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The gangsters frowned, then the leader stepped forward.

"Okay. We need your help. You'll have to stick with us whether you like it or not."

The native men thereupon were forced to assist in transporting ninety kegs of rum from the hide. The idiom that the fortunes of war are very often with the wicked held good in this instance. For these high-handed brigands were not once molested or questioned by the police.

The young men, whom they had commandeered, had parked their Chevrolet car some distance away. Driven by the owner the car, with twelve loads, was taken across the thin ice. Miraculously he escaped death during these perilous excursions, and lived to recount later his enforced participation.

Across the lake two high-powered cars waited to receive the illicit liquor. Making two trips to various points along

the road the men soon concluded their mission and the rum was confined to new caches.

By posing as policemen the hi-jackers had accomplished the impossible. They had located the old cache, removed the contents to new hiding-places, commandeered the assistance of near-by residents,—all without the slightest interference from the police.

In justification to the Force it is well to note that the schedule of the patrols in that vicinity did not coincide with the activities of the lawbreakers. The gods seemed to favour the criminals.

It was subsequently learned that several homesteaders, upon hearing of the proceedings, attempted to indulge in a little private hi-jacking to the tune of one keg per. Their efforts were unsuccessful, and resulted in 'shiners' and sore jaws.

The police learned all this, but the most difficult part of the case was yet