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Policemen Long To Be Detectives

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pressed, decided to give the fellow a chance.
Policemen on an Inspector's staff are commonly known as plainclothes men, and the work they are called to do is of a somewhat different nature than that of members of the Detective Bureau. The men of the bureau are chiefly interested in investigating such crimes as burglaries, felonious assaults, and murders and in apprehending the perpetrators, whereas the Inspector's men are interested in upholding the morals of the community. It is their duty to see that vice, gambling and kindred crimes are kept down.
The new plainclothes men experiences that he did not encounter on patrol. He becomes thoroughly acquainted with gamblers' methods. He gets to know the tricks they use to hook with the police. It is a common thing for two plainclothes men to engineer a raid by themselves and corral twenty-five or fifty devotees of craps or racing.

A certain plainclothes man, finding no way to enter a Harlem building which a game was in progress, went to the roof and dropped through a skylight into a group of astonished negro crap shooters. The policeman marched his prisoners through the streets to the station house while gazing demurely at the neighborhood looked on. When the prisoners were arraigned in court they made a formidable array. Gazing at them the Magistrate asked the arresting officers to step forward. The single policeman did as requested and the Magistrate asked him where his fellow policemen were. The policeman replied modestly that he was the sole arresting officer.

"What?" the Magistrate exclaimed. "Do you mean to say you arrested this

band all by yourself? How did you do it?"

"I surrounded them, sir," replied the policeman.

Many detectives bear the stamp of their calling, and clever crooks recognize them at sight. Many, however, would never be taken for what they are. Some dress in such a rough fashion that even fellow policemen are unable to recognize them. Then the detective shows his police shield, which he always carries for identification. These rough-looking policemen, because no one would mistake them for "cops," are able to enter places without exciting suspicion and so gain a first-hand knowledge of crooks and their ways.

DISTURB MUSIC LOVERS.

Plainclothesman Watson, of the police force, is performing excellent work in the King square. While automobile horns have become silent during band concerts, the many hundreds of people who gather in the square have been annoyed by the disorderly conduct of young boys, and several girls, who apparently are not present to enjoy the excellent music but to make a playground of the square, chasing one another about the band stand, calling loudly and making such a disturbance that it is very annoying. Last night about 9:30 Officer Watson caught three boys who were the chief disturbers and took them to police headquarters, their names were taken and the largest of the trio is no stranger. Chief of Police Smith gave them a severe lecture and allowed them to go. It is said that one of the forms of amusement to young boys is to stick pins into girls as they promenade through the walks. The Chief of Police is sincere, when he states that all disorderly boys and girls will in the future be taken into custody, and the youngsters can take this as a final warning.

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Howe and elsewhere, which were to many present news and highly interesting. In conclusion, he exhorted all to continue to live in the fear and love of God, and promised them that during his existence as a mortal he would ever continue to pray for them, and asked that they remember him in their prayers.
Following a selection by the band, those present were given an opportunity of meeting Father Bergmann.
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