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## WAS THERE A PLOT?

**Is It Possible There  
Was a Conspiracy  
to Kill Gabriel  
Jarvi?**

**SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES**

**Companions Who Came Home  
With Him Say He Was  
Not Drunk!**

**Facts Being Developed in the  
Jarvi Case Cause  
Comment.**

**SOME REMARKABLE EVIDENCE**

**Wife Made Statement After Her  
Husband Was Shot that He  
Had Fallen and Hurt  
Himself.**

**Witness in Same House Says He  
Knew Nothing of Crime, But  
Found Jarvi Lying Against  
His Door and Went Back  
to Bed and Left  
Him There!**

A coroner's jury was organized at 2 o'clock yesterday by Coroner Pohl and an investigation begun in the Jarvi murder case. A number of witnesses were examined, but the wife and younger son of the deceased have not testified yet. The case was continued over until 10 o'clock Monday, when their evidence will be taken. The evidence of the witnesses disclose some remarkable facts and some of the witnesses made remarkable statements.

The witnesses examined yesterday were, Dr. Estes, Dr. Pickering, Chief Hallock, Officer Stark, Alex. Anderson, Charles Rantio, Tobias Rahkonen and T. F. Laurin. The physicians and officers merely stated the facts recited in yesterday morning's Astorian in regard to the details of the crime and death. Alex. Anderson and Charles Rantio testified that they accompanied Gabriel Jarvi to his home. They admitted that they and the deceased had been drinking and were under the influence of liquor, but denied that they were drunk. They said that Gabriel Jarvi walked perfectly straight, and that they were all able to do this. They also state that not exceeding three minutes after they left deceased that Mrs. Jarvi came to them and stated that her husband had fallen down and hurt himself. They heard no pistol discharged and did not know that Jarvi had been shot until they reached the place, found him lying on the veranda, and heard the statement of his son Mat, who had fired the fatal shot. The latter came out and remarked that he "had to shoot the old devil."

But the most remarkable evidence was that of Tobias Rahkonen, a Russian who lives down stairs in the Jarvi house. He stated that he did not hear anything at all in the way of words or kicking the door or a pistol shot; that he did not know anything about the matter until he awoke of his own accord and got out of bed for some purpose. He went to the door and attempted to open it but found Gabriel Jarvi lying against the door and could not open it. He abandoned the idea of going out of the room and returned to his bed and went to sleep again and knew nothing about the crime until next morning. The fact is that Jarvi was lying on the veranda outside of the house in front of the hall door, the hall door opens inside, and Jarvi's body could not have interfered with its being opened. The further fact exists that the door

of Rahkonen's room opens into the hall and from the inside, and Jarvi, to have interfered with opening the door, would have necessarily been in Rahkonen's room, which was not a fact. The further fact exists that Rahkonen's wife was up and watching the officers when they brought the body of Jarvi down stairs, and it is remarkable that she did not waken her husband and tell him what was going on.

This evidence is before the coroner's jury and they may be able to solve it, but the coroner finds it too deep for him. There is plenty of evidence outside of this, however, for the jury to arrive at the real facts in the case, but the motive of Rahkonen in giving such evidence is what puzzles the coroner and those acquainted with the real facts. The coroner's jury will go to the Jarvi premises tomorrow and view the scene of the murder.

There has been considerable speculation since the evidence was given in before the coroner's jury. The statement of the two companions of deceased that he was not drunk, the wife's reticence about permitting her husband to be brought into the house, her statement that he "had fallen down and hurt himself, the son's statement that he had to shoot the "old devil," the queer actions of Tobias Rahkonen, all lead some to believe that there was possibly a conspiracy to kill the old man. The coolness of the wife and son indicates that they are either the most inhuman persons on earth or the most ignorant. It may be a characteristic of that nationality, but it is certainly a peculiar one.

The fact that Gabriel Jarvi was deposited at his home, being frequently compelled to seek shelter elsewhere, and the further fact that he was a very small and feeble man, apparently no match physically for the son who slew him, and the further fact that there were two men and a 16-year-old boy in the house that night, who could have easily subdued him, not only leads many to state that the murder was wholly uncalled for, but leads some to think that it is possible that the act of Mat Jarvi was only carrying out a plan that had been formed to put the old man out of the way. While the boy has many sympathizers yet it is because of his apparent ignorance and not through any consideration that he had a right to take his father's life.

It is expected to get more light on the subject tomorrow when the mother and younger son are placed on the stand. The defendant will not go on the stand. C. W. Fulton has been employed to defend him and was present at the investigation.

The defendant is not before the jury, however, on trial, and the attorney can only take such part in the proceedings as the coroner's jury may permit.

Following gentlemen compose the jury: C. S. Wright, C. W. Loughery, Frank Meany, D. R. Blount, Alex. Halmon and Thomas Dalgity.

The funeral of the murdered man has not been arranged. The coroner does not know whether the friends of the deceased will arrange for his bur-

ial or whether it will be done by the county. Mat Jarvi has been removed to the county jail.

### LABOR SITUATION.

Is Assuming Normal Conditions in Boston.

BOSTON, March 15.—Labor situation in this city is gradually assuming normal conditions, and today a great majority of freight handlers, teamsters and expressmen returned to work. As announced by Governor Crane tonight, the disposition of all parties is to allow reasonable time to adjust matters and in the meantime to be patient.

### TRAINMEN STRIKE.

Is Declared Off on Rocky Mountain Division of Northern Pacific.

BUTTE, Mont., March 15.—A special to the Miner from Missoula, says:

The strike of railway trainmen and switchmen of the Rocky Mountain division of the northern Pacific railroad was declared off this afternoon. It is understood that all men who went out will be reinstated whenever the opportunity exists.

### COLLISION IN SEATTLE

**BETWEEN HOSE WAGON  
AND STREET CAR.**

**Injures Three Persons—A Skull  
Fractured and an Ear  
Torn Off.**

SEATTLE, March 15.—A collision between a hose wagon plunging down Columbia street hill in response to a fire alarm and a street-car resulted in the probable death of one man and the injury of three others this evening.

The injured are: Daniel McGinnis, captain Engine Company No. 1, fractured skull, four ribs broken and a broken shoulder blade.

Charles W. Gilliam, pipeman, probably internal injuries.

W. B. Kent, driver, ear torn from head, severe bruises.

Father P. E. Gendreaux, Catholic Vicar General, of Dawson, slightly bruised.

### KILLED BY AN EXPLOSION.

In an Alaskan Mining Tunnel on Boulder Creek.

NOME, Alaska, January 5, via Seattle, March 15.—John Nutter and C. J. Cornelle were killed by an explosion in a tunnel of the Twin Mountain Gold Mining & Milling Company on Boulder Creek, a tributary of Snake River.

### FELL 2000 FEET.

Arms, Legs and Head Torn From the Body.

JACKSON, Cal., March 15.—David de Ricci fell into a shaft, falling 2000 feet, at Kennedy mine. His arms, legs and the greater portion of his head were torn from the body.

### RACING IN NEW ORLEANS.

NEW ORLEANS, March 15.—Nearly 5000 people cheered Lord Quex on to victory in the Crescent City derby today. The race was worth \$3800 to the winner. Crescent City derby, mile and one-eighth—Lord Quex won; Vassal Dance, second; Prowl, third. Time, 2:00 1/4.

### OAKLAND RACES.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 15.—In the presence of over 4000 people Siddons won the Thornton stakes at four miles over a fast track at Oakland today. Four miles, Thornton stakes, purses \$2000—Siddons won; Lizella, second; Bangor, third. Time, 7:30.

### A KANSAS CYCLONE.

BELLEVILLE, Kas., March 15.—A cyclone visited Scotch Plains Dunkard settlement near here today and did much damage. A number of houses were blown down and the Dunkard church completely demolished. No lives were lost.

### OREGON PIONEER DEAD.

ASHLAND, Ore., March 15.—James Clark Tolman, one of the widely known pioneers of the state for 50 years, died today in his 94th year.

## INDEPENDENTS CARRY MULTNOMAH

**Elect 95 out of 162 Delegates to the County Convention.**

**SIMON FACTION DEFEATED**

**A Quiet Election With Little Excitement—Democrats Did Not Vote—Republican Vote Small.**

PORTLAND, March 15.—The Republican primary election today resulted in the success of the Independent ticket. With few outlying precincts in Multnomah county to hear from, the independents elected about 95 out of a total of 162 delegates to the county convention. Result is a defeat for the faction of the party represented by United States Senator Simon.

Contrary to expectations, the election passed off quietly and orderly. Owing to the bitter fight that has been waged prior to election day it was predicted that the day would be an exciting one. Voters were quiet and orderly and not nearly so much interest was manifested as was expected. The vote did not reach anything like the full registration.

Democrats remained away from the polls and took no interest in the fight to any extent.

The Simon faction was confident of victory to the last moment. The friends of Senator Simon were greatly encouraged over the victory of Governor Geer in Marion yesterday and regarded it as a good omen that pointed to the victory of the Simon faction, Governor Geer being allied with Senator Simon.

The county convention will meet next Wednesday for nomination of candidates. Tomorrow and the remainder of the week will be a busy one with delegates. Each crowd of delegates elected will hold a caucus tomorrow. County officers seeking renomination fought for the straight out Republican ticket, and now that it was defeated the election of a new set of officers out and out is predicted. They had to fall with the losers. But the Simon faction claims to have made no promises before hand. It was, it was probably different with the victors.

### ROAD TO NEW ELDORADO.

Union Pacific Preparing to Build Road.

OMAHA, March 15.—The Union Pacific is preparing to make a route to Thunder Mountain mining country in Idaho, and is sending several surveying parties to select the best route. Five routes will be surveyed from points on the Oregon Short Line from Red Rock to Weiser, Idaho. It is stated at headquarters that travel to that country has already become large and preparations are making for the moving of several thousand people to Thunder Mountain during the spring.

## IN THE HALLS OF CONGRESS

**Still Hammering at the Subsidy Bill—There Will be More Amendments.**

**GREAT PENSION BILL DAY**

**Republican Reciprocity—Conferees Still Tied Up—Appointment of Postmasters Confirmed.**

WASHINGTON, March 15.—Difference of opinion of the Republican side in the senate subsidy bill today. Allison indicated that he was not satisfied with the measure as it stands now and gave notice of amendments, limiting the time of its operation and limiting also the amount of money annually to be paid from the treasury on account of it. Spooner took exception to some provisions of the measure. He was not certain that the bill would accomplish the great results which its advocates claimed for it and he urged that before its enactment into a law, definite information upon that point ought to be furnished to congress. He gave notice of an amendment providing that the bill might be amended or repealed by congress without, however, impairing any contract made under its provisions.

Teller made a speech in opposition to the measure. Elkins made an address in support of it, although the West Virginia senator admitted that he would prefer adoption of a policy of discriminating duties.

### GREAT PENSION DAY.

WASHINGTON, March 15.—The house devoted today to private pension bills, passing 229 bills and clearing the calendar. This is the largest number of pension bills ever passed by the house at one session.

Earlier in the day a resolution was adopted calling upon the war department for information concerning the government transport service between San Francisco and the Philippines.

### RECIPROcity CONFEREES.

WASHINGTON, March 15.—The Republican Cuban reciprocity conferees remained in session until 5 p. m. today. Chairman Payne made a statement that the situation was as it had been last evening; that no agreement had been reached and that the conference had adjourned to meet Monday.

### POSTOFFICE CONFIRMATIONS.

WASHINGTON, March 15.—Confirmations by the senate: Postmasters—Montana, G. W. Irving; Butte, A. M. Bennett; Miles City, A. J. Stephens; Lewiston, Idaho, J. H. Bruce; Weiser, Id.

### REAR-ADMIRAL RETIRED.

WASHINGTON, March 15.—Rear-Admiral John A. Howell next to Admiral Dewey, ranking officer of navy, reached age of 62 today and was placed on the retired list.

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