THE SPIRIT MOVED HIM.

A Brooklyn Faith Curist "Goes Away" and the Money Goes With Him.

The Brooklyn Wing of "God's People" Having Very Troublous Times.

Four of the Members Sent to Prison and the Treasurer and the Funds Missing Together.

"God's people," as the disciples of the faith cure call themselves, are certainly in hard luck, says a Brooklyn dispatch. Edward Larsen, of 43 Woodhull street, who was convicted in the First District court last Monday for refusing to give medicine to his little 4-year-old daughter Gina, was brought before Justice Tighe to-day for sentence.

"Larsen, have you anything to say for yourself?" asked the justice.

"I have nothing to say."

"Then I shall fine you $500, and you are to stand committed to the penitentiary one day for each dollar of the fine until paid."

Larsen was removed to the penitentiary. He was as stoical and indifferent as were his co-religionists yesterday under similar circumstances. The arrest, trial and conviction of four of their number is not by any means the only misfortune that has come to these peculiar people within the last few days. The church service of the faith-cure sect is peculiar. They have no regular ministers, but, like the Quakers, they assemble for worship in their little chapels and wait patiently "for the spirit to move" some one of their number to speak. Sometimes for hours they sit in silence, broken only by the singing of one of their weird melodies or the half-whispered utterance of a prayer. Again the spirit will move many lips, and one will hardly get through his testifying to the truth of their faith before another will spring to his feet and begin a rapid exhortation. They claim that they have no regular society. However this may be, they have a treasurer, and pay him whatever offerings they feel disposed to make. Very many times a sailor just into port, feeling remorse for his misdeeds, will, under the subtle influence of this new faith, make liberal contributions to the common funds. One who knows the inside history of this work says they often have $1,000 on hand at one time.

On a rainy day early in the present week a meeting was called in the old place. The impending trial of their fellow-religionists filled every seat and induced the attendance of an unusually large number. All ages, young, old, and those in the prime of life, were present. At the hour agreed upon for the beginning of the services they ceased talking and took their seats in silence. They watched for the spirit to move. Finally there was a rustling of feet and a man arose from his chair. He was the treasurer of the society. A few convulsive twitchings of his features and he began to talk.

"My friends, God comes to me and says I must go away. There is a big boat for me over there," and he waved his hands in a circle about his head. "I know that I am called. I must go, and go at once. God will tell me where. Those converts want to join our faith."

The call of God seemed imperative to the people, who were listening in open-mouthed wonder to his words, and his plan received their instant approval. He went solemnly to the window seat and got his coat and hat, and, with the assistance of two of his fellow-worshipers, put them on. Hymns were sung, and two or three made prayers. There were leave-takings, and the custodian of the society's funds started upon his journey. He went along toward the ferry, on either side supported by a prominent member of the church. The others fell in behind, and with psalms, tears and prayers, the little procession moved to the South ferry. There was much kissing and handshaking, and the boat pulled out of the slip carrying with it the best wishes of a trusting congregation. The people went back to church and gave thanks for the good which would come of the journey so auspiciously undertaken.

It wasn't long, however, before some of the faith-curists began to wonder what their friend was doing, and at the same time they began to recollect that he had with him all their money. They heard no tidings of him. A great light began to dawn upon their clouded intellects. Larsen, awaiting transportation to prison was asked who was the regular treasurer of their church."

"Carl Olsen," was the reply.

"Where does he live?"

"At the corner of Sackett and Henry streets, over the drug store."

The reporter visited the place named, and saw Olsen's wife.

"Is Mr. Olsen at home?"

"No, sir, he is not."

"When do you expect him?"

"I think he will be at home tonight."

In the drug store inquiry revealed the fact that Olsen had not been seen around for a couple of days.

In telling the story of the disappearance of the funds, Justice Tighe said:

"If they had that money now they could pay their fines."

Three other members of the Faith Cure society, who had refused to administer medicines to patients under their charge, on the ground that they would be violating God's command, were brought to trial yesterday in the Butler street police court. John Jansen, of 666 Henry street, was first arraigned. Dr. Bierworth testified that Jansen asked him to go and see his sick child and its mother, saying at the same time that he had summoned the physician as a matter of form, and that he had no intention of administering any medicine. Mrs. Jansen was suffering from diphtheria, and the child had scarlet fever. The doctor prescribed medicines, but on the following day he found that nothing had been done for the patients, and Jansen refused to give the medicines, saying that God would take care of his wife and child. The health authorities were notified and the patients were removed to the hospital. Jansen was ordered by the health inspector not to leave the infected house, but on the following day he attended a meeting of the faith curists. Justice Tighe asked Jansen if he had anything to say. He replied: "Nothing. The justice fined Jansen $200 or 200 days in the penitentiary.

Maria Patterson, who nursed the sick wife and child of Jansen, was next convicted of violating the health laws by leaving Jansen's home and attending the Faith-cure meeting, after being warned against doing so. She was ordered to pay a fine of $100 or go to the penitentiary for 100 days.

Hannah Jansen, the third defendant, admitted that she knew that the disease was contagious, and that she had attended the meeting, although ordered not to do so by the health inspector. "I knew," she added, "that God would not let the disease spread in his house." A fine of $150 or 150 days in prison was imposed. All the prisoners were sent to the penitentiary.

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