

CRIMINAL who has any peculiar-A ity about his person, such as a missing finger, a club foot, or any mark made by his trade, such as the mark on the hand of a barber, where the scissors had constantly pressed against the root of his thumb, should be careful lest these means of identification are not the means of his downfall. Most of the cases which have come under my notice have been cases where the culprit has had some bodily deficiency which has left its mark on something with which he had come in contact. The experience which I am about to relate embodies this truth, and had not the criminal in the ease had the misfortune of losing onehalf of his-but I am anticipating

I had just return from the continent, where I had been sent in connection with the duchess of Mentone's stolen jewels, and was prepared to enjoy a rest, when I received a wire from my ehief asking me to report at once. Upon arriving at the office he told me that a robbery had been committed at the summer home of Mr. George Middleton the millionaire oil magnate, and that a detective had been wired for. As to the particulars only one diamond had been stolen, a magnificent stone of great value intrinsically, and of incaiculable worth to the family as an heirloom.

Mr. Middleton's place was somewhere up the Hudson, and I set out at

When I arrived I was at once taken to Mr. Middleton, who appeared very much upset over the agair, not so much, as he assured me, on account of the value of the stone, but it had been so long in the family and had had so much to do wien the history of the family, having been passed down as an heirloom from one generation to another, that he viewed the loss as a great calamity. The points of the ease were briefly as follows: On the previous night he had taken the diamond from the safe to show it to some of his guests, and Mrs. Middleton, who was to wear it at the ball on the following night, had taken it from him, and, not thinking it necessary to place it in the safe for so short a time, had taken it to her bedroom and put it in a small casket on her dressing-table.

The next morning before going downstairs she thought she would see if it was all right, and was astonished to find the casket empty. There were many guests in the house, and at my request I was to be introduced as a friend of Mr. Middleton. Before going into the drawing-room I asked if he would be good enough to give me some particulars about his guests. "Let me see," he said, "there are about 20 guests, mostly gentlemen. With the exception of three, they are old friends of the family, and above suspicion. The remaining three are gentlemen of high character. One of them is a Russian count, who came to me with letters from intimate friends abroad, and one of the others is an Englishman whom I met in New York, and our kindred | for the appearance of Mr. Dane with tastes led me to invite him here a few weeks; the other is a gentleman from town, greatly interested in dynamics, and whom I met at my club. These are the only acquaintances that are here whom I have met during the last rear."

I was then taken to the drawingroom and introduced to most of the guests, among them the three new acquaintances. I gained nothing that night, and noticed nothing suspicious about any of the guests. I was rather inclined to think that the robbery had been committed from the inside, by either one of the servants or one of the guests, as all the doors had been found fastened on the morning after the robbery, and no one knew that the diamond was in the house (it was always kept at the bank) but the members of the household and the guests to whom it had been shown on the wight of the robbery. In the morning I asked the servant who brought me my coffee and rolls to come in, and I questioned him as to the guests, and if he had noticed any of the servants were in trouble over money matters.

"Now," I said to him, "have you noticed anything peculiar about any of the guests? No matter how trifling it may appear to you, it may be the means of providing me with a elew."

He thought for a moment and then said that he had noticed nothing out of the common. He had just gone out of the room when he reappeared and told me that he had noticed one thing about one of the guests, but it could have nothing to do with the robbery. He had noticed that one of the men had always had his shoes cleaned while they were on his feet. He always collected all the shoes and took them down to be cleaned, but Mr. Dane, "the man who always talks about machinery and electricity to Mr. Middleton, always came and had them cleaned on his feet."

In the evening I had another talk with the man and asked him to give me an account of everything that happened on the night of the robbery. He told me that the gentlemen had been out all day and in the evening Mr. Middleton had sent an order to him to bring some apples into the drawing-room; these apples were of a special kind grown on the place. He had taken them into the drawing-room, and it was soon after this that Mr. Middleton had gone and fetched the diamond from the safe.

I made a mental note of these

facts. Later on I had a chat with Mr. Dane, and, being myself something of an authority on dynamics, I was able to interest him. I was looking at him closely all the time we were talking. There was only one thing that distinguished him from any other guest. This was that half of one of his front teeth was missing; it had been broken off milmost exactly the middle.

I did not connect Mr. Dane with robbery; in fact, I had up to this time not the slightest suspicion of a clew. It was early the next morning that I was put on the scent. I had visited the lawn under the window of the room from which the diamond had been stolen, and was looking to see if I could find any trace of footprints on the beds or the lawn. I did not find any trace of footprints, but I noticed the half of an apple directly under the window. I picked it up and examined it carefully. As I was turning it over and over I was thinking and wondering how it came there. It must have been thrown there re cently, otherwise it would have been swept up. Then it struck me that apples had been eaten on the night that the diamond had been stolen and I understood that no one had gone out on that night. Of course I thought some one might have thrown it there since that night Then I noticed a peculiarity of the marks of the teeth on the apple About half of it had been caten, and at every place where the apple had been bitten a small portion of the apple remained, a small ridge about an eighth of an inch in width and extending the entire length of the bite. I saw in a moment who had been enting the apple. It was the man with the broken tooth, Mr. Dane, and the ridge was left where the missing tooth must have bitten. Now it occurred to me that it was just possible that after Mr. Middleton had given the diamond to his wife (which was just after the apples had been brought in) Mr. Dane had followed her and taken his partly finished apple with him. After she had left the room, leav-

ing the diamond in the casket, he had gone in, and, when opening the box, had put the apple down, and, not knowing exactly what to do with it had opened the window, which opened after the fashion of a door, and had thrown it down on the grass below Another thought struck me. Why did Mr. Dane have his shoes cleaned on his feet, instead of having them cleaned as the other guests did? There must be some reason for this, unless it was a fad. I asked my confidential servant which was Mr. Dane's bedroom, and in the evening when Mr. Dane was in the drawing-room with his pumps on, I went to his room, and, as I expected, I could not find the shoes. I could, however, give a guess that they were in a large box which stood in the corner of the room. Further evidence: Why did he keep his shoes locked up in his box? I pulled a bunch of keys out of my pocket and tried to unlock the padlock, but not one key in my possession would fit the lock. The next morning by six o'clock I was being driven to a locksmith with the purpose of obtaining fresh keys.

On the evening of that day, I watched a certain amount of excitement. I felt as though I was going to find the diamond that night. Presently he appeared as usual in his pumps and challenged me to a game of billiards. would rather not have played, but I accepted his challenge, and we had a

It seemed a terrible long game, but at last it was finished, and he made his way to the smoking-room, while I made my way to his bedroom. I closed and locked the door and then started to try' the various keys. Almost the first key fitted, and I opened the box and got out the shoes. They were of common make, and there appeared to be nothing out of the way about them. I noticed, however, a little cut in the heel of the right shoe, and I put my finger in this cut and gave it a pull. but it remained firm.

I examined it very carefully, and discovered the head of a small nail driven into the heel from the side, and, as this could serve no purpose there, and, moreover, as it was blackned over so that it could hardly be seen without very close inspection. I naturally thought it might have some purpose, so I got my knife from my pocket, and, putting it under the head, levered it up. It came out easily enough, and then I pulled the top of the heel right of and there, snugly resting in a bed of cotton wool, lay the missing diamond!

I took it out and looked at it by the light of the candle. It was a magnificent stone, and I could see of im-

mense value. At this moment some one tried the door, and I funcied I heard an exclamation of rage and then a hurrying of feet downstairs. I rushed toward the door and was just in time to see Mr. Dane disappearing out of a door which led into the grounds. I shouted out to the gentlemen that the man who stole the dian ond was but a few yards away, and they joined in the pursuit. We were not long in catching

him. Mr. Middleton would not at first believe it was Mr. Dane who stole the diamond, but when I showed him the shoe with a sliding heel, he realized how his confidence had been abused.

So you see that criminals should be very careful if they have any part of their anatomy missing, even if it is only the half of a tooth. Mr. Dane is still in the stone business, but he is in Sing Sing .- Vidocq, in N. Y. Independent.

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gate to meet him, and love's own sunshine illuminates the tace of his wife when she hears his footsteps, you can take it for granted that he is true gold-his home is heaven-and the humbug never gets that near the throne of God. He may be a rank atheist and a red flag anarchist, and a Mormon, and a Mugwamp; he may black tea or coffee, if able to swalbuy votes and bet on elections; he low. If the skin is hot and dry may deal from the bottom and drink beer until he can't tell a silver dollar from a circular saw, and still he is better than the man who is all suavity, but who makes his home hell—who over the body and limbs, and apply wite and children the ill nature he would like to inflict on his fellow men but dares not. I can forgive much in that fellow mortal who would rather make men swear than women weep; would rather have the hate of the world than the contempt of his wife; who would rather call anger to the eye of a king than fear the face of a child."

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The rules sent out by the Health are good things to clip and pin up SMALL, in a conspicuous place this time of the year. Sunstroke is more apt to occur on the second, third or fourth day of a heated term than on the first. Loss of sleep, worry, excitement, close sleeping rooms, debility, abuse of stimulants, predebility, abuse of stimulants, predispose to it. It is more apt to attack those working in the sun, and a copper what his religion would be. If his babies dread his home coming and his better half swallows her heart every time she has to ask for a five dollar bill, he is a fraud of the first water, even though he prays night and morning until he is black in the and morning until he is black in the sun, and to specially between the hours of 11 o'clock in the morning and 4 o'clock in the morning and 4 o'clock in the afternoon. On hot days wear thin clothing. Have as cool sleeping rooms as possible. Avoid loss of sleep and all unnecessary latigue. Do not check person and morning until he is black in the spiration, but drink what water of stimulants, predispose to it. It is more apt to attack those working in the sun, and especially between the hours of 11 o'clock in the morning and 4 o'clock in the afternoon. On hot days wear thin clothing. Have as cool sleeping rooms as possible. Avoid loss of sleep and all unnecessary latigue. Do not check person and morning until he is black in the spiration, but drink what water of stimulants, predispose to it. It is more apt to attack those working in the sun, and dispose to it. It is more apt to attack those working in the sun, and especially between the hours of 11 o'clock in the morning and 4 o'clock in the afternoon. On hot days wear thin clothing. Have as colored the charter and object of which is for the number of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania embly of the Common of Certal Comporations of Certal Comporations of Ce and morning until he is black in the sary latigue. Do not check perand morning until he is black in the spiration, but drink what water spiration, but drink what water you need to keep it up, as perspiration. tion keeps the body from being But if the children run to the front overheated. Have, whenever possibie, an additional shade, as a thin sibie, an additional shade, as a thin umbrella when walking. Any one overcome by the heat should be immediately removed to the nearest shade, and the collar of shirt or dress loosened. Send immediately for the nearest physician, and give the person cool drinks of water.

Pa. deceased.

Notice is hereby given that letters testament ary on the estate of Rebecca E. Harman. 1ste of the town of Bloomsburg, county of Columbia. Pa. deceased, have been granted to J. Lee Harman and John G. Harman residents of said town, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay to J. LEE HARMAN.

7-17 65. the person cool drinks of water, place the person in a sitting position against a tree, wall or anything that will be a support to the back; sponge with or pour cold water over the body and limbs, and apply to the head pounded ice wrapped in a towel or other cloth. If there is no ice on hand, keep a cold cloth on the head and pour cold water on it as well as on the body. If the person is pale, very faint and pulse feeble, lay him on the back place the person in a sitting posivents on the heads of his helpless to the head pounded ice wrapped pulse feeble, lay him on the back let him inhale ammonia for a few seconds, or give him a teaspoonful of aromatic spirits of ammonia or tincture of ginger in two tablespoon-

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SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of a writ of Lavari Factas issued out the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia ounty. Pa. and to me directed there will be exposed to public sale, at the Court House In comsburg, county and State aforesaid, on

SATURDAY, AUGUST 30, 1902, at two o'clock p. m. All that certain piece of lot of ground situate in the town of Bloomsburg in the county of Columbia, and state of Pennsylvants, bounded and described as follows, viz Beginning at a point in the westwardly line o Magee Avenue, forty-two feet northwardly from the line of Sixth street; thence westwardly par, allel with Sixth street seventy feet; thence southwardly parallel with Magee Avenue fourteen feet; thence eastwardly parallel with Sixth street seventy feet to Magee Avenue; and thence by Magee Avenue northwardly fourteen feet to the place of beginning, whereon is erect

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DANIEL KNORE. Sheriff.

WIDOW'S APPRAISMENTS. The following Widow's Appraisements will be presented to the Orchans' Court of Columbia bounty on the first Monday of September, A. D. 19-12 and confirmed nist, and unless exceptions are filled within four days thereafter, will be confirmed absolute.

are filed within four days thereafter, will be confirmed absolute.

1. Estate of Henry H. Hirleman, late of Jackson township. Reai estate \$390.

2. Estate of Clark M. Kile, late of Sugarloaf township. Personalty \$278 40.

3. Estate of Samuel Rhinard, late of Briarcreek township. Personalty \$300.

4. Estate of Cyrus B. Hess, late of Benton township. Personalty \$200.21.

6. Estate of Albert Witchey, late of Beaver township. Personalty \$200.21.

6. Estate of Samuel S. Lowrey, late of Madison township. Personalty \$300.

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8. Estate of Clarence F. Sitier, late of Centre township. Personalty \$300.

9. Estate of Abram Lockard, late of Briarcreek township. Personalty \$300.

10. Estate of F. N. Turner, late of the town of Bloomsburg. Appraisment for minor children. Personalty \$190.5.

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By virtue of a writ of Levari Facias issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia Co., Pa., and to me directed, there will be exposed to public sale, at the Court House, in Bloomsburg, county and state aforesaid, on

SATURDAY, AUGUST 9th, 1902 at 2 o'clock p m. All the following described peoperty to wit: A house and lot situate in the township of Catawissa, county and state aforesaid on the road leading from the Borough of Catawissa, known as the "Hollow Road" said house is 16x21 feet, two stories high and is occupied by Daniel H. Fisher, owner and contractor.

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CHARTER NOTICE. Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Governor of the State of Pennsylvania on the 25th day of August, A. D., 1962, by William F. Adams. Christian A. Small J. K. sharpless, L. C. Mensch, Warren S. Sharpless and Jacob W. Adams under the Act. of Assembly of the Companyania

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EXECUTOR'S NOTICE. Estate of Rebecca F. Harman, late of Bloomsburg Pa., deceased.

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CHARTER NOTICE.

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Notice is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of Albert C. Achenbach, late of Grange township, Columbia county, Pa., deceased, have been granted to Oscar Achenbach, residing in said township, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands, will make known the same without delay.

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