

EASTERN HAPPENINGS.

Exciting Scene in the Kansas House of Representatives.

ILLINOIS BRINGS SUIT AGAINST THE UNITED STATES.

Charges Brought Against the New York Police Force for Raising a Corruption Fund--Two Memphis Attorneys Engage in a Street Duel With Fatal Results.

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TOPEKA (Kan.), March 10.—There was a scene of great excitement in the House today. The committee reports on the investigation of the House of Representatives not being ready, Speaker Elder, who had taken the floor, moved that the committee be allowed to sit after the adjournment of the Legislature. Douglas (Rep.) complained that the persons under investigation had not been allowed to be present at the committee sittings, either in person or by attorney. He and other Republicans denounced the committee and the Farmers' Alliance.

Elder became exceedingly angry, and said the Alliance was running the House, and the Republicans must submit, right or wrong.

Then the galleries hissed, the Alliance men cheered and the Republicans groaned.

The Sergeant-at-Arms and the Doorkeeper attempted to clear the galleries, and several lives were endangered. A general fight became imminent, but finally Elder resumed the chair, said he was ashamed of his remarks, and appealed to all present to maintain order. The hall was then restored, and Elder's motion adopted.

THE FARMERS DISAPPOINTED. TOPEKA (Kan.), March 10.—The State Legislature today closed consideration of general legislative measures, and from now to adjournment will consider nothing but appropriation bills. The work of the session has been a distinct disappointment to the Farmers' Alliance. They came to Topeka intending to institute all kinds of reform, and return without having accomplished any of the radical ones.

IMPORTANT SUIT.

Illinois Claims Many Thousands of Dollars From the Government.

SPRINGFIELD (Ill.), March 10.—Preliminary steps in an important suit have been completed by Attorney-General Hunt. It is the suit of the State of Illinois against the United States, in what is familiarly known as the "Treaty for Claims." The State claiming several hundred thousand dollars because of non-fulfillment of contract on the part of the Government in the construction of the national road from navigable waters flowing into the United States on the east and through the State of Illinois to the Mississippi River. This highway was known as the Cumberland road, and was to be a great national highway, to be constructed by the United States. In the Act admitting Illinois to the Union 2 per cent of the net proceeds from the sale of all public lands in the State were reserved on sales after January 1, 1819. Similar provisions were made at the time of admission of Ohio, Indiana and Illinois, the Government has accounted in full to the State for the amount of the reserved per cent proceeds, and will come up in the Court of Claims at Washington soon. The amount asked for is \$474,100.

The National Game.

CINCINNATI, March 10.—The American Association met after a prolonged session to-day, and asserted with much gloom that the alleged National League victory is not a victory; that the purchase from Johnson for \$50,000 announced yesterday is worthless, and that the association still owns the right to carry on its schedule of games in Cincinnati. They say their circuit will be Baltimore, Philadelphia, Boston and Washington, and will include St. Louis, Louisville, Cincinnati and Columbus in the West.

Fatal Shooting.

MEMPHIS (Tenn.), March 10.—David H. Paston, a prominent lawyer of this city, was to-day shot and mortally wounded by Colonel H. Clay King, also a member of the Memphis bar. The tragedy occurred on Market street, opposite Court Square, and occasioned great excitement on the crowded thoroughfare.

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COAST CHRONICLES.

Much Damage by Wind and Waves on Puget Sound.

THE STEAMER BUCKEYE ARRIVES SAFELY IN PORT.

An Attempt Made to Shoot a Catholic Priest at Beulicia--Destructive Landslide in the State of Washington--Arrangements Completed for the Funeral of the Late Senator Hearst.

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SEATTLE (Wash.), March 10.—News was received here to-day that a terrible storm began at 3 o'clock yesterday morning in the vicinity of Edmonds. Neil Murphy, foreman for Shepard, Henry & Co., railroad contractors, reports that there were four big waves, the first of which broke at 3 o'clock against the track of the Seattle and Montana Railroad, which is built just above high-water mark along the shore from Edmonds to Point Gardner. There were four of these waves, and they did \$20,000 worth of damage to the road-bed, tearing up the rip-rapping and destroying the road-bed. It nearly four miles of the road-bed were destroyed. Murphy thinks that the waves were of a tidal nature, caused by the recent earthquake. The wind continued to blow with great fierceness from the north until this morning. The lower part of Edmonds and Mukeloo is flooded, and more or less damage has been done to the wharves. It was the greatest storm seen in that vicinity in years.

The report that the Buckeye had been lost near Edmonds was untrue. It was lost near Edmonds on the morning of the arrival of the steamer safe and sound. The Buckeye left Edmonds on Sunday morning for Appleton Cove to bring over a cargo of vegetables and took with her about twenty residents of Edmonds as passengers for the round trip. The cargo was lost, but the passengers did not appear, and her non-arrival and the washing ashore of a quantity of vegetables gave rise to the belief that she had been lost in the gale which blew on Sunday night. Men who were working on the Great Northern Railroad brought the report to the city, and the vessel was given up as lost. It was not until when the storm arose she put back to Appleton Cove, and did not make the return trip until yesterday morning.

THE LATE SENATOR HEARST.

Arrangements Completed for the Funeral on Sunday. SAN FRANCISCO, March 10.—The committee having in charge the local arrangements for the funeral of the late Senator Hearst to-day completed all arrangements. The following have been requested to act as pall-bearers: Governor Markham, Judge S. S. Wright, William P. H. Smith, John W. P. H. Smith, Mayor Sanderson, ex-Senator W. P. H. Smith, ex-Governor Perkins, Frank McCoppin, Irving M. Scott, Judge Niles, Charles A. Butler, John H. W. P. H. Smith, A. B. Butler, of Fresno; Barry Baldwin, C. L. Taylor, General Gibbon, Rear Admiral Benham, Jerome Lynde, Russell Lynde, W. P. H. Smith, Jr. and Irwin C. Stamp.

Change of Management.

PITTSBURG, March 10.—A sensation was sprung at the annual meeting of the Union Switch and Signal Company here this afternoon, when the control of the concern was taken out of the hands of the stockholders and placed in the hands of an entire new Board of Directors.

Keno F. Sold.

DUBUQUE, March 10.—Everett L. Smith of Boston to-day purchased for \$15,000 Keno F., owned by Peter Olinger of this city. Keno F. last year won the \$10,000 Flour City stakes at Rochester, New York, in the face of big odds.

High Water in Georgia.

AUGUSTA (Ga.), March 10.—The city is in darkness to-night, the high water having interfered with the electric lights and gas companies. No mail was delivered to-day, and business is practically suspended.

Heavy Mortgage Foreclosed.

SPRINGFIELD (Ill.), March 10.—The Massachusetts Life Insurance Company to-day foreclosed a mortgage on the Winona paper Mills of Holyoke, having previously made a demand for the payment of a \$300,000 note.

Murder and Suicide.

SAGINAW (Mich.), March 10.—In a fit of jealous rage to-day Edward Rogers killed his mistress, Mattie Masses, and then suicided.

The Right of Gamblers.

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Death of a Pioneer.

NAPA, March 10.—Abram Clark died at his home in Berryessa Valley last evening. He was a pioneer here, having lived in Berryessa before there was a wagon-road there, and during the years since has accumulated a large fortune. His success was all in the line of farming and stock-raising. He owned thousands of acres in Berryessa, most of which he had inherited from his father, who died in his death. He was 71 years old, and leaves a wife and six children.

An Army Officer Dead.

VANCOUVER (Wash.), March 10.—Captain S. E. Mason, Troop E, Fourth Cavalry, died last night of Bright's disease, aged 33 years. Captain Mason was born in and appointed from New York. He graduated from West Point June 16, 1872, and served in the 10th Cavalry from April 2, 1886. He has been stationed here since June, 1890. The remains will be taken to California for interment.

Cota Released from Custody.

SAN DIEGO, March 10.—The coroner's jury at the inquest over the body of William Trimmer, killed in a pseudo duel by Francisco Cota at El Cajon last Sunday, returned a verdict of justifiable homicide. There was only one witness to the encounter, and his testimony could not be obtained, he living far off. The jury is expected to return its verdict on Monday.

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