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A FEW HANGINGS WOULD BE APPROPRIATE

Simply because the parties concerned are Italian and assassinations have been rather frequent among our adopted citizens of that nationality, does not constitute any reason for going about the investigation of the murder of G. Ficarrota, of West Tampa, in any other than the most thorough manner of which the local authorities are capable.

The Tribune believes that large rewards should be offered for the apprehension of these assassins who waylaid a peaceable citizen and shot him down as he walked homeward with his little children.

Past experience, however, makes it extremely improbable that the local officers will be able to accomplish anything definite in the case, as it is easily recalled that not one Italian has yet been punished for any degree of homicide in this country since this so-called "Black Hand" business began, and it is no more likely that local sleuths will be any more successful in the present instance than they have been in the past. One or two of the best detectives in the country should be brought here to investigate the case. The spectacle of two or three Italian assassins hanging from the gallows would be very edifying and effective one just about this time

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