

CAUSE OF DEATH A MYSTERY

Dover, Del., May 6.—The body of Horace Marvin, Jr., which was found on Saturday floating in a pool of water less than half a mile from where he was last seen playing on March 4, was interred in "Bay Meadow Lawn," on the Marvin farm.

All the little fellow's playmates and fully 1000 neighbors joined the Marvin family in mourning his death and attended the funeral services, which were conducted by Revs. Hugh B. Jelso and E. H. Nelson.

Prior to the funeral 24 men, composing Coroner Calloway's jury, officially identified the body and authorized the performing of the autopsy. The jury was then discharged to reconvene at the call of the coroner.

There is much to make it appear that the little boy for whom detectives searched so long, wandered away and fell exhausted into the pool on the marshes where his body was found. Drs. James H. Wilson, Wilbur D. Burton, William F. Hoey and Alfred Robyn, the latter a bacteriologist, are trying to determine the cause of death for the coroner, and have decided that he did not drown, although the body was found in a pool of water. No marks of violence were found on the body, and the physicians say that a ridge across the back about four inches wide, that might have been made by the wheel of a wagon passing over it, was caused by the body swelling on either side of the waist band of his kilt suit. The doctors will not say whether or not the child froze to death. The stomach, which was removed by Dr. Robyn, was empty, and the child may either have been frozen or starved to death. The condition of the stomach indicates, according to the physicians, that the boy suffered privation for at least 40 hours prior to death.

Many of the jurymen and detectives are of the opinion that the boy wandered around his father's farm, and in his efforts to get back home over the frozen marshes became exhausted and fell into the pool, where he died from exhaustion and privation. A few still believe that the little fellow was murdered. Though the detectives are of the opinion that the boy fell into the pool and died, they are perplexed at the finding of the body so near to the Marvin home, and at a point which they seem to have gone over again and again. To have reached the spot where the body was found the boy must have walked across frozen and snow-covered fields in the face of a driving wind, and then climbed two high embankments, besides crawling through a barbed-wire fence.

The boy's body, wearing the same clothes which the little fellow had on the day he disappeared, was found deposited on the bay meadows marsh, about a half mile from the straw stack on which he was last seen on March 4.

Dr. Marvin, the little fellow's father, who has searched over the same marsh day and night since the disappearance, and who, with Superintendent Bearse, of the Philadelphia Pinkerton's, burned the grass of level with this identical spot and saw no boy four weeks ago, is satisfied that the little fellow did not die there. Overburdened with his grief and weeping like a child, Dr. Marvin received the news of the finding of the body from Ollie Pleasanton, a neighbor, who was gunning for ducks on the marsh when he chanced to discover the boy.

The child's clothing was intact, and just as it was on the day of his disappearance. Even the mittens were still on his hands. His knitted woolen cap was pulled down over his face, the tassel, however, being almost torn off. The child's face is much discolored.

"Delaware has left its mark of sorrow on my brow, and before the call of autumn has come I hope to be back again with my relatives and old friends in Sioux City, Ia.," declared Dr. Marvin, as he stood at the foot of the mound that marks the spot where the body of his 4-year-old son, Horace, was buried.

"I intend to sell my place at Bay Meadows and to take the remains of little Horace back home with me. I cannot rest in peace on the place that has brought to me so much sorrow, and I will be glad when I quit it. Why should I stay here? Everything on the place will only serve to bring to my memory the awful fate that my 'Chubby' met, and I cannot get away from it quickly enough."

Raided "Black Hand." Johnstown, Pa., May 6.—County Detective Berkebile and 25 members of Troop D, of the state constabulary, arrested 14 Italians at Barnesboro on charges of conspiracy. Preceding the raid, an Italian was shot and badly wounded by a member of the Black Hand because he refused to advance the society a sum of money. The arrests were made without difficulty. Trouble had been anticipated, as the Italians threatened all sorts of trouble if any attempt was ever made to molest them. Not one of them, however, had a word to say.

Three Men Held For Murder. Mount Holly, N. J., May 4.—At the conclusion of the inquest into the death of David Beebe, whose body, with the head crushed, was found early Sunday near Clairsville, three men were held on a charge of murder. They were Caleb Rogers, Theodore Wells and Walter Simon, who are alleged to have been with Beebe immediately preceding his death.

"BLACK HAND" GANG GUILTY

Eleven Convicted By Wilkes-Barre Jury of Conspiracy.

Wilkes-Barre, Pa., May 7.—Eleven of the 13 Italians who had been on trial here, charged with "Black-Hand" crimes, were declared guilty in the Luzerne county court when the sealed verdict of the jury was opened. The other two defendants were acquitted. Those found guilty are Charles Buffalino, Antonio Taglioriana, Charles Gonzaga, Joseph Cornella, Steven Latore, Salvatore Luchinna, Pietro Luchinna, Charles Domenican, Guachina Cimomone, Vincent Loubouna and Chrales Cornella. Those acquitted are Salvatore Volpand and Andrea Paternostra. The principal charge against the men at the trial was the blowing up of the home of an Italian named Rizzo because he refused to pay money to a band of men calling themselves the "Black-Hand" Society.

Counsel for the 11 convicted men made motions for a new trial. Judge Halsey said he would hear argument on the motion next Saturday. The penalty for the crime for which the Italians were convicted is two years.

HELD TRAIN TO KILL GAMBLER

Loser at Cards Murders Winner and Takes Money From Pockets.

Savannah, Ga., May 7.—Henry Manigault and James Lewis played cards here, and luck was with Lewis, who soon won \$50, all the money Manigault had. Manigault accused Lewis of cheating, got a repeating rifle and went hunting for him.

Manigault learned that Lewis had hid on a train that was about to pull out. He moved up the track about 300 yards and as the train came on slowly Manigault covered the engineer and ordered him to stop. The engineer paid no attention, and Manigault sent a bullet through the cab. The engineer then stopped. Meanwhile Lewis leaped from the train and ran. Manigault sent three bullets after him, all of which took effect. Manigault then ran to the dying man and took from his pockets the \$50 he had lost at cards. He then held a crowd at bay with the rifle and made his escape.

STEEL PASSENGER CARS

Penny Orders 200 For Use In New York Tunnels.

Philadelphia, May 3.—An order for 200 steel passenger cars, to be used in the New York tunnel was placed by the Pennsylvania railroad. When the New York terminal was started the Pennsylvania officials said that only steel cars would be used in the tunnels, and it is stated that 1000 passenger cars and 500 Pullmans will be required. Two types of cars are to be used. For long distances a 70-foot car, seating 88 passengers, will be made and for suburban traffic a car 53 feet long which will seat about 70 passengers. This car is to be made so that it can be converted into a motor car. The new cars are said by the company to be capable of resisting four times as great a shock as the standard wooden coaches, and are practically collision proof.

A BRUTAL MURDER

Man's Body With 34 Stab Wounds Found In River.

Philadelphia, May 6.—A brutal murder was brought to light here with the finding of the body of an unknown man floating in the Schuylkill river near the centre of the city. A rope was knotted tightly around the dead man's neck, and when the body was examined by the police 34 stab wounds were found in an area of 10 inches covering the heart. The man's neck had been fractured, one arm was broken and his lower jaw and chin had been cleft open.

The body was identified as that of John Lovett, but he turned up alive and well and reported to the police. As yet there is no clue to the identity of the dead man.

KUROKO STARTS EAST

Japanese Party On Their Way to Jamestown Exposition.

Seattle, May 6.—General Baron Kuroki and party, with General MacArthur and staff as an escort, left Seattle for the east. At the station a hundred prominent Japanese gathered. Mrs. S. Kishida, wife of the Japanese consul at Seattle, gave the general a large bouquet of roses on behalf of the ladies' patriotic society. General Kuroki and party will represent Japan at the Jamestown Exposition.

KILLED HIS FATHER

Son Fired Fatal Shot in Defense of Mother and Brother.

Baltimore, May 3.—J. Henry Middlekarp, a 17-year-old youth, shot and killed his father in their home at Catonsville, Baltimore county, in defense, it is alleged, of his mother's life. Middlekarp, Sr., who was a night watchman at the United States sub-treasury here, returned home and began beating his wife, it is averred. Another son went to her assistance when the man grabbed both his wife and son by their throats and began choking them. At this moment Henry appeared with a revolver and fired a bullet into his father, the latter dying almost instantly.

STUNNED BY HAIL

16-Year-Old Girl Rendered Unconscious and May Die.

Cassville, Va., May 7.—Allie Beeson, aged 16 years, was rendered unconscious by falling hail and may die. She is still unconscious.

The hail storm was the worst ever known here. Balls as large as hen's eggs fell to a depth of two inches. In Cassville windows are all broken, the trees are stripped of foliage and crops are greatly damaged.

Luze as Busters. Out in St. Louis they used to let the city water settle before drinking it; they had to fear of swallowing live minnows concealed in its turbid depths. Any man not taking a mud cure who on the plea of cleanliness deliberately stirred up the sediment in such a glass of water preparatory to imbibing it would be truthfully described as a fool. Yet just such an imbecile method as this is almost universally practiced in the process of house cleaning.

In a recent address to the Practitioners' Society Dr. T. Mitchell Prudden, professor of pathology at Columbia University, called attention to the fact that although human lungs were obviously never intended as feather dusters, this is a purpose to which nearly every city pair is constantly put. While some of us, he said, are mighty particular about the cleanliness of our clothing, of our food and drink, and the utensils in which these are served, and the exterior of our persons, we make no protest as we bear away upon the delicate membranes of our respiratory organs from places of public concourse the pulverized excretions of the filthy and diseased in theaters and court rooms, in offices and public conveyances, in factories and stores, the floating dust of today is pregnant with the spit of yesterday. Indeed, it seems that the only systematic and effective measure of dust removal in most places of public meeting is passage of the air through the human breathing apparatus. No matter how dusty and germ laden the inspired air may be, it comes out of the lungs almost entirely freed from these impurities. The efficacy of this method of dusting a theater may be readily estimated by remembering that an average man takes into his respiratory organs somewhere near thirty cubic inches of air at each breath, and hence about twenty times this amount every minute. Dry dusting of any variety, whether with feather duster, cloth or broom, or whether in dining room, theater or the streets, is an abomination, says Dr. Prudden. If this hygienic absurdity of stirring the dust into the air instead of washing it away through the sewers could be abolished and some effective check be placed on the also universally popular spitting, we should be able to record a decrease instead of an increase in infectious diseases of the respiratory tract. Dr. Prudden believes that it is just as much a part of the health department's duty to see that the people have clean air to breathe as that they have pure water to drink and wholesome food to eat.

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