

STRANGE SIMILARITY

In the Features of Deceased Dr. J. G. Armstrong and the Man

WHO SHOT PRESIDENT LINCOLN.

The Resemblance the Moving Cause of Many Wild Stories.

PARALLEL CASE IN SOUTH CAROLINA

THE RECENT DEATH OF DR. J. G. ARMSTRONG, OF ATLANTA, BRINGS INTO PROMINENCE AGAIN THE RUMOR THAT HE WAS JOHN WILKES BOOTH.

In connection with the facial characteristics before mentioned, the doctor walked with a pronounced lameness, and upon his



Doctor Armstrong.

neck there was a large scar—peculiarities attributed also to Booth. As far as this is concerned, coincidences of a physical nature as marked as this, are to be found every day.

Another thing in support of the Booth hypothesis is the marked attention he gave theatrical matters, and especially the plays of Shakespeare. Frequently members of a local dramatic company would assemble in the doctor's library and receive the benefit of his instruction, for being a thorough scholar and a master of elocution his assistance was very valuable.

These incidents furnish material for the Booth hypothesis—that Dr. Armstrong was an admirer of the legitimate is undeniably true—but it proves nothing except that he was a man of appreciable intellect.

Another thing in support of the Booth hypothesis is the inability of the believers of this idea to locate the doctor's places of residence in the past years.

The only reason that they cannot locate them is simply because they never inquired or took the trouble to find out. On this subject Dr. Armstrong was never reticent; in fact, never reticent on any subject connected with the past. We were subjected to a brief sketch, which was furnished by the doctor himself.

J. G. Armstrong was born in Ballymena, Ireland, on July 24, 1827. He was educated at Queen's College, Belfast, and emigrated to the United States in 1856. In 1859 he settled in Sydney, O., as a Presbyterian minister, and remained there for four years, when he removed to St. Louis, which town he made his home until 1870, when he removed to Hannibal, Mo., entering the ranks of the Episcopal clergy. In 1875 he went to Wheeling, W. Va., remaining there four years; then went to Richmond, Va., and after staying there four years, went to Atlanta.

It seems, to a certain degree, unnecessary to discuss this matter, opposing vague rumors, thereby giving them a shadow and an appearance of fact; yet we will go one step further, and present, not a hypothesis, but a historical fact.

On the 26th of April, 1865, J. Wilkes Booth was found in the neighborhood of Bowling Green, Va., and was shot by Sergeant Boston Corbett, of Company I, Sixteenth New York Cavalry, and died three hours after receiving his wound. This fact is supported by cumulative and convincing testimony. Hence, regarding the rumors relative to Dr. Armstrong, there can be but one conclusion.

Somehow Similar Case. It might be improper here to briefly retrace a similar case of confused identity which occurred in South Carolina. After the Napoleonic wars there appeared in South Carolina a school teacher named Peter Ney. His antecedents were unknown, and people curious to learn of his past life naturally commenced to indulge in vague suspicions of various kinds, when in time assumed a sort of tangibility. His name was Ney and from some unaccountable reason they commenced to associate him with Napoleon's war hero, and in a case of his drunken spells, he informed some person that he was none other than the veritable marshal, Michael Ney. He told this to others in drunken confabulation, and their suspicions, not only tangible, and their neighbors upon a solid basis of fact—of course it is necessary in the operation of making a Michael out of the South Carolina Peter to butcher and chance French history—they did—without irrefragable hypothesis they completely demolished established facts.

Michael Ney was a brave and skillful, though illiterate man. He was sentenced to be shot; he was placed before a body of soldiers armed with loaded guns; they fired and they fell bleeding, dying to the ground; he was buried. Napoleon mourned him as dead; French painters and writers have made his death, when in time assumed a sort of tangibility. His name was Ney and from some unaccountable reason they commenced to associate him with Napoleon's war hero, and in a case of his drunken spells, he informed some person that he was none other than the veritable marshal, Michael Ney. He told this to others in drunken confabulation, and their suspicions, not only tangible, and their neighbors upon a solid basis of fact—of course it is necessary in the operation of making a Michael out of the South Carolina Peter to butcher and chance French history—they did—without irrefragable hypothesis they completely demolished established facts.

TERRIBLY DECEIVED.

He Thought It Was Only a Cold and Found Out His Mistake Too Late.

Of all times, of all seasons of the year this is the most dangerous. It is a time when the air is filled with disease, when the winds waft pneumonia. The death from this one trouble alone are simply alarming, and in spots of all warnings they seem to be increasing.

LAWYER WANTS TO BE MAYOR.

He Says He Would Accept the Democratic Nomination if Offered. CHICAGO, March 8.—"I am confident that I would be elected Mayor if nominated in the Democratic convention," said ex-Congressman Frank Lawler as he got off the train from Washington last night, "and I certainly will accept the nomination if it is offered to me."

The ex-Congressman looked careworn and tired, but he brightened up when a score or more of his political admirers rushed forward and began shaking his hands. There were policemen, constables, would-be politicians, who were willing to buy anything from a drink to a fat office in the City Hall, in the crowd, and the reception they gave "our Frank" was warm. Numerous invitations were extended for him to come to various resorts and "shake hands with the boys," but he refused, saying he had had no rest for the last 48 hours and he wanted to recuperate as he was to be fresh for a reception to-night. He didn't know just where it would be, but there was to be one.

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