

TAIN ANY LOSS. On the contrary, you often realized profits that were duly paid to you."

I answered you at once : —

"My dealings with you were not of long duration and are of very little interest for the public. You were kind enough to purchase Pacific for me in exchange for an information, a "pointer", and you wrote me that I had realized, I do not know exactly how much, probably \$1,200. You KNOW THAT I NEVER LAID MY HANDS ON THAT MONEY, for on the day when I called at your office for payment, you showed me a telegram ANNOUNCING THE SUICIDE OF AN ENGLISH BROKER, and, "unfortunately", said you to me, "instead of going on the New York market, I had gone to that London broker. WE LOSE ALL." In no way did I insist upon recognizing but you alone in that transaction, and I never again spoke to you about it.

Great was my surprise when I read the following reply duly signed by you and dated Sept. 24 : —

"Allow me to refer more accurately to that Pacific transaction. At the time when Mr. Dansereau gave me the "pointer" referred to by him, March 26, 1886, we purchased for him 400 Pacific shares at 66½; on April 1, 200 more shares, of which 50 at 66¾ and 150 at 67. Those shares were sold as follows: on Sept. 16, 1886, 200 shares at 67½; on Sept. 17, 200 more shares at 67½, and on Sept. 21, 150 shares at 68¼; on Sept. 22, 50 shares at 68. Deducting from that transaction interest, commission and one hundred dollars (\$100.00), which we had loaned Mr. Dansereau on March 24 (two days before the first purchase), there remains to his debit a balance of \$3.56, which was carried to profit and loss account, on Dec. 31 of the same year. So you see, Mr. Dansereau is mistaken when he refers to a profit of \$1,200 that he might have made. I may add that WE NEVER PURCHASED PACIFIC IN LONDON FOR MR. DANSEREAU, NOR FOR ANY ONE ELSE, through the medium of a broker who committed suicide without our being able to recover the money owed us by him."

So then, that suicide of an English broker was a mere pretence not to hand me a legitimate profit! You caught that news by the wing, you clipped it, you posted it yourself, while I was in your office, on your certificate of shares, which I presented to you on a certain morning, and all that because, relying on my good nature, you had a greater liking than I had for the \$1,400 to which I was entitled.

Had you suffered any loss through the death of that broker, you would recollect it; but as that mishap, wholly invented in your mind, affected my humble person alone, it is quite natural that the thing should have escaped your memory. I do not know how it is and I am quite astonished that I did not destroy the slip of paper which I will now read out and which will condemn you. Here it is : —