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"SAFE" AFFAIR.

SHORT STORY.

Mr. Phillip Marsden, senior partner of Marsden & Rykaty, bankers, sat alone one evening in his counting house. The season had been a very beavy and prosperous one, for much money had exchanged hands through the unsettled state of the public mind, occasioned by bank failures and the explosiens of public companies; but Marsden & Rylotty's bank had stood unshaken, for it was conducted upon a sound financial basis, with a large capital, and had become quite an oldestablished institution.

In consequence of the aforesaid failures, the receipts at Marsden's had expanded enormously, and Mr. Phillip, whise heart and soul were in the life-long work which his great-grandfather founded, frequently drove across and stayed behind for an hour or so of late to glance through the transactions of the day carefully and quietly. It was perhaps a little indiscreet so far as his health was concerned, for Phillip was travelling toward the "sundown" of life, having passed his threet-score years and ten. It medical adviser had frequently en bined him to avoid men-tal or physical exertion, his constitu-tion being far from strong now; but when the banker laughed and pooh-poohed the idea the doctor, with a merry twinkle in his eye, prophesied that Marston would assuredly die in the harness. whose heart and soul were in the life-

merry twinkle in his eye, prophesied that Mars lon would assuredly die in the harness.

The latter almost believed it, too, while admitting that his intellect was not so keen, his judgment and discriminating faculties not quite so clear, nor his strength what it was some forty, years back. He had been a masterly financier in his earlier days at the bank, conjuring with manetary problems as boys do with marries, and giving the strictest attention to the work and to the secure custody of the documents and cash within its walls. Some yery ingenious devices in the construction of the building and its rooms were attributable to his foresight, artificand care. Marsden was a dear old gentleman, genial, happy, and exceedingly kind to the staff in his exploy, who, in return, performed their duties to the very letter, knowing the esteem in which their services were held and substationally recognized.

The moments were on, and Mr. Marsden, with a yawa, rose from his seat, and was just about to depart when a knock at the side, door of the office demanded his attention. Upon opening the door a police sergeant and two stalwart officers in plain clothes confronted him.

"You are Mr. Marsden, I believe,

"You are Mr. Marsiden. I believe, sir, the head of the bank?" inquired the sergeant in an anxious undertone. "That is so. I am Mr. Marsiden." "I have some most important evi-dence to communicate. If you will dence to communicate if you will

grant us a few moments in priv

Indeed ! Certainly; step And the two gentlemen, who might they be?" asked the banker turning on his heel.
"Two detective officers rigaged up-ton their duty," replace he sergeant, on their duty," replies he sell in and the tric were qually ushered into the private sanctan of the banker. It am staying refer later than usual to-night; at

"Very fortunate, for our visit con Very fortifice, for our visit conns you as seriously."
Indeed, said Mr. Marsden, opening
level spectacles up on his forehead.
It is, from information which
to the into our possession, and which
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the interior not to divulge, but to afford post ask you in the interests of public justice not to divulge, but to afford is what assistance you can. I have to infigm you that a daring robbery is contemplated upon your bank to-night."

Never! said Mr. Marsden, staring aghast. "Why, these premises are proof against anything."

"You may think so; but you don't know these men. To go into the mat-

You may think so; but you don't know these men. To go into the matter, sir, it came about in this way: We were in the scent; of a notorious little gang of three expert bank robbers and safe breakers a short time since, and thorough smart fellows, too. But, unfortunately, we only succeeded in running the to earth — the others cluded us. The prisoner was convicted and sentenced to len years' penal service. and sentenced to ten years' penal servinde; but, like similar cases we ha known, it subsequently came to his knowledge that his confederates had since his incarceration not acted up to since his incarceration not acted up to their promise in making provision for his aged mether out of their ill-gotten gains, so he, in a spirit of revenge, beached upon them, and furnished us with full information concerning their whereabouts and future intentions. From this point these two other officers can better explain than I."

"Great heavens! you astound me!" said the aged banker, who became further agitated.

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will fall into their own trap, rest will fall into their own trap, rest as sured," continued one of the detectives, taking up the thread of the marrative. "Yes, acting on the statement made by the prisoner, my colleague and I instituted careful and. I might say, cunning inquiries, for these fellows are difficult to track. We have been unable to come upon the two individuals themselves; but after indefatigable efforts from a roundabout source—a woman, as usual, being at the bottom of it are have learned that they intend

women, as usual, being at the hottom of it we have learned that they intend forcing Marsden & Rylotty's bank tonight, and leaving by the boat express to-morrow for the Continent."

"The scoundrels!"

"But they will just be deceived, air. We have hit upon a plan, and ask you to acquissee in our carrying it out."

"Most certainly, whatever you think best. What do you suggest!"

"Well, we want to catch them red-handed, as it were, and ask your permission to secrete ourselves upon the premises for the night, so as to fully be prepared and waiting for our men."

"Yes, yes. I presume you have a written authority!"

"Pertainly, sir."

And the plain-cliothes gentlemen drew from their oreast pockets the author-

from their breast pockets the author-zed official document bearing the name from their breast pockets the authorized official document bearing the name of the chief of the department, which was gette satisfactory.

"After consulting with our superiors," continued the officer, "we think that the plan we have suggested, with your permission, the most likely to ensure success. We should like you to furnish us with your private address so as to communicate with you during the night should your services by required."

should your services be required." "Yes, of course. The Ho, les, '15-Win-"Weli known, sir: That will be

in his pocket-book.

After pointing out a ponderous iron safe to which he hoped the visitans would not turn their attention. Mr! Phillip Marsden inde them good-evening requesting them to jet him know the instant he might be wanted. He departed in a feverish state of anxiety, wondering, naturally, what the hight would bring forth.

Now directly the old gentleman had left, the real character of the pseudopolice officers was apparent. It was not to the property of the pseudopolice officers was apparent. his ponket-book

police officers was apparent true that a notorious 'little' gang of tank robbers contemplated an attack on the bank that night, and those scoundrels were actually none others than themselves! Their warrants were forgeries and the sergeant's uniform the perfection of imitation to to the hist britton. No time was to be tast. From the coat tall pockets of the sargeant came out the finest tem-

pered sized brills and other implements for forcing and boring iron safes as ever graced the psyson of the most experienced orth cracker. Defity manufactured skepston keys for picking the best and most compile ated locks were brought forth; in short, everything naded for a thorough and successful burglary. "We've got a long night a work, Charlie, I'm afraid, said one. "It's move nine oblinia, and if we got through this safe under ten hears we re lucky. Accordingly the "surguant speedly turned his attention to the back premises with a visly to a harried escape should they be desgarbed, while the two others directed theirs to the high so the door, and boring communication of the door, and boring communication of most safes in using a series of the door, and boring communication of most safes in using a complete the work while the two others are pretty well overything as to the construction of most safes in using a series of the door, and boring communication of most safes in using a complete the work with a wire progress was very show at first, but the men never ceased. Drift drill drill, on went this work, almost a significant of the progress was very show at first, but the men never ceased. Drift drill drill, on went this work, almost a significant of the burst of the border than over One, to three only k, and now the hogs from door bygan to yield and creak a little. "Tough work d'him, Bad a little and produced harder than over One, to three only is seen to show the some his seed office eleaner, may be here, or peace be making outs de her or peace he making outs de here or peace here or peace here or peace he making outs de here or peace here or peace de five eleane

here or people he making outside.

Four o'clock, and a good aperture was made. Five o'clock, and they were perspiring like blacksmiths at a forge in July, and they worked like demons with their drills and levers. Presently, with a united and terrific effort, the outer door was loosened from its sockets.

"Good!" muttered one, as they grad-ually, yet laboriously, lowered the mighty piece of metal to the ground. "The inner compartment is very short work, chummie."

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And so it proved, for with the utmost dexterity one pried the lock as the other, with a thin chisel as hard as adamant, started forcing the door. "One more wrench, Jim, and then for the spoil!" And he rubbed his hands with give.

Cang! And open flew the door. But what!

Follad! Front the start of the start of the spoil.

Foiled! Frustrated! Baffled! The safe was empty!

The scoundrels, who that instantly dived their hands into the atterior, shrank back aghast, swearing and pouring curses upon the old backer's head.

"Bah! the old blackgused! He has done us, Jim! And who have dreamed it?" Foiled! Frustrated! Baffled! The

"There is no time to lose, blurted

"There is no time to love, 'blurted his confederate, mashing anything be could lay he hands on in sheer wantonness. It's striking six o'clock and work people are about.'

Tools was hurriedly collected and pocketed gain, and the 'sergeaut,' with a disappointed growl, suggested that sey should go out by the door they came in by, as nobody was stir rise much, and the back way meant faing walls and roofs. This they did, but immediately on exerging into the street they were met by Mr. Marsden in company with three constables. The old banker had, experienced a sleepless night and risen early, calling at the price station, innocently enough, on his way to asceptain the ly enough, on his way to ascertain the news, if any, and he was there astonished to learn that they believed it to be a bogue affair, as they knew no.

There was a desperate effort on the part of the burgiars to escape, but one or two p ssing workmen at the cry of "Help!" rendered assistance, and the police officers' were strongly secured.
Mr. Phillip Marsden, or stepping into the bank, although greater unnervei and agitated at the state of affairs, could scarcely suppress his laughter on finding that his 'decoy,' as he called it, had given so much trouble, and thor oughly done them, although he was quite ignorant of the plot he had unintentionally laid for them.

The 'decoy,' as and intentional control of the plot he had unintentionally laid for them.

The 'decoy,' an old, insecure safe, which was always purposely kept empty, was one of Mr. Marsden's ingenious ideas for throwing burglars off the sant, being fixed in a prominent position to attract position. on to attract notice, while other safes graining the valuables were far away

The pseudo-detective officers are in safe custody now. They have their regular 'drills,' and instead of picking locks, pick oakum.—Liverpool 'Mercury'.

AS WELL AS EVER.

A Brickmaker Listens to Reason-Use Six Boxes of Dodg's Kidney Pills and

Brockville, Jan. 4 (Special).—Mr. W. H. Odell, perhaps one of the best known citizens of this town, has lately recovered from a long continued and painful kidney ailment. He tells the story of is experience to the correspondent as

follows:—
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A writer upon fashions contributes the following at to shoes to the New York Tribune: "In shoes to the New York Tribune: "In shoes the style will be less extreme than it was during the spring and summer seasons. The pointed shoe will not be worn either for street or dress, and the common sense 'idea will be followed in the matter of uidth. The shoes will be broad, and will have broad and moderately pointed toes. Dark russet shoes will be worn for winter, and enamelled calfskin shoes will be popular for street wear. Dress shoes will be made in the same shapes as the walking shoes, with a same to the case and comfort of the twenter."

that she must certainly give up.
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an almost insurmountable task. Ner-

an almost insurmountable task. Nerousness, sleeplessness and pain harass her and life seepas hardly worth the living.

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CURIOUS WORD STUDIES.

Idiot once meant simply boy. It is used by Shakespeare in this sense. Milliners first plied their trade at Milan, and mantua makers at Mantna. fied to "have a stone in one's shoe.

The shallot takes its name from its plentifulness in the vicinity of Ascalon The tarantula is named from its abundance in the vicinity of Taranto. Coffee is thus called because it was first exported from the Arabian port of

Gin takes its pame from Geneva, where it was formerly made in large quanti Cambric originally came from Cambray whence its name, and calleo from Call

Ballad once meant to dance, and later came to signify a song sung while dance Termagant was a supposititions Moham

paedan deity of fierce temper and langu-The word vernacular once meant " slave who was born in the house of his

Puss, a familiar name for cat, was one pers, the Persian name for the same ani-Huzzy Is

and by early English writers is used in that sense. Tobacco was so called because it was first noted by Europeans on the small Island of Pobago.

Ballot was once "a little ball." In many organizations ballots are still taken with narbles. The urchin has his name from that of a German mythological imp of mischievous

haracter. Book was originally, a name for a tree. the beech, and was afterwards transferred to its bark.

The word character is derived from the Latin expression signifying an instru-ment for branding.

BICYCLE BUZZINGS.

The rider who says he can back-pedal down as long and steep a hill as can be

Wood rims should be given a good cor of varnish after a year's use. No rim will stand exposure to mud and dust indefinitely unless taken care of. The rubber-band fad is the silliest thing now going. The humming sound set up by the rush of air against the bands i

dreary and monotonous. When the bands are nicely adjusted and high speed is maintained, the noise is loud and uncanny. Through the efforts of the United States consul at Cologne, tourists will no longer be required to pay duty on their machines

on entering Germany. Hereafter it will only be necessary to prove to the officials that the machines are articles of travel and not articles of commerce. In Paris they have opened a public

market for bicycles, just the same as other markets for the sale of horses, cattle or produce. All makes of wheels are here displayed, and, instead of running from store to store, the intending buyer has a choice of styles before, his eye, and may pick without fear or favor. It is an idea worthy of imitation in this country.

FASHIONS IN BEAUTY.

In Spain even the youngest girls paint and powder absurdly, while in Venice the celebrated Titian red hair is still the rage

African beauties must have very small eyes, thick, pouting lips, a large, perfectly flat nose and a jetty skin which, from constant oiling, positively glistens. In Greenland the women color their faces with green and yellow pigment, and the prettiest Muscovite maiden cannot

hope for admiration until she has covered her fair complexion with coarse red and white paint. In Persia an aquiline nose is a necessity to either male or female beauty and fre quently out of a family of sons the acces

sion to the throne has been decided by the shape of a nose. Red hair is viewed with horror and always dyed. In China, where most eyes are narrow

and long, a small, round eye is considered an extraordinary beauty. Chinese girls pluck their eyebrows to make their eyer fine. Turkish women paint their eyebrows with gold and at night the effect is very odd and no displeasing.

HOME DECORATIONS.

Portieres should never be looped back. The best wearing colors in rugs are the greens, blues and reds. Gray tints would not be at all suitable for a north room. A dining room with a southern expos

bronze green or pale blue. A screen that will answer every pur pose in a sickroom may be made from

ordinary wooden clotheshorse. It may be stained, painted or enameled, and Tulip wood is very much used by builders for the interior woodwork of nouses, particularly for butlers' pantries

etc. It is white, smooth and quite free from knots. It may be stained, shellacked, varnished or left in its natural color. TERSELY PUT.

But few married women are lovers of the beautiful-women their husbands Preachers labor for the glory of God

and, incidentally, for the persons believe that whale and Some persons believe that Jonah story too much to swal "I should like an article from you

pen," said the country editor to the farmer subscriber who had promised him It is said that more deaf men go church than to the theater.

DON'TS FOR DRESS.

Don't overlook small rips. Don't despise the skirt binding. Don't neglect the repairing tailor and

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ASTHMA FOR YEARS.

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A PREVENTATIVE OF COLDS.

"I have been a chronic sufferer from severe house."

Surprising the popularity of Charles Syrup. It appears to me it can now be found in every house." "I have been a chronic sufferer from severe colds for a long time," says Miss Hattie Delaney, of 174 Crawford street, Toronto. "Usually at this season of the year I did not know that it was to be free from them. Nothing did me much good until I got a bottle of Chase's Linseed and Turpentine. It not only cured my cold, but I have not had another since, I ascribe the credit wholly to Dr. Chase,"

A BANKER'S EXPERIENCE.

"I tried a bottle of Dr. Chase Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine for a trou

" My little boy had a bad croupy cough, "says Mrs. Smith, of 256 Bathurst street, Toronto. "My neighbor, Mrs. Hopkins, recommended me to try Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseel and Turpen-tine. I did so, and the first dosed id him good, One bottle completely cured the cold. It is

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