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Which Was Crazy?

Two brothers from a north Missouri county appeared one morning at the St. Joseph insane asylum, one of them to be incarcerated there as a patient and the other having him in charge as far as the asylum. They were dressed very much alike and the observer on the train would not have detected insanity in either. The asylum manager was in a quandary. He chatted with his visitors until a late hour and then locked them up in a room together. Then he telegraphed authorities at the town where the brothers lived.

"Two men arrived from your town today; both dressed alike; one calls himself Bill and talks of constructing an air line to the moon; the other goes by the name of Dave and advocates the gold standard; which shall I keep?"—
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Value of a Good Reputation.

The value of a good reputation is never so strikingly shown as when accusations of crime are made against a man of good repute. His reputation is a shield that can be broken down only by the most positive testimony. On the other hand everybody is ready to believe a charge of evil brought against a man of bad repute. We read of instances almost every day. A crime is committed and the police arrest a suspect. At first there is little evidence against him. He was observed near the scene of the crime about the time of its commission, and this fact alone, being

coupled with his bad reputation, is held to justify his detention until investigation can be made. Under similar circumstances a man of good reputation is in no danger of arrest. He can defend himself against much stronger circumstantial evidence. A criminal career must have a beginning, and it sometimes happens that a man of previous good reputation commits a crime; but in such a case it is most difficult to convict him except on positive testimony. Sometimes, indeed, it is shown that his good

reputation was undeserved; that he had been leading a double life; and then, of course, his reputation being gone, he becomes more vulnerable. It is a general truth, however, that a good reputation protects a man from suspicion of wrong doing and that a bad reputation directs suspicion against him.—Baltimore Sun.

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