

THREE BOY DETECTIVES; OR, A GAME OF PUSSY CAT

True but Lurid Tale of a Trio of Hawkshaws in Knickerbockers.

As the Sun Was Sinking They Stalked the Unknown Man, Antonio and Valera.

As Usual, the Unknown Man, Guilty as He is of Numberless Crimes, Made His Escape.

BUT THE OTHER TWO WERE CAUGHT.

Now Captain Gottlieb, Brains of the Three, Announces He Will Take Captain O'Brien's Place at Police Headquarters.

Chapter I. The sun was sinking at the Bowery and Bleecker street on Tuesday evening. Little did the thousands thronging there suspect that the three boy detectives were in their midst.

To complete their disguise the Three Boy Detectives were playing "Pussy Cat" as the sun was sinking on Tuesday evening.

As the three were thus engaged a trio of suspicious characters approached. Gottlieb recognized two at a glance.

"Oh, ho!" he muttered. "Antonio and Valera. But who is the other?"

"Lerios Antonio, aged nineteen, of No. 234 Elizabeth street?" eagerly asked Smith.

"The same," replied Gottlieb, nodding darkly.

"And his companion, Captain," said Wecker, "is the desperado Nicolo Valera, of No. 236 Elizabeth street, whom fourteen years have stepped in crime."

"You're right," returned Gottlieb. "But the third. He puzzles me. Can it be I do not recognize him? Stop, I have it. He is the Unknown Man. They are about to commit some dark crime. We will watch them."

"But they will discover us," urged the cautious Wecker.

"Nothing simpler than to elude them," said the captain of the Three. "We will cross the street and go to playing 'pussy cat.'"

Chapter II. All unconscious that the three were watching them, Antonio, Valera and the unknown man approached Mrs. Goodman's dry goods shop on Bleecker street.

Before it rich goods, at reduced prices, were displayed to tempt the searcher for bargains.

The unknown man seized a roll of muslin and thrust it into Valera's arms, took another bolt and handed it to Antonio. Then they separated and the unknown man went on his way.

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So said, so done.

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BURIAL OF A POLICE HERO.

Honors Paid to Thomas R. McIntyre, Who Lost His Life in the Discharge of His Duty.

The funeral of Mounted Policeman Thomas R. McIntyre, who was killed by being thrown from his horse while stopping a runaway last Wednesday, took place yesterday morning. His comrades took a last look at the remains at his late home, No. 627 Columbus avenue, then proceeded to the Church of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, corner of Amsterdam avenue and Ninety-sixth street, where mass was celebrated by the Rev. Father Daniel J. Curran, assisted by Fathers Edward G. Higgins, Patrick J. Martin and James G. Galligan.

There was a large profusion of flowers, including a floral horse and shield, the latter bearing McIntyre's number, 324, sent by his brother members of the mounted squad; a large bunch of Shalins tied with bouquets of white roses from the Board of Park Commissioners, a harp bearing the word "Brother" from the Royal Arcanum and an anchor, from the board from the second platoon of the Macdougall Street Station, to which a brother of the dead man is attached.

A squad of mounted patrolmen from the Park police and a platoon of foot officers were present. The casket was carried from the church to the hearse on the shoulders of half a dozen stalwart Park policemen in uniform. Immediately following the casket was the horse of the dead policeman heavily draped in mourning with the boots and spurs reversed. The pall bearers were Chief Policemen George J. Flaherty, Monahan, Donohue and Cummings.

Among those present were Park Commissioner McMillan, Secretary of the Park Board Leary, Assemblyman Bennett, ex-Alderman Duffy, Captain Collins, Captain Spencer, of the Fire Department, and Assemblyman Leonard. The interment was in Calvary cemetery.

CITY BOND SALES DELAYED.

Comptroller Fitch Decides to Postpone Offering \$15,000,000 Worth Until After Election.

Comptroller Fitch made an announcement yesterday which will cause dismay to the Board of Education. He said there would be no city bonds offered for sale until after election. Then he will offer about \$15,000,000, the largest amount ever presented at one time.

Of this sum \$2,500,000 will be needed for Jerome Park Reservoir, \$1,300,000 for State taxes for the insane, \$1,000,000 for the Dock Block, \$7,000,000 for the redemption fund, \$400,000 for small improvements and \$3,677,766 for school sites, school houses, bridges, parks, etc.

It was expected that the sale would take place early in October, so that the \$800,000 worth of lands required for new schools could be secured and contracts for the buildings be given out. Mr. Fitch, after consulting City Chamberlain McCook and the Mayor, decided that the sale would not be held during the campaign, hence the delay.

LOOKS LIKE INFANTICIDE.

Baby's Few Hours of Life Had Been Ended by Asphyxiation.

The dead body of an unknown child, only a few hours old, was found by Policeman Joseph Albert, of the East One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Street Police Station, yesterday morning in an airshaft at No. 287 Second avenue.

Coroner's Physician Weston performed an autopsy on the child at the Morgue, and ascertained that it had died from asphyxiation. There were indications that something had been placed tightly against the child's mouth and nose, there being considerable discoloration of the face. Suspicion of murder is increased by the fact that the child was living in the house where the body was found disclaim any knowledge of the child's parentage.

Coroner Dykes has been informed of the case, and will investigate it.

By the Lord Bishop of Edinburgh.

The Right Rev. John Dowden, D. D., Lord Bishop of Edinburgh, will deliver the lectures established at the General Theological Seminary under the Bishop's Endowment, for the season of 1896-1897.

The general subject upon which the distinguished representative of the Church of Scotland will speak will be "The Theological Literature of the Sixteenth, Seventeenth and Eighteenth Centuries." The lectures will be given in the chapel of the seminary, at Twenty-third street and Ninth avenue, and will begin October 2.

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