

STIRRING CHASE AFTER CRIMINALS

Some Stories of Long Pursuits By Detectives

THE CAPTURE OF MULLER

Fled Across Atlantic But Newly Discovered Telegraphy Helped to His Undoing - A Forger Lost at the Last Moment

(Weekly Scotsman)

The criminal flying from justice not infrequently leads his pursuers a merry dance, and on more than one occasion he has compelled the sleuth-hounds of the law to travel thousands of miles before being run to earth.

The most exciting criminal chase within recent years was that of the notorious Dr. Crippen. A curious parallel to this was the pursuit of Franz Muller, a German who murdered Mr. Briggs in a railway carriage some forty odd years ago. A lad he had behind revealed his identity to the authorities and they were soon hot upon his track.

It was found that he had booked his passage to America on a sailing ship. But, just as Crippen, overlooking wireless telegraphy as a medium likely to bring about his arrest, so Muller forgot about the telegraph, which was his undoing. While he was speeding, as he thought to safety the New York police had been warned to be on the look-out for him.

Not only so, but detectives from Scotland Yard with two important witnesses to identify him were daily overhauling him on a steamer, and eventually arrived in New York before the boat on which Muller was travelling.

Extraordinary interest had been evoked in the states ever the case, and nobody could have got a greater surprise than Muller when he saw his ship being met by a fleet of excursion steamers crowded with excited Yankees eager to see the dramatic meeting between pursuers and pursued.

James Balfour

The notorious James Balfour very nearly succeeded in slipping through the fingers of his captors, even when they had him, as they thought, safely in their grip.

Balfour had sought refuge, it will be remembered, in the Argentine Republic by a liberal expenditure of money he managed to throw all sorts of obstacles in the way of his extradition and caused endless delays. Even when all the formalities had been complied with, he was not on board the steamer, he almost escaped at the very last moment.

He had so ingratiated himself with the Argentinians, and had scattered his money so freely, that a band of ruffians boarded the ship and determined to attempt to rescue him. It was only the courage and promptitude of Inspector Frost, who had him in charge, that saved the situation. The officer sprang at the ringleader as the gang closed in upon him, and with his pistol, and almost crammed the barrel of his revolver down the fellow's throat. Then, before the astonished Argentinians could recover themselves, he bundled his captive below and locked him safely up in a cabin until the steamer was under way.

The lack of an extradition treaty between one country and another is often a hindrance to justice. It enables the criminal in fact to snap his fingers at his would-be captors. This was clearly shown in the case of a certain bank forger, who had deceived with a large sum of money and who also found a haven in the Argentine.

A Detective's Discomfiture

At that time no extradition treaty existed between Britain and the republic, so the fugitive was safe from capture. Nevertheless, a well-known detective was put upon his track, with instructions to lure him into some position where he might be arrested.

The detective was a man of gentlemanly appearance, well educated, and in every way fitted for the part he intended to play. He passed himself off as a retired major in the army. He was supplied with letters of introduction to the principal English residents in the republic and told to spare no expense.

On arriving at Buenos Ayres he made guarded inquiries, and found that his man had gone "up country" some months before. He tracked him from place to place, until he succeeded at last in running him to earth. He discovered that he had secured employment in the service of a wealthy English handover to whom as it so happened the supposed "major" had a letter of introduction.

He quickly struck up an acquaintance with the fugitive, and in a short time they were upon friendly terms. To account for his present position, the forger told a plausible tale of reverses at home, misfortunes in business, and other woeful calamities. The "major" professed the utmost sympathy, supplied him with funds, and prevailed upon him to accompany him back to the city, where he entertained him at one of the best hotels.

Having, as he thought, completely gained his confidence, the detective laid a very neat little trap for the criminal. There happened to be a British man-of-war in the harbor at the time. He went off to it, revealed his identity to the captain, and told him that he wished to investigate the forger on board, where he might be arrested straight away. The details were quickly arranged between them.

At the Last Moment

The officers were to give a dance on deck in a day or two, and amongst others the "major" and his friend duly received invitations. The forger apparently fell blindly into the trap, pressed himself delighted at the prospect.

Mr. Digby had taken a "diligence" to a little coast village near Dieppe for two days' rest; but the detectives hurried on to Paris, in conjunction with the French police, thinking the supposed Webster had gone there. They got news of "Mr. Reid's" presence at the bathing village and rushed back, to find the banker had left for Paris before the warbling was left to his stopping-place, and had crossed them on the way.

He went straight on, and was finally run down, very much astonished, at Vienna, and his hapless alias being

RUSSIAN DUCHESS SUED FOR DIVORCE IN SWEDISH COURT



PRINCESS WILHEMINA AND GRAND DUCHESS MARIE PAVLOVNA. The Grand Duchess Pavlovna of Russia, the wife of Prince William of Sweden, second son of King Gustav V., was summoned through the Swedish Legation in St. Petersburg to appear in the Court of Assizes at Stockholm to answer a charge of having poisoned her husband. Divorce proceedings have been in progress for some time.

On The Applan Way

(Gertrude Bone in Manchester Guardian) When one stands upon the ruins of a great dynasty one may, if fanciful, imagine many a shadowy and symbolic figure seated brooding over the prostrate temples and markets. But too often a cheap tabernacle marks the place of a martyrdom, hurrying tourists drive the shades from Caesar's palaces, and the place of tombs becomes a picnic-ground for children. Once only have I seen a figure solitary and deliberate which was generally regarded as the place and time in which it moved.

The ancient Applan Way, which crosses a straight passage for forty miles between Rome and the sea coast, crosses, as everything must cross which approaches the isolated kingdom, the wide, ill-omened plain of the Campagna. In the remote parts of this plain people lived until within a year in mud huts thatched with straw, like Hottentots. But in the Applan Way it is not the interest of primitive manners surviving which awakes within one; rather the melancholy of inhabited places now deserted, of impressive things powerless and in dispute. Broken and gigantic, the lofty aqueducts of the Emperor Trajan seem to stare at one another as if they were the dial of a shepherd.

The mean stone houses which one sees at intervals are built on any small rising in the ground to avoid that low-crawling plague, malaria. As the sun rises, the air is heavy with the uplifted gravity of great tragedy. A tilted square of ground in the waste workable, and the handful of men who are there are like self-appointed prisoners, with immensely about them. One stands almost as a shepherd in that straight road, as if one looked out across the sea on both sides from a pier, or as if one were standing in its direction.

We were walking along this old highway when Paul the Apostle journeyed to Rome at a point where it becomes difficult for tourists to change their minds, but there are no celebrated tombs here, but a paved stone-work showing at intervals, and it is the unremembered dead who lie on either side of the road, which is the direction of the Campagna.

When I went last week I turned to walk back to Rome. The Campagna is not the place for foreigners after dark, and the nearest town in the other direction was twelve miles distant. We set out at a good pace, foot after foot, much as the Roman soldiers themselves must have marched, with the incentive of a straight road and Rome at nightfall. All at once we became aware that we were not alone; that, walking away from Rome, with the deliberate and leisurely pace with which one might enjoy the evening air in a garden, was a solitary woman. It might be a shepherd in a long cloak we surmised, but as we looked intently we saw more clearly. It was certainly a woman, and not a country woman for a woman of the country would have hastened her pace at that hour, and this woman walked slowly, as if every step were of great importance. She came nearer. She was old and poorly dressed, with a clean bundle hanging from her bent arm. Her slow approach, her age, drew our eyes still more. She seemed almost majestic as she came unflinching along the crown of the ancient way. But a woman, old and alone, with her back towards us, Rome, and journeying with composure into the

against him was summarily extradited and brought back to England before he could clear himself. Meanwhile the real Webster, who had been hiding at Newhaven, got away, and is still "wanted."

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NICE PAY FOR HIS WINTER WORK

Trapper Came Across Gold and Made Good Thing of It

Spokane, Wash., March 21.—Twenty-seven thousand dollars as reward for a winter spent in hunting and prospecting the record made by D. J. Matevick, who came here to sell his stock of furs taken during the last winter in the Clearwater district of Idaho.

Matevick went into the district in last September and spent the fall in prospecting. In October he came across a portion of creek bottom which had been swept clean by a landslide some time previous, leaving the crevices open. After a few pans he realized that he had made a big find, as every pan was showing strong color and running between ten and fifty cents in gold.

After the winter set in he turned his attention to trapping fur-bearing animals, and when he reached Spokane he had a pack worth in the neighborhood of \$2,000, one of the furs being a silver fox, valued at approximately \$700.

TOBACCO GROWING IN IRELAND

Extensive Fields Being Cultivated in Emerald Isle

London, March 21.—In September particulars were announced of the revived industry of tobacco growing in England, and it is now known that the tobacco-growing industry in Ireland is already in the field, and one of the pioneers of tobacco growing in the British Isles, Captain McQuaid, will soon sail for America to make a tour of the tobacco fields there and learn the latest methods of growing tobacco in County Monaghan.

Other growers are Sir Nugent Evered and Sir George Gifford, at Louth; Lord Dunraven, at Adare; several farmers on Sir Horace Plunkett's co-operative system in Wexford. To encourage the industry the government has given a rebate of \$175,000, or one-third of the duty, spread over fifteen years.

Tobacco also is being grown in Scotland and England.

MORNING NEWS OVER THE WIRES

Alfred T. Seaman, son of Principal J. D. Seaman of Charlottetown, has been chosen as Rhodes Scholar from Prince Edward Island.

Fire in the Commerce block in Amherst last night caused considerable damage in the premises occupied by the Amherst Boot & Shoe Company, Rogers Milner & Purdy, Dominion Press Company, James White and Dr. Craig.

There was a falling off in Canadian import and export trade for February. The decrease in imports amounted to \$14,401,754, while in exports the decrease was \$2,800,000.

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RALLY FOR TEMPERANCE

Large Body of Young Men Hear Inspiring Address on Father Mathew

An inspiring address on "Father" Mathew, Ireland's Temperance Apostle" was yesterday afternoon delivered in the rooms of St. Peter's, M. A. by Rev. Dr. O'Reilly, before a gathering which almost filled the hall and which thoroughly appreciated the many fine points in the address.

There were frequent outbursts of applause, and at the close following a hearty vote of thanks tendered to the speaker. There was a striking demonstration in the cause of total abstinence when the reverend lecturer called upon all present to promise to exert their best influence for this work.

The chair was occupied by J. J. McDonnell, who introduced the speaker. Rev. Dr. O'Reilly said he was pleased to see so large an attendance as it showed their goodwill towards the temperance cause, and it was pleasing to note the number the Father Mathew Association members in a body. He traced the growth of the temperance movement instituted by the distinguished priest in Ireland from 1838 and gave an interesting sketch of the life of Rev. Theobald Mathew.

On the 100th anniversary of the organization of temperance societies after Father Mathew, in 1838, he hoped that the boys of today would be stalwart soldiers in the grand army of total abstinence. The years showed, he thought, that Father Mathew's work was even more fully appreciated today than in his own lifetime when several cities in England, Ireland and Scotland, acclaimed him as the greatest temperance evangelist of the centuries, and thousands followed his footsteps.

Included the speaker thought would take up the temperance cause even more earnestly during the next quarter of a century than they have in the past. He mentioned the names of some of the leading countries of the world as regards the movement. The speaker here made a few brief references to the pending home rule which were received with outbursts of enthusiasm and he closed with an appeal to the large gathering to exert their best endeavors to promote total abstinence and its blessings amongst all with whom they came in contact.

The lecturer, accompanied by thirty members of the F. M. A., marched in the procession to St. Malachy's hall to St. Peter's hall, where the lecture was delivered.

Suit for \$25,000 damages against D. Lorne McGibbon, Edward Beck, Louis J. Tarte and LaFaire Pub. Co. He takes exception to an article in the first issue of Beck's weekly which said he was on the payroll of "Martin & Co."

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