

WOMAN SCARES OFF BURGLARS

Bound, Gagged, Gets Telephone for Alarm.

Miss Celia White Protects Employer's Money and Child.

Home of Saul Ligham at 53 Coral St Entered.

Special Dispatch to the Globe.

WORCESTER, Dec 17—Bound hand and foot, and with a gag in her mouth, Miss Celia White raised an alarm that drove burglars from the home of her employer today before they could secure any loot. The girl is employed as a maid in the family of Saul Ligham at 53 Coral st. and was alone in the house with a small baby when two men entered the back door with a key. They approached her from behind as she was cleaning a floor, with the baby nearby on a couch.

The burglars cut a rope from a child's sled in the yard and with it they bound Miss White's ankles and wrists together and then joined the ropes that tied the legs and arms. They gagged her with a piece of cotton cloth and started ransacking the house. Miss White rubbed her head against the floor and got her mouth free and then rolled herself along the floor to a sewing machine, where the telephone was.

She jarred the machine until she shook the receiver off the hook. She then shouted "help! burglars!" until the operator heard and immediately sent an emergency call to police headquarters. The telephone exchange girls were able to direct the police to the right house.

A squad of officers was sent from Station 2 and they found Miss White bound hand and foot on the floor. She was hysterical, but was able to give a description of the two burglars to the police. One of the men weighed 200 pounds and the other 145, according to her description.

The burglars broke open chests and trunks, smashed bureau drawers and started systematically through the house, but Miss White had freed herself from the gag and had frightened them out with her screaming before they reached a bureau in which considerable money was kept. The intruders went out the front door, locking it after them and taking the key.

The families on the second and third floors heard nothing of the trouble on the first floor, except the crying of the Ligham baby when Miss White was helpless. The police are making general search for the burglars.