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AN AGREEMENT TO DISAGREE.

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Another debate sprung up this morning in the Senate on the everlasting subject of the Governor's Message. When a resolution was introduced to refer the Message to the Committee that part of the Message relating to the canal in which the Governor says there are matters yet unexplored in regard to the management of the canal, the Senate, by a vote of 25 to 12, adopted the resolution. The Governor's Message, which was read by the Governor, contained a list of three names called "Reddy."

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SENATOR BIXBY'S NEW CHARTER. The Senate yesterday passed a resolution authorizing the Governor to call a special session of the Legislature on the 15th of May, 1876. The first Tuesday of April three Aldermen shall be elected in each Senatorial district, who shall be residents of the district, and who shall be sworn in on the 1st of May. The Clerk of the Board of Aldermen shall act as supervisor of the City of New York until extra compensation.

CITY REFORM. IMPORTANT BILL RELATIVE TO OUR LOCAL GOVERNMENT—LIMITATION OF DEBT—PROVISIONS FOR THE PAYMENT AND REDUCTION OF THE PERMANENT AND TEMPORARY CITY DEBT. The following is a synopsis of an important bill introduced in the Senate yesterday by Mr. Woodin:

SECTION 1.—Transfers all the legislative powers heretofore conferred on any office, board or department of the city to the Board of Aldermen, subject to the approval of the Mayor.

SECTION 2.—All ordinances or resolutions must be approved by a majority of the Board of Aldermen, and the Mayor's assent is required for their execution.

RUBENSTEIN, THE N.

The Murderer's Pathway Tracked with a Microscope.

A PIECE OF CORN HUSK FOUND.

The Woman in the Car Points Out the Prisoner.

The Kings County Court of Oyer and Terminer resumed the trial of the case for the People against Pesach N. Rubenstein, the alleged murderer of Sara Alexander, at ten o'clock yesterday morning. Judge Peck presiding, while County Judge Moore and Justice of Sessions Wolfert and McKibben occupied seats on the bench. The court room was crowded during the entire day, while several hundred men and boys stood in line in the corridor awaiting "their turn" to take the place of some retiring spectator.

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THE TRAGEDY IN DEER PARK.

REVELATIONS AT THE INQUEST.

A Growing Belief That There Was Foul Play.

Coroner Preston's inquisition into the cause of death of the four persons—Skidmore, Weeks, Wright and the woman who passed for Mrs. Skidmore—terminated at 10 o'clock yesterday morning. There were about 300 persons present. The jurors empaneled by Justice Cooper, having seen the bodies as first discovered in the ruins, were continued, with the exception of a few who were excused as witnesses.

The first witness called was Maud Taylor. She testified that she had lived at the house of David H. Skidmore, Sr., four months; the people who lived there had been there four weeks; witness last saw the family at eight o'clock on Sunday night; she then went out to Hegeman's but with Charles Terrell to sit up with Hegeman, but was sick; Mrs. Hegeman went to bed about ten o'clock; no strangers were about the place on Sunday; witness first saw the fire through a hole in the top of the door of Hegeman's hut, between twelve and half-past twelve on Sunday night; first thought it was a charcoal kiln; after a while witness saw the fire run to the house, and found that the west side, including the stairway at the west end, was on fire; there was no appearance of fire inside; she called her mother, and thought she saw her at the window, but thinks now it was only imagination; can't say positively that she saw her; after they had watched the fire for five minutes the house fell; after that witness went back and told the Hegemans; witness

HEARD NO WAGON PASS at all that night; witness did not know whether the folks in the house were burned or not at the time, but supposed if her mother escaped she would come to the hut; her father was agent for Skidmore and her mother his housekeeper; David and Charles Skidmore were in the morning, perhaps nine or ten o'clock; Mrs. Weeks and Mr. Wright were sound sleepers, but her mother and Mr. Wright were awakened by the fire; there was a dog kept in a kennel near the house that always barked when strangers approached; he did not bark that night.

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After he induced Mrs. Taylor to leave her home she would often spend as much as \$500 in an evening's debauch, until he had reduced himself to poverty. Taylor's maiden name was Carnan, and her father and brother still live in Brooklyn; she was only thirty-three years old; she had behaved so disgracefully in her lifetime that no one will now claim the body, so the town of Babylon will have to give her a pauper's burial. Wright was equally successful in dissipating his relatives' money; he is said to be a philanthropic grave-digger, though having children living in the town of Brooklyn. Taylor actually rejoiced at the terrible death of the woman who brought so much misery to her family, and she said that she had been a carpenter, and lives at present in Fort Jersey. He was employed for several years by the Brooklyn Gas Company, and father was trustee of the Johnson Street Methodist Episcopal church.

WILLIAMSBURG'S HORROR.

PREPARATIONS FOR THE INQUEST TO-DAY—TROUBLE ANTICIPATED. The little court room of the Fourth Judicial district of Brooklyn, the scene of the inquest in the case of the Fanny Hyde-Watson, the Rogers-Douche, the O'Brien-Walsh, the Wallace Dwyer murders, and of the terrible Dwyer tragedy, will be thronged again to-day, to listen to the testimony in the most atrocious and revolting crime that has stained the annals of Brooklyn. Coroner Nolan will at 2 P. M. commence his inquiry into the death of William W. Simmons, at the hands of Victor Kretz, alias Andreas Fuchs, and has summoned some twenty-five or twenty-six witnesses. The state of feeling among the people of Williamsburg is very bitter against Kretz, and threats have been made of taking him from the hands of the police and lynching him, either on the way to or from the court room. To prevent any such action on the part of the mob which will undoubtedly assemble in the vicinity of the Court House, situated on the corner of South First and Fifth streets, a strong force of police will assemble around it. The road to and from the jail will also be protected by extra patrolmen. In addition to this covered walkway, containing well armed policemen, will be stationed a number of constables containing the prisoner. It was thought altogether unsafe to convey him in the "Mara," as that would be too conspicuous an object, and he had to be placed in a cart. At the court room no one but representatives of the press, the witnesses subpoenaed and those whose duty requires them to be present will be admitted, except a crowd in front of the building will be avoided. The inquest will probably be concluded before the end of the week, and the body will be placed as speedily as possible before the Grand Jury.

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