DID WRIGHT HAVE ROYAL PARTNER?

His Trial May Lead To Very Embarrassing Situation.

ACCUSED IS LITTLE DISTURBED.

Asserts That He Has a Powerful Protector In An Exalted Position Who Will Shield Him—Statement Causes Evident Uneasiness.

London, March 17.—John Flower, chairman of the shareholders' committee which instigated the prosecution of Whitaker Wright, the director of the London and Globe finance corporation, who was arrested yesterday on his arrival at New York from France, says:

"I see Wright is quoted as saying he had a powerful protector in an exalted quarter. This statement is not new to us. It is the keynote of the whole case. Prior to the failure of the London and Globe certain persons maintain Wright had in his possession letters from leading members of the English royal family showing they were mixed up in his transactions. We have no documentary proof of this. Wright himself is probably the only man in the world who could prove it. If he has such letters they ought now to be in the possession of the New York police as we suppose they searched his effects and Wright is not likely to let such a powerful weapon of defense out of his personal keeping. Within a few weeks the chief issue in the Wright case will be the question of the complicity or otherwise of the most exalted personages in the empire in Wright's financial and other schemes. We do not anticipate any difficulty in obtaining his extradition, but if what Wright's friends maintain turns out to be true, his genuine prosecution will become an extremely delicate matter. We believe, however, that the lawyers at present engaged will sift the matter to the bottom, regardless of any considerations."

Attorney General Finlay, in the house of commons this afternoon said the crown would pay the cost of the extradition of Wright and the payment by the crown of the whole expenses of the proceedings, will be considered. His prosecution, however, would be left in the hands of the official receiver of the London and Globe corporation.

New York, March 16.—Whitaker Wright says he will waive examination and return to England.

FLORIDA BANK CLOSED.

One of the Oldest and Strongest In the State In Trouble.

Washington, March 16.—The First National Bank of Florida at Jacksonville has been closed by order of the comptroller of the currency.

The failure of the bank, it is said at the treasury department, was due to losses which absorbed the entire capital and surplus, leaving a deficiency in assets, which are of a slow character and of poor grade, consisting largely of phosphate and lumber mill machinery, insurance polices, real estate, etc. The bank has liabilities of $575,182.

Atlanta, March 16.—A dispatch from Jacksonville, Fla., says that the First National bank of Florida was closed today by an order from the comptroller of the currency. A bank examiner has been placed in charge of the bank.

No statement was given out by the president of the bank, Joseph M. Shoemaker, or any of the bank officials.

The bank was one of the oldest and strongest institutions in the state.

Secretary General Spinner, of the United States treasury, was its first treasurer.

CHINA'S INDEPENDENCE SOUGHT

Agencies For Betterment of Celestials' Conditions To Be Established Here.

New York, March 16.—Secret agents of Chinese progress in this city have received private information from San Francisco that the crusade for the liberation of China is to begin at once.

America is to be the headquarters of Kang Yu Wai, the young reformer and ex-member of the Tsung Li Yamen, who seeks, through his society, the Bow Wong Wuie (society for the protection of the emperor) to make Kwang Haui emperor in fact as well as name.

Kang Yu Wai, is is rumored, is now on the Pacific, bound for this country and after establishnig the main office of his propaganda here will tour the world, organizing branches in the various capitals of Europe, made up of the educated and influential Chinamen of the world.

Doctor Shoots Doctor.

Raleigh, N. C., March 16.—This morning at Tarboro Dr. Julian Baker shot, and it is thought, fatally wounded Dr. H. T. Bass. Dr. Baker is about 47 years of age and is rather a small man, while Dr. Bass is about 58 years of age and is rather large. Excitement is reported as being very high. It is impossible to get full details of the shooting.

Justice Day's Condition Encouraging.

Washington, March 17.—Justice Day spent a comfortable night, and his condition is encouraging this morning.

A Remarkable Case.

One of the most remarkable cases of a cold, deep-seated on the lungs, causing pneumonia, is that of Mrs. Gertrude E. Fenner, Marion, Ind., who was entirely cured by the use of One Minute Cough Cure. She says: "The coughing and straining so weakened me that I run down in weight from 148 to 92 pounds. I tried a number of remedies to no avail until I used One Minute Cough Cure. Four bottles of this wonderful remedy cured me entirely of the cough strengthened my lungs and restored me to my normal weight, health and strength." Forest City Florence Mills, Twitty & Thompson and City Drug Store.

WAYLAID BY BANDITS.

Six Persons Murdered In Arizona Stage Coach.

Los Angeles, Cal., March 13.—A dispatch from Tucson, Ariz., to The Herald, says:

"Mexican bandits held up the stage which runs between Potam and Torin, on the Yaqui river, in Sonora, on last Tuesday night, killing all of the six passengers. Among them was Filiberto Alvarado, a wealthy Mexican, who owns a number of ranches along the Yaqui river.

The authorities at Guayamas were at once notified.

Alvarado and his wife had taken the stage from Potam to Torin and the men no doubt thought they carried a large sum of money with them. The stage carried very little mail, and scarcely any money or valuables. The hold-up took place about half-way between the two towns. Just how the stage was attacked will never be known, as all the passengers and driver were killed.

They were picked up the same afternoon of the tragedy and the circumstances give evidence that they put up a fight, else they would not have been killed. Their bodies were rifled of everything of value on them. The traces had been cut and the horses had been allowed to run wild. The cover and body of the stage were shot full of holes.

It is thought by the Guayamas authorities that the perpetrators were some of the bandits who have taken refuge in the mountains back of the Yaqui river and were watching for Alvaredo. Friends of the murdered rancher say that he had little money with him at the time.

Alvaredo had been married only two months. With him were Senorita Julia Berido and Senorita C. H. Gonzales, both of prominent families in that country, and both of whom were murdered.

FORGERS VICTIMIZE BANKS.

Are Now Being Hunted by Employes Armed With Winchesters.

Salida, Colo., March 14.—The employes of the First national bank and the Salida state banks of this city, armed with winchesters are scouring the country around Salida for two men who successfully victimized the banks by means of forged checks, securing $5,300 in cash. Two checks for $2,000 and $1,300 bearing the names and endorsements of local business men were presented to the banks and on telephonic identification were paid. It develops that a confederate of the man who presented the checks at the banks had answered the calls on the telephone. When the deceit was discovered a posse of citizens and bank clerks, headed by the cashiers of the two banks, heavily armed and mounted, started in pursuit of the guilty men and later returned with two men who gave their names as Mendenhall and McFarland.

Mendenhall was subsequently released, McFarland being held as an accomplice. Search is being made for two men who have been in Salida for a week or more and made the place of business of one of the men whose named was forged their headquarters.

MANY REPORTED KILLED.

Head-On Collision On Rock Island Results In Heavy Loss of Life.

Kansas City, March 14.—A special to The Star from Hutchinson, Kan., says:

"The Gold State Limited, eastbound on the Rock Island system, and westbound passenger train No. 3, collided head-on east of Dwight, Kan. It is reported that from 8 to 15 passengers and members of the crew were killed and many others injured. Among the dead is Engineer Love, of the Golden State Limited, of Hutchinson, and his fireman.

Will Compete With Leather Trust.

Cincinnati, March 14.—A deal has been completed whereby the International Leather company, of Cincinnati, with all its patents, has been taken over by Chicago capitalists. They purchase $5,000,000 worth of stock. They have ready a plant at Ashland, Ky., which has paid handsomely. They will have other plants at Kansas City, Fort Worth, St. Louis and two other places. It is the avowed purpose to compete with the United States Leather company.

FEAR CAUSED SUICIDE.

Strange Italian Woman at Charleston Dies From Self-Inflicted Wounds.

Charleston, S. C., March 14.—Guiseppitano, the Italian woman who cut her throat yesterday morning on the Coast Line train from New York, died at 6 o'clock this morning.

The woman's son, who is in Tampa will arrive this afternoon. The woman recovered consciousness shortly before death and said she regretted the act, which was induced by fear that she would not see her son again.

Safes Cracked at Chattanooga.

Chattanooga, Tenn., March 16.—Thieves last night dynamited and robbed the safe in Alderman Pat Lynch's saloon and secured about $360 in cash. The safe in the Red Star saloon, owned by the Chattanooga Brewery, was also blown open and a small amount of cash secured.

Justice Day Continues to Improve.

Washington, March 16.—Dr. Hardin Justice Day's physician, this morning gave out the following bulletin. "Justice Day had a fairly good night. His condition continues encouraging this morning."

Tragedy Averted.

"Just in the nick of time our little boy was saved" writes Mrs. W. Watkins of Pleasant City, Ohio. "Pneumonia had played sad havoc with him and a terrible cough set in besides. Doctors treated him but he grew worse every day. At length we tried Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, and our darling was saved. He is now sound and well. Everybody ought to know, it's the only sure cure for coughs, colds and all lung diseases. Guaranteed by T. B. Twitty and Thompson, & Watkins, druggists. Price 50c and $1.00. Trial bottles free.

LADY ATTEMPTS SUICIDE.

Found In Berth of Pullman Sleeper With Her Throat Cut.

Charleston, S. C., March 13.—Tetano Jesado, apparently a Spanish woman of culture, cut her throat this morning in her berth on a Pullman car just before entering the Charleston yards.

The woman took passage at Jersey City and is believed to have lived at that place. She had a berth engaged for Charleston, on the coach which is switched off the through train at this point.

She had money and considerable baggage, and nothing unusual was noted about her, except her foreign appearance and name. She was about 30 years old. This morning when the train arrived at Ashley Junction the Charleston coach was switched into the city. Just before entering the yard, the porter went to the various berths to awaken the passengers and when he reached the berth occupied by the Spanish woman he found it soaked with blood and the woman lying within, her throat horribly gashed and bleeding fearfully. She was unconscious.

Immediately upon reaching the city she was taken to the hospital, where she is now being worked over by the physicians. They say there is little chance to save her life.

It is not known just who she is beyond her name, which was marked on some of her possessions, but efforts are being made to locate and communicate with some of her relatives and friends.

MET WITH SUCCESS ABROAD.

Representative of St. Louis Exposition To Be Given Ovation on Return.

New York, March 13.—Grover Cleveland and two former members of his cabinet, John G. Carlisle and Daniel Lamont, will attend a distinguished gathering of New Yorkers and Missourians on Thursday evening next in honor of the successful mission abroad of David R. Francis, who was Mr. Cleveland's secretary of the interior, and who has visited King Edward, Emperor William, President Loubet and King Leopold, in the interest of the St. Louis world's fair.

A big delegation of Missourians is expected to reach New York on a special train Thursday morning to welcome Mr. Francis home and escort him to St. Louis.

A banquet is to be given Mr. Francis at the Waldorf-Astoria.

HAS SOME MISGIVINGS.

But On the Whole Cardinal Gibbons Is Pleased With Czar's Manifesto.

Baltimore, Md., March 16.—Cardinal Gibbons commenting on the czar's manifesto, is quoted as saying:

"In my judgment it may be considered the most unexpected as well as the most important and beneficent movement that has occurred in the twentieth century.

"I have some misapprehensions, however—I trust they are groundless—that the ecclesiastical authorities, who are very powerful in Russia, may in some respects modify the beneficent features of the decrees. I hope that the Jews will have a share in the promised radical changes."

WHITECAPPERS ARE ACTIVE.

Arkansas Citizens Will Assist Sheriff to Maintain Order.

Wynne, Ark., March 13.—Considerable anxiety prevailed here over an exposure of an alleged gang of whitecappers.

Eleven men are under arrest charged with being members of the gang and implicated in the killing Monday night of J. H. Brown, of Memphis, who was here in the interest of a detective agency. For two weeks the neighborhood here has been terrorized at night, and the citizens have determined to help the sheiff to maintain order.

SLAYER OF FAMILY DEAD.

Killed Wife and Six Children, Then Cut His Throat.

St. Louis, March 13—August Krauss, the wealthy farmer living near Bellefort, St. Louis county, who last night killed his wife and six children with a sledge hammer, died today.

After killing his family Krauss cut his throat but did not injure himself with the hammer, as was first reported.

Prison Wanted For Hotel.

New York, March 13.—Sir William Vanhorne, while visiting President Palma, offered to purchase the state penitentiary property, valued at $500,000, says The Tribune's correspondent at Havana, his purpose being the erection of a $3,000,000 hotel with New York and Canadian capital. The president is to take the matter to congress and use his influence to secure the sale.

Coal Operators Not Guilty.

Chicago, March 14.—Judge Chetlain today instructed the jury in the trial of the Indiana coal operators to bring in a verdict of "not guilty." The jury was then discharged. The court held that if there was any violation of the law on the part of the operators, it was a violation of the interstate law and not of the statutes of Illinois. Such being the case the offense is one for trial by a federal jury.

Hawaiian Coin To Be Reminted.

San Francisco, March 14.—Sixty-five thousand dollars of Hawaiian money has been transferred from the United States subtreasury to the local point. This is the first consignment of Hawaiian coins to be melted and turned into United States money.

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