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DISHONEST DOLLARS

COUNTERFEITERS USE RARE SKILL

AND MANY DEVICES.

It Takes Experts to Detect Some of

the Latest in Circulation.

How Uncle Sam's Officials Detect

President's Counterfeit.

"Although gold coins are not in

circulation in the east in comparison with

the total amount of paper money which

leaves the gray walls of this old build-

ing," said an official of the treasury

department to a reporter, "there are

nevertheless a great many of these coins

current, and they are counter-

feited, together with our silver coins,

more than the average person would

suppose.

"I will give you a few suggestions

on the manufacture of good and counter-

feit coins of various denominations

which will be of interest and value to

the public. The three principal treas-

ury tests of coins are, first, the

weight; second, the diameter, and

third, the thickness. The counterfeit

who succeeds in making his dies and

the spurious metal alloy which will

meet all of these tests is indeed a

smart one. With some alloys he may

be able to work out the weight, but

the diameter of the coin would reveal

that it was a counterfeit product, for

even a very slight increase in the

thickness of the illicitly made article

would show at once its counterfeit

origin.

"The superior grade of coin counter-

feits are made with a die. Some of

the more perfect ones are almost rep-

licas of our own mixed products and

have a sharp, true ring, smooth, well

finished surfaces, with the lettering

and milling finely delineated. The

reading—the little raised and indented

characters on the edge of the coin—is

as sharp and clear as the reading on

the genuine coins. While many of the

finest counterfeiters are of full weight,

they are usually a little short of

weight. Some of these gold coins com-

pare to be well made and are of

such a fine appearance that they pass

current until they reach the hands of

the coin experts in this building.

"The standard gold used by the mint

is 900 fine, or 21.60 ounces. The most

deceptive gold counterfeiters are made

of a lower grade of gold, or from 900

to 800 fine and as low as 400 fine in the

more inferior grades of counterfeiters.

"The most deceptive gold counterfeiters

are those who make the counterfeit

from an alloy of gold, copper and sil-

ver. Platinum is a metal which is

used by the expert counterfeiters to

gain the necessary weight to his out-

put and secure test when in de-

fects are struck off in good dies and

then very heavily gold plated they

prove to be very dangerous counter-

feits when first 'showed' by the accom-

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not know what he is doing, but when

they are struck off in good dies and

then very heavily gold plated they

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signers at New York as genuine United

States gold pieces of the five dollar

denomination, but they would not de-

ceive an American. Sometimes a coun-

terfeit of the subsidiary coins is made

in stamped out of brass or copper and

plated, but these coins are all of light

weight and should not be deceptive.

Coins of the commoner metals, as of

silver, are too light to be deceptive

except on greenbacks of the far over

the sea variety. These coins are thick-

ened to give them a weight approach-

ing the real article and ought to be

readily detected.

"Some counterfeiters employ their

time in 'doctoring' genuine coins of

gold, as it would not pay them to fool

with the silver product. Plugging is

the favorite method employed, and the

larger denominations of the gold coins,

especially the twenty dollar gold piece,

are selected. They bore out the in-

terior of these large coins with delicate

instruments and can get out several

hundred worth of the pure gold from

each coin thus 'doctored.' The hole is

drilled in the edges, and so expertly is

it done and so neatly and skillfully is

the interior plugged with bad but

weighty metal that these coins often

defy detection until they reach the

hands of an expert. The puncture in

the reading is so minute and so cleverly

concealed with pure gold and then

reworked with a fine file that the punc-

ture escapes detection except upon

careful examination with sharp eyes.

"Some counterfeiters give the gold

coins an acid bath or 'sweet' them out

of a dollar or two of the good metal

and then pass them along. The coins

are genuine of course, but the 'sweet-

ing' deprives them of the required

weight. These 'sweetened' coins pass

circulation from hand to hand until they

reach the banks or the subtreasuries,

where they are at once caught up by

the coin counters and their careers

come to a sudden and abrupt close as

coins of the realm."—Washington Star.

TALES OF A WARRIOR.

How Sir Evelyn Wood Felt When

Wounded in Battle.

Sir Evelyn Wood served in the

Crimean war. He tells this grim im-

pression of the contest: "I was greatly im-

pressed by the courage of a young man

and drive 'em off. This young man must

be one of us. We all looked at each

other suspiciously, every fellow wonder-

ing if he wasn't suspicious. It wouldn't

do to put any of us on watch for fear

of putting on the man that was doing

the business. At last two or three of

us got together and after talkin' the

matter over allowed we'd ask the

teacher to do a little detective work

to find out who the traitor was. This

was a terrible job, but we got on to

the fact that there was a traitor. She

said she'd keep her eye skinned for

him, but she couldn't catch him in

the act we wouldn't believe in his

guilt. We swore we would and wait-

ed for her work up the case.

While this was going on the rustlers

had got away with most of the horses.

Fact is there wasn't but half a dozen

on 'em left in the hull settlement. One

stomach night we heered a clatterin' o'

hoofs and went out to try and save

The Teacher

And the Rustlers

(Original.)

We were very much pleased at the

settlement when a rattlesnake buggy

drove up with a man and a girl. The

man said he was lookin' for a con-

venient place for his daughter to open

a school and wished to know if

Scratchgravel wanted one. He added

that the settlement need not be at any

expense, since his daughter would ask

for tuition only what the parents felt

able to give. We wanted a school

mighty bad, not that the children

wanted 'rajin', for there wasn't no

use for it at Scratchgravel, but their

mothers liked to talk across lots with

one another, and the children bothered

'em while they was doin' it. So the

schoolmarm was engaged, her father

drove away, and the children was kept

cooped up for five hours a day while

their mothers was a-gossipin'.

It was about this time that the boss

stealin' commenced. Not that we

hadn't had boss stealin'. We had.

But somehow the rustlers had found a

way o' gittin' inside our corral and

stampedin' the stock. We organized

a watch, but as soon as we did the

boss stealin' stopped. We dropped the

watch, and it begun again. Then, the

watch bet'n too hard on the men o' the

settlement, we took in the women.

Nobody was nothin' till it come the

teacher's turn, when the hull gang o'