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## SEEK TO RECLAIM THE "REGULARS"

### Society for the Reformation of Inebriates

Prof. George M. Wrong at Head of Organization Which Proposes a More Intelligent System.

TORONTO, Jan. 8.—Professor George M. Wrong, president of the Society for the Reformation of Inebriates, has issued the following statement of the two aims of the organization:

1st. For some years, in a quiet way, it has been trying to reclaim the unfortunate charged in the police court for drunkenness. Daily at the City Hall the society has in attendance a physician and two other officers who go among these prisoners and try to reach those ready to be aided by the society.

The drink habit is accompanied by a diseased nervous system, and what many of these people need is medical treatment. The physician in attendance gives this to those found willing to accept it, and in some cases the society bears the expense of keeping in the hospital, for a time, inebriates who must receive such treatment if they are to have any chance in life. The results from such methods have been most encouraging.

2nd. The second great aim of the society is to reform completely the present mode of dealing with inebriates committed to jail. Toronto needs badly what a good many cities both in Great Britain and the United States now have, a farm outside the city, to which inebriates charged with drunkenness can be sent, to be kept at wholesome labor, if possible out of doors, for a time long enough—a good many months in some cases, no doubt—to permit their whole system to get into healthy condition. To send such persons repeatedly for short terms to jail is to give them no real chance. They should be treated as diseased persons, and kept long enough to become healthy in mind and body.

It is obvious that the society has an extensive work on hand. It has further aims, among others the securing of a hospital where inebriates may be treated under favorable conditions, existing hospitals make but slight provision for such a class of patients. But the two aims outlined above are the chief ones before the society for the moment.

To carry on its work it requires funds, and readers are urged to aid efforts that, if pressed forward, will bring new hope and self-respect to many lives. Any sum will be welcomed. If only one dollar can be sent, it will be gladly received. It is hoped that some donors able to do so, will aid this hard pressed work generously.

## COUNTRY GIRL TELLS OF LIFE WITH PARSON.

Abductee.

OTTAWA, Kan., Jan. 8.—When she resumed her testimony today, Lorena Sutherland, a young country girl, told the jury that she is trying the Rev. Wallace M. Stuckey for her abduction of her joy in living in the big "gay city of Chicago."

"Everything was so strange, so big, it seemed almost as if I were living a novel," she said.

All of Stuckey's courtship, said the witness, was carried on by means of notes and love letters. This, it appears, was continued even while the two were in jail, at Waukegan, Ill. There he had, she testified, sent her a note, reading:

"Dear Girl—Your papa and mamma are coming for you. Only Stuckey will take us home. I still love you, little sweet heart, and when I get back home I will get a divorce from my cross wife. I may have to go to jail for forty or fifty days, but when I get out we will get married, and go back to Waukegan to live. Remember, if you love me, tell the sheriff what I told you in Chicago, that to stamp (to return postage) you will send you a trial box of Zam-Buk free!

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## GAINS SECRETS OF BLACK HAND BAND

Deceptive, as Fellow Prisoner, Wins the Confidence of Accused Albany Murderer.

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 8.—"The Family of the Dead Bodies" is the Albany branch of the Black Hand Society, by whose orders George B. Phelps, a rent collector, was murdered a few months ago, according to the testimony today of Michael Bernabe, a New York detective.

Domicil Ferrar, charged with the murder, is on trial in the Supreme Court. Bernabe's testimony is based on what he alleges Ferrar told him while he was a fellow prisoner in Albany county jail. The detective had been arrested here on his arrival from New York on December 2 in accordance with the plan arranged by the District Attorney and Sheriff of Albany county, arranged before the police magistrate and committed to jail until December 22. He was given a berth with Ferrar and Vincent Leonard, who is also charged with the Phelps murder.

Bernabe said that Ferrar had told him the secrets of the society, the past word of which is "Famel Murtoona," which, translated into English, means, "Family of Dead Bodies."

ON THE TOP OF THIS, THREE KNIVES, Bernabe told the jury that Ferrar had confessed to having been elected to co-operate with Leonard in taking the life of the rent collector. The victim was supposed to be an "American with much money."

Then, according to Bernabe, Ferrar went on to tell the secrets of the Black Hand in this way: "When anybody is to be initiated we bring him into the hall in which the society meets to see if he is courageous or not, and to find out if he will be true to the society. We make him swear that he will be true to the society, and then we give him three knives and three chevrones and death. When a member makes any money, whether it is \$100 or \$1,000, or any amount, he must not keep one cent of it, but must give it to the society."

"If any member of the society kills any one, or robs any one, or writes a threatening letter or even robs a child, the society will look after him. A member of the society is forced to give all his money, even the last cent he has, to the society to help those who are arrested."

HOW PLUNDER IS DIVIDED.

"If \$5,000 or \$10,000 is made by the society and no one is arrested, the money is divided among the members. The members are divided into three classes. First, the pickpocket; second, the caporet, and third, the leaders, and the money is divided among them at the rate of \$5 to the pickpocket, \$10 to the caporet and \$15 to the leaders."

Bernabe said Ferrar told him that the candidate for initiation was asked to fall upon the upturned knives already sprung. This was to test his courage and willingness to die if necessary. As the candidate falls a spring attached to the knives causes them to fly out and the candidate receives no injury.

Touching the Phelps murder, Ferrar, according to Bernabe, said that when the victim entered Vincent Leonard's place to collect the rent the latter asked him to step into the rear room and be seated at the table. Ferrar told Bernabe that Phelps, armed with a cane which belonged to Leonard's father. At a sign from Leonard, Ferrar struck Phelps on the head with the cane, but instead of becoming unconscious, as he should, Phelps jumped to his feet and began to fight. Bernabe said that Ferrar told him Leonard then stabbed Phelps, and he (Ferrar) ran home because he was frightened.

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## WEALTH AWAITS MAN IN WORKHOUSE

Death of Wife Who Had Left Him and Was the Cause of His Sentence Makes Him Rich.

NEW YORK, Jan. 8.—Serving a sentence in the workhouse for attacking a man who, he said, had taken his wife into a restaurant where he was obliged to wait upon them, Frederick Milner of No. 27 East 14th street, is in ignorance that his wife was buried in St. Raymond's cemetery yesterday.

Neither does he know that by her death he will share in a fortune of \$100,000 left by her mother, the late Mrs. Mary Ann Kelly, keeper of the light house at North Brother Island, known as the "Mary Ann light house."

Milner was arrested December 28 on complaint of Joseph P. Schwab of No. 281 Burnside avenue, and was assigned in the Morrisania police court before Magistrate House, Schwab charged Milner with having attacked him. Milner complained to the court that he was separated from his wife and that several of his friends informed him that she was going out in company with Schwab.

He said he was employed as a waiter in an inn at Clason Point, and a few nights previous to his attack upon Schwab, the latter came there accompanied by Mrs. Milner, and that they deliberately selected the table he was serving for a repast. Their first order was a bottle of wine, and he declared that, fearing to lose his employment, he stood at their back ready to do their bidding throughout the meal.

One week ago his wife was taken ill, suffering from an attack of appendicitis. She was operated on at the Red Cross Hospital, at Central Park, West 10th street, and died last Tuesday.

Miss McCusker, a probation officer who has been interested in the troubles between the Milners, is making an effort to induce Magistrate House to arrange for Milner's release.

## MISS ELLEN T. REED

SUITABLY REMEMBERED

Miss Ellen T. Reed, who has been appointed stenographer and assistant to the secretary of the Board of School Trustees, covered her connection with the firm of Emerson & Fisher, Ltd., on Saturday, to assume the duties of her new position.

Miss Reed has been with Emerson & Fisher for some time, and on leaving she was suitably remembered by the staff and also by the firm. The members of the staff presented her with an address and a travelling bag and a silver-mounted travelling toilet set. The address, which was read by T. A. Graham, was signed by the heads of the various departments.

R. B. Emerson then in behalf of the firm, presented Miss Reed with \$20 in gold and in making the presentation he expressed his regret at her leaving the firm, but wished her every success in her new position. Miss Reed made a suitable reply.

BUSINESS MEN FORM AN EARLY RISING CLUB.

Middletown, N. Y., Merchants to Head Poor Richard's Advice.

MIDDLETOWN, N. Y., Jan. 8.—A dozen of the most prominent business men of Middletown, N. Y., have decided to form a club which has for its object early rising. The club has taken the motto, "Early to bed and early to rise, makes one healthy, wealthy and wise."

Members pledge themselves to rise every morning at 6 o'clock and to leave their clubs for home not later than 10 o'clock at night, and there are severe penalties for violations of the club rules.

Each member is supposed to report at once to the headquarters of the club in the morning. One of the penalties for violation of the early rising rule is to shovel the snow off the president's sidewalk.

The annual meeting of Chambers Lodge, Royal Canadian Mounted Police, will be held in the Orange Hall, German street. The election of officers will be held and reports will be submitted.

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## FALSE ALARM IN BROAD DAYLIGHT

North End Firemen Have Unique Experience—Bad Blaze in Main Street House.

The North End fire department had a peculiar time of it Saturday evening and yesterday in the attendance of one fire, and a response to an alarm which proved a false one.

A false alarm in broad daylight was given by the North End fire department on Saturday morning. The alarm was given by the North End fire department on Saturday morning. The alarm was given by the North End fire department on Saturday morning.

The chemical engine from No. 1 Ladder House found three hours' work over an elusive fire in James Elliot's house, 243 Main street, to which two visits were made. Before the fire had the glow taken out of the firemen were compelled to cut through the floors and ceiling, and to tear up the tiled fireplace, causing damage to the extent of \$300.

Both alarms were "still" because of the serious illness of Mrs. Elliott. The first came between ten o'clock and eleven. Smoke was then apparent, but the source could not be located. The second was sent in between eleven and twelve o'clock, and the firemen were then called to the scene. A big beam beneath a register was found, and the fire was extinguished. The floor and ceiling had been torn up, and a new ceiling made necessary.

## Everyone Thought She Was Going Into Consumption.

Gained Ten Pounds in Two Weeks by the Use of Burdock Blood Bitters.

Mrs. Fred. Riggs, Kingston, Ont., writes: "I was completely run down, my blood was out of order, and I used to get so weak I could hardly get up. I tried every remedy and different doctors until a friend advised me to use Burdock Blood Bitters. I have not had one better since my appetite began to improve. I used six bottles. I gained ten pounds in two weeks. When I began to take it I only weighed ninety-three pounds. It just seemed to pull me from the grave as I then expected to be strong again. I will tell every sufferer of your wonderful medicine."

The blood reaches every portion of the body to distribute nutrient and remove effete matter and waste products. Clearly, then, any influence, good or bad, affecting the blood must necessarily affect the entire system for good or evil as the case may be.

Get pure blood and keep it pure by removing every trace of impure morbid matter from the system by using Burdock Blood Bitters. It exerts a curative influence, unapproached by any other remedy.

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## HARD TO TELL