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SCOURING BOSTON FOR WOMAN FAGIN

She Is Teaching Little Girls To Be Thieves

TAKES ALL THEY PILFER

Money For Candy Their Reward— Twelve Year Old Child Arrested After Operating Like Trained Criminal

Boston, Feb. 28.—Boston is being raked by the police for a female Fagin, whose work in teaching little girls to steal is said to put the exploits of Dickens' notorious criminal character in the shade.

The officers, who have been looking about in a quiet way for some time for a West End woman "cook-master," through whose agency many small girls, too young to hold, have recently got in trouble, they say they have been stimulated to greater activity by the arrest of twelve-year-old Jennie Desalvo of 151 Leveitt street, who was charged with stealing the pocketbook of Miss John DeJong of Dorchester, in a Washington street department store.

The little girl operated with all the skill of a trained criminal. It was only by luck she was caught by Special Officer Carey. She had been arrested before on charge of stealing toy balloons in a department store.

In the story she sobbed out to the police was that a "big girl" had threatened to kill her if she did not steal the balloons. Jennie used a muff to cover the movement of her hands in "snatching" the pocketbook, in a way that showed she must have been cleverly instructed. She had the handbag of Mrs. DeJong open and the pocketbook out before the latter realized what was happening.

Jennie's father and mother are aiding the police in their hunt for the woman, who, they believe, enticed their daughter into crime.

The cleverness of the mysterious woman thief teacher lies largely, according to the police, in her selection of her little human tools. She takes innocent-looking girls and teaches them stealing as kindergarten teachers instruct their pupils in novel and fascinating games. They become so fascinated that they take delight in "playing the new tricks" they have been taught.

She takes everything they pick up and in return gives them money to buy candy. "The little boys and girls are so small that even when they are caught they do not get into serious trouble, all being released on probation and left free to be inveigled into renewed thieving, just as the Desalvo girl was."

BARKER TELLS HOW HE CAME TO BE IN A FIGHTING CASE

William Barker and Edward Ramsay were arrested last night charged with fighting just beyond the Marsh bridge. Barker said that he had not been drinking. He said he saw Ramsay and another man in an encounter. He knew Ramsay and, seeing that the other man had him down, he interfered. After helping his friend of the burden of the unknown man, he went to pick him up when Ramsay, thinking his rescuer was the man who had attacked him, turned on him. Barker said he did what he would to defend himself, and consequently the two men were arrested.

They were fined \$20 each and were allowed to go on suspended sentence. Neither knew who the third man was. It was through by Ramsay that he was employed at Courtyard Bay.

BOUQUET IN HONOR OF CORYR LAW'S VICTORY

A handsome bouquet of flowers was presented to Mrs. E. A. Sturdee in the Union Depot today by J. V. McLennan in behalf of the N. B. Kennel Club in recognition of her fine Irish setter "Coryr Law" having captured so many signal honors at the show in New York. Mrs. Sturdee returned home today. The dog show, she said, was a great success and the entries remarkably large. There were a great number of famous animals exhibited and much interest in the event. The presentation of the bouquet to Mrs. Sturdee was a graceful act of recognition.

WEATHER BULLETIN

Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stupart, director of meteorological service.

Synopsis—Pressure is quite low over the northern portion of Ontario and Quebec, with a moderate cold westward breeze with great rapidity of the west fair weather prevails generally.

Snow Tomorrow and Colder. Maritime—Strong south to southwest wind, fair and mild today. Sunday, snow winds, shifting to west and north, cold strong bursts and becoming colder.

Road Houses Closed

Officials Notify Proprietors, and The Hint is Accepted—This Time is Final, Is the Declaration

The lid is on and organized vice no longer flourishes in the suburbs of this city. Without blare of trumpets or unnecessary notoriety but quietly and effectively all the houses of ill-fame outside the city limits have been closed and this time, it is asserted, they will remain closed.

When the matter was brought before the Municipal Council at the last meeting of that body it was referred to a committee consisting of Warden McLellan, Councillor Shillington and County Secretary Kelley. Since then the committee has been securing evidence and arranging their plans in case a battle, legal or otherwise, would be necessary. Before taking such steps, however, it was decided that it would be better to dispose of the matter quietly if that method could be made effective and thus avoid the expense and unpleasantness of raids and unsavory court proceedings.

With this in view the warden and county secretary drove around to the three houses last evening and notified the owners that they must close and that if they did not do so immediately rigorous steps would be taken to force them to do so. It was made clear that the authorities meant business and the hint was sufficient. All the houses were immediately closed and today most of the inmates left the city. A close watch will be kept and any attempt to re-open will be dealt with summarily.

Y. W. C. A. MAY BE ORGANIZED FOR ST. JOHN; SECRETARY HERE

Miss Kate Lane, city secretary of the Young Women's Christian Association, Toronto, has been in the city for the last three days for the purpose of arousing interest in the formation of a branch of the association here. Miss Jamieson, daughter of the late Mr. Jamieson, who was here about a year ago and it was as a result of her report that the necessity of an institution of this kind that Miss Lane came to St. John.

While here Miss Lane met members of the King's Daughters, as well as of the Girls' Association and talked the matter over with them. She explained that so long as there was an institution such as the King's Daughters in the city, the Y. W. C. A. would make no move toward establishing here, but it was the opinion of the ladies who met Miss Lane that, should the Y. W. C. A. decide to open a branch here, the King's Daughters would be asked to discontinue their association, which is associated with them, would give way to the new organization. No definite action has yet been taken, but it is expected that a building capable of accommodating sixty girls will be secured.

Miss Lane left on the noon train for Halifax on the same mission.

MRS. OAKES OF P. E. ISLAND BURNED TO DEATH IN HER HOME

Rev. Mr. Bynon, Baptist Clergyman in New Brunswick, is Brother

Charlotte, P. E. I., Feb. 28.—Mrs. George Oakes, a widow aged sixty, was burned to death last night in her home on T'ron. She was alone, her daughter being in church. About nine o'clock a neighbor heard a woman's screams and saw fire through the kitchen window. He found Mrs. Oakes enveloped in flames. He fought to extinguish them with a mat but soon after the woman expired. Death was hastened by the shock as the body was not so badly burned as expected. The fire was evidently caused by the fall or explosion of a lamp. It lay in fragments on the floor.

Mrs. Oakes was formerly Miss Bynon and has a brother, a Baptist clergyman in New Brunswick.

REFUSES TO DISCUSS THE APPLICATION FOR WINDING UP MAY QUEEN COMPANY

In the matter of the May Queen Steamship Co., Ltd., Mr. Justice McKeown gave judgment this morning, refusing to dismiss the application for the winding up of the company under the provincial act, on account of the capital being impaired to the extent of 25 per cent, made on petition of Keith A. Barber, one of the shareholders; but allowing time to the shareholders opposing the application to offer evidence or determine whether or not they would appeal. The hearing was adjourned until March 18. J. B. M. Baxter, K.C., and Francis Kerr are appearing in support of the petition, and D. Mullin, K.C., and G. H. V. Belyea contra.

Judge Jones has delivered judgments in two cases tried before him some time ago.

In the case of Albert J. Harris vs. Thomas E. Powers, an action under the mechanics' lien act, judgment was given in favor of the claimant for \$138. The amount claimed was \$176. D. Mullin, K.C., appeared for the plaintiff, and Pickett and Lewin for the defendants.

In the case of Howard B. Whitcomb vs. Albert J. Harris, and the York and Cornwall Cotton Mills, and an action under the mechanics' lien act, judgment was reserved on the point. H. V. Belyea appeared for the plaintiff, and D. Mullin, K.C., for Mr. Harris.

MRS. ANNIE CRONK

The death of Mrs. Annie Cronk, widow of Zebulon Cronk, occurred this morning at her home, 8 Brussels street, after a short illness. She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. David McCrossin of this city, and Mrs. Sarah Sheehan of New York, and two sons, both of New York, Mrs. Patrick Johnson and Mrs. James McInerney. The funeral will be held on Monday morning to the Cathedral.

THE MACKINTOSH SETS DOG WATCH ON SUFFRAGETTES

New York, N. Y., Feb. 28.—A London cable to the "Tribune" says that recent activities of the suffragettes in Scotland are being met by remarkable precautions. The Mackintosh of Mackintosh has initiated a system of dog guards at his home, Moy Hall, Inverness, where some of the finest Jacobite relics are kept.

The dogs raise the alarm on the approach of any person during day or night. Since the Mackintosh began this system of dog guards, other owners of houses have decided to do the same.

New Evidence in Becker Case

Schepps Said To Have Held Open Door of "Murder Car" While Rosenthal Was Shot

New York, Feb. 28.—That Sam Schepps held open the door of the "murder car" while gunmen shot down Herman Rosenthal, a gambler, is part of the newly discovered evidence that will be presented at the second trial of Charles Becker, according to a statement made today by Joseph A. Shay, attorney for the former police lieutenant.

Schepps, it is said by Mr. Shay, stood on the running board of the automobile, while it was waiting across the street from the Hotel Metropole, where the murder of Rosenthal occurred. Mr. Shay would not say definitely whether Becker's attorney had declared that he did not hope to prove that Schepps was a witness testify that several meetings spoken of by Schepps, Harry Vallon and Jack Rose, in their testimony at the trial, and at which Becker was said to have made the arrangements for the killing, were in fact held at the Hotel Metropole.

Witnesses will be produced, said Mr. Shay, who would testify that Becker was in a different room at the time of the alleged conference.

Lefty Louis Rosenberg, one of the four Becker gunmen, who will die in the electric chair on April 18, made a statement last night through his attorney, which he denied that he and his companions would try to throw the entire blame for the killing upon Becker.

Attorney Walle declared that he had but two moves left in the fight to save the gunmen's lives. After a death sentence has been affirmed by the court of appeals, said he, the only ways in which a man can be saved from death in the electric chair is by executive clemency or through the agency of newly discovered evidence. "I will not say positively that I have newly discovered evidence, but I have newly discovered evidence which I will not say what the next move will be."

Canada and States TO HELP BUILD NEW B. C. RAILWAY LINE

McBride Announces Project to Members of the Legislature

Victoria, B. C., Feb. 28.—Sir Richard McBride, premier of British Columbia, said to the legislature yesterday: "I believe that the time has now come for the building of a railway through northern British Columbia to the Yukon and Alaska, and I may say that the authorities at Washington and Ottawa have both gone so far as to endorse heartily some project of co-operation in the building of this line."

The premier said that the project was too expensive for the province to take up single handed, but that it "lay within the strength of Washington and Ottawa and he would be glad to endorse it, and to give it his complete support within the next few years."

HUSBAND GROOMSMAN AT MARRIAGE OF OTHER MAN TO HIS WIFE

Perjury, Bigamy and Conspiracy in Case Before Ontario Court

Brucebridge, Ont., Feb. 28.—Peter Stark was sentenced yesterday to eight years in the penitentiary for perjury, bigamy and conspiracy in an action to have his wife and Stark married, was allowed out on suspended sentence.

The husband went with Stark to get the marriage license, and even acted as groomsman for the man who was marrying his wife.

HEINZE SUES C. W. MORSE

New York, Feb. 28.—F. Augustus Heinze has obtained a supreme court order permitting him to serve summonses on Charles W. Morse by publication or through the mails, in an action to recover \$897,287 from him with interest from January 8, 1909. He and Morse both figured in the failure of banks after the financial panic of 1907.

Morse went to prison and was pardoned. The complaint sets forth that on or about January 8, 1908, an account was started between the men and that Heinze was agreed to pay for the same. It was balanced, Morse owed Heinze the amount now sued for. The complaint says Morse agreed to pay this and that he is now in Europe.

TRAINS MUCH DELAYED

Passengers on the New Brunswick Southern train due in West St. John at 1:30 o'clock last evening were delayed in arrival until about four o'clock this morning. The engine broke down near Bonny River. There were quite a number of passengers aboard and anxiety prevailed in some homes until definite news of the accident was received.

British Columbia Liberals

Vancouver, B. C., Feb. 28.—Expressing confidence in two leaders, H. Brewster and M. A. Macdonald, the Liberal party in convention here concluded its business. A resolution was passed condemning Sir Richard McBride for his attitude in the Vancouver Island coal strike troubles.

ALLOWED TO GO

The two girls charged with street walking were given their liberty yesterday on condition that they leave the city.

PER CAPITA DEBT OF ST. JOHN IS SMALLEST IN DOMINION SAVE THAT OF TOWN OF GLACE BAY

Average of All Towns and Cities of Canada With 10,000 People or More is \$103, But St. John's is Only \$23—Halifax Three Times as Large

A striking illustration of the conservatism which has governed the expenditure of civic funds in St. John and the soundness of the city's financial position is given by a study of the net per capita debt of the cities and towns of more than 10,000 population of Canada as prepared by John Appleton for McLean's Magazine. According to these figures St. John's per capita debt is less than that of any other city or town in the Dominion, with the exception of Glace Bay, N. S., which is only slightly lower.

While the average sum for which each resident of an urban community in Canada, if the municipal debt were divided equally, would be liable is \$103 the residents of St. John would face an obligation of only \$23 each. In other municipalities the amount would be all the way up to \$280 per capita, the average figure being held by Port Grey, B. C.

The average debt of large cities in the United States is equal to less than \$50 a head, and therefore less than half the average for Canadian cities. In the figures given it will be observed that the highest averages are in the west, where cities have sprung up rapidly and where they have been provided in a few years with public facilities which older communities have secured only after scores of years. The western spirit of rivalry and the desire to attract new residents by the material evidence of progress also helps to account for their large expenditures.

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NEW CONTRACTORS START WHARF WORK

The Maritime Dredging and Construction Co. this morning started work on their contract for the new wharves and piers at West St. John. Men were put at work leveling No. 8 crib in preparation for the concrete work. A large crew of men will be put to work Monday morning when the work will be pushed along as fast as possible.

FEDERAL LEAGUE TO DIVIDE PLAYERS AMONG EIGHT CLUBS TODAY

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 28.—Division of about 200 baseball players among the eight clubs of the circuit, will be made today by the owners and managers of the Federal League.

About half of the 200 players who have been signed by the Federal League have already been placed. Included in the roster are said to be many big league men.

Mordcai Brown of St. Louis, and George Sloviter of Kansas City, the first managers to submit a complete list of ball players to the club owners.

Reports that Hal Chase, the Chicago Sox's first baseman, was wavering in his mind as to whether to join the Sox and joining the Federals could not be confirmed. Stories from the coast indicated that Chase was "holding out."

Cleveland, Ohio, Feb. 28.—The regulars of the Cleveland American League team left at noon today for their spring training camp at Athens, Ga. The recruits and Manager Birmingham went there several weeks ago.

PRaise FOR CHAMBERLAIN AND COMPTROLLER OF ST. JOHN

The Canadian Courier pays a well deserved tribute to the chamberlain and comptroller of St. John in reference to the publication of civic accounts. Their comment, under the heading "A model civic balance sheet" is as follows: "Every treasurer of a town or city in Canada might well take the statement recently issued by the City of St. John, N. B., as a model. Their appropriations for the year 1913 are shown in seven different columns, which are headed as follows: 1. Amount expended. 2. Income. 3. Expenditure with income deducted. 4. Limit of expenditure over income. 5. Unexpected balances of appropriations. 6. Taxes collected against limit of expenditure. 7. Unexpected balances in cash. This table shows at a glance what is spent on each department, and how closely each department came to its appropriations. Every department showed a balance on hand at the end of the year. The total surplus for the year was over one hundred thousand dollars, showing that the city is well managed. Perhaps the fact that St. John was the first city in Canada to adopt the commission form of government in 1912 found that nearly every department overran its appropriations during that year, and there was an overdraft or deficit of six or seven hundred thousand dollars."

OPPOSES PLACING BUFG OF WASHINGTON IN THE ABBEY

London Outlook Says to Be Logical One of Kruger Also Should Be There

London, Feb. 28.—The "Outlook" opposes the suggestion made by the "Observer" that a bust of George Washington be placed in Westminster Abbey. The adoption of this suggestion would be the conversion of the abbey into a shrine of permanent, visible outrage upon all loyal inhabitants of Canada. Are we to have a monument to Washington and none to his victim? Let us be logical and erect another to Paul Kruger, (the late president of the Transvaal republic). He had the same qualifications. Washington was the mortal enemy of England, and persecuted the British population."

AEROPLANE CARRIES TURKS TO DEATH IN HOLY LAND

Constantinople, Feb. 28.—Pethy Bey and Sadiq Bey, two young officers in the Turkish military flying corps, were today charged with attempting to make a flight from Constantinople to Alexandria. Between Damascus and Jerusalem, the aeroplane broke down.

ALLOWED TO GO. The two girls charged with street walking were given their liberty yesterday on condition that they leave the city.

DOCTOR FOX IS SCIENCE MARTYR

Dies of The Bite of Venomous Snake

BITTEN FIVE TIMES

Had Found Cure and Was Experimenting With It But Thought Skin Was Punctured in Only Four Places

Calcutta, Feb. 28.—Dr. Frederick Fox, an Australian scientist, who had devoted his life to the treatment of snake bites, died today as the result of a bite from a snake which he was using for experimental purposes.

Doctor Fox fell a victim while he was attempting to prove the efficacy of what he had said was a sure antidote to the virus of the snake. He had just finished treating a goat which had been bitten and he had succeeded in saving its life, when he was attacked by a deadly krait snake, which is peculiar to British India. The krait is a very venomous reptile, possessing grooved poison fangs and solid upper teeth behind them. During its attack on the doctor the snake inflicted five punctures.

The doctor, who had often voluntarily submitted to snake bites in order to demonstrate the efficacy of his cure, smilingly incised four of the punctures, but the fifth escaped his notice. The day symptoms of poisoning developed. The antidote made by Doctor Fox himself was used, but it was too late and he was added to the roll of martyrs to science.

WILL OF JOHN J. KANE

In the probate court today the will of John J. Kane of Beaconsfield, contractor, was proved. He gives to his son, Charles A. Kane, and to Gertrude, wife of his son, John T. Kane, two frehold lots of land in Carleton, fronting on the City Line Road; to his sons Michael F., James E., and Charles A. Kane, and to his daughter Edie B. Gertrude Kane \$100 each; to Rev. John J. O'Donovan \$100; to his son James E. Kane his interest in construction and holding plant, books, gear and material heretofore used by him in his business, but such not to effect any interest which he may have in deposits on account of contracts, nor profits whether earned or not, which he gives to his wife Rosa; he gives to his wife Rosa for her natural life the residue of his real estate for her support and maintenance, and upon her death to his children, and the rest of his personal property he gives to his wife. He nominates his son James E. executor, and he was accordingly sworn. Real estate consists of lots of land on the west side and in Lancaster valued at \$2,000; personally under \$10,000. Total estate \$12,000. Messrs. Baxter & Logan are probators.

THE WEATHER

After the long stretch of cold weather that has been experienced in the city during the last few weeks, the present warm weather caused a very heavy vapor, which at times last night was almost impenetrable. Between 10 o'clock and midnight a dead calm prevailed. The temperature last night went up as high as the freezing point, 32 degrees above, and the lowest registered last night was twenty-one above. The trees and wires this morning presented a very picturesque appearance. The fog disappeared this morning as soon as the sun appeared.

MAY TRY TOMORROW

On account of the dense vapor on the harbor this morning it is probable that an attempt to raise the sunken dredge Leontide. Weather permitting, the big lift will be taken tomorrow morning.

Helping the Manufacturer Who Helps You

Mr. Merchant—Work with the manufacturer who is enterprising enough to help make a market for you rather than with the one who does nothing.

Of course, you must keep the kind of goods the public want. But where all things are equal you should let it be known that you will be more friendly towards the goods of the man who helps you market them than to the one who stocks up your shelves with his goods and lets you get rid of them the best way you can.

As a rule, advertised goods under a standard name are of better quality than the nondescript kind, because the manufacturer of the former is striving to build a reputation.

When you put your own name on a brand of goods you are pretty certain as to the quality—are you not?

The manufacturer has more at stake than you have. The reason the public favors advertised goods is that it has come to know that advertised brands are usually the best.

The Bureau of Advertising, American Newspaper Publishers Association, World Building, New York, solicits correspondents with manufacturers interested in newspaper advertising and co-operative dealer work.

Booklet on request.