

A Double Murder.

At Winona, Ill., Peter Howe, a wealthy banker, aged seventy-three, and his wife, aged sixty-nine, were murdered Monday.

The girl ran to communicate the terrible story to Irwin, Mr. Howe's son-in-law. The latter at once suspected Chas. Burkhardt of committing the deed, and a watch was immediately placed on the rooms where he resided with his wife, over a grocery store in the principal part of the city.

He Knew.

From the Detroit Free Press. Loungers about police headquarters were startled the other day by the sight of a young and pretty girl of eighteen slipping into the chief's room with anxious face.

"Oh! dear!" she began, "but some one is going to be killed, and I want to prevent it!"

"That's very kind of you," answered the chief, as he waved her to a seat.

"It's a young man!"

"I see. He is going to hang himself on your account, is he?"

"Oh, no. He is going to fight a due with another young man on my account. They are to meet to night. One will certainly be killed. Please do something to prevent it."

"There is no fear, miss—none in the world."

"But they will fight."

"Oh, no they won't. Before the hour arrives one will start for Fort Huron and the other for Toledo. That's the invariable rule, and it won't fail in this case."

"Are you sure?"

"So sure that if either of them shows up I'll resign my position. I'll have an officer on the watch."

Two hours before the time came one young man left by the Broadstreet depot and the other by the Third-street station, and as the chief received the report he said:

"Of course. Why not? Poor, innocent girl."

A Remarkable Tree.

From the Sonoma, Cal., Democrat.

In this land of phenomenal growths it would certainly be surprising to learn of something not included in the list of marvelous vegetable productions. Our townsman, Henry Baker, claims the honor of such a discovery and the possession thereof. He has an apple tree which this year bore two separate and distinct crops. We have second-crop grapes, and also oranges, but the apple has never been given the credit of such prolific bearing. The tree bore an abundant crop of June apples in the month whence the variety derives its name. In August it blossomed again, and its branches are now weighted with almost as large a crop as the one matured in June. The quality of the second crop is superior in point of size and flavor to that of the first.

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