

# SAFE ROBBED; CLERK GONE.

Guests at the Plaza Hotel, Asbury Park,  
Lose Jewels—Property Worth  
\$2,000 Taken.

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ASBURY PARK, N. J., Aug. 22.—New York detectives are searching for William H. Wheaton, who up to last evening was chief clerk of the Plaza Hotel at this place. Wheaton left the hotel last evening, presumably to attend the theatre, but he was seen on a trolley car bound for Long Branch. He did not report for duty this morning, and when Proprietor Henry J. Bly opened the safe he found that it had been looted of money and jewelry belonging to the guests of the hotel.

Suspecting Wheaton to be the thief, Mr. Bly had a warrant issued for his arrest, charging him with grand larceny. The warrant was sent to New York this afternoon, and is now in the hands of Inspector McClusky, for Wheaton is believed to be in the city.

Proprietor Bly says the robbery will only foot up \$2,000, and of this amount the jewelry taken represents a value of \$1,200. Guests of the hotel, however, say that the loss is underestimated.

John Nathan of New York is the heaviest loser. He had over \$2,000 worth of jewelry in the safe, but six valuable brooches were left behind. Mrs. Rose Shanley of New York and Mrs. Money, wife of United States Senator Money of Mississippi, lost valuable diamonds.

No receipts were given for jewelry left with the clerk of the hotel, and the only way Proprietor Bly has of finding out his liability to his patrons is the demands made upon him.

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