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THE FORD KILLING.

French Joe Furnished the Gun That Killed the Murderer.

CREEDEN, Colo., June 8.—A man who is identified by some as the man who passed the shotgun to Kelly with which to shoot Bob Ford was captured at 11 o'clock to-night by Deputy Sheriff Delaney. He is recognized only by the name of "French Joe," and very little is known of him. Joe and companion, the latter an officer at Wesson, were walking along the side of the school land, near First street, when Delaney came upon them. Delaney placed his hand on Joe's right hand, which he had on his revolver, lying inside the waistband of his pants.

On being approached in this manner, the man in a trembling voice inquired the cause. He was told he was under arrest by warrant and to give up his weapon, which he did. He was then locked up.

His companions tell of a conversation which passed between them which is likely to prove him the man wanted. This man says Joe would frequently change his gun from his pocket and carry it in his hand, and sometimes walk with folded arms with the gun under his arm. One time he remarked:

"Well, I guess there will be a double lynching before morning, and Kelly and I will be in it."

Another probable evidence of his participation lies in the fact that he was extremely nervous when Delaney arrested him.

Tents, Cabins and Timber Burned.

CREEDEN, Colo., June 8.—A forest fire started in West Willow Gulch, east of the Amethyst Mine, and for over an hour burned along in a south-westerly direction, destroying timber and tents and cabins for a distance of 1,200 feet; then dashed across to the east side of the creek, and up the hill toward the Holy Moses Mine.

It is still burning at 11 o'clock, but no damage in the latter locality has yet been done. At one point it came over the hill to the Nelson Tunnel, but hard work on the part of the men there saved that property.