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The Little Tailor's Advice Brought Disaster.

One time dot little tailor comes by my shop to get a patch on his shoe, and ash he looks around he says: "Let me sit you some little advice. Peoples in America vhas deferent from peoples in Shermany. Ofter here nobody likes to sit up like a crowbat while he waits to haf his shoes fixed. You must haf some amusements in your shop."

"Do you belief I can half some brass bands aroundt when cement patches vhas only fifteen cent apiece?" I says.

"Maybe not, but you can get a parrot and let him speak mit your customers. A parrot vhas always a draw. He vwill beat a free lunch or a ticker. If you like to build up your peesness you must look a little out."

"Vhell, dot tailor vhas in America ten years und builds op a big peesness, und so I belief he vhas good advice. I goes by a bird store und finds a parrot who vhas talking like four old womans. Der price vhas fifteen dollar, but I must haf him to build op my shoe shop. I take him home mit a cage und hang him op, und he says: "Hello!" und "Polly" und "Cracker" und vhas all right. When I opens my shop for peesness next day a womans comes in mit a pah of shoes und says: "Cobbler, you may fix up does shoes. I vhas speaking to some folks about you, und I belief you vhas a good man. I see you have some parrot here. Can I talk mit him?"

"Oh, yes. I buy him dot he may amuse my customers. Polly shepuk up to der lady und say "Good morning." Dot bird he shepuk op und I almost drop dead. Mit his head on one side und a smile on his face, he calls out dot he vhas some bully boys und don't go home all night. I try to stop him, but he yells at me.

"Come off dot perch! Get a jag on! Dry oop! Go soak your head!" I vhas go'ing to hit him mit der hammer, but dot womans she picks op her shoes und goes by der door und looks at me und says: "I beg your pardon. I half got in some saloons by mistake."

"Dot parrot he drives peesness avhay, und I talk to him und call him names for one hour. He don't say nottings back, und I belief he vhas sorry. I half shut get der wicket mit him when a man comes in mit a heel to be fixed. I vhas thirty cents to fix dot heel, und he must wait. He takes off his shoe und says: "Cobbler, maybe you shall also make me a pair of shoes for four dollar. You look to me like some temperance man."

"Yes, I vhas temperance." "Und you don't swear not talk politics?" "No."

"Und maybe you goes by der saluch on Soondays?" "Always."

"Vhell, I shall gift you all my custom und help you along. I vhas looking at dot parrot. Can he speak some words?" "Und what you belief dot parrot says to him? Before I can look at him he stretches one leg out behind und cocks up his head und calls out: "Oh, what 'vhat vhas dot!" says der man ash he shumps op und looks around.

"Hat another mit me!" says dot parrot. "Two beers! Go t'll! Shoot dot hat!" I like to stop dot bird, but it vhas no use. Der man looks at me at little while und den puts on his shoe und says: "When you goes by state prison und your family vhas in der poor house, maybe you vwill realize your wickedness und get out to be saved. I tell all my friends to keep avhay from here!"

I vhas so mad I like to kill dot bird, but my wife comes down und says he vhas fifteen dollar und in a strange place, und probably he vwill do better next time. I keep his cage covered up mit a blanket for two hours und nobody don't see him, but by und by he vhas forgiven. He don't say nottings when der butcher und der grocer comes in for repairs, und I belief he vhas look when an alderman stops for a pair of shoe strings. Dot alderman can bring me some trade if he vwill, und I like to use him well.

"Hello!" he says, "but dot vhas a fine bird. How vhas you, Polly?" "You tieff!" screams dot parrot. "What! You call me tieff!" "Boodie! Boodie! Boodie!"

It vhas awful-awful, but when I goes to excuse dot bird der alderman looks red in der face und spits on his hands und says: "I'll knock dot parrot by der middle of next week! Nobody can call me a tieff und get avhay! Tieff und boodie, sh! Vhell, you come out!"

Und he reaches into der cage und brings Polly out und wrings her neck. I can't move nor speak. When der bird vhas dead der aldermans gits me one awful kick und says: "If you vhas a shoker maybe you vwill laugh over dot!"

When he has gone I goes by dot little tailor und tells him all about it. I lose fifteen dollar und three customers by his advice, und I vhas seek. "Vhell, I see how it vhas," he finally says. "It vhas all owing to der deference in peesness. A parrot vhas all right in a tailor shop und all womans in a cobbler's place. I guess what you vant vhas a hand organ und amonkey!"



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MR. GROVES' LECTURE

On How to Edit a Newspaper, With General Hints Concerning Palmistry.

To The Planet.—I am going to show you my hand, and as you have shown so much science in palmistry it won't be necessary to call your friend Mattilla to read the lines. I want you to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest this information. I am the officer that gave the information and caused the arrest of Manning Mattilla. No other person is responsible, no other complaints reported at police headquarters, only the one that I made. I spoke to the chief of police about this palmist, and a warrant was issued by the police magistrate and placed in my hands on a Friday morning. I found out the lady was out of the city. I executed the warrant on Saturday morning. I am prepared to prove by the police magistrate, chief of police and all members of the police force staff, that there never was any conversation or instructions and that this palmist's name was never mentioned by the members of the force previous to my information.

I am also prepared to prove by the Rev. Mr. Ross, that he never spoke to me about this woman; that I never received any complaint from him. The night after the woman was arrested, the police officer, the one that Mr. Ross had spoken to about this woman, in conversation, among other things, mentioned this palmist. He told me that Mr. Ross had been speaking to him about this woman; that Mr. Ross had only spoken in a casual way and he thought no more of it, and passed the remark by saying someone must have had an information.

Now, Mr. Editor, that was my first intimation of Mr. Ross speaking to the police, and also my first conversation with the officer that had spoken to Mr. Ross about this palmist. At this time the woman had been arrested and was out on bail. If you want anything clearer than that statement you must have a wooden block, and let my bounden duty to again repeat what I said in my last letter, that the Rev. Mr. Ross is not responsible, directly or indirectly, for the prosecution of this case and laying it before you was to see justice done. I ask you as a man, sir,—and surely I can touch a woman's heart,—that knowing all the facts as they were known to me, would you yourself have stood by and let another man speak to the police about this woman; that Mr. Ross had only spoken in a casual way and he thought no more of it, and passed the remark by saying someone must have had an information.

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editorials that will elevate our minds and lift us up to something purer than a fake palmist. Yours truly, TOM GROVES. Chatham, July 7th. Note—Mr. Groves' lecture not only makes amusing reading, but it justifies what this journal has been condemning far from the first. Rumor stated that the Rev. Mr. Ross was at the bottom of this prosecution. The Planet did not believe it, and on June 28, said: "Why will the police keep secret the name of the individuals who are at the bottom of this palmist prosecution? If any man is so morally high-minded that a palmist's proceedings appear sufficiently iniquitous in his eyes to require suppression by the police, he ought to also be man enough to bear the responsibility of his own act. Re- port saddles this prosecution on several persons who are probably innocent of any complicity in the matter, yet the real instigator shirks behind the police, etc."

When Mr. Ross came forward in a manly way and said he was the one who complained to the police, that left nothing more to be said on the point. Yet, though it appears Mr. Ross was mistaken in supposing the police acted on his complaint, Mr. Groves allowed him and the public for something like eleven days to lie under the misapprehension, and the information has only been dragged out in the end by the continued discussion of the matter. Now, we repeat, what we asked at first: In doubtful cases of this kind why do the police not allow individuals to prosecute on their own responsibility and not undertake it for them? Thomas Groves as a citizen had a perfect right to lay the information, but why the secrecy about it? Even as late as last Friday Mr. Groves wrote that he could not "take you—that's this great family journal—into confidence." Here he had us all worrying over the mysteries and secrets that set the law in motion. Now it transpires that it was only Mr. Groves himself. This was the "confidence" he couldn't repose. There is nothing more to be said.

Mr. Groves repeats his misstatement that this journal attacked Mr. Ross; but that is not worth answering. Mr. Groves was asked to show a single word or statement of the Planet justifying the falsehood. It was impossible to do so, so he contents himself with repeating the unfounded assertion. This is too much like the Kindergarten style of the Banner to call for any attention. We just wish to add, though, that if Mr. Groves had taken his present course of assuming responsibility earlier, it would have looked better. There is little to be gained by this eleventh-hour frankness; and we still think Mr. Groves owes Mr. Ross an apology for not speaking earlier.—Editor Planet.

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TILBURY.

July 9.—Tilbury East council meets to-day. Miss Gaynoth Wilson, of Lake Linden, is visiting her uncle, A. A. Wilson. A number from here intend taking in the excursion to Walpole Island tomorrow. The W. S. M. S. of the Presbyterian Church will meet at the home of Mrs. Jas. Struthers next Thursday afternoon. Mr. John Palmer, of Woodstock, was the guest of Jas. Stewart yesterday. A large number attended the Orange meeting yesterday, when Rev. Mr. Kennedy, of the Methodist Church, addressed them. The Daily Planet is on sale at Johnson's Drug Store.

WALLACEBURG.

July 9.—Dr. and Mrs. Mills are spending a few days with her mother near town. D. A. Gordon and family removed to their summer residence at Bellevue on Thursday. Mrs. J. Hookwith and sister, of Michigan city, are spending a few weeks with their mother in Sombra township. A Lacourse, who is managing the glass factory at Kingsville, returned home on Saturday evening. Mr. and Mrs. N. D. McKee returned from Detroit, on Saturday. A. G. Gourley, of the Ban of Montreal, spent Sunday in Sarnia the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Torrance. Delos DeLoe, who is now working in Detroit, spent Sunday in town. John Currie returned from Detroit on Saturday evening. Miss Trude London is spending a few days at Bellevue with her friend Miss Ruby Gordon. The Junior leaving and Part III. Matriculation exams take place this week. The presiding examiner is Mr. Hutton, of Tilbury. The Orange Young Britons and Orangemen attended divine service at St. James' Church on Sunday morning. The Tapperville band was in attendance.

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