

WOODEND DIDN'T GO FAR OFF?

VARIOUS INTIMATIONS THAT HE WILL BE PRODUCED.

Also That Three Wall Street Operators Backed Him—He Was Under Arrest Last Tuesday—Secretary Guesses His Debts at \$200,000—He Owes the Phoenix National \$25,000, Secured.

While detectives were hunting for Dr. William Edwin Woodend yesterday, Col. Abraham Gruber, the receiver in bankruptcy for the firm of W. E. Woodend & Co., and his attorneys were gunning for assets and some points as to liabilities. At the end of the day Col. Gruber was able to report more progress than the detectives.

The receiver's attorneys are James C. Lenney and George W. McGuire of 31 Nassau street and Irving L. Ernst of Black, Oloott, Gruber & Bonnyne. Early in the day Col. Gruber was informed that Miss May Donovan, Dr. Woodend's secretary, could and would open Woodend & Co.'s safe for the receiver and give him any other information about the firm which she possessed.

Two of the banks with which the firm dealt were the Phoenix National, at 40 Wall street, and the Consolidated National, at Exchange place and Broadway. Mr. Ernst had hardly become possessed of the information when the Deputy City Marshal in charge of the office handed him two letters, one from each bank. Both were dated Friday, and were delivered at the office by messenger and both were addressed to W. E. Woodend. The one from the Phoenix read:

Please pay your loans of April 4 and April 15 for \$25,000 to-day. Respectfully yours, A. M. Brill, Cashier.

The note from the Consolidated didn't say please. It read:

We hereby demand the immediate payment of your call loan, amounting to \$1,000, and interest, \$11, making a total of \$1,011. Very truly yours, THOMAS N. JONES, Assistant Cashier.

In explaining the loan by the Phoenix National Bank last evening, Mr. Brill said: "This loan was made to Dr. Woodend about a month ago and is secured by Stock Exchange collateral of the Phoenix National. The bank will not lose a cent by the failure of Woodend & Co. have done some business with us, but it did not amount to much."

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Mr. Ernst was sympathetic at once and assured Miss Donovan that the office clerk would get the first money paid out to the receiver. There will be a meeting, Miss Donovan seemed to appreciate Mr. Ernst's assurance, for she told him some more right away. She said that the last time she saw Dr. Woodend was on Friday afternoon, that he had paid out to his creditors and he didn't have anything more to pay with and then had quit. She said that the state-ment of the receiver that he had got the safe and the country places he occupied at Seabright and Meadow Brook were all wrong. He leased both places.

"And now," she said, "I suppose you juggle the safe. I believe you have the combination?"

"Yes, I have it here on paper," Mr. Wilson, Warner, Johnson & Galston, Dr. Woodend's attorneys, gave it to me. I believe some one gave it to him over the telephone. It is in the name of Miss Donovan and read as follows:

"Right to 85 or 90, left 2 or 3 times to 15; right twice to 12, and once around until it stops."

"She tried it, but it wouldn't work and she said: 'You'd better get the person who gave this to Mr. Wilson and the other attorneys, and get the safe open. I'll be sure either one will open the safe on Monday if you don't get it open by then.'"

It was learned that Mr. Wilson had received the combination over the telephone on Friday afternoon, from Assistant Cashier William Jones, and it is just possible that some error may have occurred in transmission. Mr. Ernst said that it was absolutely impossible for the receiver to tell anything about the safe, but that he had an expert possession of the books, put an expert accountant on them and had examined the contents of the safe. For some reason or other the firm's books were not taken from the office of Warner, Johnson & Galston on Monday.

On Monday afternoon, Judge Holt in the United States District Court for orders directing Miss Woodend and all of the employees of the defunct firm to appear before United States Commissioner Alexander, as Special Examiner, on Tuesday afternoon or Wednesday morning next, to be examined as to their knowledge of Woodend & Co.'s personal and business affairs, and as to his financial condition.

The receiver is particularly anxious to question Mrs. Woodend as to the ownership of the house at 58 West Seventy-first street, where she and her husband have been living, and which she has been known to own. Mr. Woodend for fifteen years, having come to her as a gift from her father, the late Dr. Francis S. Howard, who died in this city only a few months ago.

"A person who is in a position to know something about Dr. Woodend's affairs," said Mr. McGuire, one of the receiver's attorneys, "is the man who was in charge of the safe before we were through with this business. We would find that Woodend was backed by three very well known operators in Wall Street. He told us that Woodend knew nothing about the stock market before he opened offices in 1901, and he gave so little personal attention to the business that he never, to the day he failed, grasped the important details of a stockbroker's business."

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CAN'T EXPLAIN M'KAY'S ACT.

His Brother and Friends Know No Reason for His Committing Suicide.

Alexander McKay, brother of George A. McKay, who killed himself in the Auditorium Annex in Chicago some time on Thursday night or Friday morning, went to Chicago yesterday to take charge of the body and to ascertain the cause, if possible, of his brother's suicide.

Neither he nor George A. McKay's friends can assign a cause for Mr. McKay's shooting himself. There were some difficulties connected with the settlement of the estate of T. A. Munger, the Chicago millionaire, but Alexander McKay's opinion they were not sufficient to warrant the act.

George A. McKay lived at the Palermo, 125 West Fifty-seventh street, with his brother. Last Monday he went to Chicago to attend to business matters in connection with the estate, of which he was one of the heirs.

Mr. McKay had an engagement for 10:30 o'clock Friday evening at the residence of T. H. Hoyle, agent of the estate. When he failed to keep the appointment and to appear all day, a search was made, which resulted in finding his body in a room at the Auditorium Annex. He had shot himself in the mouth.

Mr. McKay was a bachelor of considerable wealth. He made a large fortune in Chicago and then came to New York, where he added to it. In both cities he was very well known. In this city he was a member of the Reform and Lotus clubs. He was 40 years old.

Chicago, April 30.—After examining several witnesses and completing an inquiry into the business relations of George A. McKay, the slight clue to the cause of his suicide has been found by Deputy Coroner Buckley, who held an inquest today.

The only plausible explanation yet offered is that he took his life while temporarily deranged. A doctor is going to issue a certificate of the person to whom Mr. McKay sent a letter an hour before his death. This, it is thought, may explain his act.

The funeral of Mr. McKay will be held here tomorrow. The body will be buried at Graceland.

ANARCHIST TURNER SALES.

Emma Goldman and Several Other Women Sent to Prison.

John Turner, the English Anarchist, sailed for Southampton yesterday aboard the American liner St. Louis, having obtained the consent of his bondsman to remain in England until the United States Supreme Court renders a decision in his case. He had been ordered deported by the immigration officials.

Emma Goldman, several other women who believe in the doctrine advocated by Turner, and a tall, spectacled man with a big, dark mustache, saw the Anarchist off. His name and that of the man who accompanied him were not on the steamship's manifest.

"I am going home partly for the purpose of seeing my family and partly because I am needed on important business," said Turner, who is a resident of London, of which I am the head. It seems strange to me that this free Government should attempt to deport a man whose ideas are so unobjectionable as mine. I intend to stay in this country only a few weeks, but the Washington authorities, by instituting an action against me as a dangerous man, forced me to remain longer. I stayed because I believe there is a great principle at stake, and I felt called upon to fight for it."

Gov. Odell has not yet named the executive committee of the State committee, which has already elected him as chairman, or rather, to be correct, which Gov. Odell forced to elect him chairman of the State committee. He would not name the executive committee until he had finished his consideration of the thirty day bills, which will not be before the Legislature until the 15th of May.

Gov. Odell's consideration of the thirty day bills, it was added, will not be foreign to the naming of men on the committee. He will be compelled to go out and hunt up campaign funds for him in the fall. Neither will Gov. Odell's consideration of the thirty day bills be altogether inconsistent with his efforts to be continued as the Governor-Chairman of the Republican State machine.

FARMER COMMITS SUICIDE.

Slashes His Body With a Knife and Then Sets Fire to His Home.

ITHACA, N. Y., April 30.—Gilbert Edgecombe, a farmer living near Cayuta, a village southwest of this city, committed suicide last night by burning himself in a horrible manner and by cutting and slashing himself with a knife about the neck and body.

Edgecombe, who was 70 years old, lived alone on his little farm. At about 9 o'clock last evening his nearest neighbor, James Williams, was attracted to the Edgecombe house by smoke and fire. On arriving at the place he found the naked and scarred body of the old farmer lying just outside the doorway.

The body was bleeding profusely from a gash two and a half inches long back of the right ear. From a severe cut on the left wrist and several gashes near the heart. Every scrap of clothing had been burned from the body, the condition of which showed that the man had been under a few minutes only. The fire was under such headway that the building was soon consumed. With all his efforts the neighbors and officials are convinced that Edgecombe fired the building and then inflicted the cuts on the throat and wrist to make his death certain. The agony from his burns led him to drag his body outside the house when he was at the point of death.

To sink the Deepest Coal Mine Shaft in the World. WILKESBARRE, Pa., April 30.—The Lehigh and Wilkesbarre coal company has completed arrangements to sink the deepest coal mine shaft in the world in Hanover township, near here. It will be 2,625 feet deep and will open up a virgin coal field, one of the richest in the region. The colliery will give work to about 2,000 men.

\$250,000 Warehouse for Ex-Mayor Schieren. Plans have been filed with the Building Department for a \$250,000 ten-story warehouse to be built for ex-Mayor Schieren at the southwest corner of Cliff and Ferry streets, near his present leather warehouse.

Joseph Coult for Newark City Council. Mayor Dominus of Newark named Joseph Coult yesterday for City Council to succeed Henry Young, who has resigned. Mr. Coult was City Council once before, from 1891 until 1892.

Centid Get No Cargo in China. The British steamer ship Glendon, which arrived yesterday from Hong Kong, whence she sailed 142 days ago, did not have an ounce of cargo that counted in her hold. The unsettled condition of things in the East made it impossible for her to get a cargo in China, and she sailed for this port in ballast.

Elain—Wood. PORT CHESTER, N. Y., April 30.—Thomas J. Blain, publisher of the Port Chester Daily Item, and one of the best known editors in Westchester county, was quietly married at 5 o'clock this afternoon to his sister-in-law, Miss Mary E. Wood, in his home at 117 Westchester street, New York city. The bridegroom, William R. Jenney, rector of St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal Church of Hoboken, and the best man was Capt. David P. Henry of New York city. The bridesmaid was Miss Anna Sheridan of Hoboken, and the maid of honor was Miss Mary E. Wood. The ceremony was held at 5 o'clock and Mrs. Blain left shortly after for a trip to Washington and the South.

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Plans and photographs of the proposed gas plant of the Astoria Light, Heat and Power Company, which the much discussed Remsen bill facilitates the building of in Astoria, were made public yesterday. The photographs show that the plant will take up a good deal of space and make a section of Astoria look like a busy village.

Already, adjoining property has increased in value, for thousands of workmen will live in Astoria. This gas station will be, when completed, five times as large as any other gas works in the world. The works will be bounded by the East River, a canal, the East River channel to the entrance of Long Island Sound and by Winthrop avenue. The wharf facilities will be elaborate and adequate, and the depth of water will be sufficient to accommodate any vessel of commercial size.

All the gas plants on Manhattan will be removed to this central plant, which will produce each day 120,000,000 cubic feet of illuminating gas, and 6,000 tons of coke, besides large quantities of coal tar and ammonia. Twelve thousand tons of gas coal will be used every day.

There will be six gas holders, each with a capacity of 15,000,000 cubic feet. Each will be 300 feet in diameter and three times larger than any gas holder in New York city today. Each will be 20 per cent larger than any gas holder in the world. Next to the gas holders will be the twelve purifying buildings, 300 feet by 105 feet each. Between each pair of these buildings will be a tank tower 90 feet high and a meter house 50 by 70 feet.

OBITUARY.

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