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## AN AGED FIEND

AN OLD MAN CHARGED WITH  
KILLING FOUR  
PERSONS.

Bodies of Two Men Found—Police  
Believe Prisoner Killed, Hired  
Hands When they Pressed  
Him for Money—Other  
News.

Colchester, Conn., Aug. 30.—That Gershon B. Marx, aged 80 years, now held in the Norwich county jail, is the perpetrator of a series of coldblooded murders is the belief of the officials, who today began a systematic search for bodies on the Marx farm. Four murders and an attempt to poison another man can, it is believed by these officials, be traced to Marx.

The bodies of two of Marx' alleged victims, Joe Pavol and Joe Palm, have been found. Marx is awaiting trial charged with the murder of Pavol, his wife being held as a witness for the state. The two bodies for which the search was begun today are those of an 18-year-old boy and a Hebrew peddler.

The boy who was known as Harry, arrived in New York from Russia about three years ago, and he came here soon after to work for Marx. He worked on the farm for about six months, and then suddenly disappeared. Marx said he had gone to Hartford to find employment. The Hebrew peddler went to the Marx home one evening two years ago, and has not been seen since.

The motive of the crime can only be traced to a desire on the part of Marx to escape paying money to persons to whom he was indebted. The two men whose bodies have been found were six months behind in their wages, as was the young boy Harry, of whom no trace has yet been found.

The theory is that Marx drugged his victims when they pressed him too hard for their wages, and then crushed their heads with an axe, after which the bodies were dismembered and buried. Each of the bodies already found bears a ghastly hole in the forehead.

The missing peddler went to the Marx home with a large quantity of articles, including clothing, cheap jewelry, etc., and was never seen again. A few days after this Marx tried to sell a miscellaneous collection of clothing to a neighbor. Marx had two farms, one of 165 acres and another of 105 acres. On the first farm was found the body of Pavol and on the second the body of Palm.

Salt Lake City, Aug. 31.—A special to the Tribune from Kammerer, Wyo., says that three masked men held up the express agent and armed guard just as train No. 5 on the Oregon Short Line was leaving the station at 1:30 this morning and took from them \$13,000. They beat the railroad men into insensibility with the butts of their guns and escaped. The money had been shipped here to pay coal miners.

Chicago, Aug. 30.—General M. S. Hascall died today at his home in Oak Park. He graduated from West Point in the class with General Phil Sheridan and took part in many battles during the Civil War.

Elkins, West Va., Aug. 30.—John T. Davis only son of democratic Vice-Presidential Nominee Davis, is a patient in Davis Memorial Hospital. He was today brought from New York suffering with typhoid fever with which he was attacked while at the home of his wife's mother, Mrs. Aamistead, in Seagate, one week ago. He reached here today in the private car Graceland accompanied by his wife and children and Dr. Gibney. The hospital physicians tonight said he was in a critical condition.

Senator Davis is much worried, the death of his wife and daughter, Mrs. Brown, two years ago, being due to the same malady.

Newberg, Or., Aug. 30.—As a result of a runaway accident which took place three miles north of town yesterday afternoon, Mrs. Will Dodge died early this morning. In company with her eldest son, a young man about 17 years of age, Mrs. Dodge had driven out in a

buggy to the home of her mother, Mrs. M. J. Westfall. On starting home the hind wheel of the buggy caught on the post to which the horse had been tied.

Not knowing the cause of the animal's failure to start up, Mrs. Dodge gave him a cut with the whip, and the lurch pulled one shaft loose. The horse began to run, and having hold of but one line, she pulled the animal about in a circle, which soon sent the buggy into a deep ditch, throwing out the occupants violently.

Both mother and son were badly bruised, but were able to walk back to the house. Mrs. Dodge was apparently not seriously injured, but in the evening concussion of the brain developed. A doctor was summoned for the second time, but the injury was beyond medical aid, and death came early this morning.

Mrs. Dodge until very recently was Mrs. Dora Everest, and as a widow had for several years kept a family of six or seven children together and provided for them. They are now left orphans, and their situation is deplorable.

Liao Yang, Aug. 31.—The second day's battle commenced at dawn. The Russians made repeated bayonet advances on the road directly south of Liao Yang, where the Japanese approached from San Quaisip and Tao, shelling the positions in the Russian lines until 4 o'clock in the afternoon, when the engagement which was general throughout the southeast, narrowed to the main line.

The Japanese advance on the southeast was by way of the Feng Wang Cheng road. Immediately in front of Chiaocentuan, the Japanese stubbornly attempted to occupy a round-top hill—which was literally shelled by the Russian shells—making repeated attempts the entire day where apparently it was impossible for anything to live. The cannonading continued from this point to the vicinity of Wang Paotai until this evening without apparent advantage to either side.

The Japanese dropped shells within two or three miles of the railroad station, and in the plain of Wentshu Mountain, which is the most important eminence around Liao Yang, but the Japanese abandoned aggression there on account of the resistance they met. There was cannon fire last night, and this is expected nightly. The Russian casualties here include one Russian war correspondent wounded and also 25 Chinese women from Chiaofantum, whom Dr. Westwater, the distinguished missionary, is caring for in the Chinese Red Cross Refuge.

The day's developments show that the Russians are prepared for all emergencies. Slow rain began to fall at noon, gradually transforming the plain into a wilderness through which the wounded, in carts and walking, are tonight making their way to the hospitals.

Considering the scale of the day's operations, the number of Russian wounded is apparently small, while the Japanese losses are much greater, especially where they were repulsed on the south road. Chinese graves with trees are being leveled about Liao Yang in order not to interfere with the derence. Developments are expected west and northwest.

Over 500,000 men and 1300 guns are engaged on both sides. Practically the whole Russian force is on the firing line. One regiment, which had just arrived from Russia, went into action with its band playing.

Marshfield, Or., Aug. 30.—The town board today advertised for bids for putting in sewers on Second, Third, Fourth, Cedar, Chestnut, Front and Pine streets. This is the first of a thorough sewerage that will be extended over the entire city. Marshfield has a good water system that covers the entire town and supplies the people with pure mountain water.

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## ANOTHER DISASTER

ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-TWO INJURED IN RAILROAD WRECK.

Both Locomotives Were Interlocked in a Shapeless Mass of Twisted Steel—Wreck Occurred at a Curve on the Road  
Other News.

Buffalo, N. Y., Aug. 31.—A dispatch to the Enquirer says that 15 persons were killed and 122 injured in a wreck on the Grand Trunk Railway near Richmond, Quebec, this morning.

The disaster occurred on a curve at 11 o'clock this morning and was caused by the head-on collision of two passenger trains running at nearly full speed.

One of the trains, consisting of 12 coaches, was filled to the utmost with a gay party of excursionists en route to the St. Hyacinthe fair. The other train was the regular eastern express, which was also filled with passengers and was endeavoring by fast running to make up for time previously lost upon the run.

Without any preliminary warning the two engines swung around a curve and before the startled engineers had time to even set the air brakes crashed into each other with terrific impact. Both locomotives were interlocked in a shapeless mass of twisted steel, from every opening of which gushed forth spouting steam.

The forward coaches of both trains were telescoped into each other and piled upon the demolished locomotives.

So forceful was the collision and so great the shock that scarcely a passenger on either train escaped without injury of more or less serious nature. Immediately after the crash those with slight injuries began the rescue of the less fortunate. A runner was sent to Richmond, and upon telegraphic notification a special train carrying surgeons and nurses was dispatched from Cherbroke. On arrival at the scene they found five bodies already removed from the wreckage, and within a short time 10 other bodies had been placed in the hospital train. The list of injured was so great that the surgeons and nurses found their efforts taxed to the utmost to alleviate the sufferings of the maimed.

In the hospitals at Cherbroke are now 122 injured. A search of the wreck continues, and it is thought that several, and perhaps many more, bodies will be found beneath the huge pile of splintered timber, bent steel and crushed woodwork.

Among the first of the dead to be recovered was the Hon. J. B. Blanchett, a widely-known member of parliament from St. Hyacinthe, who was taking as his guests to the fair a number of the excursionists.

New York, Aug. 30.—Chased into the river by a swarm of hornets, Alexander Dickson, 12 years old, was drowned yesterday evening, while the lads with him fought vainly against the vicious creatures in their efforts to reach their little companion and save him. The boys were in swimming and found a hornets' nest in the brush and stoned

it. The furious swarms of insects attacked them and they all fled, every one being more or less stung.

Dickson got into deep water in his efforts to escape from the stings and went down. His companions tried to rescue him, but the hornets drove them back and appeared to be acting together in attempt to keep the rescuer away from the drowning boy. A swarm of hornets hovered over the spot where Dickson disappeared, stinging him viciously each time as he came to the surface.

Pittsburg, Aug. 8.—About 7 o'clock this morning Frank Dippold aged 38, after a night's debauch, went to his home in Heidelberg, entered the room where his eight-year-old son, Frank was sleeping, and chopped the lad to pieces with an axe.

Chicago, Aug. 30.—Despite the ultimatum issued by the packers yesterday declaring the strike ended so far as they are concerned, and refusing to meet the butchers' executive board, the strikers held a meeting early this morning and resolved to continue the strike indefinitely.

President Donnelly has issued a statement to the public in which he declares the conditions at the yards were intolerable, that the packers refused to adjust the differences, and the strike was forced upon the workmen. He says that the admission of the packers that they now intend to change the working conditions is proof that the strikers' cause was just and that the end sought by the packers is the disruption of the union, which improved the moral condition of the workmen.

The men are still standing firmly for the principle involved and voted unanimously to continue the strike until accorded an honorable adjustment.

According to the statement of the packers this morning more than 150 union men sought re-employment at the plants today.

The strike conference committee representing all of the unions involved in the strike this noon, ratified the action of the executive board as to continuing the strike. Strike leaders deny absolutely the reports emanating from the packing house offices to the effect that union men are seeking their old places.

Seattle, Wash., Aug. 3.—The United States battle ship Nebraska, now being completed in Seattle, will be launched on the afternoon of October 7, in the Moran Bros. shipyards. Formal announcement of the day was made by Robert Moran yesterday.

Miss Mary Mickey, daughter of Governor Mickey, of Nebraska, will break the bottle of champagne over the bow of the warship. Governor Mickey and a big party of Nebraska officials and citizens will come here in a special train. In addition there will be many distinguished army and navy officials present, and the launching will be made a big event in Seattle. One feature will be a large parade of government ships.

The keel of the ship was laid July 4, 1902. Four months later actual construction of the vessel began. So it is seen that work has been pushed rapidly since that time.

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