

Selected Articles.

DETAILS OF PRESIDENT McKINLEY'S CASE.

NARRATED BY THE RECORDER AT THE OPERATION.

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William McKinley, President of the United States, was shot while holding a public reception in the Temple of Music, at the Pan-American Exposition on Friday, September 6th, 1901, at seven minutes after four o'clock.

For full seven days the President lingered, dying at fifteen minutes after two o'clock on the morning of Saturday, September 14th, at the residence of Mr. John G. Milburn, to which he had been removed the day of the shooting.

When he was shot the President did not lose consciousness; he saw the crowd fling itself upon his assailant and bear him to the floor; he heard the angry cries for vengeance and stretched forth his hand as if in benediction and said: "Let no one harm him."

The ambulance clanged its way through the densely packed crowd and the stricken President was lifted from the chair into which he had sunk and was placed on the stretcher. This was lifted into place and the ambulance, surrounded by soldiers and police, whirled away to the hospital. Inside the vehicle lay the Chief Magistrate of the United States, carefully attended by Dr. G. McK. Hall and Mr. E. C. Mann, the latter a senior medical student on the staff of the medical department of the Pan-American Hospital.

AT THE HOSPITAL.

Arriving at the hospital the President was taken to the operating room and placed on the table. The doctors of the staff undressed him and ministered to his personal comfort. A hypodermic of morphine was given, and almost immediately the telephones began their jingling cry for help.

Dr. Roswell Park, medical director of the exposition, had gone to Niagara Falls to perform an operation. An effort was made to secure the services of Dr. Edward J. Meyer. He, too, was absent from the city. In the meantime Dr. M. D. Mann and Dr. John Parmenter had been sent for and found. Dr. Herman Mynter also was reached, and in a very short time word came that Dr. Park had been communicated with, and was on his way from the Falls in a special train.