

SKIPPED OUT.

Pickpocket Grant Escaped From County Jail Last Evening.

HE WAS ASSISTING THE JAILER TO CARRY WOOD TO HIS CELL

And Made a Successful Break for Freedom.

ALL EFFORTS TO CAPTURE HIM HAVE SO FAR PROVED FRUITLESS.

James Grant, one of the trio of crooks under arrest here on the charge of picking the pockets of passengers on the C. P. R. train in June last, made a daring and sensational escape from the county jail last evening. His departure was discovered almost instantly, and a strong force of constables were sent out to search for him, but, this far, he has been able to avoid capture. The news that Grant had broken jail spread quickly about the city, and furnished a very fruitful topic for conversation. It is something new for a prisoner to make his escape from the county jail, and the incident has naturally created quite a sensation.

For some time past Grant and his two companions, John Williams and James Howard, have been confined in the same cell. The jail furnace, it seems, is out of working order and as the weather has been quite cool of late Jailer Hawthorn found it necessary to give the prisoners the use of a cell in which there was a stove. The cell they occupied is on the second floor, near the western end of the corridor, and the wood for the stove is stored in a small room at the opposite end near the head of the stairs.

About 7.15 o'clock last evening, Jailer Hawthorn unlocked the door of the cell occupied by the trio and invited Grant, who was the only one of the prisoners who had his coat on at the time, to assist him in getting some wood for the stove. Grant readily complied with the request, and the two of them visited the wood room and returned to the cell a moment later each carrying an armful of wood. They went back for a second load, and in returning to the cell the jailer took the lead. After depositing his load he returned to the corridor to look for Grant and made the surprising discovery that he had disappeared—had "flaw the coop" as it were.

Mrs. Hawthorn, who usually remains in the corridor when the prisoners are out of their cells, happened to be down stairs while Grant was carrying wood and did not see him take his departure. She was immediately notified of the escape by her husband, and locked the cell door while he went outside to notify the authorities and make a search for the escaped prisoner. As Mrs. Hawthorn was locking the cell door, Prisoner Howard remarked to her that Grant was not in, which would seem to indicate that there was no collusion between them in regard to the escape.

Sheriff Sterling and Crown Prosecutor Barry were immediately notified of the escape and wired descriptions of Grant to the authorities at Woodstock, St. John's, Newcastle, Fredericton Junction, Canterbury, McAdam and other nearby points. A force of constables were placed on guard near the jail and remained there until after daylight, but saw no sign of the fugitive. City Marshal Roberts and Jailer Hawthorn went out the railway track to Waasie and spent the night in that vicinity, but found no trace of Grant.

How Grant Escaped.

At first it was thought that when Grant gave the jailer the slip he had dodged down the stairway and had left the building by the front, but subsequent investigation showed that such was not the case. It seems that he followed the jailer right to the cell door and when the latter stepped inside dodged into the water closet which is located at the extreme end of the corridor. The water closet is ventilated by a small opening in the wall which was made by removing one of the stones. It was covered with wire netting which Grant seemed to have no difficulty in removing. After making an opening he thrust out his hands, and by grasping the bars of an adjoining window, he was able to draw his body, head first through the hole. He then dropped to the roof of the woodshed, a distance of nine or ten feet, and thence to the ground. The supposition is that he scaled the fence in the rear of the jail, passed through Mr. Newton Jarvis' yard to George street and then skeddaddled for the tall timbers. Mr. Jarvis heard his dog barking about 7.15 o'clock, and on going out doors found the gate wide open. Of course there is no knowing whether Grant took the Maryland Hill road or started down the railway track in the direction of Fredericton Junction. Being a stranger to the country the impression seems to prevail that his inclination would be to stick to the railway track with the hope that he might be able to steal a ride on some train and eventually make his way over the international boundary line.

He was in his barehead when he left the jail, and had on a light summer jacket, so he was not any too well equipped for roughing it in a strange country at this season of the year. It will not be long before he will find it necessary to seek shelter or food and the authorities then hope to be able to find some clue as to his whereabouts.

Grant is described as being about 33 years of age, 5 feet 6 inches in height, and would weigh about 135 pounds. He is very bald for a man of his years, and what hair he has is quite dark. He is of rather pale complexion, and as he has not shaved for several weeks, his facial appearance would naturally attract some attention. He is not a man of very prepossessing appearance, his face has a hang dog expression, and a student of human nature would put him down as a man who lived by his wits and had frequently seen the inside of a jail. Those who saw him during his preliminary examination at the police court here, gave him the credit of being the "slickest looking of the three."

Grant hails from Montreal, and is well known to the police authorities of that city, who declare him to be one of the most expert pickpockets in Canada.

The other suspects, Williams and Howard, claim that Grant was a stranger to them prior to their arrest at McAdam Junction.

The trial of the prisoners was set down for Tuesday of next week at the county court, and of course will go on whether Grant is recaptured or not.

To Take Local Views.

Manager Cohen of the American Vitagraph Company, met Mayor Palmer and members of the Tourist Association and at their request consented to take a number of views of scenes about Fredericton for the moving picture machines. Mr. Cohen expects to return to Fredericton about the 10th of October with one of the Company's photographers, and the civic authorities and Tourist Association will in the meantime prepare a programme for them. They will make the trip from St. John by boat and will take a number of views on the way up.

To Return to New York.

Miss Eunice Kelly, a professional nurse of New York, who has been enjoying a pleasant vacation at her home here, returns tomorrow to New York, to join her sister, Miss Bessie M. Kelly who is one of the leading nurses in that city. Both young ladies are graduates of the provincial Normal school, and have established a splendid reputation, and built up a profitable practice in their chosen profession. The ladies have hosts of friends here, who while regretting their absence are pleased to hear of their success.

Today's Funeral.

The funeral of the late Clement Goodine, whose death occurred here on Monday, took place at nine o'clock this morning and was attended by relatives and friends. High Mass was celebrated at St. Dunstan's church by Rev. Father Carney and interment was made at the Hermitage.

Weather Forecast.

Light to moderate, variable winds, fine today and on Thursday, not much change in temperature.

The Moving Pictures.

The American Vitagraph Company scored another great success with their moving picture entertainment at the Opera House last evening. The audience was a large one, standing room being at a premium, and the greatest appreciation was manifested. The programme was even better than on the previous evening and everybody was delighted with the pictures shown. The illustrated song by Mr. Sheldon was well rendered and added variety to the programme. At the request of Mr. Sheldon the audience joined heartily in the chorus. The company left this morning for Chatham where they are to show this evening.

Kindness Appreciated.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Quartermain and family wish to express their sincere thanks to the matron and nurses of the Victoria Hospital, who so kindly ministered to their son, Harry, during his illness, and also to thank the many kind friends of Fredericton and elsewhere for their sympathy in their sad bereavement.

Private Classes.

Pupils for Miss A. G. Duffy's private classes may apply at her home 220 Brunswick street. Special instruction in English branches (primary and advanced) physical culture, sketching, painting (water colors and oils), burnt work, art, needlework, etc. Isaac Pitman system of short-hand taught.—Sept. 17, d&w 1mo.

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On Tuesday evening, a Gold Crescent Brooch, set with pearls. Finder will please leave at Herald Office. Sept. 28—dnt

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OCTOBER 4th, 1904

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