

PICKPOCKETS IN CHURCH

They Deftly Pilfer Purses During Services.

POSE AS WORSHIPPERS

They Dress Their Part and Generally Escape Detection—A New Class of Thieves Developed By the Changed Conditions in the Metropolis—Trained Impersonators.

New York pickpockets do not confine their operations to street cars or crowds in public places. But they trade in churches. A young woman relates the following: "In company with another girl and her grandfather, who several years ago was a prominent police official, I attended the evening service of a church on the upper west side of Manhattan Island. In the pew to which we were assigned came another young woman, whom I did not know, but who looked perfectly respectable. She sat down beside me. I was carrying a purse over my arm, and when it came time to pray, as the purse was a silver one and made a jangling noise when moved about, I slipped it off my arm and laid it on the seat of the pew. There was very little in it of value—a two dollar bill, some silver coins and a few trinkets. When the prayer was over and I resumed my seat I picked up the purse again to slip over my arm. Much to my surprise I noticed that it was open. I looked in it, naturally, and saw that the two dollar bill was missing. I then noticed that the young woman who had come in and sat beside me had also left the church. She did it very quietly while we were at prayer. "After the service I spoke to my friend's grandfather, the former police official, and told him of my loss. He had sat in the pew right behind us and he said that undoubtedly the young woman who sat next to me had been the pickpocket, as her face was familiar to him. He remembered having seen it in the Rogues' Gallery. "He also told me that he had been informed of the prevalence of this sort of thieving, and that it had in the last year become a very serious matter. "Investigation has shown that the annoyance this young lady was subjected to is a very common one and a growing menace to the security of church worship. It is certainly not a pleasant thing to attend devotional exercises with the haunting fear that a pretty pickpocket is masquerading next to you as a devotee. "According to the New York police a new class of thieves has blossomed out. They are scarcely more than children, are exceedingly adept, so sly and expert in their sleight-of-hand craft as to defy detection. To extract the contents of a purse or chatelaine bag while the owner is absorbed in prayer is considered high art—an accomplishment for any lady thief to be proud of. "In the old days bear eyed professionals had the monopoly of most of the fancy crime of the metropolis. Now, with skyscrapers, subways and million dollar dividends and other modern improvements a new class of thieves, swarming like insects, into nooks and corners of the city where the best people congregate. Men of travel and business are usually able to take care of themselves when toughs and tramps crowd against them in cars or other public places; but this invasion of churches by quiet woman trained to every kind of impersonation, from demure chit of an errand girl to the sharp eyed, mousy miss of eighteen, schooled from childhood to every phase of crime known on the calendar, is a novelty—a menace to the wives and daughters of families who habitually attend church. "But this is not all. These sneak thieves fix themselves up so as to attract little attention and haunt places of entertainment, such as fairs, church exhibitions, and particularly weddings and funerals. "In the case of an extraordinary theft in a fashionable church in Orange, N. J., it was a business man having an office in New York who had a hundred dollar overcoat and a silver mounted twenty dollar umbrella stolen almost before his very eyes. "He was very much interested in the wedding, as the bride was a friend of his family. He arrived at the church rather early and, seeing a friend across the way, neatly folded his coat and laid it on an empty seat near the pulpit with his umbrella and gloves, to mark it as his own. Becoming interested in his conversation with the friend while the guests were filling the church, he remained on that side of the aisle until the ceremony was over and then made his way to the seat where he had left his coat to find it gone. "It required a couple of weeks for the police to find it, but they discovered it in a pawnshop, where the owner recovered it on payment of the \$20 advanced to the smooth talking young man who pawned it. This case was an exception for woman had no hand in it.—New York Herald.

Every month about 3,700 articles are left in the Berlin street cars by their owners, about 600 of them being women's purses. Advertising is like a carriage—its progress is impeded by getting into a rut.

Women Who Wear Well.

It is astonishing how great a change a few years of married life often make in the appearance and disposition of many women. The freshness, the charm, the brilliance vanish like the bloom from a peach which is rudely handled. The matron is only a dim shadow, a faint echo of the charming maiden. There are two reasons for this change, ignorance and neglect. Few young women appreciate the shock to the system through the change which comes with marriage and motherhood. Many neglect to deal with the unpleasant pelvic drains and weaknesses which too often come with marriage and motherhood, not understanding that this secret drain is robbing the cheek of its freshness and the form of its fairness.

As surely as the general health suffers when there is derangement of the health of the delicate woman's organs, so surely when these organs are established in health the face and form at once witness the fact in renewed comeliness. Nearly a million women have found health and happiness in the use of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It makes weak women strong and sick women well. Ingredients on label—contains no alcohol or harmful habit-forming drugs. Made wholly of those native, American, medicinal roots most highly recommended by leading medical authorities of all the several schools of practice for the cure of woman's peculiar ailments. For nursing mothers, or for those broken-down in health by too frequent bearing of children, also for the expectant mothers, to prepare the system for the coming of baby and making its advent easy and almost painless, there is no medicine quite so good as "Favorite Prescription." It can do no harm in any condition of the system. It is a most potent invigorating tonic and strengthening nerve nicely adapted to woman's delicate system by a physician of large experience in the treatment of woman's peculiar ailments. Dr. Pierce may be consulted by letter free of charge. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Invalids' Hotel, and Surgical Institute, Buffalo, N. Y.

COMMON SENSE AND DIGESTION.

"Bolting" Food at Meals One of the Chief Evils of the Day.

"There is no such thing as medical abolition," says a physician, and he argues that a little common sense is more valuable than a great deal of medicine. Indigestion, headaches, nerve troubles, rheumatism, gout, and other prevalent complaints might be prevented by more care, he says, and "their permanent cure lies only in great attention being paid to what should be eaten or drunk, how much exercise taken and other points of vital importance."

"The popular and growing habit of 'bolting' food is one of the evils of the day. Many people go to doctors for medicine for indigestion the sole cause of which is that they allow food to go into their stomachs in too solid a state.

"That much indigestible food is taken in comparatively little harm would arise. It is quite possible that more harm arises from indiscretions in food than in drink."

Much error is preached, he declares, about the effects of drinking water on digestion, but "drink" should only be taken toward the end of the meal, and then the less the better, for if the digestive juices are not diluted they can, of course, perform their work more efficiently. "Drinking tea with meat is certainly a habit most prejudicial to digestion, so that the somewhat prevalent habit of having 'meat teas' should be avoided."

A good deal of pure water should be drunk between meals. Hot water is a distinct aid to sluggish digestion, and a drink of water the last thing at night and first thing in the morning is conducive to good health. "Pappy" foods for children should, he thinks, be largely abolished, and crispy and crusty foods which encourage mastication given instead.

DISPENSES WITH A BED.

Convertible Chairs Add To The Appearance Of The Room.

The numerous positions into which a Morris chair can be readily changed account for its popularity. The user can adapt the chair to almost any incline desired, with one exception—he cannot change the chair to a couch. This is overcome in the convertible chair shown in the illustration. Nominally the chair serves the purposes of the ordinary, but by a few quick changes can be transformed into a couch. In construction the seat of the chair is made in two sections, one section telescoping into the other. When necessary to lengthen the chair into a couch one section is pulled out, one side of the chair becoming the head and the other the foot of the couch. The cushion is also in two sections, both of which are ordinarily on the chair, but quickly spread out on the frame of the couch.



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WOMAN IN PROPER SPHERE.

Queen Margherita Condemns the Emancipation of Her Sex.

The Dowager Queen Margherita of Italy has been expressing her disapproval of "race suicide" with no less frankness than President Roosevelt. Less often is a royal interview more than a collection of perfunctory phrases, polite, but insignificant. Yet Queen Margherita has been saying: "A childless family is incomplete. There is a poetry and a pathos about childhood which appeal to every right-hearted woman. Most women, though they may not be able to put this idea into words, feel it. They have the maternal instinct. Hence the remoteness of race suicide."

Women show their intelligence by rearing healthy and great children, just as much as they do by writing books or painting pictures. The wife who deliberately refuses to bring children into the world must have something wrong with her moral make-up.

I am very pleased to know that there is a movement in the United States in favor of large families, and that President Roosevelt has put himself upon record as favoring them. European women have begun to look for light to their sisters of the United States.

I am absolutely opposed to any extravagant theories of what is called the emancipation of woman in whatever condition of life a woman may be placed, her first duty is the negative one of not giving up the qualities that distinguish her sex. Above all, she should guard against developing the traits of men. A blending of ancient reserve with modern independence would give us the ideal woman.



Brigadier General John J. Pershing, who was rewarded by President Roosevelt for his achievement in storming a mountain fortress in Mindanao, defeating a large band of Moros. He was jumped 862 points from Captain to Brigadier General, making a record jump.

How to Drive a Horse.

The manner of driving or riding has a strong bearing on condition, and we can see every day thousands of examples to this effect on the streets anywhere, says a writer in *Outing Magazine*. Given two horses having the same care, food, etc., both physically able and performing identical tasks, yet driven by two different men—one is always fat, composed, and tranquil; the other nervous, agitated, anxious, and in consequence thin and out of condition.

What is the reason? Nothing but the different handling—lack of sympathy, of any horse sense or horseman's instinct in the driver of the latter. Why is the average livery stable or riding school horse haggard of eye, anxious of countenance, almost always thin and worn? Not lack of food or overwork—just mental worry and the nervous overstrain of trying to please a lot of thoughtless people, most of whom wholly lack horse sense and are proud of it. Do what you will in the way of care, etc., the handling the horse receives has greatly to do with his physical welfare. Perfect condition is not a mere matter of so much food, so much water, a warm bed, a tight roof. It depends, as does everything else in life and in our relations with other men and all beasts, upon the little things, the unconsidered trifles—and lucky is he who has the interest, the patience, the intuition to investigate closely, to discern clearly, and to apply intelligently, countless ways, and in various associations.

Newspapers in Japan.

In Japan there were already in 1902 1,328 newspapers, dailies and others, the highest circulation reaching about a quarter of a million. Among the lower classes one paper is read by five or six persons.

A very few of the older people cannot read, but all the younger generation can. The most eager interest is taken, not only in stirring public events, but in administrative measures, such as the very recent nationalization of the railways.

Every newspaper posts its daily issue in the street and all day long groups of readers, too poor to buy a copy, replace each other to scan the news of the day. Discussion runs high among people who are far below the voter's level though every male over twenty-five years of age and paying a direct tax of 10 yen (\$5) is entitled to vote.

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OUR BOYS AND GIRLS

Boundin' Billy's Fall From Grace.

Uncle Rufus came up the drive in his usual style. His vehicle was a dilapidated bob-sled. One runner lacked a shoe and a stick of cord-wood did duty as a seat.

Uncle Rufus stretched his legs at a wide angle on the two runners and he had to look around "Boundin' Billy" to see the road ahead of him, for the old horse loomed tall and stately on his stiff legs.

"Boundin' Billy" received his name "Foh de Wah," when he was young and handsome and graceful. He had carried a young and handsome captain through many battles, and in his old age it had fallen to his lot to totter peacefully toward the grave, hand in hand (so to speak) with Uncle Rufus.

Uncle Rufus had been the body guard of the young and handsome captain, and he was justly proud of his comrade of the road.

"He's a powerful peart hoss yit," Uncle Rufus remarked to Dan and Tom, who stopped to pass the time of day with him. "An' stiddy! He ain't nudder shied sense I owned him."

"Don't you think I could scare him, Uncle Rufus?" said Dan, stroking the thing that "Boundin' Billy" called his mane.

"Huh, huh!" chuckled Uncle Rufus. "Yoh-alls mought skeer him, but yoh couldn't make him run away. He got too much confidence in me, Boundin' Billy has, an' I got confidence in him, I has."

"I bet we can do it," said Tom. "Yoh-alls bettah not try it. Yoh gwine git hu't of yoh daz. Ef Boundin' Billy lam out sideways wif he's hine lag, he gwine to hit yoh, sho'." Uncle Rufus on around to the back of the house, hitched his steed, and went to chopping wood. Dan gave a little laugh.

"Tom, I've thought of something. I bet we can scare that old sawhorse of Uncle Rufus's so he'll never hold up his head again."

Then he whispered something in Tom's ear, and they went off to the carriage house with their heads together, like the bad, irrepressible boys they were.

When Uncle Rufus had finished his chores for that morning, he unhitched Boundin' Billy and drove off down the driveway, humming: "Ole Satan thought he'd injuh me, By cuttin' own mah apple-tree. He didn't injuh me at all, Kase I had apples all de fall." "Hi dah! Whoa! What you gwine do, Billy. Whoa, I say, whoa! But Boundin' Billy did not whoa, for, from behind the gate-post there leaped a brown-shaggy animal on two legs—an animal such as never was seen before—a prancing, yelling bundle of fur.

Boundin' Billy gave one look, and it was all up with him. He rose sharply on his hind legs, swerved to one side and darted past the awful beast at a speed that would have made a racer pause and think. Down the road he swept, the bob-sled dangling behind and Uncle Rufus clinging frantically to the reins.

They disappeared in a hollow. No! There they were, on beyond! Uncle Rufus had dropped the reins and was clinging to the runner. The cord-wood had slipped off and was left behind.

Over a "thank-you-ma'am" they leaped, and Uncle Rufus was jolted off, and was seen digging himself out of a snow-bank. Boundin' Billy continued to cover the road with long, swift, frightened strides.

Uncle Rufus picked himself up and started after him, still shouting. "Whoa! whoa!" in a breathless and ineffectual voice.

At last a farm hand, who was plodding along the road, seized Boundin' Billy's flying reins and led him back to his owner.

The two boys who had followed began to feel sorry for their escapade, for Uncle Rufus was sobbing. "Ah los' mah confidence in him! I done los' mah confidence, sho'." "Say, Uncle Rufus," said Dan, "we're awfully sorry. I only just put the Buffalo robe over me and jumped out at him. But you said we couldn't frighten him to make him run away."

"Ginerly speakin', Marse Dan, yoh-alls couldn't stir him outen his tracks, an' dat's de trufe. But yoh-alls skeered him too everlastin' pow'ful had. I done los' mah confidence in yoh, Boundin' Billy."

Hydrogen in Balloons.

Hydrogen is so very light and diffuses so rapidly that it is almost impossible to retain it in any glass vessels. If a bottle was filled with hydrogen gas, and an ordinary cork placed in the bottle and allowed to stand a few hours, there would be very little hydrogen gas left. It would have passed out through the pores of the cork and air would have entered.

A glass stopper will sometimes allow the hydrogen to escape around it. A small crack in the bottle, which would be entirely too small to allow air or water to pass through, will allow hydrogen to escape with great rapidity.

Thus when a balloon is filled with hydrogen gas it becomes very buoyant, as it is several times lighter than the air which it displaces. In fact, air is fourteen and one-half times as heavy as hydrogen.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

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

SATURDAY, JUNE 8th, 1907, at 2 o'clock p. m., the following described real estate:

All that certain farm and tract of land situate in Pine Township, Columbia County and State of Pennsylvania bounded and described as follows: Westwardly by lands of Alem Johnson, northwardly by land of Ashur Fallmer, eastwardly by land of Clemens and southwardly by lands of containing

FIFTY-FIVE ACRES

more or less, upon which are erected a

FRAME DWELLING HOUSE, barn and other out buildings. It being the same land conveyed to Elijah Fullmer by Thomas Faus and wife by deed dated April 25th, 1847 and recorded in the Recorder's Office at Bloomsburg in Deed Book L, page 750. See description of said land recorded in Columbia County, Pa. in Mortgage Book No. 16, page 156.

Seized and taken into execution at the suit of A. K. Fullmer vs. John F. Derr, surviving Executor of estate of Elijah Fullmer, deceased with notice to Susanna Green, Mary J. Deen, Mianda M. Robbins and A. K. Fullmer, Defendants, who are the real owners of the land; and to be sold as the property of the said Defendants.

TERMS OF SALE.

1. All bids must be paid in full, except where the plaintiff or other lien creditor becomes the purchaser, and a duly certified list of liens shall be furnished, including mortgage searches on the property sold, together with such lien creditor's receipts for the amount of the proceeds of the sale, or such portion thereof as he shall be entitled to.

2. All sales not settled immediately will be continued until the Monday following the date of sale at two o'clock p. m., at which time all property not settled for will again be put up and sold at the expense and risk of the person to whom it was struck off and who, in the case of deficiency of such resale, shall make good the same, and in no instance will the deed be presented to the Court for confirmation unless the bid is actually settled for with the Sheriff, as above stated.

CHAS. B. ENT, Sheriff.

Andrew L. Fritz, Attorney.

*See Pardon's Digest, 9th edition page 416; Smith's page 334.

Sheriff's Office, Bloomsburg, Pa., May 15, '07. 5-16-07

CHARTER NOTICE.

In the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia County.

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the above Court on Monday, the third day of June, A. D. 1907, at ten o'clock a. m., under the Act of Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations," approved April 20th, A. D. 1874, and the supplements thereto, by M. N. Halkowicz, Dominick Rugala, John Branick and George Copcha of the Borough of Mount Carmel, Pa., and Filip Fludowicz and Nycola Palcowicz of the Borough of Centralia, Pa., for the charter of an intended corporation to be called "Russian Saint Demetry Beneficial Society," of Centralia, Pa., the purpose and object of which is to maintain and support its members in case of sickness, injury or death, and those dependent upon them, from funds collected therein and for these purposes to have, possess and enjoy all the rights, benefits and privileges of the said Act of Assembly and its supplements.

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Centralia, Pa., April 29, 1907. 5-2-3t.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Peter McAndrew, late of Conyngham Township, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of Peter McAndrew, late of the Township of Conyngham, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned administrator, 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

MICHAEL J. MONAGHAN, Administrator, Ashland, Pa. Edward J. Flynn, Attorney. 5-2-6t

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of J. H. Beishline, late of Greenwood township, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of J. H. Beishline, late of Greenwood township, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned administrator, 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

WILLIAM BEISHLINE, Administrator, Orangeville, Pa. 5-28-06

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Estate of Cornelius Cronin, late of the Town of Bloomsburg, Pa.

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of Cornelius Cronin, late of the Town of Bloomsburg, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned administratrix, 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

ELIZABETH CRONIN, Administratrix, Bloomsburg, Pa. 4-4-07. John G. Harman, Attorney.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of A. J. Derr, late of Greenwood Township, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary on the estate of A. J. Derr, late of Greenwood township, Columbia county, Pa., deceased, have been granted to John G. Harman, Bloomsburg, Pa., 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

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