

ART FIRM FACES \$600,000 ACTION

Duene Brothers Prosecuted for Alleged Undervaluation of Imports.

NINE COMPLAINTS FILED

Goods Under Seizure and Now Rich Customers May Be Made to Return Art Treasures Said to Be Improperly Obtained.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—The Federal government filed nine complaints here today against the Duene Brothers, the international art dealers, in a series of forfeiture suits aggregating nearly \$600,000. The suits are a sequel to the arrest in October of several members of the firm on charges of gross undervaluation of imports.

The goods involved are under seizure, and to recover possession, pending decision of the United States District Court, the defendants must file a bond for the full home value, which included the foreign value plus the customs duties.

Further Action Expected.

The Government also has the right to sue for the forfeiture of all goods sold by the Dueneans and not in possession of their customers, in cases where it is shown that there was any deflection in the payment of duties. No such action has yet been brought, but it may be expected.

Some of the values which the Government places on the seized goods it now holds are:

- Three gold hand-painted snuff boxes, \$24,000;
- one sofa and eight chairs, \$42,127;
- one large sofa, \$16,121;
- two square Chinese vases and smaller pieces, \$46,722;
- one Limoges enamel cup, \$10,000.

Customers Must Disgorge.

Duene's list of customers included several of the wealthiest and best-known connoisseurs in the country and the prosecution said tonight it would take advantage of every legal aid to recover from those who have benefited, either directly or indirectly, by the alleged frauds, which the Government estimated at \$5,000,000.

30 FIREMEN ESCAPE DEATH

Men in New York Fire Trapped and Barely Escape to Safety.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—Thirty firemen narrowly escaped death in a \$250,000 fire which destroyed the six-story factory and warehouse of Joseph Libmann & Co., paper manufacturers, early today. The structure was supposedly fireproof, but the highly inflammable nature of the contents gave plenty of fuel for the flames. When the firemen arrived they found the blaze apparently confined to a rear basement. A squad of 30 firemen, headed by Captain Roxbury, went to an upper floor and were caught by a sheet of solid flame driven by a powerful draft. In the twinkling of an eye they were surrounded by fire, which sprang up as if by magic in piles of paper and cardboard on all sides.

CINCINNATI FIRE FATAL TO 2

Ten Firms Wiped Out in Blaze With Loss of \$2,000,000.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 21.—Two men are dead and six firemen were injured in the fire which swept the new factory district at an early hour this morning, bringing a damage estimated at \$2,000,000.

The dead: Robert D. Gear, pipeman, Engine Company No. 4; Walter Morris, 18 years old.

The injured: Captain W. T. Tinley, Engine Company No. 4; Frank Humphries, pipeman, Company No. 4; Geiger Morgan, pipeman, Company No. 4; Fire Marshal Phillip Hurley; John Lahn, fireman; William Hall, fireman.

The firms burned out are: Krippendorf & O'Neal Shoe Company, Taylor-Poole Leather Company, Cahill Shoe Company, Twin Lock Company, Seacore Street Stable Company, Griggs Effinger Leather Company, Victor Safe & Lock Company, warehouse of the A. & J. Nurce Company, E. O. Duncan Paper Box Company and the Wildberg Box Factory.

Walters Has \$200,000 Fine.

WALTERS, Okla., Dec. 21.—Fire in the business district of this town today caused a loss of \$200,000.

WOMAN STILL UNSHAKEN

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whom Baldwin introduced you as his wife?

And when Mrs. Turnbull replied that she had no recollection one way or the other, McNab concluded with:

"Well, that leaves us only five—three representatives of the colored race and two white men—and one of the negroes, Jackson, and one of the white men, Baldwin, knew the real Mrs. Baldwin very well at the time you say Baldwin introduced you to them as his wife. Why did they not tip you, so that you could have proceeded against Baldwin for bigamy? Did they laugh when Baldwin introduced you as Mrs. Baldwin?"

"They did not," curtly retorted the witness.

Right Wife Asked After.

The register of seals here and in San Diego were introduced in evidence to show that Mrs. Turnbull had registered herself as Lillian Ashley after the alleged marriage with Baldwin, and after she had reiterated her former testimony that she regarded herself as the tur-

MINE EXPLOSION IS FATAL TO 300

Miners Entombed in English Colliery; Only Ten Are Rescued.

CAUSE IS UTTER MYSTERY

Relief Parties Driven From Shaft by Noxious Gases, but Again Resume Efforts When Fan Is Employed With Success.

BOLTON, Eng., Dec. 21.—More than 300 men lost their lives today in the explosion in the Little Hulton colliery of the Hulton Colliery Company, located a short distance from this city. The explosion occurred early this morning, soon after the miners had entered the pit. Its force was terrific, and later investigation showed that the lower passages had been blocked. Heroic efforts were made by rescue parties all day, but a fire which followed the explosion prevented the rescuers from penetrating beyond 600 yards into the workings.

UPPER BERTHS REDUCED

PRICES ALSO SOON TO BE LESS FOR "LOWERS."

Rate Fixed by Interstate Commerce Commission Makes Cost 20 Per Cent Less Than Formerly.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Formal orders were announced by the Interstate Commerce Commission today reducing the price heretofore exacted by the Pullman Company for upper berths in sleeping cars.

An order also was issued providing that after February 1, 1911, certain specified reductions in the charges for lower berths northwest of Chicago should be made by the Pullman Company.

In the decision announced today it is held in the Loftis case "that the maximum rate for a lower berth from St. Paul to Seattle shall not exceed \$11, and for an upper berth \$18; from St. Paul to Chicago the upper berth rate shall not exceed \$1.60; from St. Paul to Superior, the upper berth rates shall not exceed \$1.25, and from St. Paul to Fargo to Grand Forks, the upper berth rate shall not exceed \$1.50.

LADIES' FITTED BAGS.

In great variety at Harris Trunk Company, 122 Sixth street.

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Inflames the joints, stiffens the muscles and in some cases causes sufferings that are almost unendurable.

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Never before have Chickerings been obtainable under price. But as announced heretofore, two carloads of Chickerings sustained slight damage in finish by coming in contact with some chemicals stored in the hold of a steamer on the Great Lakes. Rather than carry these instruments into next year, and refitting them in our own shops, we arranged with the Marine Insurance Company to sell these Chickerings on their account at prices reduced so as to dispose of them immediately.

Since then, we have sold more Chickerings than in any other period of four months heretofore.

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All of these pianos are displayed at our Retail Establishment, No. 353 Washington street, at the corner of Park. We repeat it—no chance to get a Chickering under price has ever heretofore been offered. It is safe to say that such an opportunity will never be presented again.

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