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MYSTERIOUS DEATH

Gas Asphyxiation not Cause of Accountant's Demise.

MURDERED FOR VALUABLES

Police Unearth Evidence Which Dis-Proves Suicide Theory—Victim Was Struck in the Head By Blunt Instrument... Gas Turned on Later.

New York, Sept. 11.—What may develop into another mysterious hotel murder like that of Jacob H. Thompson, a well known editor, was discovered yesterday in an obscure hostelry at sixth Avenue and 56th Street.

Through the odor of escaping gas, a maid in the hotel was drawn to a room occupied for the night previously by Alfred Kattringer, a public accountant, who lived with his wife, father and room was broken open and Kattringer found dead in the bed. There was no sign of violence and it appeared to be a commonplace suicide.

A coroner and detectives made a systematic examination of the body and room and immediately they began to discover things that set them to thinking.

It was observed that the transom of the room was half open, while the room showed none of the usual preparations for suicide by gas. When the coroner came to examine the body closely, he discovered that the face was not blackened or discolored, as frequently happens in asphyxiation cases. Then he saw a large bruise just over the left ear, near the temple. It was such a contusion as might have been caused by a hard fall or a blow from a heavy stick or blunt weapon.

Krattinger's brothers told the coroner that there should be found on the body a diamond pin, worth \$1100 and a considerable amount of cash. The only thing found in the pockets was a cheap pocket knife. There was no trace of the diamond pin.

It was subsequently ascertained by the coroner that the hotel register had been tampered with and the time of Krattinger's arrival changed. The hotel employees professed entire ignorance as to who had made the change. Krattinger's father and brothers declared after the examination that they were positive the accountant had been murdered in his room early yesterday morning for his money and pin and that the thief and murderer had escaped by the Sixth Avenue window after arranging the body neatly and turning on the gas to create the impression of suicide.

DIES OF HEART DISEASE

Leavenworth, Kas., Sept. 11.—William VanBrimer, an inmate of the Leavenworth Soldiers Home, a veteran of Company H. Fourth Ohio infantry and who recently fell heir to \$200,000 by the death of an uncle in Holland, has died suddenly of heart disease in a hotel here.

"UNCLE BILL" WILL CELEBRATE.

Noted Convict is 84 Years Old, and Has Been in Sing Sing 34 Years.

New York, Sept. 11.—William Kelly, known among his fellow prisoners as "Uncle Bill" celebrated in Sing Sing his 85th birthday. He is the oldest convict in the state and has been incarcerated longer than any prisoner now in New York State institutions.

Kelly was placed behind the bars 34 years and four months ago for murder in the second degree committed in Queen's County. The Judge, and so far as known, all the juries have long since joined the great majority.

In celebrating his anniversary Kelly seated himself in his big arm chair while the other convicts passed by, each shaking his hand and wishing him success in efforts soon to be made for procuring his pardon.

After Kelly had been in prison for a little more than 20 years, he became stone blind. For 12 years he sat in darkness. Then a New York professor visited Sing Sing. In passing through the hospital ward he noticed the blind convict.

"I should think this case ought to be cured," remarked the specialist. Kelly agreed to an operation, saying he could not be made any blinder. The operation was a success and the old man's sight was completely restored.

REFORMS ARE EVIDENT TALK ON PRESENT CONDITIONS

Chicago Minister Gives Interesting Reasons for His Opinions.

Chicago, Sept. 11.—The Rev. John Balcom Shaw, in his sermon at the Second Presbyterian church last night, said in part:

"For years the American conscience seemed to be sleeping its last sleep. Graft had flourished until we had become a nation of grafters. Corporations had grown so lawless and merciless as to cease to be cautious.

"But six months ago with the suddenness of a meteor's flash, like a bolt out of a clear sky, a new situation appeared. First, came the cry of tainted money, which was so loud and so widespread as to warn the corrupt and unscrupulous men, to arm reformers with weapons they could never before carry, and to push the cause of truth and honesty miles ahead. Following this was the equitable expose which has dealt corporation trickery a blow from which it will not soon recover.

"What all this promises for the work of the Christian church can scarcely be estimated. We are in the midst of an ethical revival and if the church will only relate itself rightly to the movement it may pave the way for the spiritual revival for which it has been long eagerly looking."

ONE RETURNS ALIVE

Fate of Construction Engineers On Cape to Cairo Railroad.

FLATTERING OFFERS MADE

Death is the Reward of 15 Out of Company of 16 Engineers, Who are Lured to Africa by Flattering Inducements of Flattering Wages.

Chicago, Sept. 11.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Mobile, Ala., says:

William Hilburn, a former resident of this city, arrived here yesterday after three adventurous years spent in the wilds of Africa, with sixteen others, in response to glowing offers by agents of a construction company building the Cape to Cairo railroad. Hilburn is the only one of the 16 to arrive alive.

Hilburn and his 15 companions accepted terms to work on the railroad as engineers and trestle builders. They left Pensacola, Fla., on August 22, 1902, under a promise of big wages and other flattering inducements. The party embarked for the Zambesi river district, north of the Transvaal, where the Cape to Cairo road was under construction.

In due time they arrived. At this time Hilburn states that their hardships began. What was expected to be a scene of activity and wealth turned out to be a desolate railroad camp in the jungles.

CROP REPORT.

Washington, Sept. 11.—The department of agriculture crop bulletin says: The average condition of spring wheat when harvested was 87.3. The condition of the five principal states are as follows:

Minnesota, 84; North Dakota, 84; South Dakota, 89; Iowa, 91; Washington, 91.

TORTURED BY FIRE

Fate of Wealthy Farmers who Refuse to Reveal Treasure.

INJURIES MAY PROVE FATAL

Victims of Robbers On Refusal to Reveal the Supposed Hiding Place of Their Money are Bound, Gagged and Tortured by Flames.

Chicago, Sept. 11.—A dispatch to the Record-Herald from Elgin, Ill., says:

Bound, gagged and tortured by fire by three bandits who sought to make them reveal the hiding places of treasure they sought concealed in the house, Andrew and John Fohren, old and wealthy citizens, living near Spring Lake 12 miles north of here, are in a serious condition, and it is feared the shock and injuries may prove fatal to Andrew, the elder of the two brothers.

Andrew, after the robbers had searched the house, and taken \$300 managed to free himself from the things which bound him, and started across the fields to secure help. The soles of his feet were blistered, and before he had gone far he fainted and fell in a ditch where he lay until after daylight.

Finally he revived and made his way to a cheese factory where he gave the alarm, but the bandits had gained a start of several hours and could not be found.

The bandits appeared last night and when refused admittance battered in the door and overpowered the old man after a brief struggle. They then searched the house, and finding only \$300, concluded that a larger sum was concealed somewhere. They beat and choked their victims and finally applied lighted papers to the soles of their feet to make them tell where the supposed gold was hidden. After half an hour of excruciating torture John fainted with pain, and the robbers left. John was still unconscious when help arrived, but revived and is in a less serious condition than his brother.

OFFICERS OF PEARY SUPPLY SHIP RETURNS

Bears Messages From Commander Peary Now at Etah, Greenland.

St. Johns N. B., Sept. 11.—F. Solon and A. Kisting, of the Peary supply ship Eric, have arrived on their way to Washington, where they will report on the progress of the polar expedition up to the time they left Commander Peary on August 16 at Etah, Greenland. The men decline to make a detailed statement at this time, but they say the Roosevelt encountered her first real ice barrier near Etah. It was a stretch of ice of 30 miles and the commander's sturdy steamer went through the field in excellent manner.

The Eskimos, they report, were greatly pleased to see Commander Peary and were anxious to join in his venturesome journey.

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