

Why He Was Arrested

“Were you not astonished at the discovery?” asked one solid citizen of another today in a street car. They had been discussing the defalcation of the bookkeeper employed by one of the speakers, a wholesale dealer.

“Yes, indeed,” was the reply. “He had been in our employ ten years, and most of the time in positions of trust.”

“How were your suspicions first aroused?” asked the first citizen.

“Well, we thought his habits of life rather fast. He kept a horse and buggy, smoked the best cigars, dressed extravagantly and was rumored to be dabbling a little in stocks. This only made us uneasy, but, of course, did not warrant any steps being taken. So we employed a detective to shadow him.”

“What was the result?”

“Why, we discovered that he went to a strawberry festival twice in one week. No man on a salary of fifteen hundred dollars a year can indulge in that sort of luxury, you know, and of course we had him arrested.”

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