

arrested, repeated the same charges in the Imperial Bank, in the presence of Mr. Wilkie, Mr. Jennings and Mr. Walsh, saying at the same time, "I dare you to arrest me, you thieves, I will put you in penitentiary." Mr. Wilson stopped in the city for one month, and repeated his accusations to such men as P. Hughes, H. S. Howland, Gunn & McLaughlin, W. Galbraith, A. V. DeLaporte, John Sproule, W. Christie, James McGee, L. Coffee & Co., N. Weatherston, Samuel Parker, A. M. Smith and others, but Taylor & Oates failed to have him arrested. After this Wilson stated the case to four good law firms and they said these being the facts it would put Taylor & Oates in the penitentiary.

Copy of letter from J. C. Hamilton to John Wilson.

Dec. 30th, 1884.

DEAR SIR.—I called at Mr. Tilt's office at time appointed, but did not find you. Mr. Tilt says Taylor & Oates are willing to allow the property on King St. to be redeemed on payment of sums due. They also state that the rents are not enough to keep down the interest on the first mortgage. The irregularity in the sale at Coate's, to use a mild term, was explained in my letter to Mr. Tilt some months ago.

If the property had been sold, Mr. Bradford should have had the surplus. Now, it may be too late to attack the sale, but still if proper accounts were got, and details of the costs, and these taxed, and accounts taken carefully, including receipts for rent, you might bring the figure to a sum that would leave a margin provided you can find a purchaser. The property seems, in the Registry Office, to stand in the name of Frederick Oates, subject to mortgage to Imperial Bank, made by him, and this Frederick Oates is in like position as Taylor & Oates.

I don't know that I could do any more to help you in your worthy object. You will find Messrs. Tilt & Miller quite able to do all needed, and had better work with them. Bradford should let them have the papers he has, for reference.

Yours, J. HAMILTON.

The following will show the sum total I have lost by these sharpers.

	DR.	
Profits of business, 1880,		\$15,000 00
52 feet land, Wellesley St.,		1,800 00
144 feet land, King St., South side, 10 stores,		43,200 00
66 feet land, Frederick St., 3 dwellings,		4,500 00
In cash paid by Dicky for me,		700 00
The cost of 8 hours' trial in High Court,		650 00
Paid McCarthy to take out injunction to stop Imperial Bank from selling the property,		200 00
By wrong judgment given to Taylor & Oates		10,101 00
By surplus of rents for 29 months over and above taxes, insurance, etc.,		4,726 36
Interest on balance due from Dec. 1st, 1883 to March 1886,		2,314 30
Total		83,191 66
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Mortgage,		\$16,000 00
Paid W. D. M.		4,250 00
		<u>20,250 00</u>
Balance		62,941 66