



HE WAS IN A BANK.

ROMANTIC ETHEL—"I fear you cannot return the wealth of love I have confided to your care."

PRACTICAL JIM—"Not on demand, but it's all well invested. No occasion for a panic."

ERASTUS WIMAN'S CASE.



OUT ON BAIL.

well founded, there are a good many tolerably law-abiding citizens both in the States and Canada, who will contemplate the "turning down" with complacency. While it is not to be denied that Wiman was at least technically guilty of forgery, nobody seems to think of him as a forger morally, and although his acts made him liable to punishment at the hands of the law, there is a wide spread belief that some punishment very far short of five years and six months in Sing Sing would sufficiently vindicate the majesty of Justice. It was by no means made clear that the forgery of which he was convicted was committed with a criminal intent to deceive; this, in fact, is the point now to be reheard by the Court, as we understand it. But the real basis of the wide sympathy felt for Wiman is the unquestionable excellence of his life and character up to the time of this difficulty. It may be admitted that he had an unusual amount of self-conceit, and that his ambition was so great as to amount almost to madness; but it is equally true that he had a heart as great and as tender as ever beat in a human bosom. Apart from his weaknesses—which were not in themselves odious—he was a good man, and his record of good and disinterested deeds is something which it

is right at this time to remember. Added to the punishment he has already endured in the loss of fortune and home and the social humiliation he has suffered, the lightest possible sentence will suffice in the minds even of those who are jealous for the claims of justice.

SUBMITTED TO THE CONVENTION.

M R. GRIP has of course long been a tribune of the people, but hitherto he has regarded his functions as being restricted to the political and social realms. It would appear, however, that there are some who are disposed to magnify his office, and make it include morals and religion as well—some who would exalt him into gigantic Inspector Archabold, as it were. From such a citizen comes the letter quoted in part below. The case mentioned ought certainly to be dealt with, and this alleged man ought in some way to be brought to a sense of his meanness, but GRIP feels that the application of the necessary discipline is rather out of his line. He cannot think of any better plan than to submit the matter, as a detail of practical Christianity, to the Baptist convention. Perhaps some of the speakers may find a useful text in the letter, which without further preface, we print:

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DEAR GRIP,

As your publication is a power for good in this Dominion, I would suggest a subject for a first-class cartoon.

There is a large class of persons who profess to be Christians, who take a showy part in prayer meetings, churches, and all kinds of religious meetings, who make what might be termed a loud-mouthed profession, but who, in every-day life, deny that profession. I believe that you would be doing a good service to real religion, by exposing that class or showing persons who act in that way to themselves.

I know of one person here, (and no doubt there are many others, but this case I know personally) a man who



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FORWARD CHILD (giving an alms)—"Oh, ma, he's got a reg'lar Charlie on his back, hasn't he?"