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DEATH IN THE VIAL.

THE FIFTH TABLET GAVE A DOSE THAT WAS FATAL.

Who the Doctor Had a Premonition That His Patient Had Overtaken a Wealthy Planter—How the Story of the Crime Unfolded.

The story was told by a police commissioner of another city who was in New Orleans recently on a visit.

"The most ingenious murderer I ever knew anything about," he said, "was committed by a young physician. He was a rising practitioner at a place where I formerly lived, and with four permissives, I will speak of him simply as Dr. Smith.

"About a dozen years ago, as nearly as I remember, this young man went on a visit to a relative in a neighboring city, and one afternoon, on the third or fourth day of his stay, he started a lady member of the household by remarking that he had a feeling that some misfortune had overtaken a wealthy planter whom they both knew very well, and whom I will call Colonel Jones.

"The door remained Open After a Year's Forfeiture Agreement." An old story is told of Joseph Robidoux, the founder of St. Joseph, that had its origin in Holy city.

"On the day of Smith's singular premonition he was on one of those tours of inspection, but failed to come back, was found lying in a cornfield. He had evidently been dead about 24 hours, and from the appearance of the body seemed to have been seized with some sort of fit or convulsion.

"Of course the affair created a great stir, and the police made a pretty thorough investigation, but the only thing they found that merited any special attention was a small round vial in the dead man's vest pocket. It was about the diameter of a lead pencil by four inches long, and had originally contained a couple of dozen medicinal tablets, which, lying one on top of the other, filled the little bottle to the neck. A few still remained in the bottom.

"Upon inquiry it was learned without trouble that the tablets were a harmless preparation of soda, and that Jones himself had bought them at a local drug store. That added suspicion in that quarter, and, for lack of anything better, the coroner returned a verdict of death from sunstroke. There was no autopsy.

"Some time after Jones had been buried," continued the police commissioner, "I learned accidentally of Dr. Smith's curious prophecy, and it set me to thinking. Eventually I evolved a theory, but it was impossible at the time to sustain it with proof, and for five or six years I kept it pigeonholed in my brain, waiting for something to happen. Meanwhile, to everybody's surprise, Dr. Smith went to the dogs. He began by drinking heavily, gradually lost his practice and finally slipped out to avoid prosecution for cashing a fake draft. After his flight I learned enough to absolutely confirm my theory as to Jones' death. What had really happened was this:

"Dr. Smith owed the old man a considerable sum of money and had given a note, open when he had forced his father's name as indorser. The planter was pressing him for payment and had threatened suit, which meant inevitable exposure. One day, while they were conversing, Jones pulled out a little glass vial and swallowed one of the tablets it contained, remarking that he took one daily, after dinner, for sour stomach.

"That suggested a diabolical scheme of assassination, which the doctor proceeded to put into execution. Repairing to his office, he made up a duplicate tablet of strychnine, and, encountering the colonel next day, asked him to let him have the vial for a moment, as he forgot the address of the makers from the label.

"Jones handed it over unsuspectingly, and while his attention was briefly diverted elsewhere Smith put in the prepared tablet. He placed it under the top four, thus making it reasonably certain that the next time he took the fifth drug from that date, the next morning he left town, so as to be far away when the tragedy was consummated, and some mysterious uncontrollable impulse evidently led him to make the prediction that first excited my suspicion.

"When I made certain of all this, I before they had much of the goods, located Smith in Oklahoma and was on the point of applying for an extradition warrant when he anticipated me by contracting pneumonia and dying. I thereupon returned the case to its normal place, where it has remained ever since.

"Pardon me for asking," said one of the listeners, "but is that really a tragedy, or are you entertaining us with interesting fiction?" "It is absolutely true," replied the narrator. "But how did you learn the particulars?" "Well," said the police commissioner, smiling, "with was like most clever criminals—he had one weak spot. He was fond enough to tell a woman. She blabbed."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

At Course Diners. A woman just arrived from Australia was recently negotiating with an agent in London for a house in one of the newer districts of Kensington.

Spare Women. In former years when thin women wished to gain flesh and roundness of form they would take warm baths and follow this by rubbing into the skin cod liver oil.

A SLEEPER SONG.

Wine, my beloved, 'twas long and often is best. The sleep to be so yours, the day unbest.

We sleep at night in our sleep; We sleep at night in our sleep; We sleep at night in our sleep.

Do not be so long in the night. Do not be so long in the night. Do not be so long in the night.

Drinks, dear, till the day breaks And early shadows do. Who's come to greet us in waken And I be one with thee.

THEY GOT FRESH AIR. The door remained Open After a Year's Forfeiture Agreement.

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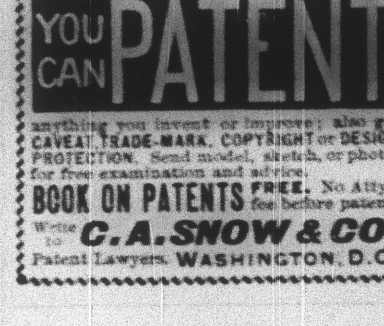
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