

STOLE FOR A RANSOM

THE DASTARDLY CRIME OF KIDNAPING A CHILD.

Successful Rescue of the Boy by Newspaper Men—The Appeal of American Women to the Queen of Spain—The Beautiful Cuban's Awful Sentence.

The heart of every parent in the land was moved by emotions of pity and indignation combined, when the news of the kidnapping of little Johnny Conway in the old city of Albany, was made public.



As Warner Looks To-day.

The clues which the police were following did not give sufficient promise of success to satisfy the reporters, and the manager of one of the newspapers took hold in downright earnest himself.

Subsequent events have revealed the whole diabolical plot, to kidnap not only this child, but the children of other parents, and to hold them for a large ransom.

The scheme by which the boy was recovered was a very clever one, and reflects much credit upon the manager of the old Albany Argus, who succeeded in luring one or two of the suspected persons into his office, and there, with the offer of a large reward, induced them to lead the party to the place where the boy was held captive.

The crime for which the men will be tried is a serious one under our laws, and they are certain to be convicted and sentenced to long terms in prison.

Public interests demands that this should be done. Every parent in the land will feel more secure when these villains are behind prison bars, with the certainty that they will remain there for a long time.

If the sympathies of all good people have been aroused for the family who were chosen as the victims by these desperate kidnapers, and indignation has run high, another event brought very near to the American people because of the presence in New York city of those who have but lately been the prison associates of the beautiful young Cuban lady who was stolen in the shadow of a punishment far worse than death.

There are conflicting reports from Havana respecting the alleged crime for which the prosecuting officer demanded that she be sentenced to imprisonment in the penal colony of Spain, in Africa, for twenty years.

and for long hours every day. They are treated in the most cruel and inhuman manner by their keepers, and of course nearly all of the convicts sent to that colony are of the most desperate and hardened class.

As nearly as can be ascertained at the time of this writing, Evangelina Cosme Cisneros, on account of her beauty, was desired as the mistress of one of Weyler's prominent officers who was himself a relative of the Premier.

In her behalf the sympathies and the active efforts of the noblest women in America have been promptly enlisted, and hundreds of cablegrams have been sent to the Queen Regent of Spain imploring her to intercede. Here are some of these appeals:

"To you I appeal to extend your powerful protection over this poor child. I entreat you to give her to the women of America to live among us in peace."

"Her case has no parallel in modern times, and can only be compared to the atrocities inflicted upon the Christians by the order of Nero."

"A single word from you will surely induce the Spanish Government to abstain from this act of military vengeance."

"The execution of the threatened sentence would, in the minds of American women, be a step backward in civilization."

"I heartily sympathize with the efforts which the women of America are now making to save the young Senorita Cisneros from the fate to which she has been condemned, and I most heartily add the name of the Notre Dame Sisters to the petition now being addressed to the Queen Regent of Spain."

Mrs. McKinley, the mother of the President, says: "I am in profound sympathy with the movement of the American women to secure the release of Miss Cisneros and hope and pray for their speedy return to their homes."

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Rev. Dr. Merdeth, a well-known clergyman, tries to cultivate friendly relations with the younger members of his flock. In a recent talk to his Sunday school he urged the children to speak to him whenever they met.

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The agricultural editor of the Portland, Me., Express, thus answers a correspondent who wanted to know how to keep his neighbor's hens out of his garden.

Of the four hundred and fifty-one colleges and universities in this country, only forty-one are closed to women. But, to make up for this lack, there are one hundred and forty-three schools of higher learning open to women only, and having thirty thousand students.

A STORY WITH A MORAL

She Patched Her Husband's Quarrel at the Cost of Her Friendship.

"I hear that you and Charley have been quarreling of late," said the girl with the hair looped over her ears.

"We have," said the girl with the hair looped over her ears; "and it was all his fault, too. I have just finished a letter telling him that it is all over."

"You surely wouldn't throw him over with all the money he has?" said the girl with her hair looped over her ears; "it wouldn't be half as easy to get him back as if he had none. And, then, he spends it just as freely as he would if he were quite poor."

"I don't care," flashed the girl with the dimple in her chin; "I hate him. He—he is awfully quarrelsome, and he would die before he would ever confess that he was in the wrong."

"Well, so would you, wouldn't you?" "Of course I would, but that is a very different matter. Why he would probably remind me of it next time—men have no tact. Besides, he actually gave Lulu a bunch of flowers yesterday."

"Well, he was something of a flirt before I don't see how you come to know anything about it. But I'm sure I don't care how much he flirts after this—provided he can find anybody to flirt with."

"Oh, some girls will flirt with just anybody to keep in practice. There is Lulu—but you say you don't care any more?" "Of course I don't; she is welcome to what I have refused."

"I'm sure I don't care what he tells her," said the girl with the dimple in her chin; "if you did I would not tell you that I saw them out driving together this afternoon."

"Yes, indeed—not I! Did they—were they having a very nice time?" "They seemed to be. By the way, I never noticed before that his nose was quite crooked, didn't you?"

"Crooked? Indeed! It is perfectly straight. You ought to wear glasses, even if they are not becoming."

"Yes, he is an awful flirt. I believe he would make eyes at any girl who would let him. Why, there was Nellie, who—"

"He is not a flirt. It is not his fault if the girls will run after him."

"Humph, I don't know about that. Besides, as you say, he has an awful temper, and it is just as well—"

"I am tearing up the horrid letter I wrote him. I—I have been treating him badly of late and I shall tell him that our quarrels are all my own fault, so there! I hope you are satisfied, now that you have a plot to make mischief between us and fallen!"

"Well, I've done my duty," sighed the girl with her hair looped over her ears, as she went out; "but I have certainly lost my chance of being bridesmaid."

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The clergyman stopped and cordially inquired: "And who are you, sir?" "I'm one of your little lambs," replied the boy, affably. "Fine day."

And, clapping his hat on his head, he swaggered off, leaving the worthy divine speechless with amazement.—Pearson's Weekly.

In one of the leading journals of Montevideo the following advertisement appeared recently: "A very rich young woman would like to marry a young man of good family. If necessary she will pay the debts of her future husband. Send answer, with photograph, to I. P., at the office of the Journal." The inserter of this announcement was no other than Madame M—, merchant tailor, who had just set up an establishment in Montevideo. By this means he procured photographs of many undesirable customers.

"Damaging indeed." "The young thing who had just been granted a divorce signed."

"Damaging testimony," she repeated, while her voice rose almost to a shriek. "Successful heaven, yes! The brute testified that I have cold feet, and no amount of cross-examination could shake him."

In a transport of despair, she abandoned herself to the contemplation of her cheerless, lonely future.—Detroit Tribune.

"How long have you been in the country, Pat?" "Shure, an' I don't no; but the day after I landed I voted for Murther Cleveland, an' perhaps you can figure it out from that."

"So the engagement is broken?" "Yes." "You weren't engaged to him long were you?" "Two centuries."—Chicago Post.

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NOTICE IN PARTITION

Notice of Lavinia Stout, deceased. To Fanny, Intermarried with Jacob Rider, Shick Township, Pa.; Lavinia, Intermarried with James Stout, Briarclerk township, Columbia county, Pa.; guardian of Ralph Penstamaker, minor child of Debra Penstamaker deceased; A. E. Penstamaker, Briarclerk township aforesaid; Sarah Stout, sometimes called Lulu Evans, New York City; Ethel Stout, New York City; and Ellis Stout, Briarclerk township, Columbia county, Pa. You are hereby notified that in pursuance of an order of the Orphan's Court of Columbia county, a writ of partition has issued from said Court to the sheriff of said county, returnable on the fourth Monday of September, A. D. 1897, and that the inquest will meet for the purpose of making partition of the real estate of said decedent on the premises in Briarclerk township, Columbia county, Pa., on Saturday, September 12th, 1897, at 10 o'clock a. m., at which time and place you can attend if you so wish. J. B. McHENRY, Sheriff.

SALE OF REAL ESTATE

D. D. McHenry vs. George W. Koons. In the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia County, In Equity, No. 1 of Feb'y Term 1897. By virtue of an order of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia County, the undersigned will expose to sale at public auction on Saturday the 4th day of September 1897, at ten o'clock a. m. at the Court House in Bloomsburg, Pa., All that certain tract, piece or parcel of land situate in the township of Briarclerk (in Shickshinny valley), Columbia County, Pennsylvania,—bounded and described as follows, to wit: Beginning at a stone in line of land of Ed. Cochran, thence north 6 and 1/2 degrees west 195 perches to a stone, thence south 81 degrees West 81 perches to a stone, thence South 30 degrees East 81 perches to a stone, thence North 31 degrees East 84 perches to a stone, thence North 81 degrees East 74 perches to a stone, the place of beginning, containing 99 acres and 90 perches of land, neat measure. The same being a portion of the Upper Nittany Beach survey and well timbered. Terms of sale—Twenty-five per cent down at time of sale. Balance upon confirmation of sale at which time possession will be given. August 11th, 1897. CHARLES C. EVANS, Master.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE

Estate of Clinton W. Lewis, late of Jackson Township Dec'd. The undersigned auditor appointed by the Orphan's Court to pass upon exceptions and to make distribution of the balance remaining in the hands of M. E. Stackhouse, accountant of the said estate, hereby gives notice that he will meet all parties interested for the purpose of his appointment, at his office in Bloomsburg, Pa., on Thursday September 9th A. D. 1897 at 9 o'clock A. M., when and where said parties are required to prove their claims or be forever debarred from participating in the distribution of said fund. W. A. EVERT, Auditor.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE

Estate of Sallie Johnson and Rita Pruitt. The undersigned auditor appointed by the Orphan's Court of Columbia county to make distribution of the money arising from the sale of real estate of Sallie Johnson and Rita Pruitt under proceedings in partition, by J. B. McHenry, trustee, and among the parties named therein, will sit at his office in the town of Bloomsburg, on Wednesday, September 1st, 1897, at 10 o'clock a. m., to perform the duties of his appointment, when and where all persons interested must appear and present their claims. L. E. WALLER, Auditor.

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE

Estate of Lloyd Reicher, late of Monroe township, deceased. Notice is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of Lloyd Reicher, late of Monroe township, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned administratrix, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payments, and all those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay to the undersigned. CATHARINE B. REICHER, Administratrix.