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Both skeletons were found. Voltaire's skull had fallen into two parts, which, when placed together, gave a striking presentation of his features.

Rousseau's skull showed no trace of a bullet wound, thus disproving the widely entertained belief that he committed suicide by shooting himself in the head with a revolver.

SAN LEWIS LOSES. The Court Pronounces Against Him in His Suit Against Spencer Clay.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—The celebrated "promoter" of the London and North Western Railway, one of the most notorious money lenders in London, against a young officer of the guards named Spencer Clay, which has been on trial before Lord Chief Justice Russell, was concluded to-day, the court pronouncing judgment for the defendant.

The trial of the case was begun several weeks ago, and has attracted wide attention in aristocratic circles. Lewis brought suit to recover £11,113 from Clay, which was alleged to be due on two promissory notes cashed for Lord William Nevill, fourth son of the Marquis of Abercromby, and was again brought by the Lord Chief Justice for further consideration on Dec. 4.

It was shown that Nevill had concealed the face of the notes and led Clay to believe that he was merely witnessing Nevill's signature to documents relating to the divorce of Countess Cowley, Nevill's sister.

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OUR FINANCIAL INDEPENDENCE.

American Bankers Examining Money in Europe at Higher Rates Than They Can Get at Home.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—George M. Coffin, acting Comptroller of the Currency, finds in the present transactions resulting from the sales of our crops abroad an answer to the Bryan argument that the United States allows itself to be financially dependent upon European nations. Mr. Coffin calls attention to the steadily now existing high rates of interest in New York and those in the chief financial centres of Europe.

"On Thursday in New York," Mr. Coffin said, "money could be borrowed on two or three months' time at 2 1/2 per cent. per annum, while in London the market rate for the same time is 4 per cent. in Berlin, Hamburg, and Frankfurt. This difference explains why the United States is not importing gold in settlement of the enormous excess in value of exports over that of imports. American bankers and others, to whom this large balance of trade is due, prefer to lead out their money in Europe at rates of interest higher than they can get at home by importing the gold, which would further increase the supply of money in America and lower the rate of interest here. This condition of affairs is all the more remarkable in face of the fact that large sums of money are needed just now for mowing our wheat, corn and cotton crops, and for the purchase of machinery needed in the United States Treasury bureau."

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MURDER NOW SUSPECTED. In the Case of Doggett, Killed in a Drough Mill at August—Murderer Missing.

It was said yesterday at Police Headquarters that for the past two weeks three Central Office detectives had been at work investigating the case of Peter Doggett, who was reported to death on Aug. 28 in a copper vat used for the inkling of dough at the New York Biscuit Company's works, 115 West 115th street. The story was that he was killed by a fellow workman, and it was stated, had been informed that Doggett had been murdered.

At the time of his death the case was reported as an accident, it being alleged that Doggett had fallen into the dough-mixing vat, and had been hacked by the big steel knives which revolved in the vat. The story told at the time was to the effect that Doggett had been working alone on the third floor of the cracker bakery, that one of his fellow workmen had heard him call for help, and hurrying to the third floor, saw Doggett's body being ground to pieces in the vat; that the body was found in two pieces, and word was sent to the coroner's office.

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But It Is Required as a Condition Precedent to Tunnel Digging, and There You Are—They Will Try to Get the Court to Modify the Requirement Some Time in the Future.

The Rapid Transit Railroad Commission met yesterday at its rooms in the Home Life building to talk over the virtual defeat of its tunnel project through the findings of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court and to try and find some means of overcoming the prohibitive requirements of the court that any contractor to build and operate the underground road must be required to give a continuing bond of \$15,000,000 for the faithful performance of the work.

After the meeting Secretary Delaford announced that a resolution had been adopted directing the commission's committee to see whether it is practicable to obtain such a bond as is suggested by the court, and if, in the judgment of said committee, this is deemed practicable, that the committee shall report what amount of security in money, bonds, or other securities can be obtained from responsible parties. This resolution indicates that the commission proposes to try to keep alive the scheme to which it is committed. The greater part of the time of yesterday's meeting was taken up by a presentation by Lawyers A. B. Boardman and E. M. Shepard, counsel to the commission, of the legal and other difficulties which would be involved in securing the bond. The commission and its counsel realize that the scheme is near its last gasp there is no doubt. They have read and reread the opinions handed down by the Justices of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court, and can see in them little but discouragement. It is certainly possible for some of them that the court is inclined to kill the whole business, and that requiring a stipulation for a \$15,000,000 bond is only a way of letting the commission down easy. One of the Commissioners said yesterday:

"If it is the real purpose of the court to make it impossible for us to build the road, this will be the end of the matter. It is the duty of the court to see that the order to be entered is in the forms of the order to be entered to fix the opinion of the court."

No application will be made at present by the Commissioners to have an order entered. It is the duty of the commission and its counsel to see that the court is not misled by the fact that they also question the right of the Appellate Division to require the stipulation from them regarding a \$15,000,000 bond or a bond of any size. They also question the right of the court to enter into any such stipulation, either with the court or with the contractor. They also question the right of the Legislature to have the Rapid Transit act made the duty of the Rapid Transit act, and they also question the right of the court to require from the contractors such bonds and security as may be in the judgment of the court. They also question the right of the court to require from the contractors such bonds and security as may be in the judgment of the court. They also question the right of the court to require from the contractors such bonds and security as may be in the judgment of the court.

There was some talk of trying to bring to test the right of the Appellate Division to make its confirmation of the report of its own commission conditional on the stipulation of the contractor. But this idea was abandoned almost at once. In theory, it was said, this might be done, but in practice it would be impossible. It would be practically asking a member of the court itself to issue a mandamus requiring the contractor to stipulate to a bond of any size, and to help the tunnel men out of their dilemma. It is admitted that the court is not bound by the opinion of the contractor, and that it might change its mind and refuse to comply with the stipulation of the contractor. The course which it is understood will be to try to persuade the contractor to stipulate to a bond of any size, or to remove its demand for the \$15,000,000 bond stipulation or else to modify it as to the amount of the bond, or to the contractor's liability.

An elaborate presentation of facts and arguments was made by the contractor's lawyer, and it is believed that the court will be unable to help the tunnel men out of their dilemma. It is admitted that the court is not bound by the opinion of the contractor, and that it might change its mind and refuse to comply with the stipulation of the contractor. The course which it is understood will be to try to persuade the contractor to stipulate to a bond of any size, or to remove its demand for the \$15,000,000 bond stipulation or else to modify it as to the amount of the bond, or to the contractor's liability.

JOSEPH CLARKE A DEFAULTER. A Louisville Agent of the New York Life Insurance Company Is Missing.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 18.—Joseph Clarke, a special agent for the New York Life Insurance Company, is missing. He was last seen at his home in Louisville, and his whereabouts is unknown. He is believed to have fled with a large sum of money.

WILLIAM EVANS DEAD. The Schoolboy Who Was Punished with a Piece of Bicycle Tire.

William Evans, the nine-year-old son of Nathaniel Evans, a New York broker, died yesterday at his home in Washington avenue, Parkville, Brooklyn. His death was due to meningitis, which he contracted after being punished with a piece of bicycle tire.

RICHARD MONARCH ASSIGNS. One of the Best Known of Kentucky Distillers—Liability \$1,000,000.

OWENSBORO, Ky., Dec. 18.—Richard Monarch, one of the largest distillers in Kentucky, failed to-day. His liabilities will be close to a million dollars, to meet which he has only nominal assets of \$750,000. Monarch assigned for himself and also for the Eagle and Owl distilling companies.

PROFIT SHARING IN BOSTON. Jordan, March & Co. to Give One Per Cent. of Sales to Their Employees.

BOSTON, Dec. 18.—The first profit-sharing plan to be adopted in this city will be started on Monday by Jordan, March & Co., the biggest department store in Boston. The plan is to allow each of their employees one per cent. of their individual sales in addition to their regular salaries. The announcement of this effect was made to the employees at the close of business to-day. It was greeted with cheers and loud demonstrations of approval by all. The managers said that they determined to adopt the plan as a means of increasing the loyalty and additional incentive to make sales and to work in the interest of the firm.

HACKETT, THE ACTOR, ILL. His Physicians Announced Last Evening That He Would Die.

James K. Hackett, the leading man of the Lyceum Theatre company, is dangerously ill of typhoid fever at his home, 48 East Twenty-sixth street. Mr. Hackett has been sick since Monday evening. He played his part in "The Princess and the Butterfly" that night, but all through the performance he complained of feeling unwell. On Tuesday he was compelled to resign his part.

ELEVATED ROAD GUARDS FOUNDED. One of Them Lost Three Teeth in Trying to Put Stevedores Off—He Is Arrested.