The Times' Daily Short Story.

Caught In His Own Trap

[Original.]

I was sitting in the park enjoying the sunshine, the budding plants, the singing birds. On the bench beside me was a pretty woman of perhaps thirty, with a little girl. The lady wore a widow's cap, so I judged she was a widow, and the little girl was her daughter. Presently the two arose and were going away, when I noticed lying on the bench a fat pocketbook. I called to the lady, grasped the pocketbook and, rushing after her, handed it to her, with one of my most deferential bows. She was astonished at her own carelessness and profuse in her thanks.

I walked on with her and in the course of conversation she told me that she was from the country and not familiar with city ways. That was apparent from her permitting me to join her, though her little girl was something of a chaperon. Considering the lady's age she was certainly unsophisticated. She had evidently been warned as to the low state of morals in the metropolis, but had not the slightest idea how to guard against them. I assumed a sort of protectorship, telling her that it was not exactly proper for a lady to walk in the park unattended, and if she would permit I would very gladly be her escort. She timidly accepted, as though not quite certain whether it would be safer to do so or proceed alone.

"I will show you," I said, "how careful one must be here. Do you see that girl ahead, walking with that youth—the girl with the shapely figure, lace collar, white hat and ostrich feathers? Well, the chances are, when I pass her, she will smile at me."

"The bold thing! I think I'll go out by the first gate. I didn't know they allowed such people in the parks."

When within a few yards of the girl ahead I coughed. She turned and on seeing me smiled a smile of surprise and, giving the lady I was with a hasty glance, went on her way without noticing me further.

"Upon my word!" said my companion in astonishment. "Who would have thought it? And such a refined, innocent face."

We slowed our steps, and the girl and the youth went on. Once the girl turned to look at me for a moment, though I knew she was looking at the woman I was with.

"Two to one," I said to my companion, "that if we pass her she will be on her dignity and won't notice me. Suppose we try her."

Without asking the lady's consent I increased my pace. She did the same, and presently we passed the couple ahead. The youth looked at me with an amused smile, but the girl paid no attention to me whatever. She was not even indifferent; she was wrathful.

"Did you notice how mad she looked?" I remarked. "That was all put on. Having given me a smile to start me, she assumes to be offended that I should notice her. That's to tangle me up all the more."

"Oh, dear, I don't wonder that people say horrid things about the city. I wouldn't live here for anything."

"It's a pretty bad place, I admit."

"Mamma," said the little girl, "there's an ice cream sign. Can't we go and get some?"

"No. Hush!"

"Certainly we can," I said, and, assuming the right to direct our movements, I turned in to "The Inn," as they called the restaurant. We seated ourselves at a table and were waiting for refreshments when the girl with the white ostrich feather came in with her young attendant and took a table very near us. She was evidently much miffed about something and gave me a withering glance.

"She keeps it up well," I said.

"Just think of her boldness in following us in here."

My companion was sitting with her back partly toward the girl with the white feather, but I noticed that the latter was scrutinizing her. Presently the widow turned her face sidewise, and the girl looked at it long and earnestly. Then, suddenly rising, she came toward us and stood over the object of her interest.

"Aren't you Helma Winsor?" she asked.

The widow looked up and, seeing the girl with the white feather standing beside her, first flashed fire from her eyes, then, recognizing her, said, "Yes; and you are Bessie Dexter."

"I was. I am now the wife of that scamp who has been gallivanting with you. He didn't dream that he had taken up one of his wife's schoolmates."

"Why," said the widow, turning an indignant glance upon me, "he's been pointing you out as something awful."

I was caught in my own trap. I suppose I should have made apologies to both my wife and her old schoolmate, but the ludicrous features of the case overcame me, and, putting my head down on the table, I laughed immoderately.

"Oh, he's always playing his jokes. Helma, you must come home to dinner with us. I see by your cap that you have been married and bereaved. This is my brother Tom. We all walk in the park afternoons. I had an appointment to meet this joker here, but I didn't expect to find him with one I hadn't seen for ten years. You're not changed a bit. And this is your little girl, I suppose. Come, let us go. You can tell me things as we walk along."

And that was the reopening of a friendship that had been suspended for twelve years. I never was quite forgiven for my prank either by my wife or my wife's friend. Indeed, my wife considers my action "unworthy of a gentleman."

Perhaps she is right.

ARTHUR D. BERWICK.

WOMAN'S TRIALS.

Her Bitter Disappointment.

The bitter trail in a woman's life is to be childless. Who can tell how hard the struggle may have been ere she learnt to resign herself to her lonely lot? The absence of this link to bind marital life together, the absence of this one pledge to mutual affection is a common disappointment. Many unfortunate couples become estranged thereby. Even if they do not drift apart, one may read the whole extent of their disappointment in the eyes of such a childless couple when they rest on the children of others. To them the largest family does not seem too numerous. It will rather appear to them that those on whom this blessing has been most richly bestowed hardly value it sufficiently.

In many cases of barrenness or childlessness the obstacle to child-bearing is easily removed by the cure of weakness on the part of the woman. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription has been the means of restoring health and fruitfulness to many a barren woman, to the great joy of the household. In other, but rare cases, the obstruction to the bearing of children has been found to be of a surgical character, but easily removable by painless operative treatment at the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, Buffalo, N. Y., over which Dr. Pierce of the "Favorite Prescription" fame presides. In all cases where children are desired and are absent, an effort should be made to find out the real cause, since it is generally so easily removed by proper treatment.

In all the various weaknesses, displacements, prolapsus, ante-versions, retroversions, inflammation of ovaries, leucorrhœa, giving rise to disagreeable and weakening drains, and in all cases of nervousness, nervous prostration and debility, Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is the most efficient remedy that can possibly be used. It has to its credit hundreds of thousands of cures—more in fact than any other remedy put up for sale through druggists, especially for woman's use. You do not have to take Dr. Pierce's word alone for this, because the ingredients of which the "Favorite Prescription" are composed have received the most positive endorsement from the leading medical writers on *Materia Medica* of all the several schools of practice. All the ingredients are printed in plain English on the wrapper enclosing the bottle, so that if you are an invalid woman and make use of this famous medicine you know exactly what you are taking. Dr. Pierce takes his patients into his full confidence, which he can afford to do as the formula after which the "Favorite Prescription" is made will bear the most careful examination.

You do not have to experiment when taking Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, as with the many fake, Cheap John Medicines that are sent out on trail, composed of cheap and often harmful ingredients. Dr. Pierce resorted to Nature's laboratory to get the ingredients for his "Favorite Prescription," believing that the indigenous, or native, medicinal roots of our country are endowed by Providence with the most marvelous curative powers.

The only rational way to attempt to cure disease is by assisting the natural functions of the body, and to do that there is nothing like Nature's remedies which act in Nature's way, toning and invigorating the digestive organs, the liver, the stomach and bowels and the nervous system, which always suffers to a great extent in all the various derangements of the organs distinctly feminine.

The medicine of known composition is the one to rely upon—the one that has a record of nearly forty years of cures—the one devised and manufactured by a regularly graduated and experienced practitioner of medicine. By addressing Dr. R. V. Pierce, at Buffalo, N. Y., you may secure free, a little phamphlet giving numerous extracts from many medical writers of prominence, extolling the various ingredients which enter into Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It is worth looking over if you are a sufferer.

Dr. Pierce does not claim for his "Favorite Prescription" that it is a "cure-all." It is recommended as a most perfect specific for woman's peculiar ailments. So uniform are the results which follow the use of this remarkable remedy, that it can be truly affirmed of "Favorite Prescription" that *it always helps and almost always cures.* Ninety-eight per cent. of the women who give this medicine a fair and faithful trial are cured and remain cured.

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As a soothing and strengthening nervine, "Favorite Prescription" is unequaled and is invaluable in allaying and subduing nervous excitability, irritability, nervous exhaustion, nervous prostration, neuralgia, hysteria, spasms, chorea, or St. Vitus's dance, and other distressing nervous symptoms commonly attendant upon functional and organic disease of the womanly organs. It induces refreshing sleep and relieves mental anxiety and despondency.

Cures obstinate cases. "Favorite Prescription" is a positive cure for the most complicated and obstinate cases of leucorrhœa, excessive flowing, painful menstruation, unnatural suppressions and irregularities, prolapsus or falling of the pelvic organs, weak back, "female weakness," anteversion, retroversion, bearing-down sensations, chronic congestion, inflammation and ulceration, inflammation, more or less pain and tenderness over the lower abdomen accompanied with "internal heat."

Dr. Pierce's medicines are made from harmless but efficient medicinal roots found growing in our American forests. The Indians knew of the marvelous curative value of some of these roots and imparted that knowledge to some of the friendlier whites, and gradually some of the more progressive physicians came to test and use them, and ever since they have grown in favor by reason of their superior curative virtues and their safe and harmless qualities.

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It is as easy to be well as ill—and much more comfortable. Constipation is the cause of many forms of illness. Doctor Pierce's Pleasant Pellets cure constipation. They are tiny, sugar-coated granules. One little "Pellet" is a gentle laxative, two a mild cathartic. All dealers in medicines sell them.

Dr. Pierce's 1000-page illustrated book "The Common Sense Medical Adviser," is sent free in paper covers on receipt of 21 one-cent stamps to pay the cost of mailing *only.* For 31 stamps the cloth-bound volume will be sent. Address Dr. R. V Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

IGNATIEFF IS MURDERED

Count Alexis the Victim of Assassination.

HE SIDED WITH TREPOFF

Stirred Up the Race War in the Caucasus — A Clash Between the Douma and Government Seems Certain.

Kieff, Russia, May 9.—Count Alexis Ignatieff, formerly governor of Kieff, was assassinated here yesterday.

Count Ignatieff was one of the most active members of the reactionary cabal, the chief of which is Gen. Trepoff. He used all his influence to prevent the Emperor from issuing the famous manifesto of Oct. 30, and afterward tried to persuade him to nullify the promises he had made in it.

He was a persevering enemy of Witte and constantly endeavoring to undermine him in the confidence of the Czar.

Ignatieff was talked of as the possible successor of Boulyguine when the latter resigned the Ministry of the Interior. The reactionaries pushed his claims at that time and afterward they urged the Czar to proclaim a dictatorship under Ignatieff.

ENRAGED BY CZAR.

Promulgation of Obnoxious Fundamental Law Promises Serious Conflict.

St. Petersburg, May 9.—The danger of an early conflict between the government and parliament has been greatly increased within twenty-four hours. The good impression produced by the official intimation of the new premier that the emperor and government were desirous of working in harmony with parliament has been dissipated, and the old mistrust revived.

The Liberals are utterly dumfounded in view of the semi-official assurances on the subject by the unexpected promulgation late Monday night of the obnoxious fundamental laws in a slightly modified form. At one stroke this put an end to the claim that Witte's downfall was due to imperial disapproval of the original draft of the law.

An article in the law exempting crown lands from taxation and expropriation, and another reserving the power of amnesty for political prisoners to the emperor, ran counter to the expressed will of the majority and are bound to produce a clash.

The only considerable new feature of the fundamental law is a provision to the effect that imperial orders must be countersigned by the president of the Council of Ministers or the member of the cabinet whose department is affected. But so long as the cabinet is not responsible to parliament it is easy for the czar to dismiss a minister who combats his wishes.

The general indignation aroused by the emperor's course has been intensified too, by the action of the police in forcibly and arbitrarily dispersing a meeting of some members of the lower house of parliament and the upper house, or new Council of the Empire, at the hall of the Economical Society—a meeting declared to be entirely legal under the regulations governing the society. The leaders draw up a formal protest before leaving.

M. Roditcheff, a member of parliament for St. Petersburg, hurried to the hall where the Constitutional Democrats were holding their convention and announced the action taken by the police. An indescribable scene of fury followed. It was decided that one of the first things done after the assembling of parliament shall be a demand for the dismissal of the chief of police.

The local authorities further inflamed the working classes by ordering, without warning, many of their leaders to leave the city. Certain labor members of parliament denounced this as an attempt on the part of the government to bring about a strike on the eve of the assembling of parliament, for the purpose of provoking a struggle, and under cover of the disorder to dissolve parliament.

No better evidence of the feverish haste of the government to strengthen its defenses at all points before the assembling of parliament could be given than the fact that twelve columns of the Official Messenger yesterday are devoted to ukases and orders. The emperor has yielded to the demand of the Russian population of the Baltic provinces and Poland, where no elections have been held, by granting two seats in parliament to each. They will be selected from the purely Russian inhabitants. Thirteen members are also assigned to Central Asia, Samarkand, Russian Turkestan, and Syr Darya, Asiatic Russia, with the restriction that they elect one Cossacy; six for the Usuri (South Siberia) and Trans-Baikau provinces, and one for Yakutsk, East Siberia.

MAY EXTRADITE GORKY.

Russian Government Accuses Him of Participation in Uprising.

Moscow, May 9.—In addition to the accusation against Maxim Gorky of engaging in a political propaganda, the procurator has charged him with participation in the December uprising here, and it is rumored that his extradition from the United States will be asked for.

When the information that efforts were being made by the Russian government to secure his extradition was conveyed to Mr. Gorky, the revolutionist and writer only shrugged his shoulders. Through his secretary he explained that he had been arrested and tried in Russia for participating in the December uprising, and that the court had ordered his release. The circulation of the report that the synod would try to reestablish its jurisdiction over him, Mr. Gorky took as an evidence of the efforts of the Russian government to hurt his prestige in America.

Missouri Democrats For Bryan.

Salem, Mo., May 9.—The Dent county Democratic convention, Monday unanimously indorsed William J. Bryan as the presidential nominee in 1908, and heartily approved the state administration of Gov. Folk.

MOTHER AND CHILD.

Let the mother take Scott's Emulsion for the two; it never fails to benefit them both. One can eat for two, but nourishing two is a different thing. It calls for a degree of internal strength that the average woman lacks. People of luxury are not very strong by habit; overworked people are weak in some functions from exhaustion or their surroundings. Scott's Emulsion can be depended upon to overcome such conditions. It is a wonderful food for a mother and child.

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OPINION IN FRANCE.

Spirit of the Revolution Still Lives, Says Clemenceau.

Paris, May 9.—Minister of the Interior Clemenceau, in the course of an interview yesterday, in referring to the success of the "Bloc" in the recent elections, said that France remainer animated with the old spirit of the French Revolution. "France," he said, "requires a policy of action and boldness. She does not like lie-a-beds. She wants her sons to be up and marching."

The Main says that the Pope now knows the opinion of France and the weakness of the Catholic party throughout the country.

The Radical says: "Universal suffrage has struck heavily, justly and without pity. It now remains to finish with a counter revolution."

The provincial press teems with similar sentiments, everywhere raising the cry of victory.

Feet swelled from frightful Eczema

Could not wear shoes Cured by D. D. D. Prescription

Read This Letter From a Columbus, Ohio Business Man.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, Nov. 5th, 1904.

Gentlemen: For several years I was a sufferer from Eczema, the affliction affecting my hands, arms and feet. At times my feet became so swollen that I could not wear my shoes, while the constant itching of the eruption on my hands and arms became almost unbearable. Upon the recommendation of another such sufferer as myself, I began the use of D. D. D., and it gave me immediate relief. I have now fully recovered from my ailment, and I give D. D. D. the credit for affecting, what is to me and my friends, a marvelous cure.

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Name .....

Address .....

IN LOCAL MARKETS

Potato Prices Go Up, and Hard to Get.

EGG AND BUTTER EASY.

Pork Holds at 7½c—Eggs Plenty at 17c to 18c—Butter 19 to 20c—Potatoes Are at 90c to $1.10.

Barre, Vt., May 9, 1906.

Potato prices go up and they are hard to yet. Eggs and butter are easy. We quote wholesale prices as follows:

Dressed Pork—Steady, at 7½.
Veals—8½@9c.
Lambs—11@12c.
Mutton—10@11c.
Chickens—18@20c.
Fowls—15@16c.
Eggs—Continue plenty at 17@19c.
Butter—Easy, but unchanged; creamery, 22@23c; fancy dairy, 19@20c.
Potatoes—Farmers refuse to sell until after planting; prices from 90c to $1.10 per bushel.
Parsnips—Washed, 1½@2.

RICKER'S ST. JOHNSBURY MARKET

Wool 24@27c—Maple Sugar at 8c per Pound.

St. Johnsbury, May 9.—The receipts at W. A. Ricker's market for the week ending May 7 were:

Poultry—200 pounds, 8@9c.
Lambs—10, 3@5c.
Hogs—400, 5@5½c.
Cattle—200, 2@4c.
Calves—500, 2½@5c.
Milch Cows—$25@45.
Wool—24@27c.
Maple Sugar—8c.

In Boston Markets.

Boston, May 9.—The local butter market does not change much. Fresh stock is here in plenty, but not much of it grades fancy and there is very little call for anything else.

New cheese is in full supply, but only the best lots are having any call. Fine old stock is in limited supply and brings full former quotations.

Local receipts of eggs are of record-breaking proportions. Offerings are heavy, but the demand is good and prices are well sustained:

Quotations follow:

Butter—Creamery extra Vermont and New Hhampshire 20½c, northern New York 20½c, western 20@20½c, northern creamery firsts 18@19c, western creamery firsts 18@19c, creamery seconds 16@17c, creamery thirds 14@15c, eastern creamery, best marks 19@20c, fair to good 17@18c, dairy extra 19c, common to good 15@18c, western ladles 14@15c, packing stock 13@15c, renovated butter 15@17c, boxes and prints 15@20½c.

Cheese—New York twins, fancy 14@14½c, fair to good 12@13c. Vermont twins fancy 13½@14c, fair to good 11½@12½c, new stock, New York twins, fancy 10c, fair to goods 9@9½c, Wisconsin twins 9@10c.

Eggs—Fancy hennery 20c, eastern extras 18c, common to good 15@17c, western best marks 17@17½, fair to good 16½@17c, fresh laid southern 16½@17c, western dirties 14½@15c, storage packed western firsts 17¾@18½c.

Note.—The above quotations represent the prices obtained by receivers for wholesale lots and not jobbing prices.

PLOT TO KILL CACERES.

Several Arrests Are Made in Santo Domingo.

Santo Domingo, Republic of Santo Domingo, via ayti, May 9.—It became known yesterday that the authorities on Sunday, May 6, discovered a plot to assassinate President Caceres as he was leaving the theatre. Several arrests have been made. Shots were exchanged Monday night near this city, between the rural guards and supposed revolutionists. The city and its surroundings were calm yesterday morning.

Catarrhal Gastritis

"For two years I was in a very bad condition. I was treated by a number of eminent physicians for chronic catarrhal gastritis and dilatation of the stomach, and obtained no relief. I grew gradually worse, my breathing was so difficult at times that I thought I would die. My heart was in very bad condition from poor circulation and pressure of the dilated stomach. I decided it was only a matter of a very short time with me. I was advised to try Dr. Miles' Nervine and Heart Cure, and before I had finished taking one bottle of the medicine I felt like a new being. I took eight bottles of the medicine, and am entirely cured, for a matter of about $8.00 in the face of two hundreds spent in the two years before without relief." A. D. SLACK.

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The accompanying picture illustrates how one buyer of a "cheap" cream separator feels over his great "bargain" and how he has arranged to punish himself for so wasting his money, time, labor and product.

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ONE MAN'S WORK IN THE SAN FRANCISCO DISASTER.

What Lieut. M'Millan Did to Further Both Law and Order—Highest Praise in Government Report.

Washington, D. C., May 9.—Lieut. C. C. McMillan of the revenue cutter Bear, even in the undemonstrative language of a government report, is warmly praised for good work at San Francisco.

"These," it declares, "are some of the things he has done:

"He undoubtedly saved the appraisers' building. He took a gang of murderers from the city pen at the request of the authorities and turned them over to the army people at Fort Mason. He impressed all who came around the Fairmount Hotel, and put them to work on the fire apparatus in a vain attempt to save the hotel. He saved most of the valuable paintings in the Mark Hopkins Institute of Art, and, when they were about to be burned on account of the irresistible rush of the flames, he had the paintings cut from the frames and carried away.

"A city fire engine was abandoned, which he took in charge and made with it a heroic fight against the flames. He broke open several grocery stores that were about to be burned and fed thousands. When he could no longer fight the fire he proceeded in advance of the flames and destroyed hundreds of barrels of whiskey, and in that manner prevented much looting and kept the liquor from the lawless element.

"When he could no longer save property, he retreated to the Bear's steam launch and rendered all possible aid along the water front, and when the launch broke down he secured the loan of an old tug, fixed her up, and reported to Capt. Hamlet for duty on the water front."

It is also recorded on the authority of a San Francisco newspaper that the lieutenant found time to quell a mob of rioters at the point of his pistol, restored order, and prevented looting.

A letter received from Gen. Funston by one of his friends in the war department says:

"In taking the action I did on the morning of the earthquake, marching the troops into the city for the purpose of aiding the police and fire departments, I knew that I was acting without warrant of law; but the constitution and laws were not framed for the purpose of dealing with the conditions arising from earthquakes and tremendous conflagrations. Fortunately we had a level-headed lot of city officials to deal with.

"The swift and efficient work of the army during the terrible three days and nights of fire has made a great impression on people here. The orders to the troops were transmitted by mounted messengers, all telegraphs and telephones being put out of business; but in an hour and a half we had them patrolling the down town streets.

"The staff officers here have shown up splendidly, and it would be hard to make distinctions."

BANK VAULTS ARE OPEN.

Large Safe Deposit Institutions in 'Frisco Find Contents Unharmed.

San Francisco, May 9.—Safety deposit boxes in several big institutions that provide these fireproof receptacles for the public were opened yesterday. The vaults opened were those of the Union Trust, Crocker-Woolworth, Canadian Bank of Commerce, and Mercantile Trust Institutions. Steel and asbestos had performed their trust well. All the contents of the steel boxes were found intact. Nothing was harmed.

The total amounts of goods sent to this city by railroads up to and including May 1 amounts to 2,330 carloads, according to Dr. Edward T. Devine, head of the Red Cross work.

"This represents a large amount of supplies," he said, "but nothing like the amount we will have to have."

Big Insurance Split Has Come in N. Y.

New York, May 9.—Efforts to adjust the losses and protect the reserves of the various insurance companies as a result of the San Francisco disaster, have not only resulted in a split in the New York fire insurance exchange, but seem likely to bring about a tangle in the insurance world that will not be straightened out for a long time.

The Continental Insurance Company, through Henry Evans, its president, has served notice of its withdrawal from the exchange. Further withdrawals are likely, and may result in the entire dissolution of the exchange, which has maintained an agreement as to rates and commissions which all the companies doing business in this city pledged themselves not to violate.

At the monthly meeting of the exchange to be held at 11 a. m. Wednesday there is likely to be some lively discussion. It was learned yesterday that some of the companies hope to be able to take advantage of a California state law which they believe will relieve them of paying any of the losses by fire or otherwise on contracts which had the earthquake clause in them.

NEW YORK CAPITAL IS INTERESTED IN PLAN.

A Project to Finance a Scheme for Rebuilding the Ruined Golden Gtae City.

New York, May 9.—Conferences are in progress in this city, it is learned, looking to the formation of a syndicate which shall finance the requirements of San Francisco in the direction of rebuilding the wrecked city.

One of these meetings was held Monday, those present being Senator Newlands of Nevada, Frank A. Vanderlip, vice president of the National City Bank; H. S. Black, president of the United States Realty & Improvement company; Thomas Magee, a large estate owner of San Francisco, and ex-Congressman Lane of California.

It is the feeling of those interested in the proposed financing that large institutions would probably not, in view of the recent earthquake in San Francisco, deem it desirable to lend great sums on single new buildings in that city, and that the raising of such sums could be more readily accomplished through a syndicate. Just what methods the syndicate will adopt, however, have not been settled.

The whole project is yet in the formative stage. W. A. Simonson, one of the vice presidents of the National City Bank, who went to San Francisco immediately after the earthquake, returned yesterday to this city, and presumably his report upon the situation will be placed before the projectors of the syndicate with which city bank interests will undoubtedly be identified.

CRASH IN HAVANA KILLS SIX.

Portion of Cigarette Factory, in Course of Construction, Collapses.

Havana, May 9.—The pillars suporting the second floor and roof of the rear part of a large, new cigarette factory belonging to Jose Caner collapsed yesterday; and of the forty men and women working in that part of the factory half were caught in the falling stone, brick, and timber debris.

Six persons were taken out dead, and a dozen more were injured.

The dead and injured include cigarette makers and men who were at work in the building.

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