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A GIRL SLEEP

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## A GIRL WHO TAKES STRANGE TRIPS DURING THE NIGHT.

WALKER

She Has Never Met With an Accident Though she Has Been in Some Startling and Dangerous Situations-Her Embarassing Experiences.

Miss Annie Rossman is now being treated at the Arapahoe County Hospital in Denver after having brroken the record in somnambulism. Daring her excursions while asleep she has been rescued from injury or death by the police more than 150 times. Bolts, bars, handcuffs, and chans have failed to keep her within her room, and clad in a nightgown she has roamed the streets of Denver night after night. Everything possible was done to cure the young woman, but to no purpose until she was placed in the hospital. Here she has been watched by an attendant, and cold water has been thrown in her face every time she has sought to leave her bed or escap?. This plan seems to be proving efficacious, and for the present at least her sleep-walking career has been closed.

For eight years Miss Rossman has been a sleepwalker ever since she was 18 years old. She is a stenographer, but her affliction has forced her to abandon her calling and work as a servant. Many methods have been nnsuccessfully adopted to restrain her from her nocturnal excursions. The windows of her room have been locked, and the key to the door hidden, but to no purpose. When the door has been locked from the outside. she has managed to pick the lock and make her way to the street. At other times she has been tied in her bed. In releasing herselt she has exhibited the skill of the conjurer, for no knot could be tied that she was unable to loosen, and, no matter how the ropes were arranged, she always found a way to release herself. Handcuffs have been attached to her wrists and then chained to the bed, but her wrists slipped through the rings in her sleep in a fashion that she could not explain when she awoke. In a waking condition she could never perform the feat. At another time the key to her room was placed at the bottom of a barrel of water that rested in one corner of her apartment, but she secured the key, and the contact with the chilled fluid did not awaken her.

went to the ticket agent window and bought a ticket for Cheyenne. Then she left the station, made her way to the railway track, divested herself of most of her clothing, and walked up the track toward the approaching train. Fortunately the engineer saw her in time to stop before he reached her, although she was walking to-

ward the locomotive all the time. Again she made her way down to Sixteenth street early in the morning, when there were heavy wagons passing up the street, and calmly walked in front of one of the largest, that was going west at a lively gait. The driver saw ber and pulled up his horses, but she would certainly have been badly injured had not a policeman seen her just in time and pulled her fairly from beneath the horses' feet. She was not even scratched.

Once she attempted to leave her room, in the third story of her home, via the window. She crept through the window having raised the lower sash, and grasping the sill with both hands, swung herself out. As fortune would have it, a policem an happened to be passing almost at the moment and saw what she had done. He made his way into the house, rushed up the stairs, broke in the door of her room, and, seizing her by the wrists, pulled her back. Not until she was again in her room did she realize what had happene i.

Another of her experiences was the first and only time she gave an exhibition of dancing on the street between Twentythird and Twenty-tourth streets. Standing near a corner, to the amazement of several children and two or three pedestrains, she began a series of movements very like the double shuffle of a negro minstrel. No officer chanced to be near and no one interfered. The movements of her feet and limbs grew more and more rapid, while her body swayed from side to side after the fashion of a Nautch girl. Then, flinging her arms above her head, she danced wildly, and continued this at intervals without attempting to leave the corner, until a patrolman took her by the arm and walked her toward the station. She did not awaken until almost at the station door. Once, after she had left her home on one of her trips she apparently imagined herselt to be a lineman, for she climbed a telegraph pole, and has succeeded in making her way well toward the top before she was discovered. She was resting in this fashion near the top of the pole when a policeman happened to see her. Here was a quandary. It any one shouted to her she might awake and fall to the ground. The officer could not climb the pole. Finally a ladder was procured from a neigh-boring fire-engine house and placed against the pole. A stalwart fireman mounted it, and a moment later had Miss Rossman in his arms. She awakened almost instantly and in a terrible fright. She was taken home, and was prostrated by the shock for

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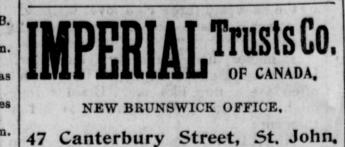
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About the only instance when she distinctly remembered having a purpose in view, was the time when she was found seated on a letter box with her arm around the lamp post, when she declared she had believed herself to be seated on a rail at the theatre with her arm about one of the supporting pillars. This fact of general lack of intention is all the more singular because of the belief that the actions of sleep-walkers are merely the fulfilment of dreams.

One of the most narrow escapes she has had if not the narrowest of all, was on the occasion of a trip on which she started to North Denver. She reached the bridge which crosses Cherry Creek close by the old City Hall, but instead of crossing the structure, made her way down by its side, and apparently was going to walk through the water. It so happened that the creek was not becoming to any great extent just then, and a policeman happened to see her action and rescued her from drowning. Even the shock of the water did not fairly waken her, and it was several moments after her rescue before she entirely regained consciousness.

It has always happened that whenever Miss Rossman has left her room and home at night on one of these sleep-waking trips she has never stopped to don any clothing besides the night gown, and has been guiltless of shoes or stockings. Just how she could so often make her way about Denver's streets in this costume unobserved is a matter of almost as much mystery as the real cause of the affliction which has rendered her miserable for eight years. One night a few months ago, when she was living at Twenty-first and California streets, she left her home about midnight and wandered down Twenty-first to Curtis street. When in front of the Curtis street hose house a Twenty-second street cable car came upon her unexpectedly and she was knocked down and to one side, entirely escaping injury except a few slight bruises. As usual, she was clad only in her night gown. She was picked up and taken into the hose house and returned to her home in the ambulance. One night not long ago she walked from her home clear down to the Union Railway Station. This time, however, shs had lain down without removing her clothing, and so attracted less attention. She sat in the station awhile, where her peculiar actions were noted, but there was no sus-

several days. Miss Rossman is a native of Pecola, Kan. When she first began to walk in her sleep the attacks were not frequent and it was only after she became a resident of Denver that her affliction grew upon her. Physicians who have studied Miss Rossman's case say that her trouble is largely due to the sluggish condition of her blood. During the time she is under the influence of somnambulism her tace is almost as pale and cold as that of a person who is dead.

Gotham Lady (shocked)-" Pardon me, sir, but I overheard you remark that you were going fishing in the reservoir. Am I to understand that people are allowed to fish with horrid worms in the reservoir from which we get our drinking-water ?" City Employe-' Oh, no, mum, I don't use worms; I use big hooks wi h nothin' on them. You see, I fish for bodies of suicides."-N. Y. Weekly.

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John McKenz e to Catherine A McGregor. Upper Musquideboit, Dec. 23, by Rev. F. W. Thomson, Murdoch Henry to Jane Stewart.

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Douglastown, Oct. 11, Gordia, son of J. R. David son, 2. Surrey, N. B. Dec. 14, John Lewis, son of John 1.

Peck. 5. Halifax, Dec. 25, Maggie, child of Wm. Chisholm, 22 months.

Yarmouth, Dec. 19, Helen, daughter of James Rogers, 11. Dartmouth, Dec. 23, Norman J., son of George

Williams, 24 Hali'ax, Dec. 24, Mary, widow of Capt. Joseph Soamers, 84.

Round Hill, Yarmouth Co., Dec. 10, J. Dimock Whitman, 84.

Truro, Dec. 23, Melissa Eunice, wife of Malcolm

Woods Harbor, Dec. 18, infant son of Frank and Mrs. Mood, 3. lbs. and under. Medford, Mass., Dec 20, Anne, widow of James M. Muhlig, 74. Over 3 to 5 lbs... Kingston, N. B. Dec. 27, Margaretta, widow of D. B. Crawford, 72. Port Elgin and intermediate points, s pounds and under. Over 3 to 5 lbs. Over 5 to 7 lbs. Der 7 to 10 lbs. Londonderry, Biver Herbert, Joggins, Bath, Halifax, Dartmouth and intermediate points 2 lbs, and under 3 lbs, and under. East Sangus, Dec. 12, Burpee H., child of Wm Poole, 3 months. Belle Isle Terrace, Dec. 23. Frank, son of Caleb E. and Annie Hoeg, 5. Chegoggin, Dec. 17, Stanley, infant son of Wm. and Hattie McConnell, 3. Over 8 to 5 lbs..... Brazas, Texas, Dec. 19, Robert M. Taylor, former-Over 5 to 7 lbs..... Charlestown, Mass., Dec. 10, Richard DeVere, formely of Moncton, 65. Chicago, Dec. 27, Harry C. son of Wm. and Annie Melvin formerly of St. John. Windsor, Dec. 24, Margaret F. C., only daughter of Rev. C. E. and Grace Willets, 19. Sandy Point, Yarmouth Co., Dec. 12. Maggie. daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Patterson, 4. TORONTO, ONT.

