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There is no known motive for murder or for suicide; but it is at least as possible to imagine the one as the other. We decline the suicide theory in the interest of the living man. If Mr. Gowen killed himself, no man is safe from himself, and there will need to be a general immigration into insane asylums for safety.

It has been the spontaneous comment of every one acquainted with Franklin B. Gowen, upon hearing the press news that he had committed suicide, that he was the last man in the world of whom they would have imagined such an end.

WALTER ELLIOT, of New York, went through all the manoeuvres of Saturday and having been pronounced dead was deeply mourned for by his wife and relatives. The undertaker and his men arrived and proceeded to put him on ice when the remains calmly inquired what they proposed to do with him.

It was a condition which was characteristic of Mr. Gowen, who was too brim full of self-esteem to be worried by the rebuffs of fortune; a man who stood upon the ruins of Reading, calm and confident, is not the one to suspect of despair under any circumstances or conditions.

EX-PRESIDENT CLEVELAND never seems to tire of praising his wife. At the banquet in Boston on Friday, he rose to reply to enthusiastic cheers when ex-Mayor Hugh O'Brien shouted out, "Let us not forget Mrs. Cleveland." The ex-president said: "I have a grudge against ex-Mayor O'Brien. I hear nothing when I go anywhere except the praise of Mrs. Cleveland, and though I am not aware that that has ordinarily been a cause of jealousy in young husbands, I can tell you I feel it most keenly." (Laughter and applause.)

And this is the man that the news reports declare with great unanimity to have committed suicide. If he did, his mind apparently had fallen from its high estate; and as quickly as thoroughly; for at sundown of the day before his death body was found he had demonstrated his sanity in cheerful conversation with a friend.

GENERAL MERITT has made an exhaustive report on the mountain manœuvre of the troops in the department of the Missouri, and it is considered superior in many respects to the best reports on the elaborate military operations in Germany, England and France.

We Americans are in the habit of inaugurating every new way ahead of the Old World in all modern improvements, but the facts if investigated might demolish this conceit. In Berlin, for example, the streets are paved with sheet asphalt which is kept beautifully clean and even; they are brilliantly lit by electric lights which cost less than fifteen cents a night and if it should appear that Mr. Gowen was the purchaser of the pistol found lying by his side, it would afford very strong evidence that he had slain himself, either by design, which might signify insanity, or by accident, which would show a folly well akin to insanity and as far from Mr. Gowen's normal condition.

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Surely when a man may be slain by a pistol in his hand at a hotel without the sound being heard, it is permissible to us to suspect that there may have been a murder, and the murderer may have escaped unobserved, leaving a locked up room behind him.

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SWIFT'S SPECIFIC. MERCURIAL RHEUMATISM. Mr. J. C. Jones, city merchant of Fulton, Arkansas, writes: "About ten years ago I contracted a severe case of blood poisoning. The leading physicians of the city were called in, and they prescribed medicine after medicine, which I took without effecting any relief. I also tried mercury and other remedies, with the same unsuccess; but which brought on an attack of mercurial rheumatism. Some made my life one of untold agony. After suffering from it for months, I gave up the idea of being cured, and I was about to give up when I was induced to use Swift's Specific (S. S. S.). After taking several bottles, I was entirely cured, and I have not had any return of the disease. I consider Swift's Specific (S. S. S.) the greatest medicine for blood poisoning to-day on the market."

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