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Scanlan's Companions Confess to Other Robberies

POLICE HOLD TWO MEN ON SUSPICION.

Louis Taylor Looks Like Dark Thug in Friede Case.

Arthur Smith Tells Story of a Holdup

Margie Ryan Admits Knowledge of the Crime.

Refuses to Discuss Murder of Merchant

Detectives McGowan and Conlan of the water front police detail arrested last evening Louis A. Taylor, alias Howard, and Arthur Smith, expressmen, companions of Ralph Scanlan, who is held on suspicion of having been one of the men who murdered William Friede on the afternoon of September 14. Taylor, or Howard as he is best known, resembles the "tall man" in the Friede case. Smith is held merely to verify certain statements made by Margie Ryan and Alma Fisher regarding the career of Scanlan, as he was present on a certain occasion immediately after Scanlan and Taylor had robbed a man and taken from him a gold watch and \$20 in coin.

Margie Ryan's story, told under pressure to Chief of Detectives Duke, set the police to work looking for Taylor and Smith. The station was notified and Conlan and McGowan set out to find the men wanted. They were found in a water front resort.

Margie Ryan's story fixes responsibility upon Scanlan and Taylor for at least one crime. On the subject of the Friede murder, she professes total ignorance. She was questioned rigorously by Captain Duke and would not answer beyond a certain point. The police expected more from her, but she was obdurate and as she cannot be held on a charge of complicity, it is probable that she will be released this afternoon without giving more than superficial details concerning the case in which she alleges the so-called "expressmen" were implicated.

The temper of the girl may well be judged, however, by a remark she made to Policeman Jordan, who was instrumental in having Scanlan arrested. With a sudden, uncontrolled impulse she blurted out, as the patrolman passed her cell: "They can keep me here till doomsday and I will not tell them all I know."

The Ryan girl was yielding when the detectives first began to question her. Finally certain facts were put before her to refresh her memory and she weakened. In answering queries that were rapidly propounded, she said:

"Yes, I was told by Ralph something about a holdup on Waller street, near Golden Gate Park. I cannot remember the date. I think it was about four months ago. Ralph told me about another fellow and himself stopping a man at the place mentioned. The fellow asked Ralph's assistance. His name is Howard—or at least Taylor.

"Ralph said they had taken the 'guy' home to Waller and Shrader streets; he was drunk."

"Did they knock him down?" asked Captain Duke.

"No, they just robbed him, is the way I understood it. Howard took a gold watch to Oakland the next day and gave it to a man."

"Did he sell it?" asked Duke.

"No, he did not; that is what he said."

Taylor admits robbery.

Mrs. Fisher, mother of Alma Fisher, was interviewed by the police and gave information such as had been imparted to her by her daughter, which verified the Ryan girl's story.

Taylor was sweated by the detectives and finally admitted the holdup mentioned. He places the blame on Scanlan. He says that Smith was waiting on Stanyan street for his companions and did not know that a robbery was taking place. When Scan-

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LANDFIELD GAINS THE HEART OF A PRINCESS.

Professor, Society Leader and Wit Will Marry Beauty of Russian Court

LIUBA LOBANOV IS HIS PRETTY FIANCEE

American Persistence Succeeds Over Autocratic Statecraft of Peterhof

"Jerry" Landfield, the Ned Greenway of Berkeley and wit of the Bohemian Club, is to marry a Princess. Landfield is in Russia, where he went to study the revolution, and while dodging bombs about the palace of the Czar he was hit in the region of the heart by a shaft directed with unerring skill by the little blind god. When Landfield returns to his home in the college town, where he is professor of history he will be accompanied in the person of Mrs. Landfield by Princess Liuba Lobanov, demoiselle d'honneur to the Empress.

The young American has won one of the famous beauties of the exclusive court of the Czar of all the Russias after a season of rare diplomacy, in which native persistence triumphed over the autocratic statecraft of Peterhof. So complete has been the triumph of the Californian that the adamant "No" of the Emperor has softened into "God bless you, my children."

HIS SOCIETY MUCH SOUGHT.

Landfield has been regarded by fond mamma as one of the most desirable of the eligible bachelors in society about the bay. He is on the guest list of all of San Francisco's leading hostesses who have marriageable daughters. But the professor always declared that he found his books and his club too delightful to be cast lightly aside.

Professor Landfield has written to his friends here announcing his engagement, and not for many moons has there been such excitement in university and club circles and in society. He writes from St. Petersburg, but the plans are at present that the wedding will take place at Cannes, where the Princess' mother and the Grand Duchess Marie are located. There is much pretty romance back of it all and the tale of the affair reads like fiction.

Professor Landfield met the Princess in St. Petersburg last summer, where he went to study the Russian revolution, and promptly fell in love with her. The courtship was full of "trials, tribulations and rivalries," as is reported by one of Landfield's intimate friends, who watched the affair, but the young professor had a powerful ally in the Grand Duchess Marie, who was his good friend and advocate throughout, and now rejoices in the outcome of the romance. The Princess is a sister of Lady Egerton, wife of the British Ambassador at Rome.

FRIENDS ARE REJOICING.

Jerome Landfield is one of the best known and best liked men in or near San Francisco and the many friends of the brilliant young professor are rejoicing at his exceeding good fortune, for, it is said, his fiancée is as charming and attractive in every way as might be desired. He comes of a New York family and is a graduate of Cornell, where he was a student under Professor Henry Morse Stephens, now of the University of California. He was prominent in college life there, being a member of the Delta Upsilon fraternity and at one time editor of the Cornell comic college paper, the Widow.

For a time after his graduation he went in for mining and traveled a great deal, visiting Japan and the east coast of Siberia, where he had all manner of interesting and hazardous adventures. He went to Berkeley in 1902, became secretary to Professor Stephens and was later appointed an instructor in history. He soon came to be regarded as an authority on Russian history and so great was his interest in the subject that he secured a year's leave of absence last year, and, going to St. Petersburg, devoted himself to the study of conditions and results of the revolution, but also to the winning of a Princess. He is at present a guest at the Grand Hotel d'Europe, Rue Michel, St. Petersburg. He is a prominent member of the Faculty Club in Berkeley and of the Bohemian Club here. He has always been sought after greatly in a social way, both here and in the college town, and much pleasure is expressed at the prospect of his bringing his bride to California.

VENTURA BRINGING TREASURE.

HONOLULU, Oct. 15.—The Oceanic steamer Ventura, from Sydney, due at San Francisco tomorrow, has a treasure of \$3,500,000 in English sovereigns on board.

Contractors Howl and Pedestrians Rejoice While Duffey Cleans Up Market Street.

GEORGE F. DUFFEY, President of the Works Board, heading an army of workmen, began cleaning the debris from the sidewalks of Market street yesterday. The work proceeded despite the protests of contractors, one of whom was arrested for interfering with the work. Work will continue today, and Mission and Sacramento streets will next be attacked.



THE CLEANING UP OF MARKET STREET



REMOVING BUILDING MATERIAL FROM SIDEWALK AT GEARY AND MARKET STREETS

Works Board Puts Debris Back on Private Property.

"Pile high the wagons with debris and dust; We're going to clean up Market street or bust," softly sang George F. Duffey, the newly appointed president of the Board of Works, as he marched yesterday morning at the head of a shovel brigade, 486 strong, to clean up the main thoroughfare of the city. By nightfall debris, dirt, tangled iron and building materials that clogged the footways and street were resting in the lots from East street to Third. Pedestrians enjoyed the novelty of sidewalks and hundreds of indignant contractors besieged the Harbor police station with complaints that scorched the air.

Early in the morning Duffey's infantry, with shovels gleaming, attacked the first lot at Sacramento and Market streets. In the rear of the infantry came the Board of Works artillery in the shape of clouds of dust from the leaping shovels and soon the air was filled with flying debris.

Through the smoke came the first contractor of the day, J. J. McGovern, working on the Goodall-Perkins block. McGovern had excavated a ditch in front of his property and put in a pump. The men under Duffey shoveled back the dirt from the street into the ditch and McGovern filed the first protest.

The gangs moved on, attacking both sides of Market street.

At 29 Market street the only mistake of the day was made. E. Hirschler had carefully deposited debris on his sidewalk to bring it up to grade and was awaiting the arrival of curbing before laying a permanent concrete sidewalk. The gang under a Duffey lieutenant shoveled the debris back into the lot at Hirschler's expense and now the contractor is arranging to have it replaced.

BREAK UP IRONWORK.
Before 115 Market street lay a huge pile of tangled iron that extended to the corner. The shovel gang advanced, but could make no headway. Duffey was summoned—
"Get at that tangled iron with bar and pick."

Turns Lava Into FATAL FLOODS.

NAPLES, Oct. 15.—A terrific storm has caused an inundation of mud from the slopes of Mount Vesuvius and the country around about is flooded. Twenty women have been killed and twenty persons injured by the storm. Travel on the railroad up Mount Vesuvius has been interrupted and the line itself has been partially destroyed.

Many houses have been literally surrounded by the waves of mud. Several houses in Ottajano which were damaged by the volcanic outbreak of April have fallen. An avalanche of mud has invaded Basco del Torrez. Troops are being used in the work of rescue.

MRS. JEFFERSON DAVIS DYING.
NEW YORK, Oct. 15.—Mrs. Jefferson Davis, widow of the president of the Confederate States, is dying of pneumonia at the Hotel Majestic here. It is believed she cannot survive more than a few hours.

ROBBERS THREATEN LIFE OF CHILD.

OAKLAND, Oct. 15.—Threatening to murder her baby, whom they had torn from her arms, unless she yielded, two thugs compelled Mrs. Topsy Logsh, residing at 1055 Thirteenth avenue, to hand over \$3.55, all the money she possessed, after they attacked her at 3:30 o'clock tonight at Eleventh avenue and East Fourteenth street. The brutal highwaymen, not content with their crime of robbery, maltreated the infant and drove the distracted mother nearly insane from fear the wretches would make good their threats to hurl the little one into the street. Only too quickly did the woman give up her small store of money and tear her baby from the grasp of the cowardly pair and ran home to give the alarm.

Mrs. Logsh had walked to Tenth avenue and East Fourteenth street with a friend, and after bidding her companion good night started back along East Fourteenth street toward Thirteenth avenue. At the corner of Eleventh avenue the thugs accosted her. Before she could realize what had occurred the infant had been grabbed from her arms by one of the men, who gruffly declared, "Give us your money or we'll throw the kid into the street." Mrs. Logsh could not hand over her purse quickly enough, she feared, to prevent the execution of the brutal threat. After she arrived home the police were notified. She could give only a meager description of her assailants. The police believe they are of the "hobo" type.

VATICAN AND ITALY MAY AGREE.

ROME, Oct. 15.—Cardinal Ferretti, prefect of the Congregation of Bishops and Regulars, in an interview today in the Giornale di Italia, is quoted as saying that he believes that the religious and civil powers in Italy are interested in working together as they have the same object in view, namely, the amelioration of the condition of the people and opposition to the "threatened anarchical aberration." The Cardinal added:

"The solution of the Roman question is not easy, but it is not impossible. This opinion is not shared by all the officials at the Vatican, but I think that a dignified modus vivendi, satisfactory to both sides, must be discussed and eventually arranged."

The Cardinal referred at length to France, in which country he was at one time Papal Nuncio, and described the strong support which the Vatican alone gave to the republic when it was isolated, quoting a Russian diplomat as saying:

"The Pope made France presentable."

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