

LIFE IN A SWISS PRISON

CONVICTS WOULD NOT LIKE TO LIVE ANYWHERE ELSE.

Excellent Menu, Cards and Other Recreations and Afternoon Trips to the Cafes.

By the arrest of two escaped convicts named Grunder and Gerber at Kandersteg amazing revelations have been made regarding convict life at the prison of Thorberg, near the Town of Wassen, Switzerland.

In this penal paradise the convicts did as they liked. They fared sumptuously, liqueurs being one of their luxuries, and the accommodating wardens allowed them to visit the cafes and places of amusement in the town.

Grunder and Gerber were the "favorites" at the prison because they had money, which they spent freely on wines and tobacco, sharing them with the other prisoners and the wardens. Finding their resources diminished, however, they secured "leave of absence" from the prison in order to obtain funds by highway robbery and burglary.

They "worked" the entire Emmenthal Valley, and were returning to Thorberg with their booty when arrested. Both convicts denied vehemently that they intended escaping, declaring that they were never so comfortable as in prison.

In his defence Grunder related a remarkable story of life in the prison. In proof of his honesty he recalled that on one occasion the chief warden allowed him to go to Wassen, where he bought five gallons of wine, tobacco, cheese, etc. On his return he was censured for not buying schnapps for the coffee as well, and early the next morning he went back to the town and purchased two quart bottles.

CONVIVAL CONVICTS.

He afterwards met some fellow-convicts who were out for a morning stroll, and they emptied one of the bottles. Grunder gave the second bottle to the head warden.

Grunder added that he would never have left the prison to rob houses and travelers if he had not lost all his money gambling with the other prisoners.

Here is the daily routine in Thorberg Prison, as Grunder and Gerber described it to the examining magistrate:—

7 a.m.—Rise; receive hot water from a warden; clean cells.

8 a.m.—Breakfast, consisting of coffee, milk, hot rolls and a liqueur.

9 to 12 a.m.—Cards, games of bowls in the prison yards, other recreations. Noon.—Dinner, consisting of soup, a roast, with vegetables, plain, sweet coffee, with liqueur; wine.

Afternoon.—Walk through the town; visit to the cafes or an excursion into the mountains.

6 p.m.—Supper, followed by a smoke, and more games of cards.

9 p.m.—Retire.

Some of the prisoners objected to retiring so early, but the chief warden pointed out apologetically that it was necessary for the prisoners to make some concessions to discipline. The convicts held a meeting, and after a bitter debate it was voted to adhere to the 9 o'clock rule.

Grunder and Gerber are to be tried for "escaping," and further interesting revelations are expected.

SMART BOYS.

Mr. Samson Biggs is a schoolmaster, whose precept and practice of the blessings of punctuality are, as a rule, faultless. Should a lad be five minutes late in the morning, he is "kept in" ten minutes after school; if ten minutes, a penance of twenty minutes is imposed, and so on. But even Homer nods, and lo! Mr. Samson Biggs was a whole half hour late himself one morning. Among the pupils there was the usual smart boy, who was not slow to remind him of his offence, nor to quote from some of his own lectures on the subject.

"Yes, boys," said Samson, when he had listened to the smart boy. "Nicholson is quite right, and, as I punish you, it is only fair that you should punish me. So you shall all stay and keep me in for an hour after school this afternoon!"

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IMPOSED UPON.

"Look here, sir," she said, as she entered a sewing-machine office the other day, "your agent has imposed upon me."

"Is it possible, ma'am? In what respect?"

"Yes, sir, he has; and I don't want your machine!"

"How has he deceived you?"

"Why, he came into my house and told me that your machine was the best in the world. I have witnesses and can prove every word of it."

"But that was not deceiving you, ma'am."

"Yes it was! I hadn't the machine two days before another agent called and said his was the best; and he had a circular to back it up. He had hardly got out of doors when another called and said his machine had taken ten medals."

"Oh, have you?"

"And we have issued a challenge for a public trial, which no other machine dare accept."

"Is that so? Then your machine is the best, after all?"

"Certainly."

"Then you will please excuse me. I thought I had been imposed upon, and I'm afraid I was a little hasty. The other agents must have been the deceivers."

QUITE PROFESSIONAL.

A good story is told of Rufus Choate, the eminent American lawyer. By the way, a good many stories are told about him, but this is a new one.

One morning when he entered his office, his clerk rose and said:—

"Mr. Choate, a gentleman has just left here who wants you to undertake a case for him."

"Ah! and did you collect the regular retaining fee?"

"I only collected twenty-five guineas, sir."

The regular fee was fifty guineas, and Mr. Choate said:—

"But that was unprofessional; yes, very unprofessional."

"But, sir," said the clerk, apologetically, and anxious to exonerate himself from the charge, "I got all he had."

"Ah!" said Mr. Choate, with a different expression, "that was professional; yes, quite professional."

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WON OUT.

Beckem, after a year's absence: "So she finally gave you her hand in marriage, eh?"

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Besides this, they cover every inch of the boat with a thick layer of lime. This takes time, of course, and when one generation dies another continues to work until finally the ship is so laden with heavy incrustations, corals, sponges and barnacles, that the creaking timbers fall apart and slowly but surely are absorbed in the waste at the sea-bottom.

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