

DISMEMBERED WIFE; PACKS TRUNK

Horrible Confession of Actor When Confronted With Own Work.

BURNS PART OF REMAINS

Chester Jordan Kills Wife in Sudden Quarrel and Hacks Body to Pieces — Shudders at Opening of Trunk.

BOSTON, Sept. 3.—A brutal crime was disclosed tonight by the discovery of the torso of Mrs. Jordan, an actress, aged 23 years, of Somerville, in a trunk in a boarding-house at 7 Hancock street, on Beacon Hill, this city.

Chester Jordan, aged 29 years, an actor, of Somerville, is held by the police, charged with the murder, and tonight, according to the officers, he made a complete confession of the crime.

Jordan is a brother of Mrs. Jessie L. Livermore, wife of the well-known stock and cotton speculator, New York. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Jordan, and a sister, Mrs. Kendall, prominent in the Somerville society, live in the latter city. Mrs. Chester Jordan was known on the stage as Irene Shannon.

According to Jordan's confession he accidentally killed his wife Tuesday night in a quarrel at her home, and, becoming desperate over what he had done, he went out and bought a butcher knife, and with this knife, a razor and shears, he cut up the body and placed the torso in a trunk. He then planned to take the steamer Harvard last night for New York and throw the parts of the body overboard. The fact that the Harvard was laid off, owing to an accident, disarranged his plans, and he was obliged to hire a hackman to take the torso to the Boston boarding-house to await a more favorable opportunity.

The discovery of the crime was due to the suspicions of the hackman, George W. Collins, who was called to take the trunk from the North station this morning, it having come in from Somerville on the local train. The hackman stated he left Jordan and the trunk this afternoon at No. 7 Hancock street. Sergeant Michael Crowley was detailed to go to the house and investigate. He did not go in, but the officer was shown the back room on the second floor which Jordan had engaged and found the trunk and was commanded to open the trunk.

Jordan did not appear nervous or alarmed, but hesitated to open the trunk, and it was not until after considerable argument that he produced the key to the trunk and inserted it in the lock. Turning his head, Jordan threw up the cover of the trunk and then sank back on his knees, burying his face in his hands and sobbing. Sergeant Crowley staggered back against the door, and the trunk, filled with lumps of flesh, a woman's torso, the greater part of the trunk, while pieces of the trunk were scattered about the room. The body was stuffed into the corner. The entire interior of the trunk was bespattered with blood. There was no covering of any sort over the remains.

Jordan submitted to arrest without protest and was taken to station No. 3 and locked up. Giving his name and address he declared the body in the trunk was that of his wife, and said he was perfectly willing to tell everything concerning the case.

For more than four hours Jordan was closeted with the police officials, and time after time went over the horrible details. While he professed that he was dazed, the most perfect plan was committed, yet by the clearness and consciousness of his tale it seemed apparent that whatever preceded the actual killing, the most perfect plan was laid for the disposal of the body and the covering up of the crime.

Jordan's story of the murder was substantially as follows: He stated that he was married in September, 1904, to Mrs. Honora Eddy, whose maiden name was O'Reilly, and whose home was in Somerville. He did not know who his wife's first husband was or what had become of him. The couple went on the vaudeville stage. Mr. Jordan taking the part of a tramp and that of a street singer in a sketch. They went first to Butte, four years ago, but only remained there three or four weeks. Later they went to Chicago and appeared in the same small theater, remaining three months. About three years ago they returned to Somerville and took a flat in the house at 509 Medford street.

Mrs. Jordan, according to her husband, had taken to drinking of late and he says, was associating with other men and he became jealous. It was in a jealous quarrel that the trouble started which ended in the death of the wife.

Jordan declares that his wife struck him first; that he then knocked his wife down stairs, and was horrified to find that he had killed her. This happened at 7:30 o'clock Tuesday night. Hearing discovery, he conceived the idea of cutting the body up, taking it away on one of the street cars, and throwing the parts overboard and then reporting to the police that his wife had left him.

Jordan came to Boston and endeavored to secure passage for New York on the Harvard, but learned that the steamer was not running that day. The body remained at the North station over night. Early today Jordan engaged Collins to take the trunk to the South station, where Jordan intended to board a New York train. He changed his mind, however, and, purchasing a ticket on the Cunard steamer Ivernia, which was to sail tomorrow for Liverpool, again called the same hackman and had him take the trunk to the Hancock street house.

Jordan then went off and bought a roll of wire and eight window weights, which he described as "slinkers," and several sheets of heavy wrapping paper. With these he stated he intended to wrap up the parts of the body of his wife, weigh them with the window irons and throw them into the Charles River. The weights, paper and wire were found in the room with the trunk.

Jordan declared to the police that after knocking his wife down stairs and finding

that she was dead he placed the body in the kitchen and went to bed and to sleep. When he awoke in the morning he cooked his own breakfast in the kitchen, eating it in the presence of the body of his wife. In the afternoon, Jordan said, he dismembered the body.

MAKES APPEAL TO FARMERS

Higgen Promises Relief From Trusts to All Classes.

LEBANON, Ind., Sept. 3.—Thomas L. Higgen, independence party candidate for President, spoke here today to a large crowd. Mr. Higgen said there are three groups of citizens who are especially interested in the coming election—business men, laboring men and farmers. Business men, he said, want equal opportunity and freedom from oppressive trusts. Mr. Higgen expressed himself as standing for an expert and honest administration of the Government.

The laboring man, he said, desired more work and better pay. He has been one of the factors in making the wealth of the country and should get his fair share of it.

Mr. Higgen addressed the greater portion of his speech to the farmers, who made up almost his entire audience. He insisted that the farmer wished a market for his produce which shall not be at the mercy of the combination which makes a low price to the producer and a high price to the consumer.

The trouble started as the union men, the laboring men and the farmers, the independence party makes it appeal for support and gives its solemn promise to bring about these conditions.

PADLOCKS CAUSE STRIKE

Trouble on Breakwater Delays Steamer Several Hours.

ASTORIA, Or., Sept. 3.—(Special.)—The steamer Breakwater, of the Portland-Cooch Bay line, was delayed here several hours today on account of a strike by the crew of her firemen.

The trouble started as the steamer was coming down the river last night, when Captain Macgregor found one of the firemen in the galley making coffee and trying to sneak. He took the man severely to task and the latter replied just as forcibly. The result was that Captain Macgregor had padlocks placed on the galley doors to keep the firemen out. As it had been the rule on board for the firemen to have a hot meal after each watch, they resented the captain's action and upon the arrival of the steamer here all walked ashore.

The officers of the vessel secured the services of several nonunion firemen to take the places of the strikers, but as soon as they went on board, all the union sailors, cooks and stokers picked up their personal effects and went ashore.

The local manager of the steamer then took the matter in hand and it was finally settled by all the union men returning, after the nonunion firemen had been discharged and the objectionable padlocks had been removed from the galley door.

GIANT TREES SCORCHED

Fire That Threatened Calaveras Grove Now Under Control.

STOCKTON, Cal., Sept. 3.—Information from Mr. Whitesides, owner of the Calaveras grove of big trees at Big Trees, Cal., to the effect that the fire which has been raging close to the grove for the past three days, is now under control, though still burning to the north of the grove on the ridge toward Gardner's. No further alarm is felt at the grove and unless something unforeseen should occur all danger as far as the big trees are concerned is past.

The latest reports are that the wind has abated. Last night the fire fighters got the better of the flames and the fire is now under control. Men are still working in isolated portions of the grove, extinguishing the sparks so that the fire will not break out afresh.

The fire did considerable damage to the big trees, but it is thought many of them will continue to live, especially if there is a rain soon.

The reports sent out regarding the fire differ greatly owing to the desire of the resort keepers not to injure their business.

GRAND ARMY MEN ELECT

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other officers were delivering their annual reports today, thousands of their comrades and other visitors were leaving the city.

Commander Burton, after congratulating the members of the organization upon the success of the encampment, said:

"The consolidated reports of the assistant adjutant-general for the tenting ending June 30 are never received in time to enable the adjutant-general to tabulate them for the benefit of the next succeeding National encampment and it is important to state our numerical strength of June 30, 1908.

"On December 1, 1906, the members in good standing numbered 229,922. On December 31, 1907, the members in good standing numbered 225,167, net loss in membership during the year 1907, 4,755. During the year 1907 our loss by death was 16,242, which is partly offset by 4,467 members who were added to our roll by muster in and reinstatement.

Commander Burton declared that the suspended list is very large and suggested that whenever it is apparent a comrade cannot pay his dues without detriment to himself or family his post should promptly remit them.

He congratulated the members of the Grand Army upon the passage of the Sullyway bill in April, 1906, which granted to every honorably-discharged soldier of the War of the Rebellion, who served 90 days or more and who had reached the age of 62 years, a pension of \$12 per month, and to the widows of such soldiers a pension of a like sum.

Eloquent tributes were paid by Commander Burton to Thomas G. Lawlor, of Rockford, Ill., past commander-in-chief of the Grand Army, and to Daniel R. Lucas, the past chaplain of the organization, who died last November in Indianapolis.

TEST VOTE ON HUGHES
Republican Committee to Be Bound by Result of Primaries.

NEW YORK, Sept. 3.—With the purpose of testing the sentiment in Manhattan for the renomination of Governor Hughes, it was announced today at the headquarters of the Republican committee that at the Republican primary next Tuesday Mr. Hughes' name would be printed on the city ticket in nine Assembly districts.

AVOIDS TELLING BY TAKING LIFE

Donahue Fears to Reveal Relations With Murdered Woman.

BERRY IS SUSPECTED

Oakland Mystery Given Sensational New Turn by Suicide—Inquest Interrupted by Discovery of Donahue's Dead Body.

OAKLAND, Cal., Sept. 3.—Daniel Donahue, husband of Mrs. Alice Donahue who was murdered and buried in Emeryville, a suburb of Oakland and whose body was found last Sunday, shot and killed himself in his home some time this morning. His body was found this afternoon by Deputy Coroner Sergeant and Deputy Public Administrator Flood, who had gone to search for him.

Gustave Ahlstedt has been in jail since Sunday on suspicion of having had a hand in Mrs. Donahue's murder.

Donahue was to have been forced to prove this afternoon of his marriage to the murdered woman. He had already made application for the \$9000 cash in bank and the life insurance of \$700 left by Mrs. Donahue. He was under subpoena to appear as a witness at the inquest which met this afternoon.

Police Find Donahue Dead.

Coroner Tidale waited half an hour and then ordered his deputy to go after Donahue. The deputy public administrator also went along. The officers called at the Donahue home in Emeryville and knocked repeatedly on the door. Receiving no answer, they forced an entrance and found Donahue's dead body. His hand still grasped the revolver with which he had ended his life.

Donahue had killed himself before dressing. His body had on only a nightshirt. On a table was found this note:

"Oakland, Cal., Sept. 3, 1908. "I am innocent of this crime. If you find Jos. Berry, you got the man that had or done the deed."

Now Suspect Berry.

Joseph Berry is the man with whom Mrs. Donahue is reported to have lived before she took up with Donahue. The police are now bending every effort to locate him. A card found in the Donahue house gives his address at one time as 706 Mission street, San Francisco.

The suicide of Donahue caused the continuance of the inquest until next Tuesday. It leaves the murder rather than a case for solution. That Donahue was not married to the dead woman is the belief of the authorities. The note left by him, however, is not fully believed, for both Captains of Detectives Petersen and Sheriff Barnett feel that Donahue was concerned in the murder and that he shot himself when he knew that he must admit under oath his relations with

HE NEVER FORGAVE

Lord Sackville West, Who Hated America, Is Dead.

SENT HOME BY CLEVELAND

Incident That Closed British Minister's Diplomatic Career Created Sensation Twenty Years Ago.

LONDON, Sept. 3.—Lionel Sackville West, second baron of Sackville, died at Knoll Park, Seven Oaks, today. He had been ill for some time and since August 15 he had been confined to his bed. Lord Sackville West was born in 1827 and served his country in the diplomatic service. He was British minister to the United States from 1881 to 1888. At the request of President Cleveland he was recalled in October, 1888.

Lord Sackville's dismissal by President Cleveland practically ended his diplomatic career, for since 1888 he was never trusted with any important diplomatic mission. He lived quietly the life of a country gentleman and seldom appeared in London society. He always retained a grudge against America and Americans and it was his custom to avoid any meetings with travelers from the other side.

A few years ago Lord Sackville created a sensation by publishing a pamphlet, meant for private circulation among his friends, in which he vindicated his diplomatic work in the United States. The newspapers obtained a copy of this publication. In it Lord Sackville explained with much picturesque detail that the trap into which he fell at Washington was a Fenian conspiracy; that the Fenian organization harassed him during his residence in America; kept spies after him and plotted to assassinate him.

Few of the diplomat's friends took this story seriously.

J. M. Thompson, Frugal Millionaire.

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 3.—Judson M. Thompson, aged 77 years, a millionaire and for many years a conspicuous figure in St. Louis, died at the home of his son in Old Orchard last night. He lived frugally and it was his custom to buy clothing at little expense and wear the apparel as long as it would last. Three years ago he retired from active business. He was vice-president of the old Continental National Bank and in the early days in St. Louis he represented the banking house of Morgan & Co.

Owen L. Stratton, Missionary.

CHICAGO, Sept. 3.—Advices were received here today telling of the death on August 30 of Owen Loveloy Stratton, at the Episcopal mission at Wuhu, China. Mr. Stratton was the son of Rev. L. N. Stratton, of Lockport, Ill., and had been doing missionary work in China for several years.

Rev. Francis Tiffany.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Sept. 3.—Rev. Francis Tiffany, author, preacher and traveler, died at his home here today. He was born in Maryland in 1827.

PEOPLE CRY FOR BREAD

Bread Riots if Starving Poor Are Not Relieved.

GLASGOW UNEMPLOYED STORM CITY COUNCIL

Repulsed by Police, They Threaten Bread Riots if Starving Poor Are Not Relieved.

GLASGOW, Sept. 3.—A number of unemployed of Glasgow today made an unsuccessful attempt to get a hearing before the Municipal Council. Four hundred men attempted to break down the doors of the room where the Council was in session. Police reserves were called out and restored order.

The tact of the members of the Council who agreed to receive a deputation of the unemployed and the prudence of the police in not attempting to make arrests resulted in the quiet dispersal of the malcontents of the town. A strongly worded manifesto, which has been posted on the streets in the poorer quarters, however, declares that 60,000 adults and 100,000 children are crying for bread in the city of plenty and threatens a recurrence of the bread riots unless the authorities adopt palliative measures.

WOODARD, CLARKE AND COMPANY

Our Friday Bargain Sales

As usual we are offering a lot of unusual reductions for Friday's Bargain sale. You will do well to read this Ad, as it contains many money-saving bargains. The sale lasts only one day, so take advantage.

FRIDAY DRUG DEPT. BARGAINS
Regular 40c Sugar Milk, Friday, per lb. 27c
Regular 15c Compound Licorice Powder, Friday, per pkg. 9c
Regular 15c Petrola, half-lb. can, Friday 9c
Regular 50c Pure Cream Tartar, Friday, per lb. 38c
Regular 10c Moth Balls, Friday, per pkg. 5c
Regular 10c Ground Flaxseed, Friday, per pkg. 5c
Regular 25c Mixed Spices for pickling, Friday, per can 15c
Regular 25c Antiseptic Soap Sol. (Germicide), Friday, bot. 13c
Regular 25c Sweet Oil, Friday, bottle 14c
Regular 25c Bay Rum, Friday, bottle 14c
Regular 20c Denatured Alcohol, Friday, pint 14c

FRIDAY TOILET ARTICLE BARGAINS
Regular 50c Ricksacker Powder, Friday 33c
Regular 25c Satin Skin Powder, Friday 17c
Regular 50c Ricksacker Cold Cream, Friday 33c
Regular 50c Camelline, Friday 33c
Regular 25c Almond Cream, Friday 17c
Regular 25c Murray & Lanman Florida Water, Friday 17c

SPECIAL FRIDAY SOAP BARGAINS
Regular 10c Sapolie, Friday 7c
Regular 50c Castile Soap, 3 1/2-lb. bar, Friday 36c
Regular 10c Bon Ami, Friday 7c
Regular 25c Cuticura, Friday 16c
Regular 25c 4711 Toilet Soap, Friday 11c
Regular 10c Ivory, Friday 7c
Regular 5c Cotton Soap, Friday, per dozen 35c
Reg. 25c Bob Armour's Violet, Rose, Heliotrope, Friday, box 10c
Regular 50c Jergen's assortment of 8 cakes, Friday, box 21c
Reg. 50c Face Glycerine and Tar, 12 to box, Friday, per box 21c
These are only a few of our Soap Reductions.

FRIDAY BRISTLE GOODS BARGAINS
Regular \$1.75 Hair Brushes, 12-row, satin back, Friday \$1.15
Regular \$1.00 Hair Brushes, 9-row, foxwood back, Friday .56c
Regular 25c Nail Brushes, 6-row, bone handle, Friday .12c
Regular 65c Combs, 7 1/2-inch, white, coarse, Friday .39c
Regular 65c Combs, 8-inch, white, coarse and fine, Friday .39c
Regular 25c Tooth Brushes, Friday .12c
Regular 35c Tooth Brushes, Friday .21c

FRIDAY RUBBER GOODS BARGAINS
Regular 75c Red Rubber Gloves, all sizes, Friday .39c
Regular \$2.00 extra heavy Lineman's Gloves, Friday \$1.39
Regular \$1.25 Screw Top Ice Cap, Friday .63c
Regular \$2.50 4-quart Maroon Combination Syringe and Water Bottle, Friday \$1.73
Regular \$1.25 3-quart Fountain Syringe, Friday .98c
Regular \$2.50 4-quart Maroon Water Bottle, Friday \$1.98
\$1.50 1-quart Red Water Bottle, guaranteed 2 years, Friday .98c

FRIDAY ART DEPT. BARGAINS
2-inch Veneer Frames for Postal Cards; natural wood and green oak finish; Friday 5c
Passepartouts, Gibson Pictures, Russell Pictures, in 2-inch oak frames; facsimile water colors and oils in antique gold frames; values to 60c; Friday 15c
Genuine Carbons in 2-inch frames—English Hunting Pictures in colors and unique oak frames; genuine artist-signed etchings, 9x12; Boileau's Heads, 9x14, in dark frames; facsimile Water Colors, 10x22, in gold frames and ornamented covers; Friday 25c
Facsimile Water Colors and Oils, 16x20, several subjects; 3-inch gilt frames, ornamented corners; Den Pictures, 10x20, in 1 1/2-inch oak frames; Christie Pictures in original colors, 1-inch black frames; Friday .98c

FRIDAY STATIONERY DEPT. BARGAINS
Engraved Calling and Business Cards from plate, Friday 25 PER CENT OFF
Regular 20c Playing Cards, Friday 11c
Bicycle Playing Cards, Friday 19c
Bee Playing Cards, Friday 19c
Congress Cards, Friday 42c
Regular 20c Tablets, Friday 11c
Regular \$1.50 Postcard Albums, Friday \$1.00
Regular 35c to 50c Postcard Albums 19c
Regular 40c, 50c and 60c fine Writing Paper, Friday 23c

FOUR SPECIAL FRIDAY BARGAINS
Extra special sample line of high-grade nickel-plated Bathroom Fixtures, including towel bars, glass shelves, tumbler holders, soap dishes, toilet paper-holders and sponge-holders; Friday, only ONE-HALF PRICE.
Regular \$1.20 Ever Ready Flash Light, 10-inch size, Friday .89c
Regular 25c Shoe Brush, good quality, Friday 17c
\$1 Dolphin heavy nickel-plated Curling Iron Heater, Friday .69c

FAMILY LIQUOR AND WINE BARGAINS
Regular \$1.25 to \$1.65 extra special assorted brands high-grade Whisky, including Scotch, Rye and Bourbon, Friday, qt. 95c
Regular \$1.25 fine old California Brandy, Friday, per quart .98c
Regular \$1.25 California Claret Wine, Friday, per gallon .89c
\$1 California Port or Sherry (Reserved Stock), Friday, qt. .59c
50c Woodlark Pure Concord Grape Juice, Friday, 3 qts. \$1.00

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Reed-French Piano Offer
The friend-making piano offer of Reed-French takes all the kinks out of the big retail dealers.
A beautiful Reed-French piano, in tone, finish and reputation for \$224—precisely the same grade piano usually sold for \$350.
The store—Sixth and Burnside—Open evenings till 9.
It is a custom of the Reed-French Piano Company to place on the market in the Fall of the year a number of their own pianos at a price much less than usual, with the idea of acquainting the people generally with the Reed-French pianos and Reed-French piano selling methods.
This method is very much different from anything you have ever heard of in Portland, because it undertakes to do away with the retailer and brings the maker and the player together. It stands to reason, doesn't it, the fewer people interested in a piano the less it costs the person who uses it?
The piano we offer is first-class and the price of it so low it becomes an irresistible proposition to anyone wanting an instrument.
When we say this strictly modern, first-class piano may be had for \$224 we are making a statement that is utterly beyond a retail house to make, quality of the instrument considered.
This \$224 piano is built to compete with the \$350 piano of retail stores, and if tone, appearance, reputation and past experience count we have them beaten to a "frazzle."
See us today and know more of this \$224 offer. We forgot to say, before, that easy monthly payments will be accepted.
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