

LAST EDITION. A MYSTERY STILL.

It Is Not Clear Yet Who Murdered Flacomio.

Vincenzo Quartararo's Story Seems to Be True.

"The Evening World's" Young Men's Investigation.

The story of the murder of Flacomio in front of Cooper Union, as told by Aita and Sabatino while under arrest on suspicion of themselves being the murderers, may not be true.

The EVENING WORLD is ever ready to defend the weak. It will try hard to punish the wicked, but it will also endeavor to shield the innocent.

The pretty romance of the Mafia, which the police at first threw out as a reason why the Quartararo brothers should be obliged to kill a man they hardly knew, does not bear investigation.

Carlo Quartararo, who is accused of doing the stabbing, is out of town. His brother, Vincenzo, was attending to their fruit business at 28 1/2 Little West 127th street, where an EVENING WORLD reporter found him yesterday and told him that he was accused of being an accessory to the crime. He laughed.

By the reporter's advice he went at once to Headquarters and surrendered himself. Inspector Byrnes immediately put him under arrest, although, he said, his detectives had been watching him for two days.

Fortunately, Vincenzo talked freely to the reporter before going to jail, for he has been allowed to make no statement to the press since.

He declared that on the night in question he had been in Mount Vernon with his wife. He has only been married three weeks. Every Saturday night he used to go to Mount Vernon to see about a fruit store he had at 80 Fourth avenue.

He would sleep there Saturday night and return to his home, at 219 Clinton avenue, West Hoboken, N. J., on Sunday evening. A week ago last Sunday (the night of the murder) he was in the city.

An EVENING WORLD reporter, who went to Mount Vernon last night, found this out: He met half a dozen people there who had seen Vincenzo and his wife late that Sunday evening.

Joseph Bertuccio and his wife Frances can swear that Mr. and Mrs. Quartararo did not leave the store until about 7:45 o'clock that night.

Giuseppe Solitarr, a peddler, can swear that he conversed with the couple between 6 and 7 o'clock that night. He distinctly remembers his wife was with him. They could not get a train after that until 7:51 p. m.

Another important witness is an Italian lady whom Vincenzo knew by sight, and whom he met on the train.

It is possible that she also saw which way he went after he got off the train at the Grand Central Depot.

Every one in Mount Vernon speaks well of the man.

The reporter conversed with more than two dozen people in the village last night and not one of them had a bad word to say of him.

They scouted the idea of his being implicated in the murder.

Vincenzo and his wife went to Mount Vernon by way of the New York and New Haven road. He purchased excursion tickets, so that he had not to deal with the station agent in Mount Vernon. The latter therefore could not remember seeing him on the night in question.

In order to ascertain just how Vincenzo Quartararo must have performed after he reached the Grand Central Station on the train from Mount Vernon on that fatal Sunday night in order to have been concerned in the murder in accordance with the testimony of Aita, Sabatino and Francesco, an EVENING WORLD reporter visited the depot this morning.

Chief Train Despatcher F. P. Cummings, referring to his chart of the day in question, stated that a train left Mount Vernon at 7:51 and that no other train left there for New York till 9:12 o'clock. The train reached the Grand Central Station at 8:52 o'clock.

The reporter then made the trip by the elevated railroad to St. Mark's place. Unhappily in any way he ascended to the station and making close connections at all points reached the door of La Trinitaria in twenty-nine minutes.

This was under the most favorable of circumstances and in the rush of a week day. On a Sunday night, however, owing to the absence of trains and delay in making connections, nearly ten minutes longer would be necessary.

Allowing, however, that Vincenzo did get from the Grand Central Station to the restaurant in twenty-nine minutes, the time of his arrival would have been 8:41.

The policy was that the murder was committed between 8:40 and 9 o'clock. As near as THE EVENING WORLD can gather from the various statements to other gamblers, played on the table, the stab took place at 8:40.

Under the best possible conditions for speed, would allow Vincenzo nine minutes between the time of entering the restaurant and the time Flacomio was killed. In this nine minutes Flacomio lost a large sum of money to other gamblers, played on the table with the Quartararos, quarrelled with Carlo Quartararo in the hallway and then with Vincenzo, went back into the restaurant, got a knife, walked to the northwest corner of Eighth street and Third avenue and stood there talking for five minutes.

The story of Sabatino, chiefly on whom the testimony of Vincenzo is based, is that the Quartararos were in the restaurant earlier in the evening when Polceci wanted to join the game.

and say it is as foolish as the vendetta theory which was the last sensational one that the police said was the cause of the murder.

Warden Osborne is always very courteous to newspaper men, but it is an unwritten law of his not to allow reports to see prisoners such as Vincenzo in the Tombs, until the police and detectives have had all they wanted.

Therefore THE EVENING WORLD has been generally hampered by not being able to have a personal interview with the prisoner since his incarceration there.

The Warden stretched a point, however, and, on two occasions, when THE EVENING WORLD young man has requested permission to see Vincenzo, he has permitted him to send in what questions he wished answered on a newspaper.

Vincenzo can speak English pretty well, and can read a little written, but can't write at all, so it was with much difficulty that any assistance could be gotten from him at all to clear his name.

He says that when he left the cars that night he and his wife boarded the crostown car, the Washawon ferry. They crossed the North River and in Washawon took a car for home, arriving there about 10 o'clock.

It was about the quickest way to go. The reporter went over the route this morning and found it feasible.

Mrs. Quartararo and her sister-in-law were out, though, so the reporter was unable to corroborate Vincenzo's story in that respect. The reporter left the Washawon ferry and ferry which Vincenzo said he rode on was running that Sunday night, and that they do every night.

Every one agreed that it was a quicker way for them to go home than if they rode down to Eighth street and Third avenue on the Elevated and then took the crostown cars to the Christopher Street Ferry and so home that way.

The Quartararos live in a neat two-story frame house. The neighbors speak well of them all.

Vincenzo has retained Stephen J. Stilwell, a leading lawyer of Mount Vernon, to defend him. He will apply to have his client admitted to bail either to-day or tomorrow.

Vincenzo will probably be arraigned in the Tombs to-morrow morning.

CANDIDATES ON RECORD.

That's Where the Workmen Want Them as to the Conspiracy Laws.

The Central Executive Committee of the Troy Convention, appointed for the purpose of securing the amendment of the Conspiracy Laws, called a meeting last night at 145 Eighth street.

Reports from several Assembly districts indicated that the workmen are organizing to aid in the election of candidates for the Assembly who are willing to pledge themselves to vote in favor of a change in the Conspiracy Laws.

Charles Sherman addressed the meeting on the necessity of pushing the work, and urged all present to see that legislative candidates are not snare upon the record.

Another meeting will be held in Clarendon Hall on Thursday night.

PERSONIFYING THE SAVIOUR.

The Novel Charge Preferred Against Evangelist Mason.

PARK HOLLOW, Oct. 23.—Evangelist Mason was arrested at 1 o'clock this morning by a constable from Phillipsburg, N. J., and was taken before Justice of the Peace Henry G. Herzig, of Hillsdale, who gave him a preliminary hearing and indorsed the Phillipsburg warrant.

Mason was wanted in Phillipsburg for the abduction of two girls, Jennie and Lizzie Ricker. He induced them to leave their homes and go with him.

The complaint also includes the novel charge of personifying the Saviour. Mason, whose full name is Mason T. Huntman, has been having quite a lively racket here for several days.

Yesterday, when he was out walking with Rev. Samuel H. Switzer, the latter tied him to a fence and sent for constables to arrest him, but he was subsequently released. Switzer knew that Mason was wanted in Phillipsburg.

WANT TO COME BACK.

Jacksonville, for Its Own Good, Guarded Against Returning Refugees.

JACKSONVILLE, Oct. 23.—With the brightening of the outlook about the city the desire of absent citizens to return to their places of business and residences becomes stronger.

Too soon a return might mean another plunge into the terrible state of things from which they are gathering strength to emerge, and hence arises the necessity for the strong cord of armed and mounted men which has now been placed about the city.

The strict orders are to allow no one to pass this line of men, going either way, without a written permit from the proper authorities.

Though there was an increase in the number of new cases of fever yesterday, the reports thus far to-day are more reassuring and it is believed that yesterday's was one of the last upward fluctuations of the disease.

CLIFFEN BARRIS FOR TO-MORROW.

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Second Race.—Purse \$500. Three-quarters of a mile; selling allowance.

Third Race.—Purse \$500. One and a eighth; selling allowance.

Fourth Race.—Purse \$500. One and a eighth; selling allowance.

Fifth Race.—Purse \$500. One and a eighth; selling allowance.

Sixth Race.—Purse \$500. One and a eighth; selling allowance.

Seventh Race.—Purse \$500. One and a eighth; selling allowance.

Eighth Race.—Purse \$500. One and a eighth; selling allowance.

TALKING FOR THE "TIMES."

SIR RICHARD WEBSTER CONTINUES HIS DRY ARGUMENT.

A Resume of the Crimes and Outrages Alleged to Have Been Committed by the National League—No Signs of Abatement in the Interest Manifested by the Public—Glistening Generalities.

(BY CABLE TO THE PRESS NEWS ASSOCIATION.) LONDON, Oct. 23.—Interest in the progress of the work of the Commission appointed to investigate the London Times's charges against Irish members of Parliament as yet shows no signs of abatement, and the court-room was again filled to-day with an eager throng of spectators.

Attorney-General Sir Richard Webster resumed his speech for the Times and the Government, continuing his resume of the crimes and outrages alleged to have been committed by the National League named by the Times. Sir Richard also discussed in connection with these charges the provisions of the No-Tenant Manifesto, but was unable to read the document verbatim, as he could not obtain a copy.

WOULD HAVE DONNED THE BLUE TO-DAY.

Instead of Which Mr. Link Occupies a Cold Cell on the Charge of Perjury.

David W. Link, who expected to become a member of the police force to-day and don the blue uniform as a member of the East Fifty-first street squad, is instead locked up in a cell of that station-house on a charge of perjury.

Link is twenty-three years of age and followed the business of a truckman. He applied for a position on the force several months ago, taking the usual oath that he had never been arrested or accused of or indicted for any crime, and went through the civil-service examination, passing with a percentage of 89.46.

He stood third on the eligible list, and was certain of being appointed on the force to-day.

Capt. Warts, however, discovered yesterday that on June 7, 1887, Link was arrested for assaulting an officer and held in \$1,000 bail; that he was indicted by the Grand Jury and held in \$5,000 bail.

Link was arrested last evening at his home, One Hundred and Twenty-third street and Tenth avenue, and spent the night in a station-house cell. This morning he was arraigned in the Yorkville Police Court. He had nothing to say, and was held in \$5,000 bail on a charge of perjury.

Link's case was indorsed by Lawyer Oscar Hochstetter and by a number of citizens residing in Yorkville, and he would probably have had no trouble in the matter if certain of his indorsers had not asked to withdraw their names on the day he was arraigned in the Yorkville Police Court. He had nothing to say, and was held in \$5,000 bail on a charge of perjury.

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A REPEATER CATCHES IT HOT.

Two Years and a Half for Trying to Register in 315 Places.

George Gordon, the fellow who offered his name last Tuesday for registry to the Board of Registry sitting at 149 Madison street, pleaded guilty to a charge of false registration before Judge Cowing to-day and was sentenced to Sing Sing for two and a half years.

Gordon told the Board of Registry that he lived at 148 Madison street, but it chanced that a member of the Board knew everybody in that house and he made a lawyer of the Seventh Precinct arrested Gordon at a Mott street saloon.

He told Judge Cowing that he was forty-four years old, a Rhode Island man, that he now lived at 12 Bell street, and that he was drunk when he offered to register.

In sentencing him Judge Cowing said: "I am informed by the officers that you have registered to vote in a half dozen places."

"By doing that you intended to neutralize the votes of a half dozen lawful citizens who have the welfare of their country at heart."

"If I had the lawmaking power I would disfranchise every man caught falsely registering."

Such men as you make it possible to carry the elections with money, for you sell your fraudulent votes."

Tom Costigan's Best Mot.

If Editor Tom Costigan, the fat contributor of the City Record, would only inject some of his witticisms into the heavy column of his paper it might become a strong response in the field of comic journalism. His latest political note is worthy of preservation.

He said in an EVENING WORLD reporter to-day that he was the greatest international majority contest I ever saw and the pleasure of witnessing it.

Cleveland's Treasurer Ships with \$300,000.

CLEVELAND, Oct. 23.—City Treasurer Wright is a defaulter to the extent of nearly half a million dollars. He has shipped to Canada. Attachments were issued this morning on all his property.

Rain and Warmer Weather.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23.—Weather indications: For Eastern New York—Rain; warmer; southerly winds, brisk on the coast.

The Weather To-Day.

Indicated by Blakey's thermo-thermometer. 1888, 1887, 1886, 1885, 1884, 1883, 1882, 1881, 1880, 1879, 1878, 1877, 1876, 1875, 1874, 1873, 1872, 1871, 1870, 1869, 1868, 1867, 1866, 1865, 1864, 1863, 1862, 1861, 1860, 1859, 1858, 1857, 1856, 1855, 1854, 1853, 1852, 1851, 1850, 1849, 1848, 1847, 1846, 1845, 1844, 1843, 1842, 1841, 1840, 1839, 1838, 1837, 1836, 1835, 1834, 1833, 1832, 1831, 1830, 1829, 1828, 1827, 1826, 1825, 1824, 1823, 1822, 1821, 1820, 1819, 1818, 1817, 1816, 1815, 1814, 1813, 1812, 1811, 1810, 1809, 1808, 1807, 1806, 1805, 1804, 1803, 1802, 1801, 1800, 1799, 1798, 1797, 1796, 1795, 1794, 1793, 1792, 1791, 1790, 1789, 1788, 1787, 1786, 1785, 1784, 1783, 1782, 1781, 1780, 1779, 1778, 1777, 1776, 1775, 1774, 1773, 1772, 1771, 1770, 1769, 1768, 1767, 1766, 1765, 1764, 1763, 1762, 1761, 1760, 1759, 1758, 1757, 1756, 1755, 1754, 1753, 1752, 1751, 1750, 1749, 1748, 1747, 1746, 1745, 1744, 1743, 1742, 1741, 1740, 1739, 1738, 1737, 1736, 1735, 1734, 1733, 1732, 1731, 1730, 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