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For my calling is that of a descrip ve writer on a famous newspa Mine is the task to give to the world a moving picture of the great cases which, from time to time, come before the courts of law, both criminal and civil. To me sensational dramas, grim tragedies, and the plumbing of human emotions to the very depth constitute the daily round; the common task.

Take a specimen day, not long ago. At eleven o'clock in the morning I saw a notorious trafficker in cocaine sent-enced to six months' hard labour at Bow Street Police Court, London. At twelve I was at the hearing of the amous Russell case in the Divorce Court. At three-fifteen I heard a man entenced to death at the Old Balley. At four I was back in the Divorce Court, At seven I was at Epsom arranging for a famous racehorse trainer to write his turf reminisce And at nine-thirty I was seated in a stall at the Palladium. At the witching nour of midnight I was sound asleep. Not a bad series of events to crowd nto one day!

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> One night in a notorious club which subsequently figured largely in the annals of East End crime I got into conversation with a German, who was a far-famed receiver of stolen prop-

I made, quite inadvertently, an incautious remark concerning "fences," and no sooner were the words out of my mouth than this particular member of the fraternity struck me a blow on the jaw which seemed to set every tooth in my head rattling.

Although a "Special," I am but hu-man, and I promptly hit him back. In an instant the drink-laden atmosphere was thick with curses. The whole place was pandemonium. There was little room to move. Men were fighting each other for no apparent reason, and I was getting a fair share of oned his wife and twins, buried the

called out a sharp command in a ally met his death at the hands of the tongue I did not understand. The hangman. effect was electrical. Uplifted hands were stayed almost in the act of striking. A silence that was almost eerie fell over the place that a sec-ond or so before had been a seething GREAT WINDFALL FOR THE NA-

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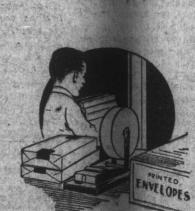
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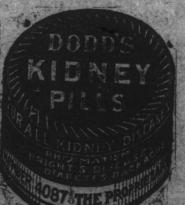
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