A MURDER MYSTERY
Norwich Exited Over Disappearance of a Preacher

HAVEN, N. H., Jan. 25.—The town of Norwich is excited over a rumor that William Eastman has made a confession to his mistress in her cabin at his home on the bank of the Connecticut River, that he was about to carry out his threat of murder on John Harrison, a colored preacher residing at Beaver Meadow, which had been in circulation for some days.

On the afternoon of Dec. 19, last, Eastman was shot in self-defense by Chancy Adkins, who had come to his home with a view of carrying out the threat. The instant was one of over-excitement, but Eastman was not seriously hurt and was taken to the hospital, where he is now convalescing.

The source of the trouble is said to be the fact that Eastman, on the day before Eastman was shot, found Harrison in his hotel room with a negro girl, and immediately confronted the colored man with the fact. Harrison was in a state of excitement and without a word or attempt to explain the situation, left the room, and the negro, when he was asked how he had been treated, said that he had been made an offer by the preachers and refused it.

The negro now is in the hands of the police and will be tried by a jury at the next session of the court.

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The neighbors went to the negro's house and found him in a state of great excitement, and at the time of his arrest, was making a speech to his friends, saying that he had been wronged.

The negro was arrested without a warrant, and as he was caught in the act of making a speech, he was taken to jail. He is said to be quite a character, and will be tried by a jury at the next session of the court.

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Drs. Kessy and Shinn, who examined Eastman, found that he was in a state of great excitement, and is said to be somewhat deranged. He was at first inclined to refuse to speak, but after much persuasion, he admitted that he was in a state of great excitement, and is said to be somewhat deranged.

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