

CAST-OFF VALUABLES.

Scraps of Paper on Which Reputations May Depend.

The Contents of a Waste-Basket Give Rise to Rumors of Boodie in the Legislature.

The liveliest legislative scandal of all that have been hinted at since the present Legislature assembled cropped out yesterday at the Capitol. The circumstance that gave rise thereto occurred shortly before noon, and within less than an hour whispers concerning it were flying about the corridors and legislative halls.

The stories were to the effect that a gigantic scheme of legislative bribery had been unearthed, and that many members of both branches of the Legislature were implicated therein. Some of the rumors were to the effect that the scandal involved the Senatorial election, which naturally lent unusual spice to the matter. Learning that Senator Heacock was one of those who knew something of the alleged developments, a RECORD-UNION reporter waited upon that gentleman in his seat at the afternoon session, and asked him what he knew of the affair.

The Senator, who is recognized as one of the most conservative and reliable members of that body, talked freely on the subject. He said he was called into the private office of the State Librarian shortly before the joint Senatorial Convention met at noon, where he found Senator McGowan and a few others discussing a certain matter that had just been developed. He would state the facts briefly, as explained to him, without expressing any opinion in regard to the various conclusions that had been drawn therefrom.

He learned that Deputy State Librarian Leake had said that when he went on duty in the forenoon he found a large quantity of waste paper torn into scraps in his waste basket, and his curiosity was aroused thereby, as he was not aware of any person having used the office since it was closed on the preceding night.

Mr. Leake examined the torn papers and found that they consisted in part of fragments of an assembly roll-call, with the names of the members checked off in the manner that an accountant checks off items on his books. Opposite these names were figures representing various sums of money.

There were also scraps of paper bearing evidently, and other slips that had evidently been used to make packages of money, bearing the marks of a bank. Fresno, and indicating that the sum of \$21,000 had been drawn therefrom.

These facts had been laid before certain Republican Senators, and he (Mr. Heacock) was called in by them to consult in regard to the significance attached to this interesting discovery. He said the various bits of paper were spread out upon a table and underwent examination by the gentlemen present. It was claimed that some of the papers bore the handwriting of Assemblyman Dibble and Marion, and that the number of members (all Assemblymen) checked off amounted to forty-two.

Mr. Dibble was interrogated in regard thereto, and admitted that himself and Assemblyman Marion were in the library office in the morning, where they held a consultation regarding the prospects of the Riverside County bill. He denied that the matter of the election of a United States Senator had anything to do with their consultation, as some had inferred.

Senator Heacock said that Attorney-General Hart was of the opinion that developments laid before him for such action as he might deem it his duty to take in the matter, and the fragments of paper turned over to him to await future developments. When the joint Senatorial Convention met, he (Heacock) went to Mr. Dibble in his seat and warned him that in view of the morning's developments, and the suspicion that they might have a bearing upon the Senatorial contest—there must be no election of Senator at that time, or he would then and there lay the matter before the convention and demand an investigation. It was his desire, and that of other Republicans, that the matter be inquired into before the election of Senator.

Mr. Dibble (who is the leader of the anti-Estee forces) agreed that but one ballot should be taken, and that an election should be had at that time by the vote of his followers. Mr. Heacock's statement was made to the reporter while the Senate was discussing the appropriation bill, and as given above may be somewhat lacking in detail, but is substantially correct.

WHAT JUDGE DIBBLE SAYS. Judge Dibble was seen by a reporter and said: "Myself and Marion were in the State Library this morning, and we were talking over the Riverside County bill and other matters. We were calculating upon the probable passage of the bill, and at Marion's request I wrote down a list of the names of those who I thought were opposed to the bill. This was probably the list that was found in the basket."

"Were there any amounts attached by you to the names?" was asked. "None at all," was Mr. Dibble's reply. "The list had nothing to do with the Senatorial question, and I do not know why so, because among the names were those of several men who have been voting for Estee all along."

"Did you put anything in the basket besides the list? Any wrappers for greenbacks, or money, or any checks?" "No," said Mr. Dibble, "nothing at all of that kind. I never had any checks on the Bank of Fresno in my life."

THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S STATEMENT TO THE NEWSPAPER MEN. As soon as it became known that the mysterious papers found in the waste basket had been turned over to Attorney-General Hart, there was a general rush of newspaper correspondents to his office, and he was besieged by requests to have them with an inspection of the papers. This Mr. Hart firmly but courteously declined to do. As an answer to all inquiries made of him in regard to the affair, he drew up the following statement, which interviewers were permitted to read and copy.

The papers which are in my possession have been placed in my possession as Attorney-General of the State. Persons to whom I do not know the contents of all of them. Secondly, you can readily see that too much ought not to be said by a public officer, or even by the despised newspaper reporter, about the contents of the papers when there may be a question as to who wrote them and also a question as to the interpretation of the language used.

word 'checks' do not mean drafts, certificates of deposit or their equivalent. As Attorney-General of the State, I have a right to control all of the criminal proceedings, and I propose to be Attorney-General while I am here.

I have already stated that these papers came into my possession by being delivered to me by a committee of citizens. The word 'citizens' is broad enough to include Senators and Assemblymen. I repeat that you do not be too sure as to who is involved in the matter.

ACTION BY THE SENATE. Shortly before the adjournment of the Senate yesterday afternoon, Mr. Heacock offered the following preamble and resolution in regard to the matter:

WHEREAS, Certain documentary evidence has been placed in the hands of the Attorney-General by members of the Senate and Assembly, and as it is in a fragmentary form and has a bearing upon matters now before the Legislature, it is resolved:

Resolved, That the Attorney-General be requested to arrange the same in readable form for presentation to the Senate.

The resolution was unanimously adopted. WHAT DO THEY MEAN? Although the alleged facts of the disclosure are not in any way connected with the Senatorial election, others called attention to the significance of the figures said to have been found, showing a total of \$21,000.

It will be remembered that \$21,000 is the sum that had been alleged to have been sent to this city to be used in behalf of the Riverside County bill, and Judge Dibble is credited with the statement that he and Mr. Marion went into the library for the purpose of consulting in regard to the bill, although he detested money over any figure in their deliberations.

ASSEMBLYMAN MARION'S STATEMENT. Last evening Assemblyman Marion wrote out the following statement of his interview with Judge Dibble in the State Library:

Some time about 9:15 A. M. yesterday I happened to be in the library, and while in the corridor I saw Mr. Marion enter the library with him. The object was to have a consultation with him regarding the Riverside County bill. He had just been discussing the bill with me, and I had just been discussing it with him.

Next came the county government bill for discussion. I had been talking to him about the bill, and he had been talking to me about it. He had been talking to me about it, and I had been talking to him about it.

After we had finished our discussion, we went to the Riverside County bill. I had been talking to him about the bill, and he had been talking to me about it. He had been talking to me about it, and I had been talking to him about it.

Soon after the alleged discovery in the waste-basket was made it was known all over the Capitol building and all sorts of rumors were put afloat. Among them was one in which Mr. Felton in the purchase of votes. As soon as the story reached that gentleman he wrote a note to Attorney-General Hart, stating that if the papers and receipts in his possession in any manner implicated him, or anyone connected with him, he demanded an immediate investigation.

Mr. Felton was later by a reporter of the RECORD-UNION and said that while he would not spend a single dollar in the purchase of votes he would expend thousands, if necessary, to get at the bottom of facts in relation to the alleged 'boodie' transactions.

LETTER FROM THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL. The following letter at midnight was forwarded to each of the following gentlemen: C. N. Felton, M. M. Estee, M. H. De Young.

SACRAMENTO, March 17, 1891. Gentlemen: I am in receipt of your notification of this date, and contents are noted. I have no objection to the contents of citizens to-day, at twenty minutes before 12 o'clock noon, delivered to me certain papers, some of which were in a fragmentary condition.

I read a portion of the papers while placing them in my private repository to be sealed, in the presence of said committee. I consider it due to you, and the other candidates before the coming election, that so far as I read I saw nothing that indicated that any improper act or thing in connection with the Senatorial contest.

As Attorney-General of this State I have not sufficient evidence in my possession, so far as examined, to warrant me in filing any information or making charges against any person upon this subject at this time.

STANLEY'S LECTURE.

A Graphic Recital of His Adventures and Discoveries.

The Great Explorer is a Deeply Interesting Talker—A Prophecy Concerning Africa.

A very large and thoroughly representative audience assembled at the Metropolitan Theater last evening to hear the great explorer, Henry M. Stanley, recount the story of his twenty years of travel, peril and suffering, privation, toil and triumph in equatorial Africa.

Upon the stage with Mr. Stanley were Speaker Coombs, Mayor Comstock, Rev. Mr. Herrick, Rev. Mr. Silcox and wife, and Judge Armstrong. When Mr. Stanley appeared he was greeted by hearty applause long continued. He was introduced by Speaker Coombs, who made a well-delivered speech, which the audience approved with all its compliments by warm applause.

Without preface or introduction Mr. Stanley plunged into his subject, beginning with his call to exploration by Mr. Bennett in 1870, his discharge of some preliminary travel and observation, and his departure from Zanzibar January, 1871, upon his first expedition. In deliberate manner, with faultless enunciation, feeling tones and graphic diction, he told the story of his search for Livingstone and its success. His second expedition was undertaken after his battle royal with the Geographical Society of England, by which he was expelled and denounced for his relation of the Livingstone search and his geographical report, which was declared to be impossible of truth.

He went on to describe his four great disputed questions: The source of course of the great river on whose headwaters Livingstone died; the true character of the geographical features which Burton and Speke were contradicting beyond reconciliation; whether Albert Nyanza was an illimitable stretch of water, or a lake, or a series of lakes; and the relation of the Nile or the Congo?

These four questions he solved, establishing the truth of his discoveries so completely that the geographical departments of the nations were compelled to yield their points and confess their error. This portion of his lecture was by far the most interesting and held the audience in rapt attention and perfect silence, broken only by bursts of sincere applause.

His next expedition was undertaken under the name of the 'Great African Underland' and was a search for the underland of making of practical value the discoveries on the Congo, the establishment of length, and the geographical position of the laying of the foundations of the Congo Free State, and the placing upon the upper Congo of steam vessels, and completing a highway between the lower and the upper Congo. In January, 1878, he entered upon his third great undertaking, and the splendid achievement that resulted.

His fourth and last adventure, and the most perilous, tragic and eventful of all, began when he started to rescue Emin Pasha and his party, who had been captured by the Arabs in their Egyptian province, of which the former had been made Governor-General. Of that expedition upon the Congo, which was a journey of two and a half times greater in area than the State of California, the perils that he and his party, their starvation, sickness, loss by wild beasts and reptiles, their repulse by Emin, and the final rescue of the beleaguered man, the reading public is fully informed.

But no reading of Stanley's story can more interest than his recital of his experiences. He has said that he is no orator—perhaps not. He is a student of studios finish, of lofty periods, of brilliant language and of flashing wit. But he is an orator in feeling, in graphic description, telling truth, dramatic, and painting, genuine humor, the most cutting sarcasm and the ability to hold an audience, and the calm, deadly, steady and unbroken attention for nearly two hours, are any evidences of art as a speaker.

Mr. Stanley compared with a hundred or more lecturers of high repute, we class as one of the most effective. He is faultless in his English, magnificent in the sweep of his periods, and in the ease with which he carries his hearers over vast stretches of country, over great periods of time, along unbroken ways in desert and forest, by the hundred miles to a sentence, and yet with such an art that the hearer is perfectly content with the brevity of detail. The depth of feeling with which he writes, the ease of his manner, the distinctness of his enunciation, the vivid rapidity of his description, the ease, confidence, people, contests, battles, and the most awful of his adventures, and the most awful of his adventures, and the most awful of his adventures.

Something of which the books cannot convey any adequate idea, the hearing of Stanley's recital, the capacity of the man for the work he undertook, the fitness to command the natural equipment with which he is invested for preparing the perilous task of undertook. Nor can the reading of his volumes do justice to the reader, intensely interesting as are the pages of the books, as true an idea of all that exploration in the Dark Continent involves and means, as Mr. Stanley's graphic recitals as he tells his story, and his Zanzibar servant stands behind him, and he tells us that he has upon the great map as the speaker refers to them.

In the RECORD-UNION of January 26th Mr. Stanley found a very full report of his lecture. We reported in full it in our issue of the 27th. It is a very brief synopsis than we have already published would be unfair both to Mr. Stanley and the reader, when it is considered that the lecture covers a period of more than twenty years of adventurous life.

Mr. Stanley concludes his lecture with the prediction that Africa is no longer a dark continent in the sense of its being a mystery. It will never be a continent to be peopled as has been this by the white races; but it is ideal locality for the black races; it is full of promise to civilization and commerce as almost to stagger belief. Already three great railway lines are pushing their borders into and toward its equatorial heart; it has been parcelled out to the commerce of the world, while its people are welcoming the advance of civilization, peace and good will.

When Stanley entered the great continent to search for the explorer, there was but one white man in the whole region of mystery, and that was Livingstone. To-day there are 1,000 officers representing civilized powers in the territory, standing guard over advancing civilization, missions dot the land, a free state is ruled by a Christian country, a host of caravans of commerce upon the Congo, caravans of commerce upon the Congo, caravans of commerce upon the Congo, caravans of commerce upon the Congo.

Zanzibar is now only twenty-five days from England. The great empire of the continent. Explorers no longer tremble at the fate of Mungo Park and others, nor

for the climate, fatigue and perils of the wilds. A grand list of failures, a long list of successes, and the continent bears no longer the mark terror had put across it. Men go in and out just as commercial travelers cross the Atlantic. Last year an expedition went in and crushed rebellion with an enterprise that astonished the Arabs. Nyassa and Tanganyika are plowed by the sharp wheels of steel launches. On the way to Nyassa one passes fifty mission stations, and all are well. Civilization is driving back or absorbing savagery. Children now born will yet hear the good news that the millions of Africa know the meaning of church bell and join in the anthem, "Glory to God in the highest, on earth peace and good will toward men."

HIBERNIANS CELEBRATE. The St. Patrick's Day Ball Was a Fine Affair.

The twentieth annual ball and reunion of the Sacramento division of the Ancient Order of Hibernians at Armory Hall last night was a big success. The hall was crowded with dancers, and the merry whirl was kept up until an early hour this morning.

The Committee of Arrangements was composed of the following: Peter Mitchell, Harry O'Keefe, Jerry Carroll and Michael Judge. W. J. O'Brien was floor manager, and his assistants were: John W. O'Brien, James D. O'Brien, Charles E. Daly, L. W. Mahoney, D. J. Conside and T. F. Carolan.

An Objectionable Fence. The jury selected to try the case of Josiah Ross yesterday, on charges of disturbing the peace and malicious mischief, were W. H. Cass, Frank Lyman, T. J. Ballou, L. P. Anderson, Simon Sturmer, B. N. Thompson, G. Elkus, Theodore Blush, Samuel Kingsley, H. G. May and H. Wachlort. The testimony showed that Ross had cut down a fence which his neighbor erected, and used loud and abusive language. His landlady came to renebrate with him. The jury found him guilty and he will be sentenced to-day.

Epworth Convention. The Epworth League convention, is to be held at the Sixth Street M. E. Church, between K and L streets, tomorrow evening and all day Friday. Persons desiring to attend are invited to attend. The ladies of the church will serve a supper in the basement Thursday evening, and a lunch Friday noon.

Runaway on K Street. Last evening a horse attached to a light cart came dashing down K street at a "break-neck" speed, and made straight for a street car which was coming up. The car and the horse collided, and for a time it was thought that serious damage had been done, but luckily neither the horse, nor the car were damaged. Officers Gibson and Wilson caught the runaway and placed it in the Central stables.

Charged With Felony. J. A. Parker, the real estate dealer, has been arrested on complaint of Gaylord Whitaker, a recent arrival from Kansas, on a charge of felony. Parker is accused of having sold a piece of property to Whitaker which he had already sold to another party.

Bound for Tolson. Sheriff Adley of Oakland brought to this city last evening, on route to Tolson Prison, Adolph Thompson, a colored boy who has been sentenced to serve four years imprisonment for burglary.

Auction To-Day. Bell & Co. will sell at auction to-day a fine lot of furniture and household goods. The sale takes place at the salesrooms, 1003 J street.

Not To-Day. Owing to necessary delay, my opening will not take place until next Monday, S. J. Hoover.

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