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CRUEL TRICK PLAYED ON NEW YORK BAKER

VIENNA, Dec. 15.—A cruel trick has been played on a New York baker named Myrok by a Hungarian who wished to return home from America. Myrok told the police at Budapest yesterday that the man came to him in New York and informed him that he was Keeskeny, a Hungarian syndicate, who recently disappeared and for whom a reward of \$12,000 was offered. He suggested that Myrok should go back with him, obtain the reward, and that they should claim the money. Myrok thereupon took tickets for both to Europe, and they yesterday arrived at Budapest. On their way to the police office, however, the supposed Keeskeny disappeared. Myrok has since received a letter from him explaining that he merely wished to get back home.

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MAKING OTHERS HAPPY.

It is better that ninety-nine undeserving families should profit than that one really needy person should be missed in the distribution of Christmas gifts now being carried on. Much effort cannot be put forth to make certain that every family in the city will be provided for, and luck in St. John there are a number of excellent organizations to carry on the work. Those citizens who are contributing so generously would, however, more clearly realize the happiness their gifts bring if they could but see the recipients. The closing of the free kindergartens yesterday was an instance of what can be done. Children, of families so poor that the mothers could not afford to take an hour off from their work, who never expected any gifts other than those provided in the kindergarten treat, were simply wild with joy when they beheld the Christmas trees laden with toys, candy, fruit and clothing. And such incidents are being witnessed frequently these days by persons interested in charitable work.

Last year the Star provided a number of gifts for children who wrote letters to Santa Claus. It was not convenient to make a similar arrangement this season, but several little ones evidently think their requests will meet with the proper response and have written to this paper naming the gifts which they desire. In addition information has been received concerning one or two persons who are deserving, and who are in need of help for which they would never willingly ask. The Star would be pleased to include these families to any who have women's clothing or loads of coal to spare, or even a few ten dollar bills.

POOR SHAKESPEARE.

Shakespeare's reputation has been shattered again. This time it is a German who has done it. Dr. Karl Biebtreu of Berlin has just issued a book in which he announces his interesting discovery that Roger, Earl of Rutland, was the author of all the plays ascribed during the past few hundred years to Shakespeare. The doctor puts forth many ponderous arguments and some which are not so heavy. Among other things he says: "We learn that young Shakespeare, without a trace of literary talent. It has not been established at which of the theatres he acted, but it has been discovered that the first Shakespearean dramas were produced by the Penns." Dr. Biebtreu bases his principal argument on the discovery which he says he has made that Shakespeare was a wealthy and cunning business man, who purchased silence on the part of the Earl of Rutland. He was a heavy drinker, a money-lender and altogether unprincipled.

"No person but a great nobleman would have dared to write the satire contained in Hamlet, which would have involved a poor comedian in ruin. Shakespeare could not have gained his knowledge of the manners and customs of high society, excepting by friendship with members of the nobility, and this certainly did not exist." The doctor does not attempt to show that the Earl of Rutland was acquainted with Julius Caesar. He asks why it was that Shakespeare ceased to produce his dramas several years before his death, and answers this by the fact that the Earl of Rutland died in 1612, shortly after the appearance of the last two Shakespearean dramas. Dr. Biebtreu offers as an explanation why the earl used the name of Shakespeare, that he did so for political reasons. The ruling powers of those days would have visited their wrath on the author if he had been known to be a man of prominence. Shakespeare was not punished, partly because of his insignificance and partly because it was generally known that he was not the real writer. This German author bases his whole theory on a series of financial transactions between Roger, the Earl of Rutland, and his brother Francis, who afterwards succeeded him to the title.

The struggle in England between the lords and commons is just about to begin. The indications are for a long and bitter contest, but the lords will win out.

The weather man might now be advised that there is such a thing as going too far.

PREPARING FOR TROUBLE AFTER CASTRO'S DEATH

PORT OF SPAIN, Trinidad, Dec. 20.—Latest Caracas advices intimate that President Castro cannot live more than a week longer. Should he die, First Vice President Gomez will assume the presidency and will be supported by a large section of the army. A large element of the country, however, will oppose him. President Castro has been vainly trying to compose the differences between the Gomez party and the party headed by General Alcantara, President of the State of Aragua, who has accumulated a large army and is determined to raise a revolution for the purpose of obtaining the presidency. In the meantime the rebel force headed by General Rafael Montilla, is daily increasing in strength.

N. N. B. FRIDAY, DECEMBER 21 1906.

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BOY OF FOURTEEN WALKS 400 MILES

LONDON, Dec. 20.—Although he is only fourteen years old, William Charles Garrett has managed to see much of the world.

He was charged yesterday at the Highgate Police Court with stealing \$32, from his mother, who is a widow, and who lives at Harringay-grove, Hornsey. Mrs. Garrett said that she sent him out on November 12 to get a postal order to pay her rent, and she heard no more of him until he came home on Friday night last. He told her that during his absence he had worked a sister who is in an orphanage at Bristol, and another sister who is a Salvation Army slum worker at Edinburgh.

A detective said that the boy was sent from Dr. Barnardo's Homes to Canada, where employment was found for him on a farm. He ran away from the farm, taking with him the farmer's revolver, and walked 400 miles to Montreal, where he secured a berth on a work train, and arrived at his home a few weeks ago.

He was remanded to the workhouse for a week.

CURRIE STUDENTS HAD GAY EVENING

Yesterday was the closing day previous to the Christmas holidays at the Currie Business University, and at about 8:30 last evening between three and four hundred students and friends had gathered in the spacious rooms of the school, where a programme of instrumental music and songs was carried out. Miss Elsie M. Trimble, the popular shorthand instructor, was presented by the students with a purse of gold, and an address which was read by Joseph Marry.

Miss Margaret Seely, assistant teacher in the commercial department, was also presented with a purse of gold, accompanied by an appreciative address, read by John Morrissey.

Refreshments were served, and at half past nine dancing began, and was continued into the morning hours. It was a gay evening, the students giving themselves up to an evening of complete enjoyment, after their arduous days of study.

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DEATHS.

WESTON.—At Jardineville, N. B., Mrs. Weston, widow of William Weston, aged 82 years.

FAWCETT.—Suddenly at Elkwater, Alberta, James Fawcett, only son of William Fawcett, Upper Sackville, N. B., aged seventeen years. Remains will be brought home for burial.

HICKS.—At Surrey, N. H., November 28th, after a short illness, Alfred Hicks, Jr., son of James Hicks of Middle N. H.

BURNS.—At Dorchester, N. B., after a lingering illness, December 15, Ellen Regina, daughter of W. A. Burns.

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