

The Result of a Search
By ARTHUR W. BREWSTER

My wife considers me careless, absent-minded and generally untrustworthy. She never gives me a letter to post without fastening upon my string around my finger and a knot to my handkerchief just as if I were a little boy. She objects to my having more than fifty cents in my pocket at one time because she declares I never stop after buying a cigar to receive my change, and had the time, car conductors return me ten or fifteen cents short change.

My wife recently went to the country, leaving cards stuck up all over the house bearing such miserable injunctions as this: "Take the silver upstairs at night." "Lock the front door." "Count your change." Of course I tore them down as soon as she had left. When I parted from her at the station she told me that she had left her jewel case in her bureau drawer and made me promise that I would go straight home and put it in the safe. Instead I went to my office intending to go home at noon and attend to the matter.

It was three days before I removed that jewel case. Before doing so I examined the contents to make sure the articles were all present, and found that a valuable diamond ring always kept there was missing. It behooved me to recover that ring before my wife's return or take the consequences, the nature of which I was quite aware. Fortunately the owner was to remain away several weeks. I advertised a large reward for the ring and no questions asked. A couple of weeks passed and nothing was heard of the ring.

I meditated having a duplicate made with paste diamonds. But I had no pattern for a workman to copy and had little hope of deceiving my wife if I did. She wrote me frequently asking if I did this and I did that and if everything was safe. I replied that I did everything she commanded and a great deal more. When she asked if I had put her jewel case in the safe I said I had—but not when. Lastly when she asked if all the jewels were there, I wrote, "Your jewels are safe," meaning that they were in the safe. It was a miserable subterfuge, and I was ashamed of it.

A week before my wife returned I absented myself from my office, giving my time entirely to handling the pawnshops to which everybody knows stop articles usually find their way. Near the end of this period I found the ring. I pined my ownership, or, rather, my wife's ownership, and secured the property. Then I asked the proprietor how he came by it. He told me that it had been brought to him by a woman who acted as a go-between for persons who wished to pawn articles, but were too respectable to be seen entering a pawnshop. He gave me the address of this broker, and I went to see her.

"That ring was stolen," I said to her, "but I don't suppose you know this when you pawned it. If you will tell me who brought it to you I'll make no trouble about your receiving stolen property."

"She said that she couldn't leave her shop at the time, there being no one to take her place, but if I would call the next afternoon she would take me to the thief."

The next afternoon I left the office early and called on the woman broker who was to show me the thief. She was ready for me, and we walked forth together. The route we took led my way, which was to say the least, contrary to what she had said. She finally turned into the street in which I lived, moving in the direction of my home. What was my astonishment when she stopped at my own door?

"All right," I said, trying to conceal my feelings. "Now describe to me the thief. She described my own wife. It was now a clear case that the jewel was not in the case at the time of my wife's departure. Being curious to know why she had pawned it, I wished to speak to her about the matter, but if I did so I would terminate myself in the matter of neglect. I waited till we were together one evening in her room before dinner and the jewel case was on her dresser. I looked over the contents and asked:

"My dear, I don't see your double diamond ring here."

Then she confessed that she had pawned it to get a scapegrace brother of hers out of a scrape.

I looked very serious. "I discovered the loss when I got your case in the safe."

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"I have recovered it. Here it is." I handed it to her and told her how I supposed it had been stolen and found it in a pawnshop.

I returned the money loaned on it, and since then my wife has been much more tractable.

POPE HOPES FOR VINDICATION.

Gives Interview Regarding Present Spanish Situation. Rome, Aug. 15.—The pope, in speaking with reference to the Spanish situation in an audience which he gave to a prominent official recently, said that the events in Spain and the efforts of anti-Clericals, supported by irreligious forces abroad, had caused him much affliction, but at the same time had afforded an opportunity for a splendid manifestation of loyalty and devotion to the church and the pontiff himself from the Spanish people, who are by tradition Catholic.

The pope added that addresses, telegrams and letters had been received from every part of Spain, assuring the holy see of complete support, while the discipline of strength of the clergy and their harmony with the episcopacy were above praise.

The pope concluded with the hope that this time the good cause would triumph, as the situation appeared so favorable to the church that unless some great change occurred it would probably not be necessary, even to answer the last note from Premier Canalejas, but merely await the re-opening of the cortes, when the majority would dispose of the premier who had betrayed the Spanish nation.

The Clerical organ, Corriere D'Italia, publishes a note, inspired by the papal secretary of state, denying the statements made Saturday by the Giornale D'Italia, that a messenger attached to the department of the papal secretary had left for Spain to meet a representative of the Spanish government and pointing out that such a confidential mission was unnecessary, as all communications of the subject of the religious controversy were sent regularly through the Spanish embassy here. But the Giornale D'Italia reiterates the statement, adding that the envoy is Monsignor Benigni, under secretary of state in the Vatican.

The Observator's Roman points out what it terms had taste displayed by Premier Canalejas in evincing satisfaction at receiving felicitations from abroad, which are nothing more or less than foreign interference in the internal affairs of Spain. These felicitations, says the paper, will not cause the people to forget that Canalejas has violated the constitution by issuance of a decree relating to non-Catholic worship, has abused his power by forbidding Catholic manifestations, and has failed to observe the rules of diplomacy in dealing with the Vatican. The paper publishes three columns protests from all parts of Spain.

The Cuba Won. Marshfield, Mass., Aug. 15.—The Cuba won the yacht race yesterday, with the Boxer second and the Domino third. The other four boats were closely bunched a little distance behind the leaders.

Notice to Farmers. Dan W. Ladd wishes to state to the farmers that he is now prepared to do rearing for \$2.00 an acre and board while doing the work. Tel. 387-12, east hill.

SHORTAGE IS FOUND

Bank Doors Closed at Biddeford, Maine

FALSE ENTRIES ARE MADE

R. H. Ingersoll, Trusted Officer of 50 Years' Service, Believed to Have Muddled Service to Conceal Peer Investments.

Biddeford, Me., Aug. 15.—Pride in the financial standing of the institution of which he had long been treasurer, and fear lest the announcement of poor investments in western securities would hurt that standing, led Richard H. Ingersoll to make false entries in the books of the York County Savings bank at Biddeford, a quarter of a century ago, and to continue the falsification through all the years without detection, each year getting deeper in the middle of false figures. This is the explanation given by the treasurer following the closing of the doors of the bank Friday, after a discovery of a shortage in the funds had been made by a bank examiner. That Ingersoll himself did not profit by manipulation of the accounts is the belief of bank officials. He had been treasurer of the bank for 50 years. For many years he had persistently declined to take a vacation.

A month ago the directors of the bank voted to adopt a suggestion of the state bank examiner and advertise the accounts by number in a local paper, requesting depositors to compare the amounts with their passbooks and report any discrepancies. On Wednesday, bank examiner William B. Skelton of Lewiston, appeared at the bank and started to make an investigation. Mr. Ingersoll worked with him throughout the day, but Thursday did not appear at the bank, being taken suddenly ill from what is believed to have been an overdose of headache powders. That day the discovery was made that the books were not straight but it was not until Saturday that the shortage of the bank was generally known. Treasurer Ingersoll himself was at the point of death Saturday night. He had been unconscious for two days.

In a statement issued Saturday night, President Charles H. Prescott of the New York County Savings bank, declared that no other bank and banking institution is in the least affected by its closing, and he urged depositors in other local banks to refrain from starting a run. Mr. Prescott has been president of the bank only about a year. The depositors in the bank number about 4,000 and are largely cotton mill employees. The last statement of the bank, issued April 15, 1910, gives the following figures: Deposits, \$1,200,891.63; resources, \$31,090; undivided profits, \$22,577.18; total liabilities, \$1,283,498.60; estimated market value of resources above deposits earned dividends and state tax, \$100,453.27.

A sensation was created in Biddeford and Saco yesterday when it became known that the York county savings bank had closed its doors because of alleged irregularities in the accounts of Richard H. Ingersoll, for 50 years treasurer of the institution and one of the leading citizens of Biddeford. The bank is now in the hands of state bank examiner William B. Skelton of Lewiston, who with his assistant, Mr. E. H. Prescott, C. H. Prescott and the trustees, had been examining the books for several days. The bank's doors were closed at 1 o'clock Friday afternoon and a notice posted to that effect. Notwithstanding the posting of the notices, the public had no suspicion that the accounts of the institution were in a tangled condition. Treasurer Ingersoll, in a letter which he left at the bank before he went to his home Friday, admitted a discrepancy in his accounts. The officials of the bank are as yet unable to state the exact amount of the shortage and it will probably be some time before its extent is known.

President Prescott is one of the most highly respected citizens of Biddeford and is prominent in public affairs. He has been president only since 1909. Mr. Prescott is the publisher of the Biddeford Journal. Treasurer Ingersoll was present in the bank Wednesday, the first day of the examination, but made no statement then. In his letter he said that no part of the shortage is due to any use of the bank's funds for himself, but that it comes from a false method of bookkeeping adopted by him years ago to save the bank temporarily from losses made at that time on western securities bought before the present investment laws were enacted.

The security compartment of the vault was opened Friday afternoon and the securities owned by the bank found intact. It is hoped that the loss to depositors will not be large, but its exact amount cannot be ascertained until the verification of the passbooks is completed. At one time the deposits exceeded \$1,000,000. When treasurer Ingersoll died

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not appear at the bank all day Thursday, the assistant treasurer, Henry H. Goodwin, and Mrs. Lord, Ingersoll's daughter, called at his house. They found him in an unconscious condition. Physicians said he had been accustomed to taking headache powders, and that he probably had been affected by taking too many of them. On Wednesday night Ingersoll called on James Read, the keeper of records and seal of a local lodge, and giving him some papers, said: "I'm going away on a vacation. Here are some books and papers the lodge will need while I am away." He said nothing further in reference to himself and Mr. Read thought nothing of the incident until Saturday.

LE BLANC AND AUERON SURVIVE

Both Have Thrilling Experiences in Cross-country Aeroplane Race.

Donal, France, Aug. 15.—Lelliane and Aubrun, the able survivors in the great cross-country aeroplane race of 488 miles for a prize of \$20,000, reached here Saturday evening, after one of the most exciting flights they have ever experienced. Aubrun, who started from Mezieres 10 p. m., after Lelliane, arrived at 4:20 p. m., 39 minutes in advance of his rival. Both men were utterly exhausted after an almost superhuman battle with a veritable tempest. The nature of the flight can be judged by the fact that Lelliane occupied more than three hours in covering the distance, 80.73 miles, between the two points which constituted the fourth lap in the competition.

Both said that never before have they flown in such a wind, which carried them constantly off their course and forced them many times to swing head into the teeth of the gale. Each made one stop to rest. The prize will go to the aviator who covers the circuit in the shortest elapsed time. Lelliane's total time for the four laps is 9 hours 2 minutes 29 seconds; Aubrun's, 10 hours 2 minutes 43 seconds.

MERCHANTS STILL CAUTIOUS.

Business Outlook Improved at Many Points by Better Crop Conditions.

New York, Aug. 13.—Despatches to R. G. Dunn & Co., indicate that merchants still exercise caution in their dealings for the future, but that the outlook is improved at many points because of better crop conditions. Conservation marks trade at Boston and most important branches are quiet. Retailers purchase in small amounts and jobbing in dry goods market shows more strength, but mill entanglements is heavy, and while the worsted mills receive a fair amount of orders, business is far from active. Bank clearings this week at all leading cities in the United States are only \$2,215,518,700, a loss from last year of 17.9 per cent.

BORED INTO UNKNOWN CAVE.

Well Diggers Impart City of Staunton, Virginia. Staunton, Va., Aug. 13.—A two story house and a large tree have been swallowed up in the earth, many other residences are sinking and have been abandoned by their occupants, and public buildings are endangered, as the result of the boring of an 800-foot well in the public square here. An unknown cave, underlying the heart of the city, was penetrated.

Wide cracks in the earth are spreading, threatening the post office and public school buildings. The walls of the schoolhouse already are cracked. Residents are much alarmed, and heroic efforts are being made to prevent further caving in of the earth.

MARRIAGE SUR THIS AUTUMN

Marquis Mariani Says Miss Elkins Will Wed Abruzzi

CEREMONY WITH POM

Dowager Queen Margherita's Opposition to the Plan of the Duke of the Abruzzi Is Said to Be Overcome.

New York, Aug. 15.—The World publishes the following story:

That a royal marriage for Miss Estelle Elkins and the duke of the Abruzzi is a certainty, was asserted Saturday by the Marquis H. VIII Mariani. His statement, the young nobleman said, was based on secret advice received by him and by officials in this country. The marquis is staying with friends at No. 65 South Oxford street, Brooklyn. "I am certain the marriage will take place very shortly," said he. "The long and persistent pleading of the duke and his powerful friends, has finally weakened the stubborn opposition of Dowager Queen Margherita. In the last fortnight I have been assured that this opposition has been overcome at last and that the duke is free to marry."

Dowager Rules Society.

"Perhaps you may not understand," the marquis went on, "just how important it is that the consent of Queen Margherita should be obtained to such an alliance. She is the most powerful social personage in Italy. Social success points the way the Dowager Queen directs. And no one, of course, realizes this so much now as the duke. "The position taken by King Humbert and his queen toward the mixed marriage has all along been what might be termed one of indifference. "The marquis said he met the duke last at a reception in Rome last winter. "At that time," said the marquis, "reference was made to his romance. The duke spoke of Queen Margherita's strong objection, but said he believed the matter would be adjusted amicably before long. "In the history of royal romance never was there a more ardent and persistent lover," said the marquis. "The duke's devotion to Miss Elkins is magnificent! It is sublime! Everyone I have met has expressed the greatest sympathy for the duke. "More 'Hands-Across-the-Sea.' "One of the strongest influences of the dowager queen has had to combat in keeping up her objection to the marriage is the political one. Members of the Italian parliament are in favor of the match. They do not say this aloud. They do not wish to invite the criticism of the dowager queen by discussing the affair in public. But among themselves they are agreed that such a marriage would mean a strong international alliance. "King Humbert himself is very fond of Americans, and members of parliament and powerful politicians and statesmen believe such a marriage would strengthen the ties of friendship between Italy and this country. Therefore they would be very glad to see it take place. For that reason alone the queen would lose."

The marquis smiled a broad smile and went on: "The marriage will take place this fall, and it will be celebrated in Rome, you may be certain of that. Miss Elkins has insisted upon a royal marriage. When she is officially recognized, that means she will be married like a royal princess. With the sanction of the royal family for the marriage she would have a marriage attended by all the pomp of royalty. "A Fortune Hunter? Never! "I should like to correct the impression that the duke is poor. That is not true. I understand that the Elkins family has many millions. The duke may not have so many, but he is what might be considered, even in this country, a rich man. This is a romance of love pure and simple."

The marquis came here with letters of introduction from high officials of the Vatican. One letter was to Miss Annie Leary, who is a papal countess. Through her he has been entertained by several families known well in society.

MINE BROKER INDICTED.

William T. Wintemute Charged With Using Mails to Defraud.

New York, Aug. 13.—William T. Wintemute, a mining broker, was arrested Thursday afternoon at the instance of Post Office Inspector W. W. Dickson of Washington, on a warrant issued by United States Commissioner Shields, charging him with using the mails to defraud. His arrest was the result of investigation begun two months ago by Dickson, of promoters of alleged fake mining concerns. The complaint against Wintemute was made by John A. Callahan of Boston, Mass., who had invested extensively in stock of the Gold Run Mining Co., which was widely advertised by Wintemute.

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POLICE MUTINY IS SPREADING

More Than Third of Columbus, O., Force REFUSES TO RIDE CARS

As Guards While Strike Is On—Mayor Calls on 2,000 Citizens to Go as Patrol—Strikers Laugh at the Company.

Columbus, O., Aug. 15.—Two attempts were made early yesterday morning to blow up the West Side car barns. Fifty-three members of the police department, within 24 hours, have rebelled against Mayor Marshall's orders to ride on street cars.

The mutineers of Friday night, 33 in number were increased Saturday night by 20. All of the 20 were men employed as specials for strike duty.

Unlike the regular officers who mutinied Friday evening, the 20 specials were not suspended, but upon their refusal to board cars they were told that by that act they had removed themselves from the service. Friday night's mutineers were suspended Saturday. They will appeal to Safety Director McCune, who will dismiss all, as Mayor Marshall says that none of them shall be connected with the department while he is executive.

The mayor made no call Saturday for the return of state troops, but again put police on cars. There were not enough officers to man all the cars. During the day the mayor intimated that Saturday night would probably be the last which the police would be used.

Sheriff Berlin Saturday afternoon enrolled 12 special deputies for strike duty, when the mayor called upon him for aid. Members of his office feared scoured the town and county, but were unable to enlist only a dozen men.

"Riches to the Rich"—Senator Hale's Motto. The August American Magazine contains an article about Senator Hale from which the following is an extract: "Eugene Hale, senior senator from Maine, is one of our leading aristocrats. He believes in the divine right of family."

"With the possible exception of his work for the navy, Hale's work in the Senate has been general. He has had an important part in framing more legislation than any other senator—but none—but there isn't a single item you can put your hand on and say, 'That is Hale's.' There's an Aldrich emergency currency law, a Sherman anti-trust law, a Hepburn railroad rate law, but there is no Hale law."

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