

The Peculiar Methods of Parisian Detectives

Wear Distinctive Clothing That Makes Them Easily Recognized by the Criminal—The Force Is Generally Made Up of Corsicans and Are Looked Upon With Abhorrence by the Populace.

Paris, Aug. 29.—There is a generally accepted theory that the French detectives are the best in the world. I think Gaboriau is responsible for this fallacy, and to some extent Edgar Allan Poe also. The Monsieur Lecoeq of the one and the Monsieur Dupin of the other are the models of the French secret police. As a matter of fact, they are nothing of the kind. Indeed, the profession or detective is held in France in so little repute that few Frenchmen engage in it, and the majority of the members of the Surete are Corsicans or Alsians. The Cor-

I went late one night to a supper house, much frequented by flash society, at the Paris central markets, flouished at the sight of the French police. They drank all round. About half an hour after I had been behaving in this way, a man came to the table and sat down next to me, but a glance at his looks to convince me that he was not a policeman. He was in his setup as a man about town, that is, he was dressed for the French plain clothes policeman, all wear looks of a particularly regular type, and he was not at all easily recognized under no matter what disguise. The man tried to get into conversation with me, but I was tired of the routine and slightly despondent. My house waiter next evening told me

MOST PROMINENT FAMILIES

Throughout the township of Westminster, with its hundreds of independent farmers, there is no name more generally known than that of Nicholas Michener. He has been a resident of this township since he was well advanced in years, having, with one exception, spent the greater portion, if not all, of their days within its bounds. To the right, in the second row from the top, is Mr. Thomas J. Nichol, who has resided here about two years ago. In the same row, to the left, is Dr. William Nicolson, a leading practitioner of Bradford, and in the lower row, reading from left to right, are John, of Cecilston 8, and Adam, of Cecilston 4, both members of the township council. The family is of Scottish stock. Liberal in politics, and a member of the Wesleyan church, Mr. Nichol is a man of considerable influence in the township. St. John Nichol may seem, upon first meeting him, to be a young man; but he is really old, and his long experience as a member ever served in the council of the township or county, helps to make him among the most valuable in the township.

CUBAN BAD MEN

Murder Ira Bradley, a California Promoter.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 29.—United States Minister Squires, at Havana, has confirmed the American statement of a euphemistic nature has adopted in the island to describe kind of employment. It was m

Bradley, near Holguin, Cuba, on June 10, 1961, was about 60 years old, a resident of California, and had been coming to establish in Cuba a settlement known as Bradley's Colony. The motive ascribed for the murder was political. The victim was mutilated and badly beaten. The dispatch says that the country in the vicinity is infested by a gang of murderers and robbers.

CHAMBERLAIN'S POLICY

London Mail Gives What Purports to Be His Tariff.

London, Aug. 29. — The Daily Mail has obtained what purports to be an outline of Colonial Secretary Chamberlain's fiscal proposals. They are

to 3 shilling on wheat and a heavier duty on flour, small duties on meat.

grains and dairy produce and equivalent remissions of duty on tea, sugar and tobacco. 2 scales of duties on manufactured products, 10 to 20 per cent with a view to securing reciprocal treaties with foreign nations. The second scale of duties on tea, sugar and tobacco to a relief income tax or further remissions of the duties on tea, sugar and tobacco.

U. S. FALLS INTO LINE

And Will Not Give Up Reform Editors to China.

Oyster Bay, L. I., Aug. 29.—The recent appeal to President Roosevelt, made by John A. Fischer, president of the Republican National Editorial Association, in behalf of the convicted

"Reform" editors of Shanghai, whose surrender has been demanded by the Peking authorities, has requested prominent

and favored consideration. By direction of the President the state department has notified the United States consuls in London and Paris that they must not be given up for punishment outside the settlement. This places the United States in line with Great Britain and France, and the powers that have taken up the case of the convicted editors with much vigor.

PATTI AND "OUR MEARY"

Two Stage Celebrates to Re-enter Professional Life.

New York, Aug. 23. — Robert Grau has announced that Miss Patricia will sail for America on Oct. 24, and will appear under his management. She

will receive \$5,000 a night. A private car is being built for her and her suite of ten persons. Mary Ander-

Mr. Navarro has tactically accepted Mr. Grau's offer for one hundred readings in America this season. Mr. Grau arrived from Europe on the Lucania Thursday. The ship made the passage in 5 days, 11 hours and 7 minutes for 2,782 knots, which is considered very fast.

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sican, by the way, is a born policeman or jailer. He delights in these

two professions, which gratify his wish for power. Yet the Corsican himself shares in or defers to the public abhorrence in France for people who earn their living as purveyors to the prisons and the guillotine, and a phraseology of a euphemistic nature has been adopted in the island to describe this degradation. It was my late

friend, Alphonse Daudet who told me this, "You ask in a Corsican cottage,"

he said, "what has become of Paola or Joachino, and in nine cases out of ten the answer will be 'O, he is employed over the water in the railways.' "In the railways' means in the police, in police forces. I should remark as it is this abhorrence that it does not apply to policemen or gendarmes in uniform. They are all dressed in uniform. They are all dressed in uniform and respected. It is the secret police, the mouchard, as

they call him in France, the man who listens at doors, who uses disguises, to the summit of criminals.

and the States—despised on the continent, Her-
Sherlock Holmes—such a hero in Eng-
and the States—would be looked
on as a comic figure. It is
is unjust prejudice, of course, but there
it is, and it dates, no doubt, from the
the time when the police were the
of tyrants and autocrats, instruments
of oppression rather than an army in
the defense of society.

I say that, such as they are, the **Bruno Causes Excitement at Fashion**

value of the French detective has been much overrated. I have come to this opinion after reading the tenable columns of the *Memphis* published by ex-employees of the Surete department, beginning with those of M. Claude and coming down to those of M. Goron, with whom the French detective is identified. For every head of the detective department, after his forced

resignation, hastens to join his government. The service, national and regimental flags, and a bodyguard of several hundred deeply interested

looked in vain for instances that accumen with which Sir Conan Doyle endows his heroes. The notion of a man of great crimes having been brought about by mere chance, Goron especially insists on this, and unlike some of the other detectives, he is not willing to admit for his captives. He admits, for instance, that Pranzini would never even have been arrested had he not been in the Rue Mont-

multiple masses of the rank folly at Martigny but for his the jewels of which He escaped under the white ribbon that lined the aisle, but returned

he had robbed individuals. "Gentlemen," again, might have been well applied to the bridegroom, the priest, the bridesmaids, the groomsmen, the ushers, the sprang to the rescue and Bruno was tied to a tree, there to remain until leaving his name and address in the side of the tree, and the police side of the road, together on a wrong track, and after his arrest he might still have escaped conviction if he had not for Butcher. "Avenge me," "Never Again."

For a day or two after his

capture the incriminating envelope was mislaid and could never be found.

The Industry Is Turning Out Excessively Well.

ly. And the first thing that the keeper of the particular place of entertainment does is to send round to the section of country. Two charter banks, the Traders' and the Sovereign have this week opened out branches

nearest police station to say: "We have a stranger here who is spending money like water." Then a detective is sent, the man is placed under observation and followed, while inquiries are set on foot. This is what invariably happens, and I once amused myself by testing it in my own person.
