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NEWS IN BRIEF

A N alarming rise in the number of robberies has been reported in the past few weeks. Daring pickpockets are operating in the larger stores, the cinemas and street markets. A wellorganised gang is believed to be at work. The police are using their best men to put a stop to this public scandal.



How about starting in the Old Street Market? Tintin said he was going there this morning. Perhaps we'll meet him.





















My wallet's been stolen!



But that's absurd! ... You must have left it at home ... or perhaps you've lost it?



Here, you hold these sticks. I' II pay.



Just the sort of thing that would happen to you! . . . To go and let someone pinch your wallet!











Goodbye! We' re going to report this straight away











