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SHOVED THE QUEER TOWN IS LOONEY FROM PRISON CELL ABOUT MARBLES

While Incarcerated in Polish Jail Flooded the Town With Bad Money.

Warsaw, Poland, June 2. — Only in Russia, surely, could a corner's den be found within the walls of a prison. In the Czars' domain, however, all things are possible, even that a prisoner, under lock and key in a cell, should be able to make and circulate counterfeit coins for months without arousing the suspicions of the authorities. The statement sounds incredible, yet it is absolutely true.

At Kovno, a large town in Lithuania, the public have been complaining for some time past of the multitude of false rubles, half-rubles, and 15-kopek pieces in circulation. The passing of such coins is not, in itself, punishable in Russia, and the most punctilious persons do not hesitate to get rid of false coins. The best place is the market, where the Jews take and pass them with the greatest of ease. In respectable households the false coins go to the cook, who exchanges them for meat and vegetables at the market place. But at Kovno things were getting too bad, and even the Jews grew careful of what money they took.

Tracing the Coiners.

The governor of the prison, who followed the same plan as ordinary mortals for getting rid of spurious coins, had complaints from his cook, who got back as good as gold, rather than as she gave, and received false coin in her change whenever she went to market. The governor in turn complained to the head of the police, who promised to unearth the coiners.

"Jent" (a sort of private detective), to watch the market place. The agent soon discovered that a woman named Lednicka was constantly passing false coins—now at this stall, now at that. One day he had her arrested, taken to the nearest police station and searched. A good deal of money was found on her and it was all false. She protested her innocence, saying that her husband had given her a month's money for the housekeeping.

"What is your husband, and where does he live?" the head inspector asked. She replied that he was a jailer and lived at the local prison. Mr. Lednicka was promptly sent for and questioned as to his wife's money. At first he refused to answer, but finally admitted that he got the money from one of the prisoners under his charge—a man named Mucha, who had been in prison awaiting his trial on a charge of banditism, for the past eight months.

"What part of the prison does he live in?" asked the astonished inspector. "In a cell, of course," was the answer. "No. 25—on the ground floor, to the left side of the courtyard." The police set off to the prison and asked for leave to search cell No. 25.

"Are you mad?" cried the governor. "The prison's under my charge. You can bring people here, but I'm hanged if you're going to inspect my place whenever it suits you."

Plant in Cell.

Then they explained that Lednicka had confessed to getting false coins from cell No. 25, and hinted that he himself had asked to have the coiners discovered. He reluctantly gave way, and the cell was opened up for inspection. To the surprise of the occupant, who, sure that Lednicka alone had the keys, was joining false money and had not time to put away his plant.

The indignation of the governor was only equalled by the mirth of the police, when the plant for coining false rubles, half-rubles and 15-kopek pieces was found in the cell. Caught red-handed, Lednicka and Mucha made a clean breast of it. They took a fancy to each other from the moment they first met in the prison. Mucha soon confided to the jailer that he knew how to make false coins if Lednicka would go to a certain address in the town and bring the plant. Lednicka, for passing the coin, was to share profits. He agreed, brought the plant, and always warned the prisoner when the prison officials were likely to inspect the cell, when the plant was taken out and hidden in Lednicka's room. The plan succeeded admirably. They made and circulated false money for over a year, and had it not been for the governor's cook, who would probably have gone on, till Mucha went up for trial. Kovno is convulsed with the story, and, of course, those are not lacking who hint that the good governor himself knew something about the matter.

Sandy Hook, Ky., June 2. — Judge James Hargis, who is in jail here awaiting trial for his life on the charge of murdering Dr. Cox, created a sensation in the courthouse yards today by pretty nearly winning the marble-playing championship from Sandy Hook's crack agate twirlers.

It was an exciting contest, and town and country officials, with farmers from miles around, gathered to see the finish. Hargis had vanquished, one after another, three of the best marble players in the town, but the fourth, a veritable wizard at the game, proved his master. When it was over the town breathed free again. For awhile it looked as if a stranger, and a man accused of murder at that, was going to make its champions blush.

Every one in Sandy Hook is hoping now that it won't be long before the trial of Hargis starts, because it feels that with a little more practice in the courthousen yard he'll have to be acknowledged champion.

Only Game Town Knows.

This may sound odd and curious anywhere else on the map except here in this outpost of civilization. But in Sandy Hook marbles is the real national pastime. They have heard of baseball in a hazy sort of way without understanding. Bowling, golf, tennis, and even croquet are just words that convey no meaning to Sandy Hookers. If anyone set up a tennis net here or swung a driver on the front lawn the natives, young and old, would think him crazy.

Marbles is the thing, and young and old of both sexes play and talk marbles all day and dream of marbles at night. There are more marbles in this town than in any other place three times its size in the country. The front parlors of the houses of both rich and poor are studded with brilliant glassies and multi-colored agates won in many a hard fought contest.

Nobody knows how the game seized upon the town. Everybody has played marbles ever since he can remember. The reminiscences of the oldest inhabitants are tangled up with thrilling memoirs of marble games they have won and lost.

Old and Young Victims of Spell.

On a warm day the public square is one big marble arena. It echoes with shouts of "picks" and "fan" and all the vernacular of the game. It is common to see a girl of eighteen, who is another place would be a social belle, down on her knees in the dust knocking bowling bowls with a man of sixty and both playing with the utmost gravity. Businessmen here do not invite acquaintances to lunch at the club. They ask them out onto the square for a game of marbles. Women in Sandy Hook society do not give card parties. They gather their friends and go out in the street and shoot for agates. It's the only form of amusement Sandy Hook knows, and the whole town plays it to the exclusion of everything else.

So it isn't surprising that when Hargis came here to be tried for murdering Dr. Cox, he was met by the officials of the county, in an effort to be as hospitable as they might, asked him to play marbles. And it's natural when they found he might be able to beat them all with a little practice that they should be anxious to get his trial over and be rid of him.

TERRORISTS ATTACK OFFICERS.

Lodz, Russian Poland, June 1.—Five terrorists yesterday made a street attack on a police officer and two soldiers. The officer and one soldier were shot dead, while the second soldier was wounded. The terrorists got away.

A MORMON PILGRIMAGE.

Rochester, June 1.—A pilgrimage of Mormons from Canada and other points arrived in Palmyra this morning on a visit to Mormon Hill. There are more than 100 in the party. The purpose of the Mormon Hill is contemplated by the Mormon Church of Salt Lake, and some sort of memorial monument or building erected on the spot where they believe the gold plates of the "Book of Mormon" were found.

The Tuberculosis Hospital Goes Over Until Next Year

City Solicitor Meredith Explains Position Re Issuing Deben-ture for Payment.

A meeting of the finance committees of the city and county council was held on Saturday afternoon in the city hall, and the representatives of the two municipalities agreed upon the amounts which each shall pay for the establishment and maintenance of the proposed tuberculosis hospital.

In brief the city of London agrees to bear 60 per cent of the cost of the land and buildings, and 60 per cent of the uncontrollable expenditure, such as heat, light, wages of staff, etc. The county agrees to pay the other 40 per cent of the cost of the items mentioned.

As to maintenance, each agrees to pay the full cost of patients it may send to the hospital, less the government grant of \$1.50 per day, for each patient.

As To Raising Money.

The agreement reached by the finance committees will now be submitted to the city and county councils, and if ratified, an appeal will be made to the Ontario Government for the grant provided for in the act respecting the establishment of sanatoria.

A statement made by City Solicitor Meredith showed that it will be possible to do anything toward the construction of the hospital this year.

He pointed out that it is absolutely necessary that a vote of the people of both municipalities shall be taken on the bylaws before it will be possible to raise a dollar for the hospital, unless special permission is secured from the legislature, and as the body does not meet again until January next, nothing in any event can be done this year.

The agreement will not come before the city council tonight, it is understood, because the city desires that the county shall pass the project before it shall commit itself. If the county council approves of the agreement reached, the city will go ahead and do its share.

It was stated that the site committee has several locations in mind, but that as yet nothing has been decided. The committee were Chairman Stevenson, Ald. Beattie, Ald. Stevenson and City Solicitor Meredith, for the city; Councilors S. F. Glass, R. Jackson, Brown, and County Solicitor Elliott.

"ONLY TWO SIDES IN CONFLICT BETWEEN GOD AND THE DEVIL"

Evangelist Wharton Addresses an Immense Meeting in Jubilee Rink.

If attendance is any criterion from which to judge the success of a religious meeting, the service held in the Jubilee Rink last night by Rev. Dr. Wharton, who is carrying on an Evangelistic campaign in this city, was the most successful in London's history. At eight o'clock the number of persons in the building was as great as at any of the previous meetings, but by the time the churches had been dismissed, the doorways leading into the rink were hardly large enough to comfortably admit the throng of people, old and young, who came flocking from every direction. Within half an hour every seat in the building was occupied, including the galleries at both ends, while hundreds, eager to hear Dr. Wharton's message had taken up the all the available space of standing room. Perhaps never before in the history of this city, was any speaker greeted with such an immense audience.

The choir, too, was in keeping with the attendance, and by the time the service began, it was nearly one hundred and seventy-five strong. The sight presented from the speaker's platform, must have been most inspiring. In front there was a perfect sea of people, filling all the seating accommodation on the great floor, while on every side could be seen scores of faces peering out from behind the great wooden pillars which support the sides of the rink and behind which wide passages have been made.

Then behind was the choir in its elevated loft, while still higher up the great balcony was packed to overflowing. At the far end of the rink, the other huge gallery was also crowded.

The meeting was opened with the singing of several familiar gospel hymns by the choir, the choruses being taken up with great spirit by the congregation. Rev. E. B. Lancelley led "The opening prayer, after which Messrs. St. George and Herbert rendered a cornet and piano duet, the well-known "Glory Song." When it came to the chorus, the great audience would join in and the effect was most inspiring.

Dr. Wharton's Address.

Dr. Wharton began by saying: "Here are a few words from the lips of our Master on the night before He was crucified: 'Let not your heart be troubled; ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so I would have told you, and I go to prepare a place for you, and I go to prepare a place for you. I will come again and receive you unto myself; that where I am ye may be also. And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know.'" After reading these words from John, chapter xiv, Dr. Wharton called upon Mr. Albert Greenlaw to sing, and he responded with a delightful rendering of "Were You There?" Mr. Greenlaw has long been known to Londoners as one of the best of baritone soloists and was at one time a member of that world-famous musical organization, the First Jubilee Choir. Last night he simply excelled himself, and the way in which his rich, full voice was appreciated could easily be read in the faces of the audience.

When the singer had finished, Dr. Wharton, rising to his feet, said: "And the glory of it all, my friends, is that everyone who believes in our Savior and trusts in Him for salvation, was there. They were not there themselves, but they were represented there by their substitute, Jesus Christ."

Christian Co-Operation.

Before continuing his discourse, Dr. Wharton took occasion to express his heartfelt thanks for the way in which the preaching and many of the church-workers of the city had assisted him in his work. He then expressed a regret that there were many regular attendants at the meetings who did not do their share. These people, he exhorted to enter into the good work with all their hearts, and to try to induce all those with whom they came in contact to accept Christ as their personal savior.

He then made the announcement for the week, stating that the meetings would be continued as usual, and that at the afternoon meetings he

would preach a series of sermons on "Religion in the Home," commencing tomorrow afternoon with "A Praying Mother, and Her Devil-Possessed Child."

Rev. T. T. Shields then presented the financial side of the campaign to the people, pointing out that the cost of the whole enterprise would be in the neighborhood of \$1,500, and that at the present rate, about \$100 a day would be necessary in order to have accounts balance at the end of the series. He made a strong appeal to Christians to be liberal.

Only Two Sides.

"Who is on the Lord's side let him come forth now," (Exodus, xxxii, 26), was Dr. Wharton's text, which he spoke in part as follows: "Jesus Christ says that there are only two sides—God's side and the devil's side. He also says that he who is not for him is against him. If you are not on Christ's side, then your influence is against Christ. A great conflict is going on right here in our midst. The Lord's hosts, led by Christ, are attacking the forces of evil and the power of the devil. Those Christians who fail to take a hand in this struggle are throwing their influence against Christ and his kingdom."

"I think I can hear someone asking, 'Mr. Preacher, what does it mean to be on Christ's side?' It means, my dear friend, that you are to believe in Christ and try to do what he tells you to do—to be willing to stand up before the world and confess him, and to let it be known that you are trying to obey his commands. Some will ask what use it is being on the Lord's side. I ask, what use is it being on the devil's side?"

A Comparison.

Dr. Wharton then went on to point out that many consider it is a great advantage to be on the devil's side, because they can throw aside the commands of the Bible and tramp all that is good under foot. "Is there any advantage in being able to trample the Bible under foot?" he asked. "The man who is on God's side is on the side of virtue against vice, of right against wrong, of God against the devil; and it is not something to be on the right side? If you will tonight take your stand on the Lord's side, then you will be able to use his influence. You can also claim his protection."

"If you are not on the Lord's side, God is against you, for he is against all evil. When on God's side you can claim God's protection. I tell you, when a poor sinner comes to Christ for protection, he is wrapped in the blood-stained banner of the cross about him, and then all hell cannot harm him."

"If you are on the Lord's side when you come to die you will leave this world with a shout of triumph and joy. That is the Christian's death."

Two Pictures.

Two pictures, one of a man who was on the Lord's side, and the other of a man who was on the devil's side, were presented by the speaker. The first was that of a man who, while riding in a train, took a flask from his pocket and asked a small boy if he "ever indulged," thus tempting him to drink and possibly become a drunkard. While speaking of the great evil done by strong drink, Dr. Wharton congratulated the citizens of London on the way in which the traffic in liquor is kept in check here, and expressed the hope that some day it would be wiped out of the city entirely. The terrible responsibility rests on the person who entices a young person to begin the use of intoxicating liquor, which is liable to destroy all that is best in them, was then pointed out by the speaker, who referred to the passage in God's Word, "Woe unto him who putteth the bottle to his neighbor's lips."

The second picture was that of a man uplifting those who were down-fallen and suffering—or the man who was on the Lord's side. At the close of the meeting, Rev. Mr. Rollins offered up short prayer, after which Mr. Albert Greenlaw sang "Tell Mother I'll Be There." When the solo was over, Dr. Wharton asked all those who were not church members, but believed on Christ as their Saviour, and were willing to follow him, to stand up. A large number stood, both old and young.

The benediction was pronounced and while the singing of a hymn was in progress all those who did not wish to stay went out, but a very large number remained to the after-meeting, which lasted for about fifteen minutes. Mr. Greenlaw, whose singing proved such a treat, and so great a help to the service, will sing at the rest of the services this week.

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Instrument to Drive People to Frivolity, Declares King Street Pastor.

"There is a whole, wide world between frivolity and a truly buoyant heart," said Mr. James Rollins, pastor of the King Street Presbyterian Church, last night.

Mr. Rollins was speaking on the subject of frivolity, and he declared that to be a light-weight is one thing, and to be light-hearted is another. "Many a solemn face is a mask for a petty soul," he added.

"If cheap merriment be the meaning of true happiness, be flippant to your heart's content. But it does not. Therefore, do not be flippant; do not be frivolous."

"A lifeless and lifeless congregation, where the great mysteries are never glorified, and where heaven's own brightness never shines, where to sing too beautifully is a crime—a congregation like that is the best instrument Satan ever had to drive one into frivolity."

"I want a church here that shall be reverent, but bright; I want a church that shall be deep, but happy; I want a church that will be true to the future as well as to the past. I want the young people who come here to realize that life is deep, that life is wonderful, that God is high, and if I can build that Jacob's ladder even in a dream, I am opening the way for the young people to the very feet of Jesus Christ."

"The fact is, life is too stern, even too sad, to be carried through successfully by the frivolous spirit. If there were no tears, no trials, no sorrows, no death, a frivolous spirit might be equal to the task of living, but when trials are never far away, no matter how light-hearted you and I may be for the moment, when the day after tomorrow may see any one of us standing beside an open grave, we feel that we need a sterner, a stronger, spirit than the spirit of frivolity to bring us successfully through to the end."

"Frivolity is condemned because Jesus Christ has mightily increased the seriousness of life."

"Young man and woman, you know that I do not want you to be solemn. You know that if there is anything objectionable to me it is to see young people trying to make their faces long and solemn. I do not want you to be solemn."

"Most of the so-called solemnity is a solemn farce. I do not want you to be dull. I want your sky to be as bright as heaven itself, but as you have a life to live and a death to die, do not cultivate a spirit that makes life a weight on you."

Rev. Dr. Wharton is following a new means of reaching the men of the city. At noon today he addressed a large number of the Grand Trunk car works employees at the shops on Campbell street, and on Wednesday at noon he will speak to the employees at the McClary Company's new works in the south end. It is quite likely that he will speak at other large shops before completing his five weeks' campaign.

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