

# Ellis Glenn Arrested In La Peer, Michigan

## Noted Man-Woman Who Puzzled Two States With Her Dual Personality, Held on the Same Old Charge of Forgery.

NEW YORK, Aug. 26.—Ellis Glenn, the remarkable man-woman, whose exploits in West Virginia and Illinois a few years ago revealed for the first time the dual character she had been assuming, is again in trouble.

According to dispatches from La Peer, Mich., she has been arrested there on a charge of forgery in connection with a \$2,000 real estate transaction. As on the two other occasions when she has been arrested she was in male attire when apprehended.

For many years it was a question whether this remarkable woman, whose male disguises were so perfect that she fooled women as well as men, was a criminal or simply the generous, loving sister of a criminal to save whom she donned man's attire.

### This May Settle It.

The police never had a doubt that she was a criminal, but they were never able to prove it to the satisfaction of juries or judges, and after two of her greatest crimes she was able to leave the courtroom a free woman. This last arrest seems to settle the question.

Ellis Glenn first appeared in Parkersburg, W. Va., in 1897, where she posed as a man. Her features have no appearance of the masculine when she wears the clothing of her sex, but the moment she donned male attire she was a man, every inch of her.

In Parkersburg she opened a barber shop, where she did a rushing business. And not a man or woman in the place ever suspected she was anything but what she pretended to be.

She was quiet and unassuming, and as she had a good business it was somewhat surprising to her customers when she sold out the barber shop and went to work for a liveryman. She was a perfect horsewoman, and seemed to know all about the animals, and despite the fact that she was thrown in with the roughest of men, the deception she was practicing was never even suspected.

### Won Love of Woman.

In the latter part of 1899, the smooth, quiet Ellis Glenn disappeared from Parkersburg, and then it was discovered that "he" had left a number of bad checks about the place. Efforts to trace Ellis Glenn showed that "he" had gone to Litchfield, Ill., where "he" plunged into society and immediately became a great favorite.

A number of women fell in love with him, and the most congratulated young woman in the place was Miss Ella Duke, when her engagement to Ellis Glenn was announced.

After a brief but happy courtship a marriage was arranged; but before it could be consummated Ellis Glenn was arrested for the forgery of a \$1,000 note. Mr. Duke gave bonds for his appearance in court, and the marriage was arranged to take place before the trial. But two days before the time set for the ceremony Ellis Glenn disappeared. She was captured later in Hillsboro and sent to the penitentiary, and there the secret of her dual life became known.

Ella Duke was heart-broken over the deception which had been practiced on her, but stuck to the young woman. As for Ellis Glenn, she concocted a remarkable story about a twin brother, Elbert Glenn, who was the one who had really wooed and won Miss Duke. It was this brother who had committed the forgeries, she said, and she had changed clothes with him, so he could escape.

### Again as a Woman.

It was impossible to do anything with the girl, and she was finally sent to West Virginia at the request of the authorities of that State.

There she put up the same defense—that the barber-liveryman of 1897-1898 was really her brother Elbert. She resumed her woman's attire and turned

up in the courts such a pretty, self-possessed and attractive young lady that no one could be found who was positive that she was the Ellis Glenn of a few years before.

In the end she walked out of court a free woman, and later dropped out of sight entirely. Nothing has been heard of her since until the news of her arrest in Michigan reached here today.

## ARCHITECT STONE WAS KILLED BY A TRAIN

PRINCETON, N. J., Aug. 26.—William E. Stone, an architect, with offices at 55 Broadway, New York city, was cut to pieces by a train at Princeton Junction today. The body was so badly mangled that the only means of identification were a letter in his pocket and his watch chain. The legs and arms were severed and the face shockingly mutilated. He was forty years of age, and leaves a widow. He resided in New York.

### MISTAKES WILL OCCUR.

Senator Penrose tells of a lady who objected to all familiarity by street car conductors, such as touching her or calling to her, or assuming that she needed help in getting on or off a car. One day when the motorman was putting on brakes and slowing up the lady arose, and the conductor shouted:

"Wait, leddy, until the car stops."  
"Don't address me, sir, as lady," she indignantly replied.  
"Beg your pardon, ma'am," replied the conductor; "but all of us is liable to make mistakes."—Pittsburg Dispatch.

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