

YEOMAN OF THE GUARD, A COMIC OPERA TO BE ON THE AIR ON WEDNESDAY NIGHT

The two-act comic opera "Yeoman of the Guard," first presented in London in 1888 is the next of the Gilbert and Sullivan series to be presented by the National Light Opera Company over the NBC System Wednesday night, July 24th, at 10.30 o'clock.

The radio version under the direction of Graham Harris, conductor of the summer series, will present the following cast:

Phoebe, Paula Hemminghaus, contralto.

Dame Carruthers, Jane Williams, contralto.

Fairfax, James Haupt, tenor.

Elsie, Elsie Thiede, soprano.

Jack Point, Frank Moulton, baritone.

First Yeoman, Norman Price, tenor.

Second Leoman, Taylor Buckley, baritone.

Meryll, Leslie Jay, bass baritone.

Wilfred, Frederick Baer, baritone.

Kate, Rosalie Wolfe, soprano.

Leonard, Harold Branch, tenor.

The story of "Yeoman of the Guard" concerns Colonel Fairfax, who has been put to jail for sorcery. Since he twice saved the life of Sergeant Meryll in battle, Meryll and his daughter Phoebe are anxious to save him. Opportunity comes when the brother of Phoebe recently made a Yeoman of the Guard is induced to let Fairfax take his place in the ranks

and so escape. Fairfax is brought to the lieutenant in charge of the tower.

He declares he is ready to die, but as he has been condemned for sorcery through the plotting of a kinsman who will succeed to his estates if he dies unmarried, he asks that someone be found to marry him at once.

Elsie Maynard, a strolling singer, happens along with Jack Point a jester and for a cash consideration she agrees to be blindfolded and married to Fairfax provided she can leave immediately after the ceremony.

In the second act, the wardens are denounced for permitting their prisoner to escape. Jack Point arranges a false shot, which is supposed to have killed Fairfax, and they notify the Governor that he is dead.

In the meantime, Dame Carruthers informs Meryll that from Elsie's mutterings in her sleep she has learned that Fairfax is the man she married. Fairfax in order to make a test, makes love to Elsie in Point's interest but ends by falling in love with her himself. Shortly afterward the pardon which had been held back by the "evil kinsman," arrives.

Stations of the NBC System broadcasting this program include WBAF, New York; WRC Washington; WGY Schenectady; KSD, St. Louis; WRVA Richmond; WOW, Omaha; WEBC, Su-

THE POCKET PICKING GAME IS NOT WHAT IT USED TO BE; MONEY NOW CARRIED IN BANKS

(New York Sun.)

Believe it or not, the pickpocket racket is slipping in New York. Records at Police Headquarters show that complaints are letting up, but the vigilance of the police may have something to do with the situation. Do not get the impression that there are no pickpockets working the crowds. There are plenty of them, but they are not of the old school and their work is largely crude because of the amateurish way in which they go about it.

When you get into the morning rush at your subway or elevated station it will be well to have your mind on your wallet or roll of money. Temptation often makes a thief of a man who has not been trained along these lines. In the good old days, the light fingered gentry, as they were always called, made a specialty of their work and many of them became so proficient that they were hard to catch. The men who fall into the hands of the police are usually quite youthful and in many cases without police records.

There are three distinct police units that are constantly on the watch

perior; WWJ, Detroit; WGR Buffalo; WSM Nashville; WKY, Oklahoma City; WSAI, Cincinnati and WMC Memphis.

for pickpockets in New York. Several hundred detectives who have more or less roving commissions, are too on the lookout for the man who will thrust a newspaper in your face and take your card case or money without your knowing it. But there are about ninety men whose training has been along the lines of detecting this particular class of criminal. The three squads are called the Pickpocket, the Broadway and the Fifth Avenue, and their tours of duty are so arranged that some men are on duty twenty-four hours each day at the more important points. Pickpockets who know their business are alert to the prying eyes of the New York cops and therefore keep out of the picture as much as possible.

'Lush Workers.'

One of the common forms of stealing from the person is for a thief to get hold of a drunken man and relieve him of his property. Such men are called "lush workers," and they usually operate around the terminals of the passenger carrying lines. A drunk will be thrown off a train if he has made a trip or two and his next haven is the nearest seat on the platform. If he looks prosperous the pickpocket will join him pretending to be drunk and feigning sleep. As soon as his victim dozes off, and if possible

when a train is approaching, he will search the drunk and hurriedly board the train as it comes in. But men who lie in wait for these victims are not regarded as high-class pickpockets. They are usually men down in their luck who might have been successful in other occupations and have taken up thievery to make a living.

These thieves do not last long as a rule, for they are hunted by all sorts of people. Men who have been robbed hang around the spot where it happened hoping to run across the man who robbed them. Platform men are on the alert and trainmen can pretty well spot a "lush worker" if he has been on the job for any length of time. Of course suspicion means nothing and the thieves have to be caught in the act in order to send them to prison.

The men detailed to the various squads referred to stumble on many embryo thieves who do not know how to cover their operations. Bag openers in the shopping districts as well as shoplifters often fall into their clutches while on the lookout for the clever pickpocket.

It seems to the police of today that the old time crook who could go through his victim without being caught has passed out of the picture. There are some known old timers who occasionally fall into the hands of law. One such is Paddy Rags, who was arrested a few days ago. There are still a few women who make pocket picking a business, but they are not clever and usually find themselves stealing small articles in the store instead of from persons.

Kept in Banks Now.

The slump in the art of picking pockets came with a bang only a short time ago when it became known that practically everybody carries his money in banks and not on his person. A pickpocket of the old school used to pick out his victim and then trail him until the time was ripe for him to complete the job. Usually those jobs produced real cash, for it was the custom to carry large sums of money.

One old pickpocket who has traveled from coast to coast tells a story of one of his mistakes made on a street car in Philadelphia, then his home. He had observed a well dressed man for several nights and finally the opportune time came. He got the man's wallet as he was stepping off a street car. The thief had planned the job carefully, hoping that the reward would be high. Much to the surprise of the thief all he got in cash was a \$2 bill, and being of the superstitious type, he sent the whole thing back to his victim. The name of the owner was inside the wallet. The checks in the wallet were likewise returned. As this oldtimer often remarked: "The business has gone."

Most of the better known thieves no longer operate in New York and for two reasons. One is that their victims, if they are caught, are usually available to the authorities to bring about a prosecution of the case. The other is the possible prosecution under the Baumes act, which sends a fourth felony offender to prison for life. This law, which has teeth in it, has no doubt done much to scare away the pickpockets.

When a dip, as he is called in police circles, gets caught his first effort is to get the victim to withdraw the complaint and this is usually brought about by friends of the prisoner, who return to the victim the stolen article and sometimes throw in a little cash on the side. The victim of a good New York pickpocket, if it happens in some place out of town, usually is able to make such connections, for rarely do the local police have the record of the man under arrest. He pays his way to freedom and hopes for better luck next time. If that same crook is caught in New York his chances of escaping by this method are about 100 to 1. The local detective knows all these old tricks and he is alert to the ways of the friends of the pickpocket who is arrested. He therefore protects his case by warning the complainant not to make any deal and in consequence convictions are more easily had.

There was a time in New York when a pickpocket had a market for almost anything he was able to steal. If he got a watch he had a fence to break it up and give him some cash. If he got a diamond he stripped the setting and the stone was practically unrecognizable. Pawn shops of today are kept under rigid surveillance and it is really hard to dispose of loot. There are a few fences that are known to the better grade of thieves and probably there always will be, but it is a matter of public record that the

squeals from the public are growing less and less.

The famous signs that hung at the entrance of Brooklyn Bridge, in ferry houses and railroad terminals—"Beware of Pickpockets"—have been removed. Detectives mingle with the throngs at these places, but the day of the smart pickpocket has passed. A crimp has been put in the racket.

NOVELTY

Why this fidelity at least in thought? In matters of the heart I used to find The out of sight was always out of mind

But you have set the usual of naught.

I must be truly wild about you girl, A super sort of ardent so to speak For I am still beneath your blonde haired spell

Although I have not seen you for a week.

To this fidelity it would be treason To even intimate that that's the reason.

—HARCOURT STRANGE in New York Sun.

Won Championship

Ottawa, Ont., July 19—Jack Cameron, of the Ottawa Rivermead Club won the Capitol District Golf Championship for the second year in succession by scoring 150 in the 36 hole titular chase over the Royal Ottawa links yesterday. Melville Rogers, another Rivermead man, finished second in the field of 142 entrants.

Mrs. Vulgarich—"Can't you get up anything more expensive than this fur coat you have shown me?"

Clerk—"Not unless we use trained seals for the garment, madam."—"Judge."

Hi Slocum says he never knew eternal triangles to be so plentiful as is the case right now.

SUMMER TRAIN SERVICES BETWEEN NEW YORK, BOSTON, AND THE MARITIMES

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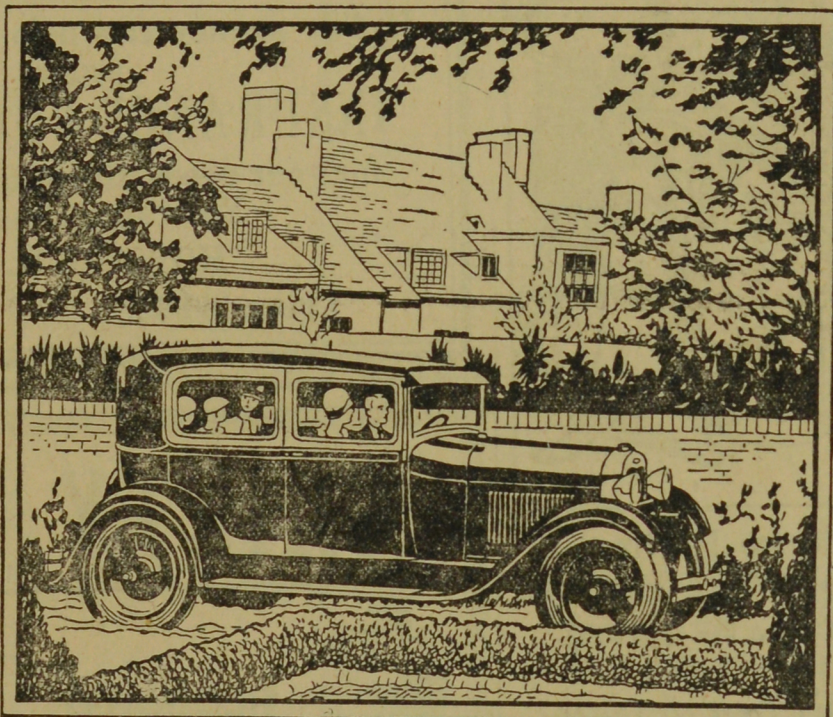
The New York services will be maintained by the DOWN EASTER which will operate one day a week each way leaving New York, Grand Central Station, every Friday, June 28th to August 30th, at 9.02 mornings. On the return leave Saint John at 7.45 P. M. Daylight time Sundays, arriving in New York at 5.07 P. M. following afternoon. The car will not be operated on Sunday September 1st, but will leave Saint John on Monday, September 2nd instead arriving New York afternoon of September 3rd.

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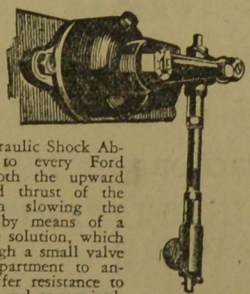
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