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CHARLESTON, MONDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 25, 1871.

HUNTED TO DEATH.
THE LATE EXPRESS ROBBERIES ON THE MOBILE AND OHIO RAILROAD.

Correct Details of the Operations of the Detectives Against the Robbers—Arrest, Capture and Death of Farrington, Chief of the Gang—A Short Chapter from the History of the Modern Marcell—The Efficiency of the Great Pinkerton Detective Agency.

[From the Memphis Appeal, December 16.]

There is an impression abroad that no one ever escapes who attempts to rob the Southern Express Company. This is a mistake, for the experience of years. That company make it a point to hunt down thieves no matter what it may cost. Levi Farrington is the latest victim of this fearful Nemesis, which never relaxes pursuit until death or the law strikes in its inexorable grasp the being who is weak enough to attempt to rob or embezzle their property.

Farrington had perpetrated many crimes before he was touched by the law. It was his habit to rush against that rock, and upon it he split. The first time he was brought to the notice of the Memphis police was last spring, when a gentleman from Augusta, Arkansas, saw Farrington on board a boat at our wharf, and calling Captain Athley to have him arrested. He was brought to the stationhouse, as well as a horse which he was taking with him to Arkansas. In a few days a gentleman from the horse was seized, and Farrington was bound over to the charge of horse-stealing, but subsequently got out on bail.

Some gentleman came here from Missouri to see if he met the person who had killed parties in that State. They looked at him through the bars of his cage, and he said, "No, it is not the man I want. It is said, 'No, it is not the man I want.' Farrington made a dash for liberty while being escorted from the magistrate's office here to the jail, breaking away from the officer who had him in charge at the corner of Commerce and Main streets, and after running two hours, had to halt in front of a high fence, and allow himself to be recaptured and led to jail. After getting away from here, he committed several robberies, and he has been associated himself with others, and no doubt, the brother was the leading spirit in the business, as it appears that Levi Farrington, and Clark, was not held so had a man as his brother, who has not yet turned up. In July last the train was robbed at Moscow station, Kentucky. It was generally believed at the time that the Farrington gang were concerned in the job, and again, in October, another train was robbed at Union City, and again the same clan were suspected.

It was on the evening of Saturday, the 21st of October, the latter robbery was perpetrated. The train, as was usual, was switched on the side-track, and all hands, except one man, the guard, left the cars, to have supper at some distance from where the train was switched. The switching was done to allow a clean through line for a train which was to pass about that time, going in a different direction. When the coast was all clear, two men jumped into the express car and told the guard to keep the engine from moving, while other men got upon the engine and commenced backing the train down the track. Pistols were held at the head of Mr. Thomas, the guard, and he was requested to hand out the keys of the safe which he had. The men went through its contents, taking all the money there was, amounting to about fifteen hundred dollars. When they had secured the booty, they signalled the engine to stop, and all hands got off and took to the woods.

As the robbers started the train, a negro man at the station notified the engine driver and conductor at their supper of what had happened, they started down the track after the robbers, and when they reached it found everything all right except the express car. The guard related the story, which was so strange that it astounded all hands. On the engine one of the thieves set a small satchel, which contained a loaf of baker's bread and a piece of bacon. The authorities on the express company were notified of the affair, and in a short time the superintendent, J. J. O'Brien, with the assistant superintendent, Mr. Worley, were on the ground, and had made their decision what to do in the case. Pinkerton, of Chicago, was sent for, and in conjunction with Pat Connell, of this city, commenced operations, starting out with the satchel and its contents as a basis for operation.

From the description of the men, Connell suspected that it was the work of the Farrington family. In November he called Lester's Landing, below Hickman, Kentucky, and about twenty miles from Union City. Here the officers went, walked into the house where the thieves were in company with the guard and other men. Shortly after this, we published an account in the Appeal of the movements of the Farringtons, in which it was stated that the mother of the family was absent on the Nashville and Northwestern Railroad, to Texas. She had circulated that story, and it coming to the ears of Connell and Pinkerton, they resolved to proceed to her residence, and there they were surrounded themselves with a good force. Two of their men were dispatched to Waverly to make acquaintance with Mrs. Farrington. One of them hired with her as a boarder, and the other kept hovering around to observe and to notify his chief what was going on. In this way they learned that Mrs. Farrington was not bound for Texas, but for Missouri, where she intended to go in a stage, and that she had relatives at a little town called Verona. Detectives were at once dispatched to Verona to watch for the Farringtons. Connell and Pinkerton also went in different characters. They were three in number, and carried out as farm laborers to the uncle of the Farringtons. The thieves were traced to their holes, and there surrendered on last Tuesday. Yesterday we received the plans of the officers were laid:

St. Louis, December 15, of Pinkerton's Chicago Being sent by Connel and Connet, of Memphis, left here last night for Union City, Tennessee, having in charge Hilary Farrington, alias Henry Clark, and William Barton, who were captured at Verona, and who were carrying out a Southern Express Company messenger, by boarding trains at Moscow Union City, on the Mobile and Ohio Railroad, and were captured only after the houses in which they took refuge were securely barricaded from the outside and then set on fire. When the fire was extinguished, a desperate struggle, and nothing short of the complete and effective means adopted by the express company could have accomplished so desirable an object as their capture.

On the way from the scene of the capture to Union City, where the prisoners were to be tried for their crime, Barton made a full confession to Pinkerton as to both the robberies, and he showed his willingness to turn that he was aware of Farrington. Farrington became aware of his, and grew desperate. Between Carlo and J. Columbus, yesterday morning, while Connel was on the transfer, he called Pinkerton out on the stairs, saying he had something to communicate. Pinkerton being a cautious and wary fellow among such characters, they got on to his hand. Farrington managed to snatch the guard from his hand, and presenting it to his head, said: "Now, you have nose and ears about you, so let's lose no time, were about to be tried at last, at least once, but closer than ever."

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assistance. Connell was on the spot just in time to seize the pistol which exploded at the head of Pinkerton. The prompt manner in which Connell moved, however, saved Pinkerton's life—the ball grazing his head, and the powder blackening his face. Farrington, meantime, struggled; he had made his mind for a desperate encounter. In the fierce fight for liberty, and life, perhaps, he was thrown over the guard, the wheel of the boat struck him on the head, and he was seen no more. It is generally believed that Farrington's object may have been to break a desperate vengeance on his persistent captor, Pinkerton, who is recognized as the most dreaded enemy of such characters; but it is more apparent that Pinkerton, having Barton's full and unequivocal confession as to the participation in the two express robberies, besides innumerable cases in which the Farringtons were involved, Farrington thought if he could get Farrington out of the way he would yet have a chance to escape the meshes of the law. As it is, he has only met a merciful death. Result of his desperate attempt to escape. The gallows of a victim, good citizens will rejoice at the result. The coolness and impetuosity of Pinkerton and Connell are to be commended. The express company are to be congratulated. They have expended \$1500 and \$5000 in the effort to hunt down the thieves.

FURTHER PARTICULARS.
At a late hour, last night, we received the dispatch below, which conditions out Farrington in the whole business—the same that was wanted by the gentlemen who came here from Missouri in search of him last summer. Here is the dispatch:

It was Ithael Farrington, alias Clark, who left overboard in the scuffle with the detective. Levi Farrington, alias Russell, was captured to-day at Union City, in this State, and Farrington was bound over to the charge of horse-stealing, but subsequently got out on bail. Some gentleman came here from Missouri to see if he met the person who had killed parties in that State. They looked at him through the bars of his cage, and he said, "No, it is not the man I want. It is said, 'No, it is not the man I want.' Farrington made a dash for liberty while being escorted from the magistrate's office here to the jail, breaking away from the officer who had him in charge at the corner of Commerce and Main streets, and after running two hours, had to halt in front of a high fence, and allow himself to be recaptured and led to jail. After getting away from here, he committed several robberies, and he has been associated himself with others, and no doubt, the brother was the leading spirit in the business, as it appears that Levi Farrington, and Clark, was not held so had a man as his brother, who has not yet turned up. In July last the train was robbed at Moscow station, Kentucky. It was generally believed at the time that the Farrington gang were concerned in the job, and again, in October, another train was robbed at Union City, and again the same clan were suspected.

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Given under my hand and seal, at the Probate office in Walterboro', the 15th day of December, A. D. 1871.
D. H. FARMER, Probate Judge.
Per Charles H. Farmer.

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