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YOUNG ASTORIAN IN TROUBLE

SAD NEWS OF TURIE C. NORDSTROM RECEIVED HERE YESTERDAY—COMMUNITY FINDS IT DIFFICULT TO CREDIT THE STORY.

The family and friends of Turie C. Nordstrom, of this city, were smitten with astonishment and sorrow yesterday morning, when the information was given out, from unimpeachable sources, that he had deliberately committed a gross forgery in Chicago, the sum of the bad deal being put at \$15,000.

The story was so unusual that none who heard were able to credit it, and in the hope that it might be susceptible of denial or explanation or at least, of qualification, an Astorian reporter was sent at once to interview Cashier S. S. Gordon, of the First National Bank, as well as to Assistant Cashier John Nordstrom, of the Scandinavian-American Bank, the father of the young man. The interviews resulted in unqualified confirmation of the news, but neither gentleman had any possible suggestion to offer as to the reason that actuated the offense.

Mr. Gordon said, among other things, that young Nordstrom had sought a few days' leave from the bank on the day before Thanksgiving, but owing to business pressure at the bank it was not granted; and a day or two later he received a letter from the draft-clerk, then in Pendleton, saying he had had to go without permission and would be back in a few days. Since then nothing has been heard of Nordstrom at the bank until yesterday morning, when the bank opened its morning mail, the discovery was made of a forged draft, in favor of one C. A. Cole, that had been paid on December 3rd, by the First National Bank, of Chicago. The draft was, upon its face, a glaring forgery, and Cashier Gordon at once apprised the Chicago house of the fact, and then began a search of the books for anything that might throw light upon the situation. It was ascertained that on the 16th of November, young Nordstrom had purchased and paid for a draft, in the sum of \$3, on the First National Bank of Chicago and payable to C. A. Cole, or, at least that was what the stub here indicated; the presumption being that he had filled in the face of the draft afterward including Mr. Bennett's signature, and presented it, 17 days later, at the Chicago bank. The signature of Assistant Cashier J. R. A. Bennett, of the First National Bank of this city had been carefully exploited in the matter. This was further supplemented by the use of Mr. Bennett's signature, which is alleged to have been attached to a letter of introduction, or credit, which Nordstrom presented, in furtherance of his plans, at the Chicago house.

Simultaneously with the receipt of the cancelled draft for \$15,000, the bank here received a letter from the Chicago bank advising it that "referring to your letter of introduction of November 16, our London correspondent desires more explicit information concerning C. A. Cole," etc., etc. This would indicate that Nordstrom had presented the draft at the foreign-exchange window of the Chicago institution, had taken letters of credit abroad for the face of it, and had gone directly to England and cashed it there, for its exchange value.

To date this is all the information possessed by the local bank, with the conjectures inseparable from the known facts. Mr. Gordon said further that he knew of nothing to urge the young man to such a course; that he was quiet, orderly, and correct in all his work about the bank, and was counted a fairly valuable subordinate and that up to

this sad occurrence he was considered straight and reliable in all things. The home bank loses nothing by the transaction.

The father of the misguided youth, Mr. John Nordstrom, was seen at the Scandinavian-American Bank during the afternoon, and had but little to offer in the way of explanation. He was profoundly disturbed by the terrible news of the day, and could not account for the impulse that had led to his son's downfall. He said that so far as he knew his son's married life was happy and his home pleasantly and carefully maintained, and that none of the family could devise an excuse or reason for the miserable climax to what was deemed to be a fairly successful, and altogether promising, home-like, and business career.

Mr. Nordstrom said further, that his son had left the city to go to Portland, being urged thereto by a telegram advising him of a chance to sell some oil stock he possessed, for the sum of \$2000, and it was in obedience to this summons that he bade his young wife and two-year-old baby goodbye on the eve of Thanksgiving and departed. The next heard from him was a letter to his wife from Pendleton saying that he would have to go on to Chicago to conclude the oil deal, but that it was worth the time and expense, that the \$2000 would stand them in good stead in the fitting of their new home, etc., etc., and this was the last that was heard from him by the family until a letter arrived from Chicago, addressed to his wife and enclosing the sum of \$200, with a few meagre business details.

At about the same time, Mr. Nordstrom had received intelligence by telephone, from the Astoria National Bank, advising him that they had just received a letter from Turie, at Chicago, enclosing \$100, in full payment of a note they held against him, with the endorsement of Mr. K. Osburne thereon. Almost at the same time he was apprised by the late Captain Campbell, that he had also heard from the son, his letter also containing \$100, in settlement of an obligation which had been standing for some time. Aside from these communications, no other word has been received from the boy and there is deep and poignant grief in his, and his father's home, over the almost unbelievable details that have been unfolded so far, with the bitter anxiety for that which is yet to come.

Plain as the facts seem to be, the matter is inexplicable here, as Nordstrom was highly respected throughout the city and had friends by the score, none of whom had the remotest suspicion of such a thing in connection with him. He belongs to one of the best families in the city and so far as is known, had no bad habits nor association, but, on the contrary, was peculiarly happy in all his relations about town. He not only enjoyed the confidence of the bank he served, but of other employers about the city, including the management of the Morning Astorian, where he worked for two years; all have a kindly word for the man and are utterly at sea over the crisis that has arisen in his life.

The work he did at Chicago falls, fully, as to the loss, upon the bank at Chicago, and it is not known what steps they have taken to apprehend young Nordstrom. The circumstance has filled this city with sorrow, not only for the victim of this wretched impulse, but for his honored father and family, and his own wife and child, bereft of his care and sustenance.

Turie enjoyed the prestige that attaches to the long and honorable career of his father, John Nordstrom, in this city, where that gentleman has held place after place of honor and trust, and has ever discharged them with a fidelity and rigid adherence to the highest principles of business habit that have wrought for him the distinguishing soubriquet of "Honest John Nordstrom," and for whom the entire community feels only the sorrow inseparable from such an untoward circumstance as this.

A NEST HARD TO FIND.
 Remarkable and Artistic Home of the Humming Bird.

The home of the humming bird is one of the most remarkable and artistic creations of all bird architecture. It is a tiny, delicate cup, made of the softest plant down, saddled upon some rather slender branch so deftly that it seems a part thereof. The saliva of the birds is used to compact and secure the material and likewise to coat the exterior with the gray green lichens so generally found upon trees. This makes it so assimilate with the surroundings that it is a very difficult object to discover. And thereby hangs a tale. A gentleman had told me that if I would call upon him he would show me an occupied nest of a humming bird in his orchard. When I came, he was out of town, but I thought I would see if I could not find the nest myself. So I made inspection from tree to tree, and presently the female hummer began to fly about me anxiously. We played a game of hot and cold until it became evident that the nest must be in a certain low apple tree which had many dead, lichen covered branches. Some of these came down nearly to the ground, and for quite a while I stood by the tree, running my eyes along each branch in order, trying to make out the nest, while the female kept darting frantically at my head. It must have been nearly a quarter of an hour before I discovered that I was standing almost touching the nest with my hands, having been looking right over it all the time. It contained two fresh eggs, this being in the early part of June. The branch upon which it was built was completely overgrown with lichens, and the nest, being covered with them, too, was wonderfully disguised, though there were no leaves to hide it.—From "Experiences With Humming Birds," by H. K. Job, in Outing Magazine.

THE SMALLEST SCREWS.
 To the Naked Eye They Look Like Specks of Dust.

The smallest screws in the world are those made in watch factories. They are cut from steel wire by a machine, but as the chips fall from the knife it looks as if the operator was simply cutting up the wire for his own diversion. One thing is certain—no screws can be seen, and yet a screw is made by every third operation.

The fourth jewel wheel screw is next to invisible, to the naked eye resembling a speck of dust. With a glass, however, it can be made out quite distinctly. It has 200 threads to an inch. These little screws are four one-thousandth of an inch in diameter, and the heads are double in size. It has been estimated that an ordinary thimble would hold 100,000 of them.

About 1,000,000 of them are manufactured in the course of a month, but no attempt is ever made to count them. In determining the number 100 of them are placed on a very delicate balance and the number of the whole quantity calculated from the weight of these. All the small parts of the watch are counted in this way, probably 50 out of the 120.

When they have been cut the screws are hardened and put into frames, about 100 to the frame, heads up. This is done very rapidly, but entirely by the sense of touch instead of by sight, so that a blind man with a little experience could perform the task.

The next step in the process is to polish the heads in an automatic machine, 10,000 at a time. The plate on which this is done is covered with oil and a grinding compound, and on this the machine moves them very rapidly by a reversing motion until they are in perfect condition.—Chicago Record-Herald.

The Drama of London's Fog.
 There is a whole world of drama bound up in the chronicles of London's fog. This misty and mysterious visitant, far older than Gog or Magog, which used to visit the watches of the night when the metropolis barely lifted itself out of the surrounding marshes, has a fund of comedy as well as tragedy. Countless murders have been committed under its sheltering cloak, men and women have been waylaid, children have been torn from their mothers and wives from their husbands, but on the other hand there are a few incidents of a less harrowing character.—Strand Magazine.

Curved Spokes.
 There is no doubt that an iron wheel with curved spokes is much more attractive to the eye than the ordinary variety, but it is not on account of its appearance that it is constructed in this manner. Wheels that are cast invariably contract a little in the process of cooling, and those made with straight spokes are always liable to crack. The curved variety, by allowing a certain give and take in the metal, avoid this danger.

Notice to Mariners.
 The following affects the List of Lights, Buoys and Daymarks, Pacific Coast, 1907:

Clatsop Spit Buoy, 10, a first-class nun, reported missing January 9, will be replaced as soon as practicable.

Washington.

Puget Sound, page 84, Point Piner Shoal Buoy, 2, a third-class nun, reported missing January 6, will be replaced as soon as practicable.

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ONE IN DEATH.
 PROVIDENCE, R. I., Jan. 13.—After having passed the greater part of their lives quietly and uneventfully in an old farm house here, Jonathan King and his wife, Abby, died last night together. The wife passed way at 8:40 o'clock and a few minutes later the husband died. In both cases death was due to age. King was 84 years old and his wife 88.

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appeal to the Well-Informed in every walk of life and are essential to permanent success and creditable standing, therefore we wish to call the attention of all who would enjoy good health, with its blessings, to the fact that it involves the question of right living with all the term implies. With proper knowledge of what is best each hour of recreation, of enjoyment, of contemplation and of effort may be made to contribute to that end and the use of medicines dispensed with generally to great advantage, but as in many instances a simple, wholesome remedy may be invaluable if taken at the proper time, the California Fig Syrup Co. feels that it is alike important to present truthfully the subject and to supply the one perfect laxative remedy which has won the approval of physicians and the world-wide acceptance of the Well-Informed because of the excellence of the combination, known to all, and the original method of manufacture, which is known to the California Fig Syrup Co. only.

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