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How Officer Avenged Honor

Of all the abnormal events which crop up in these days of high tension none has been more extraordinary than that which happened at Cambridge a few days ago.

In the early hours of the morning, opposite the hostel of the Young Women's Christian Association in Harvey road, a highly respectable quarter of the university town, a young man was found by the police chained by his neck to a tree, himself entirely naked, tarred and feathered from head to foot.

With the broadening daylight, in the heart of the town and elsewhere, were found leaflets, all of which were in the same words, saying:—

Sub-Lieut. Desmond B. Kinahan, of the Royal Navy, son of Mrs. Kinahan, of Wing, Oakham, Rutlandshire, has been to-day, at 3.00 hours of the morning, tarred and feathered. At his feet, on the turf, lay his uniform and underclothes, neatly folded.

What had happened was a tale of a few words. Mr. Kinahan was one of the naval officers undergoing a special course at Cambridge, and the allegations is that he had been paying attention to the wife of Lieut. Francis Thomas Wright, a Cambridge man, who has won the M.C., and who has been attached to the intelligence staff at Salonica.

Hearing of what was passing, Lieut. Wright came home on leave, with the result that this extraordinary punishment has come about.

Lieut. Wright's wife had been serving as a member of the Women's Royal Air Force; she had stayed at the Y.W.C.A. hostel, and that, no doubt, was the reason for chaining Lieut. Kinahan to the tree in front of it.

About the judgment passed, and the method inflicting it, no disgrace is made. Lieut. Wright's brother, who took part in the punishment, has openly stated the facts. He himself is a recently demobilized officer, with a wooden leg and a damaged arm, and he has defended himself and his brother from the charge of taking the law into their own hands.

"Had Kinahan been a big man," he said, "my brother would have thrashed him first and shot him afterwards. But he was such a rabbit that we decided to do the other thing. He is about twenty years old. But, if a boy, he was old enough to know what he was about."

"He had plenty of warning. It is two months since I went to him and told him to keep away from my brother's wife, saying all Cambridge was talking about it. He gave me a written promise not to see her again. Even then I would have thrashed him but for my wooden leg and damaged arm, because at first he said he would not see her till my brother came home. I asked him what he meant, and he said it could be arranged then. Arranged!

"At last I had to write to my brother. He only married her in October last, and they were together less than six weeks. It might have been all right, perhaps, if he had been able to stop at home, but his leave was up and he had to go back to the East."

"When my brother came home and saw him he asked him what he meant and what he intended to do, and to everything Kinahan replied: 'I don't know.' Then my brother said, 'Have you any letters from her?' Kinahan said, 'Yes.' Give them to me at once,' said my brother, and he gave them up. 'Any photographs?' he was asked. 'Yes,' replied Kinahan, and gave them up. 'Any presents?' Kinahan gave them up, too. Then my brother warned and left him."

"We thought out the whole thing. My brother said he was not worth shooting, but he would make him talk about throughout all England."

"He wrote to his wife, offering to forgive her and take her back. She replied in a letter, 'Never, never, never!'"

"People were beginning to say, 'What are you going to do?' The chains were my idea. My first intention was to turn him loose in broad daylight in the centre of Cambridge. But there was the river, and I thought if he had any pluck left he might drown himself and escape ridicule."

"Therefore, we decided to chain him up, and to do it at night. A gallon of tar we got from the gas-works and the feathers from a farm-house."

"Then we asked him to come up and talk matters over. When we told him what we were going to do he made no protest at all. 'If you call out or struggle we shall tie you up and gag you,' said my brother, to which Kinahan replied, 'All right, then. I will take what is coming to me quietly.'

"Except his eyes, nose, and mouth we left nothing uncovered. We stuck feathers in his hair. Afterwards we took him by car to the tree outside the Y.W.C.A., where she had been staying."

"I think we let him off lightly. My brother and I have not the ideas of the older generation. He was lucky to escape shooting. We are prepared for any action he or the naval authorities may take."

With the aid of turpentine, ether, benzol, and other solvents, Lieut. Kinahan's friends did their best to remove the tar, after he had been delivered into his rooms at Trinity College by the police.

Subsequently Lieut. Kinahan was sent to barracks at Chatham, and Lieut. Wright left Cambridge to visit a brother in the country.

One-eyed Men.

What actual disability is involved in the loss of one eye? Accident insurance companies usually estimate it at 50 per cent., but Sir Arthur Pearson told the British Committee on the Administration of Soldiers' and Sailors' Pensions that this is an absolutely absurd, and suggested 25 per cent. as a more reasonable estimate.

It depends largely upon the time of life at which the eye is lost. By binocular vision, says the Lancet, we fuse two slightly dissimilar images of an object, which are focussed upon the two retinas, and this enables us to estimate correctly the relative positions or distance of objects. This power, however, is not confined to those of us who possess two good eyes. The man who has been blind in one eye from infancy possesses it in almost equal perfection, and the possessor of two eyes. For many other factors unite to compensate for the absence of stereoscopic vision. These are atmospheric and shadow effects, parallax and, above all, memory of what the shape of objects really is, according to knowledge which has been acquired in early years, largely by the sense of touch.

On the other hand, if one who possesses this faculty is suddenly deprived of it he will be considerably handicapped, especially at first. A woman may find she cannot pour from a teapot into a cup without spilling the tea. A hammerman may take some time before he can hit the nail on the head with his former accuracy; indeed, whether or not he can ever attain it again is doubtful.

Cannot Demand Gold In Britain.

Mr. Knowall was heard to assert the other day that a person could legally demand gold for bank-notes from the Bank of England. He was wrong. You could do so before the war, because the gold standard was based on a rule which provided that the Bank of England note issue must be backed up by a certain amount of gold held by the bank. The gold standard, however, could not be observed when war broke out.

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The gold standard received its final blow on April 1, 1919, when the export of gold was prohibited. Nations carry on their trade by barter. We send so much goods to the Argentine, for instance, and they send us so much goods. If there is a balance between the two, it is satisfied by the export of gold. Now that our gold reserves have fallen very low—it is estimated that at the moment they only amount to some twenty million pounds—the Government have prohibited the export. Consequently, we must do our foreign business by the export of goods or on credit.—Tit-Bits.

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