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ATTEMPTED MURDER

Double Crime Near Boyd's, in Montgomery County.

VICTIMS ARE IN CRITICAL STATE

Searching for the Man Suspected of the Crime.

STARTED FOR THIS CITY

Special From a Staff Correspondent.

BOYD'S, Md., May 13 .- An attempt at double murder was committed at Slidell. Montgomery county, two miles north of Boyd's, this morning about 4 o'clock. The victims of the assault were Louis Rosenstine and his wife, Dora, who ran a little country store at that place. Both of the victims are unconscious and are shockingly mutilated about the head. Their condition is critical in the extreme. Louis received three cuts on top of the head, measuring from three to four inches in length, one cut in a V shape on the right side of the head and an ugly mashed wound just back of the right ear. He is writhing in agony, and presents an ugly spectacle, covered with blood from head to foot. Dora, the wife, has one wound two inches long above the left eye and deep; also one above left side of head; one on head back of left ear; both eyes are black from the blows. Her condition is critical, expecting to be confined in a few weeks. Robbery was the motive. All the drawers in the house were ransacked. Four pocketbooks were found empty. A pair of shoes and other articles are missing from the store.

Mrs. Rosenstine was found lying in her bed room in the northern part of the house. Louis was found lying in a pool of blood in a room downstairs adjoining the store room.

The man suspected of perpetrating the double crime is a dark negro known as Humphrey Taylor, alias Brown. He has large teeth in front well spaced. When last seen at the place of the attempted murder he wore a brown slouch hat, lead-colored overalls; the right sleeve of his coat had a patch extending from elbow toward wrist.

He bought a new pair of No. 10 shoes at Boyd's from Merchant Mahlon T. Lewis and boarded the 8:30 train toward Washington. It is said he lives near Sugar Loaf mountain, in this county.

Garrett Linthicum, a farmer, passed by the store shortly after the crime was committed and saw this negro standing in the door and was warned off. Paying no attention, he went on to Boyd's, and on his return from there met the same man on his way to the station.

The weapons used were a solid fron rod about three feet long and some other sharp instrument which was not found. The suspected man had made threats to other colored people where he had stopped last night against the persons attacked. It is known he was here late last night and early this morning.

The victims were found this morning by a little boy of Walter Carlin's, who went to the store to make a purchase.

Seen at Garrett Park.

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star.

GAITHERSBURG, Md., May 13.—A man answering the description of the person suspected of the attempted murder at Boyd's was seen near Garrett Park, Md., this afternoon by passengers on the train, who were not aware of what had happened or that such a man was wanted.

The Search Here.

Information was received here this afternoon of the attempted double murder in Montgomery county, and the arrest of the fugitive was requested. The information came from J. W. Williams, agent for the Baltimore and Ohio railroad at Boyd's station, about thirty miles from this city. No particulars of the crime were given. His dispatch read:

"Arrest black negro, wearing black coat, blue pants or overalls, dark or black slouch hat. Bought new pair of shoes here, No. 10, and took 8:30 train for Washington. Wanted for double murder."

When the dispatch was received at the Baltimore and Ohio depot a copy of it was sent to police headquarters. The detectives at headquarters and also at the railroad depot were made acquainted with the contents of the dispatch, but the information was not received until after the arrival of the train mentioned. None of the railroad men on duty at the depot remembered having seen a person answering the description given, and it is believed by them that the fugitive got off the train at some point up the road. Inspector Boardman assigned Detective Lacy to the case. This officer communicated with Detective Reynolds at the depot, and the two officers started out to search for the man reported to have committed the double crime.