

"Stop, look and listen" confronts one at many rail crossings. Accidents were traceable to the long-winded signs and one road finally engaged Judge Paxton to write one that would meet every emergency. He produced the now famous "Stop, Look and Listen" and received \$5,000 for it, or \$1,000 per word, which is probably a record figure.—Mertz Magazine.

It seldom pays to use expensive space in telling people what not to do. Use it in creating a positive condition, an impulse of desire; then engineer its gratification in the direction of your own goods.—Fame.

CRISIS AVERTED IN NEW YORK BANKING CIRCLES

Heinze, Morse and Thomas Interests Eliminated and Institutions Are Declared to Be Sound.

Mercantile National Will Undergo a Process of Slow Liquidation—Financial Situation Clearing.

New York, Oct. 20.—At a late hour the Associated Press was assured by the clearing house committee that the Heinze, Morse and Thomas interests had been eliminated from the banking organizations of New York City and in the light of this fact the clearing house association announced its readiness to lend all necessary aid to any of the banks which have been under suspicion, the clearing house investigation having established their solvency.

It is believed that this action will prevent any crisis in New York banking circles.

William H. Havemeyer, one of its directors, was today elected to the presidency of the National Bank of North America, succeeding Alfred H. Curtis, resigned.

It is understood that the Mercantile National bank will undergo a process of slow liquidation.

New York, Oct. 20.—At a special meeting of the board of directors of the Mercantile National bank this afternoon Seth M. Milliken was elected president of the bank to succeed F. Augustus Heinze, resigned. At the same time William Skinner and Gerish H. Milliken were elected additional vice presidents, Gerish Milliken being added to the board of directors.

The clearing house committee met with the directors of the bank and the two boards were in session for about four hours. Later William H. Sherer, manager of the Clearing House Association, on behalf of the association, gave out the following statement:

Banks Are Solvent.

"A committee of the clearing house has examined the several banks of the association which have been under criticism and find them solvent. The clearing house committee has decided to render them such assistance to meet their deposits as the committee may think necessary."

Neither the members of the board of the Mercantile National nor the clearing house committee would add to these announcements. The statement of Mr. Sherer is, however, taken to mean that the clearing house committee is perfectly satisfied with the reorganization of the Mercantile National bank and will see that the bank is enabled to meet any crisis that the widely published story about its condition and the collapse of the Heinze corner in United Copper, may force it to face.

After the meeting of the Mercantile National bank directors E. R. Thomas, one of the directors, announced that he had disposed of all his holdings in the Hamilton bank to a syndicate composed of men interested in the bank. This action had been expected.

Milliken a Financier.

Mr. Milliken, who heads the new list of officers of the Mercantile National, is one of the best known of New York's capitalists. He had been for some time a member of the board of directors of the bank. He is a rich man and a member of the firm of Deering, Milliken & Co. He is an officer or director of a score of northern wool companies and southern cotton companies. He is well known in business circles and is said to be the choice of the clearing house committee to the position to which he was elected today.

William Skinner, who was elected vice president of the bank, is president of the William Skinner Manufacturing company and is a director in a large number of railroad companies, including the New York, New Haven & Hartford.

Gerish H. Milliken is a son of Seth M. Milliken. While none of these connected with the Mercantile National or the clearing house would discuss any phase of the matter today, it is known that it is the belief of the clearing house committee that the election of Mr. Milliken as head of the bank will relieve the uneasiness in the financial district and the action was taken today that it might have a quieting effect on the market on the opening of the stock exchange tomorrow.

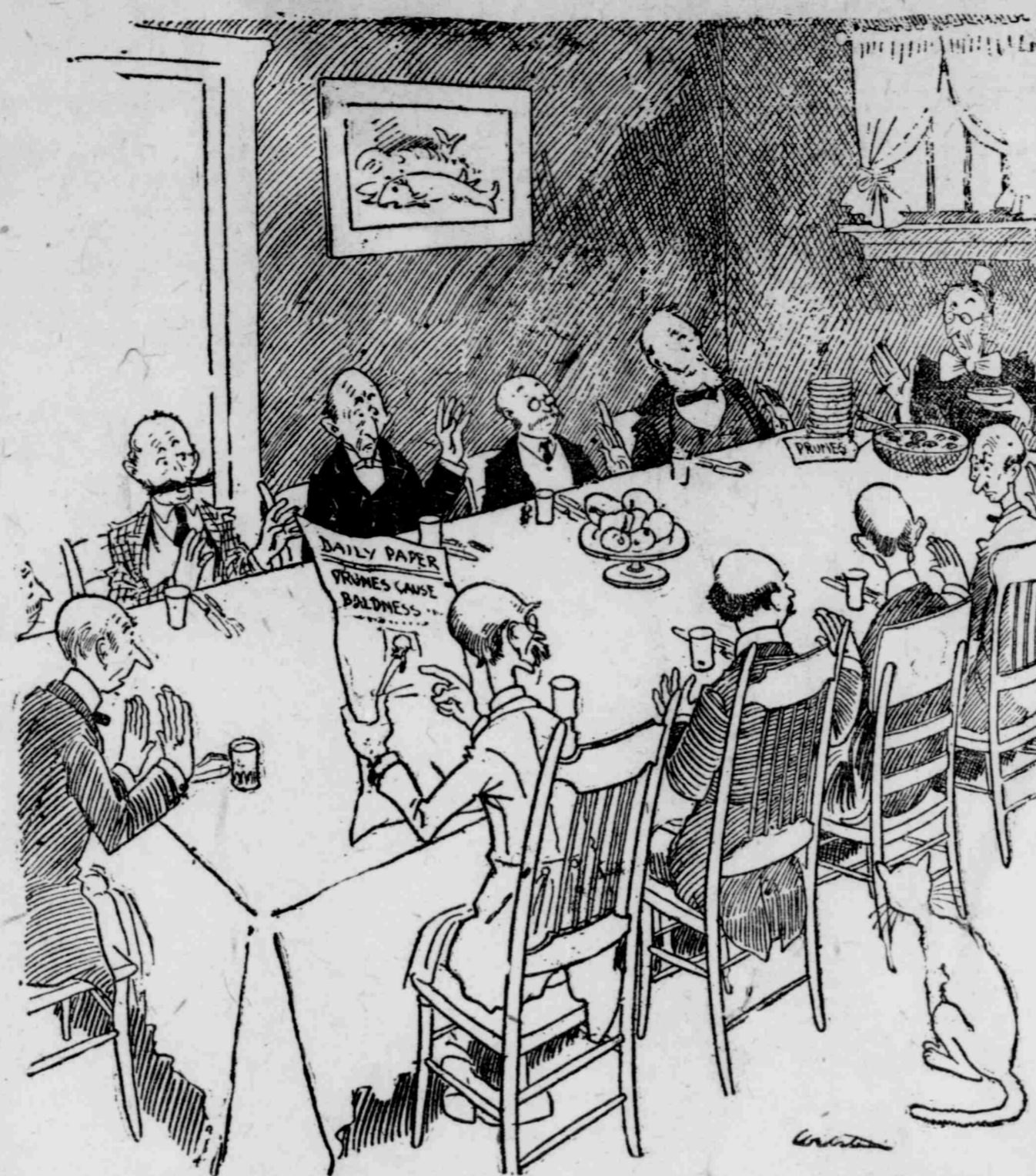
Statement of Mr. Morse.

Charles W. Morse announced today his resignation from the directorate of every local bank with which he was connected. He gave out the following formal statement:

"Owing to my connection with the affairs of the Mercantile National bank and the seemingly disturbed condition of the public mind, I have determined, without the slightest suggestion or solicitation on the part of any one, that my resignation from the various boards of directors of the other banks with which an association might be for the best interests of the depositors, stockholders and others interested in those banks. Accordingly I have this day tendered my resignation in all the banks in which I have been serving as director."

FATAL AUTO ACCIDENT

Pontiac, Mich., Oct. 20.—In an automobile accident here early today Harry Wood, aged 40, was killed and Karl E. Smith, an automobile dealer for a local factory, had his right arm broken. Smith was driving home when Wood and three other men asked for a ride. Smith took the men into his machine. While running about forty miles an hour the automobile began skidding and Wood, unaccustomed to riding in a machine, became frightened and grabbed the controller, swerving the machine into the ditch, where it hit a trolley pole. The other three men were uninjured.



Dramatic moment at dinner when all of the boarders refused prunes. (Professor Troussart declared today before the Academy of Sciences that there is a well defined connection between a diet of prunes and baldness.)

PRODUCTION OF GOLD AND SILVER

Increase of \$6,193,100 in Amount of Yellow Metal in 1906 Over Preceding Year.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 20.—George E. Roberts, who retired from the position of director of the mint on August 1, 1907, has completed a compilation of the statistics on production of gold and silver in the various states and territories of the United States for the calendar year, 1906. Mr. Roberts estimates the production of gold in the United States during the calendar year 1906 to have been \$4,373,800 as against \$8,130,300 for the calendar year 1905, a net gain in 1906 of \$6,193,100. The principal gain was in Alaska, which amounted to \$4,433,500. Nevada's gain was \$2,300, Arizona \$55,900, and Virginia \$5,300. The greatest loss of gold in any state was in Colorado, where there was a decrease of \$2,766,700. The next largest loss was in Montana, \$397,300. California lost \$284,200, Washington, \$267,000, Idaho, \$200,000, and Wyoming \$18,000. The total number of the ounces of gold produced was 4,465,330.

PRODUCTION OF SILVER

The total production of silver in the United States during the calendar year 1906 is given as 56,517,500 fine ounces of the commercial value of \$32,226,000, as against 56,101,600 fine ounces of the commercial value of \$34,221,956 in 1905. The net gain in the production of silver during the calendar year 1906 in Arizona was 362,500 ounces; California, 435,500; Idaho, 710,500; and Utah, 1,138,300. The loss in the production of silver during the year in Montana was 914,000 ounces, and in Colorado 455,400 ounces.

PRODUCTION BY STATES

Table with columns for State, Gold value, Silver value, and Total value. States listed include Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Washington, and Wyoming.

ENORMOUS COST OF PEACE CONFERENCE

The Hague, Oct. 20.—Now that the international peace conference has closed, it is interesting to study some of the figures which have been prepared on the cost of the four months' session. The general expenses of all the delegates is estimated at \$2,500,000, of which \$225,000 was spent to pay the cost of 317 dinners. The amount spent by the various delegations, the press associations and individual newspapers for telegraphic tolls amounted to \$25,072. More than a million words of press matter concerning the conference were sent out.

PLAGUE AT SEATTLE

Seattle, Oct. 20.—Bubonic plague has broken loose in Seattle and a death having resulted thus far. Leon Seng died at his home in this city Friday night, and a post mortem examination held today proved conclusively that he succumbed to the plague. Additional inspectors have been appointed and every effort is being made by the health authorities to check the spread of the disease. Governor Mead has been called upon for assistance, and rigorous health rules will be immediately established. The announcement that the plague existed in this city was made today after a meeting of medical men, at which Mayor Moore was present.

COUGHING FITS MORE FREQUENT

Emperor Francis Joseph Nervous and Restless—Will Not Follow Doctor's Advice.

Vienna, Oct. 20.—Emperor Francis Joseph passed a rather unsatisfactory night. He was disturbed frequently by fits of coughing, which were followed by nervous restlessness. This morning the patient arose at his usual hour, but he was not able to attend the religious services that had been arranged for today and consequently the mass was not said. In spite of the doctor's advice the emperor today insisted upon receiving the heads of his civil and military cabinets. General Bolfras, his aide-de-camp, stayed with him for an hour. At the end of this interview his majesty was somewhat fatigued. The doctors found this morning that the catarrh was slightly better, but the patient still had fits of dry coughing. Considerable care is necessary in conserving the strength of the emperor. Archduke Franz Ferdinand, heir to the throne, visited the castle today and remained for an hour. He inquired regarding the emperor's condition, but did not see him.

CROWN PRINCE GOES HOME

Future Emperor of Japan Satisfied With Result of His Visit to Seoul.

Seoul, Oct. 20.—The climax of the festivities in this city in honor of the visit of the Japanese crown prince was reached in a lantern procession in which ten thousand people took part. It was witnessed by the crown prince of Japan and the crown prince of Korea and their respective suites from a hill near the residence. For several hours the city of Seoul, which is composed of one-story houses, appeared to be intersected by waving streams of colored fire. The procession was divided into sections corresponding to the various divisions of the city. Each section was accompanied by a band of music. The national air of Japan was rendered more frequently than any other piece. The crown prince of Japan bade farewell to the emperor and the former emperor of Korea yesterday evening. He thanked them warmly for the hospitality extended to him in Seoul. The young crown prince of Korea has formed a great friendship for the crown prince of Japan. He accompanied him everywhere during the last few days and this afternoon went down to Chemulpo with the Japanese visitor and bade him farewell on board the Japanese warship in the harbor. It is difficult to gauge the real feeling of the Koreans in the matter of this visit to Seoul of the young man who ultimately is destined to become emperor of Japan. Unbiased observers of long residence in Seoul are of the opinion that it has produced an excellent impression. The tact and gentility of the Japanese crown prince have completely won over the emperor of Korea and his ministers, and the people are gratified at the respect shown Korean royalty.

SEARCH BEING MADE FOR MISSING HEIR

San Francisco, Oct. 20.—A close search is being made here for Harry W. Nonnast, formerly of Chicago, who was last heard from in San Francisco two years ago, when he was about to enter a hospital. An uncle of Nonnast has since died, leaving a large estate. The will provides that Nonnast must either completely win over the emperor of Korea and his ministers, and the people are gratified at the respect shown Korean royalty.

NEW PRINCIPLE IS DISCOVERED

Heavier Than Air Machines for Aerial Navigation Expected to Solve Problem.

Paris, Oct. 20.—A new principle of aerial navigation with heavier-than-air machines has been employed in some recent experiments and gives promise of large results. Instead of using planes on the box kites principle, driven by a vertical propeller, as is the case in the aeroplanes of Santos Dumont and other experimenters up to this time, rotary horizontal planes are used. In other words, the gyroscopic principle is employed and the machine is called the gyroscope. The theory is that by employment of horizontal rotors the machine can be easily lifted and lowered after the fashion of the old "helicopter" toy, longitudinal motion being obtained by the forces of gravitation by allowing the machine to dip and rise every few minutes in the same way that heavy birds soar.

ST. ANDREW'S CROSS

Count De Lambert believes that this is the true solution of aerial flight, but the honor of constructing the first machine in motion and being easily sustained in the air with seventy-eight revolutions a minute. When the motor was slowed down the gyroscope descended gently. Perfect equilibrium was maintained. Longitudinal flight has not yet been attempted, but the inventor thinks it will be easy to make seventy-five kilometers an hour.

ACTORS WILL BE INDICTED

All the Theatres in Kansas City Open on Sunday in Defiance of Judge Wallace. Kansas City, Mo., Oct. 20.—All the theatres of this city were open today in violation of the Sunday closing order of Judge Wallace of the criminal court, and all the actors and actresses who participated in the various performances will be indicted by the grand jury next Tuesday. Scores of city detectives and deputy marshals were busy today securing evidence against the violators of the Sunday closing order, which will be presented Tuesday to the same grand jury which has already indicted all the theatrical managers here for keeping their playhouses open on Sunday. The persons indicted will be released on bond and Judge Wallace believes that this method of procedure, if adopted every Sunday, will prove so inconvenient to traveling actors that the theatres will be compelled to close. The theatres, which play to capacity every Sunday, turned away a greater number of persons than usual today, although the attractions were only ordinary in character. There was no disturbance of any kind.

NO CHADWICK ACCOUNT.

Pittsburg, Oct. 20.—Thomas W. Welsh, Jr., second vice president of the Second National bank of Pittsburg, today said that Mrs. Cassie Chadwick never had an account at the bank. At the time Mrs. Chadwick is said to have deposited \$200,000 Mr. Welsh was cashier of the institution.

STAGE HOODLUM AT LOVENDAH

Lone Highwayman Stops Murray Bus and Robs Passengers in Wild West Fashion.

IS GALLANT TO LADIES

BANDIT SECURES \$12.75 FROM EIGHT MEN.

Salt Lake's highwayman is apparently rusticated in the suburbs. Early yesterday morning a man, answering the description of the bandit who held up several saloons here recently, stopped the Murray stage, filled with passengers, and took all the cash he could find in a hurried search. With him went the luck his daring crime was not profitable. All told, he did not get away with more than \$12.75. But he proved himself a gallant rogue. Four women who were in the stage at the time of the robbery were not molested. The highwayman, they at least were left with the impression that he was a "perfect gentleman."

When the last stage pulled out from Murray for Sandy at 2 o'clock yesterday morning the highwayman, who had been waiting for several hours, saw the passengers, seven men and four women.

Near Lovendahl, about a mile and a half from Murray, a man sprang from the bushes at the side of the road, and commanded David Esty, the driver, to halt. A big revolver held in his right hand emphasized the demand.

Esty quickly brought his horses to a standstill. The robber, still holding his weapon menacingly, cautiously directed the driver to get out of the stage, he said:

A Chivalrous Highwayman.

"Ladies, don't be afraid. I'm not going to hurt you." Then in a stern voice he added: "You men get out, and do it quick."

The seven men and the driver alighted. When they were lined up, the robber went through them. It could be seen that he was in a hurry. His search of the pockets of his victims was rapid and perfunctory.

He paid no attention to the jewelry worn by the men, although some had fine gold watches and one diamond flashed here and there. He first examined the pockets of Esty, the driver. He was in such a hurry that he overlooked \$20 which Esty had in his pocket. While he was engaged with the other men Esty managed to throw part of this money into the bottom of the stage.

But \$275 of the amount was in silver and Esty was afraid to attempt to secure it, thinking that it might frighten and betray him. After searching all the men the bandit had about \$10. He was clearly dissatisfied. This must have caused him to search Esty for the second time. He then found the \$275.

During the time he spent in going through the pockets of the men, he was careful to give none of them a chance to grapple with and overpower him. It may have been this caution which made his search lack thoroughness.

At last he ordered the passengers back into the stage and told Esty to drive on. To add bravado to his feat, he swung on behind the moving vehicle, standing upon the steps. After riding in this way a short distance he dropped off and disappeared in the darkness.

Dr. A. C. Young was hastily summoned and arrived just in time to take measures which may save the convict's life, unless complications have set in. Douglas was unwilling to receive the attention of the physician, and is being watched night and day to prevent his undoing. Dr. Young's work to keep the spark of life in his body.

Crippled for Life.

If he recovers, he will be a cripple for the remainder of his life, as the knife cut cords of his left arm and he will never be able to use his neck again. The wound upon his neck was also an ugly one. Had the blade of the knife penetrated a fraction of an inch deeper, Douglas would have bled to death before the "trustee" found him in the loft.

Douglas killed his wife with a shotgun. On the day of the killing he invited her to go driving with him. While the two were out in the buggy, they must have quarreled, for as soon as they got back to their home, Douglas ran into the house, seized a revolver and shot down his wife on the threshold.

Through the channels by which convicts are able to obtain the news of prisons, the story of the attempted suicide spread through the penitentiary and made a deep impression upon the men imprisoned there.

A Dramatic Sequel.

A dramatic sequel to Douglas's act was the sermon of Dean W. R. Harris of the Kearns St. Ann's orphanage in the prison chapel yesterday. More than 200 convicts listened to the address in a tense silence, dicing which the rustle of a garment could have been heard.

Dean Harris spoke of the crime of suicide. He branded it as not only cowardly, but criminal.

"The man who slays himself is a murderer," he said. "He is a murderer because..."

For a moment Dean Harris paused with uplifted hand. The convicts bent forward, stirred by the eloquence of the divine.

"He is a murderer because he murders his mother's son," concluded the dean, and a slow sigh swept over the crowd of convict listeners.

Rev. Father W. K. Ryan of St. Mary's cathedral also addressed the prisoners.

At the close of the hour allowed for the Catholic services, Dean Harris remarked that he would have to close, so as not to overstep the allotted time. Warden Pratt, who was a witness of the wonderful effect of Dean Harris' address upon the imprisoned men, assured him that his time was not limited.

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HISSES FOR SMALL

Chicago, Oct. 20.—Sylvester J. Small, former president of the Commercial Telegraphers' union, was hissed and jeered by six hundred members of the Chicago local union before whom he appeared this afternoon in an effort to justify his action in seeking to end the strike. Nearly a third of those present left the hall after shouting insults at their deposed leader. When order had been restored, action was taken increasing the assessment upon leased wire operators from one day's pay per week, as at present, to two days' pay per week, for the benefit of the strike treasury and four operators were suspended from the union for non-payment of their assessments.

Vice President W. W. Beattie of Washington was named as the choice of the Chicago local for successor to Small.

LIFER TRIES TO COMMIT SUICIDE

John Douglas, Wife Slayer, Slashes Arm and Throat in Pen.

CRAWLS AWAY TO DIE

ACT HAS DRAMATIC SEQUEL IN PRISON CHAPEL.

Yielding to despair after serving ten years of a life sentence, John Douglas, a convicted murderer in the state penitentiary, almost succeeded in ending his life on Saturday morning, and is now in a serious condition in the prison hospital.

Douglas was an Ogden blacksmith. Ten years ago he killed his wife, and was sentenced to the penitentiary for life. He was given work in the prison blacksmith shop.

As year after year passed behind the grim walls of the penitentiary despair gripped the heart of the wife slayer. He must have made up his mind to kill himself a long time ago, as the weapon with which he attempted the deed was made of a piece of iron he had picked up about the blacksmith shop and secreted about his person. It must have taken an infinite amount of pains to fashion the crude weapon in the prison shop, under the constant gaze of the guards. But the work was completed on Saturday morning and Douglas was ready for death.

Leaving the prison blacksmith shop about 10:30 o'clock, Douglas went to the barn and ascended to the hayloft, where he slashed himself with the knife, cutting the arteries of his left arm and inflicting a deep gash in his neck. He then crawled into the hay to die.

Found by a Trusty.

As the desperate man lay waiting for death to come to him, another prisoner, known as a "trusty," ascended to the loft to get some hay. In the darkness, he stumbled across Douglas.

"What's the matter?" he exclaimed. "What are you doing up here?"

"Go away, leave me here," gasped Douglas.

"What's happened?" cried the trusty, placing his hand upon the recumbent man and drawing him back hastily, stained with blood.

"Go away," repeated Douglas. "I want to die. If you are a friend, if you can pity a man who suffers, let me die quietly here. Don't intrude your self."

The horrified "trusty" crept from the loft and at once raised the alarm. Douglas was taken from the loft to the prison hospital. He was then faint from loss of blood, and seemed near to death.

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