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**FLORENCE BERGEN IS RAPID**

**Elaborate Defense of Thomas Johnson Was Productive of Leniency on the Part of the Judge—Prisoner's Friendly Feeling for the Officers of the Law.**

The holiday rush in police circles is about at an end, and until the glad New Year is ushered in, there will be few new bondsmen for Mr. Sloughsburg. This morning only about twenty were locked up.

Florence Bergen is one of the newest of new women. She made her debut in the police court this morning, in a charge of vagrancy. It being the second time she was arrested for drunkenness in two days, Precinct Detective Hartigan preferred the charge.

Thursday night, with her hat set jauntily on one side of her short auburn curls, a cigarette stuck at just the proper angle between a pair of pretty red lips, and a swagger that only frequent dalliance with red wine could give her, Florence walked down Pennsylvania avenue. It was very late and nearly all good people had gone to bed.

She passed Policeman Haynes and he asked her where she was going. "It's none of your business," replied the girl.

"I want to know what you're doing on the street at this time of night." "Humph, do you own these streets? Say, now, give me a match, won't you?"

The accommodating officer handed her a match, but at the same time he took her to the patrol box and sent her to No. 8 station house, where she was locked up for the night. In the morning, however, Mr. John Garner, the station keeper, released her, with some paternal advice, and had Florence followed if she would not now be in the workhouse.

Last night when Precinct Detective Hartigan was on his way home he saw a young lady whose peculiar style of pedestrianism attracted his attention. It was Florence, and she had a tag, as fully developed as the one of the previous night.

"What are you doing here this time of night?" asked the detective.

Florence was as reticent about herself as before, however, and Hartigan finally took her to the station house and locked her up.

"She was very drunk, your honor," said the detective when the prisoner was arraigned this morning, "and refused to give any account of herself whatever."

**THIRTEEN DAYS FOR FLORENCE.**  
"Does she want to make any statement?" asked the judge.

"No, she doesn't want to make any statement," replied the girl.

"Fifteen days in the workhouse," was the sentence of the court, and Florence walked jauntily back through the door to the cell room.

Thomas Johnson, with one eye badly battered and a generally weary expression, was arraigned as a suspicious character. Thomas was very elaborate in his defense, calling the judge and other captives and friends, and addressing his remarks to the whole room full of people.

"About 9:30 o'clock last night I was told by a constable that this fellow had followed a girl to their house and was trying to get in," said Policeman Pierce.

"He was very much under the influence of liquor when arrested. His name is Wiley, instead of Johnson."

"What do you want to say, Wiley?" "My friends, I had a watch, and I loaned it to a friend of mine, who loaned it to this girl. She wouldn't give it to me and I was following her last night to try and get it back."

"Who is the colored man?" "His name is Hans Deskins."

"Where does he work?" "FRIEND DOES NOT WORK."

"He don't work at all."

"And you loaned your watch to such a man?"

"Yes, sir; I did it because he's a particular friend of mine."

"Well, I must say, I doubt your story very much, but I'll take your personal bonds."

Mary Hart and Helen Masterson, colored women, were arrested on Florida avenue northwest and charged with disorderly conduct. They were walking along arm in arm, singing and making various demonstrations and fought the policeman when he arrested them.

"Judge," said Mary, "I was on de street, wait for me, I had a watch, I was in Chery Chase—wels, I had her by de arm, and he pulled her away. Ten he cum back an' took me."

"Have you ever been arrested before?" "No, sir, never in my life."

Helen also declared that this was her initial appearance before the tribunal of justice, and Judge Kimball took the personal bonds of both girls.

**HE CHOKED HIS WIFE.**  
Patent Attorney Harrington Put Under Bonds to Keep the Peace.

Charles B. Harrington, a well-known patent attorney, was arrested by the police on a charge of threats against his wife. He was arrested last night by Policeman Wamuel on a warrant sworn out by his wife and locked up at No. 6 station house.

It was alleged that Harrington went to his home about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon and began quarreling with his wife. His sixteen-year-old daughter, who was in the dining room, heard the quarrel and suddenly heard her mother scream. She ran out and Harrington was choking her.

"I ran out, and, after some trouble, made him go," said Mrs. Harrington. "When I got him away, the marks of his fingers were on her throat."

Mrs. Harrington testified that her husband threatened to kill her, and grabbed her by the arm and choked her. He had threatened her before, and she was afraid he would do it again.

Judge Miller sentenced Harrington to furnish bonds in the sum of \$100 or go to jail for thirty days. Up to late this afternoon he had not given bonds.

**PEACE NOW REIGNS.**  
All Quiet Between Priest and Parish.

Laurel, Mich., Dec. 28.—The trouble between Father Slattery of St. Mary's Church and some of his parishioners, which culminated ten days ago in the priest being ejected from the church by the dissenting members of his congregation, has been amicably settled. The case of Father Slattery against the persons who ejected him was taken up in court yesterday by Bishop Foley, however, sent a representative from Detroit, who got the beneficiaries and the priest together, and a compromise was reached. Father Slattery will restore the results of the beneficiaries to the same condition they were in before he had them ejected, and will admit them to all of the sacraments of the church.

The beneficiaries, on the other hand, have agreed to drop all of their differences and become faithful members of the church.

**HAD PLANNED AN ESCAPE.**  
Turner Informed a Fellow-Prisoner of His Secret, Who Told the Sheriff.

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