

JEROME SAYS HE IS OUT OF HUNT FOR BLACKMAIL

District-Attorney Says Town Topics Has Had Enough Free Advertising and He Will Not Act Further.

It is not likely that the District-Attorney will go any further into the investigation of how solicitors used the name of Town Topics to secure subscribers to "Fads and Fancies." Such of the subscribers as have been reached by the District-Attorney or his assistants say that they agreed to buy the book because they wanted it and not because they were afraid of being written up in Town Topics.

"I am not going to give Town Topics any more free advertising," said District-Attorney Jerome to-day, when asked if he contemplated any further investigation into "Fads and Fancies."

Col. W. D. Mann, editor of Town Topics, proclaimed that he was through talking to-day. He said the newspapers had treated him fairly, and presented his side of the case as he had presented it to their reporters, and if there was anything else to be done it was up to somebody else to do it.

Insists Roosevelt Consented.
"I sincerely regret that President Roosevelt has been dragged into this thing," said the Colonel, "but I must insist again that he consented to have his photograph used in 'Fads and Fancies,' and that he knew what it was to be used for."

"Mrs. Wade Hampton, a daughter-in-law of Gen. Wade Hampton, was my agent in this transaction. She is a lady of unimpeachable integrity, and when she tells me that President Roosevelt gave her his photograph for 'Fads and Fancies' I believe her."

Mrs. Hampton, who is a widow, lived in Washington until three years ago. She then came to New York, where she has been making her home since. Mrs. Hampton said that when "Fads and Fancies" was projected Col. Mann sent for her and asked her if she could obtain letters which would give her an audience with the President. She said she obtained two letters from Gen. Hampton, one introducing her and the other relative to some matters between Gen. Hampton and Mr. Roosevelt.

Meant to Tell Roosevelt.
She says she called at the White House with a portfolio containing a specimen of a page of the proposed book, on which was a picture of John Jacob Astor. She also had an illustration of what the book was to be. Mrs. Hampton tells of her conversation with the President and says he gave her the photograph, but was too busy to listen to her when she tried to tell him what she wanted it for.

In discussing the investigation into Town Topics because of the alleged attempt on the part of Charles Ahle, a canvasser for "Fads and Fancies," who is accused of threatening E. M. Post with the wrath of Town Topics unless he subscribed for \$500 "Fads and Fancies," Col. Mann said:

"This man Jerome is talking too much. He is a windmill. If he goes much further I will tell him something that will startle him. I'll fight. I've been to war, and I'm ready to listen to her when she tried to tell him what she wanted it for."

WEALTHY MEN GUARD HOMES ACROSS BAY
Armed with Guns, They Patrol Streets in Staten Island.

Herman S. Butler, a lawyer, with offices in the Savings Bank Building, Tompkinsville, S. I., told his friends to-day of his first night's experience on police duty. As a volunteer night watchman Mr. Butler patrolled Waters street in the aristocratic suburb of Westerleigh from seven until daybreak to-day with a shotgun over his shoulder. To-night W. D. Cortelyou, a son of Col. W. Cortelyou and a relative of the Postmaster-General, will do volunteer duty on the same post.

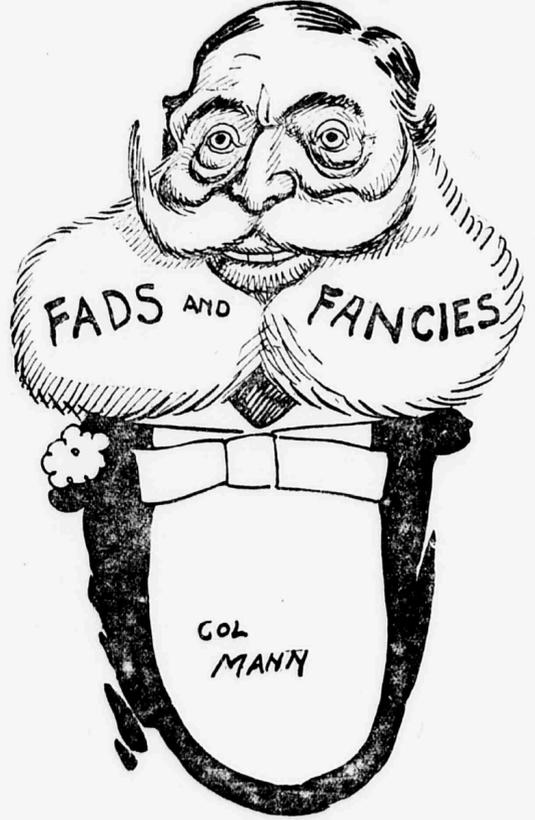
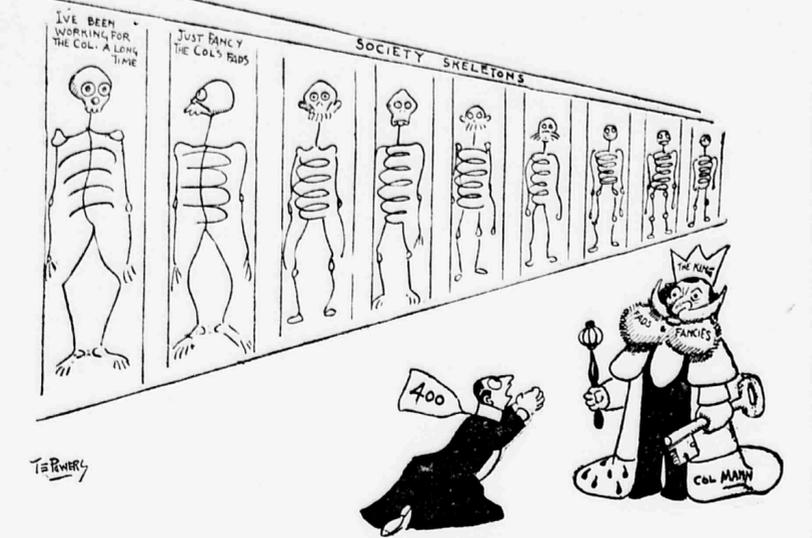
Disgusted with the inefficiency of the metropolitan force and alarmed by the frequency of robberies in their section, the residents of Westerleigh have adopted the slogan "Citizens' Patrol" and amateur policemen on guard.

This remarkable condition of affairs, which has resulted in men of wealth and high professional standing volunteering to shoulder a gun and patrol the streets at night in defense of their homes, comes as an unexpected result of commissioner McAdo's efforts to give Staten Island improved police protection. Up to a year ago there was only one police precinct in Richmond Borough, located at Tompkinsville. The captain in charge had an immense district to cover and a rather inadequate force, but the people were satisfied with their police than they have been since the creation of a new police precinct in West Brighton and the sending over of a lot of Manhattan policemen.

The climax of the burglary carnival in Staten Island came last Friday night when the residence of W. Gray Shilley, George F. Turner, Fred Eugene Zuzum, Alfred Stocking, Charles Wellington, Herman S. Butler, J. H. Heat, William Allen, Charles H. Johnson, Water street, Westerleigh, were entered by burglars. The thieves must have used a furniture van to carry off the silverware and jewelry because removed from the looted houses.

Residents Indignant.
The daring and confidence exhibited by the thieves in this thorough-going raid aroused the residents of Westerleigh, and at an indignation meeting held Monday night in Mr. Cortelyou's residence a committee of the burglar victims was formed, each member volunteering to shoulder a gun and take part in patrolling the streets in their own and his neighbor's protection.

ART SUGGESTIONS FOR "FADS AND FANCIES."



HURLED FROM TRAIN IN FIGHT

WILMINGTON, Del., July 26.—A man supposed to be John Patterson, of Paterson, N. J., was attacked while riding on a freight train on the Delaware Railroad at Clayton, Del., last night and was thrown from the train. He was picked up insensible and died at the Newcastle County Hospital at Farmington, near here, today without regaining consciousness. His skull was fractured and his head and face were lacerated and his left ear was nearly severed. No arrests have been made.

CONCERT HALLS NOT SO VERY BAD

Probation Officer Richard Stevens will not appear before the Common Council of Hoboken to-night to protest against the renewal of the licenses of Hoboken's concert halls.

CHILD DIED FROM BURNS.

Her Dress Caught as She Played About a Boufire in Street.

RECEIVER MAKES FRAUD CHARGE

TRENTON, July 26.—Chauncey G. Rose, receiver for the Greater New York Home Oil Company, has brought a suit in the court of Chancery, which he asks that the promoters of the stockholders be assessed their pro rata share to meet the obligations of the company.

BEAT GIRL JUST TO PROVE LOVE

"Why did you beat this young woman?" asked Magistrate Whitman of John Debarde in the Yorkville Court today, when Debarde was arraigned on a charge of having blacked the eyes of a girl named Miss Lader, who is twenty years of age.

GERDRONS IN BIG GANG TO LURE GIRLS

Powerfully Organized Traders in Vice at Work Here and Abroad.

The revelations of a slavery existing in this city worse than that for which the civil war was fought—the slavery of white women to human brutes who live in filth on the wages of sin—has roused a storm of indignation and pity in the hearts of the women and urged them to concerted action to stamp out the frightful evil.

At Atlantic City yesterday the perils of the unprotected immigrant girl, who, on account of her ignorance and inexperience, is the preferred prey of the vicious men whose victim she becomes, was the chief topic at the session of the Jewish Women's Chautauque, where Mrs. Betty Myerovitz, of this city, told something of the horrible conditions which her position as a worker at Ellis Island has brought before her.

In the course of her address Mrs. Myerovitz declared that there is in this city a powerful organization of men who deal in white slaves, and that it has agents all over Europe, whose sole business is to lure young girls to this country to be sold into slavery.

Rose Bogner Tells Her Story.

The girl, who since her escape from the resort in Allentown, has been working as a servant at No. 243 Hoffman street, the Bronx, is seventeen years old and in appearance suggests one of Miller's heavily built peasant girls. She has an honest, straightforward face, and her employer says she is a good girl in every respect.

ROCKEFELLER IN PAPER IS PRAISED BY HIDDEN DEFENDER

Typical American and Quite Perfect Man Says "Ignotus" in Circular.

NOT LIKE OTHER RICH.

Born with a Mission and as a Boy, the Millionaire of To-day Was Simply Great.

John D. Rockefeller has found a defender in a writer who, while generous in praise and who selects the highways to sound it, is not willing to reveal his identity. He exploits his ideas in circulars signed "Ignotus," and these he is flinging about the streets with a prodigal hand.

These papers are headed: "John D. Rockefeller vs. Ida M. Tarbell and Holdup's Magazine—A Reply," and hold up the millionaire as quite the perfect man. They read thus:

The July number of McClure's contains a violent diatribe against John D. Rockefeller, put forward under the guise of a character-study of a typical commercial man in this country.

Teaches Men to Give.

Mr. Rockefeller is not in public life; he is an unostentatious private citizen and his donations to established institutions or corporations no more give him the right to a public inquisition than the history of his business affairs than would the gifts of any other citizen convey a similar right.

As a young man Mr. Rockefeller, according to his critic, must have been a very remarkable youth. After being two years in the military police he obtained he was offered \$700 per year for his further services (a dollar then had more value than to-day), and when he was eighteen years of age he borrowed some \$3,000 to embark in business.

There are not, and have never been in this country, many boys that age who could embark in business with that sum and not lose it. The firm did a business the first year of \$500,000; that is to say, \$10,000 a week.

Mr. Rockefeller practiced the virtues of industry, economy and temperance; virtues constantly recommended and preached by Franklin in his day, and generally regarded as commendable. Mr. Rockefeller appears to be much respected by his contemporaries, including men of no mean ability. He seems to be a very unassuming man, modest in his ways and in his conversation. His photograph (page 236, McClure's) shows great strength and force of character, but does not indicate greed and rapacity.

Born with a Mission.

He evidently considers that he was born with a mission in the world, that he has a stewardship to account for.

In that photograph his hands indicate great activity; the outlines of the nose tell of clearness, discernment and penetration of intellect; there is no mud in that brain.

These men conferred great benefits on mankind, but it is no exaggeration to say that in the lifetime of men now living the country has produced more of them than in any other period. Europe produced Copernicus, Tycho-Brahe, Galileo and Kepler.

Not Like Other Rich Men.

LOSES EYE IN BATTLE WITH WEST SIDE GANG

Policeman File Shot as He Pursued Them After Street Row.



Policeman William File, of the West Sixty-eighth street station, will lose the sight of his left eye from a wound received while breaking up a street row in Amsterdam avenue, near Sixty-seventh street, before daybreak to-day.

File is the biggest man physically in the West Sixty-eighth street precinct, and because of his strength and reputation for fearlessness was assigned on special duty to break up the "Gas House Gang," which has been terrorizing respectable residents along Amsterdam avenue in the upper Sixties. The gang, it is said, has frequented Dennis Sheridan's saloon at No. 26 Amsterdam avenue. Two weeks ago members tried to shoot up the neighborhood and Mammy Dougherty, a little girl, was fatally wounded by a stray bullet.

File encountered a number of the gang in front of Sheridan's saloon at 1 o'clock this morning. He ordered them to disperse.

File lost his reputation if you tackle this gang, and William Scanlon, a New York Central brakeman.

NOTED MEN AT BIER OF LAMONT

Cleveland, Cortelyou, Parker and Others, Leaders in Politics and Business, at Funeral of Former Secretary of War.

MILLBROOK, N. Y., July 26.—In the presence of the family and many men high in public and private life, simple funeral services were conducted over the body of former Secretary of War Daniel S. Lamont, here to-day. Then a special funeral train bore it to New York for burial in Woodlawn Cemetery.

The services at Alhambra, the Lamont home, were conducted by the Rev. Dr. Wilton Merle Smith, of the Central Presbyterian Church, New York City, assisted by Dr. A. E. Froeman, of St. Andrew's Memorial Church, of Yorkkers.

DIED ON PACIFIC TRIP.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 26.—H. C. Russell, Boston, died on a local hospital following an operation for appendicitis. He arrived here on Thursday last from the East. He was a member of the firm of Nason & Russell, excursion agents.

U. S. WEATHER REPORT SAYS: Warm Wave Coming

"Thermometer Will Rise 20° With Increasing Humidity. This Means Strokes, Heat Prostration and Heart Failure."

JAP ENVOY TO BE GUEST OF ROOSEVELT

Baron Komura Will Spend Week-End at Sagamore Hill Mansion.

VISIT IS UNOFFICIAL.

Both Peace Delegations Are to Be Received at Oyster Bay When Russians Come.

Baron Takahira, the Japanese Minister, went to Oyster Bay to-day and officially notified the President of the arrival in New York of Baron Komura, the Japanese peace envoy. President Roosevelt extended an invitation to Baron Komura to visit him at Sagamore Hill, and the visit will be paid, either to-morrow or Friday. In the latter event, Baron Komura will be the guest of the President over Sunday.

Baron Komura, the busiest man around the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel to-day, Every card sent to the Baron must first be scrutinized by Mr. Sato. The Baron must not be bothered with details. Nevertheless, Mr. Sato manages to find time to answer a thousand and one questions put to him twice a day by inquisitive reporters.

A LETTER TO OUR READERS.

53 Cottage St., Melrose, Mass.
Dear Sir:
"Ever since I was in the army I had more or less kidney trouble, and within the past year it became so severe and complicated that I suffered everything and was much alarmed—my strength and power was fast leaving me. I saw an advertisement of Swamp-Root and wrote asking for advice. I began the use of the medicine and noted a decided improvement after taking Swamp-Root only a short time.

I continued its use and am thankful to say that I am entirely cured and strong. In order to be very sure about this I had a doctor examine some of my water to-day, and he pronounced it all right and in splendid condition.

I know that your Swamp-Root is purely vegetable and does not contain any harmful drugs. Thanking you for my complete recovery and recommending Swamp-Root to all sufferers, I am,
"Very truly yours,"
"H. C. RICHARDSON."

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