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matter of the estate of William Smith, eased, intestate,

the matter of the "Official Administors Act." Dated the 3rd day of August, 1892.

reading the affidavits of Joseph Prhys and William Tomkins Collinson, sworn ively the 3rd day of June and the 2nd August, A.D. 1892, and filed herein, it is d that Joseph Prhys Planta, Official Adrator for the County Court District of no, shall be administrator of all and r the goods, chattels and credits of n Smith, deceased, and that this order lished in THE WEEKLY COLONIST for the of one month.
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THE CITY.

Will Send Him Home.

The friends and companions of sealer Johnson, who had his hand blown off while out on the schooner Umbrina, have raised a purse for the injured man, and he will leave for his home in Sweden in a short time through this kindly act.

Buried Without an Inquest.

The remains of the late George Fitzsimmons, who was found dead at Otter Point a few days ago, were yesterday interred in Ross Bay cemetery. It was not found necessary to hold an inquest, as everything went to show that the deceased had died from heart disease.

Vancouver's Railway.

The by-law granting a $300,000 bonus to the Burrard Inlet and Fraser Valley branch of the Northern Pacific R. R. to Vancouver was yesterday submitted to the people of Vancouver and passed by 127 majority. The total vote was 907.

To be Decided at Portland.

At the conference of bishops of the Archdiocese of Portland, to be held at Portland early in October, and of which Rt. Rev. Bishop Lemmens is a member, the vote for the consecration and dedication of the new R. C. Cathedral here will be fixed. The date suggested is early in November.

Supplier and Supplied.

Two cases came up before Messrs. Pearson and Shakespeare, J's. P., in the Provincial Court yesterday morning. Wm. Miller, the supplier of an intoxicant to an Indian, was sentenced to two months' imprisonment, while Jack, the Indian, for having the said liquor in his possession, was given a term of one month in gaol.

A Little Peculiar.

The Times of last evening announces that the proprietors of Falconer's Vinegar Works request the correction of a statement in the COLONIST that there was alcohol on the premises when the fire occurred Saturday. The COLONIST's information came from the Chief of the fire department to whom Mr. Falconer showed certain barrels at the time of the fire with the information that they contained alcohol.

Clarke-Milligan.

Rev. Dr. Campbell, of the First Presbyterian church, had the pleasure, yesterday, of celebrating the marriage of Mr. John E. Clarke, of Wellington, and Miss Rebecca P. Milligan, of San Francisco. The bridesmaid was Miss Bessie Clarke, and the groomsman James Rumsby. The bride and bridesmaid were tastefully attired, and looked their best, which means a great deal. The happy couple go to their new home at Wellington to-day.

Shipment of Sealskins.

Sixty casks containing 3,600 sealskins were shipped this morning via the C.P.R. R. for London. The shipment was made by Messrs. Barns and Gutman and is valued at $60,000. Some sealskins will change hands in the local market this week, Mr. Gutman, who represents Uhlman & Co., having arranged to take the skins brought down by the E. B. Marvin and Carlotta G. Cox. The prices range from $10 to $12.

Handsome Photographs.

Photographer Werner has some new pictures which will be on exhibition on Monday and which will undoubtedly attract much attention. They are first photographs of Admiral Parrayon and officers of the French flagship Duboudrieu, taken on the deck of the ship. The second is a very fine group view of the band, while still another is a comic or burlesque of the ship's stewards and cooks, taken on deck. A fourth picture is of the landing party with arms and equipment.

Making Good Wages.

Those who "go down to the sea in ships" to hunt the seal sometimes make a good thing of it. Some large amounts have been made by the hunters this season, $1,855 being the result of the season's work by Hunter Etzel, of the schooner Carlotta Cox. This large sum resulted from an unusually high price, $3.50 per skin. Hunter Jacobson received $1,300 last year at $1.25 per skin, making a larger number of seals killed than the prize list of Etzel this year.

"Bacasy Lies the Head."

There is trouble in the Songhees court over the selection of a new chief. Many of the tribe are not satisfied at the choice of Chief Joseph, made by Scomisk before his death. Joseph is not a Chief by blood, and there is a strong feeling against him in the Council of the tribe. One of the leading councilmen, who can claim the "blue blood," will, it is announced, contest the succession with him, and an interesting time is looked for at the solemn council to be held in the near future, when a new Chief will be voted for.

The Favorite's All Right.

The steamer Mystery, Capt. Brown, returned to Victoria last evening from a long and wearisome trip down the West Coast. She brought back as passengers a number of salmon fishermen who early in the season had been supplied with a large number of empty barrels along with several tons of salt to go down to Clayoquot Sound and there catch and pack salmon. On the way in, the Mystery, which was well loaded down with salmon and passengers, was wind bound for several days. She sighted the schooner Favorite in Euculet Sound, but did not speak her.

Tram Cars Again Running.

True to his promise made a few days ago President D. W. Higgins, of the Tramway company, had the first cars since the fire running yesterday, much to the pleasure of the crowd that gathered on the streets to listen to the ting-aling-ling of the warning bell. The new brick and stone buildings are now well under way, but in the meantime the temporary buildings will answer the purpose of shelter for the engines and generators. Steam was got up early yesterday afternoon, and the first car started out about 6 o'clock, going over nearly all of the line, out Fort and Douglas streets and to the Dallas road and Esquimalt. The service during next week will be much appreciated. Mr. Higgins says he hopes to be able to run one car an hour to Esquimalt and four cars per hour to the fair grounds.

The service beginning to-day (Sunday) will be according to schedule time except beyond the fountain where the road is very rough. The lighting service will be in operation about the middle of next week, and will then give the regular illumination all over the city.

The two men to whom most credit is due for having the service once more in operation are Mr. F. C. Heath, superintendent, and Mr. Grant Francis, electrician. On Monday last the generators now in use were set up and running in the New Westminster and Vancouver Tramway Company's power house. Now they are here and in operation. They are no toys either as is evidenced by the fact that they weigh eight tons each, and it is said there is no such record in the history of the "mysterious fluid" where work of the kind was done so expeditiously.

In Aid of the Building Fund.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Centennial Methodist Church are preparing to give a concert on the evening of October 5, for the benefit of the building fund. Special efforts are being directed towards the arrangement of a good programme, and everything possible will be done to make the affair a success.

An Enthusiastic Welcome.

The Market Hall since its first opening has at no time held such a large and enthusiastic crowd as was there yesterday when the very excellent band of the French flagship Duboudrieu played its final public concert programme to a Victoria audience. Those who listened to the sweet strains of the delightful music had nothing but words of praise for the concert. The sixth number on the programme Boccherini's famous *menuet du 5m, quinetti*, was especially appreciated and was played over the second time in response to the very liberal encore. Mozart's *Marche Turque* was also very much fancied and was encored. The enthusiasm had reached its highest point when "God save the Queen" was played, followed by the well known strains of "La Marseillaise," and responding to repeated cheers and tumultuous applause, the French national air was once more played, God save the Queen concluding. Before the crowd dispersed, they gave three hearty cheers and a tiger for the French band, which has contributed such pleasant programmes at various times since the flagship has been in port.

Columbia Lodge.

There was a large attendance at the regular weekly meeting of Columbia Lodge, No. 2, I.O.O.F., last Wednesday evening. Soon after opening, the lodge-room was invaded by a deputation from the recently organized Canton Militant, in command of Capt. W. E. Holmes, who came to pay their brethren of No. 2 a fraternal visit. Considering the short time the Canton has been formed, the men seemed to be very well up in their drill, and executed the various movements with an ease and grace that is only acquired by careful practice and attention. After the regular business of the evening had been disposed of, the team proceeded to practise the new floor-work authorized by the Sovereign Grand Lodge. The work is, in some respects, an improvement on the old, but will require considerable practice before perfection can be attained. Next Wednesday evening, their will be work in the initiatory degree, and a portion of the new outfit will be used for the first time.

SOMETHING BEING DONE

To Inform the British Government as to Seizures of Sealers by the Russians.

A Warship to be Sent to Investigate, Probably one of the China Squadron.

Information was yesterday received in Victoria, by way of Ottawa, that the British Government had decided, in order to ascertain the complete facts of the seizure of the sealing schooners by the Russians, to send a warship to the Copper Island and Siberian coast to make a full and complete investigation.

This report comes from what seems to be an authentic source, and it was intimated that possibly Rear-Admiral Hotham, C.B., of the Pacific squadron, would have had some word from England about it.

Such is not the case, however. When the Admiral was asked about the matter, yesterday afternoon, by a COLONIST reporter, he said:

"No, I have received no word whatever on the subject. Of course, the Admiralty can send one of the warships anywhere they please, but I think it is altogether unlikely that they would send one of the Pacific squadron to make an investigation at a point so much more easily reached from the Asiatic station. There are some of our ships now at Vladivostock, I believe, and it would be so much easier for them to take the matter up, that if there is anything in the report, one of the vessels from there would probably be ordered out."

Meagre and indefinite as is the news, it is gladly received in sealing circles as indicating that the Home Government is paying attention to the seizures question, and seems determined to make a full enquiry into the facts. Further particulars are anxiously looked for, and will in all probability be forthcoming in a day or two.

PANIC IN A SYNAGOGUE.

A False Alarm of Fire Causes a Very Serious Accident.

NEW YORK, Sept. 24.—A false alarm of fire caused a panic in a Jewish synagogue crowded with worshippers yesterday morning. In the rush for the stairway four people were crushed and trampled to death and a dozen seriously injured. The firemen succeeded in extricating the people from the blocked stairway. The panic occurred in a tenement building occupied by three synagogues, one on each floor. In the synagogue on the top floor a candle accidentally ignited a bit of drapery. Immediately an excited individual yelled fire, and then the rush for the exit came. At the front door there was a jam, then a crash, and part of the board wall gave way. The mass poured out, fell and rolled down the deep stairway. Three times as many persons were attending the synagogues on the lower floors, more than 1,000 in all.

They heard the rush and crash above and cries of fire, and immediately likewise made a rush for the street. At the second floor the two blind and maddened avalanches met. A furious struggle ensued; men and women fought, dumb, but with the madness of despair, and the weakest went down. The deadlock was broken again and again, only to be renewed with the same scenes of terror. Slowly the solid mass, filling the stairway from wall to ceiling, slid down to the ground floor. There it brought up against a rush from the rear room synagogue and all came to a dead stop. The police patrol arrived at this moment, and the officers, fighting their way through the crowd, finally broke the jam. Four women lay dead and nine were seriously injured. The injured were promptly sent to the hospital. Of the four dead taken to the station house three were identified. They are: Freda Becker, 44 years, Russian; Naomi Rosenthal, 30 years, married; Tuebe Boynim, aged 50.

THE LUCKY SEVEN.

How Victoria's Twelve Defeated the Champions in the Last Scheduled Match.

Wet Weather Caused Many Disappointments—Preparing for the Tournament.

VANCOUVER, Sept. 24.—(Special.)—The last lacrosse match in the series was played in soaking rain, at Brockton Point, to-day, before 150 enthusiasts, Victoria winning by four goals to one, which places them second in the race.

The boys in grey tried hard to win, and the news of Victoria's victory was not an unmixed disappointment to the Vancouver people. It was the same manly game the blues and greys always put up, and which has given the Capital boys a place in the heart of the sporting world. The only chagrined ones are the Vancouver team themselves.

They were certainly out-matched at every point; they seemed to play as good as ever, but Victoria played better.

W. F. Taylor, who refereed this match as well as the one at Westminster, gave splendid satisfaction. He has the reputation of being almost pernickety about points of honor in sports, his sympathies being laid aside for the sake of fair play, and the compliment Victoria paid him by consenting to his refereeing the match was gratifying.

The first game was taken for Victoria by Tite, in seven minutes; the second, also for Victoria by Blain, in the same time; and the third for Victoria, by Blight, again in seven minutes.

Victoria's lucky number was evidently seven.

The fourth game was taken for Vancouver by McGregor, in 11 minutes.

It was a case of "Come 7, come 11."

The fifth game was taken by Victoria by a swipe out of a scrimmage, in 14 minutes, or twice seven.

Umpires: Mr. Virtue, of Hotel Vancouver, and Mr. A. Lindsay.

Thursday's match will be watched with interest.

SUMMARY.

Game.	Won By.	Scored By.	Time.
1	Victoria	Tite	7
2	Victoria	Blain	7
3	Victoria	Blight	7
4	Vancouver	McGregor	11
5	Victoria		14

HOW THEY FINISHED.

	Won.	Lost.
Vancouver	5	3
Victoria	3	4
Westminster	3	4

YACHTING.

THE V. Y. C. RACE.

There was a good deal of interest taken in yesterday's yacht race under the auspices of the Victoria Yacht Club over a course said to be from 10 to 12 miles, from the Outer wharf, around the San Pedro, thence to and around the stake boat at Albert Head, and from there home.

The race was unfortunately left undecided, owing to the fact that the wind failed.

The yachts entered were the Scud, Petrel, Scout and Mona, the latter from "C" battery. At the start the Scud got across the line first, the Petrel second, Scout third and Mona fourth. The Scud rounded the San Pedro first followed by the Petrel, Scout and Mona in the order named. The Scud rounded the stake boat at Albert Head first, followed very closely by the Petrel.

Then the wind dropped and the Petrel forged ahead and stood off towards Race Rocks, the Scud inshore. The other yachts "flapped."

The Scud reached the harbor first but was not declared winner, as the race was not finished within the time allowed.

The Ada also started, but was several minutes behind time, and on account of the race not being finished will start again to-day. According to the by-laws of the club, the race, when not completed, must be postponed from day to day, and will be sailed again to-day over the same course. The start will be made at 2 o'clock.

THE INTERNATIONAL RACE.

The Seattle Yacht Club races are now announced to take place on the 3rd of October, instead of on the 10th, as previously arranged.

Entries should be made at once with the secretary of the club here.

It is expected the Petrel and Ada will go over to compete.

THE TURF.

JUST A SUGGESTION.

With such trotters and pacers as Conde, Mink, S. B., Bishop, Hero and Mollie Cooper in the province, it is not surprising that the directors of the B. C. Agricultural Society are thinking of giving a purse to be contended for, on Saturday next, for a free-for-all trotting and pacing race.

There has never at one time been such a galaxy of trotting wonders in British Columbia, and as both Vancouver and New Westminster have already seen them perform, it would be a great attraction to secure a race between them in Victoria.

FAILED TO MAKE IT.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Sept. 24.—The stallion Nelson started to beat his record of 2:10 yesterday afternoon, but failed in two trials, the fastest time being 2:11¼.

DOWN A NOTCH.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Sept. 24.—The world's record for double team, 2:13, was lowered by the famous trotters Belle Hamlin and Honest George. The official time made by the pair was 2:12¼. The sulky drawn by the pair was pneumatic-tired. In addition to this event the stallion Kremlin, in the 2:20 stake race, made the fastest single trotting record of the meeting, 2:11¾, breaking the record for five-year-old stallions and making a mark as the fastest fourth heat ever trotted in a race.

THE WHEEL.

A GOOD ARRANGEMENT.

The bicycle races during the fall fair are destined to be a great feature, Potter, Philp and several other Mainland and Nanaimo riders having already entered, and Lawrenceson, Turner and two or three other flyers being expected to fall in line. The official handicapper announces that those who defer entering must be content with a start from scratch. The programme of races remains unchanged:

One mile, Novice.
One mile, Open.
Half-mile, (C. W. A.)
Half-mile, Open.
One mile (C. W. A.)
Progressive Team Race.
Ten mile, Handicap.

THEY WILL BE THERE.

The local agents of the Whitworths will make a small but attractive display of these celebrated mounts at the fall fair—something that wheelmen will be glad to know.

M. QUAD'S SKETCHES.

Some Interesting Cases by a Postoffice Inspector.

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In my time (said a little old man still in government employ) I have helped to send a great many men to prison, and in each and every case there were reasons why my sympathies went out toward them. My line for over twenty-five years was that of postoffice inspector, and you know what that is. An individual may show mercy to a dishonest employee, but the postoffice department never does. The guilty man is punished, no matter what influence is brought to bear. There are two chief reasons for this. In the first place, the employees of the postal department are people of intelligence and of more or less social standing. They know what is required of them. They know what will follow any dereliction of duty. In the next, if punishment did not follow exposure the masses would have no confidence in the department. The idea of every postmaster general is to give ever citizen of the United States such perfect confidence in the department that he will dare to place a ten dollar bill in a newspaper and forward it to a friend located in the most obscure hamlet. While I use that only for an illustration, let me tell you that that is a very common way of sending money. It is estimated that more than $1,000,000 is thus mailed every year.

Before the day of postal notes, money orders and the registry system people used to inclose bills in their letters. There has been no falling off in the custom. It is calculated that one out of every ten letters mailed has at least a one dollar bill in it. The sum total for the year runs up into millions. The percentage of loss is very small, but the object is to make it perfectly safe to send money in this way, and that can only be done by obliging every employee of the department to be perfectly honest. The percentage of dishonest people is very small, and yet on their account all the honest ones must be watched. I know a man who has sent away over $5,000 per year by letter every year for the last seven and has not lost a dollar, but it has happened that others have been robbed on the very first attempt.

There are many reasons why a man steals or embezzles a small sum. He who steals knowing that the chances are ninety-nine to one that he will be discovered, must be either very desperate or very silly, or so you would argue. And yet, when you take the case of a postoffice employee you generally find that he is an intelligent person and had no pressing need to turn thief. The reason is sometimes an enigma. In other cases it is to gratify a desire for a luxury. If you will take up the case of each individual letter carrier convicted during the last five years, you will discover that the temptation has been less than thirty dollars on the average, and that none of them had pressing need of the money. You will find about the same state of affairs in the case of inside men. There are, no doubt, plenty of employees who have stolen a letter or two and gone no farther, but it is also true that after the ice is once broken a person seldom holds up until exposure comes. Letters containing money are easily "spotted" by the handlers, no matter how much pains you go to to conceal the contents. Suppose a letter arrives for some merchant or a firm which is receiving a hundred a day from all over the country. The "feel" of this letter reveals its contents. It is stolen. It may contain a five dollar bill or only a one dollar. At least a week will pass before there is any complaint, and when the merchant writes that he did not receive it the sender takes no steps to trace it. He is just as apt to argue that some clerk in the merchant's office stole his money as that it was taken by a postal employee. It is the merchant who finally moves. After receiving a score of such complaints he consults the postmaster, and the case is given to an inspector.

I had a case in a western city five or six years ago which astonished me, even though I was old in the business and seldom surprised over anything. A boy had come into the office and so conducted himself for a long term of years that he was at last made assistant chief clerk. He had the absolute confidence of postmaster and all employees. During his time there were three different inspectors on that route, and all "banked" on him, as the saying is. He aided us to detect three or four thieves in the office, and such was his reputation for integrity that no change of administration could move him. One day I was sent out there on an investigation. There was something crooked in the office. I consulted with the postmaster and he turned the whole case over to "Honest Abe," as the boys called the man I refer to. He was anxious to help me straighten things out, and he seemed to make every effort in that way. I was about the place for a week and failed to get the slightest clew. Then unbeknown to any one, but more by accident than design, I employed a method which I cannot allow you to make public. The result was that I arrested the assistant as he was leaving the building and found no less than twelve money letters in his pockets. Even with that evidence of his criminality bulging out of his pockets he was on his way to my hotel to see me and propose a trap by which the guilty party could be caught! He had a wife and three children. His salary allowed him to live more than comfortably. Any bank in the town would have lent him money on his unindorsed note. What did he want of the money? To buy lottery tickets! He was buying them at the rate of $200 per month, hoping to make a big strike. When his house was searched we found 165 one dollar tickets for the current drawing, but he intended to make the number an even 200. In six months he had purchased over 700 tickets, and yet all his prizes did not foot up $100. It isn't six months since he left the Detroit house of correction, where he served his sentence.

I believe, and it is the belief of all the officials of the postal departments, that that lottery did more to dishonor postal employees than all other temptations combined. Thousands of letters containing one and two dollar bills were constantly passing through the mails. A percentage of the employees who handled them argued that the lottery was dishonest and under the ban of the department, and that the money would be lost to the sender even if they didn't steal it. There can be no just argument in favor of dishonesty, but such arguments as above probably helped to stifle conscience. In two years I alone detected fourteen dishonest employees and brought them to justice. I will relate one case which had some special features.

A railway mail clerk on a certain run south of the Ohio river was under suspicion. The suspicion arose from a singular circumstance. He was a single man, thirty years old, and had only his salary to live on. Among the list of donors for a fund to erect a church edifice was his, and he had given $725. When I found this out I dropped all other clews and concentrated on him. While I was watching he turned in $275 more, thus bringing his subscription up to $1,000. One day after I had all my plans laid I entered his car and held him up. He had thirty letters in his pockets, all of them containing money and addressed to the lottery. He attempted no defense and urged only one excuse. He thought the money had better go into a church building than into the coffers of the lottery. He had not converted a penny to his own use, and he frankly acknowledged that it was his intention to steal $2,500 and then quit. I can mention another singular thing which occurred at about the same time. A man in Pennsylvania ordered two one dollar tickets by mail. As the tickets were on their way to him they were stolen by a railway mail clerk. When the drawing for the month came off it was discovered that one of the tickets had drawn $5,000. The clerk had not preserved the address of the rightful owner. He slipped down to New Orleans to get the money. The lottery company's books showed to whom the tickets were sent, and as the clerk gave a different name and address suspicions were aroused and he was run down. He had burned up the two tickets before being arrested, and the lottery company was therefore $5,000 ahead.

Of all postal employees the letter carrier has the greatest temptation thrown in his way. There is no one to watch him. He goes out over his route with hundreds of letters, and is sorting and resorting until he can give a pretty good guess at the contents of each one. If he fails to deliver an ordinary letter, who can charge him with embezzling it? There is, however, but one course for him to pursue. He must make up his mind to be strictly honest. If he cannot withstand temptation he is doomed. He may escape detection for a few weeks or even months, but there is nothing surer than that he will be caught in the end. One of the most powerful weapons of the postoffice inspector is the decoy letter. I know that judges, lawyers and the press have inveighed against it, but it is nevertheless the safeguard of the honest and the terror of the dishonest employee. It trips up more rascals in the service than all other schemes combined. I had a rather curious case in western New York last year. A man in a certain town was advertising a cureall, and letters came to him from all over the country. There were complaints of losses, and I traced the matter up until sure that the fault lay in the home office. It finally narrowed down to one clerk. I sent in six decoy letters, and four of them were gobbled. He was a young man and spent considerable money around town, but none of my marked bills turned up. He was followed to saloons, billiard parlors, livery stables and other places where he paid bills, but it was noticed that he invariably paid in silver. While trying to solve the mystery I dropped into a place within a step of the postoffice where an old woman sold root beer, lemonade, sandwiches and the like. After drinking a glass of the beer I found I had no change and tendered her a five dollar bill. She gave me four ones with the change, and two of them had my mark on.

"What drink does Charles——seem to prefer?" I queried, giving her the full name of the clerk I was after.

"Oh, root beer always!" she replied.

"He comes in often?"

"Three or four times a day, sir."

"Have you got plenty of silver for change?"

"Why, sir, I always keep a few dollars in silver by me. If it's in silver it can't burn up."

On the very next day I was in the place when the clerk came in, drank a glass of root beer and handed out a marked bill he had taken from my last decoy letter. I had no sympathy for him, as he had no excuse for his dishonesty. I have seen it stated in newspapers that where an employee who has lots of influence behind him goes wrong he is allowed to resign and the matter is hushed up. If any such cases have occurred I am ignorant of them. I do not believe they have occurred. Among the thousands of carriers, clerks and railway mail handlers there will always be found some crooked people. The supervision must be constant and critical and the punishment must be prompt and severe for reasons I have already named. It is rarely that Uncle Sam condones an offense against the law. I have often thought the punishment too severe for the crime. However, of all men who may be inclined to dishonesty, the postal employee displays the most foolishness. The common thief may steal and get away. The burglar and the highway robber run even chances, they figure. We read every day of bookkeepers, clerks and cashiers who have been stealing for years. The postal employee who goes wrong is dead certain of quick discovery and a heavy sentence. It is as sure to come as the sun is to rise. He therefore lacks sense when he permits himself to be tempted.

One more case—almost my last—and I am done. For over a year I was "onto" a clerk in a certain southern postoffice, but he was too sharp for me. He was a married man, had no vices and his outside and inside standing was good. After awhile another inspector was sent on to help me. I was sure he had pocketed my decoy letter with others, but none of the money could be traced. We watched his payments to butcher, grocer, coal man, hired help and so on, but it was all straight money. He was on duty at the office a part of the afternoon and a portion of the night. He was watched at his work for weeks and weeks, but not a suspicious action was seen. Letters were still going astray, however, and I had lost fifty dollars in different decoy letters. If he suspected that he was watched he did not betray the fact. One day he fell dead of heart disease on the street and the body was taken home before we heard the news. From that day no more letters were taken. We were morally certain he was the man, but had no evidence, nor did we get any for three months. Then his widow moved to another house. In the process she discovered 466 letters in an old trunk in a store-room. Over 400 of them had money inclosed, and yet not one had been opened or tampered with. The man had stolen them, but I am not clear as to his action. Was it a mania which stopped short at getting possession, or was he sharp enought to lay them away and bide his time? His widow could offer no explanation of how the letters came to be in the trunk, nor did the authorities hunt for any. We did not want to blacken the dead man's character. Some of the letters had been mailed thirteen months previously. There were three which he had taken only the day before his death, but how he had managed to do it with my eyes on him all the time I have not been able to figure out.

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Witness to the signatures of William Hooson and John Edward Hooson. (Sgd.) A. D. WILMSTEAD, Saturna Island, B. C.

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