

# LOSE LARGE SUMS ON BOGUS BILLS

## New Orleans Financial Institutions Said to Be Victims of Forgery.

### FALSE SECURITY IS TAKEN

Junior Member of Old-Established Commission Firm Alleged to Have Engineered Big Swindle and Departed for Unknown Parts.

New Orleans, La., special: Under charges of obtaining approximately \$300,000 through forged bills of lading, warrants were issued for the apprehension of Alexander M. Odendahl, secretary of the F. J. Odendahl Company and son of the senior member of the firm. The victims of the alleged malfeasance of the young and well-known financier are the banks of the city. The full scope of the alleged fraudulent operations of the fugitive is not to be ascertained, because of the large possibilities for fraud.

For a generation or more the Odendahl Commission Company has done an enormous grain exporting business. The firm's standing in financial circles was absolutely above question. Their paper was good along the southern and Atlantic seaboard. The discovery by the banks upon which their claims of fraud are based serves as a distinct shock to the commercial, and especially the commission interests, of this section of the country.

### Bogus Bills of Lading.

To what extent the banks of the city claim to have been victimized is now known only in round numbers. The money is alleged to have been obtained solely through the use of the firm name of the F. J. Odendahl Commission Company on unindorsed notes secured upon lodgment of asserted fraudulent bills of lading. Warehouse receipts on grain which are alleged to be bogus are also said to have entered into the transactions whereby support is given to the claims of fraud as advanced by the banks.

### Failure to Pay Notes.

It has been no unusual thing, and in a matter of fact has been the habit of the house for years, to borrow large sums of money for from ten to thirty days upon indorsed notes secured by bills of lading, warehouse receipts and blanket insurance policies. Such indorsements has heretofore, however, always been made good upon the date upon which it was due. Some of these notes became due and failure of payment resulted in the discovery that the junior member of the firm had absconded himself from the city. The paper of the firm as held approximately by the different local banks is as follows: Comptoir National D'Escompte De Paris, \$70,000; Hibernia Bank and Trust Company, \$50,000; Louisiana National Bank, \$15,000; State National Bank, \$10,000; Commercial National Bank, \$4,300.

### Losses May Grow.

This is but an approximate estimate so far as the several banks are concerned. From a high official in one of the banks which is credited with being one of the largest losers it was learned that when the accounts entire are checked over it is confidently expected that something upward of \$300,000 will be found to be involved in the affair.

Under the charges preferred by some of the bank officials none of the discrepancies are more than one month old. The modus operandi is said to have been simple. So great a business does the firm do that it is said that it is nothing unusual for the transactions of a single day to equal the entire amount involved.

### Alleged Forgery.

The known volume of the business of the firm and the business record of its president enabled anyone connected with the concern in an authoritative position to secure the loan of large sums of money, even without indorsement, when affixed to the notes upon which the loans were made were bills of lading and warehouse or elevator receipts as collateral. The complaint of violation of law is that these latter documents were forgeries.

### CHINESE SMUGGLER IS NERVOUS

Steward on Coast Survey Vessel Brings Countryman and Opium.

Seattle, Wash., dispatch: Eighty pounds of opium which a Chinese steward on the coast survey steamer Getway will be charged with attempting to smuggle from Victoria to Seattle was seized aboard the cutter by customs inspectors. Eight parcels, worth \$1,024, were found in the steward's department. Gong Geo, the steward, is in jail awaiting trial for attempting to smuggle a countryman between the same points on the same voyage. A strange feature is the smuggler's anxiety in selecting a government vessel for smuggling.

### TO DEAL WITH FRENCH MINERS

Operators Show a Disposition to Negotiate With Workmen.

Paris cable: At a meeting of the council of ministers Premier Cambon announced that the reports received from the mine owners showed a disposition to open negotiations with the miners. This is a very important development.

## KNIGHTS TEMPLAR SELECT OFFICERS

Grand Commandery of Illinois Concludes Its Annual Convention and Adjourns.

Chicago, Ill., special: The grand commandery of the Knights Templar of Illinois concluded its annual convention in the Masonic temple yesterday. The next convention will be held in Peoria. The following officers were elected and installed: Commander, H. G. Purinton; deputy commander, A. S. Wilderman; general, George E. O'Hara; captain general, A. A. Whipple; senior warden, A. E. Schoch; junior warden, Smyth Crooks; prelate, the Rev. T. A. Parker; treasurer, John H. Witbeck; recorder, Gil W. Barnard.

The grand council of the Royal and Select Master Masons of Illinois elected the following officers yesterday: Grand master, John C. Hallenbeck, Chicago; deputy grand commander, A. M. Hallowell, Jacksonville; grand principal conductor, C. W. Hollandsworth, Canton; grand treasurer, John C. Smith, Chicago; grand recorder, Gil W. Barnard, Chicago; grand chaplain, Henry R. Hopkins, Chicago; grand lecturer, M. M. Lord, Chenoa.

## ALDERMAN'S WIFE USES A REVOLVER

Shoots Young Woman in the Chin Because She Had Been Seen With Councilman.

Youngstown, O., special: Mrs. Carrie Conner, wife of City Councilman John J. Conner, met Miss Mattie Burtis on the street where hundreds of people were passing and shot her in the chin. Before she could fire a second time Patrolman Parks, who was passing on a car, seized Mrs. Conner and secured the revolver. The victim was taken to a hospital. She may recover. Miss Burtis is an attractive blonde, 25 years old. Her home is at Saginaw, Mich. Recently she came here and was seen with Conner. Mrs. Conner, being informed of the conduct of her husband, lay in wait for the woman and shot her. The offended wife had threatened to kill both her husband and Miss Burtis if she caught them together. Conner is wealthy, being worth \$150,000.

## GEN. CORBIN FAVORS CANTREEN

In His Annual Report He Will Recommend Its Re-establishment.

Washington dispatch: The annual report of Adjutant General Corbin, to be made public shortly, contains a strong recommendation for the re-establishment of the army canteen. Special attention is called to the reports of general officers of the army showing the effect of the present system on the health and morals of the soldiers. These reports all indicate an increased number of desertions, and more men are tried for drunkenness in the absence of the canteen than when it was in existence.

## MOTHER LOVE IS PARAMOUNT

Judge Brownlee Decides Child's Possession on Novel Ground.

Marion Ind., special: Judge Hiram Brownlee, in ruling in the habeas-corpus suit of Harry Leopold for the possession of his daughter, Thelia, declared that a mother's love and care is more benefit to a child than all the money, clothes or support that a father can give it. The child was given to its mother, Mrs. Henry Heath of Chicago, who, with her husband, was arrested at Matthews, charged with kidnaping her 8-year-old daughter, Thelia Leopold.

## WOULD CLOSE BERLIN SALOONS

Claim Excise Laws Would Wipe Out 15,000 Drinking Places.

Berlin cable: In order to induce the reichstag not to pass the new excise laws the Berlin Saloonkeepers' league has prepared a great petition which states that the proposed bill will compel 15,000 out of Berlin's 19,000 saloons to close. It is also pointed out that this will cause serious loss to those engaged in the liquor industry and to hundreds of landlords.

## Clergyman Attacks Bible.

London cable: At a meeting of the Churchmen's union, Dean Froelittle of Ripon threw doubt on the miracles recorded in the New Testament. He said that he did not credit the stories of the immaculate conception or actual bodily resurrection.

## Olympian Games.

Athens cable: It has been decided to hold an international tournament of Olympian games in 1904 in connection with the archaeological congress to be held in celebration of the completion of the restoration of the stadium.

## Kruger to Take Oath.

Brussels cable: Mr. Kruger, formerly president of the Transvaal, has decided to give up his irreconcilable attitude toward the British. He will take the oath of allegiance, and will ask for permission to return to south Africa.

## Fatal Traction Accident.

London cable: A tram car carrying eighty passengers was overturned at Chatham. Two persons were killed and fifty injured.

## FALLING BRICKS STRIKE MILITIA

### Many Soldiers Hurt While Returning to Pittsburg From Coal Fields.

### BLAME LAID ON THE WORKERS

Officers Endeavor to Get Shot at Men On Top of High Structure, but Attempt is Fruitless—Say It Was Accident.

Pittsburg, Pa., special: The Fourteenth regiment, Pennsylvania National guards, returning from strike duty in the anthracite coal fields, was attacked by workmen, who, from the twenty-first story of the Farmers' bank skyscraper, hurled bricks, heavy pieces of wood, and concrete down upon the soldiers, and for a few moments threw the entire regiment into disorder.

The suddenness of the attack threw two companies of the regiment and the band into panic, which spread through the ranks that pecked the narrow thoroughfare. Soldiers were felled to the ground by the missiles.

Officers sprang to the sidewalk, and raising their revolvers, sought an opportunity to shoot the men who were bombarding their men. The privates followed their example and in an instant scores of rifles were pointed upward. The men on the top of the new skyscraper fled across the building for shelter, and after a time the regiment reformed and marched on.

The officers of the regiment had just reached the building when a shower of bricks, heavy pieces of scantling, iron and concrete began to fall. The regimental band caught the great force of the attack. Half a dozen men were knocked down and many instruments were broken.

In a moment the panic stricken crowd on the sidewalks began to push in upon the soldiers, and the men, breaking ranks, scrambled around in wild disorder, seeking an opportunity to get at their assailants.

The officers screamed orders in vain. The crowd had broken through the ranks and the wildest disorder ensued.

Major Harry D. Fowler was hit on the shoulder by a scumling. He sprang to the sidewalk and, drawing his revolver, pointed it at the men on the top of the new building. All along the street the men raised their rifles to get a shot at the attacking workmen, who fled to places of safety. The officers then reformed the broken companies and marched them on to the armory.

### Endangers Many Lives.

After the troops reached the armory Major Fowler returned to the building to investigate. At least fifty pieces of the debris were hurled from the top of the building to the street below. Admission to the building was denied everybody, and no person seemed able to account for the act of the workmen. They not only endangered the lives of the soldiers but also of hundreds of persons on the streets and pavements.

The men claim they had been raising a stinging and some of the debris fell into the street. No one has been found yet who can identify the men responsible. At the great distance it was impossible to recognize faces.

## COURT EXTENDS ANDREWS' TIME

Reverses Judge Murphy's Decision on Qualification of Bondsman.

Lansing, Mich., dispatch: The supreme court has decided in the matter of the bail of Frank C. Andrews of Detroit, the convicted former vice president of the defunct City Savings bank, that the sureties on his \$100,000 bail bond must be able to qualify in the aggregate to the amount of \$200,000, but that each one need not qualify in the sum of \$100,000. They also held that Judge Murphy can accept any reasonable number of sureties on the bond. Judge Murphy decided that each of Andrews' bondsmen must qualify in the sum of \$100,000 and Andrews' attorneys took the case to the supreme court. When Andrews was granted bail by the supreme court he was given fifteen days in which to produce his bondsmen. Owing to this latest ruling in regard to their qualifications the court extended this time fifteen days.

## FARMERS DISPUTE OVER STOCK

Fight Follows Argument on Proper Care of Fancy Cattle.

Elgin, Ill., special: After a dispute with his landlord, William Theis, about the way to care for fancy cattle, Ernest Lustoff attacked Theis with a pitchfork. Theis fired one shot at Lustoff, which lodged in the breastbone. After the shooting Lustoff drove to Elgin and swore out a warrant for Theis, charging him with an attempt to kill. Theis was arrested and gave bonds for \$1,000. He has a controlling interest in five farms near here.

## Superintendent Resigns.

Jeffersonville, Ind., special: A. T. Hect, superintendent of the Indiana Reformatory, has tendered his resignation to the board of managers, and Joseph B. Brown of Columbus, O., secretary of the Ohio board of charities, was appointed to succeed him.

## MONKEYS WITH LONG NOSES

A Specimen of a Rare Variety Arrives in Hamburg From Borneo.

Most monkeys have nothing but nose holes, and no real nose, as we consider it. But there is a monkey in Borneo that has a long nose, longer even than that of particularly long-nosed human beings.

A specimen of this monkey, known as the proboscis monkey, has just been brought alive to Europe, and is now in Hamburg.

The queer creature has attracted much attention. It looks grotesquely human-like—very much like a man who has put on a big artificial nose for fun.

The monkey can move his nose upward or downward, and he can make it stick out straight from his face.

It is very rare to find proboscis monkeys in captivity. Most of them die before they get much farther than Suez because they are very sensitive to the changes in temperature and to the conditions of captivity.

The one in Hamburg has been named "Kiki." He looks extremely mild and gentle, but his reputation is different. He is accused of being wicked and treacherous.

## A Wonderful Pill.

Freedom, Mo., Nov. 3d.—A splendid remedy has recently been introduced in this neighborhood. It is called Dodd's Kidney Pills and it has cured Rheumatism right and left. On every hand may be heard stories of the remarkable recoveries and from what has been stated already there seems to be no case of rheumatism that Dodd's Kidney Pills will not cure.

One of those who has already tested the virtue of Dodd's Kidney Pills is Katie Anderson of this place, who says:

"I can't say enough for Dodd's Kidney Pills. They have helped me so much. I suffered very severely with rheumatism. Five boxes cured me completely. They are certainly the most wonderful medicine I have ever used."

Osage county abounds in just such cases and if the good work keeps on there will soon be no rheumatism left in this part of the state.

## Lady Somerset's Busy Life.

Lady Henry Somerset, the English temperance reformer, is now fifty-two but does not look her years. She has been since 1890 president of the British Women's Temperance Association, which is now the largest association of its kind in England. In 1892 she was president of the World's Women's Christian Temperance Union, and in 1895 held sway over 500,000 women as president of the International Association.

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## In a Business Sense.

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## Do Your Feet Ache and Burn?

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## Labor Disputes in Britain.

The 642 new labor disputes recorded in the United Kingdom in 1901 involved nearly 180,000 work people, or about 2 per cent of the industrial population.

If you don't get the biggest and best it's your own fault. DeLancey Starch is for sale everywhere and there is positively nothing to equal it in quality or quantity.

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## BOARD INSPECTS MINE WORKINGS

### Arbitrators Visit the Collieries and Interview the Men.

### CRAWL THROUGH OPENINGS

Inquiry Develops the Fact That a Ton of Coal Differs in Weight, From 2,800 to 3,100 Pounds Being Required of the Men.

Scranton, Pa., dispatch: The anthracite strike commissions appointed by President Roosevelt made a tour of the extreme upper coal field and saw every step taken in the production of coal from the time it is blasted from the ground up to the point where it is sent to market.

The arbitrators returned to their hotel grimy and tired after eight busy hours of observation and investigation. The trip was a novelty to most of the commissioners, some of whom never having been in the hard coal region.

The commissioners displayed the greatest interest in every feature of coal mining. They had to endure many discomforts, make their way through wet places in the mines, crawl along some of the gangways in the workings, and pass through clouds of coal dust in the breakers. Notwithstanding this their eagerness for information was not diminished and they expect to put in another hard day's work in this vicinity.

### Spalding Asks Questions.

Bishop Spalding asked more questions than any one of the others. He was usually in the center of a group of commissioners, and asked many questions of those who are employed in and about the mines. All the commissioners were good listeners but poor talkers on any feature of their investigation.

### When the party arrived at Forest City a crowd, in which were some mine workers, was gathered.

A short drive was taken through the town to give the commissioners an opportunity to view the homes of the mine workers, and then the entire party was bundled into three small cars and hauled to the No. 3 shaft, a mile distant down the valley.

As the mine was wet and dirty the company officials provided rubber overshoes, overalls, jumpers and miners' caps for the entire party. Judge Gray and Bishop Spalding were the first to don the uniform of the miner and good-naturedly took the remarks thrust at them by their colleagues as to whether or not they belonged to the union.

### See Miners Work.

After the party had been rigged out and provided with miners' lamps the descent of the 160-foot shaft was made. At the foot of the shaft the president and another member of the Forest City local union of the miners' organization joined the party. The hospital at that point was inspected, and then the commissioners got into a train of six mine cars and were hauled a mile and a half under ground. The commissioners went down a plane to what is known as a thin vein of coal, where they saw miners fire a blast.

On the return journey to the foot of the shaft Bishop Spalding came across a Lithuanian boy who was employed as a doortender. His face was black from coal dirt, but the bishop noticed his handsome features. He asked the boy many questions as to his age, the character of his work, and the wages he received. The other commissioners also pried the boy with questions.

### Slight Mishap.

Near the shaft on the return journey the car in which Judge Gray, Gen. Wilson and Messrs. Clark and Parker were seated jumped the track and the four occupants were slightly shaken up. Miners quickly placed the car on the track and again started them off with a hearty goodby.

The commissioners held a brief executive session in their car, at which they discussed matters relating to the further movements of the arbitrators.

The arbitrators had an interesting time at the Coalbrook breaker at Carbonade. They went to the top of the great black building and inspected all the machinery down to the ground. They were much interested in the men and boys who are employed in picking slate and "honey" from the coal. From the breaker the now tired commissioners were escorted to the chute where the coal, fresh out of the mine, is sent to the breaker by means of a "conveyor."

### How Many Pounds in Ton?

A few feet away is the place where the cars of coal are weighed. Mr. Clark inquired how many pounds constituted a ton at this colliery. Supt. Bryden of the Ontario and Western thought it was about 2,800 pounds, but District President Nicholls said it was a little over 3,100 pounds. The two began to discuss this. Mr. Nicholls said that, granting that 2,800 was correct, these figures are too high. He said when the companies fixed 2,800 pounds to constitute a ton so as to get out of it 2,000 pounds of pure coal the operators did not sell pea coal in the market. Now they have a market for pea coal and about three other sizes below it, and the miners' ton of 2,800 pounds has not been decreased. Judge Gray was an interested listener to the discussion.

"Dr. August Koenig's Hamburg Breast Tea," writes Mr. F. Hatch, of Horicon, Wis., "enabled me to get rid of an obstinate cough; we feel very grateful to the discoverer of this medicine."

One of the hard things to understand is how such nice grandmothers as everybody has ever could have been mother-in-laws. Money doesn't always bring happiness, but it makes a man feel like shouting halfeula once in a while.

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## BACKACHE.



Backache is a forerunner and one of the most common symptoms of kidney trouble and womb displacement.

### READ MISS BOLLMAN'S EXPERIENCE.

"Some time ago I was in a very weak condition, my work made me nervous and my back ached frightfully all the time, and I had terrible headaches."

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