

CHAPTER XLI

THE last act of Inspector Ranscombe, before turning over his office to his successor, was to send to John Nelson the original police records taken of James Montgomery. He offered his services in any step that he might take to have the courts of New York right the wrong that had been done him. The inspector also wrote confidentially to the governor of the State giving full details of the case.

Nelson, his hands again healed, and his wife and her family grateful that he had not been permanently crippled, took Mr. Bryan into his confidence and placed the whole matter before him, asking his advice.

The police of Tucson provided the New York authorities with ample details of the confession of the dying yegg. He was too far gone to send East a prisoner. When Nelson learned of this, he asked that efforts be made to let the man die