

Some Pinkerton Stories.

One of the Great Detectives Tells of Their Exploits.

"I don't know of anything further to say just now than that we have always done the business of the Adams express company since 1859, and we are especially proud of this case. We commenced with the \$50,000 robbery, committed by Nathan Maroney at Montgomery, Alabama, which was 'done' by my father and George H. Bangs, late superintendent of the agency, now dead. At that time the agency was unknown outside of Chicago. Mr. E. S. Sanford, then the president of the Adams express company, counseled with Robert Boyer, a New York detective of that day, regarding the heavy robbery at Montgomery, and Boyer said that he only knew of one man in the country—a detective who had the pluck and resources to stick to the matter and follow it up to a successful conclusion; and that was a Scotchman who lived in Chicago named Allan Pinkerton. Sanford hooted at the idea of going to a western village to find a detective; but on Boyer persisting, Sanford sent for Pinkerton to come to New York. The case was placed in his hands and after seven months of hard work \$49,000 of the money was recovered at Jenkintown, a suburb of Philadelphia, in the original package it was stolen, and Maroney, who had been the agent of the company, was sent to the penitentiary for ten years. A very elaborate receipt for this work now hangs in our office in this city.

The next Adams express robbery was in 1863 on the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore road, in which \$89,000 was stolen. Under our direction all the thieves were arrested and convicted. The next was a \$600,000 robbery on January 6, 1866, stolen from the Adams express messenger on the New York and New Haven road at Coscob, Conn. The money was all recovered by us and the robbers imprisoned for long terms.

"The fact is," said Mr. Pinkerton, "we have never lost a case for the Adams express company in thirty years. Whenever a robbery occurs on their lines they give the Pinkertons carte blanche to get the robbers first and the money afterward. The motto of the Adams people is never to compromise or compound with thieves; and they will follow a thief to the end of the world who predares on their property. At one stage of the present case we were led to suppose that Witrock had escaped to Australia, and I was arranging to start there for him."

The Treatment for a Cold.

The Monthly Magazine [London] reports Dr. Graham as saying that it is not a correct practice, after a cold is caught, to make the room a person sits in much warmer than usual, to increase the quantity of bed clothes, wrap up in flannel, and drink a large quantity of hot tea, gruel or other stoup, because it will invariably increase the feverishness, and in the majority of instances, prolong rather than lessen the duration of the cold. It is well-known that confining inoculated persons in warm rooms will make their small-pox more violent by augmenting the general heat and fever; and it is for the same reason that a similar practice in the present complaint is attended with analogous results, a cold being in reality a slight fever. In some parts of England, among the lower order of the people, a large glass of cold spring water, taken on going to bed, is found to be a successful remedy, and in fact many medical practitioners recommend a regulated atmosphere and frequent draughts of cold fluid as the most efficacious remedy for a recent cold, particularly when the patient's habit is full and plethoric.

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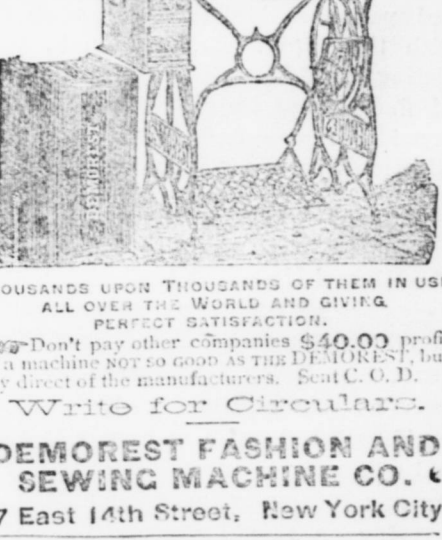
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