

BLACK-BANDER AT WESTERLY

Letter Demanding \$100 Sent to Italian Household—Culprit too Wary to be Caught—Strange Ride of Pawcatuck Woman—Twenty-first Annual Reunion of M. J. C. Club

A real black hand letter, real as it was written by a negro, caused some excitement in an Italian household in Westerly. The letter was handed by a tall and very dark man to a small boy to deliver to the woman of the house, and the boy was warned to hand over the letter and to run away after its delivery. But, boy fashion, he was curious as to the contents of the missive, and remained during the reading and gave a general description of the sender. In the letter there was a demand made for \$100 to be left at a specified place at a specified time and if the money was not forthcoming death was to be the penalty. The whole matter was referred to Chief of Police Brown. An envelope was in the appointed place at the specified time, and within a few minutes thereafter officers were in waiting to take the black-bander into custody, but there was no appearance. It was probably a case of the watchers being watched.

The description of this black man tallies with that given of one of the men suspected as one of the trio who recently participated in a holdup at Bradford.

A Pawcatuck woman came over the bridge into Westerly, Thursday evening. She was wearing a black band on her face and neck. She was carrying a large bundle on her back. She was wearing a black band on her face and neck. She was carrying a large bundle on her back.

RASH ON BABY'S FACE AND NECK

Also Chest. Then on Head. Took Off Great Patches of Hair. Cuticura Soap and Ointment Healed.

An Ashaway woman who resides but a short distance from the brick works, made a complaint to Constable Charles P. Eccleston of the indecent and mysterious behavior of a young fellow, who made himself extremely obnoxious. In addition to his indecent acts he displayed a revolver and a pair of handcuffs, and after depositing himself for half an hour, disappeared in the woods. Constable Eccleston accompanied by Sheriff Mitchell from Westerly and the two officers spent three hours searching for the fellow, but were unable to locate him. The woman furnished a very good description of the chap.

The twenty-first annual reunion of the M. V. C. club was held Wednesday evening at the Wigwam, Pleasant View. The membership is composed of graduates of the Westerly High school and forty-five were present at the reunion. The business session four candidates were initiated, after which a clam bake was served. The M. V. C. officers are: Dr. Albert H. Spicer, Jr., president; Henry G. Clark, vice president; Harold D. Livingston, treasurer; Charles D. Maxson, secretary.

Local Laocoms. The Third District court convenes in Westerly Thursday. George E. Hodze of Norwich, was in Westerly Thursday. Pay day in Dixon square on Thursday for employees of the trolley roads centering here. Alexander Mitchell, the town hall janitor is on his vacation. Carl Bruckner is substituting.

The automobile from the longest distance in Westerly, Thursday, bore the register plate of Texas. Miss Fuchs Clapp, a nurse at the Lawrence hospital, New London, is expected to return to her home in Westerly.

Big Head of Cabbage. Thomas Becham has been bringing in some fine early cabbages this week, one of which weighed 6 lbs. 5 oz.

Other Gardner of West Farms is raising some excellent cucumbers. Louis Schwartz of New London spent Wednesday at the Board-Creanery.

Mrs. Howard Ford has returned to Norwich after a brief visit with friends here. Howard Bishop was a recent visitor in Charlestown, R. I.

John Kilroy has one of the most productive sweet pea beds in the village. Thrifty Dahlias. The dahlias beds of Mrs. Harry Hamilton are making a brilliant showing.

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ning they visited the yards on the Pacific road carrying off men's wearing apparel. It is thought to be the work of Knights of the Road as slight were seen one morning coming out of the stores. Near the station belonging to the Yantic mill property.

Work was suspended Tuesday on the lower bridge spanning the canal on account of the rain, as the men in all seasons combined, since the establishment of the casino at that shore resort.

Stephen Saunders of Edgarton, Winooski, a former resident of Westerly, arrived here Thursday afternoon on a visit to his uncle, Benedict Crandall, of Beach street.

Miss Alice Peffer, assistant librarian of the Hazard Memorial library, Peace Dale, is the guest of Miss Alice E. Kennedy, librarian of the juvenile department of the Westerly Public library.

Miss Beulah Hazard, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. J. Hazard in Trenton, N. J., returned home on Thursday evening. Mr. Hazard is an aboriginal forester for the state of New Jersey.

Edward W. Taylor, master mechanic of the Westerly Textile company, is nursing a crushed thumb and a finger of his right hand. He was at work on a bicycle when the finger was caught between the sprocket and the chain.

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The Industrial Trust company has declared the regular semi-annual dividend at the rate of four per cent on the common stock, payable August 17, and the regular quarterly dividend of twelve per cent on the capital stock, payable August 1, to holders of record, July 28.

Rev. Joseph L. Peacock of Westerly, by Rev. John Fleming of Mystic and Miss Louise Trumbull of Stonington, who were appointed to judge the essays written by pupils of the Stonington schools on the Centennial celebration subject, held a session Thursday afternoon in Stonington.

The Narragansett Baptist association annual convention, will be held with the First Baptist church, Newport, September 1-5. The convention includes the First Baptist church of Westerly. The Calvary Baptist church is affiliated with the Wesleyan association.

Nathan B. Lewis, judge of the Second District court, with residence in Kingston and office in Westerly, is president of the Rhode Island Volunteer Veteran association, which held its annual reunion at Rocky Point, Wednesday, July 29. Lewis was a corporal in Company F and served from September, 1862 to June, 1865.

William D. Moss, who is over 84, says there is nothing unusual in seeing men over 80 strutting along the sidewalks of Westerly, but the bunch of six, referred to in the Bulletin, are perhaps out of the ordinary, "but suppose they had stopped at the Seventh Rhode Island Volunteer Veteran association, which held its annual reunion at Rocky Point, Wednesday, July 29. Lewis was a corporal in Company F and served from September, 1862 to June, 1865.

Transferred to Boston. The following reference to Capt. William H. Forsythe of U. S. Secret Service Force transferred from Dallas to Boston.

Edward Eugene Conlon died at his home on Mistake avenue Wednesday morning after a long illness. He was born in Mystic, Conn., and was the son of Edward and Bridget Steedman Conlon, and has conducted a small farm. He leaves two sons, Capt. William H. Forsythe, and a daughter, Mrs. Mary Wolfe, residing in Mystic. Capt. Forsythe, for two years in charge of the United States secret service office in Dallas, Tex., and the entire Dallas district, comprising the New England district, Texas and Oklahoma, has been transferred to Boston and will hereafter have charge of the New England district. He came to Dallas more than 17 years ago on orders from the department and has since that time resided in the city of Dallas. Capt. Forsythe is known and admired by legion of friends throughout the New England country. He was born in Mystic, Ct., and entered the service in New York City. He has held various positions in security presidential administrations and in point of service is second to oldest man in the secret service field force in the United States.

Before coming to Dallas he was in charge of the New York and Atlantic district. Recently he understood that there was to be a vacancy in the Boston district, and being anxious to be located near his former home, he requested to be appointed to fill the vacancy. Upon receipt of this request, Secret Service Chief W. F. Fitzgibbon, by wire, notifying Capt. Forsythe to report at Washington not later than Aug. 1, and then to go on to the Boston district.

When Captain Forsythe arrived in Dallas 17 years ago the entire district was infested with counterfeiters. He traveled continuously from one point to another and since that time he has rounded up and convicted more than 100 counterfeiters, some of them very desperate men. On one occasion he arrested a man with \$1,000 in counterfeit bills before a single bill had been put into circulation. The entire counterfeit-fighting cost, including salaries, was captured. Now there is less counterfeit-fighting in Dallas district than any district of the country. Protecting the president and running down counterfeiters are the main duties of the secret service department. During his residence in Dallas Captain Forsythe has traveled with McKinley, Roosevelt and Taft on their respective visits in Texas, and in December and January last was with President Wilson at Point Christian. Captain Forsythe has not been informed as to his successor.

Many at Lawn Fete. There was a large attendance at the lawn fete given by the Young Nurses association on the lawn in front of Columbus hall Thursday afternoon and evening. Home made candy, cakes and ice cream were for sale, and dancing was enjoyed in Columbus hall. Grinnell's orchestra furnished the music.

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COMBS TO DEFENSE OF COLUMBIAN TREATY. Secretary Bryan Says United States is Not Free of Liability for Actual Damages.

Washington, July 30.—A second formal statement in defense of the proposed Colombian treaty was issued tonight by Secretary Bryan. He mentioned Colonel Roosevelt. Mr. Bryan replied to arguments advanced by the former president in his address upon the administration's proposal to pay Colombia \$25,000,000 in settlement of claims growing out of the separation of Panama in acquisition of the canal zone by the United States.

Reiterating his declaration that in considering the treaty it is not necessary to examine into the merits of the controversy over the action of the United States in 1903, the secretary urged that even if the United States in acquiring the canal zone was exercising a right of eminent domain, it was not relieved of liability for actual damages resulting to Colombia.

Colonel Roosevelt recently asked the senate foreign relations committee to hear a statement from him before re-opening the pending debate. Chairman Stone replied that if the committee decided to pass upon the convention at this session, it would be glad to hear from the colonel, but the general understanding is that the matter will be closed by December.

In the course of his statement Secretary Bryan says: "It is contended that the price offered by the United States prior to Panama's separation was a reasonable one, and that Colombia ought to have accepted that valuation cannot be reduced merely because Colombia was not willing to accept the offer. The price then offered was approximately \$17,500,000 (\$10,000,000 cash and \$7,500,000 a year for a hundred years, which could be capitalized at \$7,500,000), when this price was offered it was understood that Colombia would retain the right to have the matter referred to arbitration, but the advantages to be derived from proximity to the canal. What justice or fairness is there in the proposition that Colombia, having accepted to accept a fair price, is not entitled to any damages at all? The payment of the \$25,000,000 provided for in the treaty now before the senate is only a reasonable compensation for damages actually suffered—damages that would be paid, no matter what theory one adopts in regard to the action of the United States or the action of Colombia in 1903.

The reopening at this time of the original controversy is not only unnecessary but objectionable, first, because it diverts attention from the present situation with which we have to deal, and second, because it would revive both here and in Colombia, the very feeling of unfriendliness which it is desirable to ally. The treaty is intended to restore friendship and good will between these nations, and this can be done by dealing with the situation as it now presents itself, without renewing the discussion as to the merits of the positions originally taken by the two governments respectively."

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