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TWO BURGLARIES IN ONE NIGHT

SUSPECT IN JAIL UNDER BOND

Positively Identified by Mrs. Gossin
as Man Who Broke into
Her Dwelling.

Sunday morning at 4:30 Mrs. Gossin was awakened by a noise in her house and went out from her bedroom to see what it was. She at first thought it was one of her boarders, but when she noticed that both the doors and windows were open that she had been closed, she started to investigate and came upon a strange man in the hallway. He wanted no time in getting away, and the alarm was given at once to the police. When an inventory of the house was taken, it was found that a sum of money had been taken from a drawer, amounting to something over \$12; also a few dollars in silver had been taken from Mr. Gossin's trouser pocket and a drawer containing some silverware had disappeared. The drawer and silverware evidently proved too cumbersome for the burglar after he found that he was detected, for it was found near the door.

The police immediately took up the trail and before night had arrested a man who gave his name as Herbert Cox and charged him with the burglary. He had his preliminary hearing before Justice Curtis yesterday and was bound over to the district court in the sum of \$600. The charge is burglary and the indictment specifies 12 silver spoons, valued at \$16, and 6 silver knives, valued at \$6, as the stolen property. Mrs. Gossin, when she saw the suspected man, testified positively that he was the man she had seen within a distance of three feet in her house Sunday morning. The prisoner protested entire innocence of the affair. His account of himself was as follows: His home is in Hartford, Indiana, and he is a glass-blower by trade. He says he left Glimore at 8:45 Saturday evening on a freight and doesn't know what time he got to Columbus. He was on his way to Kansas to find employment in the harvest fields, and was traveling with a fellow whom he picked up in Boone, Iowa, a few days ago but whose name or present whereabouts he does not know. He says he is the sole support of his mother who lives in Indiana. However, when asked how long it had been since he was at home with his mother, he replied that he had not seen her for four years. In holding the accused man to district court, Justice Curtis explained to him that he was not assuming to hold any opinion as to his guilt or innocence, but in view of the fact that Mrs. Gossin swore positively that he was the man and that she could not be mistaken, it was his duty as a magistrate to hold him for trial before a jury. When seen in jail by a Journal reporter, Cox repeated substantially his story as told to the court. He said that he had just got into Columbus and was walking down the track toward the round house when the officers arrested him for no other reason than that he wore a stiff hat and a dark suit, which was the attire of the burglar as described by Mrs. Gossin. Cox is not a bad appearing young man, apparently 20 to 25 years of age, and would not be picked out as a desperado. He made frantic references to his mother and the hard fate which had landed him in jail on a criminal charge when he was innocent of any wrong-doing except heading his way on a freight train in search of employment.

Saturday evening as Mrs. Werner Schupbach returned to her home about 9:30 o'clock, she noticed that the furniture in one of the bed rooms had been disturbed, and that the screen was gone from the window. She immediately ran out of the house and sent word to Mr. Schupbach who was at his store. When he got home he found that the bureau drawers had been gone through, but nothing was missing. There were a number of burnt matches scattered on the floor and the window was open. No trace of the intruder was discovered, though a neighbor remembered having seen two strange men prowling about the yard about dusk. Mr. Schupbach says that the thief missed the one drawer where he might have made a haul, as his watch and ring and Mrs. Schupbach's watch were all in one drawer.

Attempted Hold-up.—At Miss Jennie Wiseman was returning to her home Saturday evening about 10:15, she met a man going east by the German Reformed church. As she passed him in the semi-darkness she thought he acted rather suspiciously. Miss Wiseman takes care of the Methodist church and some other buildings, and Saturday evening was carrying a bunch of keys in her hand. She thinks the man mistook the jingling keys for a pistol-barrel and fled with money in it. For fear after he passed, he turned and grasped her by the throat with both hands. It happened that the lady turned her head at the same time, thinking that the man was looking at her mother, so his hold on her throat had to suffice to shoot off her hand. Miss Wiseman says: "I planned to shoot him but with the weight of my keys, and at that instant I had to let go. The intruder tried to grab the keys again, but I managed to get them loose and drop them to the ground. Then he ran off."

GRAIN MARKET.—Low exhibition, 80¢ a bushel, 100¢ a bushel, 110¢ a bushel, 120¢ a bushel. 130¢ a bushel, 140¢ a bushel, 150¢ a bushel. 160¢ a bushel, 170¢ a bushel, 180¢ a bushel, 190¢ a bushel, 200¢ a bushel. 210¢ a bushel, 220¢ a bushel, 230¢ a bushel, 240¢ a bushel, 250¢ a bushel, 260¢ a bushel, 270¢ a bushel, 280¢ a bushel, 290¢ a bushel, 300¢ a bushel, 310¢ a bushel, 320¢ a bushel, 330¢ a bushel, 340¢ a bushel, 350¢ a bushel, 360¢ a bushel, 370¢ a bushel, 380¢ a bushel, 390¢ a bushel, 400¢ a bushel, 410¢ a bushel, 420¢ a bushel, 430¢ a bushel, 440¢ a bushel, 450¢ a bushel, 460¢ a bushel, 470¢ a bushel, 480¢ a bushel, 490¢ a bushel, 500¢ a bushel, 510¢ a bushel, 520¢ a bushel, 530¢ a bushel, 540¢ a bushel, 550¢ a bushel, 560¢ a bushel, 570¢ a bushel, 580¢ a bushel, 590¢ a bushel, 600¢ a bushel, 610¢ a bushel, 620¢ a bushel, 630¢ a bushel, 640¢ a bushel, 650¢ a bushel, 660¢ a bushel, 670¢ a bushel, 680¢ a bushel, 690¢ a bushel, 700¢ a bushel, 710¢ a bushel, 720¢ a bushel, 730¢ a 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