

VICTIM OF SHARKS

Farmer from Carolina Loses Five Hundred Dollars

STRANDED IN NEW YORK

Pays \$25 to Fake Real Estate Agent and Then Loses Wallet While Lamenting Expense of Living in Metropolis—Presents Pitiable Spectacle.

New York, June 17.—A sad experience with city sharpers has come into the life of Charles M. Brown, a truck farmer hailing from Hickory, N. C. Just now he is at a loss as to how to get back home, having been relieved of all his funds.

Some weeks ago Bower received a letter offering him a farm in New Jersey near this city. The price was small and he sent on \$25 to bind the bargain. Donning his best clothes he then set out for New York to inspect the farm. In his coat pocket were five \$100 dollar bills. Upon arriving, Bower met the real estate agent and visited the New Jersey farm with him. The land was nothing but a swamp, and in a rage the old man demanded that his \$25 be returned. The real estate agent laughed at him, but Bower had heard of District Attorney Jerome and went to him. An investigation was made with the result that a warrant was issued for the real estate dealer.

The old farmer was waiting about the criminal courts building to see his prisoner when he began to cogitate over the expense of living in New York and unmindful of the passing pedestrians sat down upon the stairs to figure up what he had spent and to count his money. There was still a balance of \$430 in the wallet. "How did I spend that \$40?" he asked himself, and placing his wallet beside his papers on the steps, Brower began to figure up what had become of the money. A thief saw the wallet; a skillful kick sent it down the steps without the old man noticing it and soon the thief and wallet were far away.

"Got to be careful with the rest," said Brower as he reached for the wallet. Then he saw there was done. His shouts attracted everyone in the court house, but to no purpose. Detectives were called but they have no hopes of recovering Brower's savings.

MASONS WILL ENTERTAIN TEMPLE LODGE ROYALLY

Event Will Occur St. John's Day—Splendid Program Arranged.

On St. John's day, June 23, there will occur in Masonic Hall, an entertainment in honor of Temple Lodge, No. 7. The object of the festivity will be an effort on the part of sojourning Masons to show their appreciation of the many courtesies extended by members of Temple Lodge. In so far as St. John's day is of great importance in Masonic circles, the selection of that date for the entertainment is considered very appropriate.

All sojourning Masons in the city have co-operated and intend to make the event one of the most memorable occasions in Astoria's social realm. An elaborate program is being arranged and while the details have not been divulged, persistent rumors are to the effect that music and a sumptuous banquet will feature the evening's diversion.

Confer With President.

Washington, June 17.—Theodore Shonts, chairman of the Isthmian canal Commission; R. P. Schwerin, president of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, and Maxwell Everts, of New York, counsel for the Pacific Mail Steamship company, have held a conference with the President relative to resumption of a traffic agreement between the steamship company and the railroad company, the latter now being in control of the United States government. No definite determination of the matter was reached.

Bank Closes Large Deal.

San Francisco, June 17.—The bank of California, of this city, has sold to the Mutual Life Insurance Company, of New York, 5,000 shares of its increased capital stock at \$375 a share, the sum being involved in the transaction being \$1,875,000.

The deal does not involve any change in the directory of the bank. William Babcock, one of the bank's directors, is also a director of the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York. He will represent the insurance corporation in the bank.

BURGLARS IN HARRIMAN HOUSE ARE APPREHENDED

Attempt On Railway Magnate's New York Residence a Failure.

New York, June 17.—Three burglars were surprised while in the act of breaking into the Fifth avenue residence of E. H. Harriman, the railroad magnate. After an exciting chase, in which two pistol shots were fired and one of the men captured. Residents of the fashionable quarter were much excited by the shooting.

been richly rewarded had they not been so opportunely discovered.

MANY ARE INJURED IN COLLISION WITH WAGON

Trolley Crashes into Uncle Sam's Vehicle. Driver Fatally Hurt.

New York, June 17.—In a collision at Thirty-sixth street, early today, between a Third avenue electric car and a United States mail wagon, the driver of the latter was fatally injured. More

REPORT SHOWS DEFICIT.

Board of Missions Adopt Resolutions Commending Excellent Work.

Pittsburg, June 17.—The sixteenth biennial report of the Board of Home Missions, covering the period between May 1, 1903, and March 1, 1905, shows total receipts amounting to \$104,152, an increase of \$7,854. The aggregate amount credited on the apportionment is \$84,443, an increase of \$12,040, and shows an enormous and distressing deficit, amounting to about \$30,000. Amount of

during this biennial was 15, and the annual financial obligations increased about \$17,000. The treasury has had a two years' struggle with financial embarrassments. It has been a constant debtor to banks and individuals and over \$1,000 has been consumed in the payment of interest.

Following the report a resolution was adopted to the effect that the sincere appreciation and commendation are given to the Luther day offering in the Sunday schools, from which, about \$34,000 was realized; that it is greatly de-

The Gentleman From Indiana

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He crushed his hat down over his eyes and ran toward the orchard gate. For a moment lightning flashed repeatedly. She saw him go out the gate and disappear into sudden darkness. He ran through the field and came out on the road. Heaven and earth were revealed again for a dazzling white second. From horizon to horizon rolled clouds contorted like an illimitable field of inverted haystacks, and beneath them enormous volumes of bluish vapor were tumbling in the west, advancing eastward with sinister swiftness. She ran to a little knoll at the corner of the house and saw him set his face to the storm. She cried aloud to him with all her strength and would have followed, but the wind took the words out of her mouth and drove her back, cowering, to the shelter of the house.

Out on the road the lashing dust came stinging him like a thousand nettles. It smothered him and beat him so that he covered his face with his sleeve and fought into the storm shoulder foremost, dimly glad of its uproar, yet almost unconscious of it, keeping westward on his way to nowhere. West or east, north or south, it was all one to him. The few heavy drops that fell boiling into the dust ceased to come; the rain withheld while the wind kings rode on earth. On he went in spite of them. On and on, running blindly when he could run at all. At least the wind kings were company. He had been so long alone. There was no one who belonged to him or to whom he belonged. For a day his dreams had found in a girl's eyes the precious thing that is called home. Oh, the wild fancy! He laughed aloud.

There was a startling answer—a lance of fire hurled from the sky, riving the fields before his eyes, while crash on crash numbed his ears. With that



A man was leaning over the top rail and looking at him.

his common sense awoke, and he looked about him. He was two miles from town. The nearest house was the Briscoes', far down the road. He knew the rain would come now. There was a big oak near him at the roadside, and he stepped under its sheltering branches and leaned against the great trunk, wiping the perspiration and dust from his face. A moment of stunned quiet had succeeded the peal of thunder. It was followed by several moments of incessant lightning that played along the road and the fields. From that intolerable brightness he turned his head and saw, standing against the fence, five feet away, a man, leaning over the top rail and looking at him.

The same flash swept brilliantly before Helen's eyes as she crouched against the back steps of the brick house. It revealed a picture like a marine of big waves, the tossing tops of the orchard trees, for in that second the full fury of the storm was loosed, wind and rain and hail. It drove her against the kitchen door with cruel force. The latch lifted, the door blew open violently, and she struggled to close it in vain. The house seemed to rock. A candle flickered toward her from the inner doorway and was blown out.

"Helen! Helen!" came Minnie's voice anxiously. "Is that you? We were coming to look for you. Did you get wet?"

Mr. Willetts threw his weight against the door and managed to close it. Then Minnie found her friend's hand and led her through the dark hall to the parlor, where the judge sat placidly reading by a student lamp.

Lige chuckled as they left the kitchen. "I guess you didn't try too hard to shut that door, Harkless," he said, and then when they came into the lighted room, "Why, where is Harkless?" he asked. "Didn't he come with us from the kitchen?"

"No," answered Helen faintly. "He's gone." She sank upon the sofa and put her hand over her eyes as if to shade them from too sudden light.

"Gone!" The judge dropped his book and sat staring across the table at the girl. "Gone! When?"

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Another Mammoth Underwear Sale!

TWO DAYS ONLY Tuesday and Wednesday June 20th and 21st TWO DAYS ONLY

Nine o'clock Tuesday morning will mark the beginning of a sale of undermuslins that from a standpoint of real value giving **Surpasses anything this city has ever seen.** We've just consummated another mammoth purchase, whereby we are the owners of a manufacturer's entire surplus stock of undermuslins at **ONE-HALF PRICE**. This purchase of ours is of such vast proportions that disposal in the regular way is out of the question. We simply have not space available in our Dry Goods Department to accommodate them. For quick selling we are going to divide the entire shipment into six lots and place them on our bargain tables on Tuesday and Wednesday, to sell at positively the lowest prices ever heard of for such beautifully trimmed and perfectly made undermuslins. Read what follows, but remember that the prices indicate only half, and in many instances, less than half the real value of the garments. Every garment guaranteed to be made under the most sanitary conditions. **This sale is positively for cash only. No Phone orders filled.**

<p>Lot 4 59c</p>	<p>LOT 1, 12 1/2c</p> <p>Lot 1 contains a large assortment of children's drawers and waists, also ladies' corset covers. Not one garment in the lot would sell in regular way for less than 20 to 25c.</p> <p>While they last, take as many as you like at each, only12 1/2c</p>
<p>Lot 1 12 1/2</p>	<p>LOT 2, 19c</p> <p>Lot 2 is composed of children's waists, drawers and skirts, and ladies' corset covers. Garments that sell anywhere at 30 to 40c.</p> <p>Yours Tuesday and Wednesday, as many as you like, at the extremely low price of each, only19c</p>
<p>Lot 2 19c</p>	<p>LOT 3, 29c</p> <p>Lot 3 is where the bargains really begin. Corset covers, Drawers, Chemise, and Gowns are all included in this lot and not one garment that could be bought at another time for less than 50c. While they last, your choice, one or as many as you like at each, only29c</p>
<p>Lot 3 29c</p>	<p>LOT 4, 59c</p> <p>Lot 4 the biggest and probably the best bargain of the entire lot. Contains every article of Lingerie that a woman wears. Daintily trimmed gowns and Chemises. Corset covers and drawers of all descriptions. Not one in the lot that you would not be willing to pay \$1.00 for. While they last, you may take your pick at each only59c</p>
<p>Lot 5 79c</p>	<p>LOT 5, 79c</p> <p>Lot 5 is similar to lot 4, only that laces and embroidery are used in greater profusion. The material used in the making is all of the very best and the trimmings are beautiful to behold. If you'd really get the full benefit of this sale, you'll take a few garments from the lot home with you. Your choice for79c</p>
<p>Lot 6 \$1.18</p>	<p>LOT 6, \$1.18.</p> <p>Lot 6, the most beautiful of all, is composed of the very finest Nainsook Gowns, Chemise, Drawers, Skirts and Corset Covers that are worth from \$2 to \$3.50. All go alike at the one price. A suitable description is impossible. They surpass in beauty and workmanship anything we have ever seen. Your choice, each\$1.18</p>

Our special sales have brought good results for the reason that "we do as we advertise." In this instance we have endeavored to out-do all past efforts.

Remembering the difficulties we have undergone on sale days in the past, we engaged a sufficient corps of helpers to assure prompt attention to all purchasers.

ASTORIA'S GREATEST STORE **The FOARD & STOKES CO.** ASTORIA'S GREATEST STORE

A house detective employed in the exclusive hotel just opposite Mr. Harriman's home discovered the thieves. Two of them were at work on the basement door and a third was acting as lookout. A policeman who arrived at the moment joined the chase. The lookout escaped but after a sharp chase, during which the policeman used his revolver, one of the other men was captured. He gave information which later resulted in the arrest of another man and a boy. The Harriman family was not in the house and the burglars would probably have

than a dozen passengers, many of them women, were thrown from the car and severely hurt. The mail wagon and car were going in the same direction. At Thirty-sixth street, the wagon suddenly swung into the car tracks and the heavy trolley car struck it. The wagon was crushed to pieces. Thomas Tandy, the driver, was hurled into the air and his skull crushed. The car was thrown across the tracks and all the passengers were pitched to the pavement. Fortunately none of them was fatally injured.

aid granted, \$14,933, an increase of \$2,108. The number of missions enrolled was 216; missionaries commissioned, 255; congregations and preaching stations, 247, net gain in membership, 5,168; teachers and scholars enrolled, 29,063. The financial and benevolent features were encouraging. On account of salary the missions have contriuted \$129,232.50, an increase of \$16,775, and for benevolence the amount contributed was \$25,138, an increase of \$3,055. The number of new missions created

plored that the receipts in the last two years have been insufficient and entailed a debt of about \$10,000; also, hearty endorsement is given the plans for the inauguration on an "emergency fund" of about \$10,000 for the purpose of liquidating the indebtedness.

Cole Reunion. There will be a reunion of the family of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. E. Cole at the Cole hotel today, at which nearly all of the members of the family will be present.