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MURDER AND SUICIDE.

Harry Davis Shoots and Kills Maud Roselle.

MURDERER JUST BACK FROM CIRCLE CITY.

Was Around Town During the Night Spending His Money.

Dawson's List of Tragedies Continues to Grow—Jealousy Apparently the Provocation—Was Witnessed by Blanch Lamont.

Maud Roselle, an actress at the Monte Carlo theater, was shot and instantly killed at 7:10 this morning by Harry Davis, her lover. Her slayer then put a ball into his own brain. The tragedy occurred in Blanch Lamont's room, on

it. Later on Davis began to drink and spent much time about the theater.

At about 4:30 this morning, Davis and the woman went into one of the boxes, where they had a long talk, presumably in relation to their personal affairs. What was said is not known, but when they parted it was in apparent good fellowship. He was next seen by T. W. P. Smith, a friend, to whom he imparted the information that he had been drinking hard and had "made a fool of himself."

Miss Roselle also drank considerable during the course of the night and when last seen alive she was somewhat under the influence of liquor. At about 7 o'clock she went up stairs intending to retire, and a few minutes later the house rang with a shriek, followed by the two fatal shots.

Miss Lamont stated immediately after the tragedy that Davis was in Maud's room when the latter entered, Davis having his hat and coat off. The two began to converse and Maud was heard to tell Davis that she was going to leave him. He pleaded with her and the two exchanged kisses, but Maud was evidently determined in her course and tried

each case. The revolver used was of 38-calibre, and both bullets lodged in the brain.

The room where the tragedy occurred is the same one in which, only a few months ago, Dave Evans murdered Libbie White and then took his own life.

Davis was a very popular young man of about 30 years, whose family reside at Emporia, Kan. The woman has a husband in the states and a sister lives at Tingley, Ia. She was about 25 years of age, of a happy disposition, exceptionally bright and possessed a quick, keen humor that made her a favorite on the stage. Her maiden name was Maud Ross.

The tragedy cast a deep gloom over the establishment where it occurred that was reflected on every hand about town.

The remains were placed in the care of Hobbs & Smith.

Moose Creek to the Fore.

C. F. Taylor, a bright and hustling young miner from the Forty-Mile district, is sojourning in the city. He brought out several hundred dollars in dust from his claim, No. 3, on Moose creek, a tributary of Forty Mile coming

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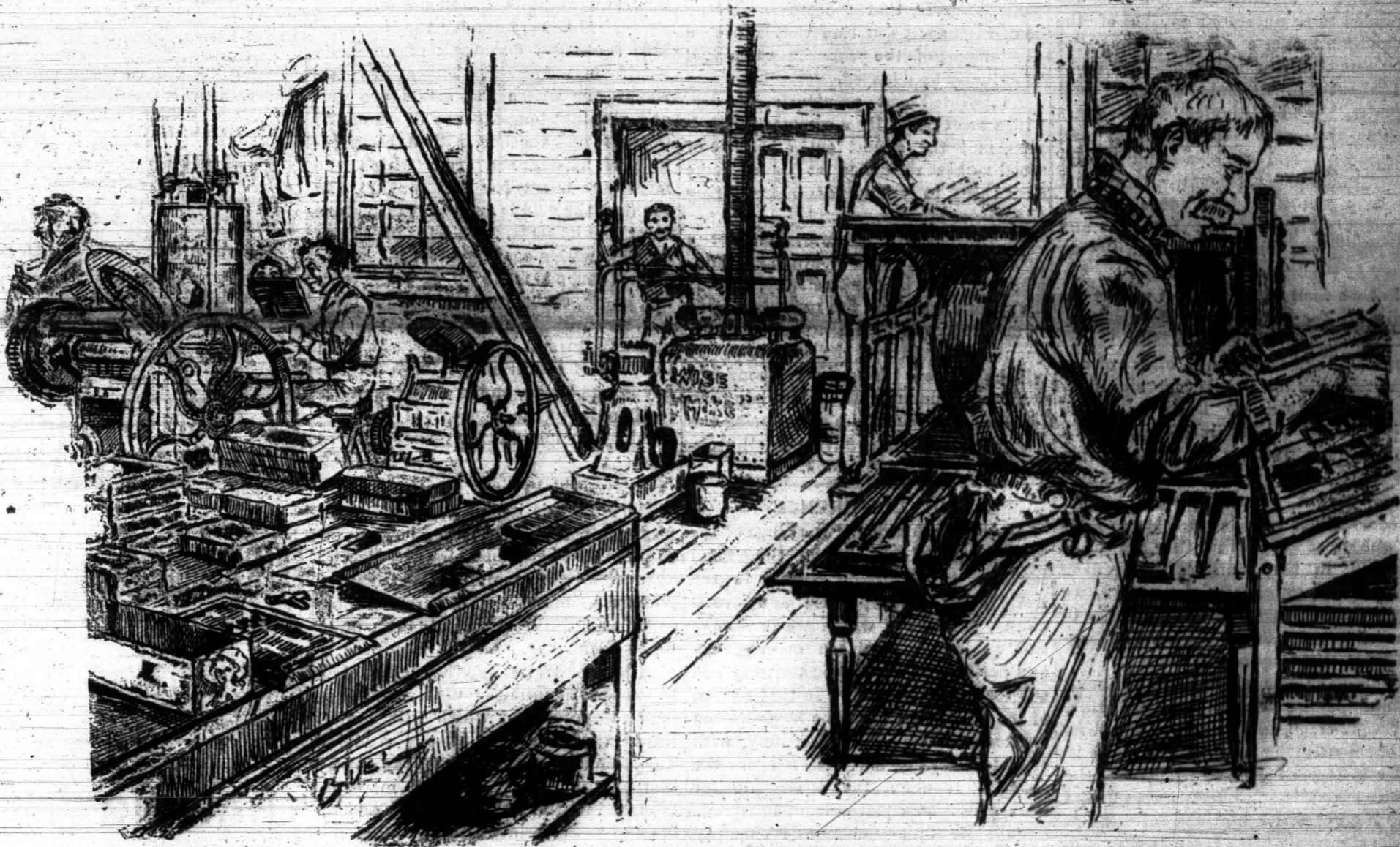
A Citizen Thinks He Has Been Shamefully Abused.

If the Facts Are as He States, He Seems to Have Good Reason for the Protest He Makes.

John Leinns and about 15 other parties, who until recently have occupied cabins on the Klondike bank, report an action on the part of the sheriff's office which seems to call for a protest.

Some time ago all occupants of the Klondike water front were served with a notice to vacate the premises or suffer eviction, it being the intention of the authorities to clear the ground, as had been done with the down-town water front.

In compliance with this order, Leinns and the others who owned the cabins proceeded to pull down their buildings, preparatory to moving the material from the ground.



INTERIOR OF THE "NUGGET'S" MECHANICAL DEPARTMENT.

the second floor of the theater, and that young lady was a horrified spectator. The two had been lovers, and the terrible crime was doubtless induced through the efforts of the woman to break off the relationship. Indeed, it is said she had formed an attachment for a certain prominent young citizen in whose company she had been much of late.

Miss Roselle was a resident of Dawson last summer, at which time she was one of the most popular women on the stage. She went outside in the fall and only returned to town about three weeks ago at once returning to her position at the Monte Carlo.

Davis was the A. C. Co.'s agent at Fort Yukon in 1897 and was a cashier in the office here in 1898. His last employment was as weigher for the Novelty theater, and when that place was shut down a few weeks ago he went to Circle to look after some mining interests. He only returned to town yesterday, and not long after his arrival, meeting Billy Thomas, he told him that Maud was trying to shake him. Billy tried to cheer him up and thought no more of

to dismiss Davis with a promise to meet him in the afternoon. Davis, however, got up and locking the door, said "No, you won't; you will see me now and you will never leave me."

Whether it was because of the tone in which he spoke or whether he pulled his revolver there is no knowing, but Maud became frightened and ran into Miss Lamont's room, the door to which was only covered by a curtain. Davis hurried after and caught Maud as she reached the door leading to the corridor.

He threw her violently to the floor, and without the loss of a moment, placed a revolver to her head and pulled the trigger. Then, standing erect, he put a ball into his right temple and fell a corpse over the bleeding body of his victim. Several people down stairs who heard the scream and shots ran up, but both spirits had fled.

Captain Stearns was soon on the scene and, after learning the circumstances, decided that an inquest would be unnecessary. Dr. Thompson, the barracks surgeon, examined the wounds and declared that death was instantaneous in

in on the right limit, 26 miles from the mouth. Though opened up only this spring, Mr. Taylor says Moose creek is one of the most promising sections in the district outside of Jack Wade. At No. 4 above, \$50 a day to the shovel is being taken out. So far the gold found is in the creek bed, as little prospecting has been done. The paystreak is 20 feet wide and 18 inches deep, but no one has yet reached solid bedrock. The soil is all loose, too, obviating the use of the pick and making sluicing an easy matter. The known deposit is in Canadian territory.

Mr. Taylor says that Poker and Davis creeks have also paid well, but operations there were suspended six weeks ago owing to the scarcity of water. As high as \$70 to the shovel has been secured there. The gold brought out by the gentleman is exceedingly dark in color, but assays high.

McCaughey Bros. got another consignment of liquor through on Saturday, consisting of 400 cases of whiskey and 450 cases of beer. It was part of the large consignment held up by the revenue officials at Bennett, but which was shown to have been in transit on April 13, the date of the regulation cancelling liquor permits.

Leinn's cabin was a frame structure, 12x28 feet, and in addition he had some three cords of wood piled on the lot.

On last Tuesday, at 1 p. m., no previous notice of sale having been served, Corporal Carter, acting as deputy sheriff, appeared on the scene and, according to Mr. Leinn's statement, proceeded to sell everything in sight.

Leinn was absent at the time, and when he returned he found that his three cords of wood and the lumber from his cabin had been knocked down under the hammer for the munificent sum of \$12.

Notice was given the purchasers at the same time that the ground must be cleaned by Monday next, or the lumber and whatever else remained would be again sold.

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Strong Testimonials by Some Who Have Been There.

Special Correspondent of the "Nugget" Gives His Views—Will Be a Good Mining Camp in a Year.

Some is rich in gold and some day will be a first-class mining camp. At present things are in a chaotic condition. I wouldn't recommend anybody to go there...

"I think that Anvil shows up some good quartz prospects and look for substantial developments there in that line. The formation is the same as in Eldorado. Over in the Golovin bay country, too, a silver deposit discovered 19 years ago is being worked."

What the Dawsonites are Doing.

Asked about the doings of the Dawsonites, Mr. Wilson said: "James White, Bob Griffith and 'Tex' had a saloon at Anvil, but they sold out a few days before and I understand, each cleared about \$6500. Frank Schow has an interest in a saloon called the Elk, and Bob English is running the Pioneer. Dick McArthur and Fay Delezene have taken a lay for three years on No. 2 above on Anvil creek; there is good pay above and below them, but they have been busy putting in a dam and have not yet taken out anything. Sam Harn, a son-in-law of J. J. Healy, runs a pack train, as also does Mr. Lane; they get 20 cents for handling eight miles to discovery on Anvil. I don't know of any Dawson man who has made any investments or of any who has secured a good claim by staking."

Miscellaneous Things.

Wages in the creeks are 50 per day and board, but if one wishes to work all season he is given \$8. Anvil City has a population of about 2000, with eight saloons, and there are about 2000 people in the Golovin bay country. Lieutenant Craig and 15 soldiers keep order at Nome. Three boats are now running over from St. Michael, the Herman for the A. B. Co., the Sadie for the A. C. Co., and the Discovery, from Seattle. The trip costs \$20 and freight rates are \$20 and \$25 per ton.

Ten Dollars to the Pan.

A well-known Klondiker who went to Nome several weeks ago wrote to a friend this week as follows: Cape Nome, July 17.—L. B. Glass, Dawson.—Dear Sir: I arrived here a few days ago and have been out on some of the creeks. They have good ground here on four creeks and that is all that are working. Four feet is about the deepest they have yet. The district is all staked and most of it is staked by power of attorney. They will have to fight it in the civil court. The troops are here to uphold the law, so a miners' meeting amounts to nothing. They busted one up here that tried to change the laws. We have to abide by Laplanders' law now.

I think there is lots of gold here. The country is not prospected yet; it will be all summer diggings the way things look now. There is no timber here—nothing but beach wood that is driven ashore, and it is a wet swampy country. There will be some claims jumpable if not represented by January 1. I think there will be an opening then. There are lots of Dawson people here, but they will not stay, for it is a rainy place and they never get out to the creeks.

FRANK DAVENPORT.

Anvil City, July 2.—(Editor Klondike Nugget.)—I have just returned from a two days' tramp through the Cape Nome mining district. I saw five claims in operation, three on Anvil and two on

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Snow, the latter named creek being the better of the two; they are taking out about \$300 per day to the shovel. It is three and a half and four feet to bed rock; the pay begins at the grass roots. All they have to do is to shovel off the mess and they are ready to sluice. This is the quickest money I ever saw. Several claim owners will be ready to begin staking in a week or so. I am told that transportation can be had out of here as late as November 1, but I don't believe it. Nothing to build a shelter with timber and blowing almost continuously. We have been working more than a half dozen miles at \$5 per day and board, the wages of the camp, and but few men can be induced to work. All seem to want to try their luck at prospecting. The mining season is about 75 days here. There are claims in this district that have at the present time from six to fifteen feet of solid ice on them and cannot be worked this season, and possibly never. Provisions are much cheaper here than in Dawson, and no doubt will be still cheaper in a short time. Eggs are 75 cents per dozen, flour \$3 per sack, potatoes 10 cents per pound, three cans of milk for a dollar, and everything according. The gold is here but I would not like to tell anyone to let go everything they have up there and come down here.

warehouse, Klondike saloon, the Anvil saloon, Schow's Behring saloon, Price's warehouse, Kelly's warehouse and store, The Elk saloon, Postoffice restaurant, the Pioneer, the Pioneer restaurant, Bartholmew & Ewing, general supplies, the Can Can cafe (Matchett & Mortimer props.), and many others. There have been no large quantities of gold come in from the creeks, but a large number of men have been in our restaurant with dust from Anvil, Snow, Dexter, Boulder and Glacier creeks. A miners' meeting was held on the 6th of July, but was stopped by the U. S. troops, in charge of Lieutenant Spaulding. They used force, but it was uncalled for as the miners were very quiet and peaceable. A resolution was offered, the substance of which was: to open for relocation all claims recorded illegally. There are other troubles here, such as homestead rights, town lots, etc. There is a very good opening for a paper like The Nugget. Every one here feels that it would be the salvation of this camp if such a paper was here. We are doing a \$250 business daily and steadily increasing.

I am informed that 10,000 people are moving from Seattle just as fast as they can secure transportation. There are about 1000 people here now and buildings are going up everywhere; lumber can be had at \$75 per thousand, but nails and carpenters are very scarce at present. We are to have a semi weekly mail service between here and St. Michael, so you can address me Anvil City, via St. Michael. There is going to be a world of trouble over power of attorney claims here, which are being jumped just as fast as they can be found by new comers. I will mail this letter and write another and send it to you with Ed McConnell, who is going to start for Dawson in a few days. You will please forward my mail to Anvil City. I will write you when I return from the trip we are going to take. Hoping that this may find you in good health, with best wishes to all, I remain yours very truly,

PHILIP SMITHMEYER.

There is gold here and plenty of it. Every time the dish water is thrown out there can be seen at least 200 colors in the bottom mixed with fine black sand. Any place on the beach for 20 miles shows 150 to 200 colors to the shovel. On Anvil creek the pay is from the surface down.

A report of a new discovery came in last night, 65 miles west of here, 50 cents to the pan from the surface down. There is no burning to do—simply shovel in. The boat leaves immediately, so I shall have to close. Kind regards to all.

H. B. MATCHETT, Can Can Cafe, Front St.

As Others See Us.

Gold comes from the Klondike at the rate of \$1,000,000 a day—some days.—Topeka Capital.

One Klondike man has managed to get together two tons of gold to show for his year's labor. This is almost as good as farming in Kansas.—Kansas City Journal.

It is estimated that two-thirds of the gold hunters who went to the Klondike country in 1898 returned with nothing to show for their trip, but their cries of distress are well-nigh drowned by the joyous shouts of the minority.—Topeka Capital.

A lucky Klondike miner, if the transportation companies can be believed, pulled an \$1,800 nugget in out of the frost. But a little Klondike wealth calls for a lot of big talk. Eighteen hundred dollars made in any other way would call for no remark.—Minneapolis Journal.

Consul McCook, of Dawson, estimates that the Klondike will produce \$10,000,000 this year. As that amount has been already brought out from that district, it is safe to say that Mr. McCook's estimate is a conservative one.—Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

The announcement that the time between Seattle and Dawson has been reduced to six days sounds more like one of Jules Verne's tales than an actually accomplished fact. Nevertheless, it is a fact; and American push, enterprise and capital have made it a fact.—Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

Notice.

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