

Department of Commerce and Labor

IMMIGRATION SERVICE

OFFICE OF Chinese Inspectors,

PORT OF Nogales, Arizona,

April 2, 1906......, 190

Mr. Geo. W. Webb,
Inspector in Charge,
Nogales, Arizona.

Sir:

Referring to your request of even date, to submit to you a statement of the circumstances connected with the disturbance caused by J. D. Kidder, Territorial Range Rider, in Cazabon's restaurant, on the evening of March 29, 1906, by drawing and shoving his 6-shooter in Inspector J. D. Milton's face, I beg to say that on the evening named, about 5:45, P.M., Inspector Milton and I went to supper at Cazabon's place.

When we went into the dining room, another man was sitting at the table whom Mr. Milton introduced to me as Mr. Kidder.

The table seats three persons, two at ends and one on the side, Milton sitting at one end, Kidder in the middle or at the side and I at the other end.

The supper was served, Milton and Kidder doing the talking, and I, being disinterested, remained quiet. Eventually my attention was called to the remark by Mr. Milton, that some person being discussed["] was a lady["], the wife of a friend of Milton's and

that Kidder ought not to talk about her. This lady was sitting with her husband at the next table to ours, my back being to that table. Kidder, I understood said he was going to make her notice him, or words to that effect.

Mr. Milton all the while kept requesting Kidder to cease talking about the lady, as there were other persons in the dining room, and suggested that they wait until they got outside and then talk it over. Kidder, however, continued to talk about her until the dinner was finished, and immediately after Mr. Milton had passed cigars around, without any warning and without any provocation, Kidder shoved his chair back, sprang to his feet, drew his 6-shooter from his pocket, cocked it and shoved it in Milton's face. Milton remained sitting, made a remark that there were ladies and children in the room and told him if he would wait until they got outside, he would have a chance to use his gun. Outside Milton told him that he was a murdering S. B., and that his action proved it. He also told him that if he put his hand to his pocket, he would kill him, and owing to Mr. Kidder's obedience, there was no one killed.

Respectfully,

C. M. Park,

Acting Chinese Inspector,

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2d day of April, 1906,
at Nogales, Arizona.

Geo. W. Coe

Inspector in Charge,
Immigration Service.