

THE INVESTIGATION HAS ENDED.

Foundlings' Home Directors Give Their Innings.

The Charges of Immorality—Dr. Ruggles Will Report His Findings to the Governor.

The investigation of Dr. Waggoner's charges against the management of the Foundlings' Home was resumed yesterday morning.

Dr. Waggoner made a protest against the statement that his daughter had received \$20 a month as Secretary. He said that she only received \$10 a month and that the statement was made in the way of an insinuation that his charges were made through spite or that he had been influenced by her.

Mr. Lord admitted that her salary had been only \$10.

Mrs. Clayton was called as a witness by Dr. Waggoner and recited the manner in which the home was founded and the bill passed making an appropriation for it. She thought that there should have been a home here as well as in San Francisco.

In response to a question about children taken out from the home and placing them in the hands of private parties, she said that she obtained permission from Mr. Franks to take children out during the cholera infantum mortality, in order to save the epidemic from spreading.

Several, however, were taken out of the parties with whom they had been placed, and are still living. She thought that in some cases the isolation favored their recovery. She could not tell what the comparative mortality was between those thus put out and those left in the home without further investigation.

MRS. BOWLES' STORY.

Mrs. Bowles said she was employed in the home as nurse during the month of October. She found the home in a very unsanitary condition. One of the directors asked her when she came there what she wished to have done in the nursery. She told her that the nursery must be cleaned, and was told that the directors had been discussing the matter, but could not do it just now, as they had to build a schoolhouse.

The babies were so bad that the children were taken out of the home. She killed 150 on a child in one night.

She insisted on having the room cleaned and the carpet taken up, which was done. She said that she had been told that if she insisted on these things she would lose her position. She answered that she would do so if necessary, and as she could not get it done she left. She was not discharged. The doctor's instructions as to sterilizing the milk were not carried out during the time she stayed, as the purchase of the boiler was deferred from day to day and was not sent for until she left the home. She said that the things were conducted there and hoped to God she never would be in such a place again.

GIN AND PAREGORIC.

The nurse from San Francisco whom she succeeded was there for three days after she came, in order to induce her into her duties. She fixed up a bottle of gin and paregoric and gave to witness, with instructions to administer to the babies. They had been dosed with gin and paregoric till they were half dead. She refused to use it, and the babies cried just as a drunkard makes when his supply of liquor was shut off. She was forced to give them small doses of Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup instead.

No physician had ordered the administration of opium, as far as she was concerned. The children were not well nourished, and would steal anything eatable they could get their hands on, as they were hungry all the time. Some of them were so thin that they were better off on their table than they had. These children were from 8 to 11 years old. She talked with them about stealing, but said nothing to the attendants. The nurse was always "sat down" when she was made any protest or asked for anything.

The supply of milk was increased after Dr. Waggoner's visit from two and a half gallons until it amounted to seven gallons.

IMMORAL DOINGS.

The immorality that exists among the boys and girls, she said, was something awful. The oldest ones are 13 or 14 years old, being half orphans. One night when she was going through the hall she found a boy coming out of the girls' room. She shook him and warned him never to do so again. She often saw girls coming out of the boys' room, which was across the hall.

One girl was especially bad and corrupted the smaller ones by the vile stuff she told them. She heard boys invite girls to their room, and heard the vilest stuff talked on the playground. She related several cases where she had seen girls in compromising situations. After she had spoken to the Matron several times about these things, she locked the girls up in their room, but she locked the bad girl out of the room. The Matron was badly handicapped by not having enough authority, but could have done better. There were two deaths in October, instead of one.

She resigned on November 7th, but went back again by request for another week. The first child died in the home from heart failure, and the second from spinal meningitis. She found children 8 or 9 years old stealing the babies' milk, and she had to lock them up. She saw one of the girls in the brush near W street one afternoon with three boys, who got to fighting for her favors. One of the boys belonged to the institution.

SPECIFIC CHARGES.

She only saw a boy come out of the girls' room on one occasion, but she twice caught the girl before she got to getting out of a bed in the boys' room. The door of the room was open. She also caught a boy and the same girl under the front porch one evening. The boy was an outsider. She did not tell the Matron about what she had seen till a week afterward, as her assistant nurse had told her it would do no good to make complaints. When she did tell the Matron, however, she found that she was a different woman from what she had been told, and she threatened to whip the girl.

She called the Matron's attention to the dirty talk between the boys and girls and she whipped her. She seemed to try all she could to break up the state of affairs, except having them sent to the Orphan's Home or the Reform School. She believed the Matron had done well in her position.

In regard to the infant said to have syphilitic sores on its body, she said that the child was indeed syphilitic when brought there, a few hours after birth. It was fat and the healthiest child she had seen anything like in twelve years. The turning point with it was when the under-nurse gave it a nipple that had been used by other babies who had sore mouths. She did not believe that it had any syphilitic taint. She thought its sores were transmitted from another child.

Miss Marie Garrett, Secretary of the home, testified to copying into her record book the entries from the Matron's book. The book was not correct when she took it, as some entries had been omitted by the preceding Secretary. She did not know that there had been a record of guessing at dates in the institution.

MRS. LORD.

Testified that the books were given to her about a month ago, and as Acting Secretary she made up the reports from the Matron's records. She compared them closely and believed the record was correct, as every material in correspondence in the two books concerning births, entries, etc.

The question of mortality being discussed, in reply to the number admitted to the institution. Dr. Waggoner said the point made by the Board of Health was that the mortality was great among the young infants and the number of orphans admitted from outside should not be counted in making up the average. The charges being read, Dr. Ruggles decided that it must be confined to that class.

HUNTING UP RECORDS.

A recess was taken till 1:30 p. m., and when the investigation was resumed Mrs. Lord was asked to produce the records were in very bad shape. She put them in order as best she could by going round to the homes of the members of the board and collecting items as to the admission and discharge of children. In many cases she had to take the guesses of members as to the dates of such occurrences. The records put down by her were correct, as far as she knew, from the information she received, and her roll was allowed by the Board of Examiners after about a month of work. She did not know whether the Matron ever kept any record or not.

THE COOK TESTIFIES.

Mrs. Wilson, the cook, testified that there are a number who will not use the milk. There is plenty of meat and vegetables, and she has a dinner and supper and plenty of soup. Her own child is better than before he went into the establishment. He is 12 years old. She has never had any complaint of dirtiness and quality. She did not tell Dr. Waggoner that she thought the children would like milk at noon, but that they could not get it, or that she would not treat a child of her own that way. Her boy got along well with only bread and butter at noon. The milk supply has been largely increased within the past two months.

The children had fruit occasionally at noon. She could not say whether it was offered to all the children or not.

HOW THEY WERE FED.

Mrs. Phillips, who is nurse of the big children, said they had mush and milk and bread or hot cakes for breakfast. She had considered and sometimes cooked meat at noon, and at supper they had bread, meat and potatoes. She took the food up in a large pan and fed those who could not get it, and those who could, using one spoon for them all. She did not mix up the food, as had been charged, but put it out on a plate.

WHAT THE BILLS WERE.

Mrs. Clark, one of the directors, said that the board the supplies and paid the bills. Last December she took the cow belonging to the home and turned her out to pasture. After the calf was born, she had about two and a half gallons at a milking. For a time the board continued to take milk from outside, as it was rich and good for the babies, and they did not wish to make a change. They paid out \$47 for milk up to July, and when the cow began to fall off in her milk they again took milk from outside. They had never limited the amount of milk to be used, and they had paid \$15 a month for milk through the fall.

The grocery bills would amount to about \$70 a month. The grocery bill did not include the vegetables, but consisted mainly of flour, meal and other food materials of the best quality. The home had received from the State in January and July \$2,745 for the year. Something is received in donations from friends and parents of the children, and \$25 a month from the Supervisors. The average number of children is about forty, as they come and go. Two regular nurses and a night nurse are employed, beside the cook and the attendants. The total cost for the past six months has been an average of \$300 a month.

GOOD BOYS AND GIRLS.

Mrs. Shaw was recalled and said that she was told by Mrs. Bowles that the following program was pleasingly received:

Musical college band; opening speech, Joseph DeLain; song and chorus, "Grateful Hearts"; musical examination, catechism; recitation, Paul Dunn and Eddie Cook; examination, reading, "First Reader"; recitation, Charlie Harrison and Tommie; examination, recitation, spelling, first section; hymn, "Daily Sing to Mary"; choir; examination, reading, "First Reader"; recitation, Eddie Ryan, Eddie Kelley and Joe Cronan; cornet solo, Professor H. Beyer; concert recitation, by the class; examination, "The Boy's Own Paper"; recitation, "Trades of Chosen"; examination, reading, Second Reader; dialogue, Herbert Brown, John Pendergast and Tony; recitation, song and chorus, "Happy School Days"; choir; musical college band.

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Kindergarten Training School.

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MICE MEAT.

Atwood's 5-b buckets, 60c; 10-b buckets, 90c; in bulk, weighed out, 10c a lb; Atmore's 5-b buckets, 65c; Anderson's 3-b cans, 30c; Chico, 2 1/2-b cans, 30c; 1-gallon cans, 40c; Atmore's condensed, 2 packages for 15c; 4 for 25c. A. C. S., Eighth and K.

A nice present for Christmas is a bottle of that fine perfume at Green's drug store, Seventh and K streets.

Dainty and elegant fancy boxes for Christmas candy are exhibited in the window of Welch Bros., the confectioners.

Broken candy, two pounds for two bits; French milked, one pound for two bits, at Otto's.

Customers who, desiring time to inspect holiday wares at Kluge & Floberg's, invited to come in the morning. Afternoons crowded.

HIGHLAND PARK SHOOTING AFFAIR.

The first time she went out to the home she heard a discussion about improvements. The directors had tried to carry out the directions of Dr. Waggoner and when they met him a ward he expressed himself as perfectly satisfied as to what had been done.

Afterward Dr. Waggoner told her and Mrs. Deming that a member of the board had called on him unless they changed their President he would see that they did not get their State appropriation. They asked him why and he said because he was a perfectly satisfied as to what had been done.

Dr. Waggoner said he had another important witness and a wait was had, but she did not appear and he finally announced that she had promised to do so, but as he could not compel her attendance, he would be compelled to say that his case was closed.

Dr. Ruggles said he had listened carefully to all the testimony and would give it his full attention. He would render his judgment in the matter as soon as he could get the notes written out by the stenographer and would report to the Governor. He thanked them all for their courtesy. He then declared the investigation closed.

TEACHERS TO MEET.

Annual Session of the State Association in Oakland.

The California Teachers' Association will hold its twenty-ninth annual session at Oakland on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, January 2, 3, 4, 1896, and the officers for 1895 are: President, Earl Barnes, Stanford University; Vice-President, F. P. Russell, San Jose, and R. F. Pennell, Chico, Tuesday, Wednesday, R. F. Pennell, Chico, Tuesday, Wednesday, C. Murphy, Sacramento; Assistant Secretary, W. F. Hall, Oakland; Railroad Secretary, J. W. McClummond, Oakland; Treasurer, Bessie G. Haslam, Santa Cruz.

The morning sessions will be held in the High School building, corner of Jefferson and Twelfth streets, and will be devoted to the general business of the Council and from the special committees appointed at the last annual meeting.

Afternoon and evening sessions will be held in the Congregational Church, corner of Clay and Twelfth streets, and will be devoted to addresses and discussions upon the following subjects: All speakers will be held strictly to the time limit. Each speaker limited to two minutes in discussion.

The Alumni Association of the San Jose Normal School will hold a New Year reception from 5 to 7 p. m., January 18, 1896, at their headquarters, Credit Hotel, corner of Bank and Washington. All visiting teachers and friends are cordially invited.

In the evening a joint social reunion will be held at the Hotel Hamilton. Graduates of other State Normal Schools will receive a hearty welcome. The Educational Council will hold a session for organization, Wednesday evening, January 1st.

The railroad will grant the usual one-third return rates. To secure these rates observe the following conditions: 1. Get from the agent from whom you buy your ticket to Oakland a receipt for the same.

2. Get from the person to whom you pay your membership fee a certificate of membership and present it to the Secretary.

3. Get from the Secretary or Assistant Secretary a railroad certificate, entitling you to reduced return fare.

These conditions must be strictly observed. Reduced rates will not be given to any person who has not paid the membership fee.

Good hotel accommodations can be had in Oakland from \$1 to \$1 3/4 a day. For further particulars address G. W. Frick, Oakland, Cal.

Local Club, J. B. Garfield, J. B. McChesney, J. W. McClummond, G. W. Frick, D. J. Sullivan, S. D. Waterman, and S. G. S. Dunbar.

SACRAMENTO INSTITUTE.

Yesterday's Examination at the Christian Brothers' College.

Yesterday morning the examination of the primary department at the Sacramento Institute was held with great success, and proved quite amusing to the interested spectators. The little ones made themselves heard, and showed that they, too, in the near future aspired to a place of renown. The following program was pleasingly received:

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