

THE SMELTER ROBBERY.

Jack Winters, who confessed to robbing the Selby smelter on San Francisco bay of 1200 pounds of gold, will hold a unique although unenviable place in the history of criminals for his daring and ingenuity in conducting the robbery single handed, says the Review. Alone he sunk a shaft and dug a tunnel under the treasure vault of the smelter company, worked nights boring holes into the iron floorings and then put in all of one night carrying over half a ton of gold in ingots to the water's edge, where he threw it overboard. That he was so soon captured reflects considerable credit on the detective system of the company, but the fact that he could work for days unseen and unheard is a matter to make the smelter people wonder when their treasure is safe.

The possibilities of the robbery no doubt will make every crook in the land wish he had been apprised of Winters' intentions. With confederates it would have been possible for Winters to have put the gold in a small boat, taking it through the fog and mist to a point where it could have been shipped out of the country. Had he been a cleverer crook, the smelter company would have been obliged to make good the loss of nearly \$300,000.

But crooks are always weak in some particular. They have some failing that sooner or later leads them into the judicial web and they suffer dearly for their sins. Winters made the mistake of dropping his hat where the officers could find it. Without that clue it appears they would have been befuddled for some time. They were convinced at first that the gold had been taken away in a steam launch or rowboat and they searched the shores of the bay and made inquiries among all shipping men for trace of a mysterious craft. It did not seem possible to the officers and smelter company that one man could have worked alone on the job.

Had Winters' thinking powers been perfect, he might have prospered by his wickedness, but there appeared the weakness in his mentality that is an unfeeling characteristic of every dishonest man. The lack of morality seems to weaken the brain in some particular and it almost always brings the thief and absconder to the clutches of the law.

There was no current politics in Col. Roosevelt's address at the Colorado quarter-centennial, but it was a speech which will take with Westerners, because it throbbled with robust Americanism. The Colonel has always been a favorite in the West. One reason for this is found in the stalwart Americanism of which he, in deed and word, is an effective exponent. Another reason is that he understands the West better than does any other public man in the country. He is always sure of a rousing reception whenever he appears in any of the Western states. His campaign last fall between the Alleghenies and the Pacific coast states was a succession of personal triumphs without parallel in the history of stumping tours in the United States. Moreover, the colonel's popularity in this section is growing instead of declining.

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