

Cases of Mistaken Identity.

Probably the most extraordinary case of mistaken identity and wrongful imprisonment occurred some ten years ago, when a man named Stewart was charged with being an escaped convict. In vain did the accused declare that he was not and never had been a convict, and that his name was not Stewart, but Stickler. The evidence against him was too great. Indeed, the governor of the jail himself swore to his identity, and the chain of evidence seemed complete, when it was seen that on his right hand the prisoner had a wen, which had, strangely enough, been one of the escaped convict's distinguishing marks. This extraordinary coincidence decided matters, and the man was sent back to prison to finish his sentence. Two years afterwards the police arrested a man who was literally Stewart's double in every respect, even down to the wen on the right hand. Farther investigation proved—and afterward the man confessed himself-that he was the convict who had made his escape from jail by climbing over the prison wall when taking his daily exercise in the courtyard.

Stickler was therefore, of course, at once released, but the only consolation on which he had to congratulate himself was the fact that he had not served his full term. Strangely enough, it afterward transpired that durdisguised as a country farmer, with mutton chop whiskers and corduroy riding breeches, was actually in court, and with the exception of his wrongfully accused double, was without a doubt the most interested spectator of the proceedings.

manufacturer on a cheque for £7,500. The evidence against him, indeed, was overwhelming, for no fewer than three bank clerks recognized the accused at once from among twelve other men as being the man who had presented the forged cheque at the bank shortly after it was opened in the mornfavor was that he was a comparatively poor man, and that neither did at any time his banking account show a balance of more than a few hundred pounds, nor did his mode of living justify the belief that he was possessed of more than very humble means. However, the evidence of the three bank clerks seemed conclusive, and he was sentenced to five years' imprisonment. Some eighteen months afterward a most amazing and truly dramatic incident occurred. One of the clerks who had been transferred to an other branch of

the bank at Bradford was one morning hand-

ed over the counter a cheque for £1,500. Looking more closely at the signature, which represented that of an old client who had banked with the firm for years, it occurred to him that it was in some slight detail silk cravat, and black calfskin shoes, is the just a little bit different to the drawer's black ribbon on the hat. Russet shoes are usual signature, and, on informing the bearer never worn during mourning, nor is a colored that he would have to look up the account in derby. A straw hat, though, is entirely the ledger, it flashed across him in a moment proper. Some men affect black shirt studs, that the man before him was the 'double' of black cuff links, and blackedged handkerthe prisoner who had been sentenced for forgery. It at once, therefore, occurred to even go to the length of wearing these with him that there must be something wrong, and he immediately signalled to the commissionnaire, who pinned the suspect down the day. Some deference to the convenwhile the police were being sent for. The anan was arrested on the spot, and at his trial it was proved that he, and not the convicted solicitor, had forged the first cheque for £7,-500, and that he was again endeavoring to still further raise the wind to the tune of another £1,500. Without doubt, however, had not the clerk noticed something rather suspicious about the signature of the second cheque which caused him to scrutinize the hearer more closely, the wrongfully convicted solicitor would have served the full term of his sentence.

Meyer has a more curious case been brought into a court of law than what was at the time-some seven years ago-known as the 'Merritt affair.' One of two twin sisters, so much alike that it was almost impossible to tell one from the other, living together in a small flat in North London, was charged with stealing jewellery to the value of £700 from a well-known society lady living in Portland place. According to a policeman on duty at the time, he saw the accused leave the house by the front door just after 830 with a jewel case under her arm. To the consternation of the limb of the law, however, the other sister was summoned, and so extraordinary was the the likeness that he

when in the witness box refused to say which lady he saw, as he rightly pointed out that 'he could not tell the other from which.' Both the sisters, moreover, vehemently protested their innocence, but eventually one was convicted and sentenced to six months' hard labor. After she had been in prison for three weeks, however, her sister, Edith Merritt, confessed that she was the culprit, and so once again 11d justice err, though, according to a well known barrister, the likeness between the two sisters was so uncanny that the mistake-for the evidence was largely circumstantial—was not altogether surpris-

The official figures of judicial errors, however, are very striking. In 1898 no fewer than seventy five prisoners were acquitted after being in prison for four months, while in the same year more than a hundred prisoners were freed after two months enforced and wrongful detention in jail. In the previous year thirty-one men and women were released, evidence proving their innocence having turned up after they had been in prison for three months.

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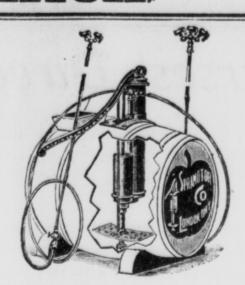
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It is not so true to-day as it was in the day of that famous physician who prescribed an infusion of spiders' webs as an infallible remedy for ague that "doctors are men who pour drugs of which they know little into bodies of which they know less"; but we wish the faculty was not always advertising infallible specifics for the cure of cancer or consumption without assuring itself absolutely of their infallibility. If the new "opsonic" method so loudly trumpeted to the world should prove as fallacious as its predecessors, how many deaths will it hasten through a reaction of despair? It is surprising how even in those unenlightened old days the ing Stickler's trial the real escaped convict, lives of consumptives were prolonged through care and diet. Two of the most famous of physicians, Sir Ebward Wilmot and Sir Hans Sloane, though consumptives, lived each to the age of ninety-three. Sir Edward Wilmot was so far gone in consumption in his youth that Dr. Ratcliffe gave his friends no hope Some three years ago there occurred still whatever of his recovery: yet he lived to that another extraordinary miscarriage of justice. extreme age. Sir Hans Sloane, whose col-A well-known north country solicitor was lections formed the mucleus of the British munificent, lay for three years in his boyhood between life and death. His spitting of blood during thoes years was so serious that he was forbidden all work and nearly all exercise. He husbanded his life out, nevertheless, to the length of ninety-three years. ing. The only evidence in the prisoner's chiefly through abstemionsness and total abstinence. Sir Hans was noted for his hospitality, but he was so hospitably careful of the health of his guests that he would never allow three things to be served at his table-salmon, burgundy and champagne.

Mourning For Men.

A black band on the jacket sleeve as a sign of mourning is in questionable taste. The practice originated among English servants, who were required to wear a black band on the sleeve after a death in the master's family. It is still confined to servants, among persons of the best social position. The only evidence of mourning sanctioned by good breeding besides a black suit, a black chiefs, and the more ignorant among them evening clothes. They are in very bad form for the evening, and in doubtful form for tions in the matter of mourning is expected of a man, but one's sorrow may be shown without being paraded.





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O! city clerk, in whom the hopes are stored Of England's manhood, let me talk with

With you whose pen is mightier than the sword (And far, far safer, too.)

Soon you will trip to some salubrious Spa, Or pluck delight from Southend shrimps

Flaunting beneath a so-called Panama Beside the so-called sea

There you will blow the expense and softly

In some hotel abutting on the brine, And have your food (en pension) served you

A waiter from the Rhine. Him you will treat with well-deserved con-

Poor Teuton, seared with vile conscription's brand,

Not like yourself, a gentleman exempt From duty to his land.

You are a free-born city clerk, and boast That you can buy the necessary slaves -Tommies that undertake to man the coast And Tars to walk the waves.

Besides, the leisure hours in which you slack Are owed to sport-the Briton's prmal law: You have to watch a game of ball, or back A horse you never saw.

Splendid, mon brave! you have a sporting

Unknown to these dull churls of Teuton breed:

Yet here's a man has learned at least to serve His Fatherland at need.

He sings his "Wacht am Rhein," and if the

Wants watching with a rifle, he'll be there: When you're inviting heaven to "save the

You think you've done your share.

They've taught him how to march in fight-And drill a likely hole in human butts;

You have no discipline and couldn't hit A haystack, not for nuts.

His women-tolk are safe in their appeal To his protection when the bullets skirl, While your "fionsy"-well, I really feel Quite sorry for the girl.

For this poor "conscript" whom the tyrants

Though he may miss your British freedom's scope,

Yet knows the use of arms, where you would Your legs your only hope.

So doff your hat to him when next you meet And pray that, when his prentice task is If you should cross him on a raiding beat,

He'll give you time to run.

Disease In War.

The Crimea, where 230 men in 1,000 died of disease and only 150 in 1,000 succumbed to wounds, is an old story.

But South Africa is of yesterday. The deaths in every 1,000 men engaged in the Boer war were 69 from disease and 42 from wounds; 746 in 1,000 went into the hospital owing to disease, or more than twenty times the number on whom injuries were inflicted in actual hostilities. These astonishing and little known figures throw a significant light upon the real economics of war .- 'Pall Mall

In The Supreme Court In Equity.

Between Canada Permanent Mortgage Corporation, Plaintiff, and Robert B. Atkinson De-Take notice that, under and by virtue of a

Decree of Foreclosure and Sale in above cause. made by Mr. Justice Barker, Judge in Equity, on the tenth day of July A. D. 1906, there will be sold at Public Auction, with the approbation of the undersigned Referee in Equity, in front of the office of the Registrar of Deeds and Wills in and for the County of Carleton, in the Town of Wood. stock in the said County of Carleton, on Thursday the eleventh day of October A D. 1906, at the hour of two of the clock in the afternoon, the following described lands and premises, namely-"All that certain piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the Parish of Kent in the County of Carleton and bounded and described as follows, to wit: Commencing at a marked cedar stake on the bounds of the road leading from Allen McLean's to Joseph Curtis's place or dwelling and adjoining lands occupied by Charles Dyer; thence running southerly within six inches of Charles Dyer's barn to a marked birch tree, or stump standing on the side hill, six feet from the foot of said side hill, thence running along side hill easterly six feet from the foot or bottom of said side hill, until it strikes the above mentioned road; thence westerly along said road to the place of beginning, and being the same land and premises conveyed by Rainsford Giberson and wife to the late Dr. J. G. Atkinson by Deed dated the twenty sixth day of April A. D. 1901, and being the same land conveyed to the said Robert B. Atkinson by Cassie C. Rogers and Sankey K. Rogers, her husband by deed bearing date the ninth day of May A. D. 1904, and recorded in the Records of the said County of Carleton in Book J. Number Four, on page 449 and 450, together with all the buildings, and improvements thereon and the appurtenances thereunto belonging. At which sale all parties have leave to bid.

Dated this second day of August A. D. 1906. THANE M. JONES, Referee in Equity.

H. H. PICKETT Plaintiff's Solicitor. Aug. 8-Oct. 10.