

WILL PROBABLY PROVE A MURDER

Peter Curtis' Chances for Recovery Are Not So Good

The Dastardly Attempt to Take His Life Likely to Prove Successful—The Man Who Committed the Deed Has Been Apprehended—Several Circumstances Go to Prove His Identity.

From Tuesday's Daily.
The brutal assault made upon Peter Curtis, the nineteen-year-old boy near Union Thursday evening last, is still an exciting topic all over the county, and news of the poor boy's condition is anxiously sought for. Curtis is still at the Smith hotel in Union and from a conversation today with his physician, we learn that his condition is worse and that but the slightest hope for his recovery is entertained. He lies in a comatose condition and sometimes mutters incoherently, but at no time has full consciousness returned. The danger of blood clot on the brain is imminent, and as the hours drag wearily by for the parents who sit beside him, hopes for return to health grow darker, and the end seems not far away.

The villain with murder in his heart, who committed the assault is now believed to be none other than the man arrested and now held in jail at Nebraska City.

Sheriff Holloway, as soon as he was notified of the affray, drove immediately to the scene, and where the boy had been engaged in a struggle with the assassin, or assassins, a vest button and a small piece of tobacco were found, and nearby were discovered the foot-prints of a man who wore a peculiar patch on his shoe. The prisoner at Nebraska City has such a patch on his shoe, he chews tobacco and a button is missing from his vest—the one found being exactly like the other buttons on the vest, which goes to form a strong chain of circumstantial evidence, and which will be difficult to evade if young Curtis' wounds prove fatal, as they now seem likely to do. The sheriff is very busy in district court, and will not likely bring the prisoner here until Curtis has passed to the hereafter, and he will then be brought here and arraigned on the charge of as brutal a murder as was committed on old man Akeson a few years ago, for which crime Harry Hill was hung and his partner, Benwell, is now serving penance in the state penitentiary.

THE HAIGHT TRIAL BEGUN.

County Attorney Graves Presents the Case to the Jury.

The trial of Charles Haight, charged with the murder of his uncle at Avoca last May, was begun at 1:30 today.

The jury was sequestered yesterday, and the witnesses all arrived on the noon train, so that nothing now is likely to prevent a speedy hearing of the case. County Attorney Graves made the opening statement to the jury in a concise manner, giving a brief history of the crime, showing how on the fatal day in May the prisoner had provoked a quarrel with his uncle, an old man, and how the former had struck the latter over the head with a plane, which produced concussion of the brain, and caused death a few days afterward. Gering, of counsel for the prisoner, gave the defendant's side of the story in an effort to excuse the crime.

The jurors, in whose hands the fate of the prisoner now rests, are Ira Searle, Will Myers, Phil Thierolf, J. W. Grassman, Frank Kauble, J. H. Thrasher, James Braker, H. G. Robins, of this city; and Arthur Sullivan, Charles Vogler, R. H. Frans and Grant Creamer, of the county.

On motion of County Attorney Graves, all the witnesses were excluded from the court room during the trial of the case until after their testimony had been given.

The prisoner, a slight built light complexioned man with light brown hair, gray eyes, and round face, does not look like a man who would take human life without cause, but it is said he has a temper which he made no effort to control. His little daughter, aged eleven or twelve, sits beside him an interested spectator of all that takes place. The wife is here, but being an invalid, she is not able to spend any time in the court room. From the large number of witnesses subpoenaed, it is doubtful if the case will be finished before Saturday evening, as no court will be held on Thursday.

The case does not interest the public as trials of this class generally do, and so far the court room at no time has been more than half full.

District Court Notes.

Nearly all the doctors in Weeping Water, Union, Nebraska, Avoca and Plattsmouth have been subpoenaed as witnesses today in the Haight case.

After the jury was empaneled to try the Haight case Judge Ramsey excused the balance of the panel until Monday morning, and most of the jurors so excused returned home.

The jurors from each precinct in the county are here in attendance at court, and we do not remember to have seen a more representative crowd of Cass county's best people.

Cass County Dairy.

R. F. Dean has again taken charge of the Cass County Dairy and will be pleased to serve his old customers and also others desiring pure milk. He will also furnish cream and butter milk when desired. Your patronage is solicited.

Must Settle.

Everyone knowing himself indebted to Dr. W. A. Humphrey, is requested to call at once and settle.

Pivet's New Odor Golden Dairy

Is sweet, refined and lasting.

HAD TO DRINK RUM OR DIE.

John McCormick Kept Buy the Verdigris Factory He Carried In His Body.

"He was a man of healthy appearance, who at no time showed, physically or mentally, signs of dissipation or excess, yet he kept himself constantly under the influence of liquor," said Alden Preston, a traveling salesman, speaking of a man whom he met in Chicago. "I saw John McCormick often at the Leland House. He had a government contract for dredging in the lake and staid a great deal at this hotel, which was conveniently near his work. After I had got somewhat acquainted with him I noted the regularity with which he would go to the bar for a drink. His tittle was always rum, and the drink was a stiff one. After we had got further along in our acquaintance he told me the reason for his constant drinking.

"My life depends on it," he said. "The rum counteracts the poison of a copper bullet that I carry in my body. An Indian in Central America shot me five years ago. I was one of a party of Americans prospecting for minerals in a wild region that we had entered against the advice of friends who knew the country. The Indians of that region were fighters and were bound that no white man should settle or work in their country. They had firearms, and for bullets used copper nuggets that they found in the beds of the streams and hammered out round. When they jumped us, three of our party of seven got away, I carrying this bullet in my back.

"There was no doctor in the country where we were that I could trust to extract the bullet, but the wound healed after a fashion. Before I got back to New York, which I reached as soon as I could, I had suffered a great deal from copper poisoning, but had made the discovery that rum was an antidote to the verdigris that constantly was forming in my body and that I could be comfortable as long as I kept myself half full of this liquor. The best physicians in America have advised me not to risk the operation of having the bullet extracted, as blood poisoning would be very liable to follow it. So I still carry the copper bullet in my body and take this remedy for its bad effects.

"How much rum should you guess that I drink in a day and every day? A quart! Two quarts! Try again. Double that. Never less than a gallon of Santa Cruz, Jamaica, or New England rum, according as I find one or another the best brand to be found at the place where I chance to be. A pretty stiff allowance of grog to work on, you'd think, but it just keeps me right. Those dredges out in the lake are mine and every scoopful of mud that comes up means 20 cents in my pocket, so I can afford to drink some. It's time for me to take my medicine again."—New York Sun.

How to Keep Crackers.

Complaints are frequently heard that crackers bought at grocery stores are soggy and stale tasting, even when comparatively fresh.

The fault is in the way they are kept. Crackers demand a warm, dry place, and they should not be stored near oil, fish or other strong smelling goods. Great care should be exercised by grocers in this respect. The cracker trade is one of the most important features of a general grocery business, and it should be taken care of. Crackers should be purchased in small quantities, so that they will not have time to get stale before being sold. They should be kept, as stated, in a warm, dry place, and customers should be advised to place them in the oven a few minutes before using. This will restore their crispness, even though they have become damp and soggy.

All the care in the world, however, will not build up a cracker trade if the crackers are not pure and fresh and well made. Be careful in buying to get the best the market affords; then push the trade for all there is in it. One lot of stale, poorly made crackers will do more harm than one can overcome in six months.—Mercantile Journal.

Did as He Was Told.

"Will you keep an eye on my horse, my son, while I step in and get a drink?"

"Yes, sir."

Stranger goes in, gets his drink, comes out and finds his horse missing.

"Where is my horse, boy?"

"He's run'd away, sir."

"Didn't I tell you to take care of him, you young scamp?"

"No, sir. You told me to keep my eye on him, and I did till he got clear out of sight."—Pick Me Up.

Excessive.

"You ought to see Mrs. Kayreful's house. She keeps it so clean you could eat off any of the floors."

"Huh! She keeps it so clean that her husband has to eat off the top of the wardrobe or out in the shed five or six weeks every summer."—Chicago Tribune.

To Delinquent Tax Payers.

PLATTSMOUTH, Nov. 17, 1897.—All parties that are in arrears on their real estate tax are requested to make a settlement at once, as after the first day of December all such real estate will be sold.

Board will be in session from the first day of December for the purpose of confirming such sales.

A. R. EIKENBARY.

County Treasurer.

Pivet's Perfect Purple Fancsy Perfume The latest fad. At all druggists.

BRIEFLY TOLD.

C. A. Marshall, Dentist.

Athapahros at Gering & Co's. Mrs. Perry Walker was in Omaha today.

Chamberlain's Remedies at Gering & Co's.

Elmas Sage was a business visitor in Omaha today.

C. S. Polk is in Lincoln on legal business today.

All lovers of first-class cigars, smoke Wurl's "Gut Heil."

Dr. Elster, Waterman block, for painless dentistry.

Insure in the German American. Fred Ebinger, Agent.

Mrs. Thomas Kempster and daughter were passengers for Lincoln today.

Crabill, the practical jeweler, will repair your watch correctly and promptly.

Claim Agent DeLong of the M. P. is in town today from Atchison, he went to Omaha on the noon train.

Leave orders for fruit, cakes, macaroons, and Balduff's famous ice cream at Smith & Parmelee's, Plattsmouth.

Mrs. James Nichol, near Rock Bluff, who has been very low, is now reported in a fair way for recovery.

We still sell lead pencils at 1 cent each, and the very best matches at 1 cent per box of 200. Gering & Co.

A union prayer meeting will be held at the home of M. V. Gibson on Friday evening, to which all are cordially invited.

Dr. Wilkinson, specialist eye, ear, nose and throat, will be at Dr. Livingston's office, Plattsmouth, Monday, November 29.

Small pill, safe pill, best pill, De Witt's Little Early Biscuits cure biliousness, constipation, sick headache. F. G. Fricke & Co.

Have you seen the wonderful bargain Gering & Co. are offering on tablets. Your choice of any tablet in their window for 5 cents.

Now is the time to buy splendid styles of Mason & Hamlin organs cheap. Call at Pettet's and examine qualities and prices.

Bennett & Tutt will have olives, chow-chow, sweet and sour pickles in bulk, also fresh celery, lettuce and parsley for Thanksgiving.

Otto Wurl was an Omaha visitor last evening, and remained over with his brother Paul, who has a fine position with the Union Pacific.

Hold-egge's new special car was run out of the shops this morning and was taken to Omaha on No. 19 and returned on 20 for a trial run.

If you want to keep up with the times, call at Pettet's and select some of the new songs of which he has a quantity of the best selected.

Have you ever tried canned suet-kraut, clam chowder, baked beans in tomato sauce? If not, get a can at Bennett & Tutt's. They are all nice.

Ballard's Horehound Syrup is the best known remedy for Consumption, Colds, and all Throat and Chest Troubles. Every bottle is guaranteed 25 and 50c.

Henry Clay Lessor, a prominent attorney of Sarpy county, was in town today on legal business, and renewed old university school day memories with the editor.

You can't cure consumption, but you can void it and cure every other form of throat-ill or trouble by the use of One Minute Cough Cure. F. G. Fricke & Co.

W. G. Sanders of the Herbert Bas-Relief company, St. Louis, has sold the exclusive right to make the wonderful Bas-Relief photographs to W. J. K. on. They are beauties.

Patronize home industry by smoking home cigars. Gering & Co. sell, Pepperberg's Buds, Wurl's Gut Heil, Spies' Exquisites, Stann's Diamond King, and other home cigars.

F. J. Combs arrived in town today with a car load of household goods. He also brought with him from Blair a good driving horse to take the place of the gray on the delivery wagon.

There is no need of little children being tortured by scald head, eczema and skin eruptions. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve gives instant relief and cures permanently. F. G. Fricke & Co.

You can't afford to risk your life by allowing a cold to develop into pneumonia or consumption. In-tart relief and a certain cure are afforded by One Minute Cough Cure. F. G. Fricke & Co.

Disfigurement for life by burns or scalds may be avoided by using De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve, the great remedy for piles and for all kinds of sores and skin troubles. F. G. Fricke & Co.

W. P. Miller of Chicago, representing the great tobacco house of Friedman & Co., came in yesterday and mingled business with pleasure by visiting his old schoolmates, the Wurl boys.

Louis Ottinat, the painter and decorator, began work today on the main floor of the court house, which will be painted and fixed up befitting a court of justice located in the best county in the state.

Ballard's Horehound Syrup is not a mixture of stomach destroying drugs, but is a scientifically prepared remedy that cures coughs and colds and all other lung troubles. Its action is quick, prompt and positive. 25c. and 50c.

Peter Perry, one of Cass county's best citizens, has left the farm for a time and gone to University Place to educate his children. The News hopes to chronicle his return to old

Cass again after a few years at the college city.

It is not what a manufacturer says about his own medicine that cures a patient, but what the medicine does. Ballard's Horehound Syrup does the work and does it well. It cures coughs and colds in a day. Its healing, soothing and quieting. 25c. and 50c.

Wurl Bros. "Gut Heil" is taking the lead as a choice 5-cent cigar. It is made of the finest American tobacco grown from Havana seed, and fully deserves the high rank it has taken. If you have not tried this cigar do so at once and you will be convinced of its superiority.

WARNING:—Persons who suffer from coughs and colds should heed the warnings of danger and save themselves suffering and fatal results by using One Minute Cough Cure. It is an infallible remedy for coughs, colds, croup and all throat and lung troubles. F. G. Fricke & Co.

J. M. Thirsawent, of Groesbeck, Tex., says that when he has a spell of indigestion, and feels bad and sluggish, he takes two of DeWitt's Little Early Risers at night, and he is all right the next morning. Many thousands of others do the same thing. Do you? F. G. Fricke & Co.

J. C. Berry, one of the best known citizens of Spencer, Mo., testifies that he cured himself of the worst kind of piles by using a few boxes of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. He had been troubled with piles for over thirty years and had used many different kinds of so-called cures, but DeWitt's was the one that did the work and he will verify this statement if anyone wishes to write him. F. G. Fricke & Co.

OBITUARY.

Jacob Fredrick Huber was born in Germany July 17, 1818, and died November 13, 1897, at 6 o'clock a. m., aged seventy-nine years, three months, and twenty-seven days. He was married in 1838, emigrated to the United States in 1842, located at Greenville, O. There he resided until 1869, when with his family he came to Nebraska, purchasing 400 acres of land. Deceased was the founder of Louisville.

Remains were laid to rest in the church yard of the German Evangelical church seven miles southwest of Louisville by the side of his wife, who preceded him eleven years ago.

He leaves six children—two sons and four daughters—to mourn their loss. He was a faithful Christian from early boyhood, and loved to read and study the works of God. He was a kind father, a dutiful husband, and a good neighbor and citizen.

For fire insurance see Thrasher.

Thanksgiving Dinner Headquarters.

A. H. Weekbach & Co., among scores of other good things outside, have the following to select from in making up your Thanksgiving dinner:

Lettuces, radishes, celery, cranberries, figs, dates, oranges, lemons, and they have the following varieties of cheese:

Imported and Domestic Swiss. Roquefort, Edam, Pineapple, Sage, Brick, Limburger, Neufschatel, New York Cream, Wisconsin Cream.

And other good things too numerous to mention. Remember, at A. H. Weekbach & Co.

Were Badly Used Up.

Two of the sorriest looking engines that ever came to the Havelock shops, says the Times, were brought in from Lincoln on the local freight Thursday morning. One was 103, as could be told by the number on the tender, but the other had about everything, including the number, torn from it. They were in a high line wreck.

Diamond Dyes at Gering & Co's.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Brome Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c.

Postponed.

The Ladies' Missionary society, to have met Friday of this week, has been postponed until further notice.

WANTS

(Special notices under this head will be charged for at the rate of 1/4 cent per word each insertion.)

BOARDING.

WANTED—A few boarders at the corner of Sixth and Granite sts. Mrs. G. W. Osborn.

MISCELLANEOUS.

WANTED—Active, sober and trustworthy man to travel through this section. Salary \$20 a month, payable weekly, and expenses; splendid opportunity. Address SHIPP company, 1029 Chestnut street, Philadelphia, Pa.

WANTED—Wood will be taken on subscription at the News office.

CHARGED WITH MURDER.

Rev. A. E. Morrison to Answer For His Wife's Death.

TOPEKA, Kan., Nov. 23.—The Topeka police have arrested Rev. A. E. Morrison, a minister of Panhandle, Tex., and are holding him on suspicion of murder until the sheriff can arrive from Panhandle and take him home for trial. For several months Morrison had been engaged to Miss Whittlesey of Topeka, whose family is prominent here, and they were to be married here during the holidays. From the information the police have received it is supposed that Morrison is the same person, as the wife of a minister of the same name died suddenly at Panhandle, Tex., October 8, under circumstances which pointed to murder.

Morrison admitted to Chief Steele that he was from Panhandle, but said he did not know how the charge of murder could be made against him, unless it was the outgrowth of criticism that was heaped upon him on account of his wife's death.

At the Whittlesey home the family objected to allowing reporters to see Miss Whittlesey. One of the brothers explained that Morrison was their schoolmate in Illinois twenty years ago.

Hope For Nebraska.

Cleveland Leader.
Next year Bryan's state will get a good shaking up which ought to offset the effect of the great defalcation of its former republican treasurer who was found to have been about \$900,000 short when he vacated his office.

In the recent campaign his great crime hung on the republicans of Nebraska with crushing weight, and it probably prevented the state from getting into line with South Dakota and Kansas, its neighbors which have repudiated Bryanism at last. Next year the effect of this defalcation will have worn away, and there will surely be less disposition to hold the republicans in party responsible for the fall of one of its members, even though a man in high office.

In 1898 Nebraska is to feel the stimulating force of a great exposition. Omaha is to do for the west what Atlanta and Nashville have done for the south. A grand display is to be made of the natural and developed wealth of the vast region beyond the Mississippi. In connection with an exposition which ought to prove one of the most interesting yet held in the United States there will be many meetings of notable organizations, philanthropic, commercial, industrial, religious, educational and many other kinds. Hundreds of thousands of visitors are expected from other parts of the country, or, at least, from near-by states. All this is bound to make a lively and stirring summer in Omaha and in Nebraska generally.

Such influences are always bad for Bryanism. They ought to insure the overthrow of the silverites in Bryan's state.

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SCHOOL SHOES

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All sizes, all Solid, Well Made Shoes, with NO PAPER, which will go AT LESS than manufacturers' prices. We sell nothing but Shoes, GOOD SHOES, and give our whole undivided attention to SHOES, and by so doing we study QUALITY—hence your pocketbook.

We don't have to give you pencils to induce you to buy our Shoes. We make the PRICE RIGHT, which makes the pencil giving scheme a very small and insignificant misleading inducement. Call and see the BARGAINS partially displayed on our counter, and you will be made happy. Open every evening till we get tired. No more 8 o'clock closing.

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A Thanksgiving Engagement

Is sure to follow many of the Thanksgiving feasts spent with your sweethearts while revelling in love music and luxurious feasting. After she has said the thrilling "yes," come around and examine our superb stock of engagement rings. We have a dazzling array of all kinds of precious stones set in beautiful designs and effects, and when "she" knows it is from Snyder's it will be doubly prized.

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