

HOOSIER GHOUHS IN COURT

Respectable Abettors of the Crime of Grave Robbing About to Be Tried.

GREAT LEGAL BATTLE ON THE DOCKET

Medical Colleges Put Up Money for Defense and Relatives of the Dead Raise a Fund—Story of the Crime.

The first of the trials of members of the gang indicted for grave-robbing is scheduled to begin in Indianapolis tomorrow. Dr. Alexander, demonstrator of anatomy in the Central Medical college, will be placed on trial on the charge of secreting human bodies and disturbing graves. As the fate of other indicted members of the gang is linked with that of Dr. Alexander, the trial will command widespread public interest, and is likely to be the greatest legal battle ever fought in the criminal court of Indiana's capital. Besides Dr. Alexander the list of indicted men include Dr. Frank Wright, secretary of the Eclectic Medical college, charged with failure to keep record of bodies used for dissection purposes; Dr. Frank Wilson, an interne at the Central Medical college, charged with secreting human bodies; Rufus Cantrell and fifteen negroes, self-confessed ghouls, who are indicted by the grand jury on specific cases of grave robbing, although accused of hundreds of thefts of bodies; John McEndree, William Moffitt and Hampton West, white, similarly charged; C. M. C. Willis, a colored undertaker, charged with the failure to bury a county charge and the selling of the body to a medical college, and his assistant, Harry Harvey, colored, accused of complicity in this offense. Fred Speers, owner of the Mount Jackson cemetery, and other cemetery sextons and employees, accused of conspiracy with the ghouls in their wholesale robbery of graves.

A Great Legal Battle. The state, in its prosecution on the indictments, will be represented by County Prosecutor John Ruckelshaus and his deputy, Charles Benedict. In addition, W. T. Brown, who has been retained by relatives who have suffered through the deprivations of the ghouls, has been engaged. William T. Loeg, a veterinary surgeon, is one of the Indianapolis residents who is active in seeing that the ghouls will be prosecuted. Long's activity is due to the fact that the body of his brother-in-law, Wallace Johnson, was stolen from Ebenezer cemetery July 9 by Rufus Cantrell, on the day of its burial. Johnson's widow at the time of the discovery of the robbery of her husband's grave was prostrated. Her brother, Long, represented her in the investigation for the search of Johnson's body and continued unceasingly for four weeks, finally recovering the body, with three others, early one morning, in dry goods boxes in the middle of the wholesale district of Indianapolis.

Other relatives who have suffered similarly have been equally as energetic in the search for the bodies of dead members of their families. These, in company with many citizens from Hamilton and Marion counties, held a mass meeting recently, at which \$500 was subscribed to assist the prosecution. With this sum it is hoped that the state will be able to prosecute the offenders of the peace of these families. The faculty of the Central Medical college, of which Dr. Alexander is a member, has voted \$10,000 to aid his defense. With this sum the best legal talent in the Indiana bar has been retained.

How the Crimes Were Discovered. On the night of September 25 someone drove up to the residence of Wesley Gates, in a suburb of Irvington, and called him to the door. A voice from a back standing at the curb informed him that the body of his daughter, Glendora, who was buried a few days before in the Anderson cemetery, had been stolen, and he would find it at the Central College of Physicians and Surgeons. Mr. Gates made an investigation the next day, but when he dug down to the place he enclosed the coffin and found it intact he caused the grave to be filled up, believing that he had been deceived, but unable to divine why anyone should play such a cruel joke upon him. A night or two later a hack stopped in front of the home of John Middleton, and he also was called to the door and notified that the body of his daughter Stella had been stolen and was at the Central College of Physicians and Surgeons. The grave was opened next day and the truth of the statement was verified. A search of the college led to the finding of the body, and it was reburied. The mystery in these two cases, one of which was supposed to be false and

SERVICE EIGHTY YEARS AGO

Dracomic Regulations Prevailing in Scotland Early in Last Century.

WHIP AND JAIL FOR FEMALE SERVANT

Omaha Man Shows How Domestic Help Was Disciplined in the Land of Cakes in His Grandfather's Day.

In these days when women congregate in clubs and homes for the purpose of considering that broad subject known as "the servant girl question," and the jocosities are prone to depict the terror under which the head of the family labors when he has occasion to complain of the action of the cook, it is interesting to note that but a few years ago, in one country at least, conditions were different and that the servant question was then regulated by the law. A glimpse of the conditions which existed in rural Scotland in the first half of the nineteenth century is given by a letter written by a person believed to be an officer connected with the enforcement of the poor laws of Great Britain at that time. The letter was found by John Smith of the firm of Robert Smith & Bro. on a recent visit to the home of his ancestors in Scotland. It was written by his grandfather, who then resided in the parish of Kincardine O'Neill. It was written July 2, 1821, and is as follows: "Dear Sir—I am exceedingly sorry to hear that M. Robertson has been behaving so very ill—especially in disobedience to her mistress—day, it seems to me, that she should give bad answers, etc. I designed to pass your way in going to or returning from Aberdeen and to have administered a little wholesome discipline to her, but my time would not permit, but I shall be with you as soon as possible along with a horse. However, Mr. Burns of the Poor's hospital says that he will care her affectionately and desires you to send her to him in a lime cart, and that he will clap her into Bridewell for a month or six weeks, and, further, that if she will not go peacefully that he will send an officer to search for and take her by force. He says that he is warranted to do so, and desires you positively to let him know of the first offense. Now, if you have any bad berding, bad language or bad behavior of any kind you will be to blame yourself. Either let Mr. Milne or me know and she shall soon suffer for her folly. "But, after all, I beg of you out of leniency to an orphan, you will be so good as to warn her of her great danger. You can tell her, what is true, that her head will be shaven, possibly put to the neck in cold water till nearly drowned, and for me—she will get but little of that. Thus she will have it in her power to save herself. But after warning her, she must do well or suffer punishment. Nay, if you allow her to go on thus you will be guilty yourself of a heinous sin. Adieu, dear sir, I remain, your obt. servt., ALEX. BURNIE. "The house of the house of Smith is not relate the subsequent fate of the young shepherdess who was to undergo such affliction, but it is said that the bad language mentioned consisted of pert answers and nothing vile.

PRATTLE OF THE YOUNGSTERS.

"Mamma," said little Ethel one Sunday morning, "if I lose my certificate of school will I have to be born all over again?" Teacher—Years ago the kingdom of Spain ran clear around the world. Tommy—Who chased it? "Kind Lady—How did you come to fall?" Willie—Me an' him wuz playin' rye see who could lean out de winder der furdest, an' he won. "What was the greatest act of Jefferson's life?" asked the teacher of the junior class in history. And the tow-headed youth who had been to the theater promptly replied: "The last act in 'Rip Van Winkle'." Uncle John (a physician)—Willie, wouldn't you like to study medicine and become a doctor some day? Willie—No, indeed. Uncle John—Why not? Willie—Because I can't even muster up courage to kill a fly. "Johnny," said his mother, severely, "some one has taken a big piece of ginger cake out of the pantry." Johnny blushed guiltily. "O Johnny," she exclaimed. "I didn't think it was in you." "It ain't, all," replied Johnny, "part of it's in Elsie."

John D. Rockefeller, Jr., as is well known, is an ardent Sunday school worker and superintends a gathering of youngsters in New York every Sunday. His experiences are not unlike those of other religious workers and the answers to some of his queries are amusing. In fact, one answer was embarrassing rather than amusing. He desired to encourage the members of his class to commit to memory certain Bible verses. Sometimes the teacher would quote a portion of the sentence, half, and almost involuntarily the student would complete it. "The earth is the Lord's!" suggested the teacher. The boy could not continue. "And the fullness thereof—" encouraged Mr. Rockefeller. "Belongs to the Standard Oil company," added the pupil. Millions Spent for Theaters. It is estimated that \$20,000,000 was spent last season for theatrical entertainment in this country alone, and while it is possible to arrive at the above estimate it is not possible to form any idea of the amount spent annually by the country in search of health. To recover your health you must first see that the stomach is put in good condition. Then Hostetter's Stomach Bitters is needed. It cures nausea, headache, indigestion, dyspepsia and malaria. Try it and see. RELIGIOUS. In Great Britain there are now nearly 10,000 Christian societies. The American Missionary association reported at its last annual meeting that in fifty years its work in China had been valued at \$50,000,000. Father Bouillon, a Canadian priest, is said to have commercialized travelers for mutual improvement and for helping others, now has 1,200 members. The society was organized July 1, 1899, with three members. Christian Scientists from every part of the world are sending contributions in liberal sums toward the \$2,000,000 building to be put up in Boston for the so-called mother church. Some small gifts are also coming from abroad. The clergy of Connecticut have presented Bishop Brewster a beautiful pastoral cross and chains as a tribute of their affection and esteem. The center of the cross is ornamented with a beautifully cut amethyst. President Elliot of Harvard in his address at the Boston Meeting of the clergy expressed the belief that there is "too much intellectual and emotional work by the minister or preacher and Sunday school teacher, calling for too little personal exertion by the congregation and pupils." An interesting experiment was made recently in an English town when nine churches and parishes co-operated in one church army mission for the whole town. The largest hall in the town, which holds 2,000, was packed nearly every evening. Enormous open air meetings were also held every night. In many of the 465 gymnasiums of the Young Men's Christian association the gymnasium director conducts a bible class before the class begins its work. Bible classes are held in the United States battleships, in army camps, in the forts, in Alaska, among miners and working boys. These classes are also held at noon in over eighty cities and railroad centers. "The Gleasons," an organization of Christians, have drawn the plans for a cathedral in New York, to be the largest in the world. To exceed these constructions, as well as Rome's crowning ornament, "The Dome," the vast and wondrous dome, to which "Diana's" marvel was a cell, might take a much longer time than the imaginative Father Bouillon has figured on.

Will it Ever Stop? Will the never-ceasing aches of the back ever stop? Many a sufferer mentally asks this question after vain efforts to find relief and cure for backache. There is a cure, but you can't expect to find it unless you know the cause of "that bad back." Most backache pains come from the kidneys, and the seat of the trouble must be attacked. Plasters, liniments and lotions may relieve the ache, but will not cure, as they fail to reach the cause—the kidneys.

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Dainty Christmas Gifts Artificial Flowers Made of Paper. At this season of the year the making of Christmas presents takes up much of every woman's time and thoughts. To the perplexed individual, here is a suggestion. Nothing is less expensive than paper, and out of it may be fashioned many dainty gifts. Lamps and shades are always acceptable and are easily made, in spite of the apparent difficulty. Dainty paper flowers for use on handkerchiefs, cases, glove boxes, candy boxes and the like help to make the expensive presents very charming. The ease with which they may be made is as astonishing as the perfection to which they may be brought after a little practice. The making of paper flowers has become not only an art, but a means of earning a livelihood as well. From crude imitations resembling nothing in particular the flowers have come to be reproductions so exact that at the distance of a foot or two they cannot be distinguished from the real blossom. As soon as this perfection was reached decorators saw their possibilities. In elaborate decoration part of the work must often be done the day before the event that calls for the display, and for these occasions the really artistic paper flower is in demand. Handsome chrysanthemums, for instance, sell for 30 cents apiece, and at this price there is money in the making of them. But they must be exact copies of the natural flower. In this, as in other things, only the best succeed, and let it be understood that the natural flower should be before the learner, and that for help she should turn to it on every occasion. Every conceivable color is represented in flower papers, but the beginner needs few. A quire of white paper, one quire each of three shades of yellow, one quire each of rose pink and coral pink, one of olive green, a pound of stem wire and a gross of rose leaves will be a sufficient outfit. If lampshades are to be made, a dark red gives a fine effect when placed over a light. Aside from the paper one needs a couple of spoons of coarse blue thread, a pot of white paste, a little cotton batting, a dull knife and a small cushion nicely filled with bran. This last is to curl chrysanthemums on.

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