

## A DETECTIVE'S EXPERIENCE.

His Successful Undertaking and Escape from an Impending Fate.

(Buffalo, N. Y. News.)

One morning several years ago just as the dull gray light was beginning to show itself in the east, a small band of men might have been seen deployed about a house on Ferry street, in Buffalo. There was nothing special either in the dress or appearance of the men to indicate their intention, but it was plain that they had business of importance on hand. Suddenly a man appeared at one of the windows, took in the situation at a glance, and swinging himself outward with wonderful quickness, scaled the roof of the house. This man was Tom Ballard, the notorious counterfeiter; an I, armed to the teeth and fully realizing his situation, he defied justice and the officials below him. Some of the officers knowing the desperate character of the man, proposed to shoot him until he was killed, but one of the number promptly protested, and declared that if his brother officers would assist him to ascend he would capture the man alive. Accordingly he began the difficult and dangerous task, and succeeded in bringing his prisoner to the ground in safety.

The man who accomplished this task was Mr. Thomas Curtin, the present superintendent of city police of Buffalo, N. Y. Mr. Curtin is a man who is known by every prominent detective and policeman in America, and he stands pre-eminently in the front rank of his profession. Quiet and gentlemanly in appearance and manners, he possesses a courage, combined with marked physical powers, that make him the terror of evil doers and the pride of law-abiding citizens. Few people can realize, however, the trials, exposures, and even privations, to which the members of every municipal police and fire department are exposed. Compelled to be on duty at uncertain hours, subjected to the most inclement weather, and often necessitated by the nature of their duties to protracted undertakings, they endure a nervous and physical strain that is terrible. Such was the experience of Mr. Curtin in former days; and it is not surprising that he found himself suffering from a mysterious physical trouble. In relating his experience to a representative of this paper he said:

"At time when I was on duty I would feel an unaccountable weariness and lack of energy. My appetite was also uncertain and my head seemed dull and heavy. I did not fully understand these troubles, but supposed, as most people suppose, that I was suffering from malaria. I tried to throw off the feeling, but it would not go. I thought I might overcome it, but found I was mistaken, and I finally became so badly off that it was almost impossible to attend to my duties. I have known any number of men in the police and fire departments of this country who have been afflicted as I was, and I doubt not there are to-day hundreds similarly troubled who, like myself, did not know the cause, or really what ailed them."

"Your present appearance, Mr. Curtin, does not indicate much physical debility," said the interviewer as he looked at the 220 pounds of bones and muscle standing nearly five feet eleven inches in height before him.

"Oh, no; that is altogether a thing of the past, and I am happy to say that for more than a year I have enjoyed almost perfect health, although I now realize that I was on the road to certain death by Bright's disease of the kidney, and travelling at a very rapid pace."

"How did you come to recover so completely?"

"That is just what I want to tell you, for I believe it may be of great service to many others in my profession, who may possibly hear of it. I began the use of a popular remedy at the earnest solicitation of a number of friends in this city, and found to my great gratification that I began feeling better. This feeling continued and I gained in strength and vigor until now I am perfectly well—and wholly through the instrumentality of Warner's Safe Cure which I believe to be the best medicine for policemen, firemen, railroad men or any other class of people exposed to danger or a change of weather, ever discovered. Since my recovery I have recommended it everywhere, and never knew a case where it failed either to cure or benefit. I would not be without it under any consideration, and I am positive it is a won-

dorfully valuable and at the same entirely harmless remedy. Indeed, I see that Dr. Gunn, dean of the United States Medical College of New York, indorses it in the highest terms."

"So you experience little difficulty in the execution of your duties now, Mr. Curtin, do you?"

"None whatever. Our department was never in better condition than at present."

"And do you never have any fear of some of the desperadoes whom you have been the means of bringing to justice?"

"Not in the least. Such men do not try to retaliate, partially because they have not the courage, but oftener because they respect an officer who does his duty."

The policemen, firemen, letter carriers and other public employes in this country have a particularly trying life. When, therefore, a simple and pure remedy that can restore and sustain the health is found, it should be cause for great congratulation, especially when recommended by such a man as Superintendent Thomas Curtin of Buffalo.

## RELIGION IN INDIA.

An Exposition of Its Teachings by Protap Chunder Mozoomdar.

At the Central Church, Sunday evening, Protap Chunder Mozoomdar, a Hindoo, and an exponent of the Hindoo religion, spoke to a fair-sized audience. He was introduced by Rev. Jos. Cook, who gave a description of the Hindoo religion and the difference between it and the Christian religion. The stranger upon entering the pulpit said:—"Permit me to call you brothers and sisters and fellow-children of a common Father. Come as a pilgrim and also to pay a tribute to your ethical culture. Christian lives, progress in science and art. The speaker said that he also came to deliver a message, and prayed that the spirit of God would aid him in the proper interpretation of his mission. He then described at length the Hindoo religion. He said that Asia was the mother of many religions. Mohammedanism and Buddhism originated there. The primitive Hindoos worshipped the sublimity of God's presence in the sun, moon and stars and the ocean. Language is feeble and cannot express our reverence of the Supreme Being, and we call on the ocean and the mountains to aid us. The Hindoo religion was founded for the purpose of driving out idolatry and kindling the fires of national worship on desolate altars. Nature worship, which was only the worship of an unnameable mystery, in time formed itself into a worship by the soul of the soul all pervading. In time we came to doubt the infallibility of the holy books and our religion was in a state of chaos. Our constant contact with the civilization of the western countries which came pouring into our country, and from the fact that the government and missionaries were of Christian nations and were constantly brought in contact with us, led us to study gravely the question, 'What do you think of Jesus?' We did not think of him after your well-cut lines of occidental thought. In India the idea of the sonship has always been strictly recognized and we regarded the son as the further development of the father. Therefore we took Christ as God's revelation in humanity, and he became personally dear to us all and entered into our spirit. Thus we accepted Christ, but not Christianity. The Christians which we saw represented creeds who were constantly striving to choke each other and who strove to make converts to their faiths simply for the purpose of making a personal victory. The spirit only can teach man and the spirit must guide us. How can man be made to return to this former position if the spirit of God does not come to aid him? We welcome all Scriptures, all prophets and all inspiration, and as we keep adding all the time we aspire that some day the great church will be constructed and that great family be organized which shall embrace the entire human race." The remarks of the speaker were listened to with evident interest. Some of his figures of speech were very beautiful and his whole address was couched in the flowery words of an Oriental.

—Boston Post.

An order has been issued regulating the traffic on the C.P.R. which prohibits the taking of any kind of a parcel into the passenger coaches, even a lunch basket being tabooed. There is no injunction restraining the size of the pockets.

## "JENNIE JUNE'S" OPINION.

Give the Ladies the Franchise.

Before the Senate Committee on Labor and Education in New York city appeared the other day Mrs. D. G. Crolly, the well known "Jennie June," of fashion gossip letter fame. She took for her text the aphorism, "Work is infinitely more important to a woman than a vote." Mrs. Crolly had no words to say against woman suffrage, her stand on the subject was implied by its negation, but much in favor of industrial education in the common schools. This worthy little woman has been a most successful worker; her life is full of work that has been made to pay her handsomely, as she is the best paid woman journalist in New York city. She is the President of Sorosis, and has done many kind and charitable acts in her busy life. But her one weakness has been the lack of courage to take a firm stand on the suffrage question. She has studiously kept it from being made a plank in the sisterhood's platform, greatly to the chagrin of many of its more aggressive members. There are never wanting, however, champions of the cause in New York, and on this occasion Mrs. Lillie Devereaux Blake and Mrs. Dr. C. S. Lozier spoke for woman's suffrage. The largest Protestant body in Canada, the United Methodists, have declared for woman suffrage, because of the strength their votes would give to temperance reform. Woman can work and vote, too; the latter privilege will be found immensely useful to her in securing the former in a congenial department and at a remunerative rate of compensation. Those who advocate women's right to work and accumulate property and would withhold from her the safeguard of the ballot box, seeks an unfair distribution of gifts. Such an arrangement gives to woman work and property and leaves her voiceless as to the price paid for the first and the disposal and government of the other. It saddles women with responsibilities and yet deprives them of the corresponding immunities and prerogatives. It would leave to men finally the making of laws, and to women the making of money. The enfranchisement of women cannot much longer be delayed. In the lobby of the Imperial House of Commons last session, when the women's franchise bill was under discussion, John Bright found a man violently objecting to the measure, and his sole objection to the enfranchisement of women was simply because they are women. This is the refreshing and ultimate fact to which the opponents of universal suffrage are reduced. This means, in fine, that the government of the world has been carried on by men for the analogous reason that they are the possessors of the physical force upon which in the last resort every social arrangement reposes. This era of barbaric brute force nears its close and the day when intellectual strength will determine the quarrels of the world is about to dawn.—Hamilton Evening Tribune.

## A Circus Loving Preacher.

A story is told of a Toledo, Ohio, preacher on a brother minister that will bear repeating. Recently a circus was in the city, and the ministerial curiosity was so awakened that an outside view of the stretch of canvas would not suffice. The minister had compunctions of conscience against the gratifications of what he fancied might be a questionable desire. However, his liberality of belief would permit of the children going and of their seeing all there was to be seen, provided they had some good-sized masculine protector with them. But, unfortunately for him, he had no children, and was, therefore—to use an unorthodox expression—"in a hole." Finally he hit upon a plan. He went to his brother preacher and tried to borrow his 5-year-old boy as a companion to the circus. But it wouldn't work, the preacher remarking: "I've waited a long time for my boy to get big enough to go to a circus, and now I want to use him myself."

## He Has No Objection.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND.—The Hon. Daniel W. Voorhees, United States Senator from this State, remarks: "My opinion sir, I have no objection to giving. I suffered from rheumatism of the back, used some St. Jacobs Oil, which gave me instantaneous relief and finally cured me completely. I think it a remarkable remedy, indeed." His candid and courteous expression carries weight.

## ABDUCTED BY HER HUSBAND.

A St. John, N. B., Sensation.

A great sensation has been caused at St. John, N. B., by a case of wife-abduction. About three years ago Miss Lena Robinson, a handsome young lady whose father occupies a prominent position in connection with the Government Savings Bank in that city, was secretly married at Amherst, N. Y., to De Blavier Carritte, a son of Dr. Carritte, of that place, contrary to the wishes of her parents, who had a more eligible partner in view. The couple separated immediately after the ceremony, the lady returning to her parents and Carritte going to New York. When the secret leaked out there was great indignation in the Robinson household, and it was determined that a divorce should be procured. For this purpose, it is said, the young lady resided in one of the Eastern States for some time, but Carritte was determinedly opposed to any such proceeding, and the lady was brought home. Carritte returned to St. John this year and established himself in business. He was not allowed to approach his wife. About 10 o'clock on a recent Saturday night, accompanied by his friends, he followed Mr. Robinson and his daughter towards their home, and when in a dark street assaulted Robinson and seized the young lady, and putting her in a coach on hand for the purpose drove off. Three days later Carritte and his wife were found in a hotel where they had arrived about 2 a.m., after a drive around some country roads. Carritte was arrested on a warrant for assault, information having been laid against him by Mr. Robinson. The young husband acted on legal advice, and it is believed that the young lady was privy to the abduction. The parties move in the best social circles.

## The Burglar under a Couch.

Nine out of ten women probably look under their bed every night before retiring to rest in search of the much-dreaded burglar, and possibly no woman in a thousand millions has discovered that often-looked-for visitor. What happened on those rare occasions history sayeth not, although, considering the universality of the search, some general rule as to the measures to be taken in case of discovery ought by this time to have been pretty well established. In default of such standing orders the example of Mrs. Crolly, whose case is reported from Dublin, may be commended for imitation by the rest of her sex. Finding a man concealed under a couch in her drawing room, she immediately locked him in, sent for a constable, and then, without waiting for the arrival of the police, she armed herself with a revolver, re-entered the drawing room, and threatened to shoot the intruder if he stirred. He remained motionless under the sofa, under the cover of Mrs. Crolly's revolver, until the arrival of the constable, when he was carried off in custody. But how many women, it may be asked, have either the nerve or the revolver of Mrs. Crolly? Those who lack either or both will probably console themselves by reflecting that there is no woman who cannot scream and, with few exceptions, a scream is as effective for scaring a burglar off the premises as a box revolver.—Full Mall Gazette.

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