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DESPERATE BATTLE WITH THREE MASKED THUGS

Patrolman Newman Fought With Three Armed Desperadoes Who Choked and Robbed an Old Woman--Two of the Robbers Arrested, the Third Escaped---One Man Shot

Three armed thugs, after choking an aged woman nearly to death in the Palace Lodging house on Weller street, near First avenue south, at 3 o'clock this morning, shot and fatally wounded Thomas Cunningham. Patrolman Newman captured James Barton, one of the thugs, after a desperate encounter, and landed him in the city jail.

Richard Conners, supposed to have been one of the men implicated in the job, was arrested later by Patrolmen Ryan and McClurg. The man who did the shooting and who, if arrested, will be charged with murder, made good his escape during the fight in the lodging house.

The affair is the most desperate that has occurred since the beginning of the recent carnival of crime. Neither of the men who were arrested are known to the police. They are both desperate looking men. Barton's features could hardly be recognized at the police station this morning when he was brought there in the patrol wagon. He was covered with blood from head to foot and his face was raw and bleeding from a dozen wounds. Patrolman Newman had literally beat him to pieces with his handcuffs during the fight in the hall of the lodging house.

Disarmed, and with three men as his antagonists, knowing he would have to fight or die, Patrolman Newman did not waver. He closed in on the three men in the dark little apartment single-handed, and captured one of the thugs.

At 3 o'clock this morning George Richter, one of the roomers in the Palace house, went to his room and found a burglar there. Richter rushed out of the house, down the stairs and called Patrolman Newman from First avenue south.

The officer hurried up the stairs of the lodging house. The burglar was in the hall when the patrolman went into the house.

"What are you doing here?" asked the officer.

"Just waiting for my partner," replied the thief, coolly.

Just at this minute the faint screams of a woman were heard from a room nearby. The patrolman rushed in the direction of the scream and broke into the room occupied by Mrs. E. Robinson, an old woman 75 years of age.

Two masked thugs, armed with revolvers, were in the room when the patrolman entered. The woman was nearly unconscious in a chair. One of the thugs had her by the throat and had been choking her to force her to tell where she had hid her money. A purse containing only $6 had been taken from her before the patrolman entered.

As soon as the thugs saw the officer they released their victim and the man drew his revolver and started for them. He had just taken the revolver from his pocket when the man he had met in the hall grabbed it out of his hand from behind. At the same time the outside man caught the officer by the wrist. Newman wrenched away from this thug and grapped with Barton, the thug who was arrested.

The only weapon the patrolman now had was his handcuffs. He drew these just as Tom Cunningham, one of the lodgers of the house, came to his assistance. Cunningham took the situation in at a glance and made a rush for the man who was fighting with the policeman. Cunningham had taken but one step in the direction of the bluecoat, when there was a revolver shot and he dropped to the floor with a bullet in his brain.

Newman held to the man with whom he was grappling, but the other two managed to get out of the room and escape. Barton is a large man and was forcing Newman toward the head of the stairs leading up to the first floor of the lodging house. All the while the officer was pounding him with his handcuffs. Both were bleeding profusely.

At the head of the stairs the robber made a desperate effort to get away from the police officer. Newman clung to him and both went rolling down the stairs to the sidewalk below. Luckily Newman, who was more active than the thief, landed on top. The fall stunned the thug and for a minute he was out. Newman took advantage of the circumstances and locked the handcuffs about his wrists.

The patrol wagon was called and Barton, was taken to jail where unwashed, cut and bleeding he was thrown into the black hole.

Patrolman Newman then turned his attention to the man who had come to his rescue and in doing so had been shot. On the floor of the room in which the desperate encounter had started the wounded man lay outstretched. It was thought at the time that he was dead, but there was yet a spark of life left.

He was carried to the Wayside Mission hospital nearby, where Dr. Johnson attended him. The bullet had entered his skull a little to the rear of and above the left ear. Pieces of bone had been driven into the brain. The skull was trepanned and the flattened bullet taken out, with several pieces of the skull.

At 10 o'clock this morning he was reported to be resting easily, but with only the faintest chance of recovery.

To Police Sergeant Stuart, Cunningham told his story of the fight, at the Wayside Mission hospital, this morning.

"I believe it was the screams of Mrs. Robinson that woke me," he said. "I jumped into my trousers. Then I felt for my money, but it had been stolen. I had $48. I rushed into the room where I had heard the screams, and saw a policeman fighting with a masked man. Another man with a mask was in the room, and there was a man on the outside who did not have one.

"I rushed in to help the policeman, but just as I got to him there was a shot, and that is all I remember. The fellow with the mask on shot me. It was not the one who was fighting with the policeman, but the one in the other part of the room."

Cunningham has been a fireman on the steamer North Pacific. He has been rooming at the Palace lodging house for several months.

Mrs. Robinson, the aged woman who was the victim of the thugs' brutality, was up and about the house this morning, notwithstanding her terible experience. She said:

"I woke up about 3 o'clock this morning and looked down the barrel of a revolver that a masked man held at my face. He told me to tell him where my money was. I said I didn't have any. I looked around the room and saw two other men standing there. One of them had on a mask, the other didn't.

"The second man who wore a mask choked me until I was nearly dead, and then again told me to tell where my money was. By this time the unmasked man had left the room.

"After I told them that all the money I had was in a purse on the dresser, they choked me again, but took the $6 in the purse. I don't know how much noise I made, but in a short time I saw a policeman come in and draw a revolver. One of the men jumped behind a door.

"Just then someone behind the officer grabbed his revolver. There was a fight and a shot fired. That is about all I can remember."

When the first highwaymen arrived at the police station he still wore his mask. It was reeking with blood. His revolver, a cheap, small caliber affair, was still in his possession.

Richard Conners, who was arrested by Patrolmen Ryan and McClurg this morning, was seen with a tough crowd of men in the lower part of the city. He answers the description of the man who met Patrolman Newman in the hall of the lodging house.

Patrolman Newman went off duty at 4 o'clock this morning. Until he goes to work again tonight it will not be known whether Conners is the right man.

GAMBLERS RAPPED

Council Makes Pool Rooms and Bucket Shops

The city council last night passed the ordinance prohibiting the operation of poolrooms and bucket shops in Seattle. The ordinance makes it unlawful for any person to conduct, or in anywise be connected with, any establishment where pools are sold on horse races, or where wagers are made on the rise and fall of prices of stocks, bonds, grains or other commodities, except where the sales of such commodities is bona fide.

The punishment for violation of this ordinance is a fine not to exceed $100, or 30 days in jail, or both such fine and imprisonment.

It is now up to Mayor Humes to sign or veto the measure. If it is approved by the mayor it will then be for the chief of police to put the two existing poolrooms and several bucket shops in the city out of business.

READY FOR M'CLOSKEY

Dug's Infants Want "Honest John's" Scalp

Honest John McCloskey arrived in the city last night with his "Frisco" ball players ready for the opening game this afternoon of the second series with Seattle at Athletic park.

Hulen will have Dug's Babes don the winning but discordant clothes they wore last Sunday when they took Charley Reilly down a couple of pegs. Captain Hulen says he is not superstitious, but that he would not change that uniform for anything in the world.

McCloskey is not in very good humor over yesterday's humiliating defeat at the hands of the Everett team by a score of 6 to 4. He will, therefore, try to wreak vengeance on the Falstaffian Dugdale.

RACES END SATURDAY

The rumor that the racing meet at The Meadows would continue a week or more longer than originally announced was dispelled by statements of the directors made yesterday. It has been decided to close the meeting Saturday, as advertised. Caesar Young wanted to lease the track and race at The Meadows during the time that the postponed meet at Butte would have been held, but it was decided not to kill the game in Seattle by giving the public too much of it.

Long shots won a majority of the races yesterday. Results:

FIRST RACE—Six furlongs; selling; 4-year-olds and up:
Nanon, 6 to 5, Hilderbrand up, first.
Redwald, second.
Phil Crimmins, third.
Time—1:17.

SECOND RACE—Four furlongs; selling; maiden 2-year-old colts and geldings.
Allesandro, 2 to 1, Henderson up, first.
Tom Reilly, second.
Jack Little, third.
Time—:50.

THIRD RACE—Five and a half furlongs; selling; 3-year-olds and up:
Katherine Ennis, 8 to 1, L. Powell up, first.
Hilary, second.
Beautiful Girl, third.
Time—1:11¼.

FOURTH RACE—One mile and 50 yards; selling; 3-year-olds and up:
Fossil, 7 to 10, Dugan up, first.
Kitty Kelly, second.
Iras, third.
Time—1:47.

FIFTH RACE—Seven furlongs; selling; 4-year-olds and up:
Rim Rock, 3 to 1, Dugan up, first.
George Dewey, second.
Fondo, third.
Time—1:31¼.

SIXTH RACE—Five and a half furlongs; selling; 3-year-olds and up:
Blissful, 8 to 5, Hilderbrand up, first.
Oscar Tolle, second.
Arthur Ray, third.
Time—1:09¼.

HE'S JUST AS GOOD AS EVER

LURED AGAIN BY THE SIREN'S SONG

SHRINERS AT SARATOGA

SARATOGA, N. Y., July 7.—The 29th annual session of the imperial council of the Ancient Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine opened here today.

In accordance with custom little business was transacted during the day, the time being devoted largely to the reception of the visitors, who arrived on every train. The South and West are particularly well represented at the present meeting.

Tomorrow there will be a monster parade of the uniformed bodies and later in the day of the officers for the ensuing year will be chosen. The entertainment program is one of the best ever arranged for a meeting of the imperial council.

In addition to the usual balls, banquets and reception there will be side trips to Mt. McGregor, Lake Champlain and other places of interest.

EDUCATORS IN CONVENTION

BOSTON, Mass., July 7.—Boston has today within her gates 20,000 or more delegates to the National Educational Association convention, the attendance breaking all records.

The meetings today included besides the general sessions interesting conferences of the various departments. William T. Harris, United States commissioner of education, and Bishop Spalding of Peoria, were among the speakers before the national council.

Other meetings of interest were sessions of the Indian department and the department of higher education.

LONDON, July 7.—A large number of prominent Americans resident in London attended the wedding of Miss Frances Whitehouse, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Fitzhugh Whitehouse of New York, and Baron Constantine de Ramsay of Russia, which took place today in St. Peter's, Eaton Square.

Immediately after the wedding breakfast and reception and bridal couple departed for Russia where they are to make their future home, the baron being a gentleman-of-the-chamber to the czar.

POPE MAY DIE ANY MOMENT

New Complications in Patient's Ailment Set in and the Aged Pontiff Suffers a Relapse

PARIS, July 7.--An official telegram from the vatican at 11 o'clock today states that the Pope's end is very near. It adds that the Pope's condition is most serious and he is almost in last extremity.

ROME, July 7.--(Bulletin.)--It is officially stated here this morning, that the Pope's condition has become somewhat worse inasmuch as cyanosis of the finger tips has set in, due to suppressed heart action affecting the kidneys. One point slightly in his Holiness' favor is a change in the right side of his throat, the middle lobe of which was blocked. Today it is sufficient to allow the air to pass. The operation of Puncturing the Pope's pleura with a pravza syringe to drain off the water collected there, was to have taken place at noon today, but it was found his Holiness' weakness was too great to stand operation.

ROME, July 7.--An official bulletin posted at the vatican at 9:30 this morning, states that pneumonia, from which his Holiness is suffering, is now complicated by pleurisy and paralysis of the fingers. The Pontiff passed a restless and sleepless night.

ROME, July 7.—Dr. Mazzoni was this morning at the vatican and consulted with Dr. Lapponi. Both entered the sick room. The pope smiled benevolently at Dr. Mazzoni, but seemed not to have sufficient strength to talk. In response to a greeting from Dr. Mazzoni the pope said:

"I HAVE NO ILLUSION AND AM RESIGNED."

The pontiff raised his eyes, evidently in prayer.

The pope expressed a desire to read two of the leading papers and see what they were saying about his illness. The special editions were sent him.

Cardinal Oreglia begins to be the center of all vatican affairs, as it is believed the time is short before he will assume supreme power. Already the engineers who will wall up the cardinals in canclave when they proceed to elect a new pope, have reported to Oreglia.

ROME, July 7.—Telegrams continue to pour into the vatican asking for the pope's condition. Many, especially those from the various rulers, are shown his holiness who has epressed great satisfaction with the interest taken in his condition.

During last night every means science could suggest was used to fan the fast expiring spark of life. Time and again oxygen was administered to the patient, and the room was impregnated with revivifying gas. On several occasions the patient sank into a deep sleep, but it was one of ehaustion rather than rest, and he generally awoke with perspiration flowing freely from his pores.

Dr. Lapponi stated early this morning that he could advance no hope. The pope continues to take nourishment and retains a wonderful mental lucidity. He was given soup at 7 o'clock this morning and seemed somewhat benefited by it. The nourishment, however, is not of the amount the doctors would desire him to take, but they fear to give him more as his physical condition is such that he could not stand it.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 7.—The papal legation received the following cablegram from Cardinal Rampolla, at Rome, this morning:

"The holy father is no worse today. He continues tob e in a very serious state, without, however making us lose every hope."

ROME, July 7.—The watchers at the beidside of Pope Leo are still hopeful that he will survive another day, perhaps several.

Last night was one of the greatest anxiety, as the enfeebled condition of the aged patient gave little hope that the morning would find him alive.

Dr. Lapponi remained at the bedside the entire night, administering drugs to induce sleep, and resorting to artificial respiration when the pope's breathing became so feeble as to be alarming.

When the morning dawned and the first rays of the sun entered the apartment the pontiff expressed a desire that the shutters of the window be opened wide, saying:

"I wish to see once more, perhaps for the last time, the rays of the sun."

The pope now fully realizes that the end is near, and that but a few hours, perhaps, separates him from the great beyond. His one wish is that he may die possessed of all his mental faculties, and that his last act may be something in the line of his pontifical duties.

"I want to die in the harness. As for the rest, God's will be done."

It was with these words yesterday that he replied to the pleas that he not tax his remnant of strength by giving thought to matters of an official nature.

At 9 o'clock last evening the pope's condition was so serious that it appeared that he had but a few hours to live. At the request of Dr. Lapponi a hasty consultation of the pope's relatives, Cardinal Rampolla and other ecclesiastics was held, and it was decided that extreme unction should be given.

The pontiff received the announcement with his usual calmness, and, though scarcely able to speak audibly, signified his willingness to receive the last sacrament. He was able to make his confession in a low tone of voice, and he was ready to appear before the sublime tribunal with full trust in the divine mercy.

Monsignor Pifferi, Pope Leo's confessor, administered the extreme unction, and when the ceremony was over his holiness sank back on the pillows with apparent great relief that all was done and that he was entering into rest after his long pilgrimage.

Early this morning there was considerable excitement around the Vatican, and numerous persons are going to and coming from the pope's bedroom. The relatives of the pope, Cardinal Rampolla and Pope Leo's private secretary, however, remain in the chamber. Cardinal Rampolla has been receiving members of the diplomatic body at all hours of the day and night, several large books kept for the purpose have been signed by the members of the Roman aristocracy, high ecclesiastic authorities, notable personages of the papal court and strangers who have called to inquire regarding the pope's condition.

All the papal military bodies in service are earning the two months' extra pay which they receive in case of the death of the pope and extra pay for two additional months from the new pope.

The first official bulletin issued this morning says the condition of the pope is stationary. After twice taking a raw egg and a little brandy he went to sleep. At 9 o'clock Dr. Mazzoni will visit his holiness again, and a new

WILL JESUIT CARDINAL BE THE NEXT POPE?

CARDINAL RAMPOLLA.

ROME, July 7.—Will Cardinal Rampolla achieve his ambition and become pope?

The question is one which is being discussed more and more gravely throughout Italy as Leo XIII. nears the end of his long pontificate.

That the pope's secretary of state means to be his successor has been evident for some time to all observers of what goes on at the vatican. Little by little, and with the sagacity of the Jesuit that he is, the cardinal has been strengthening his personal position until now he, as well as many others, considers himself sure of succession to the chair of St. Peter.

Leo XIII.'s bodily feebleness and consequent necessity of having an energetic coadjutor has proved Cardinal Rampolla's opportunity. Privilege after privilege has slipped from the weakened hands of the master into those of the assistant, until now the power behind the episcopal throne is that which for the most part shapes the policy of the vatican.

Perhaps Cardinal Rampolla's constantly improving position has excited envy, any way, there are many who condemn his course strongly. They charge him with making the interests of the holy see subservient to his personal ends whenever the two clash. Leo XIII., these critics of the cardinal allege, has been surrounded by counsellors friendly to his secretary of state, most of them men of comparatively mean intellects—while the best minds in the Italian church are kept as far as possible from the pontiff, and even away from Rome when it can be managed. It is alleged, too, that the pope never hears of many questions which he only should be able to decide.

The shrewd ecclesiastic whose future is arousing so much speculation, not to say anxiety, is now on. He was born at Pollizzi, in Sicily, and holds the family title of marquis of Tindaro. In the church he is Cardinal Mariano. He got his education at the Jesuit college at Rome and entered the papal service in 1889. He was papal nuncio at Madrid before becoming secretary of state.

WHO WILL SUCCEED THE PRESENT POPE?

All kinds of speculation are already in circulation as to the probable successor to the throne of St. Peter's. Opinions are much divided, owing to the many interests which will be affected according to the choice made by the sacred college. The first question the cardinals will have to solve will be whether the conclave shall be held in Rome or outside of Italy. It is believed that the supporters of the idea of abandoning Rome will be even fewer than in the conclave held after the death of Pius IX., when thirty-two out of thirty-seven cardinals voted in favor of Rome.

The second question will be whether the next pope must be an Italian or a foreigner. It is generally believed that he will be an Italian because, in view of the struggle between the church and state since the fall of temporal power and the constitution of United Italy, all the clergy, as well as the clerical party and even foreigners think that an Italian pope can protect better than a stranger the advance of the religious and political interests of the church.

The candidate chiefly spoken of besides Cardinal Rampolla is Cardinal Serafino Vannutelli. They are both representatives of the conservative policy, but are bitter antagonists of each other. Cardinal Rampolla is a very warm Francophile, while Cardinal Vannutelli is adverse to the policy inaugurated by the present pontifical secretary of state. The most probable liberal candidates are Cardinal Bishop Agliardi and Cardinal Priest Satolli, whose breadth of views and love of modern ideas have been strengthened during his stay in America.

The most probable religious candidates are Cardinal Priest Gotti, who would carefully avoid mixing up in politics, and Cardinal Priest Angelo di Pietro, who also has the desirable prerequisite of old age, being 75 years old. All these candidates live in Rome, but a strong party, which might include a good many foreign cardinals, advocates the election of a cardinal who is not a member of the curia, such as Cardinal Sato, patriarch of Venice; Cardinal Ferrari, archbishop of Milan, both intransigeant, or Cardinal Capecelatro archbishop of Capua, who is perhaps the most learned member of the sacred college and has conciliatory ideas.

It is believed the first vote will be merely a test, in which nobody will be elected, but it will be used to see which way the wind blows. It is considered certain that if Cardinal Rampolla sees the impossibility of succeeding to the pontifical throne he will throw all his strength in favor of an outsider, with a view to preserving his candidacy for the next conclave. Under these circumstances it is supposed that Cardinal Oreglia, dean of the sacred college, will be chosen, as he is 75 years old and lately had a serious attack of pneumonia.

All these plans, especially those drawn up by the cardinals of the curia, may be disturbed by the attitude of the cardinals coming from outside Rome, principally foreigners. Things might be pushed to such a point as to induce a portion of the Italians from the provinces to ally with the foreign cardinals, in which case alone there might be a possibility of a foreign pope.

However, no French or Spanish cardinal could command the vote of the Germans or English, or vice versa; so that if an opportunity arises for a foreign cardinal to be chosen the most authoritative members of the college think that the only one who could obtain the prescribed majority is Cardinal Gibbons.

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