Police mount major manhunt for a vicious killer

Brynamber, Llandewi Brefi, (left), in one of the bleakest parts of Wales, where Mr. John Williams was brutally killed. On the right a ladder, thought to have been used by the killer, rests against a broken window.

Notion leads to discovery

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People living in the Llandewi Brefi and Rhandirmwyn areas are living in fear of a vicious killer, missing since he murdered 62-year-old sheep farmer John Hughes Williams.

Many families are moving out for the nights and everyone has been told to check frequently with their neighbours and to stay indoors after dark.

Mr. Williams, who described himself as the 'happiest man in Wales,' was murdered in his bedroom with his own shotgun after he returned to his remote farmhouse, seven miles from Llandewi Brefi in the early hours of Sunday morning.

And now the police, who have been searching the wild countryside around the farm—Brynamber—have named a description of a man they want to interview in connection with the murder.

 Appeal

And appealing to the public for help, Detective Chief Superintendent Pat Molloy, Head of Dyfed Powys Police in the cloud was too low to use a helicopter. On Tuesday it broke down, but it finally hovered into action this morning (Wednesday).

Meanwhile, teams of officers visited all the villagers in Llandewi Brefi and in the outlying areas, questioning them about the murder and the killer.

Murder victim John Williams, known by locals as a 'gentle giant.'