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**Following a Trail.**

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Of all the trails I ever followed the longest was in tracing a murderer.

Just before taking it I was employed to look into the loss of a \$25,000 diamond ring. It belonged to Louis Bamberger. He missed it one day, and I was sent to his house in charge. I investigated.

When the ring had been taken, since he had not seen it for a fortnight at least before he missed it. It was kept in a bureau drawer in his bedroom.

For ten days I kept my eyes open, followed up every lead, however slight, but made no headway whatever. I told Mr. Bamberger that if any one in the house had taken the ring I couldn't find out who was the criminal. I gave up the job.

A month later I took a murder case. While driving along a country road in the neighborhood of the scene of the murder on a fencepost I noticed something that resembled a Masonic symbol. It was a circle and a triangle roughly cut, the circle overlying the triangle, one of the angles of the latter being acute. I pulled up beside the post to examine it. Any one but a detective would have likely considered it the work of some idle boy. I did not regard it so lightly, but I had not then a knowledge I gained afterwards which would have enabled me to decipher it. I drove on much puzzled.

Later I came to a point where another road joined the one I was on. Not a hundred yards before reaching the fork I saw a duplicate of the circle and triangle carved on a tree standing a short distance from the road. It at once occurred to me that these symbols indicated a route. Again I stopped and studied. I noticed that the acute angle of the triangle pointed in the same direction as the one I had seen cut on the post, a direction the reverse of that in which I was driving. Ten miles farther on the murder had been committed, the traces of which I was looking for. If these signs continued at intervals to a point near the house of the murderer I had made an important discovery. I drove on, watching for the sign, and saw two, each at a road fork or crossing.

On the way I passed the Bamberger house and a mile farther on came to the house of the murder. A mile and

a half before reaching the latter the road forked, and I found the circle and angle. This was the last signal in that direction. I turned and drove back past the symbols and two miles beyond the first I had seen came to another, then another and another, driving till it was too dark to see them. Then I put up at a farmhouse and spent the night.

I expected that I might have a chase before me lasting several days, but I never dreamed of what I had really undertaken. Every morning I would start out, drive all day, seldom having to do much hunting for the symbols, and turn in at night, hoping the next day to come to the end of my pilgrimage. I had started from a point near Cleveland, followed the "blazed" route across Illinois to St. Louis, thence to Topeka, thence to Santa Fe, a distance (as the crow flies) of some 1,400 miles. On reaching Santa Fe I examined every route leading in every direction, finding no symbols on any of them.

By this time I had done a good deal of thinking and had come to the conclusion that some one was showing the route to some one else. Had the same one else arrived? I examined the last symbol carefully and saw that it was fresh cut. I had no clue to discover the person who had been showing the route, so I determined to look out for whoever might be following. There was a house near where the last symbol had been cut, and I took a room there, watching all day from my window or while sitting on the porch. I felt confident that I should discover some one who had been engaged in the murder. He would not travel at night, for he could not see in the dark the signals intended for him any better than I could.

One morning six days after I had begun my watch a tramp came down the road. I was in the yard at the time cleaning my revolver. As usual, upon seeing any one approach I kept my head bent down, but my eye on the tramp. The moment he caught sight of the symbol I knew that I had found my man. He made no secret of his interest. Why should he? He was some 1,600 miles by the shortest roads from where the first signal had been cut near the house of the murder. He went up to the circle and angle, looked at it separately and was proceeding on his way when I covered him with my revolver and ordered him to throw up his hands. He turned white, and I ordered him to walk on ahead of me toward Santa Fe, a few miles distant.

Taking him to a police station, the first thing I did after getting there was to search him for evidence connecting him with the murder. What did I find? A ring set with a tremendous diamond.

Well, to close up, it turned out that about a week before the Bamberger diamond was missed a couple of tramps stopped at the house and were fed there. Being left alone by a careless servant, one of them took the diamond. After leaving the house he left his pal and went ahead with it, cutting symbols to guide the latter, who followed. At the third signal the advance man buried the diamond, and the follower took it up.

I got \$5,000 for the gem's recovery.

True honor leaves no room for hesitation and doubt.—Plutarch.

Not at the Theater.

The absentminded man did not pick up from his paper in the conductor's pocket for his ticket and hand it to the ticket to the conductor. The ticket, however, was a theater coupon.

"Here," spoke up the conductor rather sharply, "this doesn't go. Come on with the right one."

The absentminded man glanced down over the top of his paper at the coupon.

"Well," he snapped, "that's the coupon off the ticket the man gave me, and I purpose to occupy this seat with it through all three acts. You can just—"

Then he went out of the fog and with a sheepish look, fished out the car ticket.—*London Plain Dealer.*

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Will sell in original package and I invite the patronage of the public.

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**TREASURY DEPARTMENT.**  
OFFICE OF COMPTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY.

Washington, D. C.,  
Feb'y 13th, 1908.

WHEREAS, by satisfactory evidence presented to the undersigned it has been made to appear that "THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF CHERAW" in the town of Cheraw, in the COUNTY OF CHERTERFIELD and STATE of SOUTH CAROLINA, has complied with all the provisions of the Statutes of the United States, required to be complied with before an association shall be authorized to commence the business of Banking:

Now therefore I, Thomas P. Kane, Deputy and acting Comptroller of the Currency, do hereby certify that said "NATIONAL BANK OF CHERAW" in the town of Cheraw, in the

150 Acres of Yellow Pine Timber, known as the D. C. Campbell timber, 4 miles from Patrick. Price reasonable. For information write, W. A. Wooley, Troy, N. C.

Collars 2 cents each.  
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**Stamps Sale.**

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All those pieces, parcels or lots of land, situate, lying and being in above State and County, and described as follows: 1st. That lot in the town of Cheraw fronting one hundred feet on Kershaw street and running South on Hunger street the same width a distance of Three Hundred feet, bounded North by Kershaw street; East by said J. H. W. Stevens' lot; South by E. L. Stubbs lot; and West by Hunger street.

2nd. Also that tract known as the A. B. Smith home place containing One Hundred and Forty acres, more or less, in two tracts, one containing ninety acres, more or less, being the land conveyed to A. B. Smith by Calvin Smith by deed dated the 25th day of October, 1892, recorded in Vol. 12, pages 26 and 27; and the other tract containing fifty acres, more or less, conveyed to said A. B. Smith by E. H. Stafford on December 30, 1895, by deed, recorded in Book 13, pages 492-495, and both tracts conveyed by said A. B. Smith to Cheraw B & L Co. by deed dated July 10, 1907, recorded in Book 25, page 35, and by said Cheraw B & L Co. to me by deed of even date herewith. This mortgage being given to secure a part of the purchase money of both of said two tracts numbered herein No. 1. and No. 2.

The terms of sale are one-third cash and the other two-thirds in one and two years in equal annual installments, with legal interest from the date of sale to be secured by the bond or note of the purchaser, and a mortgage of the premises, with an insurance clause in the mortgage, with the option to the purchaser to pay all cash.

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Silver Skin and Yellow Danvers. The price is advancing and will likely be much higher now.

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