

DEFENDS HIS COURSE.

Governor Acted According to the Light Before Him.

HE REPLIES TO CRITICISMS.

Says He Alone Would Have Been Censured Had Citizens Been Killed.

GRAND JURY TO MEET MONDAY.

Judge Goodwyn Announces His Purpose to Have the Best Men in the County—O'Grady Said to Have Been a Companion of Cotton's.

No occurrence of recent years in Virginia has aroused such widespread and intense feeling as the double lynching at Emporia on Saturday.

It is true that Major Cutchins said in his telegram received at 7:30 Saturday morning, after stating that all was quiet, etc., "that the prisoners would be lynched that night."

Just what the result of the deliberations of this grand jury will be, is, of course, unknown. Section 2377 of the Code provides that a regular grand jury shall consist of not less than sixteen nor more than twenty-four persons.

Nothing having upon him the obligation of empanelling a proper grand jury to investigate the lynchings, Judge Goodwyn has obligated himself to take action concerning the conduct of Sheriff Samuel W. Lee, who, it is claimed, was incapacitated by intoxication from performing his duties during the exciting period immediately preceding the lynchings.

GOVERNOR TYLER'S STATEMENT.

Governor Tyler was asked by a representative of the Dispatch last night what he had to say about the criticism in the Times as to his course in regard to allowing the troops to leave Emporia.

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SOL. CUTCHINS, Major. After this the only telegrams I received were two from Major Cutchins at 1:30 and 2 A. M., telling me trouble was brewing and asking for more troops.

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HAD NO OTHER INFORMATION. "This was the only information I had, and it specifically stated everything was quiet, and that the soldiers would be dismissed. Even he anticipated trouble at night, which I expected to meet by sending company back if occasion would require."

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Highway for Railroad Service Between North and South.

OFFICIALS HERE QUITE RETICENT

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ALL HAVE EQUAL RIGHTS. "It is said that the general purpose to give all lines that may go into and Ohio equal rights and make the combined lines an open highway. There is a heavy business handled now between Richmond and Washington via Quantico, and the facilities are said to be equal to an increased business. When the traffic, which is the whole line can be made a double-track road. It has been kept in a modern physical condition, and the prospect of the need for a second track has recently been considered. The Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac has resources available to carry out this improvement of its line whenever it is deemed necessary, and such a betterment is only a question of decision by the Pennsylvania railroad for its part of the route. Baltimore and Ohio officials have had in view for some time the establishment of a direct connection for the South, and the Seaboard Air-Line is generally regarded as its probable ally in this direction."

"In connection with the proposed combination the depot question at Washington is likely to require some similar treatment looking to a mutuality of interests. Some overtures have already been made between Pennsylvania railroad officials and those of the Atlantic-Coast Line, Southern railway, and other lines from the South entering Washington, relative to a union depot for the north and south traffic. This may take a large significance owing to the effort being made in Washington to have Congress require all the roads entering Washington use a union terminal. The Baltimore and Ohio, as well as the Pennsylvania, has plans for a new depot and the elevation of tracks to meet the demands made in the act passed by Congress. Both of these big systems contemplate large expenditures in this direction and the question of uniting this expense and give to Washington a great union terminal has met with some approval from members of the official family of both roads."

The work on the Pace Building has progressed so well that the offices of the South entering Washington, relative to the Chesapeake and Ohio will shortly be re-established therein. Transfer of seventy-five men, from the Hablston Building has commenced.

The Fifth Regiment, United States Cavalry, will pass through Richmond next Thursday over the Chesapeake and Ohio, en route from Cuba to Jefferson Barracks.

General Passenger Agent H. W. Fuller, of the Chesapeake and Ohio, was here yesterday, and called on President Stevens at his office.

Mr. Garrett E. Wall, who talks real estate for the Chesapeake and Ohio railroad, has returned from a trip in the West. He is reported to be in Ohio man who has returned to the city. He has been at Charleston and Jacksonville.

Mr. Clarence W. Murphy, travelling passenger agent of the Southern Pacific system, has returned to Savannah, which he makes headquarters.

Among guests of the Jefferson is Mr. George S. Fowler, of Washington, southern representative of the Corning Brake-Shoe Company. Who's inventions are used in various southern railway systems.

Mr. Joseph Leonard, of the clerical force in the office of President Stevens, has returned to the city. He is reported to be in Ohio man who has returned to the city. He has been at Charleston and Jacksonville.

TO GET A DIPLOMA. What is Necessary in the Dispatch's Home Study Circle to Obtain One. We have been asked if a person can study any one of the five studies in our Home Study Circle and receive a diploma, also, in what month the examinations will be held. You can stand an examination and get a diploma on any one of the studies. The examination questions will be published immediately after the close of the spring term, June 15th.

The opportunity afforded by the Dispatch's Home Study Circle is a golden one for all who would improve themselves in science, biography, history, and French conversation. You will find a lesson that will be interesting and improving on the editorial page of every issue of the Dispatch, except Saturdays. Devote twenty or thirty minutes daily to this course between now and June 15th, and you will be astonished at the learning you will acquire. For those of our subscribers who have failed to begin with the first lesson, we will, upon application, furnish the back numbers free of charge.

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Thrilling Occurrence in Trial of Goebel Suspect Powers.

COURT AUDIENCE STAMPEDES

People Fall Over Each Other in Efforts to Get Out of the Room.

GREAT INTEREST IN GOLDEN.

His Testimony for the Prosecution—

He Says He Was Grabbed by Two Men and Cursed for Exposing the Republican Party.

FRANKFORD, KY., March 25.—The most thrilling event of the examining trial of Republican Secretary of State Caleb Powers occurred this afternoon, shortly after 3 o'clock, and for a few minutes it looked as if serious trouble could not be prevented.

Colonel George Denny, for the defendant, in an argument upon the competency of a question, said: "It is perfectly lawful for people to come here, and to come armed. I came here several times myself."

He was referring to the crowd that was present at the mass-meeting held in the State House yard just prior to Governor Goebel's assassination.

Colonel Campbell, for the prosecution, replied that he did not consider it lawful, and was surprised to know that Mr. Denny had come here armed. Mr. Denny having made such a statement, and said that he did not come armed, Campbell insisted that he had made the statement. Both men were very much excited and spoke with vehemence, and with arms shaking, commenced to advance toward each other.

RUSH FOR DOORS AND WINDOWS. The court-room was crowded, and the audience evidently thought a fight was on, and made a mad rush for the doors and windows, people falling over each other in their efforts to get out of the room. Several policemen and deputy sheriffs were crying for order, and Moore was bringing his gavel down with terrific force, and urging the people to take their seats.

After five or ten minutes of the most exciting scenes since the assassination, the quiet was restored.

Colonel Campbell then arose and apologized to Denny, and to the Court, Colonel Denny replying in a very happy speech.

On an inspection of the record, it was found that Colonel Campbell had misconstrued Colonel Denny's statement.

BROWN ASKS ADJOURNMENT. Ex-Governor Brown, in a speech, asked the Court to adjourn and give the people time to cool off, stating that it was only by the coolness of several officers and people around him that dozens of people had not been killed. He further said that it was not that he feared any violence, but he only spoke for the protection of his client.

County-Attorney Polsgrove objected to adjourning, stating that it would be an admission that the Court was unable to protect the prisoner, and insisted upon resuming the questioning of Golden.

Colonel Denny agreed with Mr. Polsgrove, and the examination proceeded.

COMMONWEALTH RESTS. At the conclusion of the examination of Golden, the Commonwealth rested its case.

GOLDEN'S TESTIMONY. Golden, as the prosecution's star witness, created great interest. When placed on the stand for cross-examination he said he had learned about two weeks ago that he would be arrested if he did not tell what he knew about the assassination, and that if he did tell the attorneys for the Commonwealth would try to save him from prosecution.

Golden said he told Judge Fleming, of Winchester, that he intended to tell all he knew about the affair.

Governor, further than that their interview was informal and unofficial. READY TO BE ARRESTED. CORBIN, KY., March 25.—Captain Robert Noakes for whom it is reported, a warrant had been issued, charging complicity in the Goebel murder, writes that he is at Norton, Va., engaged in his duties as a conductor, and ready to be arrested whenever proper officers come after him, with a warrant.

BRYAN ON PACIFIC COAST. He Leaves Sacramento for Oregon and Washington. SACRAMENTO, CAL., March 25.—Colonel William Jennings Bryan arrived this afternoon from Salt Lake, and was welcomed heartily by a large delegation of members of the Democratic organization.

MRS. YAGER IS FOUND. Detectives Took Her to a Reading (Pa.) Boarding-House. PHILADELPHIA, PA., March 25.—Mrs. Oyster Joy Yager, of Chesapeake, Va., who mysteriously disappeared from Washington, D. C., a week ago, was found by detectives last night in a boarding-house at Reading, Pa.

Charles W. Goddin for Clerk of Chancery Court. To the Voters of Richmond: I respectfully announce myself as a candidate for Clerk of Chancery Court, subject to the Democratic primary, April, 1890.

"York-River Line—Daily Service." Effective April 2, 1900, daily service will be inaugurated by the popular York-River Line between Richmond, West Point, and Baltimore. The schedule between the two cities will be approximately as follows:

There is Fashion in Food. as well as in dress. We are going to give you a few ideas about how to prepare Soups, Stews, Potatoes, and Beef Tea. A demonstrator will do for you, and serve a dainty luncheon free. We want you to visit her.

The Southern Railway Preparing for Summer Resort Travel. The Passenger Department of the Southern railway has sent out circulars to hotels and to persons who are willing to entertain summer boarders, residing on or near the Southern railway, requesting full information as to location, number, accommodations, terms of board, &c., for guidance in compiling information for "Summer Homes Folder," season, 1900.

Personal. Mr. H. W. Geiger begs to announce that for weighty professional reasons, he declined to appear in the Von Bergrun concert last night.

"Pillsbury's Best," the best Flour on earth. Best Granulated Sugar, 54c. Pound. Teas and Coffees retailed at wholesale prices. C. D. KENNY CO., Northwest, Broad and Sixth street. Southeast, Main and Seventeenth street.

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