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EXTRA. 2 O'CLOCK. NOW IT'S FORGERY

More Serious Crimes Charged Against E. M. Field.

District-Attorney Nicoll Seeking Indictments on New Evidence.

He Declares that a System of Forgery Concealed Thefts.

Cyrus W. Field Stinking Steadily and His End Believed to Be Near.

It now seems probable that by the time the investigation of his affairs has been completed, Edward M. Field will be shown up in a much more unfavorable light than any of his friends or acquaintances would have believed possible when his troubles first became public.

District-Attorney Nicoll, in his search of the records of the insolvent firm of Field, Lantry, Wickers & Co., has made surprising discoveries in their records, he says, than any wish which Field has yet been charged.

He declares that he has reason to believe that Field, in his efforts to obtain money during the last days of his business career, when he had exhausted all other resources, was driven in his desperation to commit forgeries.

Indications point to the fact that the crime was not committed once or twice, but many times, and that Field in his extremity was ready to adopt a regular system of forgery to cover his real position and keep his head above water.

"I have examined the books of the firm," said Mr. Nicoll, "which were furnished to me by Mr. Field, the assignee, and they cover a period of four months before the failure."

"It shows that during the latter part of this time Edward M. Field was badly pressed for money to carry on his operations."

"He was strapped, in other words, and to obtain funds for immediate necessities he did not hesitate to show up securities deposited with the firm, and these he sold over and over again."

"When he could raise no more money on these he commenced committing forgeries, and he kept this up to the end."

THE EVIDENCE AGAINST HIM.

According to Mr. Nicoll, the evidence of the criminal practice is abundant and convincing, and it is believed that the grand jury, which he is well satisfied has been impaneled.

It was learned that the matter has already gone before the grand jury, and additional indictments are expected to follow shortly.

The offense charged will be forgery in the first degree.

It is stated that Edward Field had resorted to this means to raise money were current shortly after his failure. The story got around in Wall Street that he had negotiated a bill for a large amount, which the banking firm that had advanced money upon it subsequently discovered was fraudulent.

It was said that the signature of the master of the vessel was found to be a forgery, and Field was immediately called to account for it by the holders of the bill.

He hesitated around and raised the money to take it up on short notice, and as a result, nothing was heard of this particular case.

WELL-KNOWN NAMES USED.

In connection with the new evidence which the District-Attorney has unearthed, and which it appears was not before discovered by any of those who had had access to Field's books and accounts, it is said that the names of several well-known financiers figure prominently.

Experts have examined the papers carefully, and the signatures which have made them valuable have been, it is stated, pronounced forgeries.

The developments expected from the latest investigation of the District-Attorney and the grand jury are awaited with the most anxious interest by all the members and friends of Mr. Field's family.

Edward Field continues to manifest the most peculiar behavior at Ludlow Street Jail, where he is confined. He refuses to eat anything and will talk to no one in the prison. Since night before last he has had a complete change of mood. Yesterday he lived on two cups of coffee and two glasses of milk. This morning he took only a cup of coffee, and no amount of persuasion would induce him to swallow anything more.

NOT AFRAID OF ROUSERS.

It was said yesterday that he declined to take food because he was afraid somebody was trying to poison him. Warden Dunlap says today, however, that Field has not expressed any such fear.

symptom of insanity has manifested since he came to the jail.

The physicians who examined Field at the jail yesterday decline to say anything this morning as to the result of their investigation.

STILL THINKS FIELD INSANE.

Dr. Matthew Field, who was present but did not take part in the examination, says: "I have no reason to change my opinion, formed two weeks ago, in regard to Mr. Field's mental condition. He is insane beyond question. The grounds for this opinion will be made public at the proper time."

This afternoon several other physicians will go to see Field at the jail and examine him. The object of these visits is said to procure expert testimony, which will be used in the judicial investigation of Field's mental condition.

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Daily visits from his physicians will be a part of this arrangement, for the family still claim that his health is in an extremely precarious condition.

One of the medical experts who has recently examined Field says that all the symptoms of the prisoner, both mental and physical, fit the diagnosis of brain disorder, and point unmistakably to the fact that Field's mind is utterly wrecked.

His refusal of food, disgust and nausea at the sight of it, poor digestion, dry, scaly skin, cold extremities, creeping chills, coated and tremulous tongue, slow, feeble pulse and sluggish circulation are given as indicative of his condition.

The accompanying mental symptoms are said to be distrust of his associates, thoughts of suicide, an exaggerated notion of personal danger and almost complete loss of memory. The only person of whom he seems to fancy, it is said, is his wife.

EVILS FIELD STREADILY FATHERS.

Cyrus W. Field, father of E. M. Field, is reported to be steadily sinking, and it is feared by his friends that his death is only a few hours off. Dr. Keyes, who is attending him, said today:

"There is no immediate danger of death in Mr. Field's case. He is not suffering from any disease, but is simply prostrated by the succession of calamities that have fallen upon him."

"He has no ambition; he does not get up, nor does he arouse himself in any way. He does not care to eat anything, or read the newspapers or exert himself in any way. He may continue in this condition for days or weeks."

"The one thing in his favor is that comes of a sturdy and long-lived stock, and may by careful nursing recover and again get around."

"I have hopes that he will, but he is an old man and has been under medical treatment for two years, and an unfavorable turn may come at any time."

THOUGHT IT WAS SUNDAY.

An Edgar County Man Makes a Queer Mistake.

One of the farmers living not far from this city is never idle when there is anything to do, and was greatly annoyed Saturday evening on learning that through some mistake in his calculations he had lost an entire day's work on his farm, says the Kansas Journal.

Through some unknown influence he awoke on Friday morning with the idea that the day was Saturday, and immediately set out on his usual round of errands. He was kept out of school and all of Saturday's work was done.

Saturday morning, the family, after the necessary work had been performed, put on their best clothes, and the day was given over to rest and quiet. Occasionally a neighbor would pass with a wagon laden with corn or some other marketable product, and the object of our sketch, seeing this, believed that six days' diligent work should be followed by a day of rest, would breathe a silent prayer for the full forgiveness of his Sabbath-breaking neighbor.

Thus matters quietly proceeded until in the evening, when one of the neighbor's boys happened in, and being struck with the Sabbath-day appearance of everything, remarked: "What's the matter with you folks? What are you all dressed up for? This ain't Sunday."

"My friend was dumfounded when he learned that he had lost an entire day's work, and, exclaiming himself to the young lad, he hurried off, changed his Sunday clothes for his every-day apparel, and pitched into the work, endeavoring to make up for lost time.

TRAVELLING BY TUBES.

A Company Formed to Boom a Pneumatic Railway.

A company has recently been formed in Hamburg for the purpose of putting into practical working shape a novel plan for the transportation of passengers and freight in pneumatic tubes, say an exchange.

The line consists of a pneumatic tube large enough to take a car 40 inches in diameter and about 6 1/2 feet long.

This car is divided into three compartments, each of which will accommodate a passenger. Each compartment is to contain an apparatus filled with compressed air, so that passengers can have an ample supply of pure air as long as they remain closed up.

The car is to be shot through the tube at a high rate of speed, but with a gentle sliding motion.

The foreign papers, in referring to this railway, remarks: "Travelers will be allowed a limited amount of baggage, but smoking will be strictly prohibited."

An experimental line is to be built on this principle between Hamburg and Lubeck, a distance of about 100 miles, which the cars are expected to traverse in eleven minutes.

POINTERS ON THE RACES.

A Splendid Programme Made Up for Guttenberg To-Day.

Eleven Two-Year-Olds Entered to Compete for a Purse.

The programme at Guttenberg today is a splendid one. The fields are neither too large nor small, and the quality of the entries is first class.

Termentor, Felipe, Ranocosa, Volunteer II, and Nina Archer will race in a six and a half furlong dash, and from all appearances the race will be a fine one.

Alma T., O. P. B., Knapsack, Padre, Smuggler and others will make a good race at six furlongs, and a quartet, Cassella, Mountain Deer, and Nina Archer, ought to go well in the fifth race. The track will be hard and dry.

The entries for the opening and other events are as follows:

First Race—Purse \$400, for heat or horses, five furlongs.

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Second Race—Purse \$400, for maidens, six furlongs.

Money's Magpie, B. J., and others will make a good race at six furlongs, and a quartet, Cassella, Mountain Deer, and Nina Archer, ought to go well in the fifth race. The track will be hard and dry.

The entries for the opening and other events are as follows:

Third Race—Purse \$400, for all ages; penalties and allowances, six and a half furlongs.

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Fourth Race—Purse \$400, for two-year-olds, selling allowances, six furlongs.

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ROW OVER FLORENCE'S WILL.

A Codicil Mentioned on His Death-Bed Said to Be Missing.

Several of the relatives of the late William J. Florence have developed a row over the will of the deceased, which was last entirely to his widow.

They claim that an important codicil to the will has in some manner mysteriously disappeared.

Mr. Florence and Police Inspector Peter J. Conly were both dead. There are three other brothers, Edward B., John and Benjamin Conly, and a sister, Mrs. Mary J. Warr, of Washington.

John Conly is a helpless paralytic, living at 377 West Thirty-second street, and Mrs. Warr, who was by her dying brother's bedside, says that Mr. Florence expressly mentioned this codicil, and said he had made a codicil to his will in which he had provided for John and for her. Mrs. Warr is a widow.

Inspector Conly says that it was a matter of common knowledge among the relatives of the great estate that he expected his collection of books, said to be worth \$10,000, to go to the Actors' Fund.

The contents of the will that has been filed would defeat this plan. Mrs. Florence getting all of the \$200,000 estate. This will was drawn by Whitmore & Browne on May 5, 1878, and is what is known as an "entire" will. It gives everything to the wife, should she survive, but in the event of her dying she is to have the estate to be divided among the children.

Mrs. Florence executed a similar will at the same time, leaving everything to her husband, and the wills were deposited in a strong box and placed in a vault of the Second National Bank.

Joseph H. Conly gave a key to this vault and a power of attorney for Mr. Florence, but during Mr. Florence's last illness, Mr. Tolson, who is brother-in-law of the dead actor, had the name of Mrs. Florence inserted in the paper, and on her arrival from Europe gave her a duplicate key to the strong box.

The relatives now claim to have discovered a statement that the codicil was not found with the will, and Mr. Tolson demands to know why President George Montague, of the Second National Bank, permitted any one to open the strong box without his presence and without an order from the bank.

"The bank officials," said Mr. Tolson, "claim that the death of Mr. Florence ended his power of attorney, and that he did not see Mrs. Florence's power of attorney after Edward B. Conly, brother of Mr. Florence, was the master of the codicil in hand and will not let the matter go."

Inspector Peter J. Conly is at home, sick with a slight attack of grip today. Through his illness, he is unable to attend to the matter.

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DELAY IS SUSPICIOUS.

No Move for the Promised Police Surgeon Examinations.

Officials Do Not Deny the Favored Candidate's Influence.

The promise of Lee Phillips, Secretary and executive officer of the Civil-Service Boards, that an early date would be set for the examination of applicants for appointment to police surgeon has not been kept, and from his attitude this morning it is to be inferred that it will not be.

The examination was first announced by Mr. Phillips in notices sent out Dec. 1, stating that requisition had been made by the Police Commissioners for an eligible list from which to make their appointments, and requesting candidates to appear before the Civil-Service Examiners Dec. 8. Upon the following day a Commissioner advised that it was the Mayor's wish to have the examinations postponed. Mr. Phillips sent out notices in the last mail Dec. 7 announcing the same.

Then Mayor Grant returned from Ireland, and within three days demanded and received Mr. Phillips's resignation. The resignation was accepted by the Mayor's desk, and later in the day, Dec. 11, Mr. Phillips sent out, by special delivery, notices that the examination was postponed indefinitely.

It is stated in an interview a day or two later that the examination would be held in two or three weeks. Meanwhile, another position was advertised, and there are now three or four vacancies instead of three on the staff.

Mr. Phillips said to an EVENING WORLD reporter today that he had not yet fixed a date for the examination, and that he could not say when he would do so. Asked if he had consulted with his colleagues on the supervisory board regarding the matter, as he had said he should, the Chief Examiner declined to say anything further on the subject.

Referring to the interview with one of the physicians who is an applicant for the position of police surgeon, published in yesterday's EVENING WORLD, Mr. Phillips declared that the suggestion that the appointment of other physicians to assist Medical Examiner Vestburg for the purpose of assisting some favored candidate is misleading.

"Dr. Vestburg, in all similar examinations, has been authorized by the Commissioners," said Mr. Phillips, "to select two experts to assist him in the preparation of papers and in rating the standing of applicants after examination."

"These extra examiners are not appointed by the Mayor, and I do not think that favoritism could be that way shown."

Mr. Phillips would not give any reason for the delay in appointing a day for the examinations, nor would he admit that the true reason is to be found in the fact that yesterday, in which it was suggested that a certain physician, applicant for appointment, has enough influence with the Mayor to secure his postponement until he can ascertain if he will be appointed health officer of the Port.

Regarding this physician, a gentleman who also is an applicant with the facts said this morning that while he is not an applicant for appointment in the sense of having filed a petition with the Civil-Service Board, he will probably do so if his scheme for another appointment should fall through.

A petition for examination may be filed on the very day set for the examination, and no petitioner can participate in the examination.

Secretary Phillips admitted this to be the fact this morning.

Without promise of relief, members of the depleted medical staff of the Police Department are doing double and triple duty, and complain of overwork is quite general.

Among the commissioners, James J. Martin and John H. Verries were questioned today by an EVENING WORLD reporter:

"You may quote me as taking the position that the public interests will not suffer seriously through the postponement of the examination," said Commissioner Martin.

"The Police Board requested a certification from the eligible list for appointments, and made provision for salaries for additional surgeons in its provisional estimates. From a practical point of view, it is to be inferred that there is no necessity for the appointment of more police surgeons, is it not?" the Commissioner was asked.

"Not necessarily," was his reply. "I made the motion requesting a list of eligible candidates, and the list was made up. It has been provided for, and that is what acted me. I do not think it a vital point that the appointments should be made immediately."

"Regarding any other phase of the situation I know nothing. Why the Civil-Service Commissioners do not conduct an examination of the candidates who concern them alone, they alone are accountable."

"The Police Commissioners have done all that they are required to do towards filling the vacancies promptly, and there the matter rests so far as they are concerned."

The views of Police Commissioner Verries are quite similar to those of Commissioner Martin.

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ESOP ON CURRENT EVENTS. CXXVII.

A Fowler, taking his bird-lime and his twigs, went out to catch birds. Seeing a Thrush sitting upon a tree, he wished to take it, and fitting his twigs to a proper length, he watched it intently, having his whole thoughts directed towards the sky. While thus looking upward, he unwares trod upon a Viper asleep just before his feet. The Viper, turning towards him, stung him; and he, falling into a swoon, said to himself: "Woe is me! that while I purposed to snare another, am myself fallen unwares into misfortune."

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