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The Chico Murder.

FOUNTAIN, October 27.—On the 24th inst., one Mr. Smith, of Warren Basin, Pueblo county, as we understand, appeared in Pueblo before the authorities and confessed to having killed William Frank, better known as Bill Darr, formerly in the employ of Mr. Darr, a cattle dealer, whose stock ranch is located in Warren Basin. But according to the statement of Mr. William Holmes, a very reliable gentleman residing in the Chico Basin, about three quarters of a mile from Mr. Tucker's house, where the frightful trageky was enacted, it was not the man whom Smith said he killed, but a small boy, without any deadly weapons whatever. Further evidence gathered here to-day proves the unfortunate victim to be William Wilson, whose father resides at Cheyenne Mountain, where he is engaged in mining for silver, and who had sent his son down to the basin to get a pony that had been left in the care of either Mr. Smith or Mr. Tucker, we did not learn which, and thus his fate. Mr. Imes, a well known citizen residing here, and who is personally acquainted with Mr. Wilson and his son, says that the boy is very civil, unassuming, rather delicate and small, and about fourteen years of age. The excuse for the committal of the murder is self defence, but this statement shows a shade of doubt as to the credibility of Mr. Smith's story.

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