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A JAIL MATRON.

The Safety Board is in receipt of a request from the local council of women, that a jail matron be appointed by the city for the care of female prisoners. It is respectfully submitted that the estimable ladies who have preferred this humanitarian request, are not fully acquainted either with the true conditions to be found at the police station and jail, or with the state of the city's finances. Perhaps the time will come after St. John has developed to the standing we all hope it will attain, when a jail matron will be a necessity, and when there will be sufficient opportunity for such attention as a woman can render to unfortunate as will make the proposed appointment advisable. But at the present time the question may be asked, what would such an official find to do?

The city police arrest about eighty women each year; that is, they make about eighty arrests, though only thirty or thirty-five respectable women are involved, the majority of the offenders being taken into custody two or three times annually. Many of them are locked up for drunkenness, a few go in for theft, and the remainder are from houses of ill-repute. Most of those who declare their adherence to the Catholic church are sent to the home of the Good Shepherd, a well-managed institution where they are kindly treated. Some of the others go to the Salvation Army, a considerable portion are released, and the remainder are kept in jail. As a matter of fact there are not now, nor indeed at any time, a sufficient number of women in jail to perform the work in that institution which women are best qualified to perform. The three or four habitual frequenters have their own rooms, are given every opportunity to keep themselves clean, are well fed, and do not associate with male prisoners. In the event of sickness they receive womanly attention from sisters who for some years have been at hand to render whatever assistance is necessary. Briefly the dozen or so reproaches who make the jail their resting place get along very well without a specially engaged servant to wait on them.

As regards the police station, it is known that when the police deem a search of a female prisoner to be necessary, such search is made by a woman. Women also wait on such prisoners whenever any particular attention is required. In view of the facts and with the knowledge that the police department can be improved along other lines if any money is to be spent, the jail matron question appears a little premature.

THE BLESSING OF LENT.

Lent begins today. It is very fortunate that there is in the Christian Church an institution such as this which serves to put at least a partial damper on the ever developing frenzy for social excitement. Perhaps during the next few weeks brawls, teas and dances will be less frequent, for certainly the people of St. John and particularly the ladies, are in need of a rest. The social whirl of this city has reached the limit; the demand for excitement, the ridiculous competition in lavish entertainment, the criminal waste of time in piffing amusements have reached all extremes during the present winter. Certainly it may be with reason be ventured that the non-sensical waste of money on the extravagant entertainment of those who have no need of such entertainment is very largely responsible for the prevalence of what we regard as hard times.

For this state of affairs the men are chiefly to blame, for they seem to have joined in a movement of which the most striking feature is living beyond one's means. The prime qualification for entrance into the social life of this city is the ability to spend more than one can afford; popularity rests very largely on magnificence of entertainment. Yet it is not the waste of money on clothes and suppers which forms the worst feature. The feverish activity of social duties is developing in many the idea that life is given solely for pleasure, and the things that are really worth while are being neglected. If this were the true feeling of those who devote themselves to entertainment the situation would speedily be deplorable, but in reality the strictest devotees of so-called society are tired and sick of the whole show. They have been going the limit, and they keep it up just because everyone else does. They know that in many cases their time is being frittered away, that their lives are useless, yet seemingly no one of influence has the courage to take a strong stand and declare that this shall not be.

The advent of Lent provides a welcome opportunity, for although the

round of gaiety will not abruptly cease, there will now be at least some excuse for restricting the excitement, and perhaps by Easter Monday a small measure of common sense will have returned.

THE POLICE EXPLAIN.

With reference to a paragraph in this paper yesterday dealing with the theft at the Simms factory, the police department furnish the following explanation, which is cheerfully published.

"The paragraph in question places the department in an unfair position. It is true the office was not searched during the afternoon, but this omission was intentional. It was felt that the guilty person whoever he might be had not succeeded in removing the money from the office and would in all probability attempt to do so later. In such an event the evidence, which would include the finding of the money in the possession of the person attempting to remove it, would be all the stronger. Consequently the police shadowed carefully those who seemed to be most closely identified with the early accounts of the incident, being in full confidence that the money could not get away of its own accord and must certainly be recovered whenever sought. The policy of the police was not merely to lead to the arrest of a suspected person, but to permit the development of such evidence as would tend to transform such suspicion into proof."

It is a hard thing to say, but that grief-stricken mother at Hoyt Station whose children were burned to death on Monday evening, has only herself to blame. The idea of a woman leaving three babies alone in the house while she went on an errand is almost inconceivable, yet the many dreadful occurrences of late, following exactly such incidents, appear to have not the least weight as warnings. Parents read of children elsewhere perishing through their own ignorance when left alone, but greedily do not apply to themselves the lessons such incidents should teach.

COUNT ADVERTISES HIMSELF FOR SALE

Count Jean Marcel Peryguy de Passy a Sacrifice on Altar of Matrimony and Mortgages.

NEW YORK, Feb. 23.—Flutter, fair feminine hearts! A count, a real French count is the latest offering of the matrimonial market. With a background of wine encrusted chateaux and ancestral arms, grasping in one hand his patent of nobility and in the other the birth certificate, Count Jean Marcel Peryguy de Passy has offered himself a cheerful sacrifice on the altar of matrimony and mortgages, the latter an inheritance from his distinguished father.

The announcement of the count's willingness to annex the asset of an American bride to offset the inherited liabilities of a French ancestor was made yesterday through the count's attorney, Nathan G. Goldberger, of No. 346 Broadway. Only stern necessity finally induced the count to consent to his attorney's plea that publicity be given alone to his name and title, the count was brought to see that the American way of doing business required that he should advertise his wares.

TWO MEN KILLED IN COLLISION ON C. P. R.

INGOLF, Ont., Feb. 23.—A rear end collision took place at three o'clock yesterday morning, near here, between two sections of the westbound express. The dead are Jack O'Brien, an Australian and Harry Goldstein, of Toronto. An Englishman, named Fawcett is reported seriously injured. Ingolf is the first station outside of Manitoba coming east on the C. P. R. and it about half way between Winnipeg and Kenora.

HER QUERY.

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DESERTED BRIDE TWO DAYS AFTER HE HAD MARRIED HER

Astonishing Story of Heartless Deception the Sequel to a Fashionable Wedding in St. Albans Cathedral in England

London newspapers arriving in Montreal this week tell an astonishing story of the heartless deception of a young lady by an unscrupulous adventurer, as the unhappy sequel to a fashionable wedding at St. Albans Cathedral there, on Thursday, Jan. 23. Miss Maude Ethel Sarah Jeeves, a member of a well known St. Albans family, was wedded in seemingly most auspicious circumstances to a bronzed, good-looking man, calling himself Francis Fraser Ogilvie, and described as a mining engineer.

The Dean of St. Albans (Dr. W. J. Lawrence), officiated at the ceremony, the bride's family being well known to him. Mr. Jago, a well-known St. Albans resident, acted as best man. After a reception, with the heartiest wishes for their welfare, and a bridegroom presented, bride and bridegroom departed for London, where they were to spend a short time prior to going to Paris, and thence to Spain, and on to Mexico, where it was understood, "Mr. Ogilvie" had obtained a lucrative post.

BRIDE HAD MEANS.

The lamentably hasty marriage into which Miss Jeeves, who is a young lady of independent means, was introduced, was brought about through a well-known West End matrimonial agency. By means of the latter, only a week before the ceremony at St. Albans, she was introduced to Mr. Fraser Ogilvie. The latter, a man of good appearance and manner, was very ardently, and pressed for a quick wedding on the plea that he must take up his Mexican appointment, which he represented as being worth \$1,000 a year. His father, he said, was a wealthy Scotch merchant in Barcelona, and he himself had considerable private means. As an instance of the latter fact he stated that he had purchased a house in London for \$100,000 and forwarded it to Mexico.

GAVE WORTHLESS CHECK.

From inquiries made it would appear that Ogilvie must have spent all or nearly all the money he possessed in paying for the marriage license. In any case he procured the wedding ring in St. Albans by means of a worthless check for \$250, which was given to the bride. The bride, who was victimized, parting with \$25 as well as the ring, in order to carry out the ceremony, as he said, until the cheque was cleared.

After their arrival at the Midland Hotel, St. Pancras, Ogilvie took his wife round and showed her the eight of his lodgings in Sinclair Road, West Kensington, to collect his luggage for seven rounds each taking hard punishment and bleeding frequently. The referee pulled the men apart and awarded the decision to Manning.

PAWNED THE JEWELS.

Mrs. Ogilvie's jewellery was found to have been pawned in London for a small sum, and she later received the pawn tickets, but no other enclosure, in a packet from Paris. Inquiries go to show that Ogilvie is quite unknown at the Mexican consulate, where he said he had friends, nor is he apparently known in Barcelona. He had been a visitor at a Piccadilly Hotel, where in the smoking room, he posed as a mining engineer in London for a holiday. He seemed a gentlemanly pleasant man, and was apparently well off. The address he gave in Sinclair Road, Kensington, is a boarding house, and he had occupied a room there. He called on the evening of Friday, Jan. 23, and took away his clothes.

Mr. Ogilvie, it is understood, does not wish for any proceedings to be taken against the man who has so cruelly deceived her. The young lady's friends, however, are determined, if possible, to find him in order to punish him. After the jury had been empanelled, court adjourned at 2.30, to permit the jurymen to visit the scene of the crime.

BOOKER T. WASHINGTON WAS WORTH \$400.00

Noted Educator Examines Inventory of Former Master's Estate and Finds Out Its Commercial Value.

NEW YORK, Feb. 23.—Booker T. Washington paid a glowing tribute to president-elect Taft's friendship of the negro race and spoke at length of the work being done by the negroes of the south along the lines of self-betterment. Mr. Washington said in part: "A few months ago it was my privilege to return to the old farm in Virginia upon which I was born, and spent my early years as a slave. I had been absent for forty years and it was my first visit since the days of slavery. I met on this farm one of the grandsons of my former owner, who was made the executor of my former master's estate. He showed me the inventory of the estate, and as I read the items, I found so many acres of land, valued at so many dollars; so many houses, valued at so many dollars; so many horses, valued at so many dollars; so many cows valued at so many dollars; further down I found the word 'Booker' valued at \$400. It, during the years that have past I had been able to make my mind and body worth more than \$400 to the cause of civilization, it is all due to the influence and the work of the Hampton Institute where I was educated and where I received the inspiration that led me to devote my life to the cause of education in the southern states. I could not help but recall when this gentleman handed me the inventory that the same proclamation which made me free also made him free and so two races instead of one, are now free in the south."

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JURY EMpaneled TO TRY SOLDIER FOR WIFE MURDER

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., Feb. 23.—Only two hours was required today to impanel a jury to hear the evidence in the case of William Crockett Howard, the United States artillery man accused of the murder of his wife Ida Howard, at South Dartmouth, on Sept. 19, last. The prosecution used sixteen challenges, while eighteen taken were challenged by the defense. After the jury had been empanelled, court adjourned at 2.30, to permit the jurymen to visit the scene of the crime.

DEATHS

DELANEY.—In this city on Feb. 24 Catherine Cecile, beloved wife of Arthur Delaney, leaving a husband, four daughters and two sons to mourn.

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MCCORDOCK.—In this city on the 23rd inst., William J. McCordock, aged 18 years.

Funeral from his late residence, 216 Douglas Avenue. Friends are invited to attend.

WALDRON.—On Monday evening, Feb. 22nd, Mrs. Margaret Waldron, in the sixtieth year of her age, leaving an only son and one grandson, and three sisters.

Funeral from the residence of her son, Chas. W. Waldron, 43 Forest Street, on Thursday next, at 2.30 p. m. Friends and acquaintances respectfully invited to attend. No flowers by request.

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