

"The House of Mystery"

FEATURE PHOTOPLAY IN FOUR PARTS

A Remarkable Detective Story Showing the Sensational Adventures of a Noted Detective and a Mysterious Robber Band.

Andrew Garfield, a banker, disowned his son for marrying beneath his station. He learns of his son's death and regrets his action. He determines to locate his son's widow and child in order to repair to some extent the results of his harshness. He advertises for them in the newspapers. The child chances to read the advertisement. Her mother decides to call on the banker, but has no suitable apparel. She writes a note to a neighboring family asking for a loan, explaining the circumstances.

These people, however, are a set of rogues, and take advantage of her confidence. Under pretense of helping her, they make her and her child prisoners and lock them in a wretched cellar. The woman then passes herself off to the banker as the widow whom he is seeking. Having been installed in the banker's home with her child, she succeeds in admitting her husband and her brother under the guise of servants.

Puzzled by a series of thefts, the banker calls in Nick Winter, a famous detective. He disguises himself as a doctor and calls for the pretended purpose of treating the supposed widow, who has feigned an attack of paralysis. One night Nick finds Garfield drugged. He hides himself in the room and sees two masked men and a heavily veiled woman enter. He holds them up at the point of a gun, but they escape after switching off the electric lights. Then follows a series of remarkable escapades. Nick finds a note in his room advising that he has been recognized and threatening

him if he remains. He puts a dummy in his bed and sets an automatic picture camera to take the picture of any intruders. The robbers enter and attack the dummy, which they suppose to be the detective. He rushes in and captures both men. Then he brings in the banker to show him the prisoners. But again they have escaped. Nick takes the camera and develops the film, which shows the prisoners being released by the mysterious woman. He recognizes the servants and proceeds

to trail one of them. The trail leads to a tavern where the robber gives Nick the slip by a clever ruse. He steals a wagon and drives off. Nick gives chase, but to all appearances the robber escapes and drives to the house where the real widow and her child are prisoners. Nick crawls out of the wagon in which he had hidden, captures the thief, and rescues the captives. He then returns to the banker's home in another disguise. The thief makes his escape and returns to warn the others. Nick and

the old man are made prisoners and placed in the dungeon of the old house. Learning of a secret contrivance for flooding the dungeon with sand, the robbers set the machinery in action. Soon the prisoners realizing that they are doomed. Writing a note to the police, Nick fastens it to a pigeon which he had concealed in his hat, and released it. The police get the note and arrive just in time to rescue the men and capture the robber band, who are at this time sent to prison.

To-Day :: **PALMETTO THEATRE** :: **To-Day**
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BIJOU THEATRE

TODAY'S PROGRAM.

THE LAW OF HIS KIND—A real drama featuring Herbert Rawlinson and Cleo Madison. This drama shows the fallacy of ancient "family honor" code.

SLIP TO THE RESCUE—Frontier comedy.

A SEASIDE SANARITAN—Powers. Featuring Edwin August. Coming tomorrow "THE LAWS DEGREE" 2 reel Victor with Florence Lawrence.



ELECTRIC THEATRE

TODAY'S PROGRAM.

FATES DECREE—Majestic Western drama.

THE IDLER—Resilience Drama.

THE ORANGE BANDIT—American. Ed Cohan featured in a cracker-jack comedy.

Coming tomorrow "THE RAIDERS" Kay-Bee 2 reel drama of the mountains.

4 REELS—10c.
Mutual Movies Make Time Fly.

PALMETTO THEATRE

TODAY'S PROGRAM.

THE HOUSE OF MYSTERY—A special four reel natural color feature.

Coming Soon—**THE PERILS OF PAULINE**. Read the story every Sunday in The Sunday American, then come to the Palmetto and see it on the screen. This great feature will be shown as fast as the reels can be leased. It is a powerful and gripping story. With a touch of the Mystical Orient running all the way through. Watch for Announcement of date to be shown.

4 Big Reels—10c
THE MAN THAT PUT THE NOVE IN MOVIES.

Foreign Market Steadier Than That In This Country

Los Angeles, Cal., March 18.—"The market of the old world is a steadier field than the market of our country," said William C. Redfield, Secretary of the Los Angeles chamber of commerce.

"An enormous advantage of the cultivation of the foreign field," said Mr. Redfield, "is that it is much less likely to be upset by sudden fluctuations than is our own market."

Mr. Redfield urged conformity to foreign requirements in details of manufacture, credits and shipping. The last, he said, was of great importance.

ELECTRIC CITY SPARKLETS

Items of Interest and Personal Mention Caught Over the Wireless on the Streets of Anderson

Col. A. B. Andrews Visited Anderson

Among the visitors in Anderson Wednesday was Col. A. B. Andrews, president of the Blue Ridge Railway and vice-president of the Southern Railway. Col. Andrews could have been president of the Southern on the death of Pres. Spencer, but he declined. He has been a great constructive force in the railroad building of the south and the Blue Ridge is his first love. He worked on this road as a lad before the war and went from here to join North Carolina troops at the front. Col. Andrews has been down in Florida with his family and just ran up here for a day. He spent part of the day here and went on up to Walthalla. He inspected the work on the passenger station and was much pleased with it, although he wants to see things move when the weather settles. The Colonel is looking well, he is quite young at 74, and declares that he will live to see the Blue Ridge completed beyond the mountains.

Wishes to Meet The Old Soldiers.

Mrs. R. L. Cheshire states that she will be in Iva Friday, as announced in the correspondence in this paper from that point yesterday, to talk with the old soldiers upon the coming reunion in Anderson. She wishes to meet personally every old soldier or representative. Saturday she will be in Belton and wishes to meet the old soldiers of that section in the offices

ELKS' ANNUAL CONVENTION

The annual convention of B. P. O. Elks, which is to be held in Anderson June 7-18, is being widely advertised and a large attendance is expected.

The following announcements were contained in a special from Sumter, published in the Columbia State yesterday:

George D. Levy, president of the South Carolina State Association of B. P. O. Elks, announces that he has received advices from Anderson of activity in the Anderson lodge of Elks in connection with the state convention to be held in Anderson on June 17-18. Committees have been appointed by the exalted ruler of the lodge to attend to every detail. Special rates will be obtained for the convention from all railroads.

Ground was broken yesterday for the new Elks' home at Anderson and this building will be completed and ready for entertainment of the state association. The convention will be held nearly one month later than usual in order to give the Anderson "Bills," a chance to entertain in their new quarters.

Louis H. Cary, district deputy grand exalted ruler, is authority for the statement that all of the lodges he has visited in his official capacity have given him to understand that large delegations will be sent to the convention.

President Levy has appointed a number of committees for the grand lodge convention at Denver. The appointments with power to act are as follows:

Parade—L. H. Cary, Greenville, chairman; F. H. Dominick, Newberry; Otto Spahr, Orangeburg.

Judges—P. S. Finn, Sumter, chairman; F. M. Brickman, Georgetown; S. M. Wolfe, Anderson.

Rules—Montague, Triest, Charleston, chairman; J. L. Erwin, Columbia.

Transportation—S. H. McLean, Columbia, chairman; Ed. H. DeCamp, Gaffney; T. B. Pearce, Spartanburg.

The official party as selected by the

of The Intelligencer. They will be pleased with her message to them.

Lawrence Walker Convicted For Selling Whiskey.

Lawrence Walker pleaded guilty in the recorder's court yesterday to selling whiskey. Walker's case was held over some time so as to give the police time to make the case more secure. Walker was fined \$50. He has been under the eyes of the police for some time and when he made his last sale they captured him. Three other cases were before the recorder, one for disorderly conduct which netted the court \$15. Two others were fined \$5 each for drunkenness.

J. L. McGee's Gift to Entire Fire Dept.

J. L. McGee, who lost three store rooms on East Benson street yesterday afternoon by fire presented Chief Jackson and the entire force of the fire department with an appreciated check for \$25.00 for the work they did in trying to save the buildings. Following is the letter received by Chief Jackson:

To Chief and Entire Fire Department:—I certainly appreciate the work you did during the fire in my building this afternoon. Every man seemed to be in the right place, and doing his full duty. Enclosed you will find my check for \$25.00 which you can spend in any way you like. Thanking you again for the faithful work, I remain, etc.

committee on transportation will be subject to approval by the state association.

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CLEAN-UP WEEK

The mill people are very enthusiastic over "clean-up week" said Mr. F. M. Burnett, Wednesday. The contest will close Saturday. The mill villages will be almost spotless, for the people will take much pride in their homes.

Atlanta Letter

Atlanta, March 19.—"What are you going to do with Leo M. Frank?" is the question that has bobbed up ten times oftener than any other, in the conversation between the visiting southern newspaper publishers and Atlantians who are entertaining them, in annual convention this week.

The newspaper men say that surrounding southern states have become just as much interested in the case as Georgia is, and that sentiment is growing stronger on the point that independent of whether or not Frank is guilty he ought to have a new trial. Don C. Seitz, the manager of the New York World, who is one of the figures at the convention was so much interested in the case that he accompanied Detective William J. Burns to the jail yesterday and had a personal interview with Frank.

Later in the day Detective Burns returned to the Tower for a private interview. It is reported today that Burns has discovered several important new leads on which he will put the greatest work at once, but the great detective himself has thus far expressed no opinion whatever on the case, save to declare his confidence that he would eventually be able to unravel it.

It is also reported that Mr. Burns is seeking an interview with J. A. Cheving and W. H. Nooris, who are the men accused by the defense of "framing up" the affidavit which Mrs. Formby signed and later repudiated.

Green Wig and Green Gloves.

Atlanta, March 18.—Simultaneous with the arrival of St. Patrick's Day and the budding of green neckwear and brilliant shamrocks on coat lapels, comes the announcement from experts that "the woman who wishes to be the last word of fashion will soon have to adopt the green wig and wear green gloves."

The fashion experts are right. St. Patrick's Day is going to last a whole season so far as the color scheme of things is concerned, and a style which has up to now been adopted only by actresses and women who love the freakish modes, may eventually impose itself upon all who wish to be strictly in the style.

There is already a riot of green in the styles shown here. Downs, hats, stockings, gloves of pale green are already being adopted by the society set, though the wigs have not yet made their appearance to any extent save in theatrical circles.

Atlanta, March 18.—R. H. Jones, a lumber dealer saved a cool \$100 by an apology in the superior court yesterday afternoon. Jones was on trial on the charge of assault and battery on William E. Arnaud, a local attorney. When Arnaud was on the stand giving testimony Jones arose in his seat and cried out: "You are a liar."

Judge Ben Hill immediately adjudged him in contempt of court and soaked him with a \$100 fine. When court adjourned he offered his profuse apologies to the judge and his fine was remitted.

Political Plums for Someone.

Atlanta, March 18.—When it comes to shaking down the plums from Georgia's big political tree this summer, Southwest Georgia has announced its intention of being on the job. It seems that at these former plum-distributing affairs that section of the state has been left out in the past, according to Thad Adams of the Moultrie Observer who was in Atlanta a day or two ago, and Mr. Adams declares that this season his section is going to have a look-in or know the reason why.

"We are not greedy," said Mr. Adams. "We don't want all the plums, or even a lion's share, but we do want one of the big ones and the justice of our claims."

Just what the Southwest Georgia people want has not yet been definitely stated, and it is presumed that it will be more or less determined by other political developments. If Gov. Slaton runs for the senate, they may put a man in the field for the governorship. If Gov. Slaton decides not to run for the senate it is almost sure

that a Southwest Georgia man will be put forward.

The section would have one strong advantage in such a contest, and that is that the leaders in that section are practically unanimous upon the man they would put forward. Hon. W. C. Vereen of Moultrie, who was considered by Gov. Slaton for the senatorial appointment up to the very last moment, along with Senator West, is the man through whom they want their section to be honored.

Will be Quite a Victory.

Atlanta, March 18.—It will be quite a victory for Georgia, through Senator Hoke Smith, if the action of the United States senate in voting an increase in pay to rural mail carriers becomes the law of the nation.

Senator Smith has earnestly advocated the increase for a long time past, and has worked hard for it in the senate. He was the first southern senator to call attention to the fact that the labors of the rural carriers had been tremendously increased and that in many instances their expenses had become heavier. Many carriers have been compelled to enlarge their wagons, since the advent of parcels post or engage another horse. The carriers are now receiving \$1,100 annually. It is proposed to give them \$1,200.

Senator Smith was fighting steadily for an increase for the rural carriers at the same time he was putting through the Smith-Lever agricultural bill which will mean so much to the agricultural development of the south.

Confederate Mint Supt. Dead.

Norfolk, Va., March 18.—Alex F. Santos, age 85 years, who was in the charge of the Confederate states mint during the war between the states, died here today.

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