

CLIMBS POLES IN SEARCH OF MASTHEAD LIGHT

HANSEN THINKS THE STREET A SHIP'S DECK Bluecoat Skipper Nabs Him

BY JAMES C. CRAWFORD.

Paul Hansen, rated A. B. in the merchant marine, insisted on scaling telegraph poles on Third street at 3 o'clock last Sunday morning, despite Patrolman Sullivan's command that he not only remain on terra firma, but move onward. It was at Third street's intersection with Howard the policeman first saw the mariner nimbly "shinning" a pole supporting electric light wires, and the policeman utilized the

Woods, singing soubrette in a North End music hall, when Judge Mogan asked her why she had paraded lower Pacific street at 4 o'clock Sunday morning and loudly wailed "I Wonder What's the Matter With the Mail."

She was billed to formally launch the song that night, she further explained, and it was to perfect herself in the melody that she broke the outdoor echoes. It might not amiss to add that when she did launch it the audience unanimously pronounced it the hit of a season, fairly bristling with hits. Case continued till to-morrow.

Charles Kelly, immaculate sartorially, was accused of vagrancy by Patrolman Herlihy, who testified Mr. Kelly was a "cigar store statue," also a "fashion-plate," and had no visible means of maintenance other than that of posing on Kearny street during the shopping hours. Continued till March 20 for further investigation of the defendant's character.

So shocked was 17-year-old William Rosenberg by his arrest for destroying palms in City Hall square that he went under treatment for nervous prostration in the Emergency Hospital. If the lad is able to appear in court to-morrow Judge Mogan will hear the testimony of Patrolman Jennings, who made the arrest.

"Why don't you jack up them policemen that don't kick orange skins off the sidewalks?" was Miss Frances Lopez's answer to Judge Frit's query as to why she resorted upon a Barbary Coast footway. Then she went on to explain that while she was sauntering home she inadvertently placed one of her feet upon an orange skin and immediately sat down and was still recumbent when Patrolman O'Connell picked her up and booked her for drunkenness.

After the Judge had murmured something about orange skins on sidewalks being the real yellow peril he asked the policeman as to Miss Lopez's mental condition at the time of her arrest, and the policeman said she was drunk and incapable of pedestrianism; furthermore that only a few hours previously she had been released from the County Jail after serving a term of six months for habitual intemperance. Then she was given thirty days.

John Rockefeller and John Dissanau, private soldiers stationed at the Presidio, were accused of battering Antonio Bolizzi, dealer in fruits and vegetables on Fillmore street, near Lombard. The testimony showed that the defendants

authority in him vested to order an immediate descent.

"Aye, aye, sir," cheerfully responded Mr. Hansen, pausing in his climb, "but the first mate has just told me to put out the masthead light."

"If you touch any of those wires up there, it will be all off with you," shouted the officer, realizing he had a mind deranged to deal with. "Let the masthead light alone till dawn and come down here, you're the skipper, an' I takes your orders fust," said the man and in a twinkling he was beside the policeman and saluting him with great deference.

"Now, go home," he was commanded, and muttering "Aye, aye, sir," he ambled unsteadily toward the bay. But the very next pole he came to proved a temptation too strong to resist, and up it he clambered with the agility of a monkey. Then the policeman, after eliciting him back to earth, placed him under arrest for disturbing the peace, and no sooner did the prisoner appreciate his position that he fought so fiercely as to earn an additional charge of battery.

"It was the liquor, sir," he said to Police Judge Mogan.

Judgment reserved till to-morrow.

Marukishi Narumi, a little brown man, was arrested for disturbing the peace of certain young women employed as clerks in the office of the San Francisco Gas and Electric Company, 415 Post street, by standing on the sidewalk and peering through the window and kissing his fingers and convulsively pressing the left side of his chest with both his hands and making other demonstrations of lovesickness. The complaint was sworn to by E. P. Manney, a clerk in the office, and none of the fair objects of the defendant's adoration appeared in Judge Mogan's court to prosecute him.

"Have you ever been confined in an insane asylum?" his Honor inquired, the query being justified by the little man's erratic demeanor.

"Don't try to mak dam fool of me," was the fiercely delivered response, accompanied by a gesture indicating desire to pick up and use as a missile a book that was lying upon the Judge's desk. If assault was really intended a vigilant bailiff prevented it.

"If you are not a lunatic," pursued the court, "why do you persecute those young ladies?"

"Why persecut'?" "Why persecut'?" was the fervently uttered explanation. "I persecut' 'cause I loves gal with all her heart." And his open hands struck his breast with resounding whack.

"Well, you must stop it," said the Judge.

"I stop it w'en I dam please," said the defendant.

"You are a pest, and very impudent," said the Judge. "Will you take your sentence now or wait till to-morrow for it?"

"I know my dam fate this day," was the answer.

"All right," said the Judge; "ninety days in the County Jail, and no more of that kind of behavior," said Marukishi Narumi.

"I was rehearsing," said Miss Violet

Howard Caradoc Rees, the former New York clubman who was once consigned to a sanitarium by Judge Mogan, reappeared before that magistrate on a repetition of the charge that he had threatened the life of R. M. Gignoux. He was comparatively quiet-mannered, as he pleaded not guilty and displayed to the court a letter purporting to have been written by a bulldog in 1900 by Elihu Root, then Secretary of War, approving his work as a Government agent at the Paris Exposition. Asked if he would accompany back to New York the brother who has telegraphed his willingness to come for him, he said he would prefer to travel with his father, but might accept his brother as an escort if he were allowed to produce ex-Senator Frank McGowan to testify as to his character. Then the hearing was continued till to-day.

Patrolman J. E. Dolan, who accused Attorney Walter J. Grady of having reviled at the County Jail, to-day told Judge Cabanis that the defendant called him "a fresh cop" and then declined to go quietly to prison unless he were conveyed thither in a hack. After remarking that a police patrol wagon affords just as comfortable riding as does a hack, Judge Cabanis dismissed the case.

Miss Lena Hart, arrested at the ferry

Robbed Among Friends.

Robert Boland, 28 Sixth street, called upon friends in the Favorite House, 311 Fourth street, on Sunday afternoon. He went to the room of David Donovan, and others in the house were called for. Boland fell asleep on a chair and when he awoke he found that his gold watch and chain and diamond locket were missing from his pocket. The police were notified yesterday.

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Station for chucking gripmen and motormen and car conductors under the chin and addressing them as "lovey," although they were total strangers to her, told Judge Mogan she was en route to visit her sick mother at Oakland and her mind must have been unbalanced by fond anticipation of meeting a maternal relative whom she loved better than any one else on earth. The arresting policeman, however, bluntly swore that Miss Hart was "soaked," and then the Judge ordered her to appear to-day and be sentenced for disturbing the peace of the car crews on whom she had lavished her blandishments.

W. L. Ward, a former Chinatown guide, smashed the windows of his mother's home on Twenty-fourth avenue and then attempted to commit suicide by swallowing carbolic acid. Judge Mogan sent him to the Insanity Commissioners for examination.

YOUNG FOOTBALL HAS RECORD.—William Bray, one of the two boys arrested early Sunday morning for holding up and robbing Joseph Jackson on Stevenson street, is an old offender. On April 12 last year he was arrested and tried to rob Mrs. Mary Hughes of 15 Powell street on Ellis street and half an hour later made a similar attack on Mrs. Annie Reinshagen, 460 Geary street, as she was entering her residence.

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PHILBROOK CASE IS KICKED OUT

Judge Morrow Orders the "Scurrilous and Scandalous" Complaint Off Files

NATURAL LAW DEFINED

Court Says That Parent's Right to Custody of His Children Is Only Limited

Horace W. Philbrook suffered the mortification yesterday of having his pet case, legally speaking, kicked out of the United States Circuit Court. It had been filed by him many months ago on behalf of his client, John L. Wadeigh, to recover \$50,000 damages from Edwin W. Newhall for having conspired with M. J. White, Herbert J. Lewis and others to commit twelve felonies and thirty-nine misdemeanors against the person and the rights of his client. The salient point of the voluminous complaint was that on January 29, 1903, M. J. White and two policemen took from Wadeigh by force and violence his four children, May now aged 17 years, John 15, Sarah 13, Solomon 10 and Helen 4. In sustaining the demurrer and granting the motion to strike the complaint from the files, Judge Morrow said:

The court considers the question whether the State had authority to confer upon the Superior Court the power to appoint a guardian for the plaintiff's minor children. It seems then that by the law of nature a father has no paramount inalienable right to the custody of his children. And the civil or municipal law in setting bounds to his parental authority and in entirely or partially depriving him of it in cases where the interest and welfare of his children require it, does not come in conflict with or subvert any of the other principles of the natural law. The moment a child is born it owes allegiance to the Government of the State in which it is entitled to the protection of that Government. The demurrer is therefore sustained. The court is of the opinion that this complaint containing these scurrilous and scandalous charges should not be allowed under the circumstances to remain on the files of the court.

Issues License for New Bank.

The Board of Bank Commissioners issued a license yesterday for the establishment of the Bank of Auburn at the town of that name. The new institution is capitalized at \$25,000, which is fully paid up. William Nichols Jr. has been elected president of the bank; W. J. Wilson, vice president, and J. M. Francis, cashier.

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