

NOTHING TOO GOOD FOR BABY, BULLDOG WHO CAUGHT THIEF

Animal Avenges Master, Struck Down by Robber. Baby's Value Bounds, But He's Not for Sale.

Baby, a loyal bulldog which prevented robbery of his master, Charles Harder, of 314 West Girard avenue, a jeweler, is having the time of his life today, after spending the most miserable night of his canine career in an alley near Second street and Girard avenue. The dog slunk into the dark alley late last night, after he had prevented the robbery, and lay there whining all night.



"BABY," THE BULLDOG THIEF CATCHER AND ITS MASTER

The courageous animal was found by Charles Biehl, of 134 West Girard avenue, this morning. Biehl was attracted by the pitiful cries of the dog, and Baby was taken home again. He is getting everything he wants to eat today and the whole neighborhood is praising his valor, patting him on the head and telling him what a good dog he is.

NEVER WAS A FIGHTER. Heretofore Baby has not had much of a reputation as a fighter. His nature is peaceful. He stayed in the house too much to get experience. He was dozing in a corner of his master's jewelry store last night, when a man, who later gave the name of Thomas Stercks, of 1137 East Columbia avenue, entered.

The man asked to see wedding rings and displayed a \$5 bill. Then he requested Mr. Harder to show him diamonds. When the jeweler started to put the wedding rings back Stercks drew a piece of lead pipe from under his coat and struck Harder over the head. The jeweler dropped unconscious.

Stercks heard a low, savage growl and then something that seemed to be all action and teeth struck him in the throat. Scarcely able to see, he fought desperately to break the grip of the bulldog.

But when Stercks tore the animal loose by main force, Baby sunk his teeth somewhere else, and for ten minutes the two battled around the store. At last Stercks managed to get a grip on the dog and threw him the length of the room. The tie fled.

THE ROBBER VANQUISHED. Baby is fat, but he is a bulldog, and therefore persistent. He had but one aim in life. It took him two blocks to catch Stercks, who ran with the speed of fenz, but when Baby sunk his teeth again it was in the seat of Stercks' trousers. The man fell and the dog stood over him.

It is that time person in the vicinity of the store learned what had happened to Harder. The dog willingly stepped aside. Stercks' head was covered with blood. His throat and ear are badly marked. White Stercks and Harder were being taken to St. Mary's Hospital, Baby disappeared.

Harder did not recover consciousness for nearly an hour after he was admitted to the hospital. Today he is back in his jewelry store and his head is in bandages. Stercks is being held in \$500 bail for count on the charge of highway robbery.

The bulldog was sitting in the store when the robbery occurred. The dog showed the strength Stercks put into the blow meant for Harder. The gas Baby partly stopped the force of the blow.

The bulldog, in spite of the fine treatment being given it, is still somewhat undecided today about the whole affair. When an Evening Ledger reporter went to the jewelry store Baby was under the safe, and the dog looked worried. It will take a few hours of exercising to overcome the animal's evident fear that it was too brutal with the intruder last night.

Baby's value went up by leaps and bounds today. Three men applied to Harder to buy the dog before noon and one of them offered \$50 for the dog. But Harder says Baby is not for sale, and anyhow the dog is the property of his wife. Mrs. Harder refuses even to discuss such a silly thing as a sale. She says she knows all the time that Baby would prove his worth some day.

MIND'S POWER WILL KEEP THE BODY YOUNG

Men Have Ability, If They Wish, to Defer Old Age. In the October Woman's Home Companion, Ralph Waldo Trine writes an article entitled, "When Is Youth—What After Youth?" The principal point which he brings out is the power of the mind to keep the body young and vigorous. In the following extract from his article he touches on this point, and also indicates the divisions between youth, middle age and old age: "That we have it in our power to determine our physical and bodily conditions to a far greater extent than we do is an undeniable fact. That we have it in our power to determine and to dictate the conditions of 'old age' to a marvelous degree is also an undeniable fact. If we are sufficiently keen and sufficiently awake to begin early enough, we can, if any arbitrary divisions of the various periods of life were allowable, I should make the enumeration as follows: 'Youth,' having the period of babyhood, age, 0 to 7; middle age, 7 to 100; old age, 100 to 150. 'That great army of people who 'age' long before their time, that nervous great army of both men and women who slink about middle age, say from 45 to 60, break, and, as we say, all of a sudden go to pieces, and many die, just at the period when they should be in the prime of life, in the full vigor of manhood and womanhood and of greatest value to themselves, to their families and to the world, is something that is contrary to nature, and is one of the terrible conditions of our time. A great knowledge, a little care in time could prevent this in the great majority of cases, in 90 cases out of every 100, without question."

PENROSE SHOWS IRRITATION

Calls Palmer's Indictment "Garbled, Insignificant and Misleading." The bill of indictment against Penrose upon which Congressman A. Mitchell Palmer has been basing his arguments to demonstrate that Senator Penrose should not represent the people of Pennsylvania at Washington has brought forth an answer from the senator. In an interview last night the Senator characterized Congressman Palmer's charges as "garbled, insignificant and misleading, and scarcely worthy of being dignified by any notice from me." Then, referring to Mr. Palmer's own legislative record, Mr. Penrose designated him as "the Benedict Arnold of Pennsylvania" on account of his tariff position and particularly his work for the passage of the metal schedule.

EDISON'S LATEST RECORDS TELEPHONE CONVERSATIONS

Simple Machine Represents Years of Patient Experiment. NEW YORK, Sept. 24.—Edison's latest invention, the televisor, which records both sides of a telephone conversation, is now on exhibition.

The machine is simple. The desk telephone is equipped with two transmitters and two receivers. The talker used one set and the other set is hitched to a phonograph record which takes down every sound on the wire. The phonograph is started recording and stopped at will by pressing buttons.

But though the machine is simple and easily understandable, like other Edison inventions, it represents years of experiment. It was pointed out yesterday that though Mr. Edison said of the phonograph in 1878 "the phonograph will perfect the telephone" neither he nor any one else predicted a mechanism to record telephone conversations in the 25 years following his prophecy until the appearance of the televisor.

An important difficulty was the weakness of the voice at the further end of the telephone wire. This was overcome by putting one receiver against an acoustic horn which amplified the sound to permit the phonograph to take it down clearly.

It was said yesterday that 90 per cent. of all communications in this country today is over the telephone. The chief value of the televisor is expected to be in fixing exactly what was agreed to by business transactions. One televisor will serve for all the business of a firm. It can be affixed to the switchboard and used in recording any conversation. The price of the instrument has not yet been settled.

ALFALFA PLANT BROUGHT TO ECUADOR BY THE SPANIARDS

Now Cultivated Between 2500 and 10,500 Feet Above Sea. The alfalfa plant, known for many centuries in Europe, was introduced into Ecuador by the Spaniards in the 16th century. They found growing wild there an annual species of the plant having long leaves, which differed somewhat from the European species, although in no way superior to it, and had never been cultivated by the Indians.

CANADA'S BIG PROBLEM IN MOVING HER CROPS

Uses Vast Continental Railways to Hurry Men to Quebec. Canada is making great contributions to the war. It is still uncertain how many troops she will contribute, but 100,000 is the number most frequently mentioned, and the statements recently made by Lord Kitchener and Lord Roberts regarding the necessity for raising the large possible number of British troops makes it apparent that every man Canada can send will be needed, says Kathleen Hills in Leslie's.

Canada, being a vast territory, sparsely settled, has important problems of communication, and the Government has taken every precaution to see that none of the transcontinental railway facilities are impaired by the destruction of bridges or other strategic points. That accounts for the great sentries at bridges, along difficult stretches of track, and in the mountain passes.

All along the route we saw troop trains rushing the volunteers from the Far West to the mobilization headquarters near Quebec. The Canadian Pacific is handling most of this traffic, being best equipped to do so because, in its own shops, it was able to build nine special kitchen cars in less than a week. These are painted white inside, and provided with storage facilities for four days' food, including refrigeration, and with kitchen apparatus sufficient to prepare three meals a day for 1000 men.

Of course, the troops are not given elaborate tourist meals, but they are well fed, the kitchen cars containing tea and coffee urns, hot water boilers and all the necessary conveniences. The meals are served from enameled plates in the cars in which the troops are quartered. A detail of soldiers does the serving. It is a big task to transport several thousand men from Western Canada to Quebec on short notice, and Canada has a right to congratulate herself on the promptness and efficiency with which it has been done.

STUDIED DANISH AT EIGHTY

It would be too much to expect that Prince Edward should have learned Danish in preparation for his brief visit to Copenhagen, but Gladstone thought it necessary to acquire the language when, at the age of 80, he made a visit there in 1858, on board the "Tantallon Castle." He took with him a book on Danish and a dictionary, and spent most of the time during the voyage in his cabin studying the language. While the vessel lay in the harbor of Copenhagen, the G. O. M. sat quietly in his deck cabin, absorbed in his study and oblivious of the crowd of eager faces peering in at the door and window—London Chronicle.

GERMAN CRUISERS' ACTIVITIES CAUSE WAR RISK RAISE

Sinking of Six Ships by Commerce Destroyers Influences Increase to 5 Per Cent. to Far East. Activity of German commerce destroyers, which recently sank six steamships in the Bay of Bengal, has caused an advance to five per cent. in some classes of war risk insurance rates, and has influenced the American Institute of Marine Underwriters not to quote any rates on vessels bound to countries bordering on or near the bay.

The advanced rates will apply particularly to countries on the east and west coast of Africa; in the Antipodes and in the neighborhood of China and Japan, where German cruisers are said to be particularly active in their raids on commerce.

The table below, prepared by the American Institute of Marine Underwriters, shows the rates ruling this week for war risk insurance on exports of general merchandise shipped through Philadelphia, New York and Boston. These rates were received today by local underwriters. The institute makes it plain that they are not to be accepted as current figures and that it is not imperative that they be followed in the writing of risks. The matter of proper rates to be charged is left entirely to the discretion of the individual underwriters.

The rates are percentages of the cargo values. The first column covers vessels flying flags of belligerent nations, except Germany and Austria, for which no rates are quoted; the second column, ships of foreign neutral nations, and the last column for American vessels.

Table with 3 columns: Destination, Rate, and Remarks. Includes entries for England and Scotland, West Coast, East Coast, etc.

ARMY RIFLES DIFFERENT

Most of Contending European Nations Have Distinctive Weapons. The German infantry uses the Mauser magazine rifle, model of 1898, calibre .311, firing a "spit ball," pointed like a lead pencil; velocity, 2700 feet-per-second; sight range up to 2500 yards. Cavalry uses Mauser magazine carbine and carries lance.

French infantry uses the Lobel magazine rifle, .33 calibre, and the cavalry has a carbine of the same make. The Russian small arm for infantry is a "73-line" rifle, 1901 pattern, holding five cartridges; calibre, .29; velocity, 2033 feet-per-second; sight range up to 3000 yards. Similar arm for the cavalry, but with shorter barrel and with a bayonet used by no other mounted troops.

Austrian infantry small arm, the Mannlicher-Carcano magazine rifle, but the territorials still use the old Vetterli. British infantry and cavalry use the Lee-Enfield rifle, calibre .303. The Belgians have the Mauser rifle, as have the Serbians, the latter using the model of 1903. Bulgaria has the Mannlicher rifle and carbine, and so has Rumania. The Greeks use the Mannlicher-Schoenauer rifle, model of 1903.

P. R. B. Accounting Team Wins

In a railroad inter-league game yesterday the accounting department of the Pennsylvania Railroad defeated the Kensington Freight Station side, 4 to 1.

GERMAN EMPEROR REVIEWS ORDER OF THE IRON CROSS

Founded by King Frederick William III as Reward for Valor. Shortly after the opening of hostilities the German Kaiser, following the precedent established by William I, reinstated the famous Order of the Iron Cross. The New York Staats-Zeitung furnishes an interesting history of this coveted mark of distinction, which is awarded solely for the performance of deeds of the highest valor on the field of battle.

King Frederick William III of Prussia founded the order on March 10, 1813, as a reward for services rendered to the Fatherland in the Napoleonic wars. The palmers of the iron insignia was intended to remind its wearers of the hard times that had brought it into being. It was a small iron Maltese cross inlaid with a narrow silver band just inside the beveled edge. The only other marks upon it were three oak leaves in the center, the royal initials F. W., surmounted by a small crown and the date 1813.

As is customary in the case of royal orders, there were two classes and a grand cross, the latter twice the regular size. In 1911 a permanent endowment was added, paying fixed annual sums to the wearers of the decoration. On July 19, 1870, the day that France again declared war on Prussia, the order was revived by King William I on the same conditions as originally instituted. At that time the three oak leaves were dropped, and the letter W. the crown and the date 1870 were substituted for the original marks, but the three leaves were restored by an order of the imperial council in 1871. This decoration as revised in 1870 has been bestowed on 5,574 German warriors of all classes, including those coming from German States outside of Prussia.

GRAY'S INN ALIVE NOW

Gray's Inn Square and the beautiful gardens close by are in these days alive with the red and white flags of the law, and the old walls are echoing back words of command through all the day-light hours, says the London Chronicle. Not many years ago, when the Gordon rioters, should they chance to turn furiously even upon the benchers' property, had the inn presented such a warlike appearance. Once, long before, did Gray's Inn send out an armed force on its own account. That was when a hundred "gray inn" men, armed with bludgeons, sallied forth to do battle with the workmen engaged in building Red Lion Square. This form of "developing" the most fertile of the west of their inn meeting with the approval of the said gentlemen.



OFFICIAL AUSTRIAN LETTER OPENED BY ENGLISH CENSOR. A breach of neutrality by the British is alleged at the Austrian Consulate as the result of the opening of this letter. It is said that it was taken from a neutral ship.

CITY TO FURNISH HOUSES

Shortage in Newport, Monmouthshire, England, Engenders Scheme. A shortage of houses at Newport, Monmouthshire, England, is encouraging private enterprise and stimulating the public authorities to supply the necessary

homes. The official architect of Newport has presented a scheme to the town council for constructing 218 houses 16 feet wide, containing two bedrooms, in blocks of six, four, and two, at a cost of \$24.63 each, and to rent at \$1.82 per week. It is also proposed to erect eighty-seven houses with a frontage of 25 feet with three bedrooms, at a cost of \$107.03 each, to rent for \$2.04 per week.

BRITISH CENSOR OPENED AUSTRIAN CONSULATE MAIL

Letters Seized From Steamship for Official in This City. A breach of neutrality by the British is alleged at the Austrian Consulate in Philadelphia. Official registered letters addressed to the Consulate in Philadelphia have been opened by the censor in London. These letters were received here late last night. It is said at the Consulate that there was a breach of neutrality in that these letters must have been taken from a neutral ship, either of the Italian or of the Holland lines, as these are the only ways by which Austrian mail could reach this country. The letters will be sent to Dr. Constantine Dumba, the Austro-Hungarian Ambassador at Washington.

The act of the censor at London is considered at the Consulate as being a perfidious outrage and surprise was expressed that a nation such as England would be guilty of such an act. A private registered letter from Austria was also opened by the English censor. This was received in the same mail as the official communication.

CUBAN COINAGE TALKED OF

Project Presented the Island Congress Would Create National Bank. A project of law has been presented to the Congress of Cuba for the creation of a national bank for the emission and coinage of Cuban money in gold, silver and copper. This money will have the same value as American money. This project of law establishes guarantees for the emission of bank notes. These measures are caused by the scarcity of money which is felt in the Cuban market.

The creation of a currency bank, with the privileges enjoyed by the Spanish Bank of the Island of Cuba up to the close of the colonial regime, was urged by President Menocal in his message. The President urged that the bank should enjoy an exclusive concession for 50 years, with a capital of \$20,000,000, and power to issue double the amount of its gold and silver of the same fineness and weight as that of the United States. Cuban capital to be given preference to subscribe the stock. The coinage of fractional currency was also recommended. The money now in use officially on the island is American, although business is transacted also with Spanish and French gold coin and Spanish silver money.

Lit Brothers advertisement for hats. Includes text: 'HATS TRIMMED FREE OF CHARGE', 'Lit Brothers Market Eighth Filbert Seventh', 'FIRST FLOOR, NORTH'. Also includes a small illustration of a hat.

Advertisement for 'Our Annual October Glove Sale'. Includes text: 'Despite the great advance in prices of all gloves we are able to hold our Annual October Glove Sale', 'The Vast Majority of These Gloves are Imported', 'Women's Genuine French Kid Gloves, \$1 Regular \$1.50 Values, at', 'Women's Fine \$1.75 and \$2 French Kid Gloves, \$1.19', 'Women's Long White Gloves, \$1.79', 'A New York Importer's Entire Sample Line of Gloves, Regular 50c to \$1.25c'. Includes an illustration of a hand holding a glove.

Advertisement for men's suits. Includes text: 'It's Worth Your While to Buy Men's Fall Suits Here', 'We are practically putting a Five Dollar Note in your pocket in the case of any of these three lines—', 'Regular \$15 Suits \$10', 'Regular \$20 Suits \$15', 'Regular \$25 Suits \$20', 'That Boy Wins who has confidence in himself, and nothing gives him such a ready assurance as to know he is properly and stylishly clothed.', 'BOYS' \$8.50 SUITS at \$4.98', 'Of worsted, chevots and cassimeres, also navy blue serge in newest Norfolk and in two- and three-button, double-breasted styles, with patch pockets and stitched belt. Also corduroy suits in new light and dark brown, with peg-top trousers and watch pocket; lined throughout. Some with extra pair trousers. Styles, with chevron on sleeve. And regulation style in fancy mixtures of gray and brown. Sizes 25 to 35 years.', 'SECOND FLOOR, SEVENTH AND MARKET STREETS'.

Advertisement for women's suits and coats. Includes text: 'Of Particular Importance in the Salons of Apparel', 'Six Styles in Smart \$15 \$20 Fall Suits', 'Sketch shows one. They are of cheviot, medium weight serge and gabardine, in green, brown, blue and black. Smartly tailored in the ultra fashionable Redingote effect, with 40- to 45-inch coats, showing wide bands at hips, velvet or braid trimming and lined with guaranteed satin.', 'With these are combined skirts of very smart side plaited and yoke top fashions.', 'Women's and Misses' \$27.50 Autumn Suits, \$20', 'Of serge, gabardine and cheviot. Include English cut-away and Russian skirted fashions, some of the jackets bound with silk braid, others trimmed with velvet, cord ornaments or fur cloth, and all lined with yards dyed satin.', 'Skirts are exceedingly stylish, too. Colors include Hunter's green, dark brown, black, Holland and navy blue.', 'Women's and Misses' \$25 Top Coats, \$18.50', 'Pebble cheviot and Scotch mixtures in rich Autumn shades and showing ripple or Redingote tendency. Many have plush or fur-trimmed collars; guaranteed satin linings, and all fasten in high military fashion.', 'SECOND FLOOR'.

Advertisement for Yellow Trading Stamps. Includes text: 'Be sure and always get YELLOW TRADING STAMPS when you shop here. We give two for each 10c worth you purchase before noon.', 'Friday Bargains', '85c to \$1.00 55c Silks', 'Striped Tub Silks: 32 to 36 inches wide, silk quality in stylized and colored grounds.', 'Taffetas: 36 inches wide; smooth, fine weave and soft dress finish. A few desirable shades only.', '\$2 and \$2.25 Bed Spreads, \$1.65', 'One is a white Marseilles with a satin finish. Pretty designs. Plain hem. Another is fine, closely woven, white crocheted in Marseilles effects with cut-out corners and scalloped edge.', 'FIRST FLOOR, NORTH', '\$1 Crepe Night Gowns, 69c', 'LIKE CURE Dainty figured crinkled crepe. Slip-over models with cotton flimsy lace insertion and edge, ribbon run.', 'SECOND FLOOR', '50c Camisoles, 29c', 'Shadow lace; ribbon straps over shoulder; ribbon run.', 'SECOND FLOOR', '\$1.00 to \$1.50 Silk 69c Stockings', 'Limited lot of women's lustrous silk stockings in black with tops finished in dainty colorings—red, gold, lavender and purple. All full fashioned with high finished heels, double soles and double garter tops. Manufacturer's throw-outs, but nothing to sneeze at.', 'No Mail Orders.', 'FIRST FLOOR, SOUTH'.

Advertisement for \$1.50 Tea Sets at 49c. Includes text: 'Three-piece German China sets with 12 pieces—teapot, sugar bowl, creamer, and 9 cups and saucers.', '\$1.50 Tea Sets at 49c', 'Three-piece German China sets with 12 pieces—teapot, sugar bowl, creamer, and 9 cups and saucers.', '\$1 Inverted Lights, 49c', 'With tinted glass shade; pink, blue or amber. Complete with wood burner and two mantles.', 'THIRD FLOOR', '\$1.75 Couch Covers, 97c', 'Heavy tapestry in Oriental designs; fringed all around. Full length and width.', 'THIRD FLOOR', '60c and 75c Heavy Cork 29c Linoleum, sq. yd.', 'Remnant lengths. Two and four yards wide. Please bring sizes.', 'FOURTH FLOOR'.

Advertisement for \$1 REX MOP and 25c BOTTLE SANI-GENIC FLOOR OIL. Includes text: '\$1 REX MOP and 25c BOTTLE SANI-GENIC FLOOR OIL, Com. 69c', 'Mops have adjustable long handle. Rex mop reaches under furniture and allows full service of mop to polish furniture. Heavy padded to prevent marring of wood work. Eliminates dusting and scrubbing on hands and knees.', 'THIRD FLOOR'.

Advertisement for 10c to \$3 Embroidery Remnants. Includes text: '10c to \$3 Embroidery Remnants, 5c to \$1.50 Each', 'Clearance of all odds and ends and miscued pieces. A great many beautiful and suitable lengths for dresses included.', 'SOUTH ARCADE'.