

RAID THIEVES' DEN ON TIP OF EVENING WORLD

Police Descend on Ninety-Eighth Street Flat in Nick of Time.

FOUR MEN ARRESTED.

Tenants Grew Suspicious of Strange Noises in Apartment at Night.

WOMEN RENTED FLAT.

One of Fair Sex Eluded the Sleuths and Slipped Away with Trunks Supposed to Contain Evidence.

Four men, whom the police say are crooks ranking with the cleverest in the country, were nabbed to-day in a flat on the third floor of No. 145 West Ninety-eighth street, which has been used for a month as a depot for the reception and deposit of the plunder of scores of Harlem robberies.

The police made four arrests just as the gang of criminals were upon the eve of flight, having packed their trunks and purchased railroad tickets for Boston. The band would have made good their escape had not Capt. Farrell, of the One Hundredth street station, been advised through The Evening World of the suspicious conduct and the mysterious quarrels over the division of money that had attracted attention to the tenants of the Ninety-eighth street flat.

The police failed to find any plunder. It is believed all the loot was shipped away before their arrival. One of the women who rented the flat slipped in after the raid and got an expressman to take away three trunks. The police believe these trunks contained evidence of burglaries.

The prisoners taken into custody are described in this paper by James J. Judge, a notorious young Boston pickpocket, snook thief and burglar; Thomas Lewis, alias "Kid" Lewis, one of the cleverest all-round crooks in the country; John Norton, alias "Dutch Mack," a San Francisco pickpocket and snook thief; and Julius Goodman, his partner.

Women Rented Flat. The apartment the detectives raided was rented furnished to the young women a month ago. They were rather conspicuously dressed, though of quiet manners. At the rental of \$11 a week they paid five weeks in advance. This excited some comment in the janitor's quarters as did the eagerness of the young women to have the gas turned on the very day of their arrival. Rather than face any delay they paid the gas bill that had been left by a former tenant.

They had been in the flat only a few days when Judge and Lewis arrived, each burdened with dress suit cases that bent their shoulders by their weight. The young women announced that these men were their husbands. A few days after the two couples had settled down to live in the apartment, a machinist, living in the apartment beneath, was awakened by a commotion above him. He first heard what sounded like the dragging of a heavy mattress across the floor. This was well past midnight, and not a sound had issued from the place in the early evening. The dropping of heavy packages and boxes could be heard, though softened by the mattress. Then followed a pounding and wrenching of boards, rattling of boxes and the tread of many heavy feet.

These sounds continued deep into the morning. Then there was silence for many hours. None of the men or women were seen about the hallway of the apartment house until the afternoon. The men were rarely seen going out without their dress suit cases, which they carried lightly. Returning the grips seemed to be heavy laden.

Many Packages Arrived. Then scarcely a day passed that an expressman failed to call and carry away a large box or a package wrapped in heavy paper. Now and then after midnight the two men would be heard climbing heavily up the stairs as if carrying between them a heavy burden. Immediately afterward the pounding and rattling would begin.

NINETY-EIGHTH STREET FLAT-HOUSE AND TWO MEN ARRESTED



house yelled "Police!" whereupon the crook among the thieves came to a sudden and abrupt end. It was just before this quarrel that Mrs. West Rindlett, a physician living in the house, communicated her suspicions to The Evening World. A reporter called on Capt. Farrell, of the West One Hundredth street station, and he assigned two of his men to watch the house. He also sent for Detective Sergeant Peabody, of the Central Office, whose memory for the faces of crooks is amazing. The detectives hovered about the apartment house last night until they saw four men enter the flat hurriedly. The quartet had scarcely shut the door before the detectives were upon them, smashing in the door and holding them up at the point of a revolver. One of the women, who said she was the wife of Judge, was in the apartment when she heard a noise. She was allowed to go. The Lewis woman had vanished, having gone to Boston to engage in another headquarters. She is said to be one of the cleverest woman thieves and pickpockets in the country, and the detectives were very much chagrined at her disappearance. Every preparation had been made for immediate flight. The trunks containing the clothing and some of the jewelry of the men and two women stood waiting for the expressman to cart them to the Grand Central Depot. The drawers of the bureau and dressers were empty. When Lewis and Judge were searched, railroad tickets for Boston, good on one of to-day's expresses, were found, as well as several pawn tickets. These are the only clues to the lot of many robberies that the police were able to obtain, though they hope to get sufficient evidence to convict the gang of burglary.

FREIGHT HANDLERS WIN BRIEF STRIKE

Two Hundred West Shore Laborers Return to Work After Hour's Idleness.

Two hundred freight handlers employed by the West Shore Railroad at Westchester were on strike for an hour to-day, going to work when George H. Stevens, general freight agent of the road, said he would recommend that their demands be granted. This is the list of demands handed to Mr. Stevens by the freight handlers:

- No. 1—Time an one-half shall be paid for Sunday work.
No. 2—Men will be notified at roll-call of time of previous stay.
No. 3—When work is light and it is necessary for men to be laid off, gangs shall alternate, except that special work shall be done under the present arrangement.
No. 4—Proper places for clothing and shelter shall be provided.
No. 5—This agreement shall be posted in the Slav and Italian languages.
No. 6—No man shall lose his position on account of these demands.
No. 7—Men starting at 7 o'clock shall be paid until 12. If they are laid off at 1 o'clock they shall be paid until 12. If they resume work after 1 o'clock they shall lose time while idle.
No. 8—Men working twenty minutes shall be paid for an hour.
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CAUGHT THIEF BUSY IN BUTCHER'S SHOP.

Buckman Had a Jimmy and Though "He Only Went in to Sleep," Cash Register Was Broken.

Policeman Brick, of the West Thirty-seventh street station, was passing along Ninth avenue just after midnight when he saw a man standing in front of Jacob Goldfish's butcher shop at No. 610. He crossed over and the man took to his heels. Brick gave chase, but as he passed the shop he heard a crash and the jangle of a tins bell. He stopped and found the big glass door had been broken and entered the shop. There was not a sound to be heard, but a broken cash register lay on the floor. Suddenly there came a thunderous racket and he jumped aside just in time to avoid a snarl of canned goods that came piling to the floor, and a man struggled out and started for the door. He was caught and proved to be George Buckman, of 175 4th avenue. He said he had gone to the place to sleep, but he had a Jimmy in his pocket and in the West Side Court to-day was held in \$1,000 bail for trial.

Slipped Under Car. While trying to board a Delancey street car near the Bowery to-day, Frank Maskey, of No. 61 Columbia street, slipped on the ice and fell across the tracks. The wheels of the car passed over his right leg, crushing it. He was taken to Gouverneur Hospital.

BROOKS QUITS POLICE FORCE AFTER 39 YEARS

Veteran Inspector Retires on Pension and Says He Was Treated Shabbily.



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THE SECRET OF FRIENDSHIP.

(John D. Rockefeller, Jr., says the surest way to hurt a friend is lending him money.—Item. Says Young John D., he says, says he: "Don't handicap a friend. By lending cash. Don't be so rash. Your friendship soon will end. Don't force upon your friend (says John) Your tainted dough—unless You want to break with him and make A most unfriendly mess. "The best thing now is trying how To make this friendship thrive. Vandalism soon will end. Oh, for he is for friends to quit. Or even more. You'll both be sore. Your friendship, too, will then skidoo. And take it on the run.

CITY PARK ENTRIES.

- (Special to The Evening World.) NEW ORLEANS, La., Feb. 16.—City Park entries for to-morrow are as follows: FIRST RACE—Four furlongs: pure. Beau Hummel... 113 Solvent... 113 King... 113 Hamlet... 113... SECOND RACE—Two miles: selling. Electric... 108... THIRD RACE—Three miles: selling. \$500. Paul... 109... FOURTH RACE—Two and one-quarter miles: Bush Handicap; \$1,500 added. Mr. Bush... 101... FIFTH RACE—One mile and seventy yards: handicap; \$500. St. Valentine... 117... SIXTH RACE—Handicap: mile and seventy yards. Shamrock... 112... SEVENTH RACE—Selling: seven furlongs. Barnish... 112... EIGHTH RACE—Selling: seven furlongs. Shamrock... 112... NINTH RACE—Selling: seven furlongs. Shamrock... 112...

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THE KIND YOU HAVE ALWAYS BOUGHT.

THIS is the caution applied to the public announcement of Castoria that has been manufactured under the supervision of Chas. H. Fletcher for over 30 years—the genuine Castoria. We respectfully call the attention of fathers and mothers when purchasing Castoria to see that the wrapper bears his signature in black. When the wrapper is removed the same signature appears on both sides of the bottle in red. Parents who have used Castoria for their little ones in the past years need no warning against counterfeiters and imitations, but our present duty is to call the attention of the younger generation to the great danger of introducing into their families spurious medicines. It is to be regretted that there are people who are now engaged in the nefarious business of putting up and selling all sorts of substitutes, or what should more properly be termed counterfeiters, for medicinal preparations not only for adults, but worse yet, for children's medicines. It therefore devolves on the mother to scrutinize closely what she gives her child. Adults can do that for themselves, but the child has to rely on the mother's watchfulness. Genuine Castoria always bears the signature of Chas. H. Fletcher.

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FIXES BLAME FOR BROOKLYN WRECKS

A Trackman's Carelessness Caused One, Motorman Other, Says State Board.

ALBANY, Feb. 16.—The State Railroad Commission reported to-day on two recent accidents on the Brooklyn Union and Albany Railroad, operated by the Brooklyn Heights Railroad. The accident of Jan. 19 near the Chestnut street junction, the Board finds, was caused by the removal of spikes holding the switch there, operated during the summer season from a tower, which is abandoned after the close of travel to the beaches. On the morning of the accident the switch had been untripped to permit an experimental train to go to Rockaway Beach and were not replaced by the trackman in charge. Several people were injured as the result.

The accident of Jan. 22 at Navy street junction, the Board believes, was caused by the green motorman Ridgewood train running by a danger signal. The Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company has agreed to keep a flagman on New Utrecht avenue, between Fifty-fourth and Fifty-fifth streets, and the Union Railway company of New York has agreed to put in fifty new cars for service in the Bronx and Yonkers.

Advertisement for Dunlop tires, featuring the Dunlop logo and text: "Oranias et Bonitas." "DUNLOP" "CELEBRATED HATS correct in every particular." "SPRING STYLES Will Be Issued TO-MORROW, Saturday, February, 17th."

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SHOTS CAROMED OFF HIS SKULL

Murphy Fired Twice at His Head but Walked to the Ambulance.



With two self-inflicted bullet wounds in his head William Murphy struggled to his feet in the saloon of Maurice Klein at No. 274 Third avenue to-day and insisted upon walking to the ambulance that had been summoned. Neither of the bullets had penetrated his skull, but he was very weak from loss of blood and the shock of the slugs flattening against his skull.

A meeting of the Plan and Scope Committee was held last night to consider plans for raising the money necessary to erect a new hospital building. According to the statement since its organization at No. 28 East Eighty-second street in 1895, the hospital and dispensary has been giving free medical attendance and aid to the poor and its facilities have now become inadequate to the demands made upon it.

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FOUR INDICTMENTS IN THE SEWER CASES.

Three of the Persons Named Arrested in Brooklyn and Released on Bail.

Four new indictments were filed to-day in connection with the Brooklyn sewer cases, all charging conspiracy. John J. Millard, a prominent Brooklyn Democratic politician, was jointly indicted with Gustav Olsen, a clerk employed in the law firm of Townes & McCrossin. They are charged with putting through a fraudulent claim for \$100 in the name of John Brown, of No. 230 Howard avenue. Brown repudiated any connection with the suit brought by the city against the other two indictments named a man not under arrest yet and George Percie, a fellow-work of Olsen. The indictment charges them with getting away with a false claim for \$500. The three men arrested were arraigned before Judge Crane in the County Court and released under \$1,500 bail each.

PAYMASTER JEWETT RESIGNS FROM NAVY.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—The President has accepted the resignation of Paymaster Henry E. Jewett, U. S. N., "for the good of the service." This officer was tried by court-martial at the Washington Navy-Yard recently on charges of irregularities in accounts and to-day's action was taken while the proceedings of the court were awaiting disposition.

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