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MORE BOY THEVES IN THE WEST END

Police Believe They Have Clue to Long Series of Petty Robberies in West End--Will Come Up in Police Court for Hearing.

James Quinlan and Merritt Elsworth, two Carleton youths, are suspected by the west end police of being implicated in a series of robberies. The police state that the first robbery was committed on June 29th. Quinlan, aged 13 years, is supposed to have left the city, and Elsworth, aged 10, stated to Sergeant Ross last night that Quinlan secured a key of Edward R. Taylor's house and entered it. On a table was a cash box and the intruder removed the cover and departed with some silver. On Courtney Hill, Quinlan was seated, counting his money, when Elsworth came along and together they went back to the Taylor house. Quinlan again relieved the cash box of some of its contents. He also took a silver watch. Mr. Taylor happened along and the intruders escaped and crossed the harbor. They went to north end and Elsworth was offered money, he says, by Quinlan, but he did not accept it. They had several glasses of beer together.

HUNDREDS OF HAPPY CHILDREN

The Supervised Playground a Great and Growing Attraction for the Little Ones.

At the supervised playground on Saturday afternoon, a little girl ran up to Miss Miller with a purse she had found, with some small change in it. Another girl said she thought she knew the owner. The latter was found and received her property. A feature of the supervised playgrounds is that with very rare exceptions the little ones show a strong desire to do what they feel the teachers would approve in their conduct. Miss Heil, of the playgrounds committee had a deeply interested class of little girls in croquet work on Saturday afternoon, while another class were busily engaged in plain sewing, paying no attention to the other games. Clay modelling was a not less absorbing occupation, and even bead-stringing had its votaries. There are few things more interesting than this child-world in the Centennial grounds with its varied display of children's temperament, ambitions and inclinations. Among the visitors on Saturday were Chairman Trueman, of the school board, and Superintendent H. S. Bridges. Mr. Hill, after the grounds were closed for the day, cleaned them up in readiness for this week's use. He was greatly assisted by a volunteer brigade of boys, who were delighted to be of service. This evening the school board will be asked to grant the use of two rooms for kindergarten work on wet days. There were nearly two hundred and fifty children in the grounds this morning. Miss Morton takes Miss Burditt's place as kindergarten this week. Miss Foster relieved Mrs. Chisholm at the piano. The croquet ground is being put in better condition. The big swing should arrive this week. The first Grand Trunk Pacific Railway car to be seen in St. John arrived in the city on Friday with the west with freight and was sent back empty on Saturday. It had a capacity of 60,000 pounds. A bear cub consigned to J. F. Gough, of Rockingham, N. S., was the subject of much interest at the depot this morning. It came on the Boston train, confined in a box that barely allowed it room to turn round. A horse attached to the delivery wagon of Rootes' bakery ran away on Main St. this morning and collided with Hamm Bros. team. The horse was caught and no serious damage resulted. James H. Smith and bride passed through the city today to Hampton where they will reside. Mr. Smith whose home is at Hampton was married on Tuesday last at Bangor, Me., to Miss Sarah Amity Courillard of Bangor.

DEATHS

GIBBON—At the residence of his father 47 Celebration street, July 7, Harris MacQuarrie, beloved son of Charles H. and Annabelle Gibbon, aged three years and seven months.

ANOTHER CHAPTER IN THE O'DONNELL CASE TODAY

The assault case preferred by Harry O'Donnell against John Goldstein was resumed in the Police Court this morning and the case will pend for some days. Sherman Osborne, Sheriff street, said that he knew both O'Donnell and Goldstein. On the day in question he saw Goldstein throw a rock at O'Donnell on Murray street and strike him in the neck. The defendant ran and O'Donnell ran after him. He did not notice any blood on O'Donnell. To Goldstein the witness said that O'Donnell told him to pick up a rock when Goldstein struck him and he did so. The witness, who is a small boy, said the shock to her nervous system was so great that it might impair her mental condition unless she received the most careful treatment.

COMPULSORY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE ACT; SOME OF IT'S MAIN FEATURES

The St. John school board will probably consider this evening the matter of the compulsory school attendance act, which has been applied in this city by the action of the city council last week. The following extracts from the summary of the more important sections of the act will be of interest: Section 10 provides that every child shall attend school for at least 120 days in each school year unless excused on account of physical or mental condition. That any child over twelve years of age who passes a satisfactory examination in grade seven of common school work and any other child over thirteen years of age who has attended school sixty days during fourteen consecutive weeks in the preceding year, if necessary requires him to work, and who shows that fact to the satisfaction of the board, and obtain the written permission of the secretary of such board for such employment, shall be exempt from the requirements of this section. Section 11.—The board shall ascertain before the first day of each school year the names and ages of all children residing in the city or town between the ages of six and sixteen years, and the names of their parents or guardians, or persons having charge of them, and carefully preserve lists of the same. Section 12.—The board shall have full power and authority to appoint officers and persons to make such enumeration and to make rules and regulations for the purpose, and to prescribe the books and records to be kept under this act, and designate the persons to keep and the manner of keeping the same. Section 13 provides a penalty of \$1 to \$20 for persons refusing to give information, or giving false information. Sections 14 and 15 authorize the board to ascertain, after the close of the school year, what children have violated the law, and to notify the parents that unless they can give satisfactory reasons they are liable to prosecution. Provision is made in Sections 16 and 17 for attendance at private schools under the same conditions as to attendance in the public schools. Section 19 declares it to be the duty of the board to institute proceedings for failure to comply with law and deals with this phase of the subject, and Sections 20 and 21 are of similar import. Other sections provide for the arrest of habitual truants and their imprisonment. Section 21.—(1) No child under the age of sixteen years shall be employed in the city or town by any person to labor in any business whatever during the school hours of any school day unless such child has attended some public school or some approved private school, or has been otherwise instructed by a teacher qualified to instruct in spelling, reading, writing, geography, composition and arithmetic for at least six months of the twelve months next preceding such employment, and in every year in which such child is employed, and at the time of such employment delivers to the employer a certificate signed by the secretary of the board, certifying to such attendance, or a certificate signed by the city or town superintendent of schools or principal that such child has passed a satisfactory examination in grade seven of common school work. (2) No child under the age of thirteen years shall at any time be employed in any manufacturing or mercantile establishment. (3) Any person who employs any child contrary to the provisions of this section shall, for each offence, be liable to a penalty of not less than ten dollars nor more than fifty dollars. Section 32.—The board, or such officer or person as they appoint, shall, at the beginning of each school year, and at such other times as the board deem necessary, examine into the situation of the children employed in all manufacturing or other establishments in the city or town, and ascertain whether the provisions of this act are duly observed, and prosecute all persons violating its provisions.

Orator Who Called on Tammany to Crush Socialism.



John A. Sullivan of Massachusetts Making one of the "Long Talks" at Tammany Hall Celebration.

NEW YORK, July 7.—Asserting that William J. Bryan will lead the Democratic party to victory in 1908, that Representative Charles A. Towne will be his running mate and that Alton B. Parker will be the next chief justice of the United States supreme court, Representative Robert L. Henry, of Texas, Wednesday evoked a storm of applause from the fifteen hundred Tammany men who gathered in the Fourteenth street Wigwam to celebrate July 4. There was no display of real enthusiasm until Mr. Bryan's name was spoken. It was regarded as significant that Mayor McClellan was not even referred to by any of the speakers. The mention of Mr. Bryan's name came as a surprise. It had been stated that Charles F. Murphy had ordered that no presidential possibilities be named. Representative Henry was one of several orators who, in the good old fashioned way, praised the democracy of Thomas Jefferson, flayed republican rule and the influences that are spreading socialistic doctrines, dilated on the beef and insured scandals and asserted that the country will be re-established on a sound and sound basis only when the Democratic party is again placed in power. W. Burke Cochran, in one of his typical political addresses, in which the tariff was assailed and blamed for most of the wrongs which afflict the country, made an attack on District Attorney Jorvick, whose name he did not mention, however, for his contention that there was no evidence to warrant the prosecution of George W. Perkins for contributing \$50,000 to the republican campaign fund; arraigned the judges of the appellate division who sustained the district attorney, and declared that in order to protect the interests of individuals against the greed of corporations the courts must be placed above the level of suspicion. At the attitude of District Attorney Jerome and the judges who sustained him, Mr. Cochran said, the entire country stands against. The attack upon the judiciary caused considerable comment among the lawyers who attended the celebration. Delivering the principal address of the occasion, Representative John A. Sullivan, of Massachusetts, scored the influences which are spreading socialistic sentiment and sounded a note of warning against the movement. A bitter foe of William R. Hearst, with whom he engaged two years ago in a political controversy, Mr. Sullivan's blow at socialism was interpreted as an attack on Mr. Hearst.

THIS HIGHWAYMAN WAS A SLY BLADE

He Held up Five Stages on a California Trail and Selected a Pretty Girl to Collect His Loot From Frightened Passengers.

FRESNO, Calif., July 9.—A despatch to the Republican from Berkeley announced that the highwayman who held up five stages near Awahnee Saturday night has been captured. The name of the bandit or particulars of the capture could not be ascertained. The arrest was made at Wawona. The first authentic information was received here last night when J. F. Tibbets, of Riverside, with his wife and Miss Amy Mitchell came out of the valley. The robbery occurred six miles from the stopping place at Awahnee, on the other side. At that place the road winds around the side of a hill and comes to a sudden point. At this point the robber stepped out and ordered W. A. Fowler, the driver of the first stage, to stop. The latter quickly complied. The highwayman wore a black mask and had a pistol tucked in his belt to prevent the leaving of any tell-tale traces as a clue for a pursuing posse. He had in his right hand a rifle and when he ordered the passengers to alight, all quickly got out of the stage and lined up on the road, with their hands above their heads. H. W. Elliot from Hornitos, was ordered to take the express box from the stage. While he was waiting for the other stage to come up the robber shot the lock off the Wells-Fargo box and rifled its contents. The bandit stopped the other stages in the same way, lining the passengers up and keeping them covered with his gun. When all the passengers, 45 in number, were lined up, the bandit, with a show of gaiety, selected a young and pretty girl as his first assistant and told her she was appointed collector. She hesitated a moment and then went about the work. The girl did not come up to the robber's requirements, and he told her she was a poor highwayman, ordering her to get into line and appointing a man to take her place, requiring him to prevent the leaving of any tell-tale traces as a clue for a pursuing posse. An English woman and her daughter were in the party and when the robber approached her she dropped in the road in a dead faint. He only laughed as he searched her.

LIBERATES FATHER BY DEATHBED STORY

Daughter's False Testimony Sent Him to Prison for Ten Years.

NEW YORK, July 9.—After serving five years of a sentence given him after false testimony, which was borne against him by his daughter, Patrick McGowan, of Brooklyn, is to go free. But for the deathbed repentance of the daughter, who had sworn that her father had attacked her, McGowan would have been forced to serve out the ten years of his sentence. The girl, just before death recently, wrote to him, begging forgiveness for false testimony given five years ago. It is believed that her perjury was inspired by her father's enemies. Samuel Barrows, secretary to the Prison Reform Association, saw the tardy letter and secured the convict's pardon from Governor Hughes. When convicted, and when he first went to prison, McGowan protested his innocence, but when he saw the smiling in-carcerate with which his statements were received he resigned himself to his fate and never discussed his own case with anyone. He did not tell of his suffering, nor exhibit to his companions any of that bitterness which he might have felt. It was only by accident that Secretary Barrows saw the letter which gives McGowan his freedom. The convict did not think of showing it to anyone. It brought him no news. He had known of his innocence and had told others, who had refused to believe him.

WEST WILL NEED 25,000 HARVESTERS

WINNIPEG, July 9.—(Special)—"According to present indications from all parts of the province, the harvest this year will be ten days earlier than ordinarily," says J. J. Golden, provincial commissioner of immigration. "If the weather continues favorable, we will be in the midst of harvesting by the middle of August, while harvesting will be well started before that. It is calculated that six weeks after the wheat heads out it is ready for cutting and the grain is all headed, while in some places it has been headed three weeks. Of course, six weeks' calculation cannot be depended on implicitly." Mr. Golden estimates it will take 25,000 men to garner the harvest. Last year there were 17,000 from Ontario and the west, and he thinks the acreage and yield are sufficiently increased to require 8,000 more hands.

CRUEL PRACTICAL JOKE MAY HAVE FATAL RESULT

NEW YORK, July 9.—The World this morning says:—When told, as a joke, that her husband, with whom she is very much in love, was dead, Mrs. Irene Duff, a young wife, living in West 37th street, attempted to cut her throat with a carving knife last night, and may lose her mind. Mr. and Mrs. Duff came here some years ago from Nova Scotia. They appeared greatly attached to each other, so much so that it created comment among their friends and neighbors. Mrs. Duff was at her home last night talking with friends when one of them came in and told her that her husband was dead. Mrs. Duff fainted. She was revived and became hysterical. She refused to believe the matter was a joke and thought she was being deceived. She went to the kitchen, picked up a carving knife and slashed her throat.

WILL MEET TOMORROW

The adjourned meeting of the hospital commissioners will be held tomorrow when it is expected the appointment of a superintendent and assistant, in place of Drs. Scott, Loggie and McMurtry, resigned, will be made. The names of Dr. Don Malcolm, of this city and Dr. Mercecur of Richmond, are mentioned as applicants. There has been some talk of appointing a layman superintendent, instead of a doctor, and two doctors as house physicians. This would allow the doctors to devote all of their time to the patients and put the management of the institution into the hands of someone who would give it his whole attention. It is probable, however, that nothing will be done in this matter for a time. The matter of the expulsion of the two nurses from the institution is also likely to receive attention and it is thought that they will be reinstated.

ACCIDENT TO THE BEAVER

The dredge Beaver met with a mishap this morning while digging at the new westside berth. The yoke that holds the upper boom loosened and was lost overboard, causing a cessation of the work. A diver was engaged this morning in trying to locate the missing part, but owing to the soft mud it was no easy job. Contractor Mayes said that repairs would be made immediately and he hoped to be able to resume work tomorrow.

TREASURY BOARD

A special meeting of the treasury board is being held this afternoon to consider a question of wharfage rates. The steamer Alcides which left here yesterday took away 600 head of cattle, and according to the summer rates, the wharfage charge would be 10 cents a head or a total of \$60. The agents of the Donaldson line, however, claim that the winter rate of 2 cents a head should apply which would amount to only \$12. The treasury board will decide what the charge shall be. It is also likely that the board will discuss the difference in the city accounts in which the \$1,000,000 referred to a while ago, is involved. It is claimed by some of the aldermen that had the amount not appeared as a liability, the city could have secured a better price for the bonds sold recently.

THE TIMES NEW REPORTER

FULLY EXPLAINED. CEDAR GROVE, JULY 6th, 1906. Dear Mr. New Reporter,—Last evening's "Globe" correspondent asks the meaning of the word "Nauwigwauk." When I was a small boy cutting logs at the east end of Darling's Island, Peter Paul and his squaw were camped there. They decided to move to Apohagui. (I think you remember) He proposed to walk to foot of island and cross by the bridge, but his squaw insisted on crossing direct in their canoe. Peter said old canoe would sink; better walk around. She was stubborn, and finally he gave way to her wishes. When nearing other shore their canoe filled and sunk and he had some difficulty dragging his squaw ashore—when on the bank he said to her: "Now would you walk!" Hence the name. Yours truly, HIRAM HORNBEAM, SR.