

STRANGER TELLS STORY OF BRUTAL ASSAULT ON HIM

George Beck Wanders Into Office of Greensfork Doctor So Badly Injured He Probably Will Die.

SAYS HE WAS BEATEN BY HAGERSTOWN GANG

After the Alleged Assault, Monday Night, He Spent the Night in the Open, Aimlessly Wandering.

(Palladium Special)
Greensfork, Ind., March 9.—George Beck, aged 51, giving his residence as Cleveland, Ohio, wandered into this place yesterday afternoon, badly injured, and told the story that while at Hagerstown, Monday night, he was attacked by a party of two or three young men and left for dead along the railroad track. His injuries are such that his recovery is very doubtful. Residents of this place believe that he was attacked, as he persistently tells, the same story and there is no evidence to base a theory of a railroad accident.

The man's injuries consist of two holes in his head, and, it is thought, concussion of the brain has resulted. A broken arm, a dislocated shoulder and several bruises are his other injuries. The man said that he was attacked Monday night and as he did not receive medical attention until late yesterday afternoon, he must have suffered most excruciating pain. He was without medical attendance so long that his injuries will probably prove fatal.

Story the Man Tells.

Dr. Kienzle, at whose home he now is, said this afternoon that Beck told him he was on his way to Cleveland from Indianapolis. At Hagerstown he got off the train and while at the depot Monday night came in contact with a party of young men, the exact number in the gang he does not know, nor could he give a good description of them. For some reason, Beck says, two or three of the party attacked him with either black jacks or other heavy objects. He was laid out, but after the young men rushed away, he got up and walked out of town, then lied down on the ground and spent the night. On Tuesday he started east, stopped at two or three farm houses and secured something to eat, but everyone seemed afraid of him and would not take him in until Dr. Kienzle saw him and took him to his office. The man gave the address of his son at Cleveland and the latter has been telegraphed for. The Cleveland police have also been notified.

WIRE FLASHES!

(American News Service)
New York, March 9.—The earnings of the American Tobacco company for 1909 were more than thirty million dollars after deducting all charges and expenses, these being two million greater than in 1908.

LYNCH A PREACHER.
Greenwood, Miss., March 9.—A negro Baptist preacher named Wallace was lynched by a mob this morning, after he had shot a white policeman who attempted to collect a bill. The policeman may die.

TWO BROTHERS FIGHT.
Laporte, Ind., March 9.—In a quarrel between brothers at the Albion last night, Harry Mullen, aged twenty-five years, probably fatally shot William Mullen, as the latter was climbing over the fence while in flight.

SHOT HIS SWEETHEART.
Marion, Ind., March 9.—Sanford Love, a young business man, fatally shot his sweetheart, Dottie Murden, eighteen years of age, because she refused immediate marriage.

A LIVESTOCK FAMINE.
Chicago, March 9.—Further evidence of the approaching livestock famine appeared at the stock yards today when hogs sold at \$10.55 per hundred pounds on the hoof. Cattle jumped twenty cents and sheep went up in the rush. Market was wild. The receipts are scant. Hogs sold at \$10.75 at Buffalo.

WENT TO CAMBRIDGE

(Palladium Special)
Cambridge City, Ind., March 9.—Both county and Richmond city officials attended the horse sale today and were on the lookout to see that order was preserved. No evidence of crookedness of any kind was apparent to the officials. Sheriff Meredith, Superintendent of the Richmond Police I. A. Gorman, and Prosecuting Attorney Chas. Ladd were among those present.

Did She Remember?
"Do you remember that first night I kissed you?"
"No."
"Oh, you coquette! I stole that sweet kiss!"
"So I wanted you to think."—Cleveland Leader.

TOM WORE A SMILE

And Stated He Had Used Every Power to Suppress the Gambling.

A JUSTICE FOR DEFENSE

(American News Service)
Paoli, Ind., March 9.—In defense of the French Lick Hotel company whose charter Attorney General Birmingham is trying to have revoked, documentary evidence was introduced today to show that the laws of the company prohibited gambling on the premises and that the board of directors had been authorized to take action against the lessee of the casino if the gambling had been permitted there, but a cross examination revealed the fact that one son of Justice Ritter of French Lick township, operated a roulette wheel in the Casino. Justice Ritter was a strong witness for the defense in the present case. Taggart took the stand and said he had exhausted all legal efforts to suppress gambling on the hotel company's premises. He wore his habitual broad smile.

City Statistics

Deaths and Funerals.

ILLINOIS.—Mrs. Ella Bockhoff Miller, a former resident of Richmond, died last evening at her home in Indianapolis. The remains will be brought here for funeral services and burial. The body will arrive Thursday and will be taken to the home of Mrs. Klute, 332 South Fourteenth street where friends may call Thursday evening. The funeral will take place from the home Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock, the Rev. Howard officiating. The burial will be in Earlham cemetery.

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MUTH.—Mrs. Cora M. Muth, aged 44 years, died this morning at about 10 o'clock at her home 501 Main street. Death was due to a complication of diseases. Besides her husband the deceased is survived by one sister who resides at Muncie, Indiana, and two brothers residing in Ohio. The funeral arrangements have not been made.

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