

THREATENED TO KILL RIVERDALE WOMAN.

BELDING AND TOPPIN CASE PRESENTS ANOTHER PHASE.

Wife of Belding is Arrested on a Serious Charge.

The Belding and Tappin case is assuming a serious phase. The case seems to be one of persecution on the part of some of the residents of Riverdale rather than prosecution on the part of the state. The latest happening in the case was the arrest of Mrs. Belding this morning by Deputy Sheriff Belnap. The warrant was sworn out before Judge Howell last evening by Asa L. Child, Jr., and states that the offense is, "Threatening to kill and shoot Sarah Child, as follows to-wit: The said Mrs. Belding did on the 12th day of November A. D. 1903, at Ogden City, Weber county, Utah, then and there threaten to shoot and kill said Sarah Child and she would fix her with guns." The warrant was turned over to the sheriff's office for service and the unpleasant duty fell upon Deputy Sheriff Joseph Belnap, who arrested the unfortunate woman and brought her to the office but did not lock her up. Between choking sobs she told of her having said something in a fit of rage over the arrest of her husband and son-in-law, Ralph Tappin, which was probably taken up as a threat by some of the residents of Riverdale who wish to rid the neighborhood of the Beldings and Tappins. Mrs. Belding left her six small children, including a baby only a few weeks old, with her daughter when arrested. She asked that she might get her baby and to see her husband. The latter request was readily granted. Her hearing will be had before Judge Howell this afternoon. It will be remembered, as stated in the Standard at the time, Chauncey Belding and Ralph Tappin were arrested upon the charges of house-breaking, grand larceny and burglary, committed in Riverdale on November 3rd.