"THE DIAMOND SWINDLE."

PHILIP ARNOLD ARRESTED ON A CALIFORNIA INDICTMENT.

A Brief History of the Great Diamond Excitement—The Fields Salted with Precious Stones and then Sold to Speculators—The Bursting of the Bubble.

From the Louisville Courier-Journal, Aug. 16.

Mr. Philip Arnold, well known throughout the country as the alleged leading character in the celebrated California diamond swindle, was arrested yesterday in this city and lodged in jail on a warrant from Gov. Leslie, based on a requisition from Gov. Newton Booth of California. The arrest was ordered on an indictment found against Mr. Arnold in San Francisco about a year ago for swindling L. L. Treadwell to the amount of $75,000 in that same famous diamond transaction. Philip Arnold was born and raised in Hardin county, Kentucky, and in his early manhood went to California, where he turned his attention to mining, minerals, &c. About the year 1870 the country was startled by the report of the discovery by Philip Arnold of diamond mines in the northern part of New Mexico. California especially became feverish over the extraordinary discovery, and the excitement ran high among the speculators. To add to the intense interest awakened, those interested in the supposed mines caused an entirely reliable and quite celebrated expert named Jannin to publish in his report that he had examined into the alleged fields of diamonds, and that there was every indication of large quantities of precious stones in the place named. Everybody who had the money to spare was anxious to purchase an interest in the mines. After numerous promotions from various parties, Arnold, who, it was said, was only an agent for a large company interested in the scheme, was induced to sell his interest to various parties for about $700,000.

HOW THE SCHEME WAS MANAGED.

The newspaper stories at the time were to the effect that the scheme was plotted by a number of men who brought Arnold into the enterprise to execute the work. It was said that they furnished him money with which to buy rough diamonds, and that he went to London and purchased about $40,000 worth of the precious stones in their natural state. These he brought back and "salted" at suitable intervals in the soil of his pretended mine. The stories of this wonderful Mesa were at first discredited, but after off repeated assurances from Arnold and his partners, the principal active one of whom was John Slack, a company was formed in San Francisco and New York, and representatives sent to explore the lands. They went, and their discoveries were marvellous. Arnold and Slack being their guides, they were led to spots where the sparkling gems were unearthed in great numbers, and in sizes of great value. The news went back to San Francisco, and, assured by the stories of the explorers of this wonder land, members of the company immediately entered into negotiations for its possession. When the transfer was made, the company was organized and Gen. McClellan elected its president. One of the terms of the sale made by Arnold and Slack to the company required Arnold to take into the country and put to work a company of laborers. In compliance with this contract he returned to Elizabeth with twenty-six men and organized a company of laborers, with which he proceeded to the Western part of Wyoming Territory, but was stopped by orders from the company's headquarters, and the laborers, instead of going to the mines, were returned to their homes in Kentucky.

BURSTING THE BUBBLE.

Meantime the Professor in charge of the United States geological survey, who had but recently been over the country in which it was claimed that these diamonds were located, had stated that there were no original diamonds there, and staked his professional reputation on that fact. This being made public in San Francisco, where most of the interested parties resided, caused the company to send out another expedition, the report of which burst the bubble. Soon after the disbandment of his company of laborers, Arnold returned to his home in Hardin county, and there remained until the institution of the suit against him by Lent, Ralston, Dodge, and other San Francisco capitalists, members of the company, for the sum of $250,000, claimed to have been paid to him by them for part of his interest in said mines, and with whom he finally compromised for $150,000 cash in hand. The suit was instituted in the Hardin county Circuit Court, and in the spring of 1873 was removed to the United States Circuit Court at this place, with Messrs. Harlan and Bristow attorneys for defendant, but before trial could be had the plaintiffs agreed to accept a compromise at the figures above stated.

THE TERMS OF THE COMPROMISE.

This compromise was in the form of a duplicate agreement, by which Philip Arnold, Mary E. Arnold, his wife, and John H. Slack of the first part, and W. M. Lent of the second part, and W. C. Ralston of the third part. By its terms Lent and his sureties were released from all claim for damages or other liability growing out of his suit, and also from all claim for the money which either said Arnold or wife or Slack had against Lent or Ralston, whether such claim or demand was at law or in equity. It also released said Lent and Ralston from any claim or cause of action which either said Arnold or Slack may have had or claim to have had or assert against said Lent or Ralston because of any indictment found or prosecutions instituted against them or either of them in any court in the State of California. It was further agreed that Lent should dismiss his action against Arnold and Slack, each party paying his own costs. But Arnold and Slack should be released from all liability owing out of any transaction with Lent and Ralston, and particularly any transaction growing out of a contract of October, 1871, signed by said Lent and said Arnold, and witnessed by N. M. Barlow; this to be a complete settlement between the parties of all matters and claims that either may have against the other, arising out of said transaction, referred to in said suit, directly or indirectly, or out of all other transactions Lent and Ralston had with the attachment against Arnold's property, and Arnold agreed to save Lent and his sureties harmless, and to quash any claim which any person claiming in relation to any of such attached property or against such sureties.

WHAT ARNOLD CLAIMS.

Mr. Arnold claims that one of the agreements under which he made the compromise with Lent and the other parties to the last one was that they were to quash the indictment then pending against him in California, and that in this they have broken faith, and the present suit is under that indictment; that he never had any business transactions whatever with Hepburn, by which he was induced for the sum of $1,500 and finally, that the whole affair is the effort on the part of certain parties in San Francisco to blackmail him.

The coin referred to above is claimed to have no bearing upon the present indictment, except that it was used in a transaction differing in of exactly the same nature. Lent sues for the recovery of $5,000. But L. L. Treadwell on the same grounds sues in an indictment to be found against Arnold for obtaining money under false pretenses, claiming that Arnold swindled him out of $75,000 in one sale of three stars in diamond fields.

The law in California makes the offence of obtaining money under false pretenses simply a misdemeanor, punishable with one year's imprisonment in the State prison; but, if the party against whom the charge is made restores the amount, no further proceedings are taken. In this case two requisitions for Mr. Arnold were respectively forwarded to Gov. Leslie of Kentucky, based on the fact that in such a case he could not cause a man to be arrested and taken to another State for crime.

HOW THE ARREST WAS EFFECTED.

The present requisition is recognized in the absence of Gov. Leslie by Lieut.-Gov. Carlisle, under the following circumstances: Mr. George Hudson, an attorney in San Francisco, and acting agent for the State, arrived in the city on last Wednesday morning, introduced himself to Messrs. Dupuy and Middleton, attorneys of this city, acquainted them with his business, and proceeded to Frankfort. He found Lieut.-Gov. Carlisle occupying the gubernatorial office, and into his hands he placed the requisition for the arrest of Arnold. Gov. Carlisle issued a warrant for Arnold's arrest, and Mr. Hudson, returning on the Friday following, placed the warrant in the hands of Messrs. Dupuy and Middleton, with instructions to them to have the arrest made. While this was going on the personal column of the *Courier-Journal* was employed in giving Mr. Arnold an opportunity to read the name of Philip Arnold among the arrivals at Broker's Hotel. Forthwith he proceeded to Central station, where in company the officer of the law Mr. Gallagher, who served the warrant, found Mr. Arnold. He looked in the jail, where he remained during yesterday and last night.

It is not meant by these familiar with the laws that the extradition law in the Kentucky statutes is intended to cover such cases as this, in the case of the man or men who defrauded Arnold will be compelled to go to California for trial.

Eloping with his Mother-in-Law.

From the Cincinnati Enquirer, Aug. 16.

Yesterday we heard a man who gave his name as Henry Yore, and a woman who gave the name of Smith Wood, were arrested at the Virginia House by Detective Knox, on the charge of being fugitives from justice. The man is about thirty-two years of age, and the woman about thirty-nine. A little child about five years of age was with them. The man says they left Portsmouth on Monday, went to Norfolk, where they took the train for this city, arrived here and put up at the Virginia House, where they have been ever since.

The Norfolk *Landmark* of last Tuesday contained the following paragraph, which will enlighten the minds of our readers upon the nature of the charge:

"One of a most remarkable elopements ever recorded occurred in Portsmouth on Monday. A young married man, with his sister, a lady of fashion, left his home, leaving a note for his wife, in which he said he could no longer live with her, and that he should elope with his mother-in-law, and that he should not return. The lady referred to is a widow, and is the mother of a married daughter, who is said to be very handsome. Through respect to the feelings of the disconsolate husband we suppress the names.

Yore says his father-in-law treated his mother-in-law in the most shameful manner, and he determined to rescue her from further wrong, and to their thought her here, where he thought she would be happy and contented. The parties are in durance vile at the First station house, and will have a hearing before the police court on Monday.

SEEING THE RESPONSIBLE EDITOR.

A Giant Looking and Thirsting for a Deal, and What he Found.

From the New Orleans Picayune.

That very clever story, "The Tyrannical of Calvitas," just now going the rounds, recalls an incident which took place in the New Orleans *Picayune* office many years ago, when George Washington Reeder presided over the police columns. Reeder was very small, not over four feet six inches in height, singularly youthful in appearance, and given to a pompous, overwhelming, elaborate politeness, which, in connection with his diminutive stature and magnificent costume, generally reminded one of a benevolent but highly diplomatic tomtit. Apart from his journalistic pursuits, Reeder had quite a name in the theatrical line, being a dilettante comedian of considerable merit. Everybody liked him, laughed kindly at his little peculiarities, and respected the brave and chivalrous spirit which they had found to be among his characteristics.

To see Reeder in the editorial room receiving an irate party, and particularly one of the rougher species, was a privilege to be eternally grateful for. His microscopic size, his gorgeous toilet, his profuse courtesy, and his grandiloquent address were simply amusing. Callers with well-defined objects, but limited intellect, went away in the firm conviction that Reeder thought them the purest, loftiest, and most persecuted of mortals. Entering the *Picayune* office with the rooted purpose of mangling and bruising the chroniclers of their complications, they would retire believing that Reeder was too angelic for this world, and that his references to them were made only after a bitter struggle with remorseless duty and at the expense of a bleeding heart.

He was perfectly ready to fight, however, whenever the case demanded it; and thereby hangs a tale.

One day an enormous, rough, ferocious-looking man entered the office and inquired for the editor. Much to his sorrow, Reeder had to say that the editor was absent.

"I'm sorry o' that," said the big man, sitting down and depositing a large, mangy carpet-bag near his chair. "I stopped over one day just to see him. I'm from Texas, you know, and I saw something about Texas in this morning's *Picayune* that suffer rifles me. I was going home, but I thought I'd like to see that editor before I went, so as I could tell the boys what passed. I want to see him alone for about two minutes that's all." And here the visitor's voice grew plaintive and his fingers played with the hilt of a Colt's army revolver which hung in full view from his belt.

"I regret extremely, sir, that the editor happens to be out just now. I feel sure, from the impression you make on me, that he would esteem it a privilege to meet you. He would like you to take back to Texas his assurances of friendship and admiration. Couldn't you, my dear sir, *couldn't* you call a little later?"

"Well, I guess I will come again, long as I'm here till to-morrow anyhow. You see, it would make things easier like if I was to meet that editor."

About 6 in the afternoon he returned. Nobody but Reeder happened to be in.

"So sorry, my dear sir, but the editor has not yet appeared. Pray be seated, sir, and permit me to enjoy the accident which has made us acquainted."

"Now, I think this rather a hard case," said the brawny Texan, who said he was beginning to be impatient. "Here's a paper that pitches into Texas, and, so to speak, bulirags the Texans, and when I call to see about it there's no one in. Where I live things are different. If a paper makes any unpleasant remarks about a gentleman, we always know what to do. We just walk around to the office, and the editor's there, ready to give it to us any way we want it. But here you have other fashions. You go for Texas like blazes in the morning; and when I call being the only Texan in town to chew up the editor a little and swap bullets with him in a genteel way, I can't find my man. I don't like it. If a paper bunters fellows this sort of way, it ought to have a responsible man——"

"Pardon me," says Reeder, stepping daintily into the middle of the room, with one hand thrust into his bosom and a face literally beaming with good nature. "Pardon me, a thousand times. I quite misunderstood you. I supposed you wanted to see the chief editor only. If it is a responsible man you're seeking, that's another thing."

"Certainly. That's all I want; a responsible man, somebody I can rassel about this article. That's what I've been saying all the time."

"Behold him! George Washington Reeder, your service, sir. I'm the responsible man of this paper, sir."

The astonished giant looked at Reeder, and then at his pistol, which was nearly as large as Reeder, and his face became a battle ground where surprise, disappointment, disgust, and admiration struggled for predominance. Then he stuck the pistol back into the case, picked up his carpet-bag, and evening Reeder all over with disparaging regard, blurted out the exclamation:

"Well!"

And left a swindled and injured man.

An Affray in which Three Men were Killed and Three Wounded.

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 18.—A desperate shooting affray occurred yesterday on the Tennessee side of the Mississippi river, near Mount Pleasant, in which Albert Nail and a young man named Frenham were killed, George Darnell mortally wounded, and Capt. Coles and two brothers named Coe seriously wounded. The affray grew out of a quarrel, which caused a lawsuit between Capt. Coles and Nail, who run competing ferry boats at that point.

The Devastating Storm in Canada.

QUEBEC, Aug. 18.—The accounts from neighboring parishes represent the storm of Friday last as the most severe experienced for many years, and the damage great. At Valcartier the crops in many places were entirely destroyed. Potatoes were washed out of the ground, and grain was carried away as if cut with a mowing machine. Hailstones covered the ground to the depth of two inches. A large number of settlers have been rendered destitute.

Wanted—Female.

VELVET HATS.—Forewoman wanted, capable and experienced; must be a first-class judge of work and thoroughly understand her business. WM. KNOWLTON & SONS, 526 Broadway.

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VELVET hat makers.—Experienced hands. Apply immediately. BERGEN & LORD, 536 Broadway.

WANTED—A respectable, middle-aged women (Protestant), to do general housework for gentleman and wife only. Address, with reference, to B. B., box 106, Sun office.

WANTED—First-class embroiderers and experienced milliners on merino caps and Normandies. ASHER & REDLICH, 34 Walker st.

WANTED—Lady sewing machine canvassers for the best attachment ever invented. Apply to Nonpareil Embroidering Co., 30 East 14th st., N. Y.

WANTED—20 young ladies to wait on tables in the saloon. Inquire at the Arion, 241 Bowery, this day, between 3 and 4 o'clock.

WANTED—Girls accustomed to making ladies' bows and scarfs, to take work home. Apply at 32 Walker st., first loft.

WANTED—Operators on the Union buttonhole machine; machine run by steam power. Apply to sewing machine store, 53 Wooster st.

WANTED—Good plain cook, willing to make herself generally useful. Apply, with reference, at No. 333 West 23d st.

WANTED—Young girl, 14 or 15 years old, to assist doing housework. Apply at 390 8th av. Mrs. SCHWAB.

WANTED—Experienced hands to work on gents' bows and scarfs. L. A. VAN PRAAG & CO., 375 Broadway.

WANTED—Good milliners and fancy velvet hat trimmers. 57 Mercer st. MAGINN, HART & CO.

WANTED—Operators on W. & W. machines on dark vests. Call all week, 392 Broome st., up stairs.

WANTED—20 good hands on French piquets, at 202 Broome st., rear building, top floor.

WANTED—Protestant girls; 2 cooks, 1 chamber m'd. Call at 138 West 11th st., cor. 6th av.

WANTED—Operators, basters, and finishers on coats. 383 East Houston st., first floor.

WANTED—Small girls for jet head work. Apply at 101 Bleecker st. LAMBERT.

WANTED—A first-class mounter on human hair switches, at 91 Crosby st.

WANTED—A good waitress, at 34 John st., second door from Nassau st.

WANTED—15 waiter girls. Theatre Garden, 101 Bowery.

WANTED—A few expert platers on lace goods. 15 S. 8th av.

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YOUNG GIRLS can obtain situations free, lodging and meals free, and board at $1.50 a week, at the Girls' Lodging House, 25 St. Mark's place.

10 OPERATORS with machines, and 50 clasped skirt makers wanted. J. L. COLBY & CO., 78 Reade st.

20 NEW shirt ironers, 10 cents per shirt. 2 new shirt washers. Laundry, 217 West 26th st.

20 NEW shirt ironers wanted, on fine work, at 438 West 35th st.

50 HANDS wanted to do bead work; also good operators wanted on Willcox & Gibbs's sewing machine, at Novelty Manufg. Co., 42 Lispenard st.

1,325 BROADWAY, near 32d st. Mrs. HORDMAN. Kitchen girl for restaurant, immediately.

Wanted—Males.

A GOOD wheelright wanted to go out to Newark. Apply at 21 Cortlandt st., between 7 and 2 this day; single man preferred.

A LEAD GLAZIER wanted; state abilities and wages. S. WEST, 115 Eliot st., Boston.

AGENTS and peddlers sell at AMERY'S new card Kotab cabinet, 175 Bowery; something new; $10 daily.

AGENTS.—You can make $10 daily selling our new article out to day. NOVELTY CO., 300 Broadway.

AGENTS wanted—Fast selling novelties; large profits guaranteed. National Novelty Co., 301 Broadway.

A GOOD carriage blacksmith and wood worker. VAN HORN'S, 31 Chambers st., from 12 to 1 P. M.

AGENTS make 13 daily selling the Empire Package. HARDY'S, 14 New Church st.

A YOUNG MAN wanted at California Laundry, 21 Clinton place. Aple from 8 to 9 P. M. only.

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ALL working any first-class sewing machines will find it to their interest to call and see us before buying; we can offer better than any other house for the money; we do not charge for the use of machines for the thread free, which other houses do not. We also certify our work for 1 year. Please call before buying. WHITE SEWING MACHINE CO., 548 Broadway, N. Y.

LADIES' ATTENTION.—Ladies, write, before buying, for our circular, which contains more than another circular; pay duty in cry Monday; at the sewing machine office, 548 Broadway, N. Y. All kinds of machines sold at half price. THE WHITE CO.

FUNA and all first-class new machines for sale; $1 per week; teachers sent to your house free; circulars, samples, wrapper, and instructions given out free. Agents wanted. FUNA MANUFACTURING CO., 543 Broadway.

LAWYER—Good situations ready for girls and women; give a with reference; can be secured in excellent locality for city or country. In good families. Also good boys for farm and grocery. Inquire at the Large Home Bureau, 128 Grand st., above Lafayette place.

A GOOD cleaner for 12 cents; skirts, 50 cents; night dresses, 50 cents; gaud undies. Our cleaner saves clothing at less than you can buy the material. 82 east 9th st., opposite Stewart's.

A GOOD cook, washer and ironer wanted; one who can come highly recommended. Apply at 1 Fifth av., corner of 9th st., from 10 to 12 A. M.

A TEMPERATE GARDENER wanted; one good hands. Apply POLLAN & CO., 268 8th av., entrance on 17th st.

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A GOOD German waiter with good city place at G. WALJASKOW & CO., 111 E. 13th st.

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EXPERIENCED hands on Singer hem and side stitching. Apply top of Jackson st.

FAVORITE, 5 cent hands to cut, prepare, and finish corset jeans; also good cutter. VAN DAZANDE & CO., 97 Bleecker st.

FANCY FEATHERS.—Wanted, comp tent hands; also, tipper makers; steady work; good wages. Apply at 50 cent st.

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PAPER COLLARS.—Girls wanted on paste work. Only good hands may apply at 506 Pearl st., 2d floor, front house.

SEWING MACHINES rented and sold decidedly cheap. 23 Greenwich av., cor. West 10th st., and 175 East Broadway, be ween Pike and Rutgers sts. All kinds repaired and warranted. Ladies taught.

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Female—Female.

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