

HUMBERTS BORROWED 12 MILLIONS ON STRENGTH OF A MYTHICAL WILL

French Gang Bounced Bankers for Twenty Years With Story of a Fortune Left by an Imaginary New York Millionaire—Captured in Madrid.

Madrid, Dec. 20.—Mme. Therese Humbert, her husband, her daughter, Eva, her brother, Romain d'Aurignac, and her sister, Marie d'Aurignac, the notorious swindlers for whom the French police have been looking all over the world, have been arrested here.

The French Ambassador to Spain has been informed that the prisoners are at his disposal. Spanish officials had noticed that a French family was living quietly in the house at 33 Calle Ferraz. They saw no one except the charwoman. They bought and cooked their own provisions, which were always of the best quality.

The police informed the French Embassy of their suspicions, and procured photographs of the gang, by which all were identified. Frederic Humbert had grown a beard, but was recognized from the portraits.

The family, it was learned, arrived from Paris on May 9. They never received letters at their lodgings, but frequently went to the postal office to receive the mail. The daughter, Eva, was ill all the time.

Yesterday the police saw Romain d'Aurignac enter the house, and obtained a search warrant. Meantime they kept a watch on the house. Today an inspector of police rang the bell door-bell. He received no reply, but hearing talking in a low tone within, he rang again and demanded that the door be opened in the name of the law. After a few minutes a man opened the door.

The Humberts attempted to escape by the windows, but the gentleman who had been posted at all possible exits, stopped them. When the party was arrested Eva Humbert was seized with a fit of hysteria. Mme. Humbert embraced her daughter and her sister Marie, and in a broken voice cried hysterically: "For the love of God, do not separate me from my daughter."

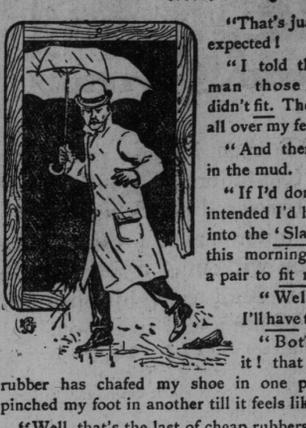
In the drawer of a table a packet was found which contained jewels of the value of 10,000 francs. Romain d'Aurignac said afterwards that they were all tranquil and hoped they would receive justice at the hands of the French authorities.

The Humberts and d'Aurignacs declared they were the victims of a most infamous proceeding. They uttered threats against certain French personages. SENATION IN PARIS. Paris, Dec. 20.—The announcement of the arrest of the Humberts and d'Aurignacs in Madrid caused a great sensation in the Palace of Justice. The judges suspended the sitting for the purpose of verifying the report. The judges, lawyers and litigants lost all interest in their own particular affairs while discussing an event which was, apparently, done solely for the benefit of their own particular affairs.

The widow Humbert, the mother of Frederic, who testified at the hearing of the arrests, exclaimed: "Oh, God, my martyrdom must continue." The widow afterwards said she never lived all the time in terror of her life. There, she said, she felt the greatest satisfaction over the arrest of the Humbert gang. He said the matter of extraditing them would be a very simple act. The indictment had been forwarded to Madrid this evening and it was expected that the prisoners would be in Paris in ten days.

The Spanish detectives who arrested the Humberts and d'Aurignacs were

The Last of It.



"That's just what I expected! "I told that salesman those rubbers didn't fit. They flopped all over my feet all day. "And there is one in the mud. "If I'd done what I intended I'd have gone into the 'Slater' store this morning and got a pair to fit my shoes. "Well, guess I'll have to gonow. "Bother take it! that flip flop rubber has chafed my shoe in one place and pinched my foot in another till it feels like a corn. "Well, that's the last of cheap rubbers for me."

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UNION ORDERED TO PAY \$140,000 CONSPIRACY AGAINST RAILWAY

English Society, With Its War Chest of \$1,250,000 Invested in Bonds, Deprived of Power of Inducing Workmen to Break Their Contracts.

New York, Dec. 21.—The Sun's London correspondent says: Friday's verdict against the Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants for conspiracy in ordering a strike against the Taff Vale Railway Company in August, 1900, is welcomed by everybody except the trade unionists, as the most important victory for free labor and industrial progress in many years. It has changed the whole industrial situation of Great Britain. The defendant society, with its war chest of \$1,250,000 invested in bonds, is deprived of its power of inducing workmen to break their contracts and co-ordinating non-union men by its picket system.

Amid the universal comment upon the decision the prevailing note is one of rejoicing. The fact that the unionists were naturally disappointed. If they thought at first to carry the case into politics, they have now been happy results of the long litigation, the dominant voice of public sentiment is that the unionists have failed to teach them the folly of such an attempt.

The Taff Vale strike began suddenly at midnight on Aug. 19, 1900. More than 2,000 men quit work. More than 800 had not received notice to end their contracts. The company asserted that the Railway Men's Union maintained the strike by intimidation and picketing, and that the union officials induced the men to break their contracts. The jury yesterday, without leaving the box, returned a verdict for the plaintiffs, who will collect \$140,000 from the Railway Men's Union.

In the earlier stages of this important legal litigation the argument centered on the question whether the union was or was not a trade union, and whether the House of Lords, sitting as a final

GOVERNMENT

C. C. Robinson Charges That He Made a Remark That is Beginning of Dirty Fight.

SPEAKS OF STRANGE INFLUENCES

That Were Behind Robinson and is Reminded That He Was Elected by a Fluke.

In Broadway Hall on Saturday night, an organization meeting was held to further the candidature of C. C. Robinson. S. Thompson was in the chair. The first speaker was D'Arcy Hinds. He strongly endorsed Mr. Robinson for the position of Mayor. He had a great deal of experience in municipal affairs, and was, in doing so, eminently qualified for the position. It was up to Mayor Howland, Mr. Hinds said, to stand aside in this contest.

H. Johnston spoke briefly on organization. They wanted to rely on the efforts of the individual, and he urged all of Mr. Robinson's friends to do their work. "If they could to further his candidature," he said.

Joseph Gregory said he did not wish to say anything about Mayor Howland, but what was wanted at the City Hall was a man who would get up in the morning and do his work. "If Mr. Robinson was elected he would do that," he said.

E. M. Dumas said that personally he thought Mayor Howland was a gentleman, and did not wish to say anything about him, but he did not carry out the pledges made during his contest for Mayor. "It is a shame," he said, "that the speaker defined his hearers to point out anything that Mayor Howland had accomplished. "It is a shame," he said, "that the speaker defined his hearers to point out anything that Mayor Howland had accomplished."

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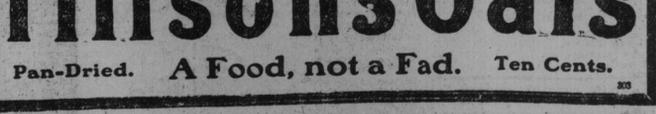
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FIGHTING THE WHITE PLAGUE

National Sanitarium Association Proposes to Erect Two More Consumptive Hospitals.

GOOD WORK BEING ACCOMPLISHED. There has, however, been a deficit of \$20,000, and increased liberality is urged.

The annual meeting of the Board of Trustees of the National Sanitarium Association of Canada was held at the National Sanitarium, St. William R. Meredith, vice-president, presided, and among those present were: Hugh Blair, Thomas Cook, J. P. Crabb, Dr. W. P. Caven, Dr. N. A. Powell and J. S. Robertson.

The report of Dr. J. H. Elliott, the physician in charge of the Muskoka Cottage Sanitarium at Gravenhurst, was a valuable contribution to the success of sanitarium work in this province. The year just closed in this institution was the most successful in its five years' history. During that period 612 cases have been treated, and Dr. Elliott was able to report that for the year under review, 80 per cent had been apparently cured or the disease arrested, while 10 per cent failed to improve. Within the year 1000 patients had been treated, and the success of the sanitarium was due to the best appointed sanitarium on the continent.

The report of the secretary, J. S. Robertson, dealt especially with the erection of the new sanitarium at Gravenhurst. The first patient was received there on April 25, 1902, and within two months 100 patients had been cured. In religious observances these were divided as follows: Presbyterian, 28; Methodist, 27; Anglican, 15; Roman Catholic, 13; Baptist, 7; other churches, 2.

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SENT HIS HAND BY MAIL.

Washington, D.C., Dec. 21.—Representative Brown of Wisconsin has three hands. The third one came to him yesterday morning thru the mail. When he called at the House postoffice for his mail the clerk handed him a small package which looked much as if it might contain a Christmas present from an admiring constituent. Mr. Brown appeared to be pleased and walked smilingly away to his committee room. There he carefully unwrapped the package and to his horror and amazement found packed in a roll of cotton a human hand. The representative immediately telegraphed to the sender an explanation.

A letter explaining the matter. The hand came from one of Mr. Brown's constituents, Adam Goshoge, who is an old soldier and wishes to have his pension examined. He was shot while in the army, and as a result of his wounds he has lost the use of his right hand. He has since preserved the "evidence" in cold storage.

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Cheating at Cards. London, Dec. 21.—There has been a good deal of whispering in social circles during the few days to the effect that two rather well known persons, husband and wife, have been caught cheating at bridge. It appears that they acted in concert. While one took the dummy the other walked about, looking at the hands held by the opponents, and then signalled.

LOCAL TOPICS. J. H. McNeill, barrister, is again an aspirant for aldermanic honors in Ward A. He made a good run last year. S. J. Lake of Battersby has been appointed Clerk of the Fifth Division Court of Frontenac County, vice F. W. Van Luven, resigned.

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Will Build in Toronto. An important part of the secretary's report is that which contains the announcement that a third sanitarium, shortly to be erected in Toronto. A very desirable building site has been purchased before the association, and the work of building would have advanced to the point where the sanitarium would have been ready for occupancy. The sum of \$25,000 has been promised by a leading citizen towards the erection of buildings on the Toronto site, and steps will shortly be taken in connection with the building of this third institution. This will not only be a home for

the needy consumptive and those in the acute stages of the disease, but the institution is to be erected in connection with the hospital a clinical laboratory—something that will be greatly welcomed by the medical profession. The program of the National Sanitarium Association extends even beyond this and a fourth institution is under consideration to be established on the Pacific Coast.

FOUR MEN BURNED.

Workmen at Petrol Station Seriously Hurt on Saturday Afternoon. Petrols, Dec. 20.—While treating a batch of benzine at the Canadian Oil Refining Company's plant today, the liquid exploded and seriously burned four men—William Nichols, Edward Rowley, James Glass and John Rowley. They discovered a fire on the roof of the building about 1:30 p.m., and when they opened the door the explosion occurred. All got down a hose line and fell striking on a down safe except Nichols, who slid down a beam pipe, which broke under the contact, badly scalding him, as well as inflicting internal injuries. The fire was turned out by 6 o'clock this evening, and the company will lose between \$25,000 and \$30,000.

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