

Mysterious Plot in Ohio.

A Columbus, O., paper says, some weeks ago F. C. Sessions, a leading citizen, president of the Commercial Bank, and a man of large wealth, received a letter written on a piece of coarse paper, in a disguised hand, declaring that his wealth was more than enough for one man, and he ought to be willing to divide a portion of it among four poor men. The letter in blasphemous language declared that unless he consented to give up \$100,000 he would be murdered. It then provided that in case Sessions acceded to this proposition, which the writers declared they did not doubt, he was to insert a "personal" in a local paper, signed with the four letters "H. E. D. G.," and as a further earnest of his intentions he was to tell no one of the letter, and was for a given number of evenings to walk certain specified streets.

At first Mr. Sessions thought the letter the vapors of some lunatic, but finally held consultation with leading citizens, among them William Deshler, president of the Franklin National bank, ex-Governor Dennison and President Green, of the Hocking Valley railroad. Some of these regarded the letter as unworthy of attention, but after further reflection it was thought wise to consult the police. The Chief of Police deemed the letter a veritable attempt at blackmail, and at his suggestion the capture of the guilty parties was attempted. A detective was stationed at Sessions' residence on Broad street, and so well made up with beard and clothing to resemble Sessions' that Mrs. Sessions was deceived by his appearance.

Sessions inserted a "personal" in the city papers, declaring that he could not afford to give so large a sum as that asked and suggested \$25,000. Soon after this a letter similar to the first was sent to Sessions, declaring that the party would not accept less than the first named amount. For several evenings the disguised detective took the walk suggested in the first letter, shadowed by other detectives disguised as colored servants and young women and their lovers. They report many suspicious circumstances which led them to believe that the letters of warning were written by persons who "meant business."

Among other things they report that during one night a covered wagon driven by a stranger followed the detective over his rounds for four successive hours and then took its stand near the banker's house, where it stood when the disguised detective returned to that point. At other times a man walked close to the detective and looked into his face, but disappeared into an alley when other people came along.

The detectives were so anxious to arrest the right parties that they were overcautious and hence arrested no one, although the actions of several persons were sufficiently suspicious to have warranted their arrest. So the matter stands at present. If the affair is a hoax it has been well played, for twenty-five men were engaged in attempting to ferret it out, under charge of the Chief of Police. Mr. Sessions' family have been much alarmed by the letters, and for a time will watch over his safety with more than usual interest.

A Mysterious Trunk.

During the absence of Mr. Dandy, of Chicago from his home, an intoxicated expressman called with a trunk, and, presenting to Mrs. Dandy a card endorsed with the name of Mr. Dandy's father, who was away in the West, demanded one dollar. Mrs. Dandy refused to give it, not believing the card to be genuine; but when, later, another expressman called with the same trunk, accepted it with some hesitation. When Mr. Dandy returned home he was satisfied that the trunk did not belong to him. Very properly he went to the West Madison Street Police Station and notified the officers in charge as to the facts. The officers were exceedingly uncivil and refused to give him any satisfaction, or do anything in the premises, although Mr. Dandy protested that the case was sufficiently mysterious to demand their attention.

A Loving Couple.

The people in the gallery at the masquerade ball on Thursday evening in Duquesne were regaled with a fight between a young man and his lady love. She was flirting and he wanted her to stop. She wouldn't stop, and told him so. He got mad and threatened to threaten her. Blows were exchanged, and it is said that she pulled a revolver, and pointing it at him told him if he raised a finger she would bore him full of holes. A policeman was called and the lovers were bounced.

A Terrible Charge.

FLUSHING, L. I., March 31.—Sarah A. and Susan Lead, mother and daughter, were arrested here this morning on a charge of murdering a child of the latter by burying it alive in the garden. They were subsequently arraigned and committed.

Miscellaneous News Items.

It is stated that along the east bank of the Missouri river, cattle are lying dead in heaps. The losses are very great all through the section.

A Virginia paper records the fact that two young men, sons of millionaires of Baltimore, have engaged work at a tannery in Luray, intending to learn the trade thoroughly.

It is sad to think that at the present day the names of patent medicine proprietors are better known to the American people than are the names of those gallant patriots who signed the Declaration of Independence.

A child of Thomas Cummings, of Muncie Ind., awoke the other morning to find its ear pinned to the quilt by a fish hook, which had been dropped somehow into the bed. The hook had passed entirely through the ear, and had to be cut in two before it could be removed.

Three Jefferson county Ind., farmers who supplied a cheese factory with milk think that the live crawfish found in the tank where they emptied their milk must have jumped into the can when they were crossing a creek near by.

A young Canadian couple eloped the other day and were married. A few days previous the would-be groom induced a friend to take a trunk to the house of the lady and ask permission to leave it there until he could procure a boarding place. When the friend called for the trunk the young lady had filled it with her clothing, and it was handed over to her at the railroad station.

An unusual case of marital infelicity is recorded from Plymouth township, Montgomery county. Less than four weeks ago a young man named Brown was introduced to a Miss Blee, and after a courtship of two weeks they were married. Within a week after the wedding they went to housekeeping, but in a few days a rupture occurred, and before the end of the fourth week of their acquaintance, the husband attempted suicide by drinking laudanum. A physician saved his life, and he has since concluded to make the best of his bargain.

"How much is the ante?" whispered a Red Gulch miner with a single \$20 gold piece to the deacon with the collection plate in the Baptist church at Black Run, Col. He was told to contribute whatever he chose, whereupon he said he'd chip in a dollar, and proceeded to take \$19 change. The deacon replied that no change was given. A struggle ensued, the plate was upset, and the congregation were in the act of "jumping the deacon's claim," when the minister, an old Californian, leaped over the pulpit with a large navy revolver and observed:—"The brethren will please take notice that I've got the drop on them, and any brother who declines to take his seat or touches any of that money will have a funeral at his house to-morrow at two o'clock P. M. Our mining friend from Red Gulch will kindly release the deacon's throat or he is a dead man." The \$20 gold piece went to save the heathen.

NEW YORK, March 27.—Thomas F. Egan, a printer living at 158 east Forty-second street, went out with his wife last night, leaving their niece, Miss Nellie Cunningham, aged 19 years, alone in the house. Soon after two burglars entered the parlor, and when Miss Cunningham screamed, one ruffian stuffed a handkerchief in her mouth and the other bound her with a clothes line. Having tied her so she could not move, they removed the handkerchief, threatening to kill her if she made a noise; they then demanded information as to where Mrs. Egan's jewels and money were, but Miss Cunningham refused to tell them, when one of the ruffians struck her in the face. Still exasperated by her refusal to answer their question, the other burglar stabbed her several times in arms, face, and hand with a penknife. The young lady became unconscious, when the robbers fearing they had killed her, fled. Miss Cunningham was found in a state of insensibility by her aunt. To-day she became partly paralyzed and was unable to speak. The police arrested John R. Champ, a man of bad reputation, and Miss Cunningham recognised him as one of her assailants. They have a clue to the other.

Answers to Puzzles in Vol. I. No. 12.

Ans. to No. 1.—Muggins.

Ans. to No. 2.

Dent—TEND
Reve—EVER
Vane—NEVA
Ward—DRAW

Ans. to No. 3.—Mother Shipton.

Ans. to No. 4.

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Ans. to No. 5.—Underscored

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