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## MAN MURDERED BY A NEGRO!

## GREAT EXCITEMENT!

## THE NEGRO TO BE BURNED!!

## FULL PARTICULARS!

ST, JOSEPH, MO., July 13, '59.

This morning our citizens were shocked by the announcement, that Mr. F. M. Wright, for ten years a prominent citizen of St. Joseph, had been murdered the evening previous, on the Gentryville road, four miles from town. The circumstances are briefly, as we gathered them, about as follows: A negro in Gentry county was bringing him to this city in a buggy. When he had reached a point near the farm of Mr. Thomas Hubbard about four miles North-East of this city, it appears the negro, taking advantage of a moment of inadvertance with a pistol in his own possession, or one taken from the person of Mr. Wright, shot him through the heart, inflicting a wound which proved fatal almost instantly.

The negro then made his escape, and the horse attached to the buggy proceeded a few hundred yards to the premises of Mr. Hubbard, where the condition of the murdered man was dtscovered. The report of the pistol was distincly heard by persons at Mr. Hubbard's. The evidence that the negro committed the crime, is his flight and the fact that Mr. Wright's watch and a large sum of money were found upon his person—nothing having been taken but some papers, among which is supposed to be the bill of sale of the negro.

Police were dispatched in pursuit of the murderer, and a reward of $500 has beeu offered by Messrs. W. H. Wash and Wm. W. Carter, for his arrest. It is hoped he may be brought to speedy justice. A special messengor has been dispatched to St. Louis for Mrs. Wright, who is at present in that city and until her arrival the remains will probably be preserved.

P. S. Since the above was type, the telegraph informs us that the negro has been arrested, and that the citizens of St. Joe were making preparations to burn him.—Considerable excitement exis ed.

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