

STOLEN PROPERTY FOUND BY POLICE

Good Work by Officer Carlson
And Others Responsible
For Recovery.

ARRESTS AND CONFESSIONS.

Roberts and Ben Holmes Are
The Men Now Held in
City Jail.

Police Officer Carlson chiefly
brought the credit for the recovery of a
large amount of stolen property late
yesterday afternoon. As a result of his
diligent assistance by other members of
his force, a large quantity of house-
hold goods and other articles have been
recovered, and two men, Ben Roberts
and Ben Holmes of South and Tenth East
streets are under arrest and have con-
fessed to stealing the goods. At police
headquarters there are three wagon-
loads of goods, and the recovery of the
same clears up burglaries and many
cases of petit larceny.

Officer Carlson, who lives within a
short distance of the Roberts home,
learned a few days ago that the old
Hempstead residence at 15 north Main
had been burglarized, and almost ev-
erything moveable carted off. The
house had been closed since the death
of Mrs. Hempstead. When the place
was visited a few days ago the burglary
was discovered. A great portion of the
furniture, bedclothes and dishes were
taken, in all, about two good wagon-
loads.

Carlson went quickly to work on the
case and soon got a "tip" that all was
not right at the Roberts' home. He
watched the place closely and yesterday
became convinced that stolen goods
were concealed in the house. He at
once secured a search warrant, and en-
tered the house. There he found the
stolen property. Almost the entire
house was filled with articles that
had been stolen. The furniture, etc.,
was loaded into wagons and taken to
police headquarters.

Following the discovery and recovery
of the property, Roberts was placed under
arrest and landed in the city jail. He
had not been in jail long before he
made a complete confession. He admitted
that he took the articles from the
Hempstead home and also other things
from different places. A sack contain-
ing 18 assorted guns was among the
stolen things. Roberts implicated
Holmes and Carlson went after the fel-
low. As he stepped off a car about 6
o'clock, Carlson placed him under ar-
rest and took him to jail. At first
Holmes swore he was innocent, but
finally made a confession. From Holmes
place a quantity of clothing and fur
was taken. There was also some fancy
dishes in the collection.

Roberts is a lineman, and has been
employed by a telephone company. He
is 25 years of age and is married.
Holmes is also married and has five
children.

Complaints, charging the men with
burglary or housebreaking will prob-
ably be issued by the county attorney,
and filed in Judge Diehl's court today.

ANOTHER LOAD TODAY.

Another wagon load of stolen prop-
erty was recovered from Roberts' resi-
dence this morning by the police. The
office of Chief of Detectives said the de-
tectives room look like a junk or pawn-
shop. Hundreds of dollars' worth of
goods are piled up in these offices.

Some idea of the scale of operations
by the thieves may be had by the fol-
lowing list taken by the "News" today:

Watches, rings, bracelets, a box of
gold and silver coins, fancy dishes
and Chinaware, several trunks full of
assorted clothing, silverware, silk, old
sword, a dozen rifles, several revolvers,
portières, costly lamp, carpenter tools,
rug and scores of other articles too
numerous to mention.

This event was the opening of what

MRS. BRENNAN AWARDED PRIZE

In Oratorical Contest in the
Central Christian
Church.

SUBJECT "THE OLD VIOLIN."

Entertainment of High Class Merit De-
lighted the Large Audience Pres-
ent—Series of Contests.

Six young Salt Lake matrons delight-
ed a large audience at the Central
Christian church last evening during
the first oratorical contest of its char-
acter held in this city. Those compet-
ing were Mesdames Deacon and Bren-
nan of the Roman Catholic church,
Patterson of the Westminster Pres-
byterian church, Pitt of the First Pres-
byterian church, Dunham of the Phillips
Congregational church, and Lang of the
Central Christian church. The enter-
tainment was decidedly interesting and
each number, aside from party allega-
tion of sections of the audience, was
warmly applauded.

While the judges awarded first place

to Mrs. Brennan for "The Old Violin,"
the contest was of such high class that
it is difficult to name the final announcement.

The judges were Rev. Dr. McNeece, Rev. D.

A. Brown and Rev. D. F. Heimlich.

Mrs. R. J. Kroupa, state superintend-
ent of contests, was selected to present the

medal to the winner.

This event was the opening of what

was to be several contests by matrons,
explained Mrs. Lulu Shepard, all of
them leading up to a gold and diamond
medal contest in temperance lecturing.

Before the contest proper opened,

Then Mrs. Patterson, the first

contestant, was introduced. Her theme

was the old housewife's complaint

against her husband who was addicted

to chewing tobacco and unloading the

by-product engendered around the house,

thereby frescoing the walls and adding

new and surprising patterns to the car-

pets. The section was full of humor-

ous situations and was well delivered.

Mrs. Deacon followed with "A Pic-
ture of Intemperance." Her effort was

one of the best of the evening, deliv-

ered as it was with appropriate gesture,

good enunciation and natural deport-

ment. Then followed 6-year-old Harry

Lester with a violin solo. Mrs. Pitt

then stepped forward and delivered

a lively breeze sketch, "An Hour Under the Flag," which was well re-
ndered and evoked hearty applause. Mrs.

Brennan with splendid elocution and a

quiet, reserved delivery, then delivered

what proved to be the winning reading.

It was the story of memories revived

and mental pictures painted by an old

violinist playing in a saloon. As viewed

from an amateur standpoint it was

one of the best things done in Salt Lake

for many a day.

Following a solo by Miss Kathleen

Fitzpatrick Mrs. Dunham told a hum-
orous story of a drunkard plucking

smiles and applause.

Mrs. Lang, the last contestant, took

for her subject "Under the Shadow or a Curse."

The story, told with good

delivery, riveted the attention of the

audience from the start, and the

judges present early predicted that she

would carry off the prize. When the

judges retired, several additional num-
bers were given that added to a splen-
did evening's entertainment.

Much good instruction was given, also
many words of encouragement.

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of a number of the wards were

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branch sections.

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