

PAYING TELLER ROBS A BANK

Employee of a New Haven Financial House Confesses Embezzlement of \$30,000

LOSES IN SPECULATION

Sends Note Revealing Peculations When He Learns Books Are to Be Examined

NEW HAVEN, Conn., June 2.—A loss of \$30,000 to \$60,000, through embezzlement of its funds by a trusted employee, Douglass M. Smith, is admitted by the officers of the National Tradesmen's Bank of this city. The exact loss is not yet known. Smith, who was paying and receiving teller of the bank, has acknowledged that he embezzled about \$30,000, and the greater part of it, if not all, within the past eight or nine months.

A statement given out to-night by Cashier H. W. Simpson of the bank says:

"The examination by the national examiner was held last December and that by the committee of the directors shortly afterward. In neither examination was any discrepancy in the accounts of Mr. Smith discovered. When it was decided to have another examination on Tuesday last Smith did not come to the bank. He sent a message saying that he had been taking money from the bank and that he was not able to cover it up.

"As nearly as we can make out by the examination thus far made we believe that he has taken about \$30,000. That is the sum which he himself estimates. He was under bonds for \$15,000, given by an indemnity company. As Smith says he has not saved a penny during his lifetime and cannot make good the loss, we shall have to stand the balance of the defalcation above the \$15,000 in bond.

"Mr. Smith says he has been speculating and that he took the money for that purpose. The bank is safe and sound. There is no danger to either our depositors or our stockholders."

Smith was arrested and held in \$15,000 bail for examination on June 11.

It was stated to-night after a later investigation into the bank's accounts that Smith's shortage would reach almost \$70,000.

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25c
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10c
10c
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NOT IN FAVOR OF VACATIONS

Russell Sage Believes That a Two Weeks' Rest Unfits a Man for Doing Good Work

CONSERVING HIS FORCES

Veteran Financier Declares It Is Worry and Not Work That Makes Hair Gray

NEW YORK, June 2.—In an article under the caption "The Injustice of Vacations," the Independent quotes Russell Sage to the effect that he never has taken a vacation in his life; that the "vacation habit is the outgrowth of abnormal or distorted business methods and that a man is less fitted to do good work for his employer after two weeks rest each year than he was before.

"When I was a boy," said the veteran financier, "the practice was not in vogue. During the eighty-three years of my career I have not once taken a vacation. As a matter of fact I was so glad to get a chance to learn the business that the idea of asking my employer to make me a present of two weeks of the time that belonged to him would have been preposterous. Besides, I was eager to advance in business.

"Is it not absurd to suppose that a man can in two weeks recuperate from the wear and tear of a year's work? On the contrary, I have too often observed that men will, while on their vacations, make inroads upon their vitality and purses that cannot be repaired in the following eleven months and two weeks.

"A man should work 'easy,' be economical of his time, conserve his forces and not worry. It's worry and not work that makes the hair gray. If I had a thousand tongues I'd preach 'save time' with them all. It's infinitely more valuable than money."

OF INTEREST TO PEOPLE OF THE PACIFIC COAST

Postmaster General Issues a Fraud Order Against the Devoil Medicine Company of San Francisco.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 2.—Changes fourth class postmasters: California—Aguia Caliente, Sonoma County, Theodore Richards, vice Albert Geiselman, removed; Leesville, Colusa County, Jay J. Clark, vice Thomas E. Stockford, resigned; Pine Flat, Sonoma County, Charles A. Grimmer, vice Mattie Grimmer, resigned.

The salary of the postmaster at Arroyo Grande is advanced to \$1200 per annum.

Harry C. Pease is appointed a member of the Civil Service Board for the postoffice at San Bernardino.

The Postmaster General has issued a fraud order against the Devoil Medicine Company of San Francisco. Captain Houston V. Evans is transferred from the Thirteenth to the Eighth Infantry. He will remain on duty with the Thirteenth Infantry until the companies of the Eighth now serving in Alaska will arrive at San Francisco, when he will report to the commanding officer of those companies for assignment to duty.

Captain Eugene O. Fachel is relieved from duty as signal officer of the Department of Texas, to take effect July 1, and will then proceed to Benicia Barracks. Captain Leonard D. Wildman is relieved from duty in the office of the chief signal officer of the army, to take effect July 1, and will then proceed to Alaska for the purpose of installing the signal corps system of wireless telegraphy. Captain Wildman will take the station at Nome to install a wireless telegraphy system across Norton Sound.

SALARIES OF OREGON POSTMASTERS RAISED

Nine Towns of Neighboring State Receive Benefits of Increase in Business.

WASHINGTON, June 2.—Following are advances in salaries of Oregon postmasters announced to-day: Independence, \$1200 to \$1200; Grande, \$2000 to \$2100; Marshfield, \$1600 to \$1700; Mount Angel, \$1100 to \$1200; Ontario, \$1200 to \$1400; Roseburg, \$1500 to \$2000; Silverton, \$1200 to \$1400; Sumpter, \$1500 to \$2000; Woodburn, \$1000 to \$1200.

BANK TELLER ADMITS A HEAVY SHORTAGE

Books of the Concern Place the Amount of His Peculations at Sixty Thousand Dollars.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., June 2.—Douglas M. Smith, paying teller in the National Tradesmen's Bank of this city, was arrested to-day, charged with being a defaulter. He is said to have confessed a shortage of between \$22,000 and \$20,000. The warrant on which Smith was arrested places the amount alleged to have been taken at \$60,000.

ANOTHER CABLE LINE STRETCHES ACROSS OCEAN

Last Section of the Second Wire Connecting Germany and the United States Is Successfully Laid. NORDENHAM, Oldenburg, Germany, June 2.—The last section of the second cable connecting Germany and America was completed during the night.

Californians in Washington.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 2.—The following Californians registered at the hotels here to-day. At the New Willard—N. C. Ray and wife and C. C. Donnelly and wife, of San Francisco. At the Raleigh—Miss J. Heim, Mrs. Ephraim Simon and Miss Blanche Simon, of San Francisco.

Bookkeeper and Coin Missing.

WASHINGTON, June 2.—Willard H. Meyers, general bookkeeper in the banking department of the National Safe Deposit, Savings and Trust Company of this city, has disappeared. He is alleged to have misappropriated \$17,500. Meyers has been a trusted employe for twenty-three years.

MYSTERY SHROUDS CASE OF WOMAN WHO DIES FROM ARSENIC POISONING

Pretty Italian Girl Falls a Victim to Fatal Drugs.

Question of Funeral Causes Companion to Disappear.

Maria Caldarella, a pretty Italian girl, is dead and buried, but her death and burial are subjects for police investigation. Maria died under peculiar circumstances on May 21, and before her body could be interred the formality of the certificate had to be attended to. Signatures were necessary to the application for the burial permit, but before they were forthcoming there was a quarrel between the supposed husband of the deceased and his father. There was a dispute over her burial. Later developments show that there was arsenic in her stomach and that she would have been a mother within a few months. Whether this fact was an incentive to suicide or a cause for murder is what the police are trying to learn. The case was heard by the Coroner yesterday and indefinitely postponed.

Two years ago Maria was lured from her home by Spiro Liotto, a young man who she believed had great possessions in the United States. Maria accompanied him to the city of Boston. For many months she held the position to which she considered herself entitled, and even came to San Francisco with the man she supposed was her husband. After coming to San Francisco Liotto left his "wife" in the care of friends while he proceeded to the Alaskan fisheries to gather to himself more "possessions."

MARIA WAITED.

Maria waited and Spiro came back, but one month ago he again departed. Maria could not speak English, but she saw how others of her class were doing, and cast her blue eyes upon Micael Angelo Caldarella. Micael was smitten and at once took to himself Maria. One happy month in the home established at 209 Ritch street was all there was in store for the two. Maria was smitten on the night of May 21. Dr. Johnson of 551 Third street was

WOMAN CLAIMS ESTATE LEFT BY CONTRACTOR WASS

Isabella Strachan Claims She Was the Common Law Wife of Wealthy Electrician.

The \$125,000 estate of Dyson D. Wass, a contracting electrician, is the subject of a contest in Judge Murray's court. It is alleged by Mrs. Isabella Strachan, a woman who lived with Wass for a number of years and who says she was his common law wife, that the property is hers. The claim is opposed by a number of cousins of the deceased and by Attorney Darwin de Golia, on behalf of Fred Wass, an incompetent brother of the deceased. Mrs. Strachan hopes to prove that she had been acknowledged by Wass as the wife prior to 1895, the year in which was passed the law declaring common law marriages null and void.

She was a witness on her own behalf yesterday and testified that she lived with Wass from 1893 to 1900, and that during that time he introduced her to many people as his wife. She said she had been a dressmaker at 471 Valencia street prior to the time she moved to 307 Steiner street with Wass. She also testified that prior to Wass' death, May 14, and as early as 1893 she had in the presence of Wass told many people she was his wife. She admitted, however, that she had never been known to any of her relatives as Wass' wife and that he had never introduced her to any of his relatives as his wife.

DISPUTE ABOUT FUNERAL.

That action was taken by the physician, but in the meantime Michael quarreled with his father as to the way the funeral of the girl should be conducted. Mrs. Caldarella, the mother of Michael, had died a few months previous and had had an expensive burial, including a headstone, and Michael wanted the same for Maria. Michael did not have the ready money and when his father said he could not stand for any such interment Michael became hostile and said he would go away. He kept his word and did not

SMITH AND LYTTON SUED FOR DAMAGES

Charged With Misrepresentation by the Skidmores, Who Purchased the Hotel Redondo Business.

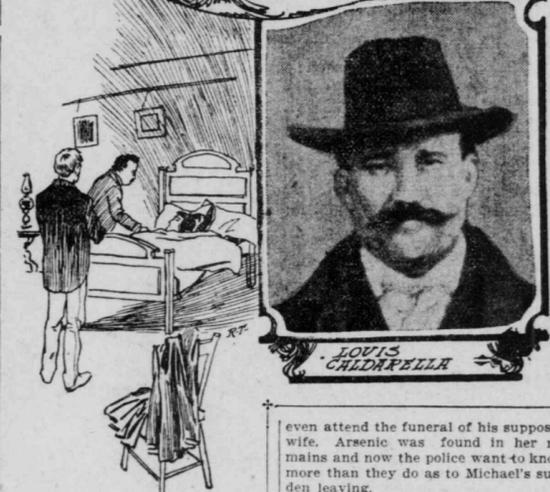
In a cross-complaint filed yesterday in the United States Circuit Court by Charles Ernest Skidmore and Martha Githens Skidmore, his wife, A. B. Smith and M. G. Lytton of this city are accused of misrepresentation in the matter of the sale to the Skidmores of the business and chattels of the Hotel Redondo at 637 Post street. The cross-complaint recites that Smith and Lytton represented that the hotel was frequented by reputable people for reputable purposes; that the net income was \$500 per month; that the owner of the realty would consent to the assignment of the lease and that Lytton had a contract whereby electricity would be supplied at the rate of 3 cents per kilowatt. All of these representations are declared to be false.

Sues Woman for Plantation.

Minna Harris is the defendant in a suit involving the title to a Panama coffee plantation. The suit was filed yesterday by the El Monte Verde Coffee Company. The plaintiff alleges that the defendant refuses to convey the plantation to it, notwithstanding that when it was deeded to her in 1896 by George Henry it was with the understanding that upon demand she should transfer the property to any person or corporation named by him. It is alleged that she is about to sell the property and the court is asked to restrain her from doing so and to compel her to deed the plantation to the plaintiff.

Recovers Value of Clothes.

Judge Hebbard yesterday gave Miss Dora Eckert of Sea View judgment for \$384 against the Martin Delivery Company. The company lost a trunk belonging to the plaintiff last December while she was visiting friends at 3018 Sacramento street. The trunk contained wearing apparel.



PRETTY ITALIAN GIRL WHO DIED MYSTERIOUSLY AND HER REPUTED HUSBAND.

even attend the funeral of his supposed wife. Arsenic was found in her remains and now the police want to know more than they do as to Michael's sudden leaving.

When Dr. Johnson referred the matter to the Coroner, Dr. Bacigalupi performed the autopsy. He found nothing which would indicate poison, but as the case had been so peculiar, he sent the stomach of the deceased to Dr. Bothe, the City Chemist, and that official found enough arsenic to destroy the lives of many. Whether Maria realized that she was not the lawful wife of either Spiro or Michael and deliberately took poison the police are unable to determine, but in the meantime they are looking for Michael and the man who sold the deadly drug.

FACTS AT INQUEST.

All the evidence obtainable was submitted at the Coroner's inquest held yesterday, but neither the neighbors, represented by Mr. and Mrs. Stoss, nor the family, by Louis Caldarella and Victor Orlando, a brother-in-law, could give any facts explaining the death of the young woman. Detective Coleman of the Police Department was on the case, but his report was just as vague as the other witnesses. The entire subject was in such a condition that Coroner Leland decided to indefinitely postpone the final hearing. As soon as the Police Department has anything in the way of testimony to show that Maria secured poison on her own account or that Michael gave it to her, the case will be reopened and the mystery further investigated.

SIX ARE KILLED IN A COLLISION

Electric Car Filled With Passengers and a Freight Come Together in the Dark

GOING AT FULL SPEED

Accident Occurs at a Point Where It Was Difficult to Secure Medical Help

NORWALK, Ohio, June 2.—Six persons were killed and a dozen or more injured late this evening in a collision on the Lake Shore Electric Railroad between an eastbound fast electric passenger car and a westbound "package freight" car at Wells Corners, a few miles east of this city. The dead: CHARLES PECK, Lorain, Ohio. W. W. SHERWOOD, Garretson, Ohio. NEIL SULLIVAN, Binghamton, N. Y. CLARENCE KETCHAM, Lorain, Ohio. RALPH WILLIAMS (colored), Indianapolis. UNIDENTIFIED MAN. In the pocket of the unidentified man was a key ring with the name George Judd Taylor, Alliance, Ohio.

Seriously injured: Steve Watergo, body crushed, terribly cut about head; Frank Libling, Cleveland, head badly cut; Rose Burns, Cleveland, head badly cut, teeth knocked out; M. McDonald, Cleveland, internal injuries, left side badly crushed; Mrs. W. R. Ensign, Toledo, leg broken; George Strugein, motorman on package car, badly crushed.

The accident occurred at a point quite distant from any immediate means of communication and assistance was sent from Norwalk. Every physician and nurse in the city was hurried to the place. When the injured had been attended to they were brought to this city. All of those killed were in the smoking compartment of the passenger car.

The cars were the suburban electric cars of the largest type and were smashed to pieces. They met in collision at full speed.

SEARCH FOR A WHARF THAT ESCAPED IS FUTILE

Seagoing Folk on the Southern California Coast Cannot Find Derelict.

SANTA BARBARA, June 2.—All available craft in the waters of this section of the coast are engaged in searching for the Gaviota wharf, which was washed away during the heavy windstorm Wednesday afternoon, and which drifted to sea with the tide. When last seen the huge body of piles and planking was drifting rapidly across the Santa Barbara Channel in the direction of Santa Rosa Island. The floating wharf caused much anxiety among navigators of coastwise vessels, and it is reported that a fast tugboat from San Francisco has been sent out in search of the queer derelict.

GUARDIAN OF YOSEMITE TENDERS RESIGNATION

Commissioners in Session in the Valley Grant Application of John Stevens.

YOSEMITE, June 2.—At the meeting of the Board of Yosemite Commissioners to-day the present guardian, John F. Stevens, presented his resignation. It was accepted to date from September 1. His successor was not appointed. The most important improvement ordered is the building of a trail from Eagle Peak to the top of El Capitan and on to Gentry's.

BULLETS FROM WOMAN WILL COST MAN'S LIFE

Mrs. Gertrude Robb of Seattle Fires Five Shots on a Wharf.

SEATTLE, June 2.—Mrs. Gertrude Robb shot and fatally wounded George Joye on the Coleman dock here this afternoon. She fired five shots at Joye, striking him four times. Two of the bullets entered his back and two the abdomen. She gave herself up to a policeman immediately after the shooting.

Caterpillars March on Tacoma.

TACOMA, Wash., June 2.—All efforts to stop the tremendous advance of tent caterpillars through Tacoma and the suburbs have proven fruitless. The insects first appeared in the north end. Within three days they have spread all over Tacoma.

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