

is the very essence of our poor human nature, since our father Adam himself tried to throw the fault on Eve, and Eve on the serpent. You have then yielded to the instinct of those at fault, by throwing upon others the responsibility of a suspicious action. I will prove you, within a minute, how untrue and deceitful you were in the whole matter.

First of all, remember that this question so disastrous for you had been brought up by yourself, when you said to me:

"You remember having several times done stock-jobbing at my office and never having deposited any margin. NEVER, TO MY KNOWLEDGE, DID YOU SUSTAIN ANY LOSS. On the contrary, you often realized profits that were duly paid to you."

Nothing more natural than my reply:

"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."

Now, lay your hand on your heart and tell me if your rejoinder was honest, for, in order to divert attention, you chose another date, so as to deceive the public with figures irrelevant to the issues, and you said to me: "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 68¾; 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. As you see, Mr. Dansereau is MISTAKEN WHEN HE REFERS TO A PROFIT OF \$1,200 THAT HE MIGHT HAVE MADE."

Had I not had my slip of paper, would I not have been nailed on the spot as the boldest of liars? I had not mentioned any precise date. At once you