

"Headless" Murder Victim Is Now Believed to Be John Mano, Threatened with Death by Alleged Victims of Business Deal.

TRIED TO STAB KIDNAPPER OF HIS LITTLE BABY

Michael Comoratta Rushes at Aged Man with a Stiletto.

CHILD QUICKLY FOUND.

Infant of Three Months Was Taken in Its Carriage by Relative.

While a hundred detectives and thousands of policemen were to-day seeking Michael Comoratta, three months old, kidnapped in his baby buggy from in front of his father's barber shop, No. 402 West Forty-fourth street, the child was found by Detectives Quinn and McGowan, of the West Forty-seventh Street Station.

A moment later the father, Michael Comoratta, drew a stiletto with a long blade and rushed toward the child. He did not make a stroke, however, as the child was found by the father's brother, who had been watching him while she did her housework.

Left Child Near Shop. Mrs. Comoratta, who lives over the barber shop, left little Michael in his buggy in front of the shop where his father could watch him while she did her housework.

An hour later, when she went to the street, the baby and the buggy were gone. That was the first the father had missed it. Running to the West Forty-seventh street station, the father and mother got the police to send out a general alarm, and Inspector McLaughlin, at Detective Headquarters, was told about it.

The inspector considered it such a deliberate kidnaping that he ordered the report suppressed for an hour so as to get a good start ahead of the reporters who would be assigned to the case. Then he sent all of his available men to the district and sent reinforcements to the posts of more than 2,000 patrolmen in uniform with a description of the buggy and the baby.

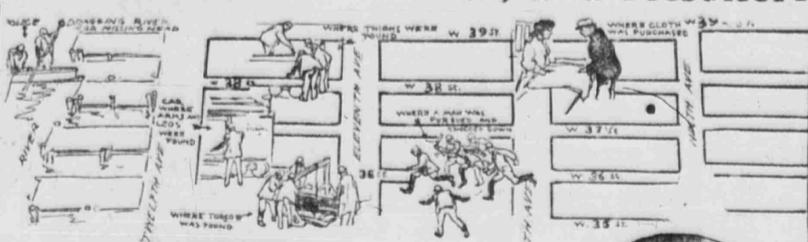
In less than an hour the police machinery was working all over the city. The Comorattas had received their neighbors and hundreds of men and women and hordes of little children were joining the search. The father became hysterical while the mother hurried about with the detectives.

They Find the Baby.

Quinn and McGowan saw a baby buggy standing in front of No. 210 West Forty-seventh street, which they thought answered the description of the Comoratta buggy. They got the father and mother and took the baby. The father was making inquiries in residences near there when an old man came out of the building in front of a long white buggy was found. He had a long white beard and was dressed and appeared to be a foreigner.

All met at the station and from there decided to prosecute and all were released and they were much rejoicing in the Comoratta family.

John Mano, Supposed Victim of "Headless" Murder, and Prisoners



INDICATIONS THAT JOHN MANO WAS VICTIM OF THE BUTCHERS.

DISMEMBERED AND HEADLESS BODY partially identified by his cousin and manager for his dead brother. **TWO THREATS** had been made to kill him. **JAMES GODDARD** says he was warned that Mano would be killed. **MANO'S SISTER-IN-LAW** was told that he would be murdered unless he paid money to men who said he swindled them. **MANO HAS BEEN MYSTERIOUSLY MISSING** since he sold his mortgaged candy store to the two Greeks under arrest. **HE DID NOT APPEAR** in Boston, where, he said he was going to visit a brother. **THE TORSO** of the murdered man was wrapped in a gunny sack on which was stamped the name of Z. K. Mano, brother of John Mano. He could have had the sack in his possession. **IT IS BELIEVED** that Mano did not go to Boston, but tried to conceal his whereabouts in the Italian and Greek colony near where the butchered corpse was found. The police say he may have been tracked to his hiding-place by his enemies and there slain.

POLICE BELIEVE MURDER VICTIM WAS JOHN MANO

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prosecution or the vengeance of the men to whom he sold the store.
Wants Prisoners Held.
"If Mano's relatives know he is alive they had better produce him," said Inspector Walsh to-day. "If they can produce him it will save a lot of trouble. Until we have evidence to the contrary I shall ask to have the two men now under arrest held."
When the two men were arrested they were stripped both had on new and clean underclothing. Capt. Flannery said this was unusual for men of their class. They tried to explain this by saying that each had taken a bath Saturday night.
The place where they slept was searched and nothing incriminating was found. But the police believe that the victim was slain in his own bed and while he slept. The search is now as much for the missing head of the body. It is believed that when the flat in which the homicide evidence of the slaying.
John Mano's cousin and Goddard, both of whom knew Mano well, have looked at the torso and the dismembered parts of the body and they have expressed their opinion that it is the body of Mano.
All night long the river front and lock between Forty-second and Third streets were dragged by men in police launches, and every vacant lot in the vicinity was thoroughly searched.
The Street Department's aid has been solicited and the dumps are being carefully watched.
But as the hours go by the police are inclining to the theory that the murderers were shrewd enough to realize

NEW SWINDLE FOR EMIGRANTS ON STEAMSHIPS

Duped Passengers in Riot on Pier and Police Reserves Called Out.

When seventeen Italians who had been swindled out of passage tickets had been put off the White Star Line Cretta this afternoon and six from the Cunarder Carpathia, a riot was started which resulted in the calling of the police reserves from the Charles Street Station. Incidentally the police discovered a swindle that had not been worked on this side of the ocean before. How many Italians there are out at sea on the two liners who have no tickets is not known, but it is believed that many are working their way over in the stoke hole.

The detectives arrested Nicola Cann, Antonio Camma and Gaetano La Fiora, all giving Brooklyn addresses, whom they accuse of swindling. It is said they had been swindling passengers on steamship offices induced them not to buy tickets for return to Europe from the company, saying they could sell them tickets for much less.

With one good ticket for a steamer passage they would pass one man at a time upon a steamer, it being necessary for the passenger to show his ticket when boarding the ship. The swindlers told their dupes that after they had boarded the ship they would get aboard the steamer and show their tickets. When the dupes with the ticket would get aboard the steamer they would be asked to show their tickets and then the dupes would be told to go to the deck of the steamer and throw it to the pier, where it would be picked up by the man who sold it to him. Then this man would sell it to the next duped, the price ranging between \$5 and \$10.

The detectives watched this operation to-day until four men had been put aboard the Carpathia without tickets. Then they followed one of the men to the Cretta, where they watched the ticket being sold to a foreigner aboard there in the same manner. After the arrests were made the four men on the Carpathia without tickets were put ashore. It is believed many others were on without passage.

The officers of the Cretta went through the steerage and found seventeen who had been swindled and who had no passage tickets. They were hustled off the ship in a hurry and then the rioting started. Several tried to attack the officers at the gang plank and others were only a few policemen present, a call was sent for the reserves.

The arrests were made by the foreigners at both docks, which are only a few hundred yards from each other, but the rioting broke out at the pier. As the police charged the men who had been swindled, all but two fled, believing that they were being swindled. The two who did not flee were turned over to the immigration society to be held as witnesses.

M'GOWAN PRAISES SCHMITTBERGER

Has Shown Himself a Splendid Officer, Acting Mayor Tells Committee.

A committee of twelve citizens who participated in the mass-meeting held last night at No. 101 Avenue A, to protest against the trial of Police Inspector Max Schmittberger, called at the City Hall this morning to hand Mayor McMillan the resolutions adopted.

Finding that the Mayor was in Buffalo, they asked for Acting Mayor McGovern, and presented the resolutions to him. He said he would pass the resolutions to the Mayor upon his return.

The resolutions declare it is not believed that the inspector will receive a fair trial, express confidence in his integrity and ability, and ask the Mayor to instruct the Police Commissioner to use every endeavor to insure a fair trial for the inspector.

The committee was assured by the Acting Mayor that Mayor McMillan would "certainly see that justice is done to so splendid an officer as Schmittberger has shown himself to be."

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Banker, and Diagram of Bomb Sent to Him



Tracing Bomb Sent by Mail to Schiff. Was Cleverly Made, but Official's Suspicions Prevented Its Delivery.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 25.—Chief Postal Inspector Cortelyou is able to report on developments in his investigation of the mailing of an infernal machine to Jacob H. Schiff, head of the firm of Kuhn, Loeb & Co., from Philadelphia, last night.

The package designed to end Mr. Schiff's life, probably on the supposition that he had loaned money to the Russian Government, was brought into a sub-station of the Philadelphia post-office by a small colored boy. He had found it on the sidewalk, beneath a sub-station, saw powder sitting from the wrapper and suspected its contents. After soaking it in water, he opened the box, powder, a combination of tin snips, pliers and matches, that would doubtless have caused a tremendous explosion had the sliding lid been withdrawn.

The designed exploded some eleven hours in placing Jewish New Year cards in the package in such manner that pulling one of them out the explosion would have been caused.

THREATENED DEATH FOR ACTRESS WIFE

Orchestra Leader Drew Revolver on Orville Mayhood and Was Arrested.

Orville Mayhood, thirty-two years old, of No. 13 West Thirty-sixth street, said to be the musical director at Weber's Theatre, was taken from the Tombs, where he has been since Saturday last, and arraigned before Justice Olmsted, in the Court of Special Sessions, to-day on a charge of carrying concealed weapons.

He was found guilty and ordered to pay a fine of \$5 or go back to the Tombs for five days. Mayhood did not have the money, but said that he would be able to get it during the day.

He also stands committed to find a \$500 bond to keep the peace for three months, on an order made by Magistrate Finnell, when the prisoner was before him charged with threatening to shoot his wife.

According to the evidence, it seems that Mayhood was walking along Broadway with his wife on Friday last, when he suddenly produced a loaded revolver and threatened to shoot her.

Magistrate Finnell, in the Jefferson Market Court, had him in \$500 bonds to keep the peace for three months. As he failed to find a bond, he has been in the Tombs ever since.

LID IS ON IN THE FINANCIAL DISTRICT NOW

Acting Inspector Formosa Closes Small Gambling Houses and Poo-rooms.

All small gambling houses were to-day ordered out of the financial district. The Stock Exchange won't be bothered. The police are only after small places where philanthropists give money away to those guessing the horse that comes in first or the riot car that comes in from the little box. Capt. Formosa doesn't care if Harriman or Keene bets, but he does care if Lou Betts.

The result is that to-day a dozen thriving little summer places of chance have been closed through the rain which has lasted through the week. The frost was applied yesterday evening when a tin inspector Formosa and his staff made a number of social calls on the places. He wasn't mean enough to arrest anybody.

From all appearances the warning was taken. The places were closed to-day and deserted. The telephone did not make as if anything there was no rattle of chips in the ancient Egyptian rites of Pharaoh, and there was no kind voice announcing the win.

Small Game Did Well.

All summer long clerks and employees in the big brokerage offices have emulated in a small way the plucking practices of their employers at "the big game." Instead of staking on a flyer in B. B. T. they played the Brooklyn Handicap, and also there were rises in ivory and celluloid that took the place of Southern Pacific. Although there were no "wheat sales" one could get "cleaned" quite as thoroughly in any of the dozen small places as he could by going against the big game.

The places were designated as "second" and "high class." That is, the marks had to have money enough to take away from them. They had to be "well fixed." Later they would be "axed" anyway. All the places were conducted in old third class buildings in the financial district.

One guess prior on Broad street below Exchange place is said to be the place where Lou Betts welcomed the select classes.

They Got Frow, Though. When the workers freed hungry publishers the celluloid across the boards they were served an elegant lunch. Silverware, nothing less, was used to pass around the free luncheon on the second floor Exchange place. On New street, just below Exchange place, was a poolroom where Joe Tillman gave money away to the lucky ones. Other places of less importance were sprinkled at convenient places.

Recently a clerk dropped into one of these places and ran smack into his employer. Of course it was very embarrassing, but the clerk is now looking for a new place. Several publishers complained to Formosa that their clerks were dropping their money in gambling places, hence the order. Hereafter clerks can only play the stock market. It has not been closed.

THREATENED DEATH FRENCH IN BATTLE

Troops Also Lose Heavily in Engagement with Tribesmen in Madagascar.

MARSEILLES, Sept. 25.—Mail advices from Madagascar received here to-day brought news of a sanguinary conflict, near Majunga, between 150 French troops and a large number of Fihavolo tribesmen, who lost 350 men killed.

No details were given of the French casualties, which are stated to have been heavy, the column having been surrounded and placed in a critical situation until the arrival of reinforcements.

Other tribes in the northern part of the island are taking the offensive.

FOUND IN NORTH RIVER.

The body of an unidentified man, whose clothes were of excellent texture, was found in the North River at One Hundred and Thirty-eighth street to-day by James Mahoney, of No. 126 West One Hundred and Thirty-sixth street.

It had evidently been in the water for some time. It was taken to the Harlem Morgue. The man was less than thirty years old, of light complexion and had brown hair.

Mayhood made a strong appeal to Justice Olmsted for leniency. Justice Olmsted, at the conclusion of Mr. Le Barber's appeal, said: "This man is dangerous, or else he ought to be sent away for a month to have his sanity inquired into. He threatened to shoot his wife in the street."

Eventually Mr. Le Barber got the justice to impose a fine of \$5, which said Justice Olmsted, he did, having in view the fact that Mayhood was under a sentence to find a \$500 bond to keep the peace for three months.

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