

SCANDALS AND SLANDERS

Cause the Capitol Air to Reek

GOOD-NATURED LANGFORD

Misapplies Charity and Finds Himself All Too Famous

Charges of Crookedness Incline a Former Louisiana to Go Gunning for Newspaper Writers—Vigorous Denials

Special to The Herald.

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 27.—It was generally supposed that when the printing office scandal was settled everything would move smoothly to the end of the session, but today the air of the capitol fairly reeks with scandal, although the assemblymen have all gone to Berkeley, and the senate held a morning session only.

The scandal referred to in last night's dispatches grows broader, and the names of at least three senators are now connected with Mrs. Murray's fascinating companion, Helen Bartlett. Mrs. Murray's case was continued until Monday when it was called up in the police court this morning, as it is proposed to subpoena a large number of assemblymen and senators as witnesses. It is thought, however, they will take advantage of their constitutional privileges and refuse to obey the subpoenas. Senator Langford's name is the only one now mentioned in connection with the Bartlett woman, although one of the younger senators is also said to be connected with her in a more or less unenviable way.

Senator Langford claims Mrs. Bartlett sent a note to him asking him to let her have a few dollars to take Mrs. Murray to San Francisco, the latter having been taken ill. The senator, who is a good-natured old man, over 60 years of age, and now serving his sixth term in the senate, sent her a few dollars, which Mrs. Bartlett pocketed and refused to divide with Mrs. Murray. The amount involved in this transaction hardly seems enough to have caused all the trouble, and knowing one says that Mrs. Murray brought Mrs. Bartlett here, as she always brings women every session, expecting to get off the money the Bartlett woman made by selling her dresses for her dupes, but that while Mrs. Bartlett allowed Mrs. Murray to introduce her, she was too sharp for the elder woman and kept all the money given her. The object of summoning senators and assemblymen is to find out for how much and who were contributors to Mrs. Bartlett's bank account. The trial Monday therefore promises to be rich, rare and racy.

The second scandal is a charge made by the Examiner this morning that George Barker, who was conspicuous during the recent campaign as a Silver Republican, and who is said to be near Arizona Hayward and working in the interests of Hale & Norcross, had voted to pass the Caminetti bill, giving Higgins the right to object to trying a case before a judge whom they believed to be biased. It is asserted that the important cases before the supreme court on appeal from Judge Hebbard. If the charges are real, it is claimed this law would be a bitter blow to object to Judge Hebbard's rehearing the cases. The bill in question was introduced by Caminetti in the house, and backed by the silver party. It is stated that there is no politics in the matter. It is an amendment to section 170 of the civil code and reads as follows:

It appears that the chief of the party that he has reason to believe and does believe, that he cannot be fair and impartial trial before the judge or judge of the case, on account of the prejudice or bias of justice or judge, in either of which said justice or judge shall forthwith be biased, or if some other person or judge of the same court, or county to preside at the trial of the case, provided that in actions in person or in real estate, or in counties having more than one county, said action shall be transferred to another department thereof and therein in the same manner as if originally assigned to such department.

Examiner charges that assemblyman \$150 per vote, and senators \$250 to \$500. As the bill was passed unanimously, it is certainly singular that it was necessary to give notes; in the senate the vote 22 against and 20 in favor. The bill was passed by a vote of 20 in favor and 20 against.

Bankers Indicted.—The February circuit court grand jury returned indictments against Banker J. M. McKnight, Charles E. Moran, National bank; Sterling Edmunds and seven members of the board of administrators, charging them with conspiracy to defraud the city in the passage of a resolution authorizing the sale of the water works, which had been passed by the city and are valued at about \$1,000,000.

Clerical Interference.—MONTREAL, Que., Feb. 27.—According to an announcement made this afternoon by the Hon. J. D. Brodeur, who just returned from a visit to Rome, where he was at the instance of the Laurier government, the pope has appointed a committee of cardinals to investigate the charges against the Canadian clergy of improper interference in the recent elections.

David's Designs.—NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—A dispatch from London to the World says: "Michael Davitt intends to sail for New York towards the end of the month, with his wife and children. He will go to California on Davitt's native state. Mr. Davitt will return to America for a year."

Stole a Million.—LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 27.—Attorney General Smythe today swore out a warrant for the arrest of ex-State Treasurer J. S. Bartley, charging him with misappropriation of state money on fourteen counts. The sums aggregate \$1,235,825. Bartley gave himself up and was released \$20,000 bail.

Death in a Snow-slide.—SALT LAKE, Feb. 27.—A special to the Tribune from Marysville, Wash., says: "Charles Welling and Carl Peterson were killed by a snow slide which came down their cabin. The men went into the gulch about ten days ago."

Plead for a Veto.—PHOENIX, Ariz., Feb. 27.—The Arizona legislature today voted by a seven to five majority to telegraph President Cleveland, asking his veto on the bill passed by both houses on Feb. 25, which would be a law of \$500,000 fraudulent railway bonds.

Wilson on Hand.—WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—Hon. James Wilson of Arizona, who will be secretary of agriculture in McKinley's cabinet, arrived at the Abbott house tonight.

THE EVACUATION OF CRETE

The Only Means of Preserving Peace

BLOCKADE OF THE PIRAEUS

The Only Alternative Which is Left to Greece

Greece Will Be Given a Chance to Retire Peaceably, Which Offer She Seems Disinclined to Accept

Associated Press Special Wire

VIENNA, Feb. 27.—The following semi-official announcement was made here this afternoon by the associations relative to the form of a note to be presented to Greece, demanding the evacuation of Crete continue. The cabinets of Austria, Germany, and Russia, especially the latter, are pressing for immediate and drastic measures, such as would immediately end a state of affairs which is daily becoming more dangerous and compel Greece to submit without delay or take the consequences, which will be an effective blockade of the Piraeus.

The other powers, in their action in union with the three empires, desire a moderation in the expression of views and although equally desirous of a prompt carrying out of the policy of the concert, are anxious to give Greece a chance to submit before compelled thereto force.

It is hoped the powers will agree as to the exact terms of the note to Greece within a few days.

AGREEMENT REACHED

PARIS, Feb. 27.—The following semi-official note was issued this evening: "All the powers have instructed their representatives at Constantinople and Athens to agree upon the terms of a note to be sent to the two governments based upon Russia's and the marquis of Salisbury's proposals."

Jews in Flight

CANBA, Feb. 27.—The Jews, who so far have remained in their homes, are now fleeing from Crete in large numbers. Armed Mussulmans continue to parade the streets. Martial law is urgently needed.

In a conflict between Christians and Mussulmans were forced to retreat with a loss of two men killed and eighteen wounded.

TROOPS DISPATCHED

SALONIKA, Feb. 27.—Orders have been received to hasten the departure to the Greek frontier of seventy-two battalions of Redifs now en route from Asia Minor. Ten trains being used to convey them.

Two Battalions were dispatched yesterday to Katerina, and eighteen Krupp guns today to Voria.

SMALLPOX

BERLIN, Feb. 27.—A dispatch to the Cologne Gazette from Athens says that smallpox has broken out among the Cretan refugees at the Piraeus.

GEORGE WILL ABDICATE

PARIS, Feb. 27.—Reports are current here and elsewhere in Europe today that if the powers insist upon the Greek troops evacuating Crete, King George will abdicate in favor of the Crown Prince Constantine, duke of Sparta, whose wife, Princess Sophia, is sister of Emperor William of Germany.

A STEAMER STOPPED

CANBA, Feb. 27.—The Greek steamer Tiseu, after landing provisions and ammunition at Platonia for the Greeks, stopped on board 100 prisoners. She was taken up at Drapronia by the Italian warship and taken to Sudan bay.

AUSTRIA WON'T FIGHT

BUDA PESTH, Feb. 27.—In the lower house of the diet today the Hungarian premier said that fears that Austria would become involved in the evacuation of Crete were unfounded. The consent of all the powers, he said, were directed to creating such an organization in Crete as to completely restore order and security and the powers have unanimously agreed under no circumstances should Greece be allowed to annex Crete, and are unanimously resolved to ensure Greece if they could not attain their ends.

WILL NOT COMPLY

LONDON, Feb. 27.—The Greek charge d'affaires of this city denies that King George intimated any intention of accepting the demands of the powers.

DAUGHTERS IN CONGRESS

The Chairwoman Declares the Adjournment and Points

WASHINGTON, Feb. 27.—The continental congress of the Daughters of the American Revolution adjourned this afternoon after a week's deliberations. The close of the first session was marked by a dramatic incident. Mrs. A. G. Brackett, first vice-president general and the presiding officer during the week, succumbed to the strain which her duties have imposed upon her, and fainted as she brought her gavel down and declared the congress adjourned. She was placed in a carriage and taken to her home.

At the night session Mrs. E. H. Walworth made a report as chairman of the national university committee. Her report, which was in favor of the project, was adopted.

The question of a flag then came up and caused a long debate. To designate and color. It was decided that a banner was the best idea and blue and white were settled upon as the colors.

BUSINESS FAILURES

Willoughby, Hill & Co., Closed—A Savings Bank Burst

CHICAGO, Feb. 27.—Willoughby, Hill & Co., clothing, confessed judgment today for \$3,611 in favor of the First National bank.

A bill filed by Stein, Block & Co., clothing manufacturers of Rochester, charges that firm to be insolvent with \$100,000 assets and \$200,000 liabilities.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 27.—The Mullinphy savings bank, a state institution, was closed today by the state bank examiner. Indications are that depositors will hardly get more than 50 cents on the dollar.

A Michigan Fire

ISHPEMING, Feb. 27.—Michigan today was threatened with destruction today by a fire which started in Sandstrom's store on Main street, but at 3 o'clock the fire was under control, for Bremen from the outside came in just in time to save the town. C. F. Sandstrom's general store, John Anderson's saloon, H. T. Atkinson's block and Charles Gregg's boarding house were destroyed. The loss is estimated at \$20,000; insurance \$8,000.

A Fast Train Wrecked

MARSHALL, Mo., Feb. 27.—A fast freight train on the Chicago and Alton road was wrecked just east of this place at 7 o'clock tonight. Engineer C. G. Ebbett was crushed to death by the cab. Charles Rymal, the head brakeman, died before the debris could be cut from above him.

TREASON OF AMERICANS

Not Regarded as Important by Spain

BUT GREAT CARE IS TAKEN

To Show That Dr. Ruiz Died a Natural Death

Consul-General Lee Grossly Insulted—Spanish Newspapers Express Much Irritation. Echoes of the Sangulley Case

Associated Press Special Wire

NEW YORK, Feb. 27.—A dispatch to the World from Madrid says: "The Spanish foreign minister, the duke of Tetuan, has cabled to the Spanish legation at Washington the contents of a telegram from Acting Captain-General Ahumada at Havana, stating that an official inquiry shows that no blame attaches to the officials of the prison, to the other prisoners or to the authorities at Guanabacoa, for the death of Dr. Ruiz. The telegram adds that both the Spanish and the American physicians have officially certified that Ruiz's death was due to congestion of the brain, and that there was no indication of a blow or ill treatment."

The matter is all for aye to have the present favorable prospects for Sangulley's release injuriously affected, as they would be very likely to be by any public discussion of the case in the senate or elsewhere. Very truly yours, RICHARD OLNEY.

Hon. John Sherman, United States senator.

On the 24th, the day on which the Sangulley resolution was reported, the secretary of the senate, I am just in receipt of a note from the Spanish minister at this capital, a copy of which (in translation) I inclose, yours respectfully, RICHARD OLNEY.

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IN THE QUEEN'S DOMINIONS

The Cretan Crisis Causes Grave Anxiety

SALISBURY'S SUGGESTIONS

Are Not Yet Formally Endorsed by the Powers

If Greece Resists War Will Follow—Peace is Desired but the Nations Prepare for War

Associated Press Special Wire

LONDON, Feb. 27 (Copyright 1897).—The next move in the Cretan game is anxiously awaited. According to the news from the continent the marquis of Salisbury's proposal for a settlement of the difficulties is not yet formally endorsed by the powers, but it is believed it will be approved or the premier would not have made the public announcement on the subject which he did in the house of lords on Thursday last.

Active means are still proceeding between the different European cabinets. The marquis of Salisbury presided today at a special meeting of the cabinet at the foreign office. Whether the solution of the imbroglio is peaceful or not depends entirely upon Greece and the despatches from Athens indicate that the powers are still strong among all classes throughout Greece and that a declaration of war with Turkey would be received with great enthusiasm.

The latest Greek proposal is said to be that Greece should armistice Crete as Austria administered Bosnia. But it seems to be agreed on all sides that peace can only be maintained by leaving Crete part of the Turkish empire. The marquis of Salisbury's proposals have been received with favor, not only by the British but by most of the continental newspapers; however, military preparations are proceeding apace in Turkey and Greece, while everything is prepared in South Russia for the transport of a big Russian army to the Balkans whenever this step may be deemed necessary.

Telegrams from Vienna also declare that Emperor Francis Joseph has had repeated conferences with the Austrian minister of war, that plans for the mobilization of Austrian forces on the Balkan frontier have been drawn up and that horses are already being purchased for military uses.

According to advices from the small Balkan states the preparations are proceeding there secretly, and in short all the parties concerned are quite prepared for an explosion at any moment.

The house of commons yesterday adopted a supplementary naval estimate of £2,000,000, bringing the total expense of the navy during the present year to £22,330,000. This enormous figure is nearly double the cost of the navy fifteen years ago.

Much attention has been attracted by the Russo-Japanese treaty, published in the Official Gazette of the treaty to Korea in course of necessity, and Russia reserves the right to construct a telegraph line from Seoul to the frontier.

It is stated that Corea retains full liberty in home and foreign affairs. Both Russia and Japan support the king, permanently assisting order. The British newspaper comment on the treaty declare it virtually consecrates the substitution of Russia for China as the dominant power at Seoul.

Harvard's old student motto, referring to a sudden and summary disposition of her rival, Yale, seems to have gotten her into trouble in western communities. So long as the use of it was confined to the Yale men, it was not a complaint could be made. But it seems that an ingenious Cambridge student has stamped the motto on blue paper with "Yale" in crimson on the reverse and has sold the same to enterprising freshmen, who have used it indiscriminately for correspondence.

A process of extracting gold by which every particle of the metal in the ore is recovered is stated to be in successful operation in West Australia. It is called the cyanide process. The ore is crushed and put into a closed chamber, subjected to the heat of a furnace and to the action of water and of hydrogen gas. This eliminates sulphur and all other impurities, leaving a metallic state. After being heated the material is suddenly cooled by jets of water; an operation repeated several times until the quantity of gold is determined by the touch of the finger. It is then thrown into a tank, and the gold is separated by washing.

Rugby football, having ravaged America, has begun to conquer France. Le Petit Journal recently devoted two columns on its front page to an explanation, with pictures and diagrams, of the strange game. Mr. Paulin's article traces the origin of "le football" back to the Romans. Describing its "melee compacto," its "demis (half backs)," "agiles et rapides" (its "longue passe" or "long pass" or "longue charge"), and "regies precises" (its "oblique les joueurs a certaines formalites"), he comments it warmly as a "sport de combat, de bion, de force, de volupere les muscles, la rapidite du coup d'oeil, de la decision, le courage, et le sang-froid."

COLLEGE MEN IN BUSINESS

They Hold 60 Per Cent of the Important Positions in Life

Andrew D. White says: The question has frequently been asked whether our universities and colleges produce their share of business men, and a very high authority in business circles has declared that they do not. The fact is that only one or two points of great importance.

1. University graduates, according to the best analysis, form only one-fifth of 1 per cent of the whole population, while they hold nearly 60 per cent of the more dignified positions of officers or agents of trusts, who spend the winters here for the benefit of the society and climate. These gentlemen, who are not lobbyists, are generally members of the bar; not as often of the supreme court bar, and are distinguished by their high character, their principality, and "before committees" to some extent. After committees they are usually called upon to give evidence. If they exert any influence over legislation, it is a salutary one. It leads to the betterment of the laws, to the improvement and makes business for the wine merchant and the dealer in costly cigars. They are never to be classed with the more vulgar lobbyists.—Washington Times.

Marked Down

"Where are you going, my pretty maid?" "I'm going shopping, kind sir," she said. "May I go with you, my pretty maid?" "Yes, I'm looking for bargains, sir," she said.

Ours Don't Like Water

Police men in Vienna were able to swim, row a boat and understand telegraphy.—Philadelphia Bulletin.

A Baby Born

LONDON, Feb. 27.—Mrs. A. H. Asquith, formerly Margaret Tennant, has given birth to a daughter.

Old Women in the Senate

It is probable that the only way to make the United States senate stop scolding is to elect a few young women senators. If the old women who are there now found themselves outside in their own field, they might get ashamed and quit.—New York Press.

The empress of Japan writes poetry and keeps a diary, which was recently published together with some of her verses. She is greatly interested in the woman question.

NOTES AND COMMENTS

California Bicycle Circuit Opened at Santa Rosa

SEVERAL DESPERATE RACES

Find the California Champions Well to the Front

Schinner of Germany Wins the Six Day Race at Chicago—Long Shots Win at Ingleside

Associated Press Special Wire

SANTA ROSA, Feb. 27.—The California spring bicycle racing circuit opened here today very successfully. Men from all parts of the United States started in the professional events which were bitterly contested and won in most cases by inches only.

The riding of Ziegler, Loughhead and MacFarland, was surprising, considering the earliness of the season. The first named carried off the third-mile scratch in grand shape, winning from Allan Jones, the San Francisco boy, by a few inches in a desperate race for the tape.

The mile open was won by Fred Loughhead, the Canadian champion, who made his first appearance in competition on this coast. He created a very favorable impression by his clean and graceful riding. MacFarland and Jones won second and third places in the race and only inches separated them at the tape.

The five-mile race was the event of the day, as it brought together the greatest field ever seen on this coast in a long distance event, including the national champion, Becker, who recently made such a sensational five-mile at the velodrome, San Francisco. Today, MacFarland and Stevens beating him. Summary:

One-third mile professional—Otto Ziegler, first; Allan Jones, second; F. J. Loughhead, third. Time, 2:18.5.

One-mile scratch professional—F. J. Loughhead, first; A. MacFarland, second; Allan Jones, third. Time, 2:18.5.

Five-mile scratch professional—A. MacFarland, first; O. L. Stevens, second; W. E. Becker, third. Time, 12:36.25.

One-mile open amateur—P. R. Mott, first; E. W. Wing, second; George Tantau, third. Time, 2:54.35.

Five-mile scratch amateur—J. E. Wing won; Henry Noonan second; Ben Noonan, third. Time, 12:36.25.

THE SIX-DAY RIDERS.

CHICAGO, Feb. 27.—The closing hours of the world's six days and six nights bicycle race were filled with enthusiasm. Only 20,000 people crowded Tattersall's building. The cheering of the spectators aroused the remaining contestants to renewed efforts.

At 10:05 p. m. Fred Schinner of Germany, who declared champion long distance rider of the world, having covered 1,788 miles and four laps, but lacking 122 miles of coming up with Hale's Madison Square, was declared champion long distance rider of the world, having covered 1,788 miles; Miller, 1,746 miles; Ashinger, 1,727 miles; Lawson, 1,707 miles; and the other riders were far behind.

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ON THE TURF

Long Shots Make the Backer of Favorites

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 27.—Hundred-to-one shots continue to win with mournful regularity at Ingleside, Mamie Scott winning the third race at these odds from Stentor, the 1 to 3 favorite. The Schreiber stakes for 2-year-olds, valued at \$1,000, was won by off-horse, Burke's coat, Estro. The last race of the day was composed of the fastest field of horses that have raced in California for many seasons. Ed Purser's Buckwa won the Hints Magna was the favorite at 8 to 5, and the result of the race fully justified the price. Magnet won cleverly by a neck from Buckwa in the phenomenal time of 1:24. Magnet is entered extensively in California and eastern stakes, and if he retains his present form, will doubtless be a dangerous rival to the champion.

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