

LAHMAN HEARD FROM AGAIN

Daring Automobile Thief Writes He
Is On His Way to South
America.

Frank Lahman, who spent his time in Binford and vicinity last summer repairing boilers, when he wasn't stealing automobiles, and who was later arrested for his thefts and locked in the Day county, South Dakota, jail, has been heard from again since he made his escape.

A news dispatch from Webster, S. Dak., gives the following account:

"Meet me in Argentine, South America."

This was the greeting sent Sheriff J. C. Garrick of Day county by Frank Lahman, the young automobile thief who stole so many automobiles thruout the two Dakotas, Minnesota and Montana, during the past two years, and who broke thru the brick walls of the Day county jail here Oct. 5, last, and has not been previously heard from.

The greeting to Sheriff Garsick was on a postal card mailed from Lakeland, Polk county, Florida, several days ago, and in addition contained information for the sheriff to look up relative to other thefts of automobiles by Lahman during 1914, no reports of which had been previously brot to the attention of the sheriff. The card was signed "Montana Slim," a name Lahman had taken upon himself while in jail here.

Among the thefts which Lahman sets forth on this card is that of a Ford at Fargo, on Aug. 14, 1914, which car he sold at Woonsocket on Aug. 17. No word of this had been previously received here or laid at Lahman's door. Another was of a car at Bozeman, Mont., a few days later in the same month. Other thefts of cars in South Dakota and Montana were set forth on the card, but they were written in lead pencil and can hardly be made out.

On the date of his escape, Sheriff Garrick was in Sioux Falls, having taken a prisoner there for confinement in the state penitentiary. When the jailor locked up the prisoners for the night, Lahman hid on the outside and in back of the cages. The jailor asked him if he was "in" and he replied that he was. Apparently satisfied, the jailor made no investigation.

When the other prisoners were asleep, Lahman broke the lock on the outer door of the jail room which let him into the outer office. Taking an iron bar there he found little difficulty in battering out several bricks from the wall, and soon had a hole large enough for him to crawl out of.

Then he displayed some more of his galling nerve, that nerve which

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