

A RAZOR ENDS TWO LIVES

Charles Morehiser Kills His Wife and Commits Suicide.

A Shocking Tragedy Near the Soldiers' Home—The Woman Murdered While Heading Over Her Baby—The Details of the Crime.

Mrs. Margaret Morehiser was tending over the bed where her seven-month-old baby lay last night when without a word of warning her husband, Charles H. Morehiser, drew a razor from his pocket and slashed her throat from the ear.

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heard the cries of the old couple and hurried to the house. Walker was summoned, but no answer was given, as Mrs. Morehiser had expired almost immediately.

The police were notified from several sources and Patrolman Lord was sent out with a patrol wagon from No. 8 station, while driving up Brightwood Avenue he was informed by a citizen that Morehiser had cut his throat in Green's grocery store and had fallen a block below Slaters.

Morehiser was found on the ledge and beneath the particulars of the case. In the mean time an ambulance was summoned from Freedmen's Hospital and accompanied by Dr. Coleman.

As stated, Morehiser died shortly after being admitted to the institution. His effects were taken to No. 8 station and turned over to Lieutenant Kenny.

A search of his clothing revealed no trace of the penknife, which he had carried with him. His pockets contained only a knife, bunch of keys, and his army papers.

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PAILED TO GET THE LICENSE.

A Patient Who Escaped From St. Elizabeth's Arrested.

PHILADELPHIA, March 12.—Oscar M. Reeves of Washington, was arrested in the rooms of the marriage license clerk of the Orphan's Court here today just as he was about to make application for the issuance of a license. A few minutes after he was arrested, central station detectives detained Agnes Brown, a mulatto girl, who accompanied Reeves from Washington, and whom despatches from that city say is intended to marry him.

Reeves is said to be a member of a well-known family. He has for some time been weak mentally and was recently placed in an asylum. A few days ago he escaped and, accompanied by Agnes Brown, came to Philadelphia. The woman said she had known Reeves for two years and that soon after she met him he had promised to marry her. They were held pending advice from the Washington police.

Reeves is a grocer who formerly had a store at New York Avenue. He was sent to St. Elizabeth's Asylum. About a week or so ago he escaped. He was not regarded as a violent man, but he was consequently not so closely watched as many of the patients. For several days after his escape he was followed by Dr. A. B. Richardson, the Superintendent of the asylum, sent telegrams to all the large cities of the country containing a description of Reeves.

It was in response to one of these telegrams that the arrest was made in Philadelphia. The mulatto girl, who is supposed to have been his Philadelphia wife, is supposed to live in Washington.

THE GILMAN CONTEST OFF.

An Agreement Reached Between the Many Claimants.

NEW YORK, March 12.—There will be no fight for the fortune of George F. Gilman, who died last year, it was announced today. That decision is the result of several conferences held today between the representatives of the various interests in the estate.

Subject to legal requirement and to the formal assent of Mr. Gilman's heirs, an agreement was made whereby the estate will be equally divided among those who have valid claims to share in the property of the merchant. Mrs. Hall will be included among the beneficiaries.

The preliminary steps toward this agreement were determined on this afternoon at the conference referred to. Tonight a further conference was held by the lawyers of the various claimants, at which it is understood the final details were arranged. Henry E. Knox, who for a great many years was the legal adviser of George F. Gilman, was mainly instrumental in bringing about a friendly termination to what might have been a protracted and costly fight in the courts.

Mr. Knox knew the exact value of the estate. He was aware, probably better than anyone else, of the merits of the claims which Mr. Gilman's heirs had against the property, and if the million-dollar estate left by the merchant were divided as Mrs. Helen Hall, Mr. Knox would probably have made up the instrument.

To the representatives of the various claimants, which included Mrs. Helen Hall, Mr. Knox was able to make up the instrument. It was said today, the decision to divide the estate without resorting to the courts was due.

That Mrs. Hall had in her possession some anti-trust documents which would give her the right to intervene in the full-blood and half-blood relatives is no longer doubted. But, as was ascertained, she had no such documents. Mrs. Hall and her advisers realized the extreme improbability of either a deed or a will being upheld in the courts.

Reports from recruiting officers, however, show that the number of enlistments has increased since the new recruiting offices were opened. The returns for the first week, ending February 8, showed 308 enlistments. For the week ending February 15, 436 men were enlisted, and the next week 522. For the week ending last Friday 736 men were enlisted.

This is regarded as particularly encouraging because of the high standard required of our recruits. Not only is the legal standard strictly upheld, but recruiting officers have been directed also to enquire carefully into the antecedents of the applicant and accept only men of good character.

FOR THREE CAMPAIGNS.

Medals for Service in China, the Philippines, and Samoa.

The members of the Naval Board on Rewards have determined that medals for officers and men who participated in the naval campaign in the West Indies and who performed meritorious service elsewhere to give them credit for medals. The medals for officers and men of the navy and the Marine Corps who served in China, the Philippines, and Samoa. If they are sustained in this view they will apply for medals for several classes of medals, probably including a special medal for extraordinary service in the war with Spain, to be conferred on those officers who distinguished themselves outside of the West Indies and the Philippines.

It has already been determined that the medals to be presented to Rear Admiral Sampson will describe him as commander-in-chief of the naval forces operating in the West Indies, including the squadron that destroyed Cervera's ships.

REPORTS OF ROBBERIES.

The Police Informed of a Number of Small Thefts.

Several robberies have been reported to the police, among others one at the house of Louis Schudo, 21 Grant Place north-west. Thieves forced an entrance to the house late Monday night and secured silverware and small jewelry. Yesterday morning the robbery was discovered, and Mr. Schudo went to headquarters and saw Inspector Boardman.

Quince Orchard Negroes Dislike a Democratic School Teacher.

ROCKVILLE, Md., March 12.—The burning of the colored public school house at Quince Orchard, this county, on Feb. 24, has in the past been the cause of sectional differences existing between the colored teachers of the school and the thickly settled colored community of the school district. White is the teacher of the school, a negro Democrat, and with a few exceptions is surrounded by negro Republicans, who are determined to have a negro Democrat teach their children. Shortly after the burning of this school house the board of trustees offered a reward of \$100 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the persons who burned the school house.

Not that the school house has been burned a private house is being rented for the purpose of holding a school there. It is reported that a school has been opened in the building.

No Longer Opposed to Sanger.

Senator Platt is expected in Washington today or tomorrow. It is reported that he has withdrawn his opposition to the appointment of Col. William Cary Sanger to be Assistant Secretary of War. No authoritative statement could be obtained, however.

Prompt Relief for Coughs, Colds, Asthma, Bronchitis, Hoarseness and Sore Throat.

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Had a Costly Ball Dress.

A Negro Arrested on Suspicion of Stealing the Garment.

HIS IRRAWADDY REALIZED

Celso Caesar Moreno Dies Disappointed and Poor.

Devoted the Best Years of His Life to Urging a Trans-Pacific Cable—A Career of Romance and Adventure—Well Known in Washington.

Just after midnight Sunday there closed the life of a true soldier of fortune. In Providence Hospital, comparatively deserted, Celso Caesar Moreno died, ending an existence that had been filled from end to end with all that was romantic and adventurous. In seventy-one years of life Celso Moreno had touched nearly every continent of the globe. He had been a Prime Minister, he had grasped the friendship of the hands of Europe's great sovereigns. He had known what it was to want for food and for friends. A man who had developed a habit of being found himself, at the last moment, unable to borrow the few paltry dollars that would have given him in his old age a comparative comfort. The unvarnished facts of his life would have produced a novel of which the cleverest romancers of today could hardly produce the equal.

Moreno was a soldier of fortune, but a soldier who had the misfortune to fight always upon the losing side. At times he was very fortunate, as when he was only to be beaten in turn, and borne down with the ruin of his schemes. He had a tenacity which brought him always again to the conflict. When he died the hope of his life was within a few months of realization.

His story and the drama of his existence played around one central point—a trans-Pacific cable. All the best years of his life were given to the development of a plan which would connect the Pacific Coast of the United States with Honolulu and Japan and China. Whatever he did, it was always with the forwarding of that scheme in view, and into the prosecution of his purpose he put all the energy of his wonderful personality and the ability of his hand.

He defeated continually his own scheme, for, cursed with a quick temper, he managed to arouse animosity where he should have cultivated friendship. There lay his misfortune. He was a man of great interest, the greatest statesman of the United States, and the greatest capitalist, but he failed him in the end, and his great trans-Pacific cable was never laid.

Moreno was born seventy-one years ago in a little Italian village in the Piedmont country, just in the shadow of the foothills of the Alps. His parents were moderately well-to-do, but he was especially devoted to the study of languages. He was a brilliant Latin, Greek, and Hebrew scholar, and had already laid the foundation of his intellectual growth when he was only a child. He was a linguist, and he spoke several languages and dialects. The life of a priest did not suit him, and by the influence of the same bishop he was admitted to the Naval Academy of Italy.

During his course there he enlisted in the army, and as a member of the celebrated Piedmontese Regiment took part in the Crimean war.

He tried of warfare, and then took to the cloister again, entering the University of Genoa for the purpose of studying to be a civil engineer. He finished his course and was graduated in 1856. After a year or so he was employed as an engineer on the trade of his earlier years, and he was engaged in the construction of a steamship to the Mediterranean ports, and he was engaged in the construction of a steamship to the East Indies. Cruising in the East Indies, he was engaged in the construction of a steamship to the East Indies.

In a year or so he had made himself independent, and he had married a girl who was the daughter of a French merchant. He was engaged in the construction of a steamship to the East Indies, and he was engaged in the construction of a steamship to the East Indies.

An attempt was made to send Moreno out of the country, but he was able to escape. He was engaged in the construction of a steamship to the East Indies, and he was engaged in the construction of a steamship to the East Indies.

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JEALOUSY LED TO KILLING.

A Husband Killed by the Brother of His Wife.

Richmond, Va., March 12.—Jealousy caused the death of John S. Walters, treasurer of the city of Richmond, Va., in his own house at the hands of his wife's brother last night. Walters was fifty years old. His wife is beautiful and much younger.

Walters entered the door of his home at 9 o'clock and found his wife talking with her brother, Stewart Bailey. Walters was surprised and blurted out that he expected to find Farrar there. In his rage he struck his wife. Her brother entered the room and saw Walters strike his wife. He then drew a pistol and fired into the room, hitting Walters in the chest. Walters dropped, pierced through the body, and Bailey is wounded five times, though only slightly.

FRANK SHERMAN WINS.

The Washington Player Holds the Pool Championship.

BOSTON, March 12.—Frank Sherman, of Washington, D. C., is now the world's pool champion, having won the championship tourney which ends here tomorrow night. Sherman has thus far defeated all the other contestants, while all the other contestants have each suffered two or more defeats.

Sherman plays his final game tomorrow night with Grant Day, of Springfield, who, and it is expected to win. It should be defeated it will have no bearing on the championship.

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