

A CIPHER TELEGRAM

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Hornby was but twenty-two when he was made secretary of the American legation at Berlin.

Hornby was very popular in society, though, not having a fortune, he was rather sought by married women coveting attention than young girls angling for a husband. Among these wives who interested themselves in the young diplomat was Mme. Berthalow, the wife of a Parisian financier. At that time the world was stirred by the Morocco affair, and it was feared there would be a war between France and Germany. M. Berthalow was in Berlin endeavoring to secure the first news in case the emperor decided to go to war for speculative purposes.

One evening at a court ball Mme. Berthalow, seeing Hornby pass her, called him to her on some pretext and later, while hanging on his arm, said to him:

"Mr. Hornby, do you think there will be war?"

"I don't think about such things."

"I am sure if war is declared you will know it before it is made public."

"Why do you think that?"

"Because I have been told that before going to war the emperor must know how the other powers will act, and your government is now one of the powers. The American minister will be able to judge if there is to be war and will inform his government. What he knows you know."

Hornby smiled without making any reply. The lady spoke of other matters and finally said:

"I presume all important dispatches are in cipher."

"They are."

"What is the word for 'war' in your cipher code?"

"Oh! it wouldn't do for me to tell you that."

"Please tell me that one word. I'll not divulge it."

"Well, on your promise, I'll tell you. It is 'woman.'"

"Good gracious! Why was that word chosen?"

"I don't know. I didn't make the code."

"And what is the word for 'peace'?"

"Man."

"Upon my word! I should have supposed those two words would have been reversed."

"Perhaps that's the reason of their use as they are. They are not so easily deciphered."

Mme. Berthalow looked up into the young man's face. It was as guileless as a May morning. She continued her investigations.

"Our family have an old claim against the United States, dating back a hundred years or more, for a vessel owned by my great-grandfather, destroyed by an American privateer. I should like you to advise me concerning it."

"I shall be happy to do so. I am at my office from 11 to 6 every day, where it will be proper for you to call."

This was not satisfactory to Mme. Berthalow. She would have preferred to have the young man call upon her where she could talk with him in secret, but on second thought she considered that there would be an advantage in going to his office. She might light on some information not intended for her. The next day at 12 o'clock she appeared at the legation.

"Ah, madame," Hornby said. "we are very busy today, and I fear I shall have to keep you waiting. If you will go into my private office for a while I shall be happy to advise you presently concerning your claim."

He ushered her into a cozy room in the center of which stood a table with writing materials and papers scattered about. Mme. Berthalow, being alone in the room, made a hurried examination of the papers. One of them bore evidence of having just been written. It was marked to be sent by cable to the secretary of state at Washington. The lady eagerly seized it and ran her eye over it. There was a jumble of words the meaning of which was unintelligible to her, but she noticed scattered throughout the dispatch the word "woman." It occurred five times. She had all the time she needed for the examination—indeed, more than she wished, for she was anxious to get away that she might impart the information to her husband that there was to be war.

Presently Hornby came in and informed her that he was ready to listen to the matter of her claim. She told him she had left home without having looked up the jewels she had worn the night before and must return at once. Hornby gave her one of his engaging smiles and saw her to her carriage.

When Hornby returned to his office he threw the cipher telegram into the wastebasket and wrote one to a broker in Paris announcing that a prominent financier would probably "sell the market." If so it would break, and the broker was to buy largely for Hornby's account.

Hornby by the operation made a fortune. Some time after this Mme. Berthalow said to him:

"Are you sure that in your cipher code 'woman' stands for 'war'?"

"It does not now. You convinced me that its use was ungalant, and I arranged for its being changed to mean 'peace.'"

GEORGE GOULD RESIGNS.

Lays Down Office of President of the Missouri Pacific.

New York, March 22.—George J. Gould yesterday tendered his resignation as president of the Missouri Pacific at a meeting of the directors of the railway and was elected chairman of the board. The presidency was left vacant at Mr. Gould's request in the hope of filling it in the near future.

"TOO SMALL TO MURDER"

Odd Defence of One of the Camorristi

CHARGE CONSPIRACY

On Part of Carabineers—Declare False Evidence Has Been Offered—Murdered Man's Ring Is Produced as Evidence.

Viterbo, Italy, March 22.—The Camorristi, on trial for the murder of two of their number, are attempting the defense that they are the victims of false evidence manufactured by the legion of carabineers of Naples, who, while accomplishing the apprehension of the defendants, sought to discredit the police of Naples and make the latter appear to be hand in glove with the criminal organization.

This was the defense set up by Giuseppe Salvi when he was interrogated at the resumption of the case yesterday.

Salvi is one of the six alleged assassins of Genaro Cuocolo and the latter's wife.

Yesterday Salvi was confronted with a ring which had belonged to Cuocolo and which the authorities had found hidden in the mattress of a bed at the home of a woman known as a friend of the accused. The theory of the police was that this ring was to be sent to Luigi Arena as proof of Cuocolo's death.

Arena asked his brother Camorristi to murder Cuocolo in revenge for his betrayal. He set forth that Cuocolo wished a share of the spoils from a robbery committed by Arena and a few companions and being refused, denounced the robbers to the police, resulting in their imprisonment.

Cuocolo was already under suspicion in this final accusation and Arena made the determination to put him out of the way.

Salvi is a small man and he called the attention of the court to this fact, saying:

"The strong and dreading Camorristi would never think of employing a man of my size to murder an able bodied woman."

He declared the ring had been placed in the bed by carabineers in a deliberate effort to make evidence against the Camorristi.

The assertions caused a great sensation and made it plain that the carabineers are to be attacked on the ground that, having antagonized the police, they are prepared to go to any extent to show connivance between the Camorristi and the police officials of Naples.

The priest, Ciro Vittozi, is suffering from angina pectoris and it was against the advice of his prison physicians that he went to court yesterday.

While he was being taken thither, the springs of the wagon broke and he was told that in view of the weakness of his heart, the accident might have resulted in his death. To this the prisoner replied: "That would be a short cut to the end of all my miseries."

The priest said he had made a will while in prison, bequeathing all his earthly possessions to his sisters.

After the forenoon session, it was learned that one of the jurors was ill and the afternoon session was not resumed.

RAILROAD TO SELL OIL STOCK.

Southern Pacific Will Dispose of Holdings in California.

San Francisco, March 22.—The Southern Pacific company is about to sell its controlling interest in the Associated Oil company, one of the largest oil concerns in California, the examiner announced yesterday.

The paper adds that this sale will be the largest in the history of California. The purchase price, it is expected, will not be less than \$10,000,000, and possibly more. President Robert S. Levett of the Southern Pacific company has, at the request of a syndicate of London and New York bankers, named a price and "the negotiations have reached this point, with sufficient prospect of final consummation to warrant the statement that the sale will be made."

The Harriman interests own 220,000 of the 400,000 shares of the Associated Oil company's capital. In Monday's market the quotation was \$47, giving the shares a value of \$10,340,000.

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Mrs. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass., invites all sick women to write her for advice. Her advice is free, confidential, and always helpful.

TO RELIEVE LETTER CARRIERS.

Sunday Work in Post Offices Will Be Reduced to Minimum.

Washington, March 22.—Sunday work in post offices throughout the country is to be discontinued so far as consistent with the prompt transmission of mail. It is not proposed to close important post offices entirely on Sundays. Certain work to prevent congestion and delay of mails must be done. Mails will be received and dispatched as heretofore, and arrangements will be made for a limited delivery through the general delivery windows and the distribution of mail to boxes will be continued.

Special delivery letters will be delivered and patrons of any office will be afforded the privilege of having their mail delivered on Sundays by depositing the required fee for a special delivery service.

Postmaster General Hitchcock yesterday issued instructions designed to carry into effect these ideas.

Sunday work in post offices so far as the clerks are concerned, has already been reduced to a minimum, and to afford the letter carriers similar time for rest, the present system of delivering mail through the letter carriers' windows will be discontinued.

GIRL OF 13 ALONE AT HOTEL.

New York Police Find Mildred Peters on Request from Chicago.

New York, March 22.—An hour after the receipt of a telegram from Chicago, asking them to look for Mildred Peters, 13 years old, detectives found her early yesterday in solitary state in her room in a hotel near the Grand Central station. From what the authorities could learn she is the daughter of a Chicago hotelman. The Chicago police were notified, and word came that her father was on his way here.

Miss Mildred refused to say anything about herself. She was allowed to register at the hotel Monday after explaining to the clerk that she expected to meet her father here, but had been disappointed at finding neither him nor any message for her. She gave her address at first as Buffalo, N. Y. No one went with her to the hotel and she stayed alone in her room or about the hotel parlors most of the time.

Even money is offered that the woodchuck will come out in due time; money has been placed at 10 to 8 that it is not in the hole, and there is a brisk business in 10 to 6 bets that the animal is dead.

AFTER WHALES.

Hot Pursuit of a School of Log Island Coast.

South Hampton, L. I., March 22.—A school of whales was sighted off here yesterday and the blowing of horns and ringing of bells quickly brought out the old whaling crews, whose soon had their boats under way. Each boat was well equipped with stout lines and harpoons.

The whales could be plainly seen a few miles off shore, spouting water high in the air. The whaling crews were handicapped by a heavy sea and high winds.

The life-saving crews on the coast held themselves in readiness in case their aid should be required by the whaling crews.

WITH FRANCE, TOO.

Proposition for a Comprehensive Arbitration Agreement Discussed.

Paris, March 22.—Conversations have been held between President Taft and M. Jusserand, the French ambassador at Washington, respecting a comprehensive agreement for arbitration between the United States and France, outlining President Taft's ideas regarding international peace treaties.

These conversations are considered unofficial, but as preparing the way for a treaty similar to that proposed between Great Britain and the United States.

Sang as He Died.

Pittsburg, March 22.—Singing the song of his childhood as he walked between two guards through the corridors of the Allegheny county jail yesterday, Steve Rusio, a Russian, was hanged for the murder of Mrs. Beta Donohy, whom he shot January 15, 1910, as she lay beside her sleeping husband and babe. The strong full notes of the song continued through the march to the gallows and while the noose was being adjusted and was stopped only when the trap was sprung.

CUMMINS IS INDICTED

Carnegie Trust Head Accused of Larceny

OF \$336,000 FROM BANK

Pleads Not Guilty with Leave to Withdraw and Is Held in \$50,000 Bonds—Other Indictments to Come.

New York, March 22.—Out of the tangle of financial transactions which were first made known early last winter by the collapse of Joseph G. Robin's chain of banks ruined by skyrocketing financing, the grand jury yesterday drew the indictment of William J. Cummins, directing head of the Carnegie Trust company, for the alleged larceny of \$336,000 from the institution a year ago. Arraigned in court late yesterday afternoon, Cummins pleaded not guilty with leave to withdraw the plea, and bail was fixed at \$50,000, which was furnished promptly by a casualty company.

Cummins is a Tennessee man who came to New York only a few years ago highly recommended as a successful promoter. He gained control of the Carnegie Trust company and through his solicitation it is alleged huge city deposits were obtained for the institution shortly after the date of the alleged larceny with which he is charged in yesterday's indictments.

Specifically he is charged in three indictments with larceny in the first degree of \$120,000, \$75,000 and \$140,000 on April 21, 22 and 23, 1910, respectively. It is alleged that these sums were borrowed by the Carnegie Trust company in a note transaction from two other banks, and appropriated to Cummins' personal uses.

Robin, now awaiting sentence after pleading guilty to larceny, was a witness before the grand jury which returned yesterday's indictments. They are the first fruit of the investigation which followed Robin's indictment and subsequent investigation of financial institutions under the shadow of his operations.

District Attorney Whitman made it plain, however, that the expects other indictments to follow.

The transactions involved in the charges against Cummins were made, it is alleged, last night by the district attorney, when Cummins feared that stock in the Twelfth Ward bank and the Twelfth Ward bank, which was held as collateral for certain loans, would be sold in the open market. To avert this sale, lest it affect other institutions in which he was interested, it is alleged Cummins desired to buy off this collateral, and therefore made arrangements to borrow money from the Nineteenth Ward bank and the Van Norden Trust company.

The money was borrowed, it is alleged, on notes of the Carnegie Trust company, which were immediately endorsed over to the personal account of Cummins and appropriated, it will be charged, to his personal uses.

As another development in connection with the bank investigation Deputy City Chamberlain Walsh made public yesterday a letter in which he said that the city deposits in the Northern bank (a Robin's institution now closed) were made by him and not by City Chamberlain Hyde. He denied they had ever received the enormous sums named in the newspapers. It was one of his first duties each morning, he said, to see that the deposits were drawn down to the limit of \$180,000, which was covered by a bond.

BETTING ON A WOODCHUCK.

Quigley's Corner Folk Waiting and Watching Hole in the Ground.

Lee, Mass., March 22.—A woodchuck which went into its hole near Quigley's Corner in the heart of the town on Aug. 26, 1910, and has not reappeared, is responsible for the posting of several times the amount of Berkshire county money wagered on the Jeffries-Johnson fight.

Even money is offered that the woodchuck will come out in due time; money has been placed at 10 to 8 that it is not in the hole, and there is a brisk business in 10 to 6 bets that the animal is dead.

ANDERS ARRESTED.

Man Suspected of Murder Taken by Officers.

Gloversville, N. Y., March 22.—Charles Anders, alleged murderer of William Hopkins, near Baker's mills, Warren county, Monday night, was arrested at Northville yesterday.

Hopkins' incinerated body was found amid the ruins of his burned farmhouse near Baker's mill Monday. The circumstances surrounding the fire were suspicious and the disappearance of Anders led the authorities to suspect him of some knowledge of it.

Anders was traced to a farmhouse, where he had applied for work.

HELD ON ASSAULT ON DR. WASHINGTON

Ulrich, Who Attacked Noted Educator, Waives Examination and Is Held in \$500 Bail.

New York, March 22.—Through an agreement of counsel for both sides, the charge of felonious assault made by Booker T. Washington against Alfred Ulrich, growing out of an attack upon the negro educator on Sunday night, was reduced to one of simple assault yesterday, and instead of the case going to the grand jury as a felony, Ulrich waived examination and was held to the court of special sessions on the minor charge, with bail reduced from \$1,500 to \$500.

Intense interest centered in the appearance of Dr. Washington in police court. His head was still bandaged. He arrived in a taxicab, accompanied by former Governor Piebuck of Louisiana. The west side police courtroom had not only been filled long before this, but magistrate Correll had had it cleared twice of those who showed they were officially interested in the proceeding. The hallways were jammed and the crowd, in which negroes predominated about five to one, extended into the street.

Presiding Magistrate McAdoo examined Dr. Washington and other witnesses in private chambers so that the clerk could draw up the modified charge. When this had been done, Ulrich's lawyer announced that the defendant would waive examination, and it was made known that the prosecution would ask for nominal bail.

"Will \$500 be all right?" asked magistrate Correll. Both sides assented, and the bond was at once adjusted.

SCIENCE HEALER COLE INDICTED

Grand Jury Finding Is Against the Christian Science Practitioner—Two Women Complicit.

New York, March 22.—Following the taking of considerable evidence yesterday the grand jury handed down an indictment against Willis Vernon Cole, a Christian Science practitioner, of 225 Fifth avenue. He is charged with practicing medicine in violation of section 153 of the public health law.

When the indictment was handed down Cole was not in court and Judge O'Sullivan of the court of general sessions put the matter down until today, when Cole will enter his plea.

During the first of last February, Cole was arrested on complaint of Mrs. Isabelle Goodwin and Miss Frances Benz, who were sent to his office by the police department. The case was heard by magistrate Freschi, who after many examinations held Cole for trial in the court of general sessions.

At the time of the original arraignment former District Attorney Jerome stated that Cole was a registered healer of the Christian Science church, and that he was only practicing the tenets of the religion. He insisted that there was no violation of the law. After Cole had been held for trial, Jerome succeeded in having the case transferred from the court of special sessions to the court of general sessions, where Cole would be tried before a jury.

Cole was arrested following visits of the two women to his office in the latter part of January. They, in their affidavits, alleged that they visited his office and described certain ailments, and that he treated them. The prosecution contends that the treatment which he gave was that which could only be given by a practicing physician.

WOMAN BURIED ALIVE.

Rescuers Dig Her from 20 Feet of Snow Rather Hungry.

Goldfield, Nev., March 22.—The known death list to date in western Reno county, caused by storm and snowdrifts, has been reduced to 47. Mrs. R. H. Mason, who was one of the nine persons buried recently by the snowdrift that demolished the plant of the Hydro-Electric company at Jordan, near Rodie, was rescued alive by a party that dug through 20 feet of snow to the little cabin in which Mason, who was head electrician, had lived.

The woman was found pinned in her bed, and by her side was her husband, who had been instantly killed when the slide struck the house. Some of the timbers of the house protected the woman, and she was pinned down in the bed. Aside from being cramped from being pinned in one position so long and suffering from hunger, Mrs. Mason was uninjured.

POOR IMMIGRANT PROFESSOR AT 22

In Ten Years Samuel Want Proves Brain Capacity—Becomes Authority on Law.

Baltimore, Md., March 22.—A professor of law in the university of Maryland at the age of 22 years is the striking fact behind the announcement by the faculty that Mr. Samuel Want has been appointed an instructor in legal authorities.

Mr. Want landed in America from England a penniless orphan, when he was only 12 years old. He knew an erstwhile Englishman who lived in Darlington, S. C., and arranged to be made for that town. He astonished the residents of that city when he climbed off a freight train and inquired for his friend. He soon found employment in a store and at the same time studied spelling and arithmetic by lamplight at night.


At 14 he was manager of the store. At 18 he came to Baltimore and entered the university of Maryland. He learned with astonishing rapidity. Judges Harlan, Stockbridge, Gorter, Ross, the late John P. Poe and other eminent instructors at the university soon saw that the youth was possessed of more than the average amount of brains; in fact, that he was a prodigy.

The legal course is a three-year one, but Mr. Want graduated in a year, and second in his class. He is an assistant editor of the American and English encyclopaedia and several other legal publications. He is instructor in commercial law at the Eastern high school and a member of the Maryland bar.

The appointment by the faculty of the university of Maryland, of which Judge Henry D. Harlan is dean, is the result of sheer force of merit and effort on the part of Mr. Want.

Mr. Want is an unassuming young man, and objects to talking about his own accomplishments. He admits that he is a graduate of the school of hard knocks, and that his path in life has been rather rugged, but that it all he can be induced to say of himself. He is married.

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A thick slice of onion laid on top of a roast, when put into the oven, will impart a fine flavor to the meat and gravy.

Beet whalebones can be straightened by soaking them in boiling water for a few moments and then ironing them straight.

Grind a handful of sunflower seeds and give them to the canary. The birds relish the little tender pieces that are found among the seeds.

Take your old blankets after they have become thin; wash them thoroughly. Put two or three together and cover them with some pretty sateen to make quilts. Button down the quilts here and there, mattress fashion, to keep them in proper shape, and finish off with a nice frill of sateen.

Guest Room.

Comfort in a guest room is greatly to be desired, but it is more a matter of thought than of money. Simplicity, immaculate cleanliness and refreshing coloring are requisites of the ideal guest room. The bed or beds should be comfortable. Have two single beds in preference to a double one if you wish to put two persons in a room.

Have an extra quilt thrown across the foot of the bed—easier down in winter, a light-weight cotton one or a silk blanket in summer. Have a table between the beds on which stands a reading lamp and a tray with a pitcher and glasses for food water.

Have plenty of hangers in the closets. See that the bureau drawers are empty, and on top of the bureau have a clean cover and all the necessary toilet articles. Guests usually prefer to bring most of their toilet accessories, but one must not count on that, so all the really necessary articles should be on the bureau.

False Hair and the Plague.

It is generally known that much of the human hair used in rats, puffs and other headdress for women in this country comes from China. The Chinaman is being robbed of his pigtail for the advantage of American and European women. Hair from the head of a dead Chinaman can be just as good as hair from any other source, but is it always? Recent dispatches tell of the death of 150 daily in Harbin, a city of 30,000 in Manchuria. The people die from the plague in which lurk the seeds of the black death. A correspondent of the London Chronicle replies:—

"Despite the danger of infection, the hair of the victims is being extensively purchased by German agents for sale in the United Kingdom and other countries."

The bodies of victims found in the streets of the stricken towns are naked, for the unemployed rob them of their clothes. The great European demand for false hair accounts for the fact that their pigtails are missing. The corpses received at the Harbin crematorium are all without pigtails.

However, the positive knowledge that hair from these corpses was being used by the false hair artists in this country probably would not deter a single woman from toting out with all that Dame Fashion decrees.—Bellows Falls Times.

Parasol Paragraphs.

The new parasols show no sign that we are returning to the simple life; never have they been more luxurious or more costly. There are plenty of cheap ones, too, and surprisingly good looking they are, in silk and linen alike.

For general use, some women will have nothing but a navy blue parasol. A smart new one in the many-ribbed Japanese shapes has a dark wood handle with a knob set in lapis lazuli rimmed old silver.

Somewhat gayer is a blue parasol in a warm tone of navy with a deep border of dark blue and white stripes with pale blue lozenges on the white.

Smart for general use are parasols of pongee lined with silk of brilliant shade, as bright green, coral, flame color, and old blue. The handles to the parasols are rather plain in handsomely grained light wood.

Flowered silk parasols of high luster on white or cream silk are made more becoming by a lining of navy with a deep border of dark blue and white stripes that give a pretty shaded effect.

Many smart parasols are in two-toned satins and in combinations of blue and gold, rose and silver, violet and green.

Parasols rarely have decided changes of shape, but this year there is a square top that may appeal to the lover of novelties. It is seen in vivid red, green and violet in mossaime and watered pale pink had the lining of deep rose that gave a pretty shaded effect.

White linen parasols are always in favor with summer frocks. About the only difference is in the motifs of the embroidery. One stylish design had a deep border worked in huge conventionalized roses in heavily padded satin stich and fancy filling stitches.

White and pongee parasols both show a border of heavy braided combined with embroidered dots. Often a cording of the material is used instead of braid.

Empire-green is a favorite shade in the new parasols, says the Chicago Inter-Ocean. Red promises to be very popular with white dresses, especially a lovely flame color that is new and becoming.

There is a tiny round parasol with short handle that can be carried by women in motors when riding with the top down. It is too small to be much affected by wind and shades the eyes.


Dorothy Dexter.

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