WHEN a newspaper reporter discovers that a detective is endeavouring to ferret out any offender against the, laws, he generally refrains from all reference to the matter which might tend to defeat the ends of justice. There is someone on the city editor's staff of the Hamilton Spectator who makes an exception to this excellent rule. He from time to time warms venders of whiskey and kindred poisons, to beware of a certain individual, whom he describes or names, as he is a whiskey detective. Would it not be more in keeping with his duty as a citizen, and the dignity of the journal he serves, for this reporter to confine his friendly attentions within the reasonable limit of an accasional hint to all concerned that it would be prudent to confine their traffic within the legal bounds.

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