And the Traps They Lay for Their Dupes.

Among the persons who leaned over the loe-box in the Pearl street undertaking establishment, not long since, in which lay the body of Lyman D. Minor, the Broadway merchant who committed suicide, was a woman of scarcely 23 years of age. She was soberly dressed, and when she raised her veil a modest little face and a pair of jet black eyes twinkling beneath black eyelashes were seen. With her kid-glove hand she smoothed back the hair from the ugly bullet wound in the temple of the dead man, and when she was leaving left a bunch of lilies on the box. She came and went as unostentathously as a sister of charity. This woman was Annie Greenville, who, in connection with Pliny White, the king of confidence men, was the unseen power that drove the merchant to his grave. Sergt. Frink, of the Central police office, said Annie Greenville had a heart of iron and was a tool in the hands of White. White would never leave a man while there was a dollar in him. He was heartless, treacherous, and cruel.

It is perhaps an ungallant thing to say, but in New York and large cities generally beauty and blackmail have come to be associated to such an extent that the only safeguard for a susceptible person is to steer clear of good-looking

strangers altogether.

This blackmail is a trade that can only be plied successfully in the great populous cities, as there the possibilities of detection are reduced to a mere nothing. It takes an adroit rogue to be a first-class swindler, hence women, who have more tact than men, are always chosen to do the fine work of entrapping the victim. Once in the toils the plucking is done by the male comfederates and is usually an easy and safe process. Their methods are many, curious, and novel. The latest and most novel is one recently come to light.

A beautiful and accomplished girl sought employment in a down-town business establishment run by a father and son. She managed to entangle both, and get up an escapade with the young man which out him a very tidy little sum before the end was reached. He wrote her affectionate letters, made short excursions around and had a lovely time generally, until one fine morning an elderly ruffian stepped up, claiming to be her father. The idiot was only too glad to disgorge liberally on the spot. Then the excharmer threatened to sue for the recovery of her letters and a balance due on some furniture; to avoid a scandal he paid up handsomely. Finally, fearing that he was to be bled to death by these vampires, he appealed to the police. A single visit with a promise of arrest sufficed to sett'e the whole business.

A well-known editor of much brilliancy and sagacity on the metropolitan press was badly done for some time ago by a pretty little widow. She first called or him, and her woful tale, backed by her girlish face, enlisted his sympathies in her cause. Then came requests for theater and concert tickets and other courtesies, in the compliance of which he generally sent a gallantly worded rote. On the strength of these letters and a confederate it cost him \$1,000 inside of three months. He was too sensitive to public opinion to hand him over to the police, and had not a friend of his stepped in and grappled matters with an iron hand he probably would have been a victim to day of either her greed er lies.

Here is another case: A Broadway merchant who makes a specialty of silks and sating has a dark room fitted up in his store where he can show the effect of gaslight upon his goods. One day he escorted a lady to this room to show a fine piece of satin under the gas jet. Hardly had the door shut upon them than she tore off her bonnet and sacque and flinging her arm about his neck shrieked at the top of her voice. The clerks rushed in and saw the boss struggling with a beautiful lady whose clothes were half torn off her back. Here was a pretty kettle of fish. It cost \$500 to hush the matter up, but he refuses to enter that room with a lady unless accompanied by a cash boy now.

There is no limit to the resources of the business, and, like Mulberry Sellers's eye-water, "there's millions in it." They have been known to invade a private wedding and come off successful. Women are invariably the principals. Men suspect men always, but they are consummate fools enough never to suspect a handsome woman. The glamor of her face, the witchery of her eyes, and the soft ripple of her tongue is too much for their senses, and their suspicion is lulled until too late to be of any value. One meets these women everywhere—at the theater, on the cars, in the street. The summer boarding houses and seaside resorts are favorite stamping grounds for them. Saratoga is full of them in season, and not long since I knew of one who entertained two clergymen-one a bishop in the episcopal church—with their wives at a cozy dinner. Of course the guests had no idea of the true character of the "charming" hostess, and perhaps some day, when I write up her brilliant but checkered career, they will rub their dear old ecclesiastical optics. - Chicago News.

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Most people suppose that the manufacture of tobacco consists merely of taking the leaf and pressing it into plugs. The fact is, however, that the process is a very delicate one, and the least false step will injure the flavor. The leaf must be carefully attended to for months after it leaves the planter's hands. It must neither dry too quick nor too slowly. Even after it has reached the factory the utmost delicacy of manipulation is required. The weather must be carefully studied, for if there is too much moisture in the air when it is pressed it will mould, and the same will happen if too much moisture is sprinkled upon it for the purpose of opening the leaf. Again, if it is overdried is the oven it will turn crisp, and will nip the tongue in smoking. It is by careful attention to all these points that the "Myrtle Navy" has been brought to such perfection. The firm who manufacture it have their own storehouses in Virsinnia, and from the time the leaf leaves the planter's hands until it is turned out of the factory, months afterwards, in plugs, it is under the care of their skilled and trusted employes.

China has hundreds of thousands of professional beggars, but not one Chinese beggar, it is asserted, has yet been found in the United States, even on the Pacific Bangs and

Wenderful Progress in Horse Breeding.

The great demand for large work horses has led to extreme experiments in breeding the small mares of Western ranges to large Percheron stallions. The results, contrary to public belief, have proven remarkably successful. From these mares, weighing from 700 to 900 pounds, when bred to imported Percheron stallions, are produced horses that possess about one-half the united weight of sire and dam, and while partaking of the characteristics of the sire, they lose none of the endurance and hardihood of the dam, selling readily for from \$100 to \$200.

As the vast herds of the long-horned, gaunt Texas cattle, worth from 2 to 8 cents a pound, that spreared on our markets a few years since, have been improved by the use of Short-horn and Here-ford bulls until we sourcely recognize the bloodine looking steers, worth from 5 to 6 cents a pound, now coming from the range as their descendants; so may we expect that the useless horses that are being brought from the West and Southwest and sold through the states at from \$25 to \$50 a head, will soon be displaced in our markche by their descendants of triple their value being of sufficient size to work, and showing the

character and docility of their sires. One of the best evidences of the success of this method of breeding is deduced from the fact that W. Dunham, of Wayne, Ill., the greatest importer of Draft horses in America, and from whose stables have gone out nearly all the pure bred Pereheron stallions now in breeding upon Western ranges, and who has had the benefit of the experience of all those who have been breeding from stallions bought of him during the past ten years, has engaged in the business with the Messrs. Studebaker, of South Bend, Ind and John Mitter, of Denver, Col. and invested walts mile. A. Witter, of Denver, Col., and invested nalfa million dollars in ranges and stock. The present year they are breeding about 2,000 mares to 32 of the finest imported Percheron stallions. The aniformity, beauty and size of the colts produced from the range marce and the imported sires, has attracted the attention of many of the progressive breeders of the West; notably the Hon. M. H. Poet, Member of Congress, from Wyoming, who has one of the finest bands of horses, and probably one of the largest and best ranges in that territory, consisting of 100,000 acres under fence, recently purchased. During the past year Mr. Poet has bought from Mr. Dunham 15 imported Percheron stallions and two imported Percheron marce; also, the Oregon Horse and Land Co., lo-Percheron stallions and two imported Percheron mares; also, the Oregon Horse and Land Co., located on Snake River and owning 8,000 horses, have bought of him a large number of Percheron stallions, and are introducing them exclusively for breeding on their herd. Many other prominant stock breeders, recognizing the superiority of the Percheron cross, have been liberal purchasers of Mr. Dunham. Among them Poindexter & Orr, Conrad Kohrs, Mr. Clark, Mr. Maulden, Mr. Murphy and others of Montans; Shipman Bros., of Northwest Ty., Mr. Latimer and Mr. McNutt, of Idaho: Mr. Dean, of Nevada; Mr. Cory, Mr. Clark and Mr. Boundy, of Utah; Mr. Lot Smith, Mr. Mortiss of Arizona; Mr. Stark weather and numerous others of Texas; which shows what a powerful hold this system of breeding is taking on the minds of range breeders. To supply his vast trade which penetrates every portion of the country from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and from Manitoba to the Guif, \$3,000,000 worth of horses have been imported from France since 1872 by M. W. Dunham, of Oaklawn Farm, Wayne, DuPage Co., Ill., who now has on hand \$000 head of pedigreed stallions and masses.

G. M. D.

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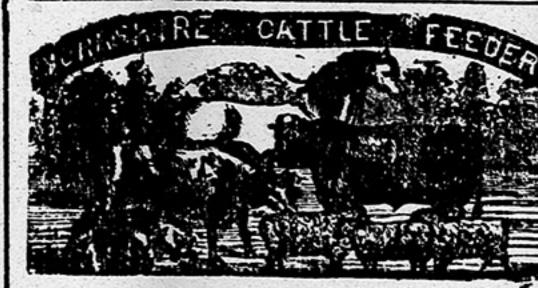
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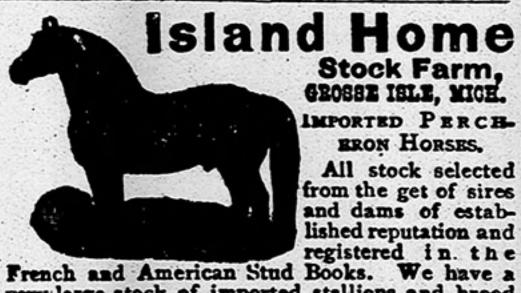
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