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BROWN'S WIFE IN DANGER

A Mob Gathers Near the Rosenstein Murderer's Home.

The Woman Said to Have Been Warned to Leave the County—Her Husband Paces the Cell in Distress—Armstead Taylor in Good Humor and Seemingly Indifferent.

Frederick, Md., July 17.—John Alfred Brwn, the condemned murderer of Louis Rosenstein, is confined in a cell on the same tier with Armstead Taylor, his confederate in the crime which cost Rosenstein and his wife Dora their lives. Daniel Burras and W. Layman have been appointed death watch over Brown. One of the guards says the condemned man is greatly worried over the result of his trial and eats and sleeps but little. He is constantly pacing to and fro in his cell, muttering and bemoaning his fate.

Taylor, on the other hand, seems to be in the best of spirits, and laughs at his Uncle John's "queer doings." Taylor yesterday said: "Well, I guess I've got all I deserve, because the prison walls have no horror for me, I have been behind them so long. I felt kind of funny to be on the outside of them."

"Mr. Keeper," said he, "would you believe it if I told you that I have been in penitentiaries and jails fourteen years of my life, and yet I ain't much over twenty-six years of age? But, indeed, it is the truth. I was up two terms for burglary and got five years for each. Them negroes all said I had not been around for several years. Well, how could I go to see them when I had only got out of the 'pen' a short time before my calling on them?"

Taylor has not yet been apprised of the date—August 18—set for his execution. He has no faith in prayer and believes there is no hereafter. He says he does not want any minister to call on him.

Slidell, Md., July 17.—Saturday morning a large body of men went to the house of John Alfred Brown and searched for Nellie Turner, the common law wife of Brown. Some people of the neighborhood are under the impression that Nellie Turner knows a great deal more of the murder of Louis Rosenstein and his wife than either Brown, Taylor, or she cares to have known.

Upon the closing of the Brown trial in the Frederick county court last Friday Nellie Turner was released from custody in the Frederick City jail, where she had been detained as an important witness against both Taylor and Brown. She started to return to her home, near Slidell, Montgomery county. She was closely followed by persons who thought she knew where Brown had secreted the unaccounted for money which was stolen on the day of the Rosenstein murder, May 13, last, and would attempt to gain possession of the same.

After watching her all day those who had followed her gave up all hope and left. During the night a band of men numbering nearly or about 100, some from the immediate vicinity and quite a number of strangers, met at a rendezvous and with a rope ready proceeded to the late home of John Brown in the search of Nellie Turner, but on reaching the house and not finding her, they proceeded to turn things "topsy turvy" and then left in the search for her, but on the approach of daylight the band separated. It is said they may meet again in the near future, if necessary. It is also said that Nellie has been notified to leave the country within three days' time, and if she is found in the neighborhood after that time they are determined to see that she will precede Brown and Taylor into the next world.

Instead of going to her own house, Nellie Turner on this night stayed at a house on one of the nearby farms, where she received protection. She has been seen since by several persons who quote her as saying: "Things are too hot here. I'm going to Virginia."