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RAN AGROUND IN A FOG.

The Modjeska on the Sandbar at Hanlan's for Nearly 5 Hours—Other Boats Also Delayed.

The fog on the lake yesterday morning was so dense that it was with much difficulty that the incoming boats could make the harbor, and many of the outgoing steamers thought it safer to wait until the mist had lifted a little before leaving their docks. The water is very shallow in the lake for some distance out, and it is dangerous for any of the lake steamers to deviate even a little from their course. The fog rendered correct steering exceedingly difficult, and the boats in the vicinity of the harbor ran at a minimum rate of speed. The Garden City scraped the bottom on the Island shore several times coming in from Rochester, but arrived without mishap.

The Modjeska Aground.

Not so, however, with the Modjeska coming from Hamilton. She got slightly out of her course, and ran aground on the sandbar, off Hanlan's Point, about half-past 10 o'clock. Although running at the slowest possible rate of speed, she stuck hard and fast, and all efforts to get her off the bar were unavailing. When the fog had cleared somewhat the Garden City left for Whitby to take an excursion party across the lake, and she observed the Modjeska in trouble, and went to her assistance. After breaking several tow lines in trying to get the Modjeska loose, the Garden City took aboard the passengers and brought them to the city. The Lakeside then went to the assistance of the Modjeska, and after considerable difficulty succeeded in getting her free shortly before 3 o'clock. The boat suffered no damage, and made the afternoon trip to Hamilton

Notwithstanding the severe fog, the boats of the Toronto Ferry Company made their regular trips, but were compelled to run very slowly, as it was only possible to see about 100 feet ahead.

A detachment of the Boys' Brigade went to Niagara on the Chicora yesterday. They will camp there for a week.

St. Basil's Church choir went on the Macassa to Hamilton.

Opening of the Soo Canal.

The Canadian canal at the Sault is to be opened on Aug. 15. Vessels using it must not be drawing more than 14 feet of water, because there are a number of boulders in the approaches to the canal which would be dangerous to a boat drawing over that depth.

Canadian Seaside Summer Resorts.

Mr. N. Weatherston, Western Freight and Passenger Agent of the Intercolonial Railway, who has recently made a tour of the Canadian seaside summer resorts, was interviewed by The World, and reports the equipment of the Government railways better than ever, and unsurpassed by any line, making travel on the Intercolonial a pleasure; also that he found the houses at all the summer resorts reached by the Intercolonial "swept and garnished," ready for the reception of summer tourists who were arriving in considerable numbers by the through express trains. Cacouna, which is justly named the Canadian Newport, Mr. Weatherston says, was never in such good shape, or under better management than this season, and tourists should make this popular seaside resort their first stopping place after leaving Quebec. Bic and Little Metis are other points that are becoming more popular every year, but they are for long stops with families of young children, who wish country seaside life at the minimum of cost. Another good stopping-off place is the Grand Narrows in Cape Breton—a modern hotel with home comforts—en route to Sydney, where the new hotel there will meet all requirements. At all the smaller resorts there are plenty of good private boarding-houses. Then there is Prince Edward Island and the maritime cities of Halifax and St. John, with their new hotels catering for tourist business. Also Dalhousie, the port for Gaspe, per the favorite steamer Admiral. Cheap excursions have been arranged, particulars of which can be obtained at Mr. Weatherston's office in the Rossin House Block, 93 York-street, where tickets will be on sale throughout the season, and full information furnished on application.

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Yours very sincerely,
J. H. MICKLER, Supt.

DEATH OF "HERMIT" HYAMS.

MAN WHO PAID FOR THE DEFENCE OF THE TWINS.

Disgraced by His Own Kin, He Is Unable to Bear Up Under the Infamy—For Eighteen Years He Rarely Left His Seat in the Gilsey House Lobby at New York Except For Meals.

New York, July 22.—Solomon Y. Hyams, known for years as the "hermit" of the Gilsey House, and the man who subscribed the money for the defence of the twins at the recent trial in Toronto, was privately buried in Woodlawn Cemetery Sunday after a brief service, which was held over the body at the Church of the Transfiguration in East Twenty-ninth-street.

Mr. Hyams had been, during the latter years of his life, a great sufferer from rheumatism. To gain relief he went to Hot Springs, Virginia, about two weeks ago, where his death occurred very suddenly. His brother, Chapman H. Hyams, the banker, of New Orleans, brought the body on to New York for burial, in accordance, it is said, with the expressed wish of the deceased.

"Sol" Hyams, as he was called, was born in Florida about 50 years ago. Early in life he went to New York city to seek his fortune. His tastes led him into Wall-street, where it is said he was associated from time to time with such heavy weights of finance as Woerishoffer, Cammack and others. He retired from business about 20 years ago with a comfortable fortune, and took up his abode at the Gilsey House, where he resided until within a short time of his death.

His Title of "Hermit."

Hyams was a bachelor, and a reclusive bachelor at that. For 18 years, it is said, he never left the Gilsey House, winter or summer, if two trips to the Hot Springs be excepted. The first of these was undertaken two years ago, and, like the last one, from which he never returned, was designed to alleviate his constant sufferings.

Hyams was a peculiar man and very difficult to become acquainted with. He had few friends, and these were mostly of old standing. He spent his time upon one of the blue cushioned settees in the corridor of the Gilsey House, and would not stir from there sometimes during the entire day and evening, except to get his meals. On such occasions he would seem to be oblivious of the outside world. Visitors to the hotel frequently remarked the saturnine visage and crouching figure of the man, which was always to be seen upon a particular settee, and gradually he came to be known as the Gilsey House "hermit."

Those who knew Mr. Hyams, however, say that he could be a genial companion when he chose, and that beneath a forbidding exterior he concealed a wealth of wordly wisdom and racy humor. His comments on current events have passed into the vocabulary of the Gilsey House coterie, and his blighting sarcasm, when he was angered, or when the rheumatism was more than usually unbearable, will never probably be equalled.

At the same time, however, Mr. Hyams richly deserved the designation of "hermit," for to strangers or slight acquaintances his manner was ever harsh and forbidding. It was as though he wished to convey to them the idea, with as little delay as possible, that he wanted none of them.

This Blow Crushed Him.

But the crowning sorrow of his life and the blow which had probably more to do than illness with his sudden and untimely death was the disgrace brought upon an old and honorable family by his two nephews, Harry P. and Dallas T. Hyams, whose trial for murder in Toronto is still fresh in the public mind. These two men were charged with having murdered "Willie" Wells of Toronto in order to get an insurance of $30,000 on the latter's life. The trial resulted in a disagreement, the jury standing ten to two for acquittal.

Mr. Hyams left no stone unturned to secure for his relatives the best legal talent available, much as he was prostrated by the disgrace involved in the accusation. It was due to the efforts of himself and his brother, Chapman H. Hyams, that the services of former Assistant District Attorney Francis L. Wellman were secured for the defence.

It is said that Solomon Hyams never recovered from the blow of his nephews' disgrace, and that from the day of their arrest his health visibly declined.

Southampton, N.Y., July 22.—When seen here to-day Francis L. Wellman said: "I knew nothing of Solomon Hyams prior to the Canadian trial. He lived at the Gilsey House for fifteen years in one room, and suffered all these years with gout and rheumatism. The trial at Canada told on him seriously. The knowledge of the fact that a verdict of conviction would kill him made the trial a terrible one for me. I presume this undermined his health."

DID THE BEAR KILL HIM?

Showman Found Dead With His Bear by His Side.

New Orleans, July 22.—The mystery surrounding the disappearance of Joseph Souquest, a traveling showman of this city, who has been missing since July 5, has at last been solved. Chief of Police Gaster to-day received a letter from the authorities of Harrison County, Miss., stating that the dead man's body had been found, horribly mutilated, near a little town called Daisy. Crouched by the side of the dead man was a large white bear, which, on the approach of the hunter who made the discovery, attacked him with terrific roars. The hunter shot the animal.

Souquest when he left this city had $300 in cash. This was missing when the body was found, and it is thought by some that he was murdered. Others, however, think he was killed by the bear. Souquest had often given performances in this city with the animal. He was very fond of the beast, and when asked if he was not afraid that the bear would some day lose his temper and attack him, he would laugh and say: "Oh, no; he is like a brother to me."

Grandest Trips in the World.

The Richelieu and Ontario Navigation Company, 2 King-street east, are issuing side-trip tickets to delegates to the Pan-American Congress, at single first-class fare, for round trips to Thousand Islands, through rapids to Montreal, Quebec and the famous Saguenay River.

The Fight Will Come Off

New York, July 22.—The Gilsey House was crowded with sports to-night on account of assurances received from Texas that the Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight would surely come off on the date announced. A large number of fighting men and their representatives were present. Joe Vendig, representing the Florida A.C., received a letter this morning, stating that the fight would surely come off, and that the advance sales of tickets had already netted $35,000.

Tom O'Rourke was present to look out for the interests of George Dixon.

It is a settled fact that the Florida A.C. will conduct the fight on Oct. 31, and private assurances indicate that there would be no interference by the authorities.

THE PITEZEL MURDER CASE

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for. It is now covered with liens and mortgages, but it is said that they are nearly, if not all, worthless. The general belief is that Mrs. Holmes and her mother will be able to hold it against all creditors.

Who Mrs. Holmes Is.

As is generally known, the woman in Wilmette is the fourth "wife" of H. H. Holmes. She was married to him in Minneapolis by an Episcopal clergyman, 11 years ago. They have one child, a girl of 6 years. It is not doubted that she had no knowledge of his former life. Her father, John Belknap, has led a varied life of misfortune, but is considered honest in intention. He was one of the soldiers in Randall's division of Coxey's army, and went "on to Washington." About a year ago he had a quarrel with Holmes in Wilmette, and was badly beaten. He disappeared the next day and nothing was heard of him for months; but the stories that he had been foully dealt with were set at rest by his reappearance in Wilmette. He is now a peddler of various wares, making tours through Illinois, Indiana and Wisconsin, returning home after irregular intervals. He was last in Wilmette seven days ago.

A Rope With a Running Noose

Chicago, July 23.—The police inspector in charge of the search of the Holmes residence here to-day found a rope with a running noose. He says he is not yesterday with a running noose. He says he is not yet ready with an opinion as to what use Holmes or any of his accomplices had for the rope found in the cellar. The theory that the former druggist strangled Minnie Williams and Howard Pitezel with it by hanging them down the elevator shaft the inspector admits as being possibly correct, but beyond that he will not commit himself. From the knowledge he already possesses of the wily Holmes and his schemes, the theory is scarcely tenable. More secret rooms and passageways were discovered in the house to-day by newspaper men. A trap-door in the floor of one of the upper rooms when opened disclosed steps leading to a secret door entering Holmes' office. A letter directed to Holmes, and marked "personal," was found in a rubbish pile on the second floor. It is from the mother of Mrs. Conner, expressing anxiety as to the whereabouts of her daughter.

Mrs. Pitezel had an agent in the house tod-ay looking for a vault that has not yet been discovered.

Holmes' Chicago Home.

Chicago, July 22.—The detectives found much to baffle them on the second and third floors of the house occupied by Holmes at Sixty-Third and Wallace-streets. The wildest romance Poe ever wrote, the mysteries of Reade, the imagination of Verne furnish no parallel for the plan by which Holmes constructed on these floors a house within a house. Ostensibly in 1889 he came to this corner to build a large flat and store building. Four years the workmen toiled on it, and then it was not completed. Each new financial difficulty of Holmes bred in him some new device by which within the building he might hide all trace of his crimes. He was mysterious in all that he did. A winding stairway led to his own apartments on the third floor, facing Sixty-third-street. Electrical apparatus connected with these stairs and told him of the approach of anyone.

In his office swung the door of an apparently large vault. This door is one of the Diebold safe pattern with combination lock. Inside of this door were two others of iron, always tightly closed. Here, Holmes explained, he kept his valuable papers. But a pull at the inner door told a different story. As they opened there was seen to be behind them nothing but the wall of the adjacent room. The doors were a blind for the unwary who sat in that office and listened to the honeyed tales of the schemer. He could step from his office if he wished to be rid of an objectionable visitor and in an instant be hidden from all finding, unless walls were torn down. Hallways narrow and dark cross and recross at every point. Closets are innumerable, many with doors on two sides. If he went into his bathroom there was under his feet a trap door. He had only to raise it and descend to another floor of the building and thence to the street by one of half a dozen ways. Or there was above him another door and he could ascend.

Closets Conveniently Arranged.

He could stand in the closets and overhear what might be said by the occupants of the rooms. If his wife came unexpectedly and it was expedient to have out of the way Minnie Williams or Lina or whatever woman might be with him, he had but to shove them into one of the closets with the double doors. They could pass thence to another room, thence to a bathroom, down the secret stairs, through one of the side halls, and out of doors.

Holmes used these secret and semi-secret ways for himself as well. Robert Latimer of 1816 Maple-street was in his employ when the building was constructed. He tells of the false mustaches, false beards, complete changes of clothing and hats, which Holmes always kept in his room. The remarkable spectacle was often presented of Dr. Jekyll-Holmes entering his drug store—Holmes as he was known to the people of Englewood. He would go up the stairs to his office, enter and close the doors behind him. Twenty minutes later Latimer, at his duties in the hall, would see the door of the office open and Mr. Hyde-Holmes come out—but he did not know then that it was Holmes. He looked upon the person as a stranger. To all appearances he was a prosperous planter from Mississippi. Latimer did not recognize him until he was slapped on the shoulder. The false mustache was pulled off, the beard removed, and before him stood Holmes, who said:

"You must not tell anyone I have these things. But this is the way I look and dress when I go to Toronto. When I come back here and take these things off anyone from Toronto would not recognize me. I do it just for fun."

Still He Was Incautious.

With all his love of mystery, his delight in sliding wall panels, of which there are the remnants of three in his building, Holmes was incautious. He made confidences—fragmentary ones—on all sides. He made Latimer his confidant as to his free use of disguises and his intention of deceiving people with these lightning changes. He told a careless woman that he would kill a jeweler, C. E. Davis, and thus warned Davis through Joe Owens in time. He maintained to his wife, the Miss Duncan of Minneapolis whom he had married, that he led a life of absolute purity, yet just across the hall from his office was the sleeping-room of Minnie Williams, the simple Texas girl, whom he either murdered or had murdered with her sister. In this room there is a window from which Minnie Williams could look out to the Western Indiana depot, from which eventually the trunk was brought by Holmes, Pitezel and Owens, in which, it is supposed the bodies of herself and her sister were conveyed into the block for burial or cremation.

Strung With Electric Wires.

The long, narrow halls of the house and the many rooms with but one door and no outer window were all strung with electrical wires. The origin of these wires appeared to be in the laboratory which Holmes maintained. In this little den, the floor still acid-eaten, he dabbled with chemistry, the natural sciences, and such concoctions as he thought might aid him in the commission of a crime. Here the fire which partially destroyed his building started. The coal oil was plentifully sprinkled about the little room and the attic above it. The firemen found the oil all over the upper floors.

North of this room straight up from the basement still run the pipes from the so-called artesian well. This was the well that spouted water for two years before the city authorities discovered that instead of having an artesian well on his premises Holmes had secretly tapped the city mains and was receiving his supply from the lake.

Holmes understood poisons and their use. The use of corrosive chemicals was a favorite theme of conversation with him. Disintegration of the tissues of a human being through chemical action was another of his favorite topics. He understood the physical weaknesses of women as a physician does. He was known to change medicines which his wife, who had been a drug clerk, compounded, without her knowledge, so that the opposite effect to what she desired would be produced. He boasted of having done this. When his child was born he was not at home. When his building was burned he was away. He would go to his drug store to be gone for several days and leave as much as $2000 in the cash drawer. At times he would seem to be impecunious and then would be flush.

His many-sidedness in the commission of crime is something before which Dr. Buchanan would doff his hat, were he still on earth. As the head and front of the A B C Copier Company he incurred an indebtedness of $100 to the Safeguard Account Company of this city. The account was placed in the hands of Kerr & Barr, 189 LaSalle-street, for collection. Holmes told them to present the bill to Thomas B. Bryan. After they had done so they wrote to the A B C concern.

"At the request of Mr. Holmes the account was sent to Thomas B. Bryan, but he very indignantly disclaimed any knowledge of the account and refused to pay the bill."

He dealt with the Pullman Palace Car Company and defrauded it out of copiers. In one of his circulars advertising the copier he forged a recommendation from the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad Company which was repudiated by the stationer of the company as soon as he learned of it.

His influence over people may be better understood by an extract taken from a letter written to him by one of his victims. The paragraph is:

"I have always stood by you in everything you have asked me to do, even when I knew I did others wrong by doing. Yet I did it just the same to help you out."

In this particular case, as in most of the others, he had first attracted the person who wrote by his brilliant ways, then compromised him, and then deliberately deserted him.

He became financially involved with Dawson Brothers, 199 North Halsted-street; with David Eichberg, 103 East Adams-street; F. F. Dougias, Chicago Opera House Block; J. Dunlee & Co., 104 Franklin-street; Paden & Gridley, Ashland Block; John W. Ware & Co., Unity Building; S. S. Willard, 80 Dearborn-street, and hundreds of others. He was literally swamped by debts. There was scarcely a street of prominence in the business portion of the city in which he could walk without meeting a creditor. It became with him, as it had in the past, a question of raising money by hook or crook. He mortgaged and remortgaged. He carried his swindling operations into every division of the city. When the merchants of the west side refused him credit, he went to the north side, and when that was exhausted and friends were few on the south side he sought the small manufacturers of the Illinois country towns. In his papers are even financial letters from Berlin, from cities in all the prominent New England states from the Pacific coast and the southwest. He was in touch with the whole world and if he had been content to do honestly what he did ably dishonestly his career must have been a conspicuous one.

His "castle" better illustrates what he was and is than anything left of him in Chicago. Hundreds tramped through it yesterday looking with curious eyes at the rooms in which tragedies had been committed.

Opens a World's Fair Hotel.

In 1892 Holmes began to reconvert the castle into a world's fair hotel. He and Pitezel ran a restaurant at 703 Sixty-third-street. Early in the fall of 1892, having failed with his gas generating machine, artesian well and A B C copier, he went to Fort Worth, Texas, to look up the land titles held by Minnie R. Williams, who came to Chicago in January, 1893, and became his typewriter. Joseph Owens appeared on the scene as janitor of the place and with Pitezel aided Holmes to compel Miss Williams to sign over to him deeds to the $50,000 worth of property. Lina or Annie Williams, sister to Minnie, came to Chicago in May, 1893, to witness her sister's marriage to Holmes. The marriage did not take place. The Williams girls disappeared in June, 1893, and have never been seen since. Owens went to Fort Worth to care for the property there.

In August, 1893, Holmes' "castle," which was insured for $21,000, was badly damaged by fire. The insurance companies refused to pay the insurance and no claim on them for it was ever made.

In September, 1893, Pitezel and Holmes went to St. Louis, thence to Fort Worth and other parts of Texas. Holmes became involved in dishonest transactions in St. Louis, jumped an $800 bail bond and went east.

Developments in Boston.

Boston, Mass., July 21.—An emphatic denial comes from the Boston business man who is charged with supplying money for the defence of Herman Mudgett, better known as H. H. Holmes, now under arrest in Philadelphia. He says that he was acquainted with Minnie Williams when the girl lived in Boston, three years ago. She was then a student at the New England Conservatory of Music. He asserts that he never knew Holmes under that or any other name, nor never, to his knowledge, saw him.

He was introduced into the case by means of a letter, which a detective claimed was given to him by Holmes while he was in Moyamensing Prison. In speaking of the affair, this gentleman said:

"I did receive a letter purporting to have come from Holmes, and containing a request for money, but I do not know the man, and I did nothing with it. Shortly afterward a detective visited me, and I told him that I never knew Holmes. He spoke about the letter which I had received, and before the interview was ended he admitted that he wrote this letter himself.

Minnie Williams.

"I did know a girl in this city by the name of Minnie Williams, and from what I read I would not be surprised if she were the person whom this man Holmes is supposed to have murdered. My acquaintance with her was simply that of a friend, just as dozens of other persons were acquainted with her in Boston, and not a very intimate friend either. I have not seen her for three years. The last I saw of her she said she was going to New York.

"I did not know a great deal of her history. I understood that she came here from some place in Texas. She was very quiet and steady, and conducted herself in an eminently proper manner. She called at my house several times, but was always received as a friend, and acted as a lady. She seemed to be a girl in well-to-do circumstances. Of her connection with Holmes I have no knowledge, more than what I obtain from the papers."

Who Got the Letter?

While the detective was here he looked up another point of interest. So far as could be learned, Miss Williams had not been in Boston for three years, and yet he ascertained that a letter addressed to her was received at the Somerville Postoffice, while Holmes was in this city, last fall, and was delivered to somebody. This letter was mailed from Ogdensburg, supposedly by Holmes, and was addressed to "Miss Minnie Williams, Somerville, Mass." Miss Howard, one of the women who supposed she was the lawful wife of Holmes, saw him write it, and also saw the little corner superscription on the envelope, "If not delievered, return to the Parker House, Boston."

When Howard reached Boston he called at the Parker House several times and asked for such a letter, but it had not been returned. Not content with that, he sent his "wife" to Somerville to ascertain if it had been delivered, and, if not, to obtain possession of it. The postoffice authorities could find no such letter, and the inference was that someone had called for it, although to whom it was delivered no one knew.

If Minnie Williams was not in Boston at that time, the question is, Who got that letter?

NEW FROM THE GROUND UP.

How a Woman Swapped Off Her Old Raiment in a Department Store.

From The Washington Post.

A middle-aged, well-dressed woman, with a well-to-do look, one day the latter part of last week entered a large department store in this city and purchased a number of articles, under conditions which the proprietors regard as questionable. Subsequently the identity of the purchaser was learned, and notice has been given that she must settle promptly.

At the time of the purchase there was quite a crowd in the store. Few noticed the lady, and had it not been far later developments nothing would have been thought of the transaction. She first went to the stocking department and looked over the articles displayed on the counter, but none of them suited her fancy. She inquired of the clerk in charge whether they did not have better goods in stock. Higher-priced stockings were shown her, and she selected a fine pair. When the clerk was about to wrap them up the purchaser requested to be allowed to put them on, stating that her feet were wet from the rain. Although the articles had been bought on the transfer card, which is issued with one purchase, and directed to other departments, the clerk willingly complied with the unusual request, and directed the lady to a dressing room, where the change was made. T he old stockings were returned to the clerk, wrapped up, and sent to the delivery department to be sent to the lady's home, when she should have paid for them.

With the transfer card issued at the stocking department the lady went to the shoe department, and presenting the card said:

"I would like to look at some shoes."

"What price shoes would you like, madam?" said the clerk in charge.

The best shoes were requested, the size given, and a fine pair selected. Then the customer remarked that, as her old shoes were wet, she would like to put the new ones on at once. Not at all suspicious, the clerk, wishing to accommodate the purchaser, assisted her to put on the new shoes. The old ones were sent to the delivery department, where the stockings had preceded them. The purchase was entered upon the card, and the shopper departed.

The underwear department was next visited, and the same program carried out. Again came the request to be allowed to wear the clothing, and again the request was granted. Another entry was made upon the card, and all went well. As in the former cases, the old clothing was sent to the delivery department.

Corsets came next, and the most costly pair in the store was chosen. About $9 was paid for these. So fine and pretty was the satin of which they were made that the clerk at the time remarked that they were entirely too nice to wwear under a dress. Pretty shoes, new stockings, a new pair of corsets, and other articles to match, would not look well with an old dress, which, while good, was a little out of fashion.

The dress department was immediately sought, and, with an air of one who owned the store, the display there was examined. Here, again, came the request to be allowed to wear the purchase, and again came the answer that this might be done, though it was out of the ordinary. The old dress was wrapped up, sent to the desk, and the lady departed with the new purchase.

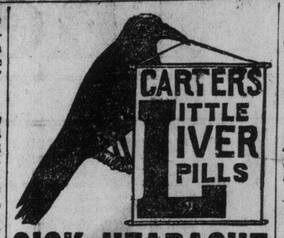
Only one thing was now lacking to complete the costume—a new bonnet. The millinery department was sought, but here came trouble. The clerk in charge did not look with favor upon the proposed plan of wearing unpaid-for goods, and would not grant the request without first consulting with the manager. The purchaser did not wish this to be done, so the bonnet was left with the clerk to again be examined before it was taken.

No record of the goods being paid for was found, and, as the bundles which were sent to the desk for delivery remained there unclaimed, the manager became suspicious when his attention was called to the matter. He opened the goods, found that they were old, and, calling the young ladies in charge of the various departments, questioned them. Then the truth was learned, and a search was made for some clue as to the identity of the purchaser. None of the clerks knew her.

The clothes were examined, and the stockings turned inside out. No mark was there. The underclothing betrayed no clue. The shoes were also examined without result. A clue was found on the dress, however, for on the collar was found the name of the maker—Mrs. Oppenheimer of 739 Fourth-street, northwest. The storekeeper called upon the dressmaker, and learned that the dress had been made for a certain woman living in a town not far from this city, and was worth at that time about $50.

The woman was notified to come to the store and settle. She came, apologized for the mistake, and offered to give her cheque for the amount of the purchase, but this was refused. She was held at the store for some time, but was afterward released.

The manager of the store said yesterday that the woman had been given time to pay for the goods, and that she must settle within a very few days. He had also notified her husband. He did not wish to prosecute the woman if it was possible to get his money without doing so.



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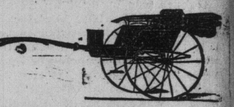

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