

Mysterious Tragedy in Norfolk

[Correspondence of the Philadelphia Press.]
 NORFOLK, VA., Feb. 9, 1865.—On Tuesday evening, at 10 o'clock, the Rev. F. H. Boykin, a Methodist Episcopal clergyman, was brutally murdered by some one at present unknown. Mr. Boykin was a member of the Virginia Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, but since the breaking out of the war he has been thrown from his position.

In 1862, upon the occupation of Norfolk, Mr. Boykin took the oath, and has ever been represented as having been one of the most inoffensive of persons. He has, for the past year, been employed as chief clerk in the wholesale house of Mr. A. L. Hill. Mr. Hill is at present in the city of Alexandria, where he represents in the State Legislature the County of Norfolk. The circumstances attending the murder were these:—Mr. Boykin for a long time has had charge of one of the Methodist churches in Norfolk, which, by order of General Shepley, has been closed on account of the disunion proclivities of its members. The General at the same time allowed Mr. Boykin to lease it to any loyal parties that might wish it for any religious purpose. A number of colored men waited upon him some time since, and requested the use of the basement for the purpose of holding religious meetings on Sundays, and on certain evenings of the week. The reverend gentleman kindly allowed them to have it by the paying of a small rental.

A few months afterward the congregation of the colored people increased to such an enormous extent as to warrant their seeking a larger place of worship. Accordingly a committee waited upon Mr. Boykin, and asked the privilege of worshipping in the body of the church. This Mr. Boykin respectfully refused, saying that his authority did not extend that far with the people of color.

Another committee waited upon him, but with no different result. He received within the following week two anonymous notes, both of which breathed "threatenings and slaughter." One note, as near as I can learn, was received on Wednesday of last week. There has been no direct evidence as yet to place the colored population in most intense, and were it not for the presence of the military the sable race would suffer in a most summary manner. A lad gave in his testimony, yesterday morning, before the coroner's jury, in the following language: "I was coming down Charlotte street, at about 9½ o'clock on Tuesday evening, and was met by two negroes, one of them very tall, and the other about medium size.

One of the negroes put his hand in his pocket and stopped me; he looked me in the face and said, "Well, I don't want you;" I then passed on; I heard the report of the pistol after I had gone about two squares further; the night was dark and stormy; I should not know either of the negroes if I should again see them; all the negroes in that neighborhood are supposed to have pistols."

This was all that the lad knew, and although very intelligent, he said that he did not know anything more concerning it.

It is not likely that any more will be known concerning this mysterious affair. Col. Mann, the Provost Marshal of Norfolk, has instituted the most rigorous search.

On Tuesday, in the U. S. Senate, on motion of Mr. Pomeroy, it was resolved that the Committee on Military Affairs and the Militia be instructed to inquire whether the peculiar facilities afforded to officers of the army to procure spirituous and intoxicating liquors, do not tend to the increase of intemperance in the army, and to create insubordination and demoralization.

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