

SUICIDE OR MURDER? THEY WERE NOT THIEVES.

The Strange Case of Mrs. Kutkisky Now Being Investigated.

HER HUSBAND UNDER ARREST.

Suspicion Aroused by a Conversation Overheard by an Officer

NOW LOOKING FOR A COLORED WOMAN

Max Kutkisky was arrested last evening on a charge of murdering his young wife, whose body now fills a suicide's grave. Last Saturday morning Kutkisky returned from church and entered his little store at 2834 Penn avenue. A few moments later he started the neighborhood by announcing that his wife had hanged herself. The woman was found hanging by a noose from the ceiling under her chin and over the top of her head. She was dead when cut down. The coroner held an inquest, and from the evidence then produced, returned a verdict of suicide by hanging.

The dead woman's maiden name was Bessie Leberman, her parents living at 36 Franklin street. A few months ago she met Kutkisky, and it appeared to be a case of mutual love at first sight. The wedding day was set for an early date, but was delayed when it became known about that Kutkisky was already married and to a colored woman. It was also said that two children were the result of the union.

And the wedding bells rang. Kutkisky's friend was false; that it was prompted by malice on the part of some of the man's friends. The matter was finally smoothed over, and the ceremony was performed in the presence of a large number of witnesses.

After the wedding Kutkisky took his bride to his home at No. 2834 Penn avenue. His happiness was short-lived, for in a few days, it is alleged, Kutkisky began to abuse his wife. On several occasions neighbors heard her sobs in the kitchen, and she was crying bitterly. When questioned as to the cause of her sorrow, she simply replied that her husband had ill-treated her.

Last Wednesday evening a colored woman carrying a baby went to the store. She saw Mrs. Kutkisky. When she saw that she was not in, she walked back into the store to await his coming. When Kutkisky arrived he greeted her in a very friendly manner, and requested his wife to retire to the back yard.

Threatened His Wife's Life. Kutkisky and the woman walked out of the store, both apparently greatly excited. Officer D. Williams, who was standing nearby, overheard part of their conversation, which mainly consisted of threats against Mrs. Kutkisky's life. As this time Kutkisky is alleged to have said, referring to his wife, "Oh I'll hang her before many hours." At the same time Kutkisky invited the woman to come to his house the next night (Thursday).

After the death of Mrs. Kutkisky her husband's actions aroused some suspicion. He objected to physicians examining the body, or even to allow it to be prepared for burial. The state doctor, who had removed the clothes, they found, besides several bruises, what looked like stabs in the left side, near the hip. Kutkisky was greatly excited when the body was undressed, and had to be forcibly removed from the room.

The parents of the dead girl were not thoroughly satisfied with the verdict of the coroner's jury, and engaged Attorney J. K. Wallace, of Fourth avenue, to take charge of the case. After a thorough investigation Mr. Wallace secured the coroner's report, and he is confident that the verdict was not sufficient evidence, and yesterday a charge of murder was made in Alderman McMaisters' office against Kutkisky.

Objected to Anything Like Extravagance. Three of the dead woman's brothers were arrested yesterday, and they are all firm in their belief that their sister had been murdered. They united in saying that one day last week Kutkisky had threatened to kill his wife because she had spent 10 cents without his knowledge.

Attorney Wallace, in speaking of the case last evening, said: "I believe this is a case of cold-blooded murder. The circumstances surrounding it are most suspicious. Among other things, Kutkisky claims that he left home at 9 o'clock Saturday morning to attend church, and that when he returned he found his wife hanging from a beam in a back room. Dr. Christie, who was called in by his mother, said that the body was killed before 9 o'clock, otherwise the body would not have been stiff and rigid."

Kutkisky was arrested at the home of his parents at No. 19 Lowell street and taken to the Santon Police station, where he was held until a hearing was committed for court. A warrant has also been issued for the colored woman.

TWO NEGLECTED GIRLS. The Anti-Cruelty Society Looking After the Little Ones.

Stella Jackson, the 10-year-old daughter of Annie Jackson, who was given 10 days to jail by Alderman Gripp yesterday morning, was placed in the Colored Orphan Asylum yesterday by Agent Fisher, of the Anti-Cruelty Society. When the mother was sent up the child had absolutely no place to go.

Agent Fisher also returned 14-year-old Annie Ryan to her parents in Bloomfield yesterday. Annie has been living at 126 Water street as a servant with James Brown, a colored man, who is married to a white woman. He parents knew of her whereabouts, but made no effort to get her. Police Captain Dennison notified the Anti-Cruelty Society, and they compelled the girl's father to take care of her.

DEATH IN THE RIVER. The Templars, with a large number of ladies left the city at 8 o'clock last evening upon the steamer City of Pittsburgh for Davis Island, and after an enjoyable time, started for Homestead. A merry party were playing about the deck as the boat passed the foot of Leont street, and in some inexplicable manner young Hinson fell overboard and was lost. The boy was 19 years of age, and resided with his parents at No. 42 Resaca street, Allegheny. The police are looking for the body.

Pravsky Expected to Die. Michael Pravsky, the Mansfield coal miner who was brought to the Mercy Hospital seriously injured yesterday, was very low last night. Pravsky was walking up the Parkside railroad tracks when a large stone fell from one of the cars, striking him on the head and fracturing his skull. He will probably die.

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