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DUMONT A WITNESS. Says Inspectors Were Required to Report Bad Life Preservers.

John W. Fleming, assistant United States inspector of boilers at the time of the Slocum disaster, was a witness yesterday in the trial of Henry Lundberg, the ex-assistant inspector of hulls and equipment, in the case in which Fleming has already been discharged.

Fleming was called for the defence to show the methods of inspection of steamboats in this port. He said the assistant inspector of hulls and equipment simply counted the life preservers, but never examined them to determine their condition or fitness for service.

"I never knew of assistant inspectors looking at life preservers to see if the canvas was good or if they had any holes in them?" he was asked on cross-examination.

"I never know about that," was the reply. "I know nothing about life preservers being rejected. My duty was simply to examine boilers. I did not watch the inspectors while they were moving about the boat."

When the defence rested ex-Superintendent Inspector General Dumont was called by the prosecution in rebuttal. His testimony was in contradiction to that of Fleming. In part it was as follows:

Q.—Were the inspections made entirely by the assistant inspectors? A.—Yes.

Q.—What general instructions were given to the assistant inspectors? A.—To inspect and report as to the condition of the hull, boilers, engines, life preservers and everything else on the vessel, and report what they found or needed repairs.

Q.—Were they required to report life preservers that were bad? A.—They were.

Q.—Were there any instructions as to inspections of life preservers? A.—An order given in 1880 directed that all life preservers stamped or passed by certain assistant inspectors were to be passed as good.

Q.—That order refers only to factory examination, and was directed to the Cincinnati district? A.—It does.

Q.—Where are these instructions to examine as to the quality or condition of life preservers? A.—I know of no special order about inspection of life preservers.

Q.—Did an assistant inspector ever report to you while you were a local inspector that a life preserver was bad? A.—I did not.

Q.—Did you ever hear or know of such a report being made? A.—I did not.

Court was adjourned until Monday.

WARRANT OUT FOR APPEYARD. Result of Buffalo Bank Proceedings—Officers of Institution Give Bail.

Buffalo, Jan. 27.—Justice Murphy, who has been conducting "John Doe" proceedings with a view to ascertaining if there was anything criminal in connection with the insolvency of the now defunct German Bank, this afternoon issued warrants for the arrest of Arthur E. Appeyard, of Boston; Richard Emory, Robert P. Schelling and Eugene A. Georger, of Buffalo.

It was stated that Appeyard is charged that he misrepresented the value of bonds of the Ohio Trust Company which were obtained by him, Messrs. Emory, Schelling and Georger are charged with violating that person's contract with the bank to make it an officer for officers of a bank to fail to perform their full duty. Mr. Emory was president of the bank when it failed into the hands of Receiver A. J. Wheeler. Mr. Georger was president of the bank up to the time the Appeyard interests obtained control of it. Mr. Schelling was one of the bank's directors.

Messrs. Emory, Schelling and Georger appeared in police court this afternoon and gave bail in the sum of \$500 each for a hearing next Tuesday.

Boston, Jan. 27.—Arthur E. Appeyard, for whose arrest a warrant was issued at Buffalo to-day, said that he did not care to make a statement at present. The latest development was news to him, he added, and he had not decided on a course of action. When he was asked if he would go to New York State voluntarily he thought possibly he might, but could not tell for a certainty what he would do.

ENGINEERING CO. DOUBLES CAPITAL. Albany, Jan. 27.—The O'Rourke Engineering Construction Company of New-York to-day filed a certificate of increase of capital stock from \$1,000,000 to \$2,000,000. The new stock is to be cumulative 6 per cent stock, payable in cash or in property.

LOCAL BUSINESS TROUBLES. The Sheriff yesterday received two executions for \$334 against Heston & Co., manufacturers of paper boxes, at No. 219 Greene-st.; one for \$44 in favor of Doty & Scrimgeour, and the other for \$175 in favor of Baeder, Adamson & Co.

Judgment for \$15,083 was entered against Berliner & Son in favor of the Chemical National Bank, on two notes made by the firm in 1904.

Two transcripts of judgments from Nassau County were filed against John T. Williams in favor of Joshua W. Barnum for \$4,182.

PETITIONS IN BANKRUPTCY. Henry F. Nathemeyer, No. 223 Broadway, yesterday filed a petition in bankruptcy with liabilities of \$2,700. Principal creditors, Mrs. L. Posterman, No. 232 Broadway, \$1,849; Austin Nichols & Co., \$870; assets, groceries, \$2,300; cash, \$12; accounts due, \$297.

WOLF HONIG, clerk No. 347 East Fourth-st., filed a petition showing liabilities \$1,200; assets, \$30. Principal creditors, The People of the State of New-York, \$1,000 on criminal bond, forfeiture; \$200 on second bond forfeiture; Alois Kohn & Co., No. 18 Maiden Lane, \$200. Assets, clothing, exempt under bankruptcy law.

PUSHING THE GRAIN RATE WAR. Chicago, Jan. 27.—Following the action yesterday of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas Railroad, reducing the rates on grain from Omaha and Kansas City to Gulf ports, and the action of the Rock Island in reducing the rate from Omaha and Kansas City to eastern points, the trunk lines east of Chicago reduced the rate to-day on grain from 15 to 12 1/2 cents. The charges on export and domestic grain for eastern consumption were cut from 20 to 17 1/2 cents. The differential rates are 10 Philadelphia, 13 and Baltimore, 12. The Illinois Central followed almost immediately with a 12 cent rate from all ports on the line in Illinois outside of Chicago to Gulf ports.

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TWO RECEIVERS NAMED. CHANCELLOR MAGIE ACTS.

Grants Application Regarding Standard Rope and Twine.

Trenton, N. J., Jan. 27.—Chancellor Magie to-day filed in the Court of Chancery an order appointing Dick S. Ramsey, president of the East River Sewing Machine Co., and Frederick K. Magie, president of the Standard Rope and Twine Company, as receivers of the Standard Rope and Twine Company.

The application for a receiver was made by George W. Montgomery, of New-York, vice-president of the company. The reasons for the application are stated to be the inability of the company to pay the interest due on February 1 on its 6 per cent first mortgage bonds, the default on the sinking fund payments of \$7,400 each, due respectively in August, 1904, and August, 1904, and the large indebtedness of the company and the lack of sufficient collateral to protect the same.

In his bill of complaint Mr. Montgomery avers that the company's property covered by the first mortgage is not worth more than \$2,500,000, the outstanding first mortgage bonds amounting to \$2,740,000 per value. He also says that the Standard Rope and Twine Company, being embarrassed for lack of sufficient working capital, made arrangements with the Union Selling Company to lend the Standard company such sums as should be required, the loans being secured by transferring to the Selling company hemp and manufactured rope and twine and the capital stock of the Cannals Company, a corporation holding some of the idle mill properties of the defunct United States Cordage Company, and he charges that the Standard company at the present time owes the Union Selling Company \$354,400. He says that, owing to the recent serious decline in the price of hemp, it is doubtful whether the sale of all the collateral held by the Union Selling Company would produce enough to satisfy the loans. 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