

EARLY HISTORY OF CLOUD COUNTY BY H.E. SMITH

AN EXTRAORDINARY TRAGEDY

One of the most shocking and singular tragedies enacted in the West for many a day was that of the killing of Hon. Milas K. Young, of Grant county, Wis., by his son and the subsequent suicide of the murderer. The following details of the terrible affair are given by a correspondent of the Chicago Journal:

Your columns have already noted the most horrible tragedy of the Northwest – the murder of Milas K. Young by his son Albert, and the murderer's suicide. I have just returned from the funeral of the butchered victim.

On the map of Wisconsin, forty miles above its south line and on the Mississippi river, nearly opposite Guttenberg, is marked the little village of Glen Haven. It lies at the mouth of a ravine leading down from Blake's Prairie-as beautiful and good a farming district as there is in the State. In the edge of this prairie, two miles east the Glen Haven village was the scene of this double tragedy.

The farm is a parallelogram, three-fourths of a mile long, east and west, and half a mile wide. Near its center is the residence, a large square stone building in an enclosure of half an acre. The sides of the house face cardinal points of the compass. The road to Glen Haven passes along the south side of the farm. Its northwest forty acres are wooded; the remaining two hundred are under the plow. Its surface is nearly level, but it has geological peculiarities which attracted the attention of Wisconsin's lamented geologist and poet, and detained him a week. Nearly thirty years ago M.K. Young came from Indiana, and settled upon this farm. It previously been entered by Josiah F Perrin, of Indiana. Young's wife and Perrin's wife were sisters. The title to the property was left to Perrin, because Mr. Young was involved by security debts in Indiana. The trouble may be said to have begun with this irregularity. Mr. Young worked very hard, and improved the place as if unfettered.

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