

## FRANK RICHARDS COSTS TWO LIVES

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### WOMAN FIGHTS FOR LIFE

After Shooting the Husband in the Back, the Murderer Puts Four Bullets in His Half-Sister's Body.

EUGENE, Or., June 1.—(Special).—The home of Sanford Skinner, in the Mohawk Valley, 13 miles to the northwest, was the scene of a revolting tragedy this morning, when Mr. Skinner and his wife were both murdered in a most cold-blooded manner by John W. Richards, a half-brother of Mrs. Skinner. News of the affair was received by Sheriff Plisk here shortly before 6 o'clock, and he and Deputy Sheriff Harry Brown immediately started for the scene. Coroner Day and Deputy District Attorney Williams also went to the Skinner place, where the facts of the case were investigated and an inquest held.

On arrival at the place Sanford Skinner was found lying in the front of the house, with a large bullet hole through his body, the ball having entered the back and passed out through the abdomen, a wound from which he must have died in a very few moments. On entering the house there were evidences of a struggle and bloodstains were abundant through the kitchen and living-room, and the body of Emma Skinner was found at the foot of the stairs. She had been shot four times, the last shot being through the head, the back part of the head showing a large opening and brains scattered upon the floor. The story of the tragedy as gathered by the officers is as follows:

**Skinner Shot in the Back.**  
About 4:30 o'clock Skinner and his wife arose, and Sanford was going from the house and just passing through a small gate, 30 steps from the house, when he was shot in the back by Richards, who was at the second-story window with a 45 caliber Winchester rifle.

This shot aroused the hired man and the two children of Skinner, Lena and Lloyd, aged 19 and 8 years, respectively. The hired man went to the front door, where he met Richards, who ordered him to get out of there, which he did, going to where Skinner lay dying. The daughter, Lena, rushed downstairs in her night clothes and went to her mother in the kitchen.

About this time Richards started for his sister and her daughter, who evidently dodged out of a side door. The girl ran through the garden, but the mother went around the corner and back into the house through the kitchen door, followed by her half-brother, who had an old-fashioned Navy revolver. With this he shot his victim twice, one shot taking effect in the hand and the second shattering the arm.

### Woman Struggles for Life.

Then it was a struggle took place which can never be related except by the bloodstains in the two rooms. Richards discarded his revolver and secured the rifle, with which he shot his sister through the body and felled her to the floor. He then fired another shot into the prostrate form and left the house, going to the house of Frank Stafford, a short distance down the road, where he told of what he had done and said he was going to give himself up.

Stafford and his hired man secured the rifle and kept the man under guard until the Sheriff could arrive. Lena, the 15-year-old daughter of Skinner, who escaped from her father's clutches, ran to the nearest neighbor, McCreary, and gave the alarm. She immediately returned to her home, however, having seen the murderer leave, and when she showed her nerve and great presence of mind by going to the telephone and calling Sheriff Plisk, to whom she related what had happened, giving a description of the murderer, and urged haste to prevent his escape from the country.

### Trouble Over Richard's Daughter.

The difficulty seems to have been a family row of yesterday. Richards is a son of Mrs. Sarah Washburne by her first husband, and Mrs. Skinner was a daughter by Washburne. Mrs. Washburne owns a farm and Skinner was working it. Richards and his family occupied one part of the house, and Mrs. Washburne another part, and Richards was living with his mother.

Richards had a wife, but she secured a divorce some years ago. They had several children, among whom was a girl named Edna, 15 years old, who has been living in Portland. She came to visit her father three weeks ago, and has been living with her father and mother. Mrs. Skinner objected to this girl, and told his mother-in-law that if she stayed there he would move his family away.

Mrs. Washburne did not care to part with the girl, so yesterday, so had the girl go yesterday to the home of Frank Stafford. This morning the grandfather gathered up the girl's personal effects, and Skinner was just starting to take them to her when he was shot and killed.

### Ready to Be Hanged.

The only remark made by Richards as to his motive for the crime was when he told his mother they visited the girl. He was 41 years of age and was 6 ft. Mr. Skinner was a prominent Oddfellow, and had quite an extensive acquaintance throughout the county, and was always known as an upright and honorable man. The Coroner's jury examined all the witnesses, and promptly brought in a verdict that Mr. and Mrs. Skinner came to their death from gunshot wounds fired by John W. Richards with intent to kill. Richards was arraigned this afternoon before Justice Wintermeier, and waived examination, and was remanded to jail without bail. He will be tried before the Circuit Court at the term which begins the 15th inst.

### BALLOT FOR THEIR OFFICERS

Miss Lombard Made President of State Federation of Clubs.

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