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THREE HELD IN ATTEMPT TO FAKE EXPRESS CHECKS

Counterfeiter Suspects Jailed
—Plan to Pass Thousands
in American Orders Frustrated.

New York, Dec. 28.—The prompt frustration of an ambitious first attempt to counterfeit and pass thousands of dollars in American Express travelers' checks has been disclosed by an official of the company.

Admission by the company of the existence of the counterfeiting ring, which was broken up with the arrest of three men early this month—two in Asbury Park, N. J., and two in New Orleans—followed revelations made by County Detective Charles O. Davenport, of Asbury Park, of his report in the case.

Davenport told of having arrested Giles M. Ranney, an engraver, at a print shop in Asbury Park on December 8 and of having seized at the same time thousands of dollars in spurious checks. The other men, Walter R. Nolan, former Chicago pugilist, and James Watson, were alleged to have had \$10,000 in the checks on them when taken in New Orleans later. They had been traced from New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Cincinnati and Birmingham. Disposed of Only \$2,500.

Despite the carefully laid plans of the alleged conspirators and the speed with which Nolan and Watson operated they were able to dispose of only \$2,500 in checks, the company official said.

"This was the first attempt in the thirty years we have issued them to counterfeit our check," said this official. "And the rapidity with which we nipped the plot indicates how futile such attempts are. The first of the spurious checks was put out on November 24. It was cashed on the next day and by the following Monday the country was being combed for the men and all banks and agents had been instructed to watch for bad checks. The following Sunday morning, December 24, the three ringleaders were arrested. There is a tradition in the under-



world that it is extremely dangerous to attempt on express activities. That springs from the old frontier days, when highwaymen were worsted so often in encounters with our agents. This latest brush between the express forces and the crooks will serve further to verify the tradition.

FILLED OFFICES IN 11 COLONIES

Sir Francis Fleming, K. C.
M. G., was a Prominent
Catholic Layman.

London, Dec. 28.—(By Mail).—Sir Francis Fleming, K. C. M. G., who had had a long and varied experience in the colonial service and was known as a prominent Catholic layman, died at his house in Chelsea yesterday, aged 80. The son of James Fleming, Q. C., and Julia, daughter of Major John Canine, he was sent to school at Downside, and was called to the Bar by the Middle Temple in 1868. Three years later he became Crown Solicitor for Mauritius, being afterwards district and stipendiary magistrate. Service as District Judge first in the Seychelles and then in Jamaica followed, and in 1878 he became Attorney-General of Barbados and acting Chief Justice. He was also for a time acting Chief Justice of St. Lucia. In 1880 he was private secretary to Sir G. C. Strahan, administering the Government of the Cape, and in 1881 removed to British Guiana as a Puisne Judge. In 1883 he was transferred to Ceylon as Queen's Advocate, later becoming Attorney-General and acting Chief Justice. In December, 1888, he returned to Mauritius as Colonial Secretary, and administered the Government from July, 1887, to December, 1888. Then he became

GOOD YEAR ALL-WEATHER TREADS



Colonial Secretary of Hong Kong, and administered the Government there for nearly a year. In 1892 he received his first Governorship, that of Sierra Leone, and three years later he was transferred to the Leeward Islands, where he remained till his retirement in 1901 having held office in eleven colonies. Thereafter Sir Francis Fleming who had been made C. M. G. in 1887 and K. C. M. G. in 1892 did useful social work. He was a member of the Distressed Colonial Seamen Committee and the Metropolitan Asylums Board and chairman of the Kensington Guardians. He was also a member of the Catholic Education Council. In 1892 he married Constance daughter of Maurice D. Kavanagh and had one son who was killed in action in 1916.

MOSQUITOES IN BAGDAD.

(G. T. Hadley, in World Outlook)
A round-the-world electrical engineer tells this story:

"We ran up to Bagdad to put over a little deal with the pasha, a former Government official who had been prominent in the days of Abdul Hamid. His palace was infested with mosquitoes, and we had to plan to give him relief.

"He lived in the usual Moorish house, with high walls, flat roof with parapets, few windows and open court. The old pasha looked exactly as if he had just stepped out of a Broadway musical comedy with his shining silk robes, turban and red shoes with upturned toes.

"In the palace garden was a stream with a fall of about ten feet. It would develop one-fourth horsepower. We

built a water mill, equipped it with a dynamo, wired the palace and started up some gigantic electric fans. These fans cooled the air and also blew through the rooms a narcotic sufficiently powerful to cause the mosquitoes to fall in a coma. All that remained was for the servants to go around and sweep them up in piles to be destroyed."



DANCING BANNED UNTIL REFORMED

Principal of the Hackensack High School Calls Present Method "Awkward, Discordant Hobble."

Hackensack, N. J., Dec. 27.—Principal E. T. Marlatt of the Hackensack High School has put a ban on dancing in that school until such time as the students form a committee to raise the standard of this form of recreation beyond reproach.

In his statement published in the December issue of Buzzer, the school's official magazine, he says: "Dancing in our high school is on an entirely wrong basis. Instead of its being a casual incidental matter it should be a required course where every pupil would be taught it as a fine art by competent instructors.

"As I view dancing from the side lines, it has in the last twenty years degenerated from a thing of beauty and rhythm to an awkward unorthodox and discordant hobble to the accompaniment of the sensuous screech of the saxophone.

"I sincerely hope that the many right-minded and decent young men and women in the Hackensack High School will speedily devise ways and means and adopt drastic regulations governing all school dances so that the good name of the Hackensack High School may be justly deserved in dancing as well as in other phases of our social life. Until that time, however, all forms of dancing are prohibited in Hackensack High School."

London, Dec. 28.—(Canadian Press).—Very Rev. James Cooper, D. D., professor of church history in the University of Glasgow, died today, aged seventy-six. Among his published works are "Sonnets on the Ancient Cathedrals and Universities of Scotland, with Historical Notes." He was one of the most prominent of the Scottish leaders in religious and educational matters.

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Men's \$30.00 All Wool Tweed Suits	\$22.00
Men's \$39.00 All Wool Fancy Shades, 2 pairs of pants (only a few left) while they last	\$25.00
Men's \$25.00 All Wool Tweed Suits	\$15.98
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Men's Heavy Jumbo Knit Sweater	\$2.49
Men's All Wool Sweater	\$3.69
Men's Work Sox, All Wool	69c
Men's Work Sox, Wool	3 pairs or \$1.00
Men's Dress Shirts	\$1.19 up
Men's Strong Pants	\$1.89 up

Children's Wear

Boys' Overcoats	\$4.98 up
Boys' Mackinaws	\$5.50 up
Boys' All Wool Suits	\$6.48 up
Boys' All Wool Suits, 2 pairs of pants	\$9.48 up
Girls' Coats	From \$3.98 up
Girls' Dresses	From \$2.98 up
Children's Stockings	from 29c. to 75c.
Children's Heavy Wool Stockings	49c
Children's Golf Hose	49c, 69c, 89c
Boys' Sweaters, Wool	\$1.49 up
Boys' Jersey Sweaters	\$1.39
Boys' Jersey Suits	\$2.25
Blouses for Boys at	69c up
Boys' Work Shirts	75c

Ladies' \$10.00 Skirts	for \$7.50
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