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WILLIAM C. GILMAN.

The Causes which Produced His Downfall—Affecting Scenes in Court.

His Final Departure for Sing Sing for Five Years.

New York Press Dispatch:

Wm. C. Gilman, the forger of insurance scrip, indicted by the grand jury on the 11th, surrendered himself on the 12th, and appeared before Recorder Hackett, where he pleaded guilty and was sentenced to five years in state prison. Gilman's counsel read a statement in extenuation, in which Gilman says the decline in business, bad investments, heavy expenses, both business and domestic, and personal extravagance

HAD BETRAYED HIM.

He loved better to give away money than to spend it on himself. His thoughts and interests were more with charitable works. He himself was to blame for his expenses at home and in business. His wife never persuaded him to any extravagance. From the time he began business he had placed in his hands by friends who trusted him implicitly sums ranging from \$100 to \$2,000 on interest at 7 per cent. He never speculated or lost or won any money by any wager. He made investments in enterprises which promised well, but all turned out bad. Long possession of money of his friends made him look upon it as his own, and the losses and expense caused encroachments upon it. Times grew worse. The failure of the Sun Montreal Insurance Company and the

NECESSITIES OF OTHER COMPANIES injured confidence in everything except the Atlantic, and competition for that had carried prices so high as to leave no margin for profit, and had made his commissions thoroughly inadequate to meet the scale of expense on which he was doing business and living. Prior to the panic of 1873 he had made improper use of trust funds, under the pressure of declining business, and the trouble of that year had involved him in additional losses. After that time he must have put forth raised certificates. He had suffered in thinking of his business, in abusing the confidence of his friends. Hoping that the next step would extricate him, he plunged deeper and deeper. He had not sold any fraudulent securities, but had borrowed on them. He alone was responsible for every wrong act, and no human being ever had a suspicion of it. Suicide had been much in his thoughts.

GILMAN'S STATEMENT

was addressed to his brothers and sisters, who lose \$75,000 by his operations; to Rev. Dr. Houghton, his brother in law, and rector of the "Little Church around the corner," and other friends. The scene in the Court was exceptional. The counsel who read the paper did so with a trembling voice. Mr. Lane, who followed, was deeply affected, and said Gilman left his wife at home on the verge of insanity. District Attorney Phelps, with tears coursing down his cheeks, and with choking utterance, said "he had known the prisoner, and this was the saddest case he had ever anything to do with."

Recorder Hackett in passing sentence was much affected and wiped away a tear. The detectives turned their backs to the tearful spectacle, hurried Gilman to the coach in waiting a drove to his office, which he has left as a convict for Sing Sing for a term of five years at hard labor.

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Beaver Lodge No. 35, I. O. O. F.

Meet every Friday evening, at 7 o'clock, in the Odd Fellow's Hall, cor. of Cass and Chenamus streets, Astoria. Members of the Order are invited to attend. By order, N. G.

Astoria Lodge No. 40, I. O. G. T.

Regular Meeting every Tuesday Evening at 7 o'clock, at Good Templar's Hall, Chenamus Street, Astoria, over C. L. Parker's Store. Members of the Order, in good standing, are invited to attend. Degree meeting 1st Monday each month. By order W. C. T.

Common Council.

Regular meetings first and third Monday evenings of each month, at 7 o'clock. Persons desiring to have matters acted upon by the Council, at any regular meeting, must present the same to the Auditor and Clerk on or before the Friday evening prior to the Monday on which the Council holds its regular meetings. By order of the Council, F. J. TAYLOR, Auditor.

Rescue Engine Co. No. 2.

Regular meetings will be held at the House of the company on the 1st Thursday of each month, at 7 1/2 o'clock P. M.

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Members are expected to attend promptly, if not the usual fines will be imposed against them, unless legal excuse is offered. By order of the Company, A. VAN DUSEN, President. R. N. CARNAHAN, Secretary.

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