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returned to Kalamazoo, where he made a full confession, im-
plicating Boyle in the murder of Colonel Orcutt.

He eluded arrest, however, for nearly a year, when, his bad
fortune followed him, he was captured in New York while at-
tempting to do what is known as the "butcher-cart" job.
This is effected in the following manner:—

At a time of the year when street doors of jewellery shops
are usually closed throughout the day as well as the evening, a
common grocer's, or delivery waggon of any sort, but always
selected for its easy-running qualities, and to which is always
attached a fast horse, will be driven up to the vicinity of some
jewellery store, which has already been fixed upon, and which
has always a fine display in the window. This waggon will
invariably contain one, and sometimes two persons, aside from
the driver. In the meantime a confederate of this "butcher-
cart gang," slips up to the door of the shop in question, and
deftly inserts a wooden peg or wedge beneath the door, be-
tween that and the sill, driving it home with his heel or in any
other manner possible. The moment this is done another of
the gang at one stroke smashes in the entire window, and the
two then grab whatever they can lay their hands upon, always
of course, selecting that which is the most valuable, and rush
to the covered waggon in waiting, when, with their booty, they
are driven rapidly away, nine times out of ten getting wholly
beyond pursuit before the astonished and shut-in shopmen are
able to get their own door open.

It was while Boyle was conducting an operation of this kind
that he was captured, and rather than be conveyed to Michigan,
to answer the charge of murder, he made no defence, but pleaded
guilty to everything brought against him, and was finally sen-
tenced to twenty years' imprisonment at Sing Sing.

It was the boast of himself and his friends that no prison
had been built strong enough to hold him, and a special guard
was for a time placed over him.

Illustrative of the man's cunning is the fact that, one day,
while being so watched, he slipped his jacket and hat upon a
broom standing near, and then, noiselessly placing it where he
had sat, stole away from his guard entirely. It was some min-
utes before the watchful guard discovered the trick which had
been played upon him, and Boyle had made so good a use of