GEORGIA DANIELS POISONED

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Colored society circles are greatly exercised over the alleged poisoning of Miss Georgie Daniels, a willowy lass who resides with Reuben Jackson and wife near the McManus grocery. On Tuesday afternoon Miss Georgie began to have exciting fits which doubled her up like a jack-knife. These continued and she vomited frequently a sea green substance in alarming volumes. Along about 7 o'clock Signor Willie Garr who resides at the Jackson home found under the front door a note which read as follows: Mrs. Eliza Jackson: Your daughter is poisoned. She was poisoned by a young girl here in town. This is from an unknown friend. The best thing you can do is to send for a doctor. You will find out who did it. Your daughter is poisoned.

FROM A FRIEND. William perused this interesting document with the stately dignity peculiar to himself. He then evidenced the mental depth and acumen of a half weaned muskrat by calmly putting the letter in his pocket and seeking his virtuous couch. Miss Georgie was left to battle with "the cramps and pains" and so far as William was concerned she might have effected the passage of the river Styx. Wednesday morning Mr. Garr arose refreshed and having ascertained that Miss Georgie was still doubled up he sauntered off down town and sent Coroner Barcus out whether to render a verdict or administer medical aid is not known. It is surmised, however, that William shrewdly avoided the possibility of a second trip by sending a gentleman whose presence would be appropriate be Miss Georgia alive or dead. To Dr. Barcus he showed the note which he had up to that time kept to himself. Dr. Barcus hastened out and found the damsel better but still very sick, she having vomited another installment of a substance which Mrs. Jackson declares was "considerably greener than grass." At last accounts Miss Georgie was on the high road to recovery. The colored gossips are pointing the finger of suspicion at a well known colored girl, recently married, who is said to be very jealous .of Miss Georgie because of attentions shown her by the suspect's husband. The affair caused great excitement and one of Miss Georgie's young lady friends, a domestic on Wabash avenue, forsook her dinner dishes Wednesday in order to make an inspection of the stock of coffins in a certain undertaking establishment, with a view to seeing that Miss Georgia was shipped hence in proper shape in case of her demise. - kbz