

## GIRL SOLD TO A MAN.

Woman For \$73.25 Delivers Her to a Supposed Purchaser.

Tried to Tear Up Cheque When She Was Arrested.

Caught in Trap Set by Douglas Neighborhood Club.

Chicago, Nov. 2.—A girl, 19 years old, was placed on the block in Chicago yesterday afternoon and sold as a white slave for \$73.25.

The transaction was conducted with the same business details that mark the sale of a piece of goods at a state street store, the transfer of a parcel of real estate, or the sale of a slave in the days of Uncle Tom's cabin.

Only the sequel differed. In the presence of a reporter for the Tribune and representatives of the Douglas Neighborhood Club, the woman who conducted the transaction and the girl she sold were arrested and taken to the Stanton avenue police station.

The girl is Louise Meyers. The woman who sold her is Mrs. J. W. Frank. The man who purchased her is W. H. Rogers, treasurer of the Douglas Neighborhood Club. The transaction was by cheque and receipt. It took place in flat 5 of a building at Thirty-first and Rhode avenue.

The cheque which Rogers gave Mrs. Frank reads:

Chicago, Ill., Oct. 30, 1909.  
Stockyards Savings Bank, Union Stockyards, Chicago: Pay to the order of Mrs. J. W. Frank (\$73.25), Seventy-three 25-100 dollars.

Rogers received in return a receipt, written on a leaf torn out of a notebook. It reads:

Received from J. R. Morgan, \$73.25.  
Mrs. J. W. Frank.  
PLANNED BY VICE FIGHTERS.

The arrest was planned by the investigators of the Douglas Neighborhood Club, who had been notified of the sale of the girl by the club. The club, under the leadership of Samuel P. Wilson, an investigator employed by the club, acted as go-between for the woman and Rogers. He made an appointment with her over the telephone on Thursday.

"You can depend on me," she told him over the wire. "Come up to the flat and see me. I can fix you up."

Wilson saw her on Friday and made the arrangements that resulted in the arrest. The price of a girl who was to be delivered to Wilson's client was fixed at \$50.

"That is what I usually get," Mrs. Frank told Wilson. "I will have a girl here for your friend to-morrow. If you can't come in the afternoon I will meet you somewhere at night. I can lay my hands on twenty girls, any one of whom would suit anybody."

Wilson, accompanied by Rogers, a reporter for the Tribune, and the detectives went to the neighborhood of the Frank flat at the time agreed upon. Wilson and Rogers went up first.

PRICE RAISED AT LAST MOMENT.

Louise Meyers was produced by Mrs. Frank for Rogers' inspection. When he expressed himself as satisfied and started to write a cheque the woman raised her price to \$73.25, saying the girl owed her that amount and could not go until it was paid. After the cheque had been accepted by Mrs. Frank and the girl was about to leave with the man, who had bought her, Wilson said to Mrs. Frank: "Now, you understand, don't you, that Mr. Morgan has no intention of marrying this girl? There's nothing like that in this."

"Why, certainly not," said Mrs. Frank. The girl nodded and went out with Rogers. Wilson remained and kept the woman in conversation until the arrest of the girl was made in the street. Then Detective Patton came up and arrested Mrs. Frank.

Rogers posed as a cattle man from Iowa. The girl thought she was on her way to Dubuque with him, when Detective McCarthy took her into custody. She attempted to carry out the part that had been imposed upon her when the arrest was made. She screamed and clung to Rogers.

"You can't take me away from this man," she cried. "He's my husband. We've just been married."

TRIES TO DESTROY CHEQUE.

Five minutes later Mrs. Frank was arrested. She had the cheque given her by Rogers in her purse. When Detective Patton took it from her she struggled to tear it up, and succeeded in twisting it in two. Later she calmed herself and said to Patton:

"Any lady would be excited at such a moment. I didn't know what I was doing. My goodness! Who would have thought the fly cops would be in here so quick?"

"You were expecting us, were you?" said Patton.

"Yes, I was," said Mrs. Frank. "I was a fool to monkey with that cheque. I might have known the thing was a frame-up. It's what I get for being so kind-hearted. I will never befriend anybody again."

"Whom did you think you were befriending when you told this girl to that man?" she was asked.

"Why it was just a friendly act," she replied. "You see this young woman is a trained nurse. She was down and out and I was trying to do something nice for her."

Mrs. Frank is held on the charge of pandering. The girl is held as a witness.

TWO WHITE SLAVERS CONVICTED.

Two white slaves were convicted in Chicago courts. Lawrence Demos was fined \$300 and costs by Judge Newcomer and sent for nine months to the house of correction. J. M. Dominick, said to be from New York, was fined \$150 by Judge Fake and sent to the brig in default of payment.

Demos was convicted on the evidence of Lena Burkett, a 22-year-old inmate of a disorderly house.

"He induced me to run away from my husband three years ago," she said, "and has lived on my earnings ever since. He has put me in resorts in Youngstown, O., and in places in Pennsylvania as well as here. I am crippled for life because of beatings he has given me."

Dominick was said to have been captured when attempting to lure Miss Lilian Lowery from her home at 529 Miss Lilian Lowery. He is believed to be one of a gang of panders operating from New York, Chicago and St. Louis.

The Tarenti coal pit at Ystalyfera, Glamorganshire, Wales, was flooded on Monday evening. Four men were drowned, while about 450 others made escapes or were rescued.

## A Million for a New Stomach

It is said that Mr. Rockefeller, one of the world's richest men, offered one million dollars to any physician who would make his stomach strong enough to digest an ordinary meal. With all his money, this multimillionaire is compelled to live on milk and crackers.

What a warning this is to men and women who are beginning to realize that "they have a stomach!"

Slight attacks of indigestion soon develop into acute attacks. The weakened stomach quickly becomes weaker under the continued strain of digesting unsuitable food. Chronic dyspepsia makes a strict diet imperative, and life miserable.

Yet how unnecessary all this suffering is! "Fruit-atives"—that splendid stomach tonic—will give you what millionaires cannot buy, a clean, sweet, healthy stomach which will be capable of digesting any reasonable meal.

"Fruit-atives," made from concentrated and intensified fruit juice, acts directly on the stomach, increases the flow of digestive juices and corrects the faults of digestion.

"Fruit-atives" is not only a positive and speedy cure for all these troubles. It also acts as a general tonic, building up and strengthening the entire system.

Frequently those who have been cured of Stomach and Bowel Troubles, write to the Company, stating that they are enjoying better health than ever before.

"Fruit-atives" is sold by all druggists and dealers at 50c a box, 6 for \$2.50, or trial box, 25c.—or may be obtained from Fruit-atives Limited, Ottawa.

## OUR NAVY.

Canada Must Assist Britain in Time of Danger.

Toronto, Nov. 2.—In language carefully weighed and significantly emphatic Mr. R. L. Borden, addressing the members of the Centre and South Toronto Conservative Club last night, reaffirmed his adherence to the resolution unanimously passed by the House of Commons in March last. The only modification of his previous utterances on the subject was the introduction of a proviso that in the event of a sudden emergency Canada should be prepared to make a money contribution in aid of the defence of the empire. "So long as we remain in and of the empire," he declared, "amid the cheers of the audience which filled the club room, 'so long as we fly the empire's flag, Canada cannot hold aloof in time of danger.'"

"The will of the people must prevail, but I believe it will affirm what Parliament with unanimous voice has declared, that the responsibility of co-operation in naval defence must be met and discharged." He contended, however, that the resolution adopted by the House of Commons would permit a money contribution in the event of Britain being suddenly plunged into war. Dealing with some of the criticisms passed upon the action of Parliament, he pointed out the protection of the United States under the operation of the Monroe doctrine, and characterized as absurd the plea that the Dominion was incapable of building a navy because of her extravagance or corruption in her administrative departments.

## ON CARDS.

Evangelist McCombe Touched on Gambling and Theatre.

Successful and interesting evangelistic services were held on Sunday by the McCombe brothers in the east end Y. M. C. A. and Barton Street Methodist Church.

In the afternoon at the special service for men only at the Y. M. C. A. Jeff McCombe spoke on the subject of questionable amusement, and especially on theatre-going and card playing. He said attending the theatre would be all right if the proper kind of drama was shown, but it had been proved that the showing of high-class drama was a decided financial failure. He gave instances where leading men of the world had made attempts in this line, and had ultimately failed. The speaker pointed out that if it was possible for high-class drama to be put on the stage it would prove a high moral factor, but the drama now exhibited was of the most kind, and was taking a large part in the degeneration of the day.

It seemed to be a common belief among parents that it was the proper thing for their children to play cards at home and not elsewhere. He quoted numerous cases in which boys who were taught to play cards at home had turned out to be the worst gamblers, and the only safe method was not to teach them. He said the question was often asked what more harm was there in playing a game of euchre or pinochle than in playing an inferior or dominoes. The speaker said that any time the devil turned his attention to those kinds of games he would include them in the list of attack, but he continued, a man could sit down and play a game of dominoes or a game of lawn tennis and then go to a church service and be in the correct form to accept that service. But if he came from the gambling room he would not be in the right condition to benefit by what he heard.

At the Y. M. C. A. in the evening Jeff McCombe spoke on "Man's Will" showing why every person should be able to conquer it and thus be able to do what was right.

At the same time a special service was being held for ladies in Barton Street Methodist Church. At all services a large number of people stood up in response to the appeal to those who wanted to lead the Christian life. After the evening service at the Y. M. C. A. the congregation held a short open-air concert some service, which attracted a large number of people.

## EATEN BY SAVAGES.

Manila, Nov. 1.—Barr Admiral Sabre reports that when the United States Pacific fleet touched at Admiral's Islands it was learned that recently cannibals captured a boat containing three Englishmen and three Chinese. One of the Englishmen who escaped through the connivance of a friendly tribes, said that his companions had been killed and eaten.

## PRINCE MIKE

Turned Out of His Abode in the Old Country.

The Woman in the Case Said to be Ann Dis De Bar.

Windsor, Ont., Nov. 1.—Michael Key for Mills, who was known here as "Prince Michael," by his "Israeli" followers, and as "Prince Mike," and "Hoipollois" by the irreverent press, has at last come to grief in the old country where he went following his release from State Prison at Jackson, Mich., for a statutory offence. According to the cable message, Mike and about twenty of his followers have been turned out of the Jerseilite temple at Chatham Hill, 35 miles from London. It was in this city that Mills established himself in 1903, and tried to find 14,000 persons who wanted to reach heaven, that being the limit he placed on the number of the elect. With him was associated Lolet Jackson, who sought refuge here after serving a term in an English jail for serious crimes. He stopped off at Windsor and assumed command of the Israeli colony here with the title of "Mother Elionor," otherwise known to the world as Mrs. Mason, who caused a flutter among Toronto brokers by her glittering operations in Cobalt stocks and alleged friendship with J. Pierpont Morgan. After a few months she was exposed as being none other than Ann Dis De Bar.

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## DID MME. STEINHEIL KILL?

Trial of "Red Widow of Third Republic" For Murder of Faure.

To-morrow Will Begin Story in Court of Most Remarkable Crime in French History.

The authorities of Paris insist that they have a clear case against Mme. Steinheil. If so, it is probable that she will suffer the fate of "Mila," the remarkable parallel in Dumas' great novel, "The Three Musketeers."

Mila, or Lady Winter, killed her husband, Lord Winter's brother, and Parisians are recalling the peculiar appearance of the body of President Faure after death—sunken, livid, pallid—strikingly like the mysterious ailment of which Lord Winter spoke!

(Special Wire to the Times.) Paris, Nov. 2.—The stage is set and the actors in their places, for a rehearsal of the greatest drama of crime modern France has ever known.

To-morrow morning Mme. Marguerite Steinheil, "the red widow of the third republic," will be placed on trial in the palace of justice, for the murder of her husband, Adolphe, and her mother, Mme. Japy. They were found dead in the Steinheil home, May 31, 1908.

After blaming successively a valet, another servant, and finally the son of the Steinheil cook for the crime, the woman herself was arrested.

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In the Presidential box, far to the rear, sat a beautiful, unveiled woman. It was Mme. Steinheil, and then Paris knew that she was winning her social way as a favorite of the President of France.

There was an underground passage between her home in Paris and Faure's official mansion. Through this she crept one night to intercept for Capt. Dreyfus, who was then a military prisoner on the Isle du Diabie. There was an affectionate meeting, and an appointment.

She was hidden by Faure, in spite of the usages of French society, to the Presidential hall which was to be held that week. Mme. Faure heard of the invitation and demanded that her husband recall it.

Did he obey? Did his recall arouse the fury of the old "Du Barry of the Republic"? The following night he died in Mme. Steinheil's house.

The gendarmes were called to the Impasse Rossini, and they found Faure dying, with the woman at his feet. She had served him wine, and when an examination of the body was made later his condition was the same as the corpse of a person poisoned. There was no autopsy.

When the gendarmes came Faure was still alive, but in convulsions. His fingers held in a death grip the beautiful blond tresses of Mme. Steinheil. As she wept and screamed, attendants tried to cut the stiffening fingers to prevent cutting her hair.

On the day of Faure's funeral the woman Faure calls his slayer wept beside the grave, kissing his portrait in sight of the mourning family and the highest officials of France.

But the country was quick to forget until the double murder followed, the killing of the woman's husband and her own mother.

Then the whole story was revealed. Magistrate Leydet, who heard the preliminaries, was called off the bench, under charges that his friendship for Faure was a bias against the woman. He was succeeded by Judge Boncard, who will probably sit in court to-morrow.

What will the grim trial in the old palace of justice bring forth? Paris is asking.

Will Mme. Steinheil tell the story of her career that no one knows as well as herself?

She feels herself deserted, and it may be.

show that the report of a ghastly murder in the Gallician city near Gimli yesterday was unfounded, and had been circulated by a man named Christolovich in an effort to divert suspicion from himself, as he had beaten his wife and children ferociously during a family row, and had knocked the woman insensible.

The total duties collected Saturday and Monday on wines, etc., at the port of New York affected by the new law amounted to \$729,000.

Fire on Monday night at Buffalo completely destroyed the lake and canal warehouse of the Western Transit Company on Buffalo Creek, near Michigan street, and the warehouse of the Knickerbocker Warehouse Company adjoining on the west, and damaged the elevator of the City Elevator Company on the opposite side of the creek. The total loss is estimated at \$350,000.

One of the smoothest sneak thieves who have operated in Winnipeg in years was arrested Monday in the person of Lee Gee, a spruce young Chinese, who has followed a criminal career all over America. He has been charged with a number of thefts from motels there, and at least one of these has been proven. He has on his person considerable unidentified but initial pieces of jewelry.

Seventeen of the bodies of those lost in the wreck of the Hestia were buried at Yarmouth yesterday, and another was to be buried to-day. The name of the man found at Port Maitland on Saturday morning was James Welsh. Another body, which has been identified as that of Alex. Dumigau, came ashore at Buller Wells Point yesterday.

A despatch from the Hundred and Fifty Mile House, Yale, says the British Columbia Company's stage coach, which left the House at 5 o'clock this morning, was held up by two bandits four miles south. Both robbers were armed with rifles. They compelled the driver to deliver the mail sacks, containing registered matter valued at a few hundred dollars. The five passengers were unharmed.

The Dominion Textile Company's mills at Montreal will run on short time, beginning next week, and the wages of the employees will be cut down one-fifth. This movement is due to the advance in cotton.

Captain Geel, of the fishing schooner Tatler, hailing from Gloucester, Mass., has broken the record, which he established in 1907, with a catch of 50,000 pounds the highest ever made by any vessel along the Atlantic seaboard.

Commander Robert E. Peary practically was endorsed as a discoverer of the North Pole by the National Geographic Society yesterday, when the explorer was invited to deliver the first of his public lectures before the society in Washington on Nov. 12.

In a 30-foot fall from the top of a ladder which was against the roof of E. T. Hill's house at 118 Beaconsfield avenue, Toronto, yesterday, Duncan Stewart, a carpenter, aged 60, of 68 Elm street, broke his neck and expired a few minutes after being taken into the Western Hospital.

Orthodoxy so uncompromising that it prevailed over even the instincts of self-preservation caused the death to-day in Ellis Island Hospital, New York, of Gizele Breiner, a young Hebrew immigrant. On the nine days of her voyage across the Atlantic the girl could get no kosher food and so fasted, with the result that to-day she died of inanition.

Aviation week opened at Hamburg with what nearly proved to be a fatal accident. A mechanic named Pequette was making a flight in an aeroplane, a considerable height, when flames broke out. A moment later the burning tank exploded. Pequette jumped from the machine while fifteen or twenty feet in the air, and was injured.

Last Saturday T. H. Moodie, proprietor of a Winnipeg transfer company, had a dispute with an employee named Garrity over wages, and during the evening Garrity returned to the office with a confederate and beat Moodie insensible with a sandbag. They then rifled his pockets, taking \$107. Both thugs escaped.