

PERVERSION"FAIRY"

KENNEDY ECKERT told the investigator that there was a great deal of gonorrhoea in the city among fellows he knew. He told of several fellows that were diseased and how some had gotten the "fairy" JOHN to practice perversion on them while in this condition.

See Affidavit No. 12 - Disease.

PERVERSION"FAIRIES"LEADS FROM OTHER CITIES

KENNEDY ECKERT, bell boy at the WHEATLAND HOTEL, told the investigator of a minister in ROCKVILLE, PA., near HARRISBURG, that had made his acquaintance while he was on a hunting trip. He declared that the minister was a bachelor and induced him to stay a week with him. They had liquor and cigars and the man gave him a new suit, shoes, hat and \$5. ECKERT said that he went to see him once a week for a long time and would receive \$5. each visit. He told in detail of what happened.

See Affidavit No. 13 - Perversion, "Fairies".

PERVERSION

"FAIRIES"

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA:

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COUNTY OF LANCASTER :

Before me a Notary Public, a Justice of the Peace, in and for the State and County aforesaid, personally appeared Ralph F. Kneeland who, being duly sworn, deposes and says, to wit:-

I am a resident of 231 Northup Street, Edgewood, R. I., and am thirty-seven years of age.

On November 4, 1913, between the hours of 8 and 9 P.M., KENNEDY ECKERT told me of many instances of male perverts, and admitted that he had had perversion practiced on him for money and for pleasure by several men. He told me of three specific times when he was bell boy in the WHEATLAND HOTEL of traveling men and one actor who had practiced perversion on him and had received from \$2. to \$5. Also how an actor named FRANK JONES, who played in a stock company here, had kept himself and another bell boy named TWISTLER in his room on several occasions and given them money. ECKERT also told how he and TWISTLER had stolen his keys and taken all the money he had locked in his trunk and how JONES was afraid to prosecute them as the boys threatened to expose him if he said anything about the money.

ECKERT told the methods that "fairies" use to get bell boys - ordering drinks late at night, and having them come to their rooms during their leisure hours.

ECKERT said it was very common and the boys were always wise to these men and allowed them to practice perversion and then get all the money they could out of them, even robbing their rooms and boldly telling the pervert about it.

ECKERT told of a very refined traveling man who had lured him to his room and used him three different nights. He said this man said he couldn't help the practice, that he came of a good family in the south and that his father and mother were perverts on each other and that his three brothers and one sister were all perverts. In fact, he said they were brought up to believe it perfectly right to do it. ECKERT said this man told him that his parents practiced perversion on their own children and the children on each other.

I questioned ECKERT closely on this.

He said, "I am telling you just what he told me that last night he had me in bed with him in the WHEATLAND."

ECKERT told me of the young fellow oalled JOHN who is a well known pervert here and how nearly all the sports have been out with him. JOHN takes the fellows in a dark alley between the warehouses and ECKERT promised to show him to me some day. ECKERT told me that JOHN said he started becoming a pervert by he and his chum trying it on each other. Both are now well known perverts. ECKERT said JOHN is of a good family here in LANCASTER.

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ECKERT pointed out two street walkers as perverts and said they charged \$2.

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COUNTY OF LANCASTER :

Before me a Notary Public, a Justice of the Peace, in and for the State and County aforesaid, personally appeared RALPH F. KNEELAND who, being duly sworn, deposes and says, to wit:-

I am a resident of 231 Northup Street, Edgewood, R. I., and am thirty-seven years of age.

November 7, 1913 - 1 A.M. As KENNEDY ECKERT and I were leaving the Palace Pool & Bowling Parlors at 153 N. Queen Street, GEORGE DORSHEIMER and two other men followed us out and talked a few minutes on the sidewalk. DORSHEIMER is the proprietor of The Palace. He said, "Well, where will we go, home?"

ECKERT said that he was.

DORSHEIMER and the other two started down the street.

A fellow named MARKS was with ECKERT and I.

ECKERT said, "They are not going home, they are either going down to the poker game in the square or to some whore house." He then said to MARKS, "You know what GEORGE does, don't you?"

MARKS said, "Yes, I have known it for two years."

I inquired what they meant.

ECKERT said, "He goes down on women. It don't make any difference to him if the whore has stayed with a dozen men, he does it just the same."

I pretended to not believe such things but both ECKERT and MARKS declared it was so and the fellows know it quite generally. The Palace Pool room is a hangout for pimps and sports. They play gambling pool and gamble on bowling there.

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I am a resident of 231 Northup Street, Edgewood, R. I., and am thirty-seven years of age.

I was very positive that KENNEDY ECKERT meant GEORGE DORSHEIMER when he told me of his being a pervert, as reported on November 6th, 1913.

But on November 8th, 1913 I met the brother of GEORGE, DAN DORSHEIMER and DAN had so much the actions of a pervert that I questioned ROY LAYMAN about it when I saw him on November 10th, 1913.

ROY said, "Yes, all the boys know that DAN is a pervert" (not exact words).

DAN DORSHEIMER invited me to visit him and he would take me to his farm near LANCASTER, PA. and said we would have a fine dinner and a good time.

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Before me a Notary Public, a Justice of the Peace, in and for the State and County aforesaid, personally appeared PAUL M. KINSIE who, being duly sworn, deposes and says, to wit:-

I am a resident of 340 West 19th Street, New York, N. Y., and am twenty-four years of age.

On November 25, 1913 about 10 P. M. I was seated in the lobby of the HOTEL WHEATLAND when a man whom I supposed to be a respectable business man engaged me in conversation. Business was discussed for some time. He began explaining how brisk things were in EASTON, PA. in his line, ladies millinery, and it did not take long before we were on intimate terms. He offered to buy a drink and I accompanied him to the bar.

It was in here, after he had been drinking, that he first made advances to me. We were seated in a settle when he said, "Oh you know my boy I just adore you and I'm awfully glad we've met."

I was quite astonished at the sudden change in the man. Nothing had previously happened which in any way aroused my suspicions as to his being a pervert. I, then realizing the man's status, led him on. I said, "Why I don't know what you mean."

He replied, passing his hand over my privates, "That's a big thing you've got there, I just love a boy like you. Suppose you give up the ladies for one night and come up to my room, I'm sure we'll both have a splendid time. Come on, I'm going back to EASTON tomorrow and I can't do anything there because I'm in business in town. I just dropped in here to draw a few creations for a friend of mine and now I'm glad I stayed over night. Won't you come with me?"

I said, "No, not this evening, but some time next week I'll be in EASTON and then I'll call on you."

The man kept urging and urging me. Every few minutes he would pass his hand over my privates. Upon seeing no use in continuing, he said, "My name is LATHAM. My partner, MR. BERNSTEIN, and I have a millinery shop in EASTON on the main street. My dear, you can't miss it. You just come in when you're in town and we'll show you a rip roaring time. Don't bother with the girls in EASTON now mind you I have your promise."

MR. LATHAM is a man about 40 years of age. He is about 5'4" in height and weighs fully 150 pounds. His premature grey hair and ruddy complexion make him right handsome. Not by a single gesture or impediment in his speech could anyone detect him as being a pervert.

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