

GASTRO RUN DOWN

Murderer Arrested in Beaverton Hayloft.

HE CONFESSES TO HIS CRIME

Long Hunt of Detective Cordano is Rewarded by the Capture of the Slayer of Joseph Guglielmo.

Run to earth at last, after dodging his pursuers for three days, Joseph Castrouneve, otherwise known as Joseph Castro, was last night arrested by Detective John Cordano, in company with Detective Ford, Kerrigan and Snow. He was caught in a hay barn near Beaverton, and charged with the murder of Joseph Guglielmo, the saloonkeeper at First and Market streets, Christmas morning. Castrouneve is locked up in the City Jail, and the ugly-looking knife, with a spring-back, making it like a stiletto, with which he killed Guglielmo, was found in his possession. This knife has a blade about five inches long, and the point is broken.

"Where is the point of this knife?" the prisoner was asked last night by an Oregonian reporter. Castrouneve philosophically shrugged his shoulders and opened the palms of his hands with the manner peculiar to his race, and said: "Oh, you will find the point of that knife in the life of my heart."

"Why did you kill Guglielmo?" "He attacked me with a revolver, struck me twice, and I thought he was going to shoot me, so I shot him three times. I struck in self-defense."

Detectives' Long Chase.

"Yes," replied Castrouneve. That is the kernel of his confession. The skill with which the murderer was run down and the dramatic incidents attending his arrest all recurred to the minds of Detective Cordano and the other detectives who acted in concert with him. It was a weary, desperate chase, and Castrouneve came home last night thoroughly tired out, but happy that he had run the murderer down. From the moment that the news of the tragedy was received, early on Christmas morning, that Guglielmo had been stabbed to the heart by an unknown Italian, Detective Cordano naturally took the lead in the pursuit, from his knowledge of the Italian language and his experience that a man of his race who had taken a human life should answer to the law for his crime. He was loyally aided by Detectives Ford, Kerrigan and Snow, and, indeed, by every member of the police department. Cordano was a personal friend of the murdered man, and, indeed, he had arranged to eat his Christmas dinner with him. Shocked by his friend's brutal murder, Cordano was one of the first to join in the pursuit of the criminal, and as soon as it was satisfactorily established that Castrouneve was the man who had killed Guglielmo, Cordano and Kerrigan went to a carriage and drove to Castrouneve's house only to find that the fugitive, taking his revolver, money, bread, cheese and crackers, had been there before them, and had fled to the hills for safety.

Sifting Truth From Rumors.

For hours the detectives drove and walked over the hills leading to Zlontown and vicinity, studying tracks on the wet soil with the dim light of their lanterns, and it was not until Friday afternoon that the chase rested for the moment. In order that the tired detectives could change their wet clothes and get a few hours' restless sleep and food, Thursday night and Friday morning, Detective Kerrigan and Snow again worked over the hills, seeking information from every possible source that might lead to the arrest of the murderer. Monday morning the chase was not idle, and here it was that Cordano's special ability was tested. He was able to sift truth from rumor in the numerous stories that reached the police department of the location of the murderer's hideout. Indeed, in more than one instance the police were misled by Castrouneve's own friends, who had their own reasons in trying to keep the murderer in California. Meanwhile the officers at the police station were not idle, and telegrams and telephone messages were sent her and there to lead to Castrouneve, should he attempt to leave the state.

Straight Tip Came Yesterday.

Tired but not disheartened in running down a number of clues that had proved largely to be the "fake" order, Cordano received the first correct information which ultimately led to Castrouneve's capture yesterday morning at 10 o'clock. This was to the effect that a woman whose name the police will not divulge at present had seen a man wearing a hat and carrying a gun, who she believed to be the murderer, in the Beaverton region, and that this man had asked people at Beaverton station if he could buy a ticket for \$10 with which to travel to Portland. She immediately drove to Beaverton alone, met his informant, and after going over the position carefully, learned that the man who was on the flight trail at last. He drove back to Portland, reported to Chief McLaughlin, and again left for the scene of the arrest, accompanied by Detectives Ford, Kerrigan and Snow. The man in which the murderer was supposed to be hiding was pointed out to the detectives in the darkness, the exact point being 300 yards this side of Beaverton.

Murderer Caught in Hayloft.

Knowing that they were about to deal with a desperate man who already has one murder chalked to his credit in Italy and a stabbing affray in British Columbia, the detectives moved quiet and careful preparation to deal with him with a lantern, and it came in very handy at this juncture. Castrouneve was supposed to be hiding in the hay loft above the barn. There were two floors leading into the building, and these were guarded by Detectives Snow and Ford. A ladder ran up to the hay loft, and Cordano and Kerrigan softly began to ascend it. For all they knew, the murderer might be very instantly be covering them with his revolver ready to shoot. Cordano grasped the lantern in one hand, and grasped his revolver with his other, ready to shoot at a moment's notice. Kerrigan also carried his revolver, and fearing that Cordano was encumbered with what he was carrying, Kerrigan whispered: "Let me go in first."

Not on your life. I go first," pluckily whispered back his comrade. The next instant they were at the top of the ladder, and Cordano rushed in and the light from his lantern shone on the astonished face of Castrouneve, who lay huddled up in a corner.

"Throw up your hands, or I'll blow your head off," said Cordano, waving his weapon. Kerrigan had his revolver handy, also.

Castro Gives In.

"I give in," said Castrouneve, sullenly, in Italian, and up went his hands. He was quickly searched and handcuffed, and the only weapon he carried, the knife with which he murdered Guglielmo, was taken from him. The party of five then drove away in the darkness of this city, and shortly thereafter the murderer was taken to the station. He looked cool and composed, but bloodthirsty. The Oregonian reporter asked Cordano to inquire in Italian if the prisoner would object to be interviewed. "No," said Castrouneve, "I desire to tell how it all happened."

Confession of the Murderer.

The murderer's confession translated from Italian into English was as follows: "That knife is the one I used in stabbing"

PLAYS ONE-NIGHT STANDS

BUT FAMOUS BASSO LIKES LYCEUM ENGAGEMENTS.

Says He Makes More Money in Concert Work Than With His Old Company.

After battling with the snowdrifts during the interim between one-night stands for the past couple of weeks, and enduring somewhat of a discomfort that would lead a man of weaker physique to say unkind things about his manager, Eugene Cowles reached Portland yesterday, big and strong and happy as his own magnificent voice. He had been in the city since when he was here last. He learned on his arrival that the Bostonians, with which troupe he was associated for upwards of 10 years, were also headed for this city, and as soon as he had signed his name on the hotel register he raced off, schoolboy fashion, to find out when his old friends would get to town.

It seems almost impossible to disassociate Cowles from the "Armer's Song." It doesn't seem exactly right, but Cowles says it is for the best, and he will be here to give his former associates one of his bar-like hugs when they arrive.

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CHINAMEN CANNOT AGREE

They Seek Redress in Mellean Man's Court.

Treasurer Retains Cash.

Partners in Shirtwaist Company Ask for an Accountant.

As the result of a quarrel between the partners, the Spencer Company, shirt and shirtwaist manufacturers, have commenced suit in the State Circuit Court against Miss A. L. Parker to have her restrained from interfering with the business. Judge Sears granted a preliminary injunction order for the plaintiff filing a bond. According to the complaint, Miss Parker until recently was the treasurer of the company, but was voted out at a meeting of the board of directors and stockholders, and she has since been operating her place. It is alleged that Miss Parker refused to surrender the books or turn over the cash on hand, and that she endeavored to drive partners away from the

ATTACHMENT SUIT IS FILED AGAINST HIM BY ANXIOUS CREDITORS.

Billings in Trouble.

Says He Didn't Do It.

John Lumley, indicted for forgery, appeared in the State Circuit Court yesterday, accompanied by his attorney, and prepared to enter a plea of not guilty. Deputy District Attorney Spencer, who was present, agreed that Lumley should plead not guilty, and his trial take place the same day. Lumley is charged with having signed the name of D. B. Price to a book subscription contract. He is at liberty on bail, and says he is not afraid of the outcome of the trial.

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AMUSEMENTS.

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SUES HIS BOSS BARBER.

Apprentice Wants \$50 Back From M. S. Cadonau.

Suit to recover \$50 was begun yesterday in Justice of the Peace Reid's court by G. B. Allison, a youth from Clackamas County, against M. S. Cadonau, a Morrison-street barber. Allison says that he paid Cadonau \$50 to receive instruction in the barber's trade, and that after he had worked nine days Cadonau "fired" him without reasonable cause November 12, and now refuses to hand back the \$50. Two different stories are told of the transaction. Allison says that he and his future teacher entered into this agreement:

"This agreement entered into between G. B. Allison, party of the first part, and M. S. Cadonau, party of the second part, is to certify that M. S. Cadonau agrees to teach G. B. Allison the barber trade and all parts thereof known to M. S. Cadonau for the sum and consideration of \$50, and does promise to keep him until qualified to get a permit to work as a barber in the State of Oregon. J. H. BURTON, Witness."

Cadonau says: "Allison left my shop of his own free will. Three days afterward he came back and told me he had decided to quit Portland and start a shop of his own in Rainier. I advised him not to open a shop just then, but to wait until he knew more about the business. He said he had made an offer to buy out a man at Rainier, but that the man would not sell for a while yet. Then he accused me of trying to 'boss' him, which was not true. I never refused to give him back his \$50."

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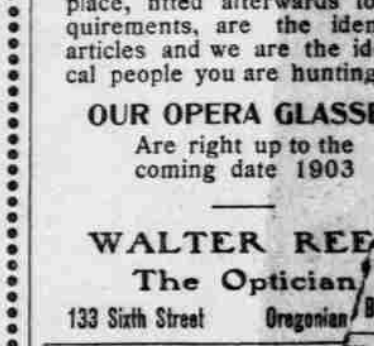
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