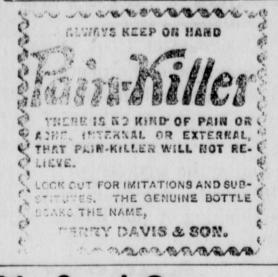
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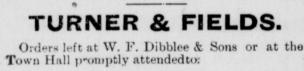
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Science and Art of the Pickpocket. The sharpest and shrewdest class of criminals that the police of the present day have to deal with are the professional pickpockets or "dips" as they are known among themselves.

That any person, man or woman, could walk between two men and take a watch from each while passing along would seem impossible, and yet the Shevlin boys of Chicago. and countless others from New York to San Francisco, have been known to do this many times. One peculiar being noticeable in the "protession" is that male pickpockets go through men and women indiscriminately, while "dips" of the female sex confine their operations entirely to the sterner sex.

A large crowd of excited men and women, such as always congregate around a fire or the scene of an accident, is the pickpocket's paradise. Here with his pals, for he very seldom travels alone, he pushes his way towards the centre of the crowd and commences operations, this pals keeping very nearly in line, one behind the other. Should the intended victim be a lady, the leader crowds up close to her and commences "fanning," or feeling for her pocket. Having located this, he determines if it containes a purse; it it does he gives his pals the nudge. Then he pulls the skirt out slightly, so as not to touch the body, and begins "riffing" the pocket; in other words, turning the pocket inside out. The professional "dip" does not touch the purse at all, but simply keeps pulling the pocket upwards until the 'leather' falls cut into his hand. Just as soon as he secures the parse, or whatever it may be, he at once passes it to the man behind him, who in turn passes it to the next, until in less than half a minute the stolen property is in the possession of a person prohably 20

feet away from the victim. Should the victim become aware of her loss suspicion would naturally fall on those near her; those are the men usually placed under arrest, but the stolen property is not found once in a hundred times.

Whenever pickpockets work in gangs, as they do when following a circus or a campaign speaker, this is the method they always use. If a "dip" happens to be caught in the act, you can bet dollars to doughnuts that he is surrounded by his pals, who, always well dressed, cannot be distinguished from the rest of the crowd.

All pickpockets who make a speciality of victimizing women carry short bladed and very sharp knives. If they experience to much trouble in finding the entrance to a woman's pocket they simply locate the pocket by feeling, cut a slit in the skirt, reach in and cut the entire pocket, carrying off purse, pocket and all. The Shevlin boys of Chicago are probably the most skillful pickpockets in the world so for as taking watches and all kinds of jewellery worn on the person is concerned. Even finger rings do not escape their notice. Having picked out some man standing quietly in a crowd, the "dip" takes his position directly in front of him, and his pals. if he has any line up in front of the leader. He then quiet'y puts his hands behind his back and proceeds as follows :---

dangerous than her male rivals. A female pickpocket is generally either an abandoned women or a great flirt, and thus has many opportunities. She is up to all the latests tricks, such as substituting a wad of paper for a wad of bills, or replacing a diamond stud with with a fake one; in either case the poor dupe does not as a rule miss his property for some time.

The quickest and most skilful piece of pickpocket work on recork was performed by an unknown "dip" during the World's Fair at Chicago. A wealthy physician of Milwaukee arrived at Chicago one evening and alighted at the Wells street depot. While ascending the stairs that lead up from the basement a well-dressed young man stumbled against him, excused himself and passed on down.

When the physician reached the top of the stairs he discovered that his watch, diamond stud and pocketbook were gone. The total loss was \$5,000. No one was ever arrested for the theft.

This remarkable job, performed in a fraction of a minute, should be a warning to all wearers of jewellry, especially those who frequent large cities, for there is absolutly no limit to the nerve and skill of these criminals. Some of the most dangerous, not being represented in the rogues' galleries, travel from coast to coast without ever being molested or even suspected by the police .-Detroit News Tribune.

#### Honest Advice Free to Men.

The DISPATCH is requested to publish the following: All men who are suffering from overwork, excess or youthful errors, are aware that most medical firms advertising to cure these conditions cannot be relied upon. Mr. Graham, a resident of London, Ont., living at 4371 Richmond St., was for a long time a sufferer from above troubles and after trying in vain many advertised remedies, electric belts, etc., became almost discouraged and hopeless. Finally he confided in an old Clergyman who directed him to an eminent and reliable physician, through whose skilful treatment a speedy and perfect cure was obtained.

Knowing to his own sorrow that so many poor sufferers are being imposed upon by unscrupulous quacks, Mr. Graham considers i. his duty to give his fellow-men the benefit of his experience and assist them to a cure by informing anyone who will write to him in strict confidence where to be cured. No attention can be given to those writing out of mere curiosity, but anyone who really needs a cure is advised to address Mr Graham as above.

#### "Never Discharged a Better Man,"

A Pittsburg man tells the following story of the late R. G. Ingersoll; "I was for years a showman (not a fakir), and for a time-a very short time-I represented Henry Rainforth as Colonel Ingersoll's manager. The first night out I put on a lot of canvass; and the second night I (didn't seem to be able to take a reep in myself; the third night I showed up with my kite still flying. After the lecture the Colonel suggested, in his mild, good way, that I quit as manager, take \$50 and go to the hospital. Then to show that there was no ill feelings I asked the Colonel for a recommendation. I have it vet. It reads: "I never discharged a better man.' "



Mrs. James Constable, Seaforth, Ont., writes:-" Ever since I can remember I have suffered from weak action of the heart. For some time past it grew constantly worse. I frequently had sharp pains under my heart that I was fearful if I drew a long breath it would cause death. Ingoing up-stairs I had to stop to rest and regain breath. When my children made a noise while playing I would be so overcome with nervousness and weakness that I could not do anything and had to sit down to regain composure. My limbs were unnaturally cold and I was subject to nervous headaches and dizziness. My memory became uncertain and sleep deserted me. "I have been taking Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills, and as a result am very

much better. I have improved in health and strength rapidly. The blessing of sleep is restored to me. My heart is much stronger, and the oppressive sensation has vanished f I can now go up-stairs without stopping and with the greatest of ease, and I no longer suffer from dizziness or headache. It seems to me the circulation of my blood has become normal, thereby removing the coldness from my limbs. truly say that Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills have done me a world of good."

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I have read in Plato and Cicero sayings that are very wise and very beautiful, but I never read in either of them :- Come unto me all ye that labour and are heavy laden. There is no despair so absolute as that which comes with the first moments of our first great sorrow, when we have not yet known what it is to have suffered and be healed, to have despaired and have recovered hope.

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First, he very cautiously opens the bottom buttons of the unsuspecting man's vest and lifts the vest away from the body. He tries to unsnap the chain, and if he succeeds passes the watch ahead. If he cannot unsnap it he breaks the chain or takes watch, chain and all.

To take a watch from a man moving along is an entirely different matter, and the Shevlins were the first pickpockets ever known successfully to perform this act. A "dip" with the air of a country greenhorn stumbles against his man, and before either has recov ered equilibrium he has the watch and a few inches of the chain. This apparently accidental stumble creates a rather queer on the victim's nervous system. If you approach one of your friends and slap him sharply on the shoulder or fall against him so as to touch know what is."-Pittsburg Chronicle Teleonly the upper part of his body, all the nerves | graph. seem to concentrate their sensibility at the point where you strike him, and for a few seconds the sense of feeling is not very keen in any other part of the body. It is during those few seconds that the professional "dip" relieves you of your property. If it is your

watch he simply gives the chain what is known as the "two-finger twist"-a trick that will break the strongest chain.

But there is another method. The "dip" walks along by your side. When your atten tion is directed elsewhere he quickly and skilfully reaches over and gives your chin the same twist with exactly the same result. A very nervy and skilful "dip" has been known to walk between two men and take a watch from each at the same time.

The "two-finger twist," invented by Chicago pickpockets, is very hard to explain and must be seen to be thoroughly understood. In all his operations a "dip" uses only his thumb and two large fingers; in breaking the chain he simply gives it one wind around the index finger and then around the next finger, holding the watch in the palm of his hand. A quick, dextrous jerk of the fingers separates the strongest chain.

The female pickpocket, owing to her light touch and endless opportunities, is far more Garden Bros. Druggists.

### TOLEDO, ONT.

Mr. Lewis Johnston of this place was taken down with Rheumatism, had two doctors in attendance, was getting no better. Three days after he started taking Milburn's Rheumatic Pills and he was out of bed in one week, was well and able to go about.

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"Yes, sir, it is adding insult to injury,' said young Mr. Homewood, warmly. "That's just what it is!"

"What is adding insult to injury?" demanded young Mr. Point Breeze. "Or, rather, who is doing this thing ?"

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lon't you ?"-Chicago Post.

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