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THE FATE OF CHARLIE ROSS.

Ex-Mayor Briest, of Trenton. Throws Some Light on the

Once Famous Kidnapping Case-Hov the Philadelphia Detectives Made Their Great Mistake.

Ex-Mayor John Briest, of Trenton knows about the kidnaping of Charley Ross. He was brought into the case because it was believed at first that the boy was hidden in or about Tren ton, and the police wanted Mr. Briest's help in searching for him. Yost of his knowledge of the case came from the Philadelphia detec-

"The secret as to who the kidnapers were was confined to the heads of the Philadelphia and New York polive departments, and both supposed that they were on a boat plying either on the Delaware and Raritan or the Pennsylvania Canal, the letters being posted from Trenton, Bristol, New Brunswick and Newark tending to confirm the theory. tives. Mr. Briest says :-

confirm the theory.

"The detectives felt so certain that "The detectives felt so certain that they would have the kidnapers within a few days, and receive the credit and reward, that their identity was kept a close secret among themselves. Had the matter been made as public as was the Cudahy affair, at Omaha, the criminal abductors would have been arrested within a few days by the police officers of Newark, Jersey City or Bayonne. Their theory that the kidnapers were on a boat was correct, but it was not the kind of a boat they were looking for, as it afterward turned out.

"William Mosher and Joseph Douglas were the abductors. They had

"William Mosher and Joseph Douglas were the abductors. They had been peddlers and engaged in an oil and lamp store in Philadelphia, with a branch store in this city in charge of other parties. The wagon was one that had been used in the business. They brought Charley from Germantown to this city over the lower Delaware bridge, and through Bridge street to Hamilton avenue, and across the State to a yacht they had prepared for the purpose on Riritan Bay. The detectives had the right parties but they were on the wrong scent for but they were on the wrong scent for the bout, and the kidnapers kept them so by depositing their letters, in the Trenton Post Office and other

the Trenton Post Office and other cities near it.

"Mosher and Douglas no doubt kept Charley Ross on that boat while they sailed around Newark, Raritan and New York bays and adjacent waters and up the Hudson River on marauding expeditions to maintain themselves. There he was secure from prying eyes and gossipy neighbors.

"Charley Ross died not more than three months after his capture, from neglect, home-sickness and disease, and his little body was buried in the waters of Newark Bay. The body of a boy about his size and age, dressed in clothes too large for him, as if they had been purchased at random, was found floating on the bay, and turned over to the authorities of Jersey City. Mr. Ross was called over to see it, but he failed to identify it as that of his lost child.

his lost child.
"Whather it was the body of the boy whose fate had touched the hearts of millions of mothers and fathers throughout the and I am not prepared to say. But I feel just as certain that that was the end of the unforthat that was the end of the unforthat that was the end of the unforthat that was kidthat that was the end of the unior-tunate boy as I am that he was kid-maped. They did not mean to harm him, but only to hold him, as Pat Crowe did the Cudahy child, until they could get the ransome money in their hands, and then he would have been sent home or placed where he could have reached there.

"William Mosher was a man of ability. He had children of his own whom he leved and for whom he had strive.

loved, and for whom he had striven hard to earn honest dollars, but powerty had been the lot of him and his, and his wife said that they had his, and his wife said that they had always been poor, and he took that means to secure money to secure some of the luxuries of life that others were enjoying, and which he coveted. He had no idea of doing harm to the boy, but thought that he would be ransomed within a very short time. ransomed within a very short time.
"Douglas was only a weak man in
Mosher's hands, and was under his Mosher's heads, and was under his subjection. The mistake of the de-tectives was in the kind of boat the kidnapers were on, and in keeping within themselves the rames and de-scriptions of the abductors. Full and general publicity at the start would have resulted in their capture, and the restoration of the boy to his doving and almost broken-hearted parents.

"On the night of Dec. 14, 1875, Mosher and Douglas broke into the house of Judge Van Brunt, at Bay Ridge, L. I., and were discovered. Mosher was and were discovered. Mosher was shot and killed. As Douglas lay on shot and killed. As Douglas lay on the grass plat where he had been car-ried, wounded unto death, he said:— 'We stole Charley Ross.' He was urged to say more, being assured that Mosher was dead, but he would not believe it, and died before he could again open his lips.

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IN THE AIR.

The Germs of La Grippe are Conveyed Through the Atmosphere.

No one can escape the La Grippe germ when an epidemic of the disease is prevailing the air is laden with it. The reason everyone does not have the disease at the same time is because the persons who are enjoying perfect health are able to successfully resist and throw off the infection, while those who, for any reason are not in the best of health, are ready victims. The first symptoms are those of acute catarrh, resembling a hard cold and if prompt treatment is applied at this time, it can easily be broken up; one of the best remedies at this stage is Stuart's Catarrh Tablets, sold by druggists everywhere and if taken freely, say one tablet every hour or two for two or three days, the danger of pineumonia and serious complicaof pneumonia and serious complica

tions will be averted.

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AT THE THEATRE.

McEwen, the great Scottish hypnotist, who comes to the Grand next Monday night, has had columns of praise accorded him in the eastern cities. Among other

thing the Hamilton Post says: "The tests in mind-reading during his engagement have made those of other per-formers appear as child's play. Some of the most successful were made without muscular contract with the subject, which, when critically considered, is a marvelous

thing indeed.

Among the many amusing tests in hypnotism might be mentioned the fishing scene. This class with all the solemnity of genume fishermen squatted down before the tootlights and quietly fished into the orchestra pit. One of the men had his pole in position when some one gave his line a gentle pull. In an instant he was all attention and with all the stealth of an old fisherman he suddenly gave a quick jerk and fisherman he suddenly gave a quick jerk and pulled up what he evident thought to be a hale Then they all milked cows a the imaginary milk to the audience, flirted with the supposed crowd of girls out for a picnic or cheered on a hockey game or any-thing else that was suggested to them while in that state. It was in this line that Miss Idella Lakin, the Professor's assistant, appeared in such a pleasing manner. While peared in such a pleasing manner. While the idea of a lady hypnotist was new to the people of this city, Miss Lakin has succeed-ed in establishing in the minds of the people a place for a lady performer in this new role. He work received much marited ole. He work received much merited

Perhaps the most wonderful feature of all the entertainments was the hypnotic statuary introduced by Mr. McEwen. It

must be seen to be appreciated.
Columns of space could be devoted to an elaboration of the entertainmen's and theu hardly do the subject justice, but suffice it to say they were all and more than

AGREED ON ONE POINT. The farmer does not always agre The farmer does not always agree with his country cousin, for instance take the patter of tea. The former very seldon drinks anything but green tea, the latter very seldom drinks anything but black tea, but they are both agreed that the purest and most delicious tea in the world whether it be black or green is sold in the well-known packets of the "Salada" Ceylon

HE SIGNED TWO DEATH WARRANTS.

King Fdward Resumes Control Over the Life and Death of the Con-

veek King Elward has signed two death warrants ordering the execution of murderers condemned to capital punishment. This shows that he has resumed one of the most important prerogatives of the Crown, which was surrendered by Queen Victoria shortly surrendered by Queen Victoria shortly after her accession, but only for the duration of her reign, to the Secretary of State to the Home Department.

In all continental monarchial countries it is the sovereign alone who has the right of life and death over his subjects. None can be sent to the scaffold, no matter how he may have been condemned by the courts, until the warrant for his execution has received the rayal sign manual, which ceived the royal sign manual, which

may be withheld on granted as the monarch sees fit.

With this prerogative goes that of clemency, and in resuming the right of signing death warrants, King Edward has likewise resumed the right of granting pardon to eriminals.

The reason this prerogative was surrendered by Queen Vactoria was because, being a young girl, it was regraded as too great a tax upon her feelings to ask her to sign warrants taking the life of her fellow-creatures,

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St. John's, Nfid., Feb. 14.—A lot of wreckage has been found in the vicinity of Bicalieu, a small island to the east of the Avalom peninsula, and at various other points on the south-east of Newfoundland. It is almost certain that the Lucerne was the victim of the disaster near Bacalieu. A message from the agent to the

victim of the disaster near Bacalieu.

A message from the agent to the owners says:—"Unidantified wreckage, the same as Lucerne's fittings, found at Lead Cove." The Lucerne's loss involves thirty lives, 23 of her own crew and seven others, shipwrecked seamen and passengers.

The supposition is that she either burst her boilers and went to pieces or struck the cliffs and foundered. The only fact beyond dispute is that a steamer and crew have perished.

As all the Lucerne's crew resided As all the Lucerne's crew resided here the disaster has appailed the whole community, being the worst whole community, being since the Greenland disaster three

years ago.
It is now feared that another wreck It is now feared that another wreck has occurred, in this case a sailing vessel, as a spar belonging to a three-masted schooner drifted ashore at Blackhead this evening with other wreckage, which it is known to have belonged to the Licerne. This adds to the depression because the vessel may be a local fish-carrying craft, whose loss has involved the lives of another eight or ten residents of St. John's.

KILLING DEER IN THE WATER

While the game laws of Ontario are undergoing their annual amendment the Legislature shou'd put an end to the prac-tice of killing deer in the water. It is not tice of killing deer in the water. It is not sport to be paddled up to a deer that has been hounded into water and to kill the poor brute with a rifle, club or butcher-knife. It may gratify our Anglo-Saxon love of killing, but the most abunuant chariy cannot regard it as sport. Last year the express companies carried 2,032 carcasses of deer. There were 3,559 deer-hunting licenses issued, and 2,065 settlers took out permits to hunt deer. Incomplete returns published in that Game Commiseturns published in that Game Con sion's report show that there were 5,600 leer-hunters in the woods during the fiftee days' open season. A rough estimate, made on the assumption that the laws were generally regarded, places the number of deer killed at 6,500, but there are many who hold that a round ten thousand would

who hold that a round ten thousand would be nearer the actual number.

The figures are sufficiently alarming to warrant some radical change in the law to prevent depletion. The prohibition of hounding has been suggested. That would be retaliation for the settlers, who feel that be retaliation for the settlers, who feel that the laws have been changed from time to time for the benefit of city sports. The average hunter from the city, whose feet entangle in fallen limbs, and who cannot see a deer till it jumps, would stand a poor chance of killing one in fifteen days, or even fifteen weeks, still-hunting. There is a special clause in the game law applicable to the Indian peninsula of Bruce County, mak-ing it illegal to kill deer in the water or immediately after they have landed. This law should be made, applicable to the entire law should be made applicable to the entire Province. Much can be said in favor of genuine sport, but butchery should not be encouraged as a passime. The tendency to substitute the camera for the rifle is growing, and is worthy of all commendation.

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