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HENRY BLAIR

Forty Years in the public
Service—the Evening Telegram.

Bogus Sleuths.

Fraudulent Private Inquiry Agents and Detectives.

The private detective and inquiry agent is a useful man on occasions. Unfortunately, however, he numbers in his ranks many rogues whose sphere is the reverse of useful to the public.

There are numerous rascals in this profession who find that they can make much more profit through being unscrupulous in their dealings with the public than if they conducted a legitimate inquiry business.

The bogus private detective finds blackmail a very lucrative side-line to his other nefarious schemes. One may recall the case of Kimpton's Private Detective Agency, which occupied the attention of the Courts some time ago. Three men trading under the above name, and describing themselves as "inquiry agents" and having a "unique secret service," were found guilty of extorting money from a countess. In addition, one of the "detectives" took from her a chain and pendant, worth £65, "for expenses."

Blackmailing Blackmailers. The description given in his booklets by Kimpton's Private Detective Agency of the manner in which it dealt with blackmailers was significant:

"If one shady passage in the blackmailer's life is known, the victim's course is easy. Kimpton's method is to find out the blackmailer's weak spot and play on that. Kimpton's specialise in the blackmailing of blackmailers. They say that if you are blackmailed by someone, 'We will find out something about his life and blackmail him in return.'"

Apparently, Kimpton's found it equally effective to blackmail their own clients! Two other so-called private detectives were sentenced at the Old Bailey for a similar offence—demanding money with menaces. In this case a Canadian was robbed of a mass of correspondence, a photograph, a portfolio, and an address book. The two private detectives, named Marshall and Butler, got hold of the letters and visited their intended victim. Their plan was to make certain allegations against the Canadian with regard to a young woman known to the latter.

Posed as a Detective. A bogus detective's terrorism of wives was detailed when James Egan was accused, at the Tower Bridge Court, of obtaining money from married women by posing as a detective. Mr. Plevier, who prosecuted, told how Egan called on Mrs. E. L., of Lambeth. "He told her he was a detective," said Mr. Plevier, "and said her husband was in trouble over an I.O.U. Unless she could give him £2 10s. he was going to arrest Mr. L. at his work. He obtained 10s. from Mrs. L."

He then visited Mrs. O. M., of Walworth, and said he had some bad news to tell her. "I am a detective," he said. "You have a very bad husband. I have just taken him to the police station. He has taken £5 from his place of business." He suggested that if Mrs. M. had £5 he could take it to her husband to enable him to repay the money. All she had was seven shillings. Egan took that, and also tried to take her wedding ring. After attempting to attack her he hurried away.

Connected Evidence.

It is because there are so many black sheep among private sleuths that their evidence in divorce and other cases is always looked askance at in the Law Courts. Often their evidence is concocted on behalf of their clients. By various ruses and underhand methods, the unscrupulous sleuth will see to it that his client has the evidence he desires, providing he pays for it, and also providing that the other side do not offer better terms for the suppression of such evidence! Certain private detectives are not above working hand-in-hand with both sides, for by this means they are naturally able to fill their pockets quicker.

In connection with connected evidence against the "other side," an incident that occurred some time ago may be cited. A husband who proved himself a blackguard wished to obtain a divorce from his young wife. But he knew nothing whatever against her, her character being unimpeachable. So he went to a private detective, whose advertisement he had seen in a newspaper, and asked his advice. As a result of their conference, the detective agreed, for a certain sum, to arrange that the lady was compromised.

Working Hand-in-Hand.

A few nights later the detective hid himself in the wife's bedroom. After she had retired, he emerged from his hiding-place. At that—the pre-arranged moment—the husband entered the room and accused his wife of unfaithfulness. Thus he obtained evidence for his divorce.

In blackmailing cases a detective of this description has been known to approach the blackmailer, ostensibly on behalf of his client, but really to suggest a scheme whereby they may work hand-in-hand to fleece the victim.

Don't Run Risks.

Another side-line found to be lucrative by many private inquiry agents who are not too conscientious in money lending. Once the unsuspecting client has borrowed their money he is more

than ever in the hands of such men.

Let it be repeated that, in spite of the unscrupulous private detectives, there are many who carry on a legitimate business. So, should it be necessary to enlist the aid of a private inquiry agent, the only safe method is to go to one who has been recommended by a solicitor or by Scotland Yard. Some others may be safe, but many risks are run by consulting them until it has been found that they are above reproach in all their dealings. —Tit-Bits.

From Street Hawker to Baronet.

Sir James Hill, Bart., a prince of the wool trade, ex-Lord Mayor of Bradford, and one of the wealthiest men in England, began his business life as a hawker.

At ten years of age he was the main support of a blind grandfather. Twice a week he went with his grandfather from Haden, his native village, to Bradford, to buy vegetables, and these he sold from door to door in his own neighborhood.

It was a humble sort of calling, but Sir James admits that it was during those early business deals with keen market salesmen that he acquired the shrewdness and knack of bargaining that stood him in such good stead later in life.

Two years afterwards his mother, a hard-working woman, anxious for his welfare, told him he must learn a trade. After working for a short time as an errand-boy in a mill, he was apprenticed to a wool-sorter. His employer had quaint ideas of teaching him his business, for young Hill spent much of his time doing household work. Cleaning boots, fetching water—any odd job fell to his lot.

But this humdrum existence did not fit in with the boy's determination to make good, and before long he went to another mill, where he began to learn weaving. There he remained a few years.

Meanwhile, he had realized the value of thrift. His firm intention was, sooner or later, to be his own master.

Sir James himself relates what a herculean task the raising of his first £50 was. "That £50," he says, "was the hardest struggle to save money I ever had. Once I got that sum it was a comparatively easy matter to increase my banking account."

The foundation of his fortune was laid in those dreary days when, with his donkey and cart, he went from street to street selling cabbage. Every copper that could be spared was carefully put away. As an apprentice and afterwards when his earnings were larger, always a proportion of his wages was placed in the bank. "Often," he says, "the temptation to break into my savings was strong within me, but I steadfastly kept my goal in view."

When young Hill blossomed out as a wood-merchant, his first precious £50 was invested in the business. "But one of my principal assets," he says, "was an unlimited amount of confidence."

His reward came when, having in due course obtained a position as a buyer and salesman, he was able to demand £1,000 a year or threaten to set up business on his own account in competition.

Sir James Hill is one of those men whose motto in life is, "Work hard, save, and put a proper value on yourself." When therefore, while still a young man he conceived the idea that the work he was doing was worth £1,000 a year, he decided to ask for it. His master, a bluff old Yorkshireman, laughed heartily. "Nay, lad," he said, "I'm noan bahn to gi' thee that."

"Well," replied young Hill, "I shall leave and start business for myself in opposition to you if you don't."

"Get on wi' it, my lad," was the retort. "I'll three weeks that'll be back again asking for the job, an' that won't get it."

But his gloomy prophecy was not fulfilled. There is no doubt that, in addition to confidence, Hill displayed an extraordinary degree of commercial ability, for his progress was amazing. The crowning event of his remarkable business career came when he formed one of a syndicate which recently took over the huge Saltaire Mills, founded many years ago by the famous Sir Titus Salt. He is now chairman of the concern.

Busy as he is, Sir James has found time to devote to the interests of his fellow-citizens. Only such a man, with his boundless energy and enthusiasm for whatever he undertakes, could have raised £100,000 for a new infirmary during his term of office as Lord Mayor. That sum included a handsome donation from his own purse. This merchant prince, who was once a hawker, has also had the distinction of representing Central Bradford in Parliament.

The general feeling, when his baronetcy was conferred in 1916, was that the seal had been set upon one of the most remarkable careers in the kingdom.

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PUBLIC NOTICE.

Tuberculosis Sanatorium

TO PAINTERS.

Sealed tenders will be received at the office of this Department until noon of Monday, the 25th day of August inst., for painting work to be done in connection with the new Addition to the Sanatorium. Tenders to be enclosed in a sealed envelope upon which shall be written the words "Tender for Painting Sanatorium Addition." This envelope to be enclosed in another which shall also contain a money guarantee or approved accepted cheque of the value of five per cent. of the amount of the tender as security for the approved fulfilment of the contract in the event of the acceptance of the tender. This envelope to be addressed to the Minister of Public Works. Specification may be seen at the office of the Superintendent of Public Works during office hours. The Government will not be bound to accept the lowest or any tender.

By order,
JAMES HARRIS,
Secretary.

Dept. of Public Works,
August 19th, 1919.
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Tuberculosis Sanatorium

TO PLASTERERS.

Separate sealed tenders will be received at the office of this Department until noon of Monday, the 25th day of August inst., for Plastering work in connection with new Addition to the Sanatorium, as follows:—

(a) Plastering with Hair Mortar and Calcined Plaster.

(b) Plastering with Selenite. Tenders to be enclosed in a sealed envelope upon which shall be written the words "Tenders for Plastering Sanatorium Extension." This envelope to be enclosed in another which shall also contain a money guarantee or approved accepted cheque of the value of five per cent. of the amount of the larger tender as security for the proper fulfilment of the contract in the event of the acceptance of either tender. This envelope to be addressed to the Minister of Public Works. Specification may be seen at the office of the Superintendent of Public Works during office hours. The Government will not be bound to accept the lowest or any tender.

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