STORY THAT IS STRANGE AND SAD

Experience of a Young Girl Whose Actions Puzzled the Police Officials

FOUND OVER IN CAMDEN

Her First Statement That She Was Abducted and Poisoned Admitted to Be False

An 18-year-old girl, with a wonderful faculty for inventing wild tales of abduction by black-hooded men, told the police of Philadelphia and Camden great stories nearly all of which she presently retracted. When she was first brought in it was to be supposed she was in some way a criminal but in addition to being some sort of crook she was apparently mad. Now she is with her instruments, who are her foster sisters, and has not been heard from in nearly a week. She is supposed to have left the city by train or by boat, or both. She was last seen on April 10th. She is a negro girl, and her name is Virginia Weller. She has a lisp and is rather a short person. She was last seen in the neighborhood of Forty-fourth street. She is black in color, and has a birthmark on her forehead that started life on the face of a few

THE DISCOVERY OF MISS WELLER

Legends below. This was about 12 o'clock, when Wellers, who has been in the city for years, first noticed the girl. He made no attempt to capture her, but merely watched her from a distance, and when she reached Forty-fourth street he followed her. He found her at a hotel near the lower end of the street, and she was taken to the police station. She is now in the police station, and her foster sisters are looking after her. She is a little girl, and has no clothes on but a dress that is supposed to have been left by her foster sisters. She was last seen in the neighborhood of Forty-fourth street. She is supposed to have left the city by train or by boat, or both. She was last seen on April 10th. She is black in color, and her name is Virginia Weller. She has a lisp and is rather a short person. She was last seen in the neighborhood of Forty-fourth street. She is black in color, and has a birthmark on her forehead that started life on the face of a few

A STRANGE STORY

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GIRLS' STORY

At about ten o'clock last night Miss Weller was seen in the neighborhood of Forty-fourth street. She is supposed to have left the city by train or by boat, or both. She was last seen on April 10th. She is black in color, and her name is Virginia Weller. She has a lisp and is rather a short person. She was last seen in the neighborhood of Forty-fourth street. She is black in color, and has a birthmark on her forehead that started life on the face of a few

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Captain Miller last night gave the following statement:

"The case of Miss Virginia Weller, who disappeared from her home last Sunday afternoon, is a sad one. Miss Weller, who has been a number of the story of her being kidnapped is untrustworthy. She says she has written the note found pinned to her clothing."

The girl's foster parents had never heard of her admission when a reporter for The Inquirer heard of the story last night. They were deeply puzled over their daughter's experience. Both Mr. and Mrs. Weller had seen the note when they were at the hospital. When asked by the reporter if the Weller family had declared that the note was false, they said it was not, and that it was impossible for her to have written the note.

HER HABITS GOOD.

Miss Weller, they said, had lived with them for nearly fifteen years, or ever since she was brought to them by an agent in Arlington, N. J. She had always been one of the best and brightest of young men. They also declared that she had been away from home late at night with the exception of two weeks during the last Christmas holidays, when she was a clerk in a store. It was there that she formed the acquaintance of Sergeant Gibson's daughter.

It was said that last evening that she had invented the poison part of her story, as she had the abduction part. Her unconsciousness when found, being the result of exhaustion. In her later admissions to the hospital, she declared that she walked a part of the way to Camden and finished the trip to the ferry in a trolley car. After getting over to the New Jersey side it is probable that she knew how to get there and returned there in an aimless way until she sank on the doorstep of the Johnson home.

While calling at the house of Sergeant Gibson Sunday afternoon Miss Weller, who was friends with the Cameron of the Sergeant's daughter. The latter, never having visited that city with the exception of once, and then for a few hours only, could tell her but little. "Do you want to know for?" she asked Miss Weller.

"Oh, nothing in particular, was the erasure answer, "I just thought you knew all about the place."

The girl's object in going to Camden is a mystery, and she had some secret trouble she imagined she could hide from her foster-parents only by flight. This, the latter think improbable, however, as Miss Weller's manner during the past two or three days was more of an ordinary cheerful one.

"Why," said Mrs. Weller last night. "When we left home Sunday afternoon she was singing as happy-like as I ever heard her."

Special Policeman Harbridge, of the Lancaster Avenue Station, stated last evening that the girl on a previous occasion took a dose of Laudanum and was treated at the Presbyterian Hospital. Both the police and the Medical Department were busy all day on the case, and expect to make a statement to Captain Miller to day.