

## SLASHED DESPERATELY WITH KNIFE

Greensboro, N. C., Dec. 30.—In plain view of a mirror in which he could watch his every movement, William Rodenkirchen, a stonecutter from Siberia, yesterday morning in his room in the Guilford hotel, slashed his throat desperately with a small penknife, while men broke down the door and freed him from his frenzied self. Then he pleaded for a revolver which he might end his life then and there. This not forthcoming, he submitted and was carried to St. Leo's hospital, where it is said he will recover unless complications ensue.

On the front side of a postal card in scrawling letters which were almost unintelligible and which were partly covered with red blotches, were a couple of lines written apparently in his own blood and dated 1 o'clock: "It is me death. My life is finished in this." On another slip of paper was his will, which evidently had just been made, and which provided for his father, for his sister, and for the poor.

He had cut himself in four different places. Across his left wrist were three slashes, and across the right wrist were two. Near his heart was the gash of a stab, and in his throat was a cut in which three fingers could have been placed. On the floor was a pool of blood, and he had evidently bled freely and heavily. That he will probably recover is due to his apparent great strength and good health.

Mr. Rodenkirchen registered at the Guilford Thursday night about 11 o'clock and immediately went to his room, which was No. 21, on the second floor. He was found by the housekeeper at 11 o'clock yesterday morning, nearly 12 hours after he went to his room and the appearance was that he had never retired, and that only his coat had been laid off.

The discovery was made when the housekeeper heard groans while passing his door. A report was immediately made to Hubert Latta, the clerk at the desk, and he hurried up to investigate.

The door being locked, he looked through the transom, and just in time to see the small knife dug into the neck. He returned to the lobby and securing the company of another person, entered a room adjoining that of the would-be suicide and battered in the door.

When they entered the injured man begged that they give him a revolver and said that he wanted to end it at once. Instead a carriage was secured and he was carried to the hospital as quickly as possible. He begged that they conceal his act from the knowledge of his father, who, according to the best information to be secured, lives in Barre, Vt.

Rodenkirchen was evidently on his way to Mt. Airy to take a position as a stonecutter with the Mount Airy Granite works. A message from Mount Airy last evening stated that he had been offered a place and that he was expected to take up his work. A letter from the Mount Airy people was found in a packet of papers which he carried.

The cause of his act is not known, though it has been suggested that the lack of friends weighed upon him during the holiday season, coupled with a love he must have felt for some woman he must have felt was above him. Among the numerous papers was a piece of note paper on which several letters had been begun. One of these had evidently been written to some lady for whom he felt a very high regard. "You are above me," was the substance thereof, "in education and in etiquette. A letter from you would be my Christmas present." The letter must have been written before Christmas and was never mailed.

Mr. Rodenkirchen was registered at the Guilford as "Rodenkirchen, Adrian, Siberia." Among his letters was a card addressed to him at Adrian, Mich. That he is originally from the old country is shown both by letters written in a foreign language and by the will, which provided for the disposition of his estate in the old country. In his purse was about \$90 in money, and a United States 2-1/2 per cent. Postal Savings Bank bond for \$100. A bankbook told of about \$300 deposited in a bank in Barre, Vt.

When in need of a croup or pneumonia salve try Spoon's.

## BUMPETY-BUMP WENT LOVE

New York, Dec. 29.—The course of true love has ever run bumpety-bump for Mortimer Kaphan, vaudeville actor.

"I married two girls," he sighed last night after he had obtained earlier in the day from Supreme Court Justice Ford a writ to bring his second wife into court, "and both were poor. I am rather proud of what I have done. If they had been heiresses I would have fared better."

Kaphan and his lawyer, Samuel Furstenburg, of No. 346 Broadway, assert that the second wife is held practically a prisoner by her parents at No. 1159 Intervale avenue.

"She like my first wife," said Kaphan to a reporter, "was infatuated with me. She worked for me as a stenographer in my office at No. 1402 Broadway. She was a fine girl, only 18, and she tried to make every one happy. I proposed to her and was accepted. We went to Hoboken on Christmas day and were married by a justice of the peace."

We went up to their home, and Anna—Anna Shauner her name was—broke the news to her father, John. The mother and father denounced me, and a lot of ruffians threw me out of the place. They threatened the girl's life if she left with me, and I was forced to leave her there only a few hours after we had been married.

"I got the writ this afternoon, and with my lawyer went to the house and served it. We anticipated trouble and a policeman. We got service, but the parents raged at me. In the background I saw my poor wife, afraid so much as to open her mouth."

In April, 1910, Mrs. Marie Semple Kaphan asked the Supreme court to annul her marriage to Kaphan, saying she had married the actor on January 12, 1905, at the age of 15, too young to know her own mind. The court granted her request.

"With her, also, it was a case of too much parents," said Kaphan. "She was a good girl and a beautiful girl, but she was poor and I had nothing to gain by marrying her. I think that I am entitled to some credit for having married poor girls. I do not regret her, however, for she is not such a little woman as Anna is. Anna has the biggest heart in the world."

## SANDLIN PAYS DEATH PENALTY FOR BRUTAL MURDER OF HIS WIFE

Raleigh, Dec. 29.—Crying, "Lord, have mercy on me," and "Lord, I never thought I would come to this," L. M. Sandlin, the Wilmington wife-murderer, went to the electric chair today a nervous wreck. Three currents were shot through his body and at 10:42 the physicians pronounced him dead. The body was claimed after the electrocution by J. E. Sandlin, a brother, and carried to Onslow county for burial.

The murder was committed on the night of June 27, 1911. Sandlin returned to his home, which he had abandoned, and pleaded with his wife to live with him again. On her refusing he began cursing and beating her and then fired three shots into her body, any one of which would have produced death. The man also shot himself, inflicting a slight scalp wound in the head.

After his arrest, conviction and sentence, he appealed to the Supreme court, but lost his case. His lawyers then appealed to Governor Kitchin and he granted a stay of execution for a month pending the presentation of evidence to show insanity. The state hospital physicians said the man was absolutely normal and his attorneys produced nothing new.

About 40 persons witnessed the execution.

Little Child Still Unfound.

W. H. Lanham returned to Greensboro Friday night from Chapel Hill, near which place he spent the holidays. He said that nearly 200 men in the western part of Orange county are busily engaged in searching for little Bessie May Smith, the child who was lost Wednesday evening. No trace of the little girl has been found beyond the steps which led to a small branch into which it is thought she may have fallen.

## A Free Note Book 1912 Calendar for Our Readers.

We take pleasure in announcing that any of our readers can secure a pretty vest pocket note book and calendar by sending 4 one-cent stamps to D. Swift & Co., Patent Lawyers, Washington, D. C. In addition to the 44 blank pages for memoranda, it contains calendars for 1912 and 1913, the population of the 600 largest cities, 20 in each state according to the census of 1910, the population and area of each state, the number of electoral votes each presidential candidate received from each state in 1908, the number of Democrats and Republicans elected to Congress by each state in 1908 and 1910, a chapter of useful household information, and a chapter of useful law points for every day use. This book would cost 85 cents at a book store.

## Stopped Those Pains.

Timberville, Miss.—Miss Gertrude Gutlin of Timberville writes: "I did not know anything could stop those womanly pains, from which I suffered for two years, until I tried Cardui. I had been troubled with various female ailments, but they were cured in a little while, thanks to Cardui." Cardui is especially adapted for use by ailing women. It relieves headache, backache, dragging feeling, irregularly, nervousness, misery and womanly weakness. It is safe. It is reliable. It does the work. Will you try it? Please do.

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## Notice of Sale of Real Estate.

By virtue of the power contained in a certain deed in trust executed to Central Loan & Trust Co., on the 22nd day of June, 1910, by R. J. Hopkins and wife, and duly registered in the office of the register of Deeds of Alamance County, N. C., in book No. —, page No. —, to secure the payment of a certain bond, and the holder thereof having applied to the Central Loan & Trust Co., Trustee, to make sale of the real estate therein conveyed in accordance with the conditions contained in said deed in trust, we will expose to public sale at the highest bidder for cash at the court house door of the County of Alamance, N. C., on Sat., Jan. 6th, 1912, at the hour of eleven o'clock a. m., the land conveyed in said deed in trust, to wit:

A certain track or parcel of land in East Burlington, Alamance County, North Carolina, near Anthony's Saw Mill, described as follows:

Beginning at Elizabeth Andrews, Northwest corner thence N. 86 1/2 deg. W. 3 chs. to a stake, thence S. 2 1/2 deg. W. 3.33 1-3 chs. to a stake, thence N. 88 1/2 deg. E. 3 chs. to a stake, corner of Elizabeth Andrews, thence with her line N. 2 1/2 deg. E. to the beginning, containing one acre more or less. This being the land of the said J. H. L. Hopkins, the deceased, and this land was willed to R. J. Hopkins and Margaret Hopkins, and this deed of trust made by the said R. J. Hopkins and wife, conveys only one-half interest in the said land here-in described.

This the 29th day of Nov. 1911  
The Central Loan & Trust Co.,  
Trustee.

The Dispatch a year for \$1.00.

## Wall Collapses.

Raleigh, Dec. 28.—The northwest wall of the Express building, on Fayetteville street, collapsed this afternoon while the excavations were in progress for the \$250,000 state building. At that point the new walls come right up to the Express building and too large a section of the deeper excavation was made before concrete reinforcement was put in. A section of the wall fifteen feet wide on the second floor and probably thirty on the first floor dropped out.

The office of the Southern Express Company occupies the first floor and the other floors are used as apartments. The building belongs to the Tucker estate and W. J. Martin is lessee of this and the adjacent Electric building.

That no one was injured, seemed miraculous. There was no one at all on the second floor of the building just at the time and in the express office the force of clerks just happened to be out of the danger zone for the moment.

The fact that Superintendent Holladay, in charge of the State building works, has been in bed sick for several days, accounts for the mistake.

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## A HEAVY PORK BARREL

The residents of Belmont, a cotton mill village five miles south of Burlington, in Alamance County, are not affected by the meat trust, neither are they dependent on the western farmers for their smoke-house supplies for 1912 as the following report will show.

Thirty-seven homes have killed 64 hogs whose total weight was 17734 lbs. or an average of 277 lbs. per hog. A detailed list of the owners and the weight of each hog as follows:

NO.	OWNER	WEIGHT EACH	TOTAL
2	hogs, S. M. Sharpe,	419—411	830
2	R. A. Coble,	212 193	405
1	P. L. Clayton,	123	123
2	Tom Steele,	330 298	628
2	Jesse Petty,	282 248	530
2	L. M. Sharpe,	400 268	668
2	C. A. Rich,	222 226	448
2	L. W. Sharpe,	302 279	581
2	Mrs. Julia Sharpe,	314 320	634
2	L. P. Sharpe,	370 385	755
1	Connie Sharpe,	313	313
1	Roy L. Sharpe,	230	230
2	J. A. Branson,	306 305	611
2	Pater Steele,	320	320
2	W. J. Smith,	192 171	363
2	O. L. Smith,	196 176	372
2	J. H. Randolph,	242 196	438
3	Mrs. Augusta Foster,	204 250 196	710
3	Richard Justice,	134 128 90	352
1	Mrs. J. R. Randolph,	168	168
1	J. H. Redden,	440 440	880
2	Macom Justice,	342 304	646
2	C. A. Thomas,	427 320	747
2	Malden McAdams,	392 374	766
2	V. B. Webster,	360 334	694
2	H. C. Buckner,	354 306	660
1	G. C. Duna,	418 357	775
1	R. D. Webster,	156	156
1	I. R. Linnens,	227	227
1	C. O. Smith,	323	323
1	V. A. Fogelman,	148	148
1	William Isley,	130	130
2	E. L. Rich,	191 162	353
2	Annie Ward,	200	200
1	J. H. Rich,	280 230	510
1	Alfred Thompson,	118	118
2	L. A. Graves,	442 410	852

64 Hogs. \$7 Homes. Grand total 17724

Average weight per hog, about 277 lbs.

Average amount of meat for each family 479.

Belmont challenges any town or community of its size in the state to produce a better record than this shows.

Belmont record for 1910 was 50 hogs weighing 13216 lbs. on an average of 264 lbs. per hog for that year.

The above record speaks for itself and is only a hint as to what this State might do, as a whole, to put the meat trust out of business.

J. M. Workman.

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