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MR. J. C. BEACH, OF COLDWATER, ONT., SAYS HIS PUBLISHED STATEMENT IS NOT STRONG ENOUGH.

A short time ago the following letters appeared in the columns of the Mail and Empire:
"I desire to inform you what your remedy, Psychine, has done for my wife. Some time ago she became run down, lost flesh and strength rapidly, and coughed night and day. Her throat was so sore and inflamed that she could only speak in a whisper. The only nourishment that she took was milk and eggs. The doctor said he could give her medicine to prolong her life, but could not cure her.
"We sent for a sample of Psychine, and it did her so much good that we immediately purchased a further supply from our druggist, Mr. Millard. Today she is well and strong, and I thank you for restoring to me my faithful wife and helpmate.
"Our friends and neighbors are astonished at Mrs. Beach's recovery, and join with us in wishing you success."
Yours, etc., J. C. BEACH.
Coldwater, Ont.

After the above letter appeared Mr. Beach entered a protest, as follows: "Dr. T. A. Slocum, Limited: "I have just seen the advertisement in The Mail and Empire stating that your Psychine had done for my wife, Mrs. Beach. But you haven't got my statement of her case strong enough. You don't claim enough for Psychine. When she started taking Psychine the neighbors and friends said she wouldn't live two weeks. People expected her death would be but a matter of a few days. But, thanks to your Psychine, she is now able to do her own housework, and has regained her former weight and strength.
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There are more than 4,000 different editions of the Bible in the British Museum.

ESCAPED IN A BARREL OF KRAUT

How Daring Leader of Russian Reds Got Away to America.

New York, May 18.—Gregory Gershuni, first leader of the "fighting organization" of the Russian Social Revolutionary Party, has for some time been in America. How he escaped from exile and imprisonment to which his beliefs condemned him makes a most interesting serio-comic tale. It is taken from the New York "Charities and Commons," and is the story of an interview with the intrepid agitator.

The prison was fast, he tells you with his quick gestures, so fast that the prisoners were left by themselves in the strong room where they were kept at work on provisions for the garrison. Opposite were the houses where the officials lived and the storehouse to which the prisoners carried the provisions under guard. Everything that passed was examined by the officials, but a chance lay in the barrels of sauerkraut filled from cabbages cut up in the prison room. When the day of the trial came, Gershuni doubled up in a cask and his fellows fastened in above him a false head or partition, fashioned from leather found in the workshop. It was crude, but it kept up most of the cabbage and truffle that they filled into the barrel's brim. Two rubber tubes had been smuggled into them, and these they fixed to two breathing holes inside the bottom of the barrel. Gershuni had a revolver, a little bread and a little ether in case he could not breathe. And, yes, another weapon of defense. The keepers had a bad habit of examining barrels by running their sabres down through them. Here was a danger—but how to meet it? By an iron saucepan jammed down over the ears. As he tells the story, Gershuni conveys intimately the patriotic discomfort of his position. Did ever adventurer set forth for his cause in such wise—with a sauerkraut barricade, with a saucepan helmet, curled up like a seedling in a cask?

What followed was rather indistinct to him. Whether from lack of air or the discomfort of his position, his head was dull and full, and he could hear little or nothing. Things moved slowly there in the barrel. He knew that his fellow-prisoners had selected the strongest of the barrels to handle it, to place it on the wagon, with a little block under the edge to let the air in thence to be taken to the storage building escorted by the guard. "What have you?" "A barrel of sauerkraut"—they had practiced how they would say it.

They feared the new dangers would be in waiting here—not the least of them the rampant appetites of the wives of the officers for fresh sauerkraut. As a precaution, the prison workers were to urge that they lower the barrel through to the sub-cellar, where it was colder and less likely to be tampered with. But in mid-air the ropes cracked and the barrel turned. Other than to add quick pains to the misery of the man inside no damage was done, and he was rolled at length on the floor of the sub-cellar. Even then there was an interval, a brief interval before the last of the barrel was shuffled out and the key turned. With his knife Gershuni slit the leather partition was doused with sauerkraut, an allopahic mess provocative of eternal dyspepsia. Down it came over his saucerpan, and into his eyes and mouth and nose. The wretch of a stout pair of hands, the barrel head gave way, and his nose was in the free air again.

His rescuer was one of the revolutionists who had been planning the escape from without the prison, and who had dug a narrow tunnel from the courtyard back of the storage house to the sub-cellar. The two of them crawled into the tunnel and waited for a signal. It was a long wait. They thought twice that they were discovered. All of the officers' houses faced the courtyard. Some children were playing in the yard. "Catch him, catch him!" they cried, and a dog came running to the mouth of the tunnel. Gershuni had once read that if you fix your eyes steadily enough on an animal he will turn and go. This he tried. The dog stopped and looked, and then with an air of "it's none of my business," trotted off. Later a soldier came with two buckets of water. He was sure to have seen them, when, of a sudden, he turned back squarely on the opening and went about his business—"Not very polite, you may say, but I thought it the height of courtesy."

The signal came; by skirting the houses the two men reached the outside of the village, and across some rough hills to where a horse and wagon were in waiting for them. Gershuni had had a razor, and in the sub-cellar had shaved his beard and changed his clothes; he was a workman now instead of a prisoner. They drove for two days and two nights without a stop, reaching Manchuria, and thereafter he went on in the guise of a Russian tramp, directed by friends of the revolution at each point to the man to look for at the next stopping place. When you ask for more particulars as to his long flight to the coast, and how he reached Japan, you get a shrug of the shoulders and a terse: "They are my friends." Nagasaki, Yokohama, Honolulu and San Francisco, Dec. 5. Since then Gershuni has been addressing Yiddish and Russian mass meetings in Chicago, Pittsburgh, Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York.

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DOWN AND OUT FOR BOSS RUEF

Picturesque Career of the Man Who Once Owned San Francisco.

San Francisco, May 18.—Six years ago "Abe" Ruef, who rose to power as the greatest political "boss" since the days of the Tweed ring, was an obscure lawyer in San Francisco. Prior to 1901 he professed allegiance to the Republican party, but having failed to obtain any dividends from his efforts in its behalf he espoused the cause of the labor party and secured the nomination of Eugene Schmitz as mayor, who, owing to disaffection in the ranks of both the other parties, was elected.

From that moment until he was arrested for his acts of graft he was the real ruler of the city. Anything of value the municipality could bestow was only bestowed after Ruef had been "employed" as attorney to "request" the city supervisors to act.

Saloon and dive keepers, proprietors of restaurants, presidents of franchises of public utility corporations, and Chinese opium den ha, were considered alike to Ruef. They were his clients—and paying ones at that, and he was a successful counselor. His clients, with rare exceptions, got from the city of San Francisco that for which they paid Ruef.

Ruef's empire began to crumble when the earthquake devastated the city. His juggling with rival telephone companies and the granting of a franchise to the Home Telephone Company under peculiar conditions, created the first distinct rumblings in what he considered his own domain.

The granting to the United Railroads of a permit to trolleyize their lines was followed by the formation of a citizens' committee, headed by Rudolph Spreckels, to expose the graft in the municipal government.

Ruef put up a fight. Many of the officials were on his side. District Attorney Langdon, when considered lukewarm, and an effort was made by Ruef to oust him and take the office himself. While he was moving in this direction Langdon executed a flank movement. He appointed Francis J. Heney special prosecutor, and asked to conduct the graft inquiry. Wm. J. Burns, an efficient detective, was employed to aid Heney, and the fight was on.

Ruef endeavored, through friendly balliffs, to keep hostile witnesses from the grand jury room. He failed, and the grand jury indicted him. His answer was a laugh of sarcasm. The sheriff was his friend. He told that of his making shatters his dream of a happy life. He told that for a few days he enjoyed the freedom of the city and the worship of his followers.

The prosecution went ahead with the investigation, and as the time for Ruef's appearance in court to answer the indictments drew near he "disappeared." The friendly sheriff was unable, despite great efforts, to find him. Here Detective Burns played a trump card. He located Ruef and kept him under surveillance until Attorney Heney could act.

The prosecution went before the judge, proved to him that the sheriff was not doing his duty, and secured the appointment of W. J. Biggy as special prosecutor. Within two hours Ruef was in the "boss" appeared to every possible court to delay his trial. The indictments stood despite his attacks on his applications for writs of habeas corpus failed. His plea that the appointment of an alior was illegal was not heard. Then the day got dark for Ruef, but he was hopeful.

The indictments, he claimed, were based on unsupported confessions of men who said they were afraid of one of the supervisors. The link connecting Abraham Ruef to Supervisor Gallagher was missing.

On this he planned his defense. No jury could be secured, he claimed, who would not be intimidated by the threat of power, though they were morally certain he was.

As he pictured the days of peace and quiet he would spend when his virtue had been proven in court, the creature of his making shattered his dream of a happy life. He told that for a few days he enjoyed the freedom of the city and the worship of his followers.

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WINE GROWERS ARE IN FERMENT

A Monster "No Tax" Demonstration in the South of France.

Paris, May 18.—At least a hundred thousand inhabitants of the Midi met at Beziers yesterday to protest against the lamentable state into which the wine industry has fallen. Beginning on Saturday evening the roads were black with people en route to the meeting-place, and special trains were run carrying attendants at half rates. As examples of the interest shown, Capetang, with 6,000 inhabitants, sent a delegation of 4,600, and Argeliers, with a population of 1,100, sent 1,000. The residents of many villages went en masse.

No special police service was needed, as the manifestation was entirely peaceable. It was due to the suffering of the Midi, the harvest and the departments, which subsist entirely upon viticulture, and which are unable to sell their wines. For this state of affairs they blame the Government for allowing sugar to be used both for making artificial wines and for getting a second and sometimes a third brew from grapes after the true wine is withdrawn.

In its efforts to get the Government to restrict the use of sugar the Midi antagonizes the beet growers of the north, whose parliamentary influence has hitherto proved the stronger. If these efforts are unavailing, the wine growers intend to persuade those affected to refuse to pay the Government taxes by an agitation which is likely to meet with much encouragement, as refusal to pay is already practiced at Argeliers, Baux, and a few other places.

Today's demonstration followed a failure of a congress of delegates on Saturday to effect an entente with the north. Besides the regular trains, which in France are always more numerous on Sundays than week days, sixty special trains were run to Beziers. The people brought their food with them. Demonstrators were lined up near posts erected to indicate the position of the various sections.

Some of the delegations were led by mayors, some by curés and some by constables. Even the doctor and druggist of the town of Argeliers, which practically emptied the village. Besides the trains the people came in all kinds of vehicles, on bicycles and motor-cycles and on foot, raising clouds of dust, which settled thickly over everything. The procession displayed banners reading:

"No taxes until we are appeased."
"We can die but once."
"An empty stomach hath no ears."
"We do not come to string pearls."
The Midi is aroused.

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"On to Paris."
Cardboard gullitons and prisons for the makers of fraudulent wines were displayed. One millionaire proprietor marched amid his workmen and domestics. After the procession the orators declared that Parliament must heed such a demonstration.

At Narbonne the municipal elections did not take place, all the political parties having asked the electors to refrain from exercising the franchise in protest against the conditions. The election officials did not appear, and no list of candidates was prepared. On the contrary, Narbonne sent a strong delegation to Beziers.

Germany's now famous captain of Koepenick comes of a calling which has given the world some very great men. One authority asserts that the majority of cobblers have exceptional brains—that their attitude when stooping over their work tends to a cranial development in the part where the intellectual faculties are seated. Some-one has written a book on illustrious shoemakers. In it are Sir Cloudesley Shovel, Gifford the Terrible, Bloomfield, author of the well-known "Farmer's Boy"; Carey the Orientalist, Admiral Mynga, George Fox, founder of the Society of Friends; John Kitch, the Biblical scholar; Sturgeon, the electrician. The list of illustrious shoemakers runs into scores.

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