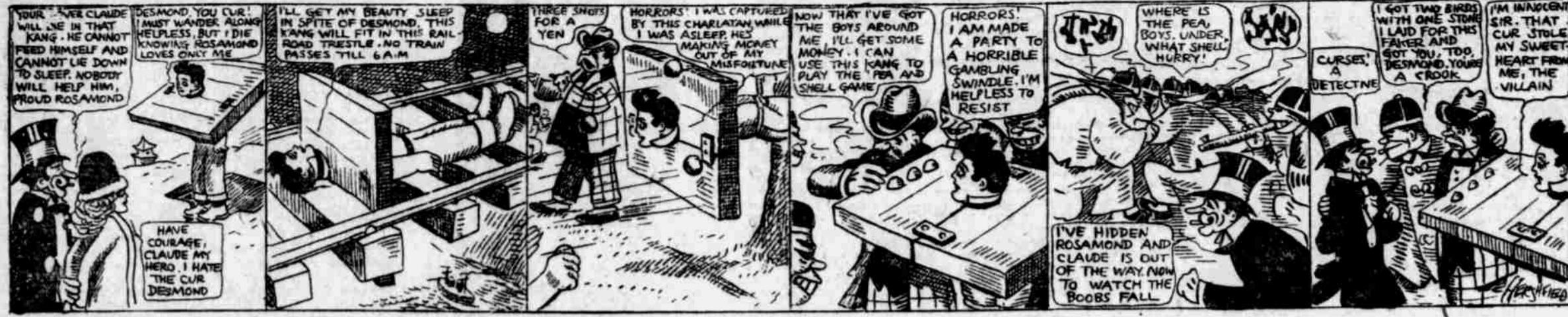


# Desperate Desmond

See What Happens to the Hero When Subjected  
to the Chinese Torture of the Kang.

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Poor Claude! Through the fiendish ingenuity of Desmond the hero has had his head stuck through a large hinged board, a Chinese torture known as the kang. The unfortunate thus collared cannot lie down to sleep, and he cannot feed himself, as the board is too wide for his hands to reach around. Desmond points this out to Rosamond, thus to increase the torture both for her and for Claude.

Left to wander off in such a helpless condition, Claude must soon die, either from hunger or from lack of sleep. The Chinese are too accustomed to such sights to go out of their way to help any such unfortunate as is subjected to the kang. So Claude is left to his own resources, and luckily these prove adequate to ensure him a sleep, at all events. He rests the board through a railroad trestle.

In this position he is captured by a man who wears American clothes, but whose actions proclaim him worse than any Asiatic in character. He hangs the wretched Claude along and ties him up so that his head is exposed to the shots of the populace. For one yen the faker allows three shots, and this liberality soon attracts a crowd. This delights the man in American clothes.

And now this mysterious stranger, dressed in the garb of the Occident and yet with oriental ideas, shows that he possesses, in addition to all the vices of the west. He starts a shell game on the kang through which Claude's head is stuck, and that heroic paragon of honesty is forced to be, in a way, a party to a swindle. It is a horrible position for one who is honest to the core.

As the Chinese are great gamblers, they rush to this chance. It looks like an opportunity to make some easy money at the expense of the foreign devil. Never fail for the lure of easy money. Either it is mighty hard to get or it's mighty uneasy after you've got it. So the crowd hurries around the shell game in the hope of extracting some foreign gold. Naturally Desmond hastens thither.

"I'm the boy," cries Desperate Desmond, "but I'm foiled this time." An American detective, disguised as a Chinaman, has spotted the shell game as a likely place for Desmond and now arrests the villain and breaks up the game as well. It is a glad moment for honest Claude, Edclair. But where is Rosamond? Tomorrow's pictures will show the quest for the beautiful girl.

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