

Mystery in SLE Unsolved.
Asheville, Jan. 13.—Mystery as to who shot the man who assaulted the 15-year-old girl of Avery's Creek township several weeks ago. All efforts to learn his identity have failed and the mysterious reason or motive for the slaying of the girl's beautiful tresses is also much clouded as the identity of the one who perpetrated the act.

This occurred between the hours of 10 and 11 o'clock on the morning of December 8 while the girl was alone at home, her father and brother having gone to their work in distant fields. According to the statements of the girl, the man entered through the rear entrance to the house and attacked her as she was in the act of putting 15 cents in a purse containing about \$3. He was described as being a tall masked man of powerful build and having an open knife in his hand, the blade of which she grasped, breaking it off close to the hilt. In doing so her hand was badly cut across the fingers.

She was then knocked to the floor and rendered unconscious, after which her hair, which was the pride of her father and the boast of the community, was cut off close to her head. The brute who assaulted her escaped taking the hair and the contents of the purse with him, and leaving no clue behind him by which he might be located or identified.

As soon as the girl regained her senses she gave the alarm and officers were summoned to the scene, but with no result other than to come away completely puzzled as to the identity of the man and his motive for the deed. The print of a woman's shoe in the mud at the roadside, which no one could identify, gave origin to the theory that the supposed man had been a woman dressed in man's clothing, but the girl was positive in her statements that this could not have been the case.

A mule which was found to be missing from the barn of a farmer at the upper end of the township the next morning started the opinion that the assailant had taken it to make good his escape, but this idea was given up when the missing animal was found in a neighbor's field a few days later. However, the belief still held that the man may have used the mule to escape and then turned it loose to wander back home or may have taken it from the stable with the idea of diverting attention from the real course he had taken to escape.

It is also the expressed belief of several that the man was not a stranger in the community, but on the other hand, was a native, who had some secret motive for his actions. It is stated that this belief is held by the father of the girl and that he is possessed with the idea that the man will yet be located.

Although nothing has been said in connection with the affair since the first few days after it occurred, the girl's father and brother state that they have not given up the search for the man. All of these theories regarding his identity, however, are merely conjectures of the widest variety, and what became of the girl's beautiful tresses as well as the motive for cutting them remains a well guarded secret. Whether it will ever be solved time only can tell.

Failure of Pistol to Fire Saved Life.
Elizabeth City, Jan. 13.—The failure of his pistol to fire is the only thing that prevented Arthur Roubhton, a young white man, from killing his wife at her home yesterday in Beech street, Roughton abandoned his wife several weeks ago and left her to take care of herself. Yesterday he decided to return to her and he called at her home in Beech street. She refused to allow him to come back and live with her. Then he seized her in his arms and drew a revolver and snapped it at her several times. He fled immediately after the attempt to murder his wife and has not yet been apprehended.

Looks like sheer waste of money for an aviator's wife to invest in a divorce doesn't it?

Mexican Refugees on the March.
Presidio, Tex., Jan. 13.—Turning their back on Mexico, the ragged soldiers and generals of the Mexican federal army, routed by the rebels from Ojinaga, Mex., opposite here, today began their march toward Fort Bliss, at El Paso, Texas, where they are to be kept indefinitely as wards of the United States Government.

From Marfa, 67 miles away, 10 trains of ten coaches each are to carry the Mexicans to El Paso under the escort of four companies of the 20th United States Infantry.

An official count of the refugees by Major McNamee shows there are 3,352 soldiers and officers, 1,067 women and about 300 children and infants, who are to be housed and fed by this country.

The whole body of refugees will be enroute to Marfa for three or four days, and it probably will be next week before they are put on trains for El Paso.

Along the route to Marfa four camps, each marking the end of one day's march, are to be provisioned. From Presidio to Marfa there is a railroad and the progress of the soldiers and women will be necessarily slow.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21st day of March, 1912.
JOHN J. BALL,
Notary Public.

Letter to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y.
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Huerta Government Can't Meet Interest.

Washington, Jan. 13.—Announcement by the Huerta Government of its intention to default in the payment of the semi-annual interest on the bonds of the Mexican national debt created much interest in diplomatic circles here tonight and brought out much speculation, especially among diplomatic representatives accredited to the countries in which the greater part of the loans are held. While State Department officials were understood to accept this step as a natural development of the policy of waiting for the collapse of the Huerta regime, no comment was forthcoming. Secretary Bryan said he had not been officially advised of this latest turn.

The discussion of European diplomats turned to the security which their nationals will have for the enormous sums which go to make up the aggregate of the Mexican debt, external and internal. It was pointed out that in the question of Mexican finance, the concerted European powers, on account of the great sums at stake, have a keener interest even than the United States. European diplomats, therefore, have not been disposed to take seriously pronouncements emanating from the constitutionalists as to their proposed repudiation of loans advanced to Huerta. They take the view that whatever influence prevails in Mexico City, all obligations incurred in times of peace will have to be fulfilled, although it is admitted that war loans advanced during the present year may not be of easy liquidation.

Lumber Concern Fails.
Pensacola, Fla., Jan. 13.—Bankruptcy proceedings involving the Keyser-Muldon Company, one of the largest lumber shipping concerns on the Gulf Coast, and three associated concerns, were filed in court here today. The Keyser-Muldon Company filed a voluntary petition, giving its liabilities as approximately \$5,000,000, and its assets at approximately \$2,000,000. Simultaneously involuntary bankruptcy proceedings were filed by creditors against the Southern Lumber Co., of Southport, Fla., the Alabama & Florida Land Co., of Pensacola, and Falco, Ala., and the Southern Manufacturing Company, of Villas, Fla.

Low prices of sawn timber was given by the Keyser-Muldon Company as the cause of its inability to meet its obligations.

The firm's largest creditors was given as Crow, Randolph & Co., of Liverpool, England. Two and a quarter million dollars is given as the amount of indebtedness to the Liverpool concern.

The three companies against which involuntary bankruptcy proceedings were filed were either financially allied with the Keyser-Muldon Co., or held heavy contracts with it. The three are understood to be indebted to the larger concern to the amount of several hundred thousand dollars.

It is the natural assumption that a certain several-year-old thirst was done to death in New Hampshire yesterday, with joyous eclat.

It is said that Senator Goff is going to oppose the confirmation of Mr. Hammer. If that is true, Mr. Hilton may as well prepare to pack his grip.

Swindlers of one sort and another gathered \$129,000,000 in the United States last year. Is it strange that so many people are all the time figuring how to get something for nothing?

"Whenever I am about to go before a large audience to lecture," Mr. Bryan is reported to have told a friend, "I am overcome with a sickening and empty feeling deep down in my stomach." Most of us understand exactly what he means, but he is the last man most of us would ever expect to confess stage fright.

A man can't fool his wife, but once and that is when he marries her.

Adam was not the last man to have his happy home busted up by a snake. The old fashioned woman who used to have a good hawl every day now has a daughter who doesn't dare show a tear because her cheeks are powdered up like a marshmallow.

Some men remind you of dogs. They loaf around and stare up eagerly to chase things they don't want to catch.

It is too bad that the Fool Killer isn't a Society Man. He could make an awful clean up at some of these Tango affairs.

There is a lot of Tommyrot about Dignity. When you see a big, pompous ruan who is so stiff and important that you curl up and crawl away you wouldn't imagine that he had to sit on the side of a bed and trim his toe nails with a pair of scissors just like the rest of us.

A man would rather feel well than look well, but it is the other way with a woman.

There are a whole lot of basso who are Timid Tenors when they get home.

A woman can take a plume and wear it on one side of her hat one day, on the other side another day, on the front of her hat another day and on the back another day. She can wear it curled round the rim, under the rim, across the crown or straight up in the air. But if a man happens to put his hat on with the rear end in front he looks like a fool.

The best way for a fellow to queer himself with a girl is to have her parents indorse him.

It is funny how a diet of liver and onions and ham and cabbage and fried spare ribs will produce liver spots and pimples on a man's map and make a girl's cheeks bloom with roses and cream.

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