

COULD BEND BARS, STILL SAT IN JAIL

"Egyptian Adept Student" Is Finally Released by Judge Pilgrim, but on Bail of \$1,700.

DR. THOMAS DREW'S MIRACLES MANY

Dr. Thomas Drew, advertising as an "Egyptian Adept Student," who has been performing miracles in his mysterious chamber in an attic room at 22 School street for several weeks, sat most of this morning in a cell in the Fourth Precinct lockup and wondered how he could effect an escape. Of course, he has twisted and broken such bars with one hand; has shattered great iron locks and has brushed away handcuffs with only a smile and a muscle twitch. But they were his own bars, locks and handcuffs.

The professor was also noticeably worried over a bail of \$1,700 which had been fixed by Judge Pilgrim to insure his appearance before the grand jury when he is wanted to answer two charges. One is for pretending powers of clairvoyance and the other accuses him of selling medicine without a license.

Information gathered by Detectives Schroeder and Bauman of headquarters shows that the professor had done a landoffice business in medicine and was waging a campaign to obliterate all illness from his neighborhood. He had also given some very remarkable advice regarding prospective marriages, investments and what-not.

Attired in a loosely fitting multi-colored gown and with a brilliant purple hood covering his head, Professor Drew, who is an East Indian, with "Virginia as his birth-place," told of his wonderful second-sight powers last night when he was visited by the detectives. He advised Shroeder to invest his million dollars as planned, and said he would be repaid three-fold.

Information Cost Dollar.

It cost Schroeder a dollar for the information despite the announcement on Drew's cards that he operated gratis. So a marked bill was given him, and later Schroeder and Mrs. Hughes, a policewoman acting as his wife, revisited the mysterious chamber and had the professor tell again of his marvelous powers. That also cost a dollar. The marked bill was given in change for a two-dollar note.

With that evidence, the detectives placed the professor under arrest and took him to the Fourth Precinct with all his paraphernalia and medicine. After being placed in the cell, the prisoner said he was a finished scholar in the art of breaking through bars and didn't really expect to spend the entire night in the lockup.

Of course, the professor had a lot of other really clever tricks that he wouldn't do for the lone dollar, but other visitors to the mysterious chamber had seen it all.

For instance, when dinner time grew near, the professor enjoyed a meal of eight-penny nails if his audience was sporty enough to pay for the iron. Then he resorted to miraculous powers of heating to make indigestion impossible. Scores of children in the neighborhood, it is said, witnessed the nail meals of the professor. A silver offering, it was stated, was exacted from the children.

His Was Four-Hour Day.

The professor worked only several hours each day, the two hours preceding noon, and from 6 to 8 o'clock at night. He ate the nails during the twilight hours.

Professor Drew said he learned his work in "that great country of India," and was able to cure aches, pains, fevers, consumption, dyspepsia, convulsions, lumbago, heart disease, indigestion, neuralgia, paralysis, rheumatism, nervousness, bronchitis, asthma, fits, deafness and blindness.

After making it possible for the local health department to cease business, the professor had contemplated chasing over to London to open the eyes of the blinded soldiers. Oh, yes, he could do that, for he had had some wonderful experience in India among the soldier-blind.

The most expensive miracle that the professor performed was the ejection of all evil spirits and influences, thereby making it possible for one to enjoy a night of perfect sleep. No Newarkers appealed for such aid, however.

Hundreds of persons have been advised by the professor, according to the police, and an investigation is still being conducted with a hope of obtaining some accurate information regarding the size of his clientele.