DETECTIVES DELVE INTO MYSTERY OF A SINGULAR LETTER

Note Sent to The Journal Purporting to Be a Confession of the Murder of ex-Governor Steunenberg—Declares Hogan Is Not the Guilty Man.

Portland
Jan 4th 1906

Editor Journal
Dear Sir
The hand that Pens this is the hand that made Placed and exploded the bomb that killed the robber bribetaker and Murderer Steunenberg. he Put me in Prison and robed me of my Wife and stole my Property while I was helpless I am not long for this world and should I be caught I will not hang Hogan is crazy or he would be out. mine was a Personal quarrel and I settled it squarely I took the only sure way a Poor man has.
some day I will call for reporter and make a death bed confession
Cfn innocent Convict
driven to Murder

Facsimile of Letter Purporting to Be From the Slayer of ex-Governor Steunenberg.

Declaring that his is the hand which "made, placed and exploded the bomb that killed the robber, bribetaker and murderer, Steunenberg," an unknown writer sends a remarkable communication to The Journal. Pinkerton agents and others who have seen the letter are not inclined to believe it a hoax, but think that it was penned either by an accomplice or a person who figured in the Idaho riots and served time in the famous "bullpen." Others, however, look lightly on the matter and assert that some practical joker was busy.

The communication is written in lead pencil. The envelope is one of those used at the Hotel zur Rheinpfalz, 253 Front street; the Hotel Minto, 232 Front street, and the Matthiesen hotel, 204 Madison street, all three being conducted by John Matthiesen. The letter is addressed in ink: "Editor Journal, 5 and Yamhill, city."

The following is the text of the communication, with corrections in spelling, punctuation and capitalization:

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"AN INNOCENT CONVICT DRIVEN TO MURDER."

There are a number of peculiarities in the handwriting. Close examination of the registers at the Hotel Zur Rheinpfalz, the Hotel Rhein and the Matthiesen hotel shows only one man whose writing has any of the peculiarities in evidence in the letter. This man is also in poor health. That he had nothing to do with the murder, regardless of whether or not he penned the letter, is shown by his being in this city December 30, the day on which ex-Governor Steunenberg of Idaho was murdered.

One theory advanced is that the writer sympathizes with Hogan, who is under arrest at Boise on suspicion of committing the crime, and has taken this method of casting doubt on his being implicated in the affair.

It is evident that the letter was written in a room on tablet paper and that the envelope was afterward procured at the counter of one of the three hotels mentioned, as they are placed at these hostelries in receptacles on the counters. Pens and ink are also on the counters, which would explain the use of ink in addressing the envelope.

The letter was mailed Sunday afternoon, the postmark showing it was received at the postoffice that day at 6 o'clock in the evening. It was held for postage, as only a 2-cent stamp was placed on the envelope. This explains why it was not received at The Journal office until last evening.

BLEW UP MINERS.

Orchard Is Identified as Author of the Cripple Creek Outrage.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Boise, Idaho, Jan. 9.—Sheriff Bell of Cripple Creek has positively identified Harry Orchard, under arrest at Caldwell for the murder of Governor Steunenberg, as the man who blew up the Independence depot June 6, 1904, killing 18 miners. He says that both crimes are identical in plan and execution. Detectives say there is no doubt of Orchard's guilt. Chemists will complete the analysis of the powder and liquid found among the prisoner's baggage Wednesday. The preliminary trial will be held Thursday.

Fred Miller, a Spokane lawyer, has arrived at Caldwell to defend Orchard. Bell says that Attorney Sullivan, the Denver lawyer who went to see Orchard Saturday, is in the employ of the Western Federation of Miners. He believes the federation will furnish the money to defend Orchard.

SAMUEL A. GOULET EXPIRES AT GERVAIS

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Gervais, Or., Jan. 9.—Samuel A. Goulet, aged 80 years lacking 56 days, died at his home in Gervais yesterday morning after an illness of seven days. He was born in Montreal, Canada, and emigrated to Michigan when 18 years of age. He came to Oregon and settled on French Prairie in the year 1852. He was married in Michigan 63 years ago and leaves a large family consisting of three boys and two girls, as follows:

P. P. Goulet of Brooks; Fred Goulet of 495 Flint street, Portland; Mrs. Mary Ellen Manning of Mount Angel; Mrs. Minnie Murphy of East Portland; Henry Goulet of Woodburn. His wife, aged 84, survives him. The funeral will be held Wednesday with interment in the Catholic cemetery at Gervais, Marion county.

CALIFORNIA CATHOLICS ARE PRAYING FOR RAIN

(Journal Special Service.)

San Francisco, Jan. 9.—As a result of the light rainfall, which threatens disaster to the state, special mass for rain was offered at St. Mary's cathedral. The mass was specially ordered by Archbishop Riordan.

Rev. Father Ramm was the celebrant and there were no special features except a prayer during the sacrifice asking God to grant the prayers of the faithful and bless the state with rain. The special mass throughout the diocese ordered by the archbishop is somewhat unusual. The last time masses were ordered for rain was two years ago.

Aurora W. O. W. Install.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Aurora, Or., Jan. 9.—Nesamuk camp No. 661, W. O. W., will install the following officers Thursday night, January 11: P. C. C., H. A. Snyder; C. C., W. L. White; A. L., Christ Kocher; banker, F. L. Miller; clerk, Frans Kraxberger; watchman, Charles Flowers; escort, George P. S. White; sentry, Michael Knoll; manager, Arthur Keil. After the installation there will be a banquet.

Aurora lodge No. 137, I. O. O. F., will install, in conjunction with the Rebekah lodge, the following officers Thursday night, January 11: N. G., B. F. Glesy; V. G., William White; treasurer, C. Vimmerman; P. G., O. G. Morris.

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HER PICTURE IS USED TO PROMOTE SWINDLE

New York Con Man for Two Years Sends Picture of Miss Tennant to Victims.

A swindler in the city of New York has paid a tribute to the beauty of Dorothy Tennant, who plays the title role in "The College Widow."

His name is J. C. Farrington and he was arrested a few days ago for using the United States mails for fraudulent purposes. Farrington's plan was to insert an advertisement in the newspapers stating that a "beautiful Creole widow" owning a sugar plantation worth $100,000 desired a matrimonial partner who might relieve her of the cares of managing her estate. It was necessary for each candidate to send Farrington $5 as his fee for an introduction. He received many applications and the applicants received in return only a photograph. And that photograph was of Miss Tennant!

Farrington has been engaged in his bunko scheme for upward of two years and the government sleuths in New York—as well as the beauty of "The College Widow"—are extremely gratified that he has been run down. He was assisted in his work by his wife.

An account of the case appeared in the New York Examiner recently with a reproduction of the pictures which the arrested man has been using. When shown the picture today Miss Tennant said:

"Yes, it is my photograph, but this is the first intimation I have had of the case. I am not, of course, acquainted with the Farringtons and I naturally feel some indignation, not to say humiliation, over the occurrence. But in this profession with photographs being spread broadcast for many purposes there can be no blame attached to any one besides the crook himself."

It is rather a remarkable coincidence that Miss Tennant should be playing the "widow" while Farrington was representing her as one.

ASTORIA WOMAN AND COMPANION ARRESTED

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Salem, Or., Jan. 9.—Lee R. Minard and Mrs. Bertha B. Reid, wife of Captain John Reid of Astoria were arrested in this city last night by Deputy Sheriffs Minto and Esch on a statutory charge, on a warrant sworn out by Captain Reid.

Captain Reid arrived in Salem last evening on the local train and at once informed the sheriff that he believed his wife was living with another man in this city. The couple were soon located and shadowed until they went to their room and retired for the night, when the officers entered and made the arrest. Being unable to give bail the prisoners were locked up for the night.

Reid says that his wife left him about two weeks ago and that he has since been trying to find some trace of her. It now appears that she came directly to Salem. Minard claims to hail from Roseburg and says that he has been in Salem for some time.

At their preliminary examination Mrs. Reid was bound over to the circuit court in the sum of $500 and Minard in the sum of $250. Bonds have not yet been furnished.

ROGERS' STORY TOO MUCH FOR THE JURY

Therefore He Will Serve Three and a Half Years in Penitentiary for Burglary.

A jury in Judge George's court this morning was but 15 minutes in deciding a verdict of guilty in the case of Charles Rogers, who was charged with burglary. The story told by the arrested man was so strange that it could not be believed by any one who listened to it. Rogers was sentenced to serve three and one half years in the penitentiary.

Several weeks ago Captain of Police Slover was awakened one afternoon by hearing some one walking about near his bed. Jumping up the officer saw a man running out of the back door, and although Slover was only clothed in a night robe he gave chase and, after a race of several blocks, Rogers was captured. The arrested man was charged with burglary, but when arraigned before Presiding Judge Fraser said that he would plead guilty to being in the house, but "not guilty" to the charge of burglary.

Rogers said this morning that he had only arrived in Portland the day before his arrest. He stated that he met a friend named Robinson, who asked him if he was still playing football.

"I told him," said Rogers, "that I could play, but that I did not have a suit. He told me he had two at his house on the east side and if I would go over and get one of them I might use it. Robinson described a house to me, but did not give me any street number, and the house I entered was just like the one he had described to me."

Rogers said that he was a baseball and football player, and that he was also a footracer. He said that his home was in Wyoming.

United Artisans Elect.

At a meeting of Acme assembly No. 107, United Artisans, in Hobkirk's hall last evening the following officers were elected: Deputy Sheriff John Grussi, master artisan; Dr. Rheudy, superintendent; Mrs. B. F. Jones, inspector; Mrs. Norwood, secretary; Mrs. H. H. Steinforth, senior conductor; Mrs. J. W. Grussi, master of ceremonies; Mrs. Bert Langford, junior conductor; B. F. Jones, treasurer.

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STOCKMEN CONSIDER RAILROAD CHARGES

(Journal Special Service.)

Denver, Jan. 9.—The consideration of the railroad rate question will be one of the most important subjects to be discussed at the second annual convention of the American Stockgrowers' association, which met here this morning. The matter is of great importance to the cattlemen of the west and the new association recognized this fact by sending its legal counsel, S. H. Cowan of Texas, to Washington for the purpose of attending the hearing before the senate committee on the railroad rate question. Mr. Cowan has returned and will submit a lengthy report on the subject, which will probably be discussed at some length. That the cattlemen in general recognize the importance of the matter as much as the members of the American Stockgrowers' association is evident from the fact that the Cattlegrowers' international executive committee has decided to cooperate with the the American Stockgrowers' executive committee and has placed all its funds at the disposal of the latter committee for the prosecution of its purpose.

To Appeal Young Case.

Attorneys McGarry and Idleman this morning filed a notice of an appeal to the supreme court in the case of Joseph Young, who was sentenced to serve six years in the penitentiary for having shot Kaspar Van Dran on the morning of May 2, 1905.

CURED LUMBAGO.

A. B. Canman, Chicago, writes March 4, 1903: "Having been troubled with Lumbago, at different times and tried one physician after another, then different ointments and liniments, gave it up altogether. So I tried once more and got a bottle of Ballard's Snow Liniment, which gave me almost instant relief, and will add my name to your list of sufferers." Sold by Woodard, Clarke & Co.

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BOY BANDIT TELLS STORY

(Continued from Page One.)

Every word spoken by the boy was taken down in shorthand, and he talked deliberately. He said that he had been in Portland a month and a half before the Centennial saloon robbery, living part of the time with a man named Bryant, at Montavilla, who was a bartender in the Midway saloon. He had done some work for his benefactor.

Closely guarded at the city jail is S. T. ("Sailor") Kelly, a tattoo "artist," who is charged with having been a companion of Rassman at the robbery. Rassman says that Kelly fired the shots that killed Flemmings, but that he himself yelled at Kelly to shoot.

"Kelly said to me," continued the boy, "that a man had started to go out of the saloon. I told him to shoot, but I did not look around to see. On December 15 we walked down to the saloon and Kelly looked in over the window and saw a crowd in there. He asked me if we had better go in there, and I said that we had better wait until dark. We walked down to the wharf and watched

"Hinsy" Rassman.

men load a schooner, then went up to a mill and stood by the furnace a while. Then we went and stood in a shadow and waited for the millmen to pass by.

Kelly Shot and Both Ran.

"When they had passed we went into the saloon and Kelly said: 'Throw up your hands and line up!' While Kelly covered them, I went behind the bar, opened the till and took all the money excepting some small change. Then Kelly said: 'I think I hear somebody outside.' He started out and somebody struck at him; he jerked back, but started out again and was again struck at. Before the man outside had time to draw back again to strike Kelly reached around the door with his gun and shot. Then we both ran."

In his confession the boy said that four shots were fired, but that he fired only one of them, and that after they were outside. He said that two shots were fired inside the saloon, both by Kelly. Rassman said that at that time

"Sailor" Kelly.

he did not know any one had been killed or even hurt, because his back was turned.

The boy said that after the robbery he took a Washington street car and rode down to Third street. After alighting from the car he went to the Palm saloon and waited for Kelly. When Kelly came they went to a back room upstairs and there divided the money.

Could Not Identify Kelly.

"Kelly asked me if any one was shot and if he killed him. I told him I didn't know," continued Rassman. "I got a room in the Oregonian lodging-house and did not see Kelly again until he got out of jail two days later. He said they had taken him down to the hotel to get some one to identify him, but they could not, so he was let go. Kelly said that the detectives told him to get out of town, but he would not do so until the court had ordered him out. Kelly said: 'I am sorry I shot the man, but could not help it.' I said that I was also sorry. He brought me some magazines to read, but told me that he thought I had better get out of town."

Rassman said that the first time he met Kelly was in a room above the Midway saloon. He said that he had seen the man a number of times, and learning that Kelly had a revolver asked the "Sailor" to try and get him one.

"He asked me why," said Rassman. "I told him that I wanted to go out and try and hold up some one. Kelly asked me who, and I told him a saloon. Kelly then told me he knew one, the Centennial, where there was always money on the 15th as they kept the money to cash the millmen's checks. He said that there would be more money there than the place where I was going."

Kelly Had a Revolver.

Rassman said that he did not know why he had selected Kelly as a companion, but thought it might have been because he was about the same size and had a revolver. Rassman said that a man named "Billie" Brown had seen him and Kelly together both before and after the money was divided. He said that he and Kelly made their masks in a back room of Brown's saloon; these, with the empty shells, were thrown away after the robbery. Rassman said that another tattooer, whose name he did not know, had seen him and Kelly together several times. Near the close of the confession, which Mr. Manning says was signed by Rassman, the boy said:

"I sprung the question of holdups on Kelly."

Bunker Hill Mine Case.

(Journal Special Service.)

Washington, Jan. 9.—The suit of the Bunker Hill-Sullivan Mining & Concentrating company against the Empire State Mining & Development company has been dismissed by the supreme court of the United States. The action was brought to secure an injunction preventing the Empire company from extracting mineral from a lode in the Treba mining district, Idaho.

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