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The Way a Criminal Fooled a Paris Police Chief.

In the "Memories" of M. Claude, chief of police during the reign of Napoleon III., there is much that is fascinating to lovers of detective stories. One of M. Claude's experiences was that in which he was outwitted by a clever criminal who saw in the police chief's resemblance to Beranger when the poet was at the height of his popularity a means of escape from capture. The criminal had returned to Paris and was living as a rich student in the Latin quarter, then in the height of its bohemian splendor.

Claude thought to make an easy capture of his man by attending a certain famous ballroom at the hour when dancing was at its height. He tells the story:

"I had no difficulty in discovering him seated among a swarm of pretty girls and bewitching danseuses.

"Convinced there were but two ways of getting the better of a cunning enemy—surprise and audacity—I walked straight up to where my rascal was seated. I walked slowly, with steady steps, my eyes on the eyes of my man. He was a dark skinned, handsome fellow, with a face as brazen as it was cynical. I saw by an impreceptible sign that he recognized me. He turned pale—he was mine!

"I was almost near enough to capture him when I saw him bend to the ear of one of his companions. Instantly all the girls surrounded me and stood in a feverish, excited, ardent phalanx before me. They formed an impenetrable barrier, behind which my rascal escaped, while the women pressed eagerly upon me, crying out:

"'Beranger! It is Beranger!'

"The magic name presented upon the youthful spirits there the effect of an electric spark. All the dancers of the establishment stopped dancing and surrounded me with acclamations. The students and young girls rushed up to me, some bearing bouquets, others glass in hand. I was literally covered with flowers, while the whole place rang with shouts, a hundred times repeated, of 'Vive Beranger! Vive Beranger!'

"I was aghast, and yet I understood the trick. On the point of being collared by me, the man I had marked down had recourse to this shrewd game, which must have succeeded even better than he expected. I certainly had some points of resemblance to the illustrious song maker or the whole world of students and grisettes in the Latin Quarter would not have fallen so readily into his trap. I was as bald as the poet at that time, and at all times I have had a certain good natured, sympathetic benevolence in my appearance such as the portraits of Beranger show to this day.

"Well, if the youth of Paris countersigned the intentional error of my clever scamp I owed it to my resemblance to the poet. Though I was tricked, I was well tricked. It was not for me to own to these giddypates that I was not Beranger, but Claude, the policeman, the agent of all the prosecutors, judges and lawyers who under the restoration had done so much harm to their idol. I escaped from the ovation, which was becoming delirious under an avalanche of flowers."

The Wonderful Aphis.

The aphis is in one way the most startling of all forms of insect life, for, although the females can and do lay eggs, its usual method of increase is by a sort of budding process, the young growing on the bodies of the parent exactly as brussels sprouts grow out of the stalks of the plant. The old produce young at the rate of twenty-five a day, and as the young are at once mature each can produce its twenty-five on the following day. It positively frightens one to work this multiplication out to a conclusion, for it means this: Supposing that the aphide could increase and multiply without interference, the twenty-fifth generation would be a number too long to quote here. Put down a 1 and follow it with 28 naughts and you will be within a few millions of it.

Beneath Him.

"These chefs!" said one New York multimillionaire to another. "Mine, you know, draws a thousand a month. He used to be at the Cafe Royal in Paris. But his independence! One night I gave, just to show off, a dinner of 200 covers. The afternoon of the dinner. I found him motoring in the park in a taxicab with two French dancing girls. Of course I hailed him and took him to task. 'Oh,' said he, 'a dinner of that sort I always leave to my assistants. With such masses of food it is impossible to introduce delicate, subtle or original cooking. Now, little girls, shall we drive on?'"—Argonaut.

Adding to His Sufferings.

The Doctor—I expected to go out of town next Saturday, as usual, to spend Sunday with my family in the country, but professional duties forbid. The fates are against me. The Professor—The fates are to blame, are they? Well, it's natural for a week ender to come to a lame conclusion.—Chicago Tribune.

Both Agreed.

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"Gee! If I was a man and any one talked that way about my little boy some one would get licked."

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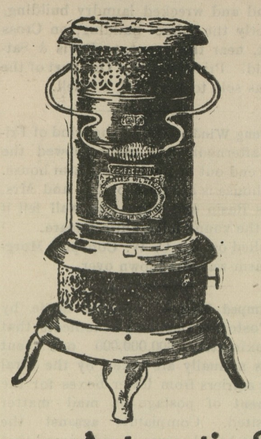

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