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A MURDERER CAUGHT AND TAKEN HOME FOR PUNISHMENT

On the 16th of June, 1898, near the village of Pepin, Wis., a most horrible murder was committed at noonday.

Wednesday afternoon of this week the criminal was caught by Chief Smith and placed in the Fosston lock-up. It would be a long story to publish if all details were given, but a summary of the tragedy is given below.

Thos. Seidon, a well-to-do farmer resided about one and one half miles from Pepin, Pepin county, Wis., was a Grand Army veteran and on the day of the murder attended a G. A. R. celebration at Pepin, accompanied by all of his family except one daughter, aged about sixteen, her father's pet, who remained at home to take care of the house. Along in the afternoon word was brought into town that Mr. Seidon's home was on fire and many accompanied the family to the farm where the large residence, barns and sheds, which were all close together, were found enveloped in flames and all efforts to save the buildings were in vain.

No traces of the young girl, Mary, who had remained at home, could be found. It was late at night when the flames had spent their force and any opportunity for investigating the premises was had. Then the horrible fact was learned that Mary had been burned in the cellar of the house, and worse than all, that she had certainly been murdered. Certain parties had knowledge of the fact that Seidon kept money in the house and the fiend who committed the murder had evidently been surprised by the girl, and recognized, and the murder then committed, the remains being burned to obliterate all danger of implication in the robbery. But a few bones were left, on the top of the pile of partly burned cordwood, to tell of the awful deed that had been done.

Of course great excitement was caused in the community and numerous arrests of suspects made, but all to no purpose. Finally one Erick Paulson, of Danish descent, whose parents and home were but a few miles from Pepin, remarked one day to some one that they could not say he was to blame for he was in Minneapolis the day of the fire. This unusual remark coupled with the fact that while Erick had been in debt and unable previously to raise the price of or credit for a new garment, he recently came out with new clothes and with money in his pockets, caused suspicion to point towards him, and investigations made by Deputy Sheriff Engel of Pepin county led conclusively to the belief that Paulson was implicated in the robbery and murder. Finally he was arrested and taken to the county jail where he was kept to await trial, but through carelessness—intentionally or otherwise—the prisoner was allowed to walk out of the jail at meal time by the then sheriff, and escape.

Since then, although heard of at times, no definite information of his whereabouts has been learned until now.

Wednesday afternoon G. N. agent Hilliard, at Bagley, who knew Paulson years ago in Wisconsin and is a cousin of the murdered girl, sold a ticket for Fosston at his depot wicket to a man whom he recognized as the criminal. However, he and the local marshal were afraid to tackle the man and allowed him to board the train. But he telegraphed the word to our local agent, Mr. Dennis. He informed Chief Smith, who shortly found and took his man in the waiting room of the Fosston House.

Telegrams passed quickly back and forth from Wisconsin and the deputy sheriff, Mr. Frank Engel, who had been instrumental in his first capture, arrived this morning and immediately identified his man, although, naturally, the culprit did not want to know him. Both left this afternoon for Durand, the county seat of Pepin county, where the prisoner will be called upon to answer for a most dastardly crime.

Paulson is about thirty-five years of age, rather short and "chunky," and at the time of his capture carried a heavy revolver inside his vest, in a handy position to catch quickly; also a large knife. In a grip which he brought with him was another revolver and a number of letters addressed to "Thos. Flynn," "John Riley," and other aliases, that contained much damaging evidence. He has been in Northern Minnesota and North Dakota for some months, and owns a few cattle kept by another man 40 miles north of Thief River Falls.

That he is a guilty man there is no doubt and no sympathy goes with such a hardened criminal, who will probably suffer the extreme penalty of the law.

Sheriff Engel is a shrewd, but pleasant gentleman, and is well satisfied with his trip to Fosston, for it took considerable careful detective work to apprehend Paulson the first time and he was deeply disappointed to have escape him as before described.

There is another implicated in the tragedy, but the sheriff would give no particulars until later.

Our local chief of police, Mr. Smith, is entitled to credit for capturing a desperate character as neatly as he did. A reward of \$400 was once offered for Paulson and he will likely receive it.

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FIREMEN'S TOURNAMENT DATES SET FOR JUNE 27, 28, 29.

At a special meeting of the Fosston Fire department held last Tuesday evening it was decided that Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, June 27, 28, 29, would be the most satisfactory dates for holding the firemen's tournament here this summer for all concerned. The idea of having the tournament about July 4th was discarded in order that the gathering here should not interfere with any celebrations in other towns and cities on that day.

The different towns are sending in their lists continually and now Fosston is assured of at least ten different companies competing in the several events. This nearly doubles the number that have ever attended any previous meeting of the association.

It has been asserted that East Grand Forks would not be represented but Tom Powers assured Secretary Black over the telephone yesterday that East Grand Forks firemen and their friends would be here in force.

The Red Lake Falls boys, who were missed at the Forks last year, will attend this meeting.

All the towns in the Valley are showing an interest in this coming tournament. Every effort will be made to send all home after it is over, glad that they came.

The East Grand Forks Valley View says: The tournament at Fosston ought to be a big success. The association is growing rapidly, a number of departments entering that heretofore were not a part of the association.

A Lecture on Secret Societies.

Will be delivered in the Synod Church, Fosston, Monday evening, April 16th, 8 o'clock by an ex-member of two secret societies, Mr. S. A. Scavie, from the Lutheran Seminary, St. Paul, Minn.

A Musical Attraction.

The Wimbledon News has the following to say of the Nix family which will entertain the people of Fosston on Wednesday and Thursday evenings next, Apr. 18 and 19.

"The Nix Family jolities, which showed at the Opera house Wednesday and Thursday of this week gave very general satisfaction. It is really a very talented family. The father, Mr. J. W. Nix, is a thorough master of the violin and mandolin, while it is hard to say in what either of the children most excel. They all seem equally at home in singing, dancing, with the mandolin, violin, at the piano and in character impersonations. The company deserves good patronage."

Practice Every Monday.

Chief Pederson of the Fosston fire department gives notice that a regular service practice will be held next Monday evening and on every following Monday during the summer, and all members of the department are instructed to attend.

During the milder seasons of the year the practice should be done with which to make every member of the brigade familiar with their duties. No active work has been done all winter for no fires have occurred, fortunately, and all hands are rusty and awkward. It is therefore an excellent idea for regular practice to be commenced at once.

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P. M. MARK,
Fosston, Minn.
(a27)

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FOSSTON PUBLIC SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

OUR MOTTO
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Editor for this week
LIZZIE NESDAHL.

Lulu Amber will edit this column next week.

Several pupils of the seventh and eighth grades left school last week.

The ninth graders are taking a review of Latin and grammar.

Two of Miss Dunn's pupils left school, the same being Hud and Clara Fisk.

The school house has been cold for the want of wood and a good janitor.

The warm weather is approaching and the storm windows should be taken off.

The banner of the eighth and ninth grades were brought to school Tuesday, and will be placed upon the hall to decorated the school room.

Andrew Anderson has resigned his position as janitor. Mr. Stafford took up the same and left two days later. Since then Prof. Yeager has attended to the work.

There are two months of school left which will be used largely in reviews.

The ninth grade history class is studying the Age of the Revival.

This warm weather is bringing out the insects which are to be studied by the zoology class.

Vacation is over and we are again hard at work. There is a decrease in our numbers, particularly in the upper room. A number of our older boys who attended a few months during the cold weather have left us to take up the more invigorating labors of farm life. Several of our best girls have also abandoned us. Out of those who are left will come the classes for next year. The two months that are left are deciding months. The promotion lists are already being made up. The case of some cannot be determined until the last week of the year, while others are now certain of promotion.

Our school grounds need cleaning up badly. A part of Arbor Day will be devoted to a general cleaning up of the premises. We are waiting for the governor's proclamation.

Congregational.

The topic for the Junior Christian Endeavor next Sunday is "Why did Christ call Himself the Bread of Life?" John 6:32-35.

The meeting is held at 10:15 A.M. Sunday School at 11 A.M. Much interest has been shown in the banner given each month for the largest collection. Mrs. Bennett's class held it for the first month and Mrs. Dualevy's class holds it now.

Evening service at 7:45. Special Easter music will be rendered by the choir. Mr. Yarrow will speak on the subject, "Did Jesus Christ Rise From the Dead?" A cordial invitation to all to attend.

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