddy" Behrend Mr. McLeod.

Congregation: "God be with you till we meet again By His counsels guide uphold you. With His sheep securely fold you, God be with you till we meet again."

CONTRACT UNSIGNED

Water Company Unable to Agree

With the City Council as to the Terms of the Three Year's Contract.

Closing the contract for the installation of the new water system the Dawson Water and Power Company proposed to put in for the use of the city for the annual fee of \$15,000 is still hanging fire and no one seems to know how the matter is going to culminate. Mr. Matheson met the members of the council in the office of the city engineer Thursday afternoon but after wrangling for a considerable length of time they were no farther advanced than they were at the beginning. The main difficulty appears to be as to the nature of the contract the mayor will sign and Mr. Matheson accept. At the meeting referred to there was a contract on hand drawn up by City Solicitor Donaghy, but there were provisions in it the manager of the water company did not like and others that he wished inserted were left out, and he would not accept it. The position taken by the council in the matter is this: The contract runs for three years and as it is scarcely probable that the personnel of the council in 1905 will be the same as it is now the present members do not wish to make a deal that their successors in office can find fault with. They insist they wish nothing that is not just but desire to protect the city in all manner possible. On the other hand Mr. Matheson is a shrewd business man and is not looking for the worst of it. The system will involve an outlay of \$100,000 and he naturally wants as much protection for his investment as the city does for its taxpayers.

In the meantime the summer is passing and unless the equipment has already been ordered (and it is said Mr. Matheson has reported it has been) there are grave doubts of its arriving before the close of navigation. The pumps, engines and boilers are massive affairs, to say nothing of the miles of piping that will be required, and the forwarding and transferring of such freight can not be expedited as can a crate of hams or a few sacks of flour. If the water system is to be put in this season no time should be lost in coming to an agreement.

To Race Tonight

Tonight Sandy Frew of Dawson and Constable Wright of Grand Forks will run a 100-yard footrace at the latter place. The race will take place at 8 o'clock on Woodburn avenue, the principal thoroughfare of the burg and considerable money will change hands on the result. Both are fast men and the friends of each are backing their favorite for their entire pokes.

Gen. Carter Detailed

Washington, July 22.—Brig. Gen. W. H. Carter has been detailed as acting adjutant general during the absence of Gen. Corbin in Europe, in addition to duty as member of the war board.

WILL NOT BE WITHDRAWN

Result of a Protest in South Dawson

A Test of Electric Light Pumps Shows Them to be Unequal for Protection.

The resolution which was passed at the last meeting of the city council in reference to the taking out of commission of No. 3 fire engine located at South Dawson has been rescinded and matters in that connection will stand as they are at present, at least for the time being. The change in the decision of the council has been brought about by an investigation of the fire fighting qualities of the pump and equipment it was proposed to use in lieu of the engine, the property of the Dawson Electric Light and Power Company. The day following the passage of the resolution referred to the citizens of South Dawson held an indignation meeting at which a strong protest was registered against the proposed action of the council, it being declared that such action would leave that portion of the city virtually without any protection whatever from fire. The meeting appointed a committee consisting of Dr. Alfred Thompson and Mr. J. Langlois Bell who were instructed to wait on the council and do their utmost to have the resolution reconsidered. The committee met the fire, water and light committee by appointment and after stating their objections in as forcible manner as possible it was decided to defer action until the merits of the Electric Light Company's equipment could be tested. Both committees repaired to the plant of the company Wednesday forenoon and the test was made to the complete satisfaction of all concerned. Mr. Williams, manager of the company, was very frank in regard to the power of his pumps and did not hesitate to tell the gentlemen that they would not do what was expected of them. Investigation proved his statements to be correct. The equipment was found to be wholly inadequate to afford any measure of fire protection and the fire committee of the council decided then and there to not make the proposed change. The stream thrown by the pump was small and of little force, scarcely more than sufficient to carry it across the street, and it could be operated but a short time until a stop would have to be made in order to fill the boilers.

When the matter first came up in the council the change was proposed as a matter of economy, the saving which would be effected amounting to about \$500 a month. It was said that the Electric Light Company had offered the use of their equipment to the city gratis in case of fire and the protection it would afford would be ample for the entire district. The citizens and the property owners thought different with the result just stated. It would now be interesting to know which member of the council it was who first proposed the change.

Dutton Held Over

Thos. Dutton, the negro accused of stealing a gold watch and chain at the Klondike City hotel, was this morning held over to the territorial court for trial. Dutton introduced some evidence in his own behalf but it in nowise changed the phase of the case against him.

James Smith, another negro charged with stealing oats, was remanded for hearing until Monday.

Charge Was Dismissed.

Jack Crowley and Herbert Cameron were yesterday afternoon dismissed on the charge of stealing three cords of wood from Andrew Robel on Hunker creek. From the testimony of numerous witnesses it was apparent that the wood was appropriated through mistake and civil action should have been taken to recover its value, which was placed at \$30.

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Tonight's Benefit

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Bears Are Numerous

Berry pickers will do well to not dispute possession of a bush with bears, which are reported very numerous this season. Two large black bears are reported as having been seen on the sidehill between Dawson and Captain Jack's flag Thursday evening. They were near the summit.

Chief Isaac's Visitors

Chief Isaac of the Moosehide tribe of Indians, is now entertaining some of his distinguished relatives, one of whom is his uncle, the chief of the Tanana Tribe, Chief Isaac's son, "Salmon Boy," with his squaw and papoose from the Tanana, are also guests of the Moosehide chieftain.

Cut His Wife's Throat.

Halifax, July 21.—Six weeks ago Geo. W. Cooke, 45 years old, was married to Lydia Arnold, 42 years of age. Tonight he cut off her head with a razor. Cooke and his wife had been living with the latter's sister. At 6:30 this morning the latter heard her sister scream and rushing up to the room found her sister lying on the floor with her throat cut from

ear to ear. She ran to the nearest police station and an officer was sent up, who found Cooke lying on the bed under which his murdered wife's body partially lay. The man was actually lying in his wife's blood. Cooke submitted to arrest without resistance, and told the officer that he had "finished her," and had cut her throat with the razor. Cooke is an old soldier.

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