

LONELY GIRL INSANE
WITH FRIENDS NEAR

Young Immigrant Loses Her
Mind After Long Suffering
Among Strangers

HER UNCLE APPEARS TOO LATE

Merchant of Whom She Knew Nothing
Learned of Case Through Newspaper
and Offered Aid.

New York—Officials of the New York State Bureau of Industries and Immigration were discussing with sympathetic interest the case of Miss Minnie Baden, a 20-year-old immigrant girl from Kutna, Poland, whose social isolation of four months has led to the tragedy of the girl's case, the discovery that within a day's journey, a home and welcome were awaiting her with relatives of whose existence she had no knowledge.

Charles Masi, who receives most of the complaints lodged with the bureau in the headquarters, at 95 Madison avenue, was reviewing a long line of newly-arrived aliens and carefully noting grievances, when an attractive young woman of peasant type, clad in the garb of a Polish Jewess, passed by through the patiently-waiting way and fell sobbing on her knees before Masi's desk.

"Kutna, Kutna," she moaned. "Send me back to Kutna, where my father and mother live. Send me back to my brother and my two sisters. Let me see my friends. I am going insane from loneliness."

According to the girl's narrative, she arrived in this country four months ago on the steamship Kaiser Friedrich der Grosse. Returned immigrant girls had told of the high wages paid in this country as household servants. Shortly after her admission to the United States from Ellis Island she obtained employment as a servant in a family on Second avenue through a Polish employment agency at a minimum wage.

"I could not understand what the people I worked for said to me," said the distressed girl. "No one understood what I said. I was afraid to walk far from the house, for fear I should get lost. All the time I was lonely—so very lonely—but they were good to me. They bore with me until I began to wake every night crying and laughing. I could not sleep without dreaming that I was back in Kutna; then I would wake up, and I would cry and laugh. Nothing could stop me. Then they put me out."

After I lost my job I went to a boarding-house to live where the people spoke Polish, but they laughed at my clothes and at my shoes. When I talked about Kutna they would jest and say 'Greenhorn' and 'Silly.' They did not care. They talked Polish, but they did not care, and that made me more lonesome than ever. Now I think that I am going crazy. My head gets dizzy and my eyes hurt. I must go back to Kutna."

Mr. Hoffman reported the girl's case to Raulph Kinsley, secretary of the department of education of the bureau, and at his recommendation the girl was taken to the department of charities at the foot of West Twenty-sixth street. There it was suggested that she be committed to Bellevue Hospital.

In the meantime the State Bureau of Industries and Immigration communicated with the Federal immigration authorities at Ellis Island with a view to having the girl deported and sent back in safety to her native village. It was also deemed wise to make known the girl's plight through some of the foreign language newspapers in order to make certain whether or not she had any friends or connections in this country. This was brought to a fortunate issue, for it bore fruit in the form of this letter:

New York State Bureau of Industries and Immigration: Gentlemen—I am an uncle of Miss Minnie Baden of Kutna, Poland, in reference to what there appeared an article in The Jewish Morning Journal of your request. I understand that one of your officials took her to the Department of Charities, from where she was taken to Bellevue Hospital. I wish to advise you that you should not take any steps to send her back to Poland, as I am willing to take her for care and will be responsible for her. I have already sent word to The Jewish Morning Journal through their Boston agents at 7 Lowell street to this effect, and hope to hear from you very soon.

LOUIS ROSENBAUM,
240 Blue Hill avenue, Roxbury, Boston, Mass.

Assistant Counsel Jacob Gaborstein of the bureau, upon the receipt of this letter, immediately telephoned to Bellevue Hospital to ascertain the condition of the unfortunate girl. He was informed that she had become violently insane and had been sent to the Manhattan State Hospital on Blackwell's Island. In the meantime inquiries concerning Mr. Rosenbaum elicited the information that he was a prosperous merchant in Roxbury.

Man Attacked by Wildcat.
Braffon, W. Va.—W. C. Clearinger, farmer, is in a serious condition, the result of being attacked by a wildcat in the woods near here. The animal leaped on him from an overhanging tree and severely bit and clawed him.

CLAIM DEATH IS NOT PAINFUL

Although Family Fled From
Necropsy of a Londoner
Who Died After Several
Hours in Such Serious Condition
that he Declared he was Dying,
seems to explode the theory that
is any agony connected with
the death of a man. In an interview
in London Papers, that through the night
his father groaned, panted and
breathed with difficulty that members
of the family could not remain in the
room and witness what they thought
was terrible suffering. Yet in the
morning the sick man revived and de-
clared he had spent a comfortable
night. One eminent London doctor
says:

"The suffering of people about to die is lessened by unconsciousness supervening in a vast majority of cases."

Other physicians declare that death is not painful as they have seen it. When a man is run down by a train or falls from a high building, one physician declares, he does not suffer nearly as much as the spectators. "I am well convinced," continued, "that if a newly-born infant and a man who has just died could compare their experiences the former would prove to have been the sufferer."

WOMAN FARMS ALONE

Mrs. Charles Broker of Hillsboro,
Kan., Spends Her Spare Time
Hunting

Hillsboro, Kan.—To the fact that she spent most of her life in the open, Mrs. Chas. Broker ascribes her present perfect health. Aged 86 years, this woman is the marvel of the neighborhood where she lives, south of her home on a farm. She does all her own farm work, and is Marion County's oldest hunter.

Frequently she takes her shotgun which is an old-fashioned muzzle-loader, and she tramps off across the fields hunting. She seldom comes home without all the game she can carry, despite the fact that the younger generation, which uses automatic magazine guns, find the game hard to locate.

Coming with her husband to Kansas more than forty years ago from farm on which she now lives. She became a widow when she was 20, and she decided to remain and run it herself. She works in the fields, does the milking and other chores and takes the man out to the farm work. It is all without assistance. Her step is quick and she stands as erect as she was when she first began doing man's work.

Scarcely a day's illness has marred her life.

TEACHES PIG TO PLAY BALL

Educated Porkers Play Ball, Run to First Base With Ears of Corn
Forbes, Mo.—W. S. Hodgins, a farmer of Forbes, likes baseball so well that he has spent his time in teaching his hogs to catch and run bases. The education of the porkers is not complete as yet, but nevertheless the pigs perform wonderful fielding stunts. When an ear of corn is thrown into the air, the animal will catch it on the fly and run to first base with it. Some catches are made at great odds and at most difficult angles.

WOULD SELL HUSBAND'S BODY

No Good Alive, She Would Profit by His Death

New York—Officials of the Museum of Natural History are pondering over the problem of how they shall answer a letter from a Texas woman who offers the "fossilized" body of her husband for sale.

"He was no good to me when alive and I thought I might make something out of him as a curiosity. What will you give for him?" is the gist of her letter.

Open Stomach to Get Hairpin
Jennings, N. Y.—An orchard performer, on Raymond Smith, 14 years old, to remove a hairpin from his stomach was successful after the pin had resisted all ordinary means of removing it for more than a week.

Arrest Yearling Bull
Elkhart, Ind.—The Elkhart automobile patrol wagon had its strangest passenger when police "arrested" a yearling bull which had escaped from a crate at an express office.

Wind and Friction Start Fire
Atchison, Kan.—During a high wind here a toy windmill on the roof of a house owned by A. L. Locker revolved so fast that friction set the building on fire.

Eagle Goes Far Afoot
Washington, Pa.—H. E. McCollum, caught a large golden eagle in a steel trap on his farm near here. It is the first bird of the species ever seen in this part of the country.

Both Prayers Answered
Denver, Col.—Hymen Schuster prayed for a boy and his wife for a girl. The monk brought triplets—a boy and a girl.

Horse Unwilling Patient
Oswannona, N. Y.—Three broken ribs, a shattered collarbone and several internal injuries resulted to Lewis White when he tried to pull a horse's tooth.

4-YEAR-OLD WISER THAN A MAN

Needs to See or Hear but Once to Remember—Gained, Retains and Knows Most Difficult Words.

Detroit, Mich.—George Herbert Van Vleet, 4 years old, has such an active mind that he is known as "the boy with the mirror brain." His memory is remarkable. With other babies of his age were crying and cooing and more often crying George was talking distinctly.

When he was 16 months old he astonished physicians who had been told that he was a case of mental retardation by when such simple words as spondylitoid, polycystoid, metaperyoid, limnathaceae rolled off his tongue as easily as though they contained but one syllable.

There is not a word in the English language that having heard once, he cannot repeat, with astonishing clearness of enunciation.

George has never been taught to read.

All letters look alike to him when they are coupled together, yet one can take a map of the world, spread it out in front of him, arm with a telegraph—all gestures have their little eccentricities, and his consists of a partially for a toothpick to be used as a pointer—and he will indicate every country on the map and name all the Presidents of the United States in order.

In the Van Vleet home is a photograph, with probably eighty disk records. Take one of the records, the piece on the reverse side, and he will immediately tell you the title of the selection on the reverse, going through the entire list without faltering.

His familiarity with colors is no less astonishing; it being impossible to puzzle him in defining even the most delicate shades.

And he imparts this information with no airs. He never volunteers to display his powers, but upon request provides a demonstration that is astonishing.

IN GOOD HEALTH DIES

Strength of Man of 96 Years Falls, Though He Is Sound Physically and Mentally

Boulder, Col.—Without disease of any kind and with all his organs in perfect condition, Daniel T. Clough, 96 years old, died here. The bodily functions simply ceased like the ticking of a clock that had not been rewound. Doctors came from all over the place. Before coming here he had lived at Fayette, Maine; Sioux City, Iowa, and Rifle, Colo.

Physicians say Clough died because he "ran down." His strength failed, though he was in good physical and mental condition. His appetite remained like that of a middle-aged man until the end. He had never used glasses or had a tooth pulled.

HENS IN BEDROOM

Pennsylvania Farmer Keeps His Fowls in House—Since Flood Chickens Claim New Home

Northumbria, Pa.—Samuel Willets of this town doesn't keep his pig in the parlor, but he is housing a flock of sixty hens in his spare bedroom. Willets lives on the north branch of the Susquehanna River and when the recent floods came he brought his chickens in the house to keep them from drowning, or from floating down the stream in their coop. They became accustomed to the indoor life and now claim the bedroom as their home.

MICE MAKE NEST IN HIS PURSE

Man's Roll of \$500 Is Destroyed by Rodents.

Virginia, Minn.—When Nestor Helonen, an aged homesteader, opened a buckskin bag in the First National Bank here to deposit his life savings of \$500 he discovered a nest of mice in the sack. They had built their home out of his money. The fragments of his roll have been sent to Washington, where it is hoped the Government will redeem the bills.

Uses 112-Year-Old "Specie"

Atchison, Kan.—J. D. Signor, a mail carrier, uses a pair of spectacles made 112 years ago for his grandfathers. They have a square frame, of German silver and adjustable ear pieces.

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KILLED THE COBRA.

A Fight Between a Snake and Two Mongeese in Ceylon.

A curious story comes from Ceylon about a fight between a cobra and two mongeese, which was witnessed by a number of residents of Colombo. For a little while the mongeese, were averse to attacking the cobra, although they ran round and round it inquisitively. The snake, which was a splendid specimen and beautifully marked, exhibited much alarm as soon as it saw its antagonists, and curled itself up, ready to strike. After some time the mongeese warned to their work and the fight began in earnest. Again and again they dashed in and seized the snake by the tail or lower coils of its body, jumping out of striking distance before the cobra could touch them. Their ability in this respect was amazing. Tired out with watching them run first one way and then the other, making an occasional "dart in, and jumping as rapidly back again, a time came when the cobra, falling to turn with sufficient speed to face the mongeese, the latter sprang in, seized the snake by the back of the head and killed it at once.

Hydrophobia Scare in Italy.
Information has been received through Vice Consul Ernest Santi of Milan to the effect that the Italian Government long ago took action compelling dogs to be muzzled and requiring the owners of dogs to pay a tax annually while the animal remains within the limits of cities. The result is that hydrophobia is hardly known in Italy today. Its complete report on the subject is filed for public reference at the Bureau of Manufactures.

The following strange personal names are collected from the county of Somersetshire: Hyatt Parker, Eliza Silence, Tom Jolly Debt, Mary Pine Coffin, James Whately, Sarah Green Gabb, John Gotoch, Minnie Shortnose, River Jordan, Innocent Fox, James Doubtful, Samuel Dred, and the list is long, until one comes to the female baby born and christened Constance Cremer.

"Waiter, a Nice Reindeer Stake"
Washington. (Staff Special.)—Secretary Lane of the interior department believes the Alaskan reindeer is destined to prove one of the important sources of our future meat supply. "There is increasing interest in the reindeer as a meat supply for the whole United States," Lane says. "It has been demonstrated that reindeer meat can be shipped to the United States and sold at a profit."

SAYS AIRY CLOTHES ARE HEALTHFUL.
Washington. (Special.)—Dr. Joseph Taber Johnson, in a speech before the Episcopal church, told the women members that modern diaphanous draperies were much more conducive to health than the heavy clothing of the past. He said airy waists and angle sleeves allow air to ventilate the body.

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A few years ago the Rev. George Wood Anderson organized the Epworth Methodist Episcopal Church, and later secured sufficient funds to erect a modern stone structure. Knowing there was oil about Lima, he conceived the idea of boring a well in the church's back lot.

A subscription paper was passed, \$1,200 was pledged to make-up losses Anderson started his oil well. It proved a small type gusher, and ever since the oil well, operated daily by a gas engine, which also operates the church heating and lighting plant, has not only paid the minister's salary and all other church expenses but to make up a bank account big enough to build the church over again.

Lobsters for the Pacific Coast.
A few months ago the Canadian Fisheries Department planted a few lobsters at different points in the waters of British Columbia. Professor Prince, who is at the head of the Canadian Fisheries Commission, is now on the coast making an examination of the beds where lobsters were planted to see what increases they had made, and he will investigate a number of different places with a view to large planting of lobsters if it is found that those already planted have done well. It is said that Professor Prince will look into the temperature of the water, the character of the bottom and other particulars, before any decision is reached regarding planting more lobsters.

Mrs. Armitage had a neuro servant who continually prated of a certain Mrs. Reed for whom she formerly worked. Weary of hearing Mrs. Reed quoted so often, the mistress asked one day:

"Well, Samantha, what kind of work did you do at Mrs. Reed's, anyway?"

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