

WEBB WORKS ON OLD CASE

Local Federal Officer Digs Into Famous Manhattan Bank Robbery.

FINDS NEPHEW OF MAN ARRESTED

Believes Cedar Rapids Suspect Innocent—Crime Perpetrated Thirty Years Ago Still Holds the Prize.

Captain John Webb has just returned from Cedar Rapids, Ia., where he has for several days been investigating the matter of a \$10,000 gold 1 per cent bond that was stolen from the Manhattan National bank of New York over thirty years ago.

The participation of the Cedar Rapids party in the affair grows out of the fact that Samuel Winfield Miller of that city is the uncle of Dr. L. Arville Wilcoxson of New York, who was arrested in New York, February 3, 1905, at the Waldorf-Astoria hotel, while attempting to dispose of the \$10,000 bond or to raise money on it.

This was the first of these bonds to appear since the robbery of thirty years ago, at which time the Manhattan National bank was broken into and robbed of \$2,000,000, largely of bonds of this denomination. The robbery was the most famous in the history of bank robberies in the United States and still ranks as the greatest of them. The recovery of this \$10,000 bond from Dr. Wilcoxson in February last is the first of the bonds to be recovered.

Dr. Wilcoxson's Story. Dr. Wilcoxson accounted for his possession of the bond in that he had bought it from a miner in the Klondike country, named Sam Warren Miller. He had not undertaken to dispose of it because of its large amount and that he was awaiting the arrival of Miller in New York in order that Miller endorse the bond, or rather verify to his endorsement made at Dawson City some time before. The alleged Miller put in an appearance in New York in February and proceedings for the negotiations of the bond began. The alleged Miller confirmed the sale of the bond to Wilcoxson and the money was realized from it. The bond was subsequently identified as one of those stolen from the Manhattan bank and Wilcoxson's arrest promptly followed. Miller had disappeared in the meantime. However, immediately following Wilcoxson's arrest he telegraphed to his uncle, Sam Winfield Miller, at Cedar Rapids, to send him \$1,000 instantly as he was in serious trouble. The telegram was intercepted by the United States authorities, and, they believing that Sam Warren Miller and Sam Winfield Miller were the same person, had the latter indicted by the federal grand jury in New York, jointly with Wilcoxson.

Miller Thought to Be Innocent. The Cedar Rapids Miller claims to be entirely ignorant of the transaction or any possible or probable participation in the bond deal. However, he admits that Dr. Wilcoxson is his nephew and that he had received the telegram from him asking for the \$1,000 to help him out of his scrape. Dr. Wilcoxson is but 31 years of age. He bears the reputation of being a high liver in New York. It was consequently shown at the hearing before the federal grand jury in New York that the name of Sam W. Miller had been forged to the bond and at the same time that Sam Winfield Miller of Cedar Rapids, answered the description of the man, who passed himself off as Sam W. Miller at the Waldorf-Astoria hotel in February.

The Cedar Rapids, Sam Winfield Miller, was taken to New York and his preliminary hearing is set for today in that city. Mr. Miller's Cedar Rapids friends are standing by him loyally and emphatically deny that he is in any way implicated in the matter except through his relationship to Wilcoxson. Captain Webb is also of the opinion that Sam Winfield Miller is an entirely innocent party in the transaction. Captain Webb is of the further opinion that Dr. Wilcoxson has been employed as a willing tool by the liars of the profits of the Manhattan bank robbery to negotiate the \$10,000 gold bonds, and that they have now dropped completely out of sight, and that the Cedar Rapids Miller is simply the victim of Wilcoxson's perfidy.

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CURRENT LITERATURE.

Mrs. Gabrielle E. Jackson, in Mother and Daughter, recently published by the Harpers, protests against some of the old customs that we have grown to think indispensable, in the bringing up of children, but of whose absurdity hardly a serious second thought is needed to convince us. One thing against which objection is entered is the telling of "Mother Goose" stories to children. In chapter III, devoted to the "story-hour custom," she says: "Don't tell the terrifying, gory tales in Mother Goose, where giants do impossible things, and utterly idiotic rhymes in atrocious English tell how the 'farmer's wife cut off their tails with a carving knife, or 'Moo Mulley Cow, why do you low?' (marvelous rhyming, forthright) or 'Has the butcher taken your baby?'"

Mr. Oliver Lodge, in an address to teachers at Birmingham university described arithmetic as being one of the most absurd of the complexities of pretended commerce. The terms of arithmetic were the worst things ever concocted by a nation emerging from barbarism. They were, he said, neither arithmetic, mathematics, nor common sense. Mastering them was merely wasting a child's time. This is very true of the old style arithmetics and of most of our modern books. A series which has recently been published by Ginn & Co., however, is noteworthy as being the first to make the subject vital and genuine. These books (Smith's Arithmetics) are thoroughly modern in treatment and at the same time they conserve all that made the older works useful.

In response to the very wide and long continued demand for "My Mamie Rose—The Story of My Regeneration" by Owen Kildare, the Baker & Taylor Co. has issued an edition in cloth which sells at \$1.00. The sheets and illustrations of the new edition remain practically unchanged. The sale of this book has been extraordinary for these days of rapid growth and early death of even the most popular books. Eight editions have been issued already, and the sale of the book is still almost as active as at any period in its year and a half of its publication. The demand for the book seems to class it with works of fiction, and it is to take advantage of this widespread demand that the publishers have brought out this cheaper edition.

Among the articles of special reminiscence about Joseph Jefferson, one of the most readable is that by the Outlook's "Spectator," printed with several new pictures in the May magazine number of the Outlook.

The Pilgrim for May contains, as a special feature, a double page of portraits of "Living American Composers," the men and women who are breathing the American spirit into music and creating a distinct American school of composition. Such a portrait feature as The Pilgrim for May affords has never been published by any magazine, and the seemingly endless work of collecting the 125 portraits of living American composers has at last resulted in a group picture that, we venture, the assertion, will be preserved in every home the magazine enters. Elias A. Lottridge, New Jersey, enthusiastically who hunts him with the camera, fitted up one summer a bird box with a microphone, from which a line ran to a telephone receiver in the house. With this

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