

The People of Atlantic City.

The people here have been treated to a scene that has not been witnessed since the war. The most interesting parties, however, are Miss Nellie Squires, a pretty blonde of eighteen, a young man who says his name is Harris, but who has been named at the Brighton, Albion and Grand Hotels under various other names, and Miss Squires' father, Mr. J. S. Squires, a wealthy gentleman of Newton, Bucks county, Pennsylvania. It appears that Mr. Squires sent his daughter down here in the early part of July in case of Mrs. Hamilton, and together they took up rooms at a cottage on Connecticut avenue. Miss Squires being very pretty, was much courted, and being a boarding-school miss, lively and extremely young, was very popular. Harris is a good looking young man twenty-one years old. He claims New York as his home. He is a talkative chap and made heads when he met Miss Squires at a Manhattan house hop three weeks ago to congratulate himself. They made each other's acquaintance without a formal introduction. Mr. Harris paid every attention to her, and gave her numerous presents, and while strolling along the beach, listening to the splash of the waves on the sand at their feet, he proposed marriage to her. She looked coolly into his face and told him that she knew nothing of his antecedents, and begged him to wait until she knew him better. Suddenly Mr. Squires appeared on the scene. He had come down to stay until Monday, and he met the fascinating Mr. Harris. He was strolling on the sand at the time and had his attention attracted to a couple sitting on the beach under the shade of an umbrella. They were Miss Nellie and Mr. Harris, and so earnestly were they engaged in conversation that it was not until her father had spoken that Miss Squires uttered a little scream and said "Oh!" and then introduced Mr. Harris. Mr. Squires, however, knew Mr. Harris, and said so. The couple were still sitting down, when suddenly Mr. Squires stooped, caught his daughter by the arm, dragged her to her father's feet, and ordered her to go home. Then he turned to Mr. Harris and called him a thief and bunco steerer and in an excited manner told how he had been robbed of \$200 by bunco steerers in New York a month ago. His excited manner and loud tones caused a large crowd to gather. Harris was calm and collected and denied the accusation, and said Mr. Squires must certainly be mistaken, but while making his denial suddenly slipped through the throng and was seen no more. It was said at the least place where he stopped that he had taken the afternoon train for Philadelphia. The affair is the talk of the place, and it is believed that the fellow has been operating here, though no victims are reported. Miss Nellie returned to her Bucks county home with her father.

The Career of a Spendthrift.

Some few months ago there arrived in Leadville a young man named Julius Haas, who was only recently from abroad. Neither his action nor demeanor denoted that he had any money, present or prospective. He took up his residence at the La Plata mine, with Mr. Otto Andrear. Last week he went to Denver to prepare for his return home, where an inheritance of 17,000,000 marks, or \$4,395,000, now awaits his claim. The life of the millionaire contains a wealth of romance and much of the practical advice which usually befalls the prodigal son. Disipation at home and in this country, a continual draining from his father's riches, finally left him, to all intents and purposes, a pauper in a strange land. His father was a heavy banker, the partner of the Rothschilds and a land-owner at Karlsruhe, the capital of Baden, one of the German states. In his early college days young Haas began to exhibit a disposition of extravagance and recklessness. There he commenced a gambling career which only ended in his destitution at Leadville. One who knows him says that Haas spent 100,000 francs in Marseille and 100,000 at Baden, Baden, which extravagance induced his father to send him to America. He had a credit of 50,000 marks. He dissipated large sums in New York, Philadelphia and Cincinnati, and sank 10,000 in a Louisville sporting house. His father refused to have anything more to do with him, and lately he has been in prison in St. Louis. Not long ago Mr. Andrear wrote to Haas' father, stating the son's circumstances, and in response was instructed to take good care of him, but not to give him any money. A few days ago the Illinois *State's Evening*, containing a notice of his father's death, and an estimate of the immense fortune which he left to his children, was received by young Haas. On Tuesday Mr. Andrear gave him sufficient money for his entertainment at Denver until such time as he could establish his credit with the bank or by cablegram advice make a loan to return to Germany. It is estimated that Haas expended one million dollars in three years.

Do one thing at a time, and do it well. Perhaps the crying evil of our busy age lies in the attempt to do too much at once; to crowd too much work in too small compass of time to attempt the doing of the work in hand while the mind is planning or worrying with regard to the amount of work ahead. Men scratch their heads with half their brains focused on some other subject, and half on other subjects. In such spirit houses are built, cloth woven, clothes made. It is all mechanical—all for show—no real interest in the work—no soul in it—no desire to make a false show, and finish as soon as possible—no incentive save greed or the necessity of working under such influences to gain money. What is the result? Sin at the start, and a harvest of evil through such sin. Houses fall asunder or burn like tinder, or poison through bad ventilation or bad plumbing. Boilers burst, steamers burn and food poisons where it should strengthen. The wind of haste and slovenliness is followed by the whirlwind of disaster, agony, disease and death.

James McDougall, of Oneida county, N. Y., was sent to prison for ten years for burglary. His wife and child had gone to live with another man. He visited them to reclaim them, going at night and bursting in the door, and was shot and nearly killed by the man to whom they had gone. On his recovery from the wound he was arrested and tried, with the result above given, and the other day Governor Cleveland pardoned him after he had served the state six years. It is comforting to know that the woman and her paramour had sunk to the wretchedness to which they naturally belong; but the official who prosecuted McDougall and the judge who sentenced him ought to be chased by bloodhounds as long as they live.

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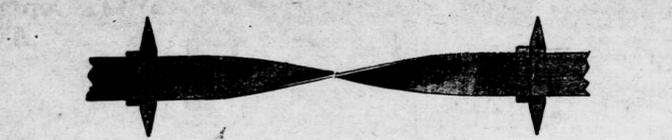
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