

THE POLICEMAN'S LOT.

Why It Is Not Altogether a Happy One.

HIS JOYS AND TRIBULATIONS.

How Strong Men Rise From Humble Posts to Positions of Great Honor and Responsibility—Chicago's New Superintendent, The Prefect of the Paris Police.

Those who imagine that a policeman's life is of a rosy hue from the rising of the sun to the going down of the same are likely to be greatly mistaken. Walking the streets is no serious matter if followed for an hour or two as an amusement, but when practiced steadily for 12 hours a day it becomes hard work. The policeman's legs may give out, his ample calves may tremble from sheer fatigue, but he may not let down, or if he does it is at the risk of missing some



AT THE FRUIT STAND.

thing of importance to him. He is held personally responsible for everything that goes on in the district under his charge, and if anything is wrong he must be prepared to explain it. If a dozen "tongues" armed with clubs, brass knuckles, knives, razors, beer mallets, revolvers and other means of defense and offense get into a general fight in a low saloon he must be prepared to rush in single handed, and at the risk of his life attempt to quell the disturbance and arrest the brawlers.

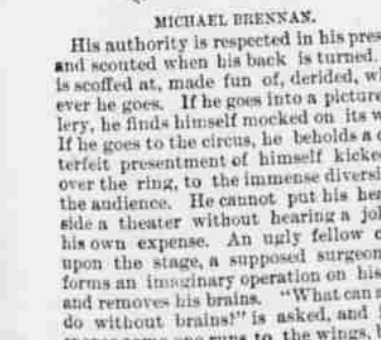
Nor do his troubles end here. His place is generally regarded as so desirable that from two to a dozen men are all the time earnestly engaged in the effort to get him put out in order that they may have a chance to get in, and he must accordingly keep on good terms with his superiors and with men of influence on his beat, under that he may not become unpopular and so be marked for dismissal when the first complaint is entered against him.

But the policeman does not generally take his troubles much to heart. His open air life tends to promote cheerfulness, and cheerfulness promotes digestion. Digestion in turn helps on his appetite, and the frequency with which he satisfies his hunger at apple stands and free lunch counters and by giving him an amplitude of waist proportioned to the length of time he has been on the force. Year by year he increases the size of belt which incloses his manly form. Year by year the amount of material which enters into the regulation uniform is greater, and as he becomes more comfortable in his views of life enlarge and he becomes more cheerful.

He regards with a more lenient eye the capers of the street boys, listens with philosophic patience and without interference to the quarrels of truck drivers and answers with equanimity the questions of bewildered old women who lose their way and find it impossible to understand his directions. With increasing benevolence comes augmented popularity. He becomes a favorite on his beat. It lies in a residence district, he knows all the young and handsome cooks, and knows more than a few of the little beauties of which he is the beneficiary at their charitable hands. If on a down town beat, he is welcome at the back door of any saloon, and a sandwich and glass of beer are always at his service.

The most serious drawback to the policeman's considerable business is the fact that the dissolute and criminal classes this antagonism is active and perpetual; among other people it is occasional, but not the less pronounced. He is to nine-tenths of the people the only embodiment of the law they know anything about—except to the law the restraints of law are some times irksome.

The policeman on the beat comes round promptly after the first snow falls in the early winter and notifies the householder to have it shoveled off the pavement. At intervals of a few days he comes to the door to mention a stop bark in the back yard or to inquire if there are any vehicles or dogs on the place on which taxes have not been paid.



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His authority is respected in his presence and scouted when his back is turned. He is scoffed at, made fun of, derided, wherever he goes. If he goes into a picture gallery, he finds himself crowded to the walls. If he goes to the circus, he beholds a counterfeiter presentment of himself kicked all over the ring, to the immense diversion of the audience. He cannot put his head inside a theater without hearing a joke and removing his brains. "What can a man do without brains?" is asked, and in response some one runs to the wings, brings back a police coat and hat, puts them on the brainless individual and beholds him fitted out as a policeman, with the boys in the gallery screaming at the men in the audience turn round to look at the policeman standing up behind to see how he takes the joke.

Such jokes as these would embitter his life, for he knows they represent a popular feeling of dislike to him and his calling, and he is not also known perfectly well that half the laughers would themselves like to be policemen if they only had the influence necessary to secure an appointment. So he does not take anything much to heart, but goes on his way performing his multifarious duties as well as he can. And, after all, in spite of the tongue abuse and the jests at his expense he knows that beneath the surface there is a firmly grounded fear of his authority not for his own sake, but for the sake of the law which he represents. A crowd of friends and relations to separate two drunken brawlers; a policeman appears and strife is at an end.

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At the recent World's Fair the examinations for the baking powder awards were made by the experts of the chemical division of the Agricultural Department at Washington. The official report of the tests of the baking powders which were made by this department for the specific purpose of ascertaining which was the best and which has been made public, shows the leaving strength of the Royal to be 100 cubic inches of carbonic gas per ounce of powder. Of the cream of tartar baking powder exhibited, only 75 cubic inches of gas were obtained. The other powders gave an average of 111. The Royal, therefore, was 25 per cent greater leaving strength than its nearest competitor, and 44 per cent above the average of all the other tests. Its superiority in other respects, however, is shown by statistics to exceed the sales of all other baking powders combined.

A Clever Dwarf.

A magnificent feast had been prepared at Burrell in honor of the king and queen, and it was arranged that the little dwarf, Jeffrey, should act from a huge receptacle of pastry into her majesty's service. A pie of appearance was not new even then. A pie with a dwarf inside was thought of as "dainty dish to set before a king," and a gift of this kind was often made to the sovereign's favor.

On the day of the dinner Jeffrey found himself imprisoned in a large dish, surrounded by a high wall of standing crust. Of course a way had been found to give him air, but he afterward said he felt buried alive. To add to his discomfort Buckingham said he would be better eaten warm than cold.

Young Jeffrey remained quiet and said never a word as the dish was carried to the kitchen; but he was far from happy and thought of Nebuchadnezzar and the fiery furnace until he was freed by the application of a hot iron.

The cook, however, understood the joke and the dwarf pie was placed in safety on the royal table. At last came the fateful time—the crowning moment of Jeffrey's life. The pie was opened, the trumpet sounded, and forth sprang the dwarf. He was clad in a full suit of armor and skipped about the table shaking his little sword at some of the guests; and, remembering the scorching the duke had threatened for him, he gave a vicious little tweak at his grace's noble and beautiful daughter.

The application is, it is doubtless made back in time to save his handsome face and threatened to eulge the young knave with a chicken bone; but the king laughed and said Buckingham was served quite right.

By this time Jeffrey was nearly deafened with applause, and had the perfume of the ladies sprinkled upon him, so he hastened to end the scene by prostrating himself before the queen's plate and entreating to be taken into her service.—St. Nicholas.

What General Lane Did for Texas.

One episode in the career of the late General Walter P. Lane will forever endure in the hearts of the Texas people. During the Mexican war, while he was major of the regiment of Texas Rangers, under General Wool, he was sent with a small body of men in the direction of San Luis Potosi to discover the movements of the Mexican army. There were two roads to San Luis Potosi, one by Matamoras, a strong fort, the other by the great hacienda of Salado, where the seven Texas war prisoners drew black beans in 1846 and were shot. The two roads were divided by a range of mountains. Lane took the left hand, and actually penetrated to and entered the city of Matamoras with its 20,000 garrison, and more than three hundred men. He ordered and obtained dinner at a meson, a sort of wagon yard inn, announced that a large American army was near and feasted his men to their full.

Then remounting he retired obliquely across the mountains and the road and struck the hacienda of Salado. Seizing the alcalde he ordered the resurrection of the bones of the seventeen martyred Texans and demanded mules, sacks and everything necessary to bear them away. All were furnished, and the remains were laid out in a row in the street. Lane bore the relics to General Traylor, who had them escorted to La Grange, on the Colorado, where they were interred with great solemnity in the presence of thousands. Thus to General Lane Texas is indebted for the remains of these men of a remarkable heroism.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Negro Parting-tone.

Judge Dent of Newham had some queer witnesses in his court on Wednesday. They were negroes, and while endeavoring to attain the sublime heights of stilted phraseology abused the "king's English" in a frightful manner. "Why did you go there?" asked the judge. "Case I wanted to perpetrate de whole fax ob de case," was the answer. "Why did you do so?" another man was asked. "I done hit fer de reason dat I were egistical to know 'zactly how it wuz." For two hours the court room was lurid with just such English, but the judge was helpless and had to take the answers to his questions as he could get them.—Atlanta Constitution.

How Are You as a Detail?

"If I were hungry," said a philosopher, "and somebody should offer me food, I should not insist on a silver knife and fork to eat with. If I were cold and somebody should offer me a thick coat, I should not insist on having it of the color that pleased my fancy. If I were poor and somebody should offer me a fortune, I should not insist on having it in bills of a certain denomination. In fact, I think that I am disposed not to be overparticular about details.—New York Sun.

An Unhappy Banker.

Thousands of his acquaintances envied Herr Sommerfeld, the Berlin banker. Any thing that money could procure he had, and the best of everything was at his command. A Parisian tailor made his clothes, frequently visiting the Prussian capital to take his measure, with hundreds of cloth samples; his nutcase came from Wales and his beef from Scotland; he had two distinct kitchens in his residence, one controlled by a French cook, the other by an Englishman. In every respect his personal outfit was princely; yet he was an unhappy man, and he closed his career by suicide.—Yankee Blade.

The Value of Sight.

The value of the sight is never fully appreciated until it is lost or impaired. Few persons realize that the eye is an intricate piece of mechanism, with a vastly more complex and delicate adjustment than the simplest watch. Even in our public schools the children and youth are allowed to abuse it in a most perilous way, the teachers seeming to be perfectly ignorant of probable disastrous results.

Signs of Spring.

Sound of gusty driving rain. When we wake at midnight hush. See tipp' branches on the pine. Beating music to the show'.

Crows that caw from steaming woods. Robin piping in the glades. Birds that croon their winter hoops. Peep and blub like pretty maids.

Grateful odors of damp earth. Boist'rous glee of muddy rills. Shouting, brawling in her mirth. Down the bare flanks of the hills.

Here and there a crocus' head Thrusting up to dare the cold. While its sisters, warm in bed, Stir their coverlets of mold.

Spring is coming, spring is near: She is whispered in the air. Soon the blithe nymph will be here. Shaking blossoms from her hair.—James Buchanan in Harper's Bazar.

Signs of Spring in a City.

The present forward weather seems to be a great season for the small boy. He gets more solid enjoyment out of the warm days and the dry sidewalks than the street cleaning department of the board of public works. Every small boy who is anybody down on the heights has a pair of roller skates and a good strong on the asphalt pavement of that exclusive quarter, catch rides on the backs of grocery wagons and keep up a constant and eternal yelling. Why they yell does not appear. It is perhaps because a small boy cannot do much of anything without yelling. These boys go scurrying around corners on their skates in imminent danger of cracking their own skulls and to the great terror of passers by. They dodge under the heads of spirited coach horses and altogether make a fresh and healthy nuisance of themselves.

Those poorer boys who are not wealthy enough to afford each a pair of roller skates, split up a pair between two and go about pushing the wheeled foot in front of them, evidently having as much fun as the rest. The whipping top is also now much in vogue, and the boys and the rollers make life a burden to the nursemaids with their perambulators and babies and the policeman on the corner.—Brooklyn Eagle.

An American Absentee Landlord.

One of the principal arguments advanced in favor of deer forests is that those who are able to indulge in that luxury spend much money in the Highlands. But how if sportsmen insist on maintaining forest grounds and never visit them? Mr. Winans, whose sporting territory extends from the Beaulieu Fifth to the Atlantic—from London, in fact—has not shot over the land since during the past four years, and as the deer have in consequence multiplied enormously, the crofters of the district have resolved to ask the millionaire to allow them a day's shooting.

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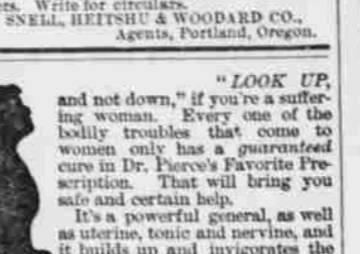
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