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TOOK OUT A GIRL'S HEART.

Physicians Examined It, Found It Normal and Put It Back.

St. Louis Dispatch.

Surgeons at the City Hospital recently removed the heart of Alma Toomey, a thirteen year old girl, who had been stabbed by her aged lover, Thomas Barnes, laid it upon her breast, examined it, found it uninjured and replaced it. It is said to be the eleventh operation of the kind in the annals of surgery.

Fearing that the heart of the girl had been injured by the knife, Dr. Doyle, assisted by Drs. Riley Clark, removed it with a pair of forceps, elevated it to view, and examined it for two minutes. No injury could be found and the heart was put back in its place with no apparent injury to the patient.

The operation was accompanied by cutting through two ribs and pushing the lungs aside. A hole was found in the pericardium made by the man's knife, and after cutting about half an inch more, severing minor arteries, the heart was ready to come out.

Dr. Doyle handled the forceps. The heart continued to pulsate regularly while it was exposed. After the heart was put back the arteries, which had been cut, were bound up.

Barnes was arrested and locked up. It is feared that the girl will die.

Cleaning up the Farms.

Progressive Farmer.

In every portion of the South, except in the tobacco districts, August offers the most favorable opportunities for cleaning up and beautifying the farm. Briers, bushes, brambles and noxious weeds should be cut at this period, for, as vegetable life is at its lowest ebb, the chances of destroying such growth are much increased. It is a source of regret, not to say humiliation, to well wishers of the South that so little attention is given to the beautifying of the Southern homes. The cultivation for rural embellishment is greatly to be desired. The elegant improvements of a country-place appeal to the lover of the beautiful and the true, and form one of the most agreeable and profitable recreations that can engage an intelligent mind. Such improvements add much to the value of an estate. All houses should be painted or whitewashed, as well as the fences. Everyone has not good taste, but everyone may, by utilizing his spare moments, increase the attractions of his home and add to its pleasantness and beauty and make it an abode of intelligence and virtue. Where one expects to spend all his days, to rear his family and to mold these intellectual and moral natures, nothing will pay so largely as a tasteful dwelling, embosomed in shrubbery, enlivened in flowers and green turf, a little wood lot near, with fine old shade trees, and a herd of well-bred cattle or a flock of well-bred sheep running thereon to give animation to the scene, thus exciting a deep interest in the breeding of domestic animals and a genuine love for the duties of the farm. It does not require great wealth to secure these things, but they give a charm to the home and add grace, beauty and activity, furnishing as much satisfaction and happiness as the most splendid mansion, with expensive green houses and flower gardens.

Lightning Strangely Affects Hogs.

Wadesboro Messenger.

Recently lightning struck a very large granite rock at the Baucom mill pond, four miles south of town, cracking the rock and otherwise leaving traces of its impact. The concussion from the stroke must have been tremendous, judging from the peculiar manner in which two hogs, the property of Mr. D. F. Swink, which were nearby, were affected. The hogs were heard to squeal loudly immediately after the stroke, and an examination disclosed that both of them were completely paralyzed, and in a short time their bodies were almost covered with bloodshot splotches. The hogs would weigh about 250 each. The hogs are still alive.

End of Bitter Fight.

"Two physicians had a long and stubborn fight with an abcess on my right lung" writes J. F. Hugher of DuPont, Ga. "and gave me up. Every body thought my time had come. As a last resort I tried Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. The benefit received was striking and I was on my feet in a few days. Now I've entirely regained my health." It conquirs all Coughs, Colds and Throat and Lung troubles. Guaranteed by English Drug Co. Price 50c, and $100. Trial bottle free.

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WILL HARRIS HAS ESCAPED.

The State Prison Officials Refuse to Tell When and How the Desperado Escaped and are Severely Criticised—Tries to Commit Fresh Murder.

Charlotte Observer, 12th.

Will Harris, colored, the most notorious desperado that ever lived in Mecklenburg county, has escaped from the State penitentiary, and has returned to this county. It was in keeping with the reputation of Harris that he should make the formal announcement of his return by trying to commit murder. He failed only because the shot that he fired at Sam Huey, colored, near Derita, Monday night, carved around a rib after striking Huey in the left breast.

If there be truth in an old superstition or an adage, the ears of the penitentiary officials must have burned yesterday. They were cursed bitterly in Mecklenburg. Every man who knew Will Harris, and knew that the State prison authorities had allowed him to creep back into this county without a word of warning, said, without hesitation, that the conduct of the officials was criminal, or worse.

Harris was tried before Juge Shaw three months ago on a number of serious charges, and admitted his guilt in every case. Juge Shaw commented on the desperate character of the negro, and gave him the limit of the law, by sentencing him to the penitentiary for 30 years.

FULL WARNING.

When Harris was taken to the penitentiary by the Mecklenburg officers, they told the penitentiary officials what they already knew—that Harris was a dangerous, clever negro, and would require constant watching.

When Harris escaped no one here knows, but in some way he managed to elude the vigilance of the officers, and came back to Derita.

Monday night, at 9 o'clock, he appeared at the home of Cal Houston, colored, who lives on Mr. Robert Mason's place, near Derita, and asked to see Pearl, the daughter of Cal Houston, the woman with whom he had formerly lived, and who had borne him two children. This woman had married, two months ago, Sam Huey, and Huey was in the house asleep at the time Harris arrived. The mother of the young negro woman was greatly alarmed by the appearance of Harris, and did as he directed—awoke her daughter and told her that Harris wished to see her out side the house.

THE SHOOTING.

Pearl left the house with Harris, and was gone some minutes before her mother awoke Huey, and told him what had occurred. Huey dressed, and accompanied by his brother-in-law, went in search of the couple.

Huey found his wife and Harris about 200 yards from the house. When Huey came up, Harris had a revolver in his hand, and was pointing it at the head of the woman. When he saw Huey, he turned and said:

"Damn you, you have married my wife, have you!" He fired several times at Huey, only one shot taking effect. Huey's injury is not serious. After emptying his pistol, Harris fled. The woman, Pearl Huey, ran to the house of Mr. R. B. Cochran, a mile away, and hid under the house. She refuses to leave this house saying that she is in mortal terror of Harris.

A COMMUNITY TERRORIZED.

The intelligence of Harris' return caused the most excitement in the Derita section and elsewhere yesterday. Every Policeman in the city showed the concern that will be felt by every township officer. The officers of the law know that Harris has murder in his heart, and that he will not hesitate at any crime.

A DISCREET REPLY FROM RALEIGH.

The Observer wired its Raleigh correspondent yesterday to ascertain when and how Harris escaped. Col. Fred A. Olds, the corrrespondent, replied:

"Officials of the penitentary say that Harris has escaped, but do not think it best to say anything further, and so declined to give information. A reward is offered for the negro; his early capture is expected."

Decline to give information!

Reward offered for the negro—a large, handsome reward of $10!

Early capture is expected!

The words of a carless, inconsideate crew!

WHEN DID HARRIS ESCAPE?

When Harris appeared at Derita he wore no convict clothes. He had money, it is declared, and he was well armed. Since the State prison officials maintain such a beautifully discreet silence, the public is forced to make an estimate on its own account. It is a good ways from here to Raleigh, and a convict, fresh in his freedom, could hardly take the first train and come home. It is believed here that Harris has been at large for at least a week.

THINGS THAT THE PUBLIC WANT TO KNOW.

The public here want to know, and thinks it has a right to know, why the penitentiary officals, knowing full well the character of Harris, failed to notify the sheriff of this county that Harris had escaped. Citizens of Derita came to town yesterday and asked this question. They wished to know why the officials hadn't the common decency to send out a note of warning. Everybody knows that Harris has a habit of burning barns and burglarizing houses and shooting men from ambush.

What about the criminal folly of permitting such a man to suddenly appear in a neighborhood and terrorize women and children so that they cannot sleep!

These questions were asked yesterday by every other man that one talked to, and the town and county joined in open condemnation of the action of the penitentary officials.

WAITING!

Harris has disappeared temporarily, but people who are not alarmists confidently expected him to commit another crime very soon. He knows the country thoroughly, and has a dozen hiding places; is liked by negroes who will aid him, and feared by negroes who will lie about his whereabouts. He has threatened the lives of several people, and his career is too well established for one to doubt that he will endeavor to make his threats good at the first opportunity.

Sheriff Wallace and his officers and the Charlotte police discussed Harris and only Harris yesterday. They are ready for immediate action, but they must await another signal—must wait till Harris appears to commit another crime.

AN ARMED NEIGHBORHOOD.

Citizens of Derita met yesterday for the purpose of formulating some plan of action, but beyond an expressed determination that every man must keep a watch on his own premises, nothing definite was decided upon. Harris is a slippery, active man, and he may now be many miles from where he made his attack Monday night.

'Squire John P. Hunter, of Derita, came to town yesterday and purchased a revolver. He told the the police that he proposed to carry it, and that his neighbors also would go armed. The decision was endorsed. "A good many of us have had guns for Harris for a long time, but I reckon a man needs something to carry around with him now. I have laid out in the woods for Harris many a night, and I expect to do that again. None of us want to capture him. He will be shot on sight."

REPUTATION OF HARRIS.

The menace of Harris' presence in a community cannot be exaggerated. He is a young negro, with a pleasant face, but he has no moral sense at all, and has the same stealthy spirit of revenge as the primitive North American Indian.

In a few years he has shot several men in this county. He stole from Squire J. P. Hunter, and was sent to the chain gang. He escaped and was captured by 'Squire Hunter. He escaped again, and one night went to 'Squire Hunter's house and shot at the magistrate four times, one bullet penetrating the thigh. He was sent to the chain gang, and escaped again. He shot Joe Dodd, who had done him an alleged injury, Dodd recovered. For small provocation he shot Charles Cochrane, and poor aim only prevented Cochrane's injury from being fatal. Van Griffin under took to tell the officers of the law where Harris was, and Harris bored large holes through a house with an Enfield rifle in his efforts to hit Griffin, who was lying flat on the floor.

Will Harris became angry with 'Squire John Graham Alexander, and burned Alexander's barn. He burglarized the house of Mr. B. M. Coffey, in Steel Creek. He burned W. O. Cochranes store. The police and county officers are sure that Harris is guilty of numerous other offenses that have never been brought home to the desperado. His crimes have usually been committed rapidly—one after the other.

He has been followed for miles by bloodhounds and policemen, and he has wheeled to laugh, and then turn to fresh crimes. It is known that he has a grudge against a numbers of respectable citizens in and near Derita, and he has murder in his heart against every witness who testified against him. He has sworn to be revenged, and he is at large and heavily armed.

JUST CARELESSNESS.

And there cannot be too much criticism of the penitentary officials for allowing Harris to escape. They were told that no convict camp in this county could be made to hold Harris, and yet they are content to let a man of this character obtain his freedom without taking the trouble to notify anyone to lookout for the criminal. Suppose they had announced Harris' escape. His reputation is more than State wide, and the chances are the police in some towns between here and Raleigh might have apprehended the criminal, or at least, the men of Derita would have been on the lookout for the return of Harris.

DON'T WANT HIM ALIVE.

If the general statements are to be believed, no effort will be made to take Harris alive. He is an outlaw of the sneaking, deadly type, and no one cares to take the trouble to send him back to those wise and deplomatic State prison officials.

THANKS!

Mecklenburg county is, of course exceedingly gratified to know that the munificent sum of $10 is offered for Harris. At the thought of so large a sum, every man must have a burning ambition to sally forth and exchange shots with Harris. If the Governor would only increase the reward of $14 or $15, armed posses from all over the county might be organized to go out and seek to win the fortune.

But if Harris isn't pardoned before the Derita people meet up with him, the $10 reward will be sufficient inspiration, and the man who wins the State's money will probably point to the contents of a rude, pine coffin—a thing that would hardly escape even from the vigilant State officials.

HOW HARRIS ESCAPED.

With regard to the escape of Will Harris, colored, of this county, from the penitentiary, Superintendent Mann, of that institution, gives The Morning Post, of Raleigh, the following statement:

"Will Harris, the Charlotte desperado, escaped from the prison last Friday. About one hundred hands were at work inside the stockade in making brick and in loading brick upon cars and in various other kinds of work. Several cars loaded with brick were taken from the yard after having been carefully inspected by Mr. F. G. Davidson, a foreman on the brick yard, and a most careful and experienced employe of the prison. Old and experienced guards are at every post on the stockade. A short time after the cars were removed from the yard Harris was missed and a careful and systematic search was made for him. Another employe, Mr. C. E. Horton, was sent at once to the depot to make a second examination of the loaded brick cars, and the entire prison yards and buildings were carefully searched, but in vain. The guards were kept upon the stockade walls all during Friday night and the search was continued through Saturday, when we felt compelled to admit that the prisoner had succeeded in making his escape. It is a mere theory that he concealed himself in one of the loaded brick cars, and yet that seems to us the only plausible explanation of the escape.

"The desperate character of the prisoner was known to us and the superintedent had personaly ordered that he should not be sent upon any work outside the prison stockade, and since his imprisonment here he has never been sent outside. The escape was simply one of those that will sometimes occur from the best regulated institutions of the land, which has occurred from this institution several times in the past and is likely to occur at some future time in spite of the utmost vigilance.

"On Monday the superintendent offered a reward of $25 and necessary expenses for the arrest and return of Harris to the prison. On Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock, before the sheriff of Mecklenburg had been formally notified of this, he inquired by wire if this man had escaped, and the warden answering this wire in the affirmative, inadvertently stated that a reward of $10 had been offered for his recapture. Ten dollars is the usual standing reward for the re-capture of any escaped prisoner.

"The entire management of the prison very much regret the escape of Harris and the consequent terrorizing of a whole community in Mecklenburg, and would gladly do anything reasonable and proper to effect his re-capture, but does not feel at all hurt by the violent abuse of The Chalotte Observer, as unwarrented attacks by that paper are so frequent that it has become used to them."

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CRAZY MAN WITH SHOT GUN.

Fired Into a Crowd of Five Thousand Killed Three and Wounded a Score.

Winfield, Kan., Aug. 15.—Gilbert Twigg, aged 40 years, supposed to be insane, appeared on the principal street of this town tonight with a double barrelled shot gun and fired both charges deliberately into a crowd of 5,000 people who were listening to a band concert. He killed three persons, fatally injuring three, and shot 20 others, of whom six may die. Twigg was killed himself by a policeman.

The dead are: Sterling Rice, a carpenter; Dawson Thobson, a barber, brains blowed out; D. Bowman, a carpenter, Kansas City; Gilbert Twigg. Injured: Mrs. John Banard, shot in the neck; James Clarkson, shot in the back and arm; R. E. Oliver, shot in the shoulder and back; Clyde Reed, shot in the hip; J. B. Story, shot in the chest and knee; William Kilkins, Charles Thomas.

Thirteen others were less seriously wounded. The band had just finished playing a waltz when Twigg stepped out from an alley a half a block distant and deliberately taking aim at the band, fired two shots. R. E. Oliver, a bandman, fell at the first shot, but the crowd, not realizing what had happened, rushed toward Twigg, believing that there had been an accidental shooting of some kind. As the crowd closed in the crazed man discharged two more shots at them, causing a scattering in every direction. Policeman George Nicholas confronted Twigg and fired a bullet into his head. Before life was extinct the demented man drew a revolver from his pocket and fired a shot into his own body. Gilbert Twigg was a miller by trade. He was commonly referred to as "Crazy Twigg," but no one thought him dangerous.

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Excursion Train Wrecked.

Maxton, Aug. 13.—The special consisting of engine and ten cars, returning from Wilmington with the Rutherfordton excursion party, ran into the caboose of a detached freight train, half mile east of Maxton, at five minutes past 11 o'clock tonight. The body of Luke Jones, a wife, flagman of the freight train, was cut in two about the middle. The upper half of the body was found lying by the track and the lower half was pulled out of the burning wreckage of the caboose. The engineer was not hurt, the fireman received painful but not serious injuries. Two negro passengers were slightly injured. No white passengers were hurt. One engine of the excursion train was badly wrecked, but only one coach was damaged.

The dead body of a negro passenger has been found wedged between the broken timbers of the front car and the tender of the wrecked train.

Flagman Jones is supposed to have been asleep.

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