

# **PETOSKEY MIDWAY**

**The Petoskey Record**  
**Wednesday, July 3, 1907**

**BAZAR BURGLARIZED**

A robbery, or series of robberies, extending over a period of several weeks, was made public, Sunday, by the bringing of Sheriff Kettle's blood hound from Ellsworth to track the thief. Mrs. Lillian Willard, who has conducted a bazaar at the corner of Lake and Petoskey streets for several years, discovered about two weeks ago that various goods amounting to about \$1,000 had disappeared from her store. She immediately employed a night watch who was stationed in the store and everything went well until Sunday morning when, at 4 o'clock, the night watch went home, carefully arranging a trap over the place where the thief had entered. About 8 o'clock it was discovered the trap had been disturbed and the store entered again. This points to the conclusion that whoever had been taking the goods kept close watch and was fully posted on the measures taken for protecting the property.

As the thief had been there so recently it was thought a good time to send for the hound, as the scent was fresh and likely to be easy to follow. This was done and the dog hardly hesitated before taking up a trail. He went down the basement stairs and up a flight in the same block, stopping before a door. He was taken back and started again, going a short way in another direction, but returning and taking up the trail as before. When the man who occupied the room appeared in the crowd the hound jumped on his shoulders. This was considered by some as a suspicious circumstance, while others say this man was among the crowd that visited the store before the hound got there, which accounts for the dog's behavior. No arrest has been made and up to this time there is no evidence sufficient for an arrest.

This store carries one of the largest and most carefully selected assortments of real tortoise shell combs, exquisitely cut cameos, rare vases, and fine china in the state and it has been an easy matter for the thief to remove small articles of great value without arousing suspicion. The goods were packed

away at the close of last season, and on the arrival of new goods this spring they were brought out and shortly afterward the theft was discovered.

The store itself is the corner store in the Asadoorian block. It is a flimsy, wooden structure, not on a stone foundation, and underneath is a cellar or basement formed by the ground sloping away from the streets. This basement can be entered from almost any side, and there is no way of shutting people or children out. It is littered with boards, excelsior, shavings, straw, etc., used in packing goods. Short stairs lead from this place to the bazaar which was broken into, and made entrance through the floor an easy matter for any one.

It is to be hoped the thief will be found and given deserved punishment, but the publicity given the affair will, no doubt, put him on his guard and delay detection.

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**Local And Personal**

The A. G. Cook post card store on Midway has opened with a complete line of cards of every description, from the ever popular comic to the most artistic. Four long cards, scenes of Petoskey, are new this season. Mr. Cook is printing 32,000 colored cards of views around here, which will be ready next week.

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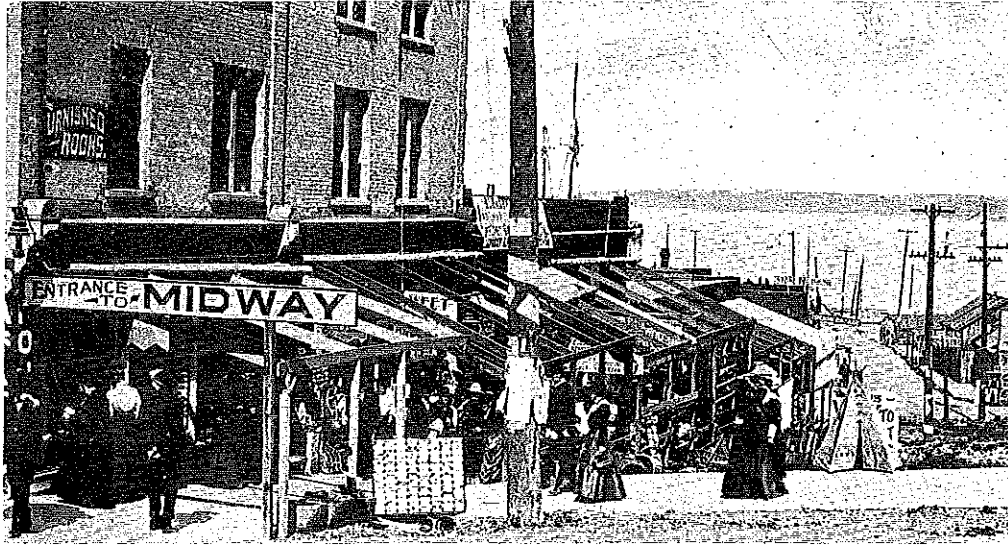
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A very handsome post card of the city of Petoskey, taken from the hill in the southeastern part of the city, is finding many admirers. The view is a good one of the city as a whole and shows a number of the large buildings to good advantage. In the background is the bay and the coast line on the north side as far as 7-mile point. Some of the cards are hand tinted and make very pretty pictures when framed.

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Postcard

No information on back



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One of the most interesting places on Midway is the shop of the Society for promoting the Interests of the Blind. A blind girl weaves various pieces, pillow tops, children's bids, dresser covers and drapery, bags, etc., and no one can watch her skill at her loom and see her put the designs in the pieces by feeling, that the desire to help these people does not come to the heart. The headquarters of the society is in Cleveland, O., and besides the smaller pieces, they make the rag rugs which are so popular.

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**Midway**

**{Left} George W. VanNess  
Business located at Midway, VanNess Block  
Polished Petoskey Stones and made them into Jewelry**