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**COMMUNICATIONS.**

**From a Former Elmaite.**

To the Editor of THE BEE.  
 DEAR SIR:—I arrived at Beresford, Man., on the night of Aug. 26, with my carload of effects, and in this connection I would thank my Elma friends for their kindness in so carefully loading the car, not a thing was damaged on the way out. With the aid of a neighbor we pulled out some of the things nearest the door of the car. The long ride and having to stand so long in one position caused the horses to be stupid and dizzy when put on the prairie, but they soon rallied and are none the worse for their trip. I mounted one of them and struck for the cabin on the claim. I met Mrs. Morrison and the boys in Brandon on the 5th of Sept. They had a pleasant trip and like their prairie home first-rate. Gophers are getting scarce and the prairie chickens are shy. At present we are busy preparing the land for next year's crop. Wheat and oats are a magnificent crop and not damaged by the late frosts worth speaking about. The farmers are busy stacking their grain and threshing. It did me good last week to meet my old friend, James Baker and his estimable family. The boys came up to the home place with three binders after having finished cutting four hundred acres of wheat. I also met Mr. Bennett, of Yrden; E. K. Hall, Scott Peebles and John Peebles, who are here to see the country. They appear to be much pleased with the appearance of things generally. We were somewhat disappointed last night in not getting THE BEE. Even up here we would not like to do without the best paper in the county of Perth. Yours faithfully,  
 ROBERT MORRISON.  
 Beresford, Man., Sept. 17, 1891.

**Nearly a Fatal Accident.**

To the Editor of THE BEE.  
 DEAR SIR:—On Saturday night last an accident occurred on the 10th concession of Elma, by the breaking down of the culvert opposite Moses Harvey's farm. As James McKenzie's steamer was crossing the culvert it was precipitated headlong into the culvert smashing the smokestack, breaking journal completely off, and a good deal of other damage done to the steamer, which will no doubt cause a great deal of expense, besides loss of time to the owner and disappointment to those farmers expecting the steamer. By a miracle Mr. McKenzie was saved although he was thrown backward among the debris. Now, Mr. Editor, and fellow ratepayers, the question arises, who is responsible for this accident? Any man of judgment would say that the party letting the job and the contractor were wholly and solely responsible. Not long ago the road commissioner for that beat sent on a man to cover the same culvert with new plank, instead of letting the job by auction as established by law. The culvert was covered anew, the timber never examined, or if they were examined the road commissioner and contractor must have pronounced the timber sound, but still by their action in taking new timber to the place and only putting one of the new timbers in, shows plainly that the timbers were unsound and through great carelessness covered the old rotten timbers with new plank. After the accident the same road commissioner sends on the contractor to build the culvert anew, never showing face himself to see what would be required done and to settle about the cost, and at the same time men who had been working hard until one or two o'clock on Sunday morning assisting to get the steamer out of the death hole met there on Monday morning expecting that the job would be let by auction. But, no, the favorite was sent again to build the culvert, and it is very doubtful if the same man is capable of building the culvert as it should be built. Circumstances are surely strong against him when he covered rotten stringers with new plank. On the other hand some people will say the ratepayers but the present Council in office and they have got to abide by their doings. Not so, the ratepayers of Elma did not put the present men in office to break the law as has been premeditatedly done in this case, but to uphold the law; not to give jobs to favorites, but to let them by auction and give every man a chance to earn a dollar. Another question arises, who gave those five men power to constitute themselves road commissioners and take pay for the same office? The statutes plainly point out that before doing so they must resign their seats as Councilors, as they cannot hold two offices and take pay for each. The same strongly applies to appointing one of their number as architect, and he drawing pay for the same, so that any ratepayer in the township can on proof of their doing so enter an action and have them unseated. Supposing, Mr. Editor, the driver of the steamer had been killed, would any reasonable jury in the Dominion of Canada have settled the blame on the ratepayers? (under the present circumstances); by no means. The road commissioner and contractor would no doubt have to pay the penalty, the contractor for skipping the job, and the road commissioner for negligence and stupidity in passing the job, no excuse if he did not see the job, it was his duty to have thoroughly examined it. But take the majority of bridges and culverts throughout the township of

Elma and there are very few safe for a heavy load, all on account of the total ignorance of the self-made road commissioners in regard to building bridges and culverts. Why not appoint a practical man for, say three or four months in the year, to look after and let such jobs, and have him bound to have all culverts in the township properly and substantially built. By doing so there would no doubt be a great saving to the ratepayers, as in the present state of things what money these five men illegally pocket would over and above pay a good man, and save the ratepayers any chance of having to pay damages. Yours truly,  
 JUSTICE.  
 Elma, Sept. 29, 1891.

**Huron County Notes.**

The popular East Wawanosh fall show will be held at Belgrave on Oct. 6 and 7.  
 Bro. Gardner, of the Gorrie Lime Kiln club, has organized clubs at Owen Sound and Chatsworth.  
 Fifty organs for the Goderich Organ Co. were sold during the Northwestern Fair by the local agent.  
 In the matter of the West Huron election petition, the time and place will be Oct. 22, at Goderich.  
 Wm. McGavin, of the 12th con. McKillip, has purchased the east half of the McKewen farm, containing 100 acres, for \$4,500.  
 Samuel Howard, of the People's cheese factory, Gorrie, succeeded in carrying off 1st and 2nd prizes at the Toronto Industrial.  
 An orchestra is being arranged in connection with the Methodist Sunday school, Brussels, and a bass viol has been purchased in Toronto for it.  
 A horse belonging to Wm. Walsh, contractor and builder, Belgrave, while standing in the stable on Friday, Sept. 18, was struck by lightning and instantly killed.  
 Robert Milne sold the Commercial hotel, Myrtle, the other day at a good figure to our townsmen, Jonathan Enigh. The new proprietor took possession Oct. 1.  
 Wm. Gibbons threshed on the farm of John B. Henderson, Huron Road, forty bushels of oats in four minutes. From one bushel of oats of the black Tartarian variety, imported from Scotland, Mr. Henderson had a yield of 45 bushels.  
 The Nile football club played a friendly game with the Goderich Model school boys at the Northwestern Exhibition on Thursday of last week. The Model boys got 2 to 1 and gave the Nile boys their supper at the Albion hotel in the evening.  
 Mrs. (Rev.) Stewart was the other day presented with a life member's certificate in the Women's Foreign Missionary Society of Canada, by her friends in Willis church congregation, Clinton. This makes the fourth life member of this society in town.  
 Tom Roberts, a former resident of Wingham, was in town on Monday of last week exhibiting some wax figures. They consisted of a life-size figure of Birchall, the murderer of Benwell; the head of Benwell and the head of Laroche, the man who murdered two little girls at L'Original.  
 A short time ago John Ward had the misfortune to lose the end of one of his fingers while using the shaper in the Union furniture factory, Wingham. On Saturday, Sept. 19, Wm. Gray had the ends clipped off two of his fingers while using the buzz saw, and on Tuesday of last week Jas. Hamilton had three fingers badly cut while at work in the same factory.  
 Richard Robertson, of Tuckersmith, near Egmondville, found quite a curiosity in his field the other day. It was a petrified stone, about the size of an ordinary potato, and on one side is plainly marked and raised the links of a very fine chain, evidently a watch chain or something of that kind. The stone is unusually heavy for its size, and is a curiosity worth preserving.  
 Mrs. McCance, of Wingham, was in Toronto attending the Fair. When returning home she had the valise checked at the station. Another lady was at the station getting her valise checked at the same time, and in the hurry the baggage man gave Mrs. McCance the check the other lady should have had. No doubt all will be made right in time; if not Mrs. McCance will be out about \$150.  
 The following Huron stock breeders were awarded prizes at the Toronto Industrial as follows:—Samuel Millie, Tuckersmith, 3rd for imported or Canadian bred three year old filly; 3rd for Canadian bred three year old filly; 3rd for Canadian bred three year old roadster filly. Wm. Smith, Seaford, 2nd for two year old roadster filly. D. D. Wilson, Seaford, 2nd for three year old general purpose filly. Q. White, Auburn, 2nd for two year old Agricultural stallion. Tlos. Russell, Usborne, 2nd for Durham bull calf and 2nd for year old heifer. H. & W. D. Smith, Hay, 3rd for four year old bull; 2nd for three year old cow; 3rd for year old heifer; 5th for heifer calf; 3rd for four Durham calves. There may be others who should receive mention, but these are the only ones whose names we have been able to recognize in the published prize list.

**A BIG SUCCESS**

**Elma's Fall Fair Draws Immense Crowds.**

A FINE EXHIBITION OF HORSES, CATTLE, POULTRY AND VEGETABLES—\$216 GATE RECEIPTS—NOTES.

The Elma fall show, held in Atwood last Tuesday, was a success in every particular. The outside department was full with the exception of the sheep and pigs. There was a large exhibit of cattle, and the poultry was excellent and the exhibit was much larger than that of last year. In horses, there was a fine showing, some of the best stock of the county being in the ring. The implement display was poor and almost neglected altogether we regret to say. Alex. Morrison was on hand with his self binders, plows, etc., which drew quite a number of the visitors. The Edison phonograph and a Punch and Judy show attracted a large number of the curious; while the different fruit stands catered to the wants of the inner-man. The band, reinforced by Jimmy Jones, of Brussels, and Fred. Howe, of Listowel, enlivened the proceedings with their music during the afternoon. The inside department was hardly up to last year in the matter of quantity, but in quality it surpassed all former shows. The vegetables were fine, and a credit to the exhibitors. John Sanders showed a squash which weighed 80 pounds. It was a whopper and deservedly won the red ticket. Following is the prize list:

**HORSES.**

Heavy Draught—Span of horses, T Jackson; 2nd, Smith Bros. Three-year-old filly or gelding, Wm Sweeton; 2nd, Fred Switzer; 3rd, Jno Dickson. Two-year-old filly or gelding, John Dickson; 2nd, Fred Switzer; 3rd, A Simpson. One-year-old filly or gelding, R S Ballantyne. Best mare, R S Ballantyne. Brood mare, John Dickson. Foal of 1891, John Dickson.  
 General Purpose—Span of horses, T Jackson; 2nd, Thos Jackson. Three-year-old filly or gelding, John Guy, 2nd, S Bennett; 3rd, John Dick. Two-year-old filly or gelding, S Bennett; 2nd and 3rd, Geo Mayberry. One-year-old filly or gelding, R Hamilton; 2nd, Wm Horn, Jr.; 3rd, Henry Hunkin. Best mare, T Jackson; 2nd, J B Hamilton; 3rd, J Guy. Brood mare, J Duncan; 2nd, F Switzer; 3rd, J Riach. Foal, J Duncan; 2nd, H Hunkin; 3rd, J Dick.  
 Carriage—Span, J B Hamilton; 2nd, W Peet. Buggy horse, G Wiles; 2nd, J Scott. Saddle horse, R Roe. Three-year-old filly or gelding, J Bowes; 2nd, Y Coulter. Two-year-old filly or gelding, J G Ballard; 2nd, J W McBain. One-year-old filly or gelding, J Sproule; 2nd, J G Ballard. Brood mare, J Sproule; 2nd, J W Boyd. Foal, J Sproule; 2nd, J W Boyd. Pony, A H Wynn; 2nd, John Switzer.  
 Judges—Jas Jones, Mitchell; Peter Deans, Wingham; Jas Ferguson, Brussels.

**CATTLE.**

Durham—Milch cow having calved, 1st and 2nd, Smith Bros. Milch cow to calve, Smith Bros. Two-year-old heifer, Smith Bros.  
 Ayrshires—Milch Cow having calved, J Dick; 2nd, Wm Dickson. Heifer calf, Thos Dickson; 2nd, J Dick.  
 Jersey—Milch cow, A H Wynn. Heifer calf, A H Wynn.  
 Grade—Milch cow having calved, 1st and 2nd, John Dick. Milch cow to calve, H Smith. Two-year-old heifer, 1st and 2nd, J Dick. One-year-old, A Lawrence; 2nd, H Smith. Bull calf, A Lawrence; 2nd, J Duncan. Heifer calf, J W Boyd; 2nd, J Dick.  
 Any breed—Yoke of oxen, J Riach. Two-year-old steer, G Mayberry. One-year-old steer, A Lawrence; 2nd, G Mayberry. Fat beast, A Simpson; 2nd, H Smith.  
 Judges—Wm White, Hibbert; David Milne, Ethel; Peter Fowler, Bluevale.

**SHEEP.**

Leicesters—Aged ram, John Hislop. Shearing ram, Geo Mayberry. Ram lamb, T Dickson; 2nd, Wm Dickson. Breeding ewes, T Dickson; 2nd, W Sweeton. Shearing ewes, 1st and 2nd, T Dickson. Ewe lambs, W Sweeton; 2nd, T Dickson.  
 Shropshires—Aged ram, C Heller. Shearing ram, J W Boyd. Ram lamb, 1st and 2nd, J W Boyd. Breeding ewes, 1st and 2nd, J W Boyd. Ewe lambs, J W Boyd; 2nd, H Ronnenberg. Fat sheep, any breed, J Hamilton.  
 SWINE.  
 Berkshires—Aged boar, J Tennant. Boar pig, Smith Bros; 2nd, A Miller. Sucking pigs, J Tennant.  
 Yorkshire Whites—Boar pig, A Miller. Brood sow, A Miller. Sow pig, A Miller. Sucking pigs, J Tennant.  
 Judges—Thos Davidson, Duncan Malcolm, Wm Isbister.

**POULTRY.**

Fowl—Plymouth Rocks, T Male; 2nd, J Morrison. White Leghorns, T Male. Brown Leghorns, 1st and 2nd, T Male. Hamburgs, any breed, T Male; 2nd, A H Wynn. Games, any breed, T Male. Cochins, any breed, G Smith; 2nd, T Male. Black Spanish, 1st and 2nd, T Male. Hondans, T Male. Light Brahmas, J Switzer; 2nd, G Smith. Bantams, A H Wynn. Geese, A Miller; 2nd, J Hamilton. Ducks, A Miller;

2nd, V Joerger. Turkeys, A Miller; 2nd, J Hamilton. Pigeons, 1st and 2nd, T Male.  
 Chickens—Plymouth Rocks, T Male; 2nd, J Morrison. White Leghorns, T Dickson; 2nd, G Smith; Brown Leghorns, 1st and 2nd, T Male. Hamburgs, any breed, T Male; 2nd, A H Wynn. Games, any breed, T Male; 2nd, J G Ballard. Cochins, any breed, 1st and 2nd, T Male. Black Spanish, 1st and 2nd, T Male. Light Brahmas, 1st and 2nd, G Smith. Bantams, 1st and 2nd, T Male. Geese, A Miller; 2nd, J Priest. Ducks, 1st and 2nd, J Priest. Turkeys, A Miller. Pigeons, 1st and 2nd, T Male. Recommended, Black Leghorns, G Smith; Golden Poldands, T Male. Canary, A H Wynn.  
 Judges—Robt. Anderson, R Elliott.

**MANUFACTURES.**

Cowhide boots, pegged, J Ferguson. Calf boots, pegged, J Ferguson. Union flannel, Jas Nixon; 2nd, H Ronnenberg. Suit of cloths, R M Ballantyne; 2nd, G Currie. Filled cloth, C Heller. Pair blankets, Jas Currie; 2nd, C Heller. Woolen yarn, J Sanders; 2nd, J B Hamilton. Rag carpet, Jas Nixon; 2nd, F Switzer. Floor mat, J Switzer; 2nd, J G Ballard. Double set carriage harness, J Heppler. Team harness, A Campbell. Bee hive, H Ronnenberg; 2nd, Wm Horn, sr.

**Judges—H Gleiser, H M Schaefer.**

**AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTIONS.**

Fall wheat, red, Jas Dickson; 2nd, J W Boyd. Fall wheat, white, Jas Hamilton; 2nd, C Heller. Spring wheat, A Miller; 2nd, A Baker. Two-rowed barley, A Miller; 2nd, A Baker. Six rowed barley, A Miller; 2nd, W Stevenson. Black oats, A Miller; 2nd, A Baker. White oats, A Miller; 2nd, Smith Bros. Peas, W McCormick; 2nd, Smith Bros. Sheaf of flax, E Hill. Timothy seed, A Baker; 2nd, W Stevenson. White elephant potatoes, Wm Peet. Beauty of Hebron potatoes, John Graham; 2nd, John Howat. Late potatoes, R Ballantyne; 2nd, H Ronnenberg. Early potatoes, John Graham; 2nd, Jas Struthers. Swede turnips, G Mayberry; 2nd, Wm Horn, sr. Turnips, any variety, John Howat; 2nd, J Tennant. Mangolds, long red, John Graham; 2nd, W McCormick. Mangolds, yellow globe, W Horn, sr.; 2nd, John Graham. Beets, J W McBain; 2nd, Geo Gordon. Radishes, A Miller; 2nd, A Baker. Cabbages, A Simpson; 2nd, V Joerger. Onions, yellow, Geo Chapman; 2nd, Jas Hamilton. Onions, large red, James Hamilton; 2nd, R Jennings. Parsnips, Geo Chapman; 2nd, R Jennings. Celery, R Jennings; 2nd, John Graham. Cauliflower, R Graham. Indian corn, A Baker; 2nd, W McCormick. Beans, Wm Peet; 2nd, E Hill. Pumpkin, A Miller; 2nd, Jas Hamilton. Squash, John Sanders; 2nd, Geo Gordon. Citrons, Geo Gordon; 2nd, R. M. Ballantyne. Tomatoes, R Jennings; 2nd, W Horn, sr. Musk melon, A Baker. Water melon, A Baker. Collection of vegetables, R Jennings; 2nd, John Graham. Fall apples, Smith Bros.; 2nd, John Sproule. Winter apples, G Mayberry; 2nd, F Switzer. Crab apples, Wm Horn, sr.; 2nd, W Stevenson. Collection of apples, G Mayberry; 2nd, A Miller. Winter pears, W Stevenson; 2nd, A Simpson. Fall pears, Y Coulter. Plums, A Simpson. Grapes, Wm Horn, sr. Five pounds of butter, A Baker; 2nd, Jas Priest. Home made bread, John Graham; 2nd, A Baker. Baker's bread, R B Hamilton. Pickles, John Sanders; 2nd, J Switzer. Home made soap, A Simpson; 2nd, J Switzer. Strained honey, Wm Horn, sr.; 2nd, Miss M Hall. Comb honey, William Horn, sr.  
 Judges—John Goodall, G W Dawson, J. H. Clime, Thos Male.

**LADIES' DEPARTMENT.**

Patched quilt, John Switzer; 2nd, J A Turnbull. Crotchet quilt, J B Hamilton; 2nd, Miss M Hall. Log cabin quilt, T Jackson; 2nd, Miss M Hall. Fancy quilt, Jno Morrison; 2nd, John Hislop. Counterpane, Miss M Hall; 2nd, J Nixon. Ornamental needlework, Miss M Hall. Fine shirt, machine made, Miss M Hall; 2nd, G Mayberry. Woolen socks, Jas Nixon; 2nd, J Dick. Darned stockings, Miss M Hall; 2nd, John Switzer. Stockings, G Mayberry; 2nd, Jas Nixon. Woolen mitts, James Nixon; 2nd, Samuel Wherry. Woolen gloves, Jas Nixon; 2nd, Miss M Hall. Fancy knitting, Jas Nixon; 2nd, Miss M Hall. Crotchet work, Miss M Hall; 2nd, J B Hamilton. Coverlet, A Miller; 2nd, Wm Dickson. Wreath natural flowers, John Graham; 2nd, Wm Stevenson. Painting on plush, T Jackson; 2nd, Miss M Hall. Berlin wool work, raised, A H Wynn; 2nd, Miss M Hall. Berlin wool work, flat, A H Wynn; 2nd, Miss M Hall. Tidy, T Jackson; 2nd, Misses Watson & Gibbs. Mantle and table scarf, Misses Watson & Gibbs; 2nd, Miss M Hall. Fancy pin cushion, Miss M Hall; 2nd, A H Wynn. Pillowshams, T Jackson; 2nd, Miss M Hall. Tissue paper flowers, John Morrison; 2nd, Samuel Wherry. Arrasene work, Misses Watson & Gibbs; 2nd, Miss M Hall. Table mats, Miss M Hall; 2nd, A H Wynn. Toilet set, Miss M Hall; 2nd, T Jackson. Sofa pillow, R Ford; 2nd, T Jackson. Painting on plush or satin, A H Wynn; 2nd, Miss M Hall. Fancy slippers, Miss M Hall. Ladies' underclothing, Misses Watson & Gibbs. Outline work, W Stevenson; 2nd, A H Wynn. Cotton batten wreath, Samuel Wherry. Collection of pictures, Misses Watson & Gibbs; 2nd, R M Ballantyne. Collection of ladies' work, Miss M Hall; 2nd, Misses Watson & Gibbs. Recommended, feather wreath, V Joerger.

Judges—Mrs. Geo. Moffat, Wingham; Miss Maggie Stewart, Brussels.

**NOTES.**

Our Society receives \$90 Government aid this year.  
 Mrs. T. Jackson's log cabin quilt was the admiration of all.  
 Young Coulter was awarded THE BEE's special prize for fall pears.  
 A. Baker, 8th con. of Elma, scooped in a heap of prizes. He is a very successful farmer.  
 The three fruit stands would have gathered in more tin had Old Sol been kindly disposed.  
 Bonnett & Bowyer, the enterprising hardware merchants of Listowel, gave a special prize of a toilet set for butter. The receipts totaled \$216, which is \$60 in excess of last year, a fact that should encourage every member to double his diligence next year.  
 It is quite natural that a prize for bread should be received by a baker. There was no prize given for Graham bread, but a Graham received a prize for bread nevertheless.  
 The Listowel exhibit would have been large had more hail room been at their disposal. It is suggested that wings be built to the hall and the rear of the building extended.

The lean, lank, ungainly-looking youth from the country, accompanied by his best girl, dressed in colors resembling the flags of all nations, was one of the usual attractions at the fair.  
 There was a noticeable absence of "drunks" and fakirs on the grounds. The old custom of getting beastly paralysed on gala days is growing less popular with the rising generation. A hopeful sign of the times.  
 J. W. Boyd exhibited some fancy Shropshire sheep, at least he paid a fancy price for several of them. He shelled out \$50 to an eastern Ontario breeder for a single ewe. J.W. believes in breeding from the best the country can produce.  
 We would recommend that at least three energetic and enterprising young men be added to the Directorate of the Society at the next election of officers. We would then have both stability and enterprise, which would give new impetus to the Society's future management.

Would it not be a good idea for the Listowel people to do something towards reviving their fall show instead of spending their cash foolishly on the race track. The former is of practical and lasting benefit to the town, while the latter serves only to educate the people in the gambling arts and kindred vices.  
 The signal success of our fair can be largely attributed to the indefatigable efforts of President Hamilton and Secretary Morrison. The latter has worked like a hero for the Society from its birth, and we doubt if any member would be more missed than Mr. Morrison. The Directors, also, are to be commended for their praise-worthy work in pushing the Society to the front of township fairs.  
 The press was well represented at the fair. No less than seven quill pushers were on the grounds "takin' notes." Their names are: Messrs. Dawson, of the Stratford Herald; Munroe, of the Stratford Beacon; Elliott, of the Wingham Times; Pelton, of THE BEE; Chmie, of the Listowel Banner; Hawkins, of the Listowel Standard; and W. D. Mitchell, reporter for the Mitchell Advocate. All of them are fine looking fellows, though their clothes were seedy-looking, or rather we should say, time-honored.

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**Perth County Notes.**

W. Pushelberry, Logan, has a peach tree from which he secured 12 baskets of delicious fruit this year.  
 Miss Hodge, of Mitchell, who is totally blind, was engaged to work a knitting machine at the Toronto Industrial Exhibition, and the work done won the admiration of all who witnessed it.  
 Geo. Hurd, an employe of Henry James, sash and door factory, Mitchell, had his right arm badly scalded on Friday afternoon, Sept. 18, by the bursting of a tap in connection with the engine.  
 The Beacon provoked a little plain talk from the Advocate and it cuts so deeply that the new importation who does the scribbling appears to have scored the Advocate from his exchange list.—Advocate.  
 On Monday of last week, A. Seebach of Mitchell, received a telegram from his son in Manitoba, asking him to hasten west to assist in saving his crop. He has over 4,000 bushels of grain, but although he offered \$60 a month and board was unable to secure help. Mr. Seebach left Tuesday and hopes to reach his destination by Saturday.  
 A daring robbery was perpetrated at Fullerton Corners on Thursday night of last week. Some one made an entrance into the hotel at that village through the kitchen window, passed through the dining room and up stairs to the bedroom of the proprietor, Robt. Vance, where the latter was sleeping with the light burning. The latter's pants were lying on the floor close beside the bed and the thief rifled the pockets, securing about \$70, and then returned to the bar and helped himself to a couple of handfuls of cigars and departed noiselessly without leaving his card or any clue to his identity.