

MURDER SUSPECTED.

A mystery surrounds the death of a Russian named Mitratan Koropets, who was found in the Domain with a bullet in his head. While a gardener was on his rounds he saw a well-dressed figure lying under a tree in that portion of the Domain which borders Farm Cove, and looks straight across to Government House. Lady Macquarie's Chair is a few hundred yards further round to the right. On examining this figure, the gardener discovered the body of a young man of 30 years. There was a clot of blood nearby, and a bullet wound in the left side of the head. There was no revolver, and this mysterious absence gave the detectives some concern when they visited the spot later. Everything points to murder, as had it been a case of suicide a revolver would have been alongside the body. Another point is that had this Russian taken his own life he must have been left-handed, as it would have been impossible for him to place a bullet in the left side of the head with his right hand. There is no doubt it is a case of murder, and the police, while certain of this, are not hopeful of an arrest, so little being known of the man, and less of the night's occurrence. The murder must have occurred on Wednesday night. It was probably witnessed by several people as close by the tree where the body was found is a brilliant arc light, which lights up the vicinity for quite a distance.

Marysville, Pa., with 100 inhabitants, reports no deaths and only one birth last year.