

INGENIOUS DEVICES OF BANK THIEVES.

In the whole catalogue of daring bank robberies there is no story more amazing than that of the robbery of the Hong-Kong branch of the Bank of Western India, for not only did the case display the most astonishing daring, skill, and patience on the part of the robbers, but their success has never been equalled by other bank-breakers.

It was generally understood that the safes and vaults of the Western Bank were about the strongest ever built, and the robbers, of course, knowing this, decided to attack the bank in a way they believed the builders had never anticipated, and therefore not provided for. They rented a house on the opposite side of the street and settled down to live like simple-minded gentlemen.

Some three months later the manager of the bank had occasion to visit the vaults, and to his utter amazement and consternation he found that the principal safe, which a day or two before had contained upwards of £50,000 in bullion and other valuables, had been emptied of everything. It did not take long to throw the responsibility for this astonishing change on the simple-minded gentlemen across the way, but when a visit was paid to their abode it was found that they had disappeared.

While living quietly and respectably, evincing no inclination to hide themselves, but showing their faces frequently at the windows and walking in the streets like the most honest folk, the robbers constructed a tunnel connecting the basement of their domicile with the vaults of the bank. To accomplish this they dug a shaft down to a sufficient depth to enable them to tunnel under the road without being heard by passers-by or risking a collapse of the earth; and they cut an upward shaft rising under the vaults, where, one day when the bank was closed and they knew the safes were loaded with valuables, they quietly broke in and cleared away everything worth taking.

One can easily appreciate the courage and patience of these men. They had to cut a tunnel between eighty and ninety feet long, sufficiently high to allow the passage of two men carrying a heavy chest; they had to dispose of the immense amount of earth displaced in cutting the tunnel without anyone knowing; and after some twelve weeks' incessant labor in cutting the tunnel they had yet to make a way through the concrete floor of the bank and break into a safe of exceptional strength.

The cutting of the tunnel for the robbers, since at any of the upward shafts under the bank, particularly must have been an anxious moment they might have betrayed themselves to someone above; and it speaks volumes for the care with which they labored that no one suspected them or what was happening until they had made their escape with £50,000 worth of valuables, the carrying away of which, apart from anything else, must have been far from a simple matter.

TYPHOON SWEEPS THE PHILIPPINES.

MANILA, Sept. 29.—Reports now coming in from places along the path of the recent typhoon in the island of Luzon and the southern islands indicate great loss of life and property. In the waters surrounding Samar and other islands many coasting vessels and inland transport have been wrecked. The coast guard cutter Leyte is a complete wreck and eleven Americans and 24 natives were drowned. His remains were at the town of Sorogson, 15 natives were drowned. The loss on hemp plantations is estimated at \$1,000,000.

The army transport Juan Rodriguez is ashore at Legaspi. In the interior of the island of Samar thousands of natives are homeless, and the same report comes from many of the other small islands. The army post in the southern island has been destroyed. The civil and military authorities are rushing aid to the suffering people in the form of supplies of food and shelter. Owing to the destruction of the telegraph system reports received from other points are very meagre.

GREAT HARDSHIPS.
LONDON, Sept. 28.—The story told by members of the British Mission who spent two and a half years in marking the boundary between Persia and Afghanistan in the Selistan region, shows that they encountered terrible hardships. Fifty of the members died from various causes and nearly 5,000 camels and 120 horses succumbed.

TOOK A LIGHT AND A REVOLVER
and descended to the vault. Two men suddenly appeared before him. He shot one dead, but the other disappeared in a manner which utterly baffled his comprehension. He searched the vault and came on the mouth of the tunnel, which, of course, explained everything.

REAL LOGIC.
Not long ago there was talk of placing a clock in the tower of a certain village church. John X., the old sexton, who lived in a cottage opposite the church, declared himself "dead agin it" and expressed the opinion that it would entail "a sad waste of brass."

HIGH SPEED FOR MAILES.
(Harper's Weekly.)
A French system for a high-speed railway for the transmission of parcels and mail matter is now being developed where a speed of 156 miles per hour has been attained. It is designed to serve for interurban or long-distance transmission the same function as the automatic tubes in cities.

URGES HUMANITY TO CONSUMPTIVES

Baron Komura
Sir Henry Burdett, K. C. S., enters a Protest Against Cruelty Practiced on Victims of Tuberculosis.

BOSTON, Mass., Sept. 27.—Sir Henry Burdett, K. C. S., a distinguished London surgeon, today made a vigorous protest against the inhuman treatment by relatives of persons suffering from consumption. His remarks were inspired at the conference of the Association of Hospital Superintendents at the Boston Medical Library, when Dr. Henry M. Hurd read a paper on "The Hospital Treatment of Tuberculosis, 1773-1790," in which it was shown that the medical profession was at that time acquainted with the contagiousness of consumption.

MURDERED MAN.
CHICAGO, Sept. 28.—When he heard a report that his son had deserted the regular mail on a hill, near the sky as possible.

AMHERST, N. S.
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ANDOVER.
ANDOVER, N. B., Sept. 29.—The September circuit court opened on Tuesday morning and adjourned as there were no cases to come before it.

VICKSBURG, Miss., Sept. 29.—Up to p. m. today 14 new cases of yellow fever were reported, the largest number for any 24 hours since the disease appeared here. Of these, five constitute new disease cases.

BARON KOMURA IN MONTREAL.

His Views on Renewed Anglo-Japanese Alliance. Convinced That New Treaty Is Also in Interests of the World at Large.

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SEVERE COLD IN THE CHEST.
"My fourteen-year-old boy had a very severe cold in the chest last winter, and I really thought he was going to die. He coughed nearly all the time, and sometimes would spit up blood. I can positively say that he was completely cured by two bottles of Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine. It is the best remedy I have ever used since."—Mrs. J. Provost, Renfrew, Ont.

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IN THE NEXT PLACE, I deem it fit to make a few remarks in regard to the conclusion of the Anglo-Japanese alliance which has just been published. The new alliance, as the old alliance, is absolutely no aggressive character.

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BOSTON MARKETS.
Mills are Running Short of Logs. And the Demand for Spruce and Hemlock is Increasing—Some Gangs Going Into the Woods.

BOSTON, Sept. 30.—There is no cessation in the call for supplies of spruce lumber, and the question of supply is becoming a more and more serious factor. The mills are using up their stock of logs rapidly, and the water is so low that there is greater solicitude than ever as to securing of rafted logs for use in the immediate future.

SHINGLES, LATHS, CLAPBOARDS.
Shingles—Cedar ex. \$2.25 to 2.40; do. clear, \$2.75 to 2.90; do. snds, \$2.25 to 2.40; do. clear white, \$2.20 to 2.25; do. ex. No. 1, \$1.80.

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