

BEAT THE COMBINATION.

CONVOYER HOBBS TELLS HOW HE PICKED EVERY LOCK MADE.

Wrote in This City in 1848 He Learns of a New Jerseyman's Offer of \$500 to the Person Opening His Safe.

Bridgeport, Conn., Dispatch to N. Y. Sun.

Commodore H. C. Hobbs, superintendent of the Union Metallic Cartridge company, though in his 78th year, is one of the most expert lock pickers in the world...

In 1848, while putting a lock on the bank safe, Hobbs' attention was called to the advertisement of a Mr. Woodbridge of Perth Amboy, offering \$500 to any one who could open a lock...

Mr. Hobbs had often heard of a wonderful lock in the window of the celebrated locksmith, Bramah of London, and the offer of \$200 to any one who should open it without the key...

Mr. Hobbs spent much time in looking at all the Bramah locks in the shop, and also stopped at the locksmith's store window and figured out how he would open it when the proper time came...

Mr. Hobbs had been in London but a short time when he received a letter from William Brown of Liverpool, the head of the banking house of Brown, Shipley & Co., requesting him to call at the St. James Hotel...

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A RUSSIAN SOLOMON.

How a Judge Ascertained the Truth in a Dispute Before Him.

The St. Petersburg correspondent of the London Daily Telegraph sends the following interesting incident: "That the judicial Solomon is not quite extinct in the nineteenth century, even in Russia, is evident from the following ingenious device invented by one of our judges to discover on which side truth and justice lay in a rather difficult case that came before him last week...

"I bought a cow from him—'and I first paid for the animal, and then asked him to drive it from the market place into my yard. He agreed to do so. Well, when he had the cow back, my house was refused to budge a step further unless I paid him 20 rubles, saying that he had received nothing from me. This was an inf—, I mean a bare-faced lie, because I paid him the money a few minutes before..."

"Where are your witnesses?" asked the judge. "Witnesses? I have not a single witness. What are the witnesses for? Doesn't he know right well, the—, that I paid him the money?" "You must name him names," interposed the judge. "Did he pay you the money?" asks the judge of the defendant. "I never saw the color of his money," said the defendant. "Why did you think—" "That will do," exclaimed the judge. "The plaintiff's claim, unsupported by witnesses or evidence of any kind, is manifestly groundless. He is a fellow, though, and has evidently lost his 20 rubles. Let's make up a little subscription for him..."

"The judge took the three-ruble note, examined it critically, looked suspiciously at the defendant, and said: 'You dare to utter false money in an imperial court of justice! Have you any more notes of this description? I have a very serious matter, indeed. Where did you get this forged money?' The peasant turned red and white and yellow, gave a series of explanations, and finally, in despair, he cried out: 'If you want to know the whole truth, here it is. I had herged note belongs to the plaintiff. He did pay me 20 rubles for the cow, the rascal, but he paid me in forged notes, and that's what I'm telling you. I'm innocent as the lark in the thicket...' "The judge condemned then and there that innocent peasant to refund the 20 rubles, for the notes were really as good as the gold that circulate in the empire of the czars."

HOW MEISSONIER PAINTS. At Work Mounted on a Stuffed Horse on Top of a Tower. From the Philadelphia Press. A correspondent writing of Meissonier ten or twelve years ago gave the following anecdote of the painter while at work on the 1814, which was sold lately in Paris for \$170,000. "One cannot imagine how much pains his 1814 cost him. In a biting cold winter day the writer had gone to Poissy together with the artist, and there he saw the painting. It was snowing, and there was a foot of snow on the ground. We found Meissonier on the turret of his chateau, seated in the snow, and painting the figure of the emperor as it was rendered by a large mirror that stood at some distance from him. He had been three hours, he said, in the snow, and was perfectly happy, as he said, because he had found the sinister tones of a Russian landscape. Paul Barry ventured to remark that as he had already finished painting the landscape he might withdraw and continue his work in the studio, without exposing himself to the same inconveniences. 'The Great Army,' 'How could I obtain in the studio, Meissonier quite excitedly rejoined, 'the right tone and the true contrast with the sombre grays of the sky and the snowy carpet on the ground, and the just value of the floating masses of the emperor's cloak and banner, darkened by the dull atmosphere of a winter sky? It was there, on the top of that turret, that he completed what is perhaps his masterpiece..."

"About a month later the writer found Meissonier in his studio scraping the same figure of Napoleon, to paint which he had endured so many hours of a Russian winter. 'What on earth are you doing now?' I asked, almost bewildered. 'An old servant of the Emperor has been here,' Meissonier replied, 'and he has told me that in Russia. He had tears in his eyes, and spent a good hour in silent contemplation before my picture. After I had looked him over, he went on to tell me whether he found anything incorrect in the canvas, the good old man finally said: 'During the campaign of Russia his majesty never wore the Chasseur's uniform, but that of the Grenadiers. Moreover, his majesty never consented to have his epaulettes unfastened for his tunic. That will explain to you why the emblem of his overcoat is so large.' I had painted Napoleon in the uniform of the Grenadiers, and with the epaulettes outside of his coat. How could I have done that? I am now doing? Thus, love of truth overbalanced all other considerations, and Meissonier began studying anew the uniforms of the Chasseurs, under the overcoat, and so on, until he obtained the same perfection he had reached in the accessories of his previous portrait. This conscientiousness, perseverance, and love of the truth explain the artistic value of Meissonier's works..."

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Impure Blood

A Pennsylvania Railroad Man Tells of a Remarkable Cure of Scrofulous Humor—Read It.

Mr. Ruby, who makes the following statement, is a well known railroad man, running on the Pennsylvania Railroad between Columbia, Penn., and Philadelphia: "I feel that I wish to tell what has been done for me and my little boy by Hood's Sarsaparilla. He is now six years of age, and until a short time ago, has ever since birth been a terrible sufferer from scrofulous humor. Sores would appear on him and spread until they were as large as a dollar, and then discharge, only to be followed by others, so that the larger part of his body was one mass of sores all the time. The scrofula was especially severe on his legs and back of his ears and on his head. His hair was so matted that combing was sometimes impossible. His ears became so thick that we could see through them, and were actually AFRAID THEY WOULD DROP OFF. His legs were so bad that sometimes he could not sit down, and it was impossible for him to run about and play like other children. Frequently when he tried to walk, his leg would crack open and the blood start from different places. The humor had a very offensive odor, and caused intense itching, so that at night we had to tie his hands in mittens or stockings to prevent his scratching and tearing himself. We cannot tell."

HOW THAT POOR BOY SUFFERED for nearly five years, nor how his terrible condition distressed us. We did all we could to relieve him. Two or three physicians agreed in calling it scrofulous humor, but did not effect a cure. We tried salves and ointments and other things but without benefit. At last I decided to give him Hood's Sarsaparilla, as MY DRUGGIST RECOMMENDED IT. In about two weeks the Sarsaparilla began to have effect. The sores commenced to heal."

FROM PHILADELPHIA. Pretty Good for a Man of 26. The following is from Mr. John Hisea, manufacturer of canned diets, who has carried on business in Philadelphia since Oct. 5, 1868, and whose testimonial in favor of Hood's Sarsaparilla is certainly worthy of consideration. "One year ago I was laid up sick with pneumonia for 14 weeks. When I got over that, my feet and legs swelled, were very much inflamed, and caused me much suffering. The doctor said I had gout, which I did not believe. I tried a number of cures, of no avail. Then some one advised me to try Hood's Sarsaparilla. I did so. I took it three times a day, before meals. Before I had taken one bottle I began to improve. I took in all five bottles, which cured me and made me feel well otherwise. I have had no return of the affection. Can walk ten miles every day, which is pretty good for a man 26 years old. I feel grateful for the good Hood's Sarsaparilla has done me, and have used my influence with a number of people to try it, and so far with satisfactory results." JOSEPH HIRSH, 48 North 2nd Street, Philadelphia, Penn.

A Letter Letter From Mr. Ruby states that his son is now in perfect health, has no trouble from the humor, which is entirely cured. He has many inquiries about the recovery of the boy, and advises all who suffer with such diseases to try Hood's Sarsaparilla. "What Can Be Added To the above statement to make more emphatic the evidence of the cleansing effect of Hood's Sarsaparilla upon the blood? It would seem to be the positive duty of all who suffer from any disease or affection caused by impure blood, to at least give Hood's Sarsaparilla a fair trial. Its many wonderful cures have won for it the title of 'the greatest blood purifier ever discovered.' Every Confidence. "Among the few proprietary articles I recommend to customers Hood's Sarsaparilla is one in which I place every confidence. My patients seem to have the same confidence, judging from its sale, which is more than all the other blood purifiers together." G. B. LITTLE, Druggist, Greengrub, Pa.

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