

SEARCH W. O. MILES'S SAFE.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S MEN ANGER THE CONVICTED LAWYER.

His Office Invaded by Mr. Clarke and Mr. Elder, Ten Detectives and a Safe Expert—A Bunch of Papers Carried Off—Effort to Convict Miles of Felony.

District Attorney Clarke is determined that Lawyer William O. Miles shall not escape prison. Miles was sentenced on Monday to serve a year and to pay a fine of \$500, having been convicted of conspiracy in connection with the sewer claims frauds.

Determined not to lose a trick in the game, and acting upon information given him by Frank M. Wandell, Jr., who was also convicted with Miles, but who is still in Raymond Street Jail awaiting sentence, District Attorney Clarke, Assistant District Attorney Elder, a safe expert and ten county detectives visited the law offices of Miles in the Temple Bar yesterday, armed with a search warrant issued by Judge Crane of the County Court.

Miles was angry when he saw the detectives guard every door, and demanded of District Attorney Clarke why he was there.

"I want you to open that safe?" said Mr. Elder.

Miles was indignant. He did not respond as quickly as Mr. Elder expected, and Mr. Elder called on the expert to open the safe.

"On what authority are you here?" shouted Miles, his face livid with excitement.

"On the search warrant issued by Judge Crane," replied Mr. Elder, calmly.

"I'll open the safe myself," said Miles.

He did so and then stood watching Elder as the latter examined the papers.

"What do you want?" he asked Mr. Elder.

"I want a bundle of checks and check stubs," said the Assistant District Attorney.

"Oh, is that all?" said Miles. "Well, if you don't find that the man responsible for this search warrant is not the biggest liar on earth I'll eat my hat."

Mr. Elder and Mr. Clarke continued the search and when they had in their possession a batch of papers they started to leave the office.

"Mr. Elder," said Miles, "here is Mr. Cavalier's check, which you say I stole. It is all here and he could have had it at any time whatsoever. He wanted all of it. He can have only what he is entitled to. I have never disturbed it from the time it was made out."

The papers were taken to the District Attorney's office, where they were gone over carefully. Mr. Clarke declined to make any statement, but it is believed that his action yesterday was due to statements made to him by Wandell who has "squealed on" his former employer and friend Miles. Clarke intends to secure evidence on which Miles may be indicted for a felony. His conviction last Friday was only for a misdemeanor. It is said that a forgery of Vincent Fiorillo's name in connection with the sewer claims frauds will figure largely in the new evidence. Miles, it is said, is worth \$250,000, most of which he has made within the last two years, since he became prominent as the lawyer in the sewer claims frauds.

Comptroller Metz has asked for the resignations of Mr. McMahon and John Scanlon, the two adjusters in and who were acquitted of complicity in the sewer frauds in Brooklyn for which Miles was convicted. Mr. Metz said he had a notion of going behind the verdict of the jury, but that the reports presented to him by McMahon and Scanlon when he was investigating the matter were so damaging that he was unable to do so. He intended to devote as to the number of claims which had been filed by Miles.

BLAMES THE INFORMER.

Man Accused of Bigamy Turns on the Gas in a Harlem Hotel.

A young man who registered as James Smith of Trenton, N. J., but who is said really to be Frederick Palmer Moody of 127 Quincy street, Brooklyn, was found early yesterday nearly suffocated by gas in his room at the Harlem House, 2160 Third Avenue. He was taken to the Harlem Hospital in an unconscious condition, and his chances for recovery are about even.

The police of the East 104th street station took the man's name as James Smith. The District Attorney's office sent a messenger to the East 104th street station house last night that the man was Moody, and that he was wanted on a charge of bigamy.

Young Moody went to the Harlem House Monday afternoon. He was dressed rather poorly, and he told the clerk that he was a laboring man and came to the city to get a job because he heard laborers were getting better pay here. The clerk said that his hands were not those of a man who had done much hard work, and he doubted his story. Moody spent all the afternoon writing a number of letters, which he mailed.

He went to his room early in the evening and told the clerk he did not want to be called until late in the morning. A porter employed in the house in passing Moody's room smelled gas. The young man was found stretched on the bed with the jets turned on full. He had stopped up all the crevices around the door and windows. He was taken to the hospital in an unconscious condition, and he was still unconscious last night. Two letters were found in his room. One dated Brooklyn, September 12, read:

My dear Palmer, please come back to your wife, and none of his family or his friends. Don't believe all the silly tales you hear. I hate Walter. Meet me Saturday night, and don't bring Walter with you.

FLORENCE.

Another letter, which was unaddressed, and which the wife wanted the police to make public, read:

Desperate. Unable to control myself at times. Nervous wreck for the last six months. Impulse at moments makes me liable to do anything. Life has been a perfect hell. Had I need any judgment in preference to taking advice of friends whose company has had my downfall a man and wife would now be living instead of dead. Damn the informer, whom I should have doubted. He caused me to start on a downward career.

Frederick Palmer Moody belongs to a respectable family in the Williamsburg section. Four years ago he was married to Florence Schoen, of 291 Hewes street, Brooklyn. Moody at that time was a confidential clerk with a firm in Wall Street. For a time the couple lived happily, but Moody gradually drifted away from his wife.

He lost his position and was arrested for non-support last Christmas and arraigned in the Lee avenue court. On his promise to support his wife he was let go, but he drifted away, and none of his family or his wife's relatives have seen him since. His wife heard that he had married a woman in Manhattan, and she notified the District Attorney. A bench warrant was issued and given to Detective Sergeant Flood to serve, but he has been unable to get track of Moody. His first wife took her domestic troubles so much to heart that she died last March.

A Diamond Hedge for Marshal Haubert.

Charles J. Haubert was sworn in for his third term as United States Marshal for the Eastern District of New York yesterday by Judge Thomas in Brooklyn. He wore a fine new diamond studded badge which had been presented by his friends at a dinner in his honor at Arion Hall on Tuesday night.

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THREE WOMEN HELD HIM. After He Had Dragged Miss Laurie Down Stairs She Got Help. Miss Marie Laurie, who lives at the boarding house of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Belknap, at 199 Richmond Terrace, Staten Island, had a tussle with a thief yesterday afternoon, but with the assistance of Mrs. Belknap and a maid she held him until a policeman arrived, when she was released, the vigilance of the women was rewarded, the thief made his escape.

JUDGMENT AGAINST NUGENT. Edward E. Dean Wins in His Suit Over Equitable Title Guarantee Co. Judgment was given yesterday in the Third District Municipal District Court of the borough of Queens by Justice T. C. Kadian for \$320.00 in favor of Edward E. Dean, a Jamaica attorney, against Frederick F. Nugent, the promoter of the Equitable Title Guarantee Company, which was evicted early in the year from the premises at the corner of Greenwich and DeWitt streets.

French Line Vice-President at the White House. M. S. Halfon, vice-president of the Compagnie Generale Transatlantique (French Line) has just returned to this city from Washington where, to use his own words, he was most graciously received by President Roosevelt. M. Halfon was accompanied by his secretary, M. Fleury, and General Agent Forget of this city. The President expressed his regrets at being compelled, on account of official business, to decline the invitation tendered him for the banquet to be held on board the new French liner, La Provence, next Tuesday. La Provence, which is the largest merchant vessel ever built in a French shipyard, is now making her maiden voyage across the Atlantic and is due at this port on Friday.

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POLICE MAY SELL TICKETS. Bingham Will Let Them Work for the Metropolitan Opera House Benefit. Police Commissioner Bingham received a letter yesterday from Charles Bingham, president of the Theatrical Managers Association, asking that the Commission allow the police to sell tickets for the benefit to be given at the Metropolitan Opera House on May 4. The idea was advanced by Mr. Bingham to have 15,000 tickets printed. Each policeman will be given two or more tickets to dispose of at \$1 each.

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