RING TEMPTED THE BURGLAR.

Tried to Cut Off Finger of Sleeping Victim to Secure It.

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CAMDEN, N. J., Jan. 1.—A tug at his left hand awoke Louis C. De Lisle, from sleep at his home, 1028 Cooper Street, early this morning. Opening his eyes, he saw a negro burglar kneeling beside his bed, brandishing a large knife and trying to get a heavy Masonic gold ring from his finger. The negro ordered De Lisle to lie still, and resumed his efforts to remove the ring.

To expedite matters, the intruder drew a sharp knife across De Lisle's fingers, whereupon he sprang out of the bed and began a desperate battle with the burglar, who finally broke away and ran out of a back door. De Lisle pursued the man to Ninth and Cooper Streets, where De Lisle was halted by a bullet Edward Rice of 1,020 Cooper Street had fired at the fleeing burglar, and the negro escaped.

De Lisle subsequently found that \$37 had been taken from his coat pocket and \$2 from a pocketbook belonging to Mrs. De Lisle.

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