

Millionaire murdered at banquet



The scene of the crime

By Mr. Gifford

A 62 year-old man has been charged with murder after a man was found dead at his home in Exeter. Police were called to Southwark Hall on Wednesday 18th February after Lord Pickle, 81, was found dead in his Study. Colonel Mustard, of Millbrook, appeared at Exeter Magistrates' court on Friday.

Lord Pickle was a renowned member of the community and was hosting a private banquet for close friends on the night of his murder. He was discovered by guests face

down on the carpet of his study whilst the party waited for the 6th course to be prepared. The coroner reported cause of death was attributed to a blunt trauma to the head. According to Lord Pickle's staff, a candlestick was found to be missing from the room.

Colonel Mustard, a retired serving officer, knew Lord Pickle for 25 years. With two convictions for assault, Mustard was a ruthless

character known for his boastful personality.

The suspect confessed his guilt after breaking down in a police interview. Mustard is reported to have claimed that he snuck off during the interval between courses, and murdered the victim. Chief Inspector Wiggin said, 'The motive is believed to be about a personal dispute.' Mr. Green, a guest at the banquet said, 'We all knew there was history between them, but who knew the Colonel had it in him, eh?' Another guest at Southwark Hall, Miss Scarlett, said, 'It is all so sad. I was looking forward to the gammon.'

Mustard was remanded in custody and will appear at Exeter Crown Court on Thursday.