

THE PACIFIC SLOPE.

Kidnaping of a Thief by an Oregon Sheriff at Fresno.

A VERY BOLD STRATAGEM

The Officer Prevents the Escape of a Criminal by Quick Action.

OUTWITTING OF ATTORNEYS.

A Writ of Habeas Corpus Secures Freedom to a Prisoner for Only a Brief Time.

FRESNO, Cal., March 15.—Charles Henderson was forcibly taken from the Court-house here to-day by Deputy Sheriff Sears of Oregon, who had been sent down to get Henderson, who is wanted in Oregon for larceny.

Henderson has been in this city for some time, and when his whereabouts became known Governor Budd issued a warrant for his arrest on the requisition of the Governor of Oregon. The man was arrested here two days ago, and he immediately swore out an application for a writ of habeas corpus. He was taken before Judge E. W. Risley of the Superior Court, who continued his case until to-day in order that the necessary papers might come from Governor Budd.

IRRIGATION TAX CASE.

Suit to Prevent Collection of a Heavy Assessment in Sunset District.

FRESNO, March 15.—The collection of taxes in the Sunset Irrigation District, the largest in the State, will be fought in the courts.

At the last election of directors and other officers of the district the element in favor of building the proposed canal and making other expensive improvements elected their ticket, and the Tax Collector, C. O. James, was preparing to sell different holdings for delinquent taxes, which amounted to about \$15,000.

DEBTS AT SPOKANE.

The Strike Leader Indicates the Future Policy of the A. R. U.

SPOKANE, Wash., March 15.—Eugene Debs, president of the American Railway Union, lectured to-night before a big audience at the Auditorium. He declared his conviction that strikes could only result in a failure, and that henceforth the union will work along political lines.

Suing for Subsidy Payments.

TACOMA, Wash., March 15.—Richard Brown, H. G. Hamilton, B. M. Campbell and M. H. Evans, owners of the new rolling-mill at Lakeview, have brought suit to recover \$22,500 of the \$25,000 subsidy promised them. The defendants are prominent citizens. The money under the agreement was to be paid in monthly sums of \$500 on the presentation of the expense bills. The plaintiffs allege that only \$2500 has been paid on the subsidy.

Court-Martial Called at Vancouver.

PORTLAND, Or., March 15.—A general court-martial has been called at Vancouver Barracks and it is understood that one of the cases to come before it is that of Lieutenant E. L. Loveridge, Fourteenth Infantry, United States Army, on a charge of drunkenness. Lieutenant Loveridge was recently promoted from second lieutenant in the Eleventh Infantry to first lieutenant in the Fourteenth.

The Oregon Receivership Case.

PORTLAND, Or., March 15.—Argument in the demurrer in the Oregon Short Line and Utah Northern receivership was concluded to-day. A decision on the demurrer will be announced Monday.

Fatal Accident at San Diego.

SAN DIEGO, March 15.—H. H. Voss, a resident of this city, was run over and

killed by an electric car this evening under the very eyes of his wife and three children, who were waiting for him. He was on the front end of the car and dismounted while it was in motion, falling directly in front, where he was badly mangled.

THE UNKNOWN DEAD AT VALLEJO

Body of a Laborer Found Floating Near Mare Island.

VALLEJO, March 15.—As Quinton Kane, a boatman, was rowing past the magazine wharf at the navy-yard this afternoon he saw a pair of hands protruding from the water, and on investigation found the body of a man. He made fast to the body and towed it to the wharf, where he tied it, and sent for Coroner Trull, who went to the yard and brought the body to this side, where the inquest was held to-night.

The body is evidently that of a longshoreman, who was about 45 years of age, 5 feet 7 inches in height and weighing 200 pounds. The body was dressed in blue overalls and jumper. In the pockets of the clothing an empty snuff-box, white-handled jack-knife, a purse containing five cents and a small key for a satchel were found.

The remains were not identified and will be buried to-morrow afternoon, unless word is received by Coroner Trull to hold the body for identification. No scars or marks of any description were on the body.

SAN RAFAEL'S LITTLE HERO.

A SIX-YEAR-OLD BOY WARNS A TRAIN OF IMPENDING DANGER.

SIGNALS THE ENGINEER AT NIGHT WITH A RED LANTERN.

SAN RAFAEL, March 15.—Joseph Rielly, aged 6 years, is San Rafael's little hero, and he earned the title last night by warning a freight-train of danger.

As the San Francisco and North Pacific Coast freight-train, consisting of forty cars, was coming on the down grade, near the trestle bridge, about 100 yards from the depot last night at 9:30, the engineer saw a red light ahead of him on the trestle and managed to stop the train within twenty yards of the signal. He was informed by little Joseph Rielly that there was a buggy turned upward on the trestle and that the driver, A. B. Moretti, and the horse were in the creek. The horse and driver were rescued unhurt. Little Joe was in bed when he heard the clatter of hoofs on the trestle and knowing that the sound was unusual he sprang out of bed, lit the lantern and ran to warn the approaching train. The horse had become unmanageable and had run away, finally getting on the trestle, and there wrecking the buggy.

ZELLER WILL CONTEST ENDS.

A Compromise Between the Contestant and the Proponents.

SAN RAFAEL, March 15.—The contest of the will of Sophia Zellar came to a sudden termination this morning by a compromise between Mrs. J. F. Jordan and Mrs. Rosaline Vater, the legatees under the will, and Herman Zellar of Healdsburg, the husband of the deceased, who was left only \$1 in the will. The particulars of the compromise were not made known, but it is understood that Mrs. Jordan and Mrs. Vater conceded \$10,000, and the costs of the suit to contestant. Mrs. Jordan had been bequeathed \$20,000 by Mrs. Zellar.

Death of Three Well-Known Citizens.

SAN RAFAEL, March 15.—John Franetta, a well-known citizen of San Francisco, who was engaged in the wholesale liquor business, died last night at 11 o'clock. Mr. Franetta came to make his home in San Rafael about ten years ago and engaged in the liquor business here. A few years ago he disposed of his business and invested in real estate. He leaves a widow, two daughters and one son, who is engaged in business in Guatemala. Mr. Franetta had a host of friends. He was a member of the Masonic order. He was aged 62 years, and was a native of Russia.

James Peter Christensen, the well-known real estate and insurance agent of the firm of Wood, Christensen & Co., also interested in the Pioneer Mill and Lumber Company, died this morning at 8 o'clock in San Francisco. He leaves a widow and one son. Mr. Christensen has been in San Rafael for over twenty years. He was 47 years of age and a native of Denmark.

G. A. Jacob, a prominent Republican in local and San Francisco politics, died here to-day aged 44 years. He was the proprietor of a saloon in San Francisco. He leaves a widow and six children.

Engineer James Welsh Dead.

SACRAMENTO, March 15.—James Welsh, a well-known citizen, who has resided in Sacramento for upward of thirty years, was found dead in his room at the residence of Mrs. Dalton this evening. Mr. Welsh was well-to-do, having followed the occupation of engineer on the Sacramento River boats for years. The cause of his death will probably not be ascertained until after the coroner's inquest is held.

Burglars in Napa.

SACRAMENTO, March 15.—Two burglars effected an entrance through a window into the residence of Mrs. Emily James on Callistoga avenue, at 2 o'clock this morning. They were heard coming in, however, and were scared off before securing any booty. The marauders are supposed to have been tramps.

THE BRIBE INQUIRY.

Senator Biggy Recites His Accusations Under Oath.

DUNN AS A FINANCIER.

An Allegation That He Was Introducing "Cinch" Bills for Gain.

CORROBORATIVE EVIDENCE.

Tendency of the Committee to Prevent the Possible Lexowing of the Senate.

SACRAMENTO, March 15.—Senator Biggy swore before the Senate investigating committee to-night that Dunn tried to induce him to enter into a combination of twenty-three Senators for the revenue that might be collected out of the railroad and corporation "cinch" bills. Dunn swore that Biggy's statement was false. Julius Kahn swore that Dunn told him

been admitted to-night if Attorney Foote had not skillfully so stated the fact that it was almost forced on the committee in spite of its rule to follow procedure in courts of justice.

The Legislature talked of Lexowing San Francisco. What does it think of Lexowing itself?

The committee's verdict, which may be "Not proven," will be returned to the Senate to-morrow.

Senator Simpson, chairman of the Investigating Committee, read the statement made by Senator Biggy, which led to the investigation, when the committee met to-night. The Judiciary Committee room was thronged with a crowd of the curious.

Attorneys W. W. Foote, Joseph Nougues, Julius Kahn and J. J. Dwyer appeared for Senator Biggy, and Congressman Grove L. Johnson announced that he had been engaged to defend Senator Dunn. H. M. La Rue, chairman of the Grand Jury of Sacramento County was an interested listener during the proceedings.

Attorney Foote asked if any course of proceedings had been mapped out. Chairman Simpson answered that the rules observed in courts of justice would be followed. The brief time allowed only the hearing of the charge against Senator Dunn.

"Are you sitting as a judicial body and not as an investigating committee?" asked Attorney Foote.

"No, sir," Senator Simpson declared, and then said that Senator Biggy should make out his case first, but that the committee would hear other evidence than Biggy's statement.

Attorney Foote asked if the charge would be confined and restricted to its application to Senator Dunn.

In reply to a question as to whether the

GOV. BUDD WILL SIGN

Sanctions the Valley Road Terminal Measure.

NO HITCH WILL OCCUR.

All That the Bill Asks Is for a Lease of Lands on the Water Front.

THERE WILL BE SAFEGUARDS.

The Executive Sees No Objection to the Proposition Sanctioned by the Legislature.

SACRAMENTO, March 15.—"I shall sign the bill." That is Governor Budd's answer to the sensational story in one San Francisco morning paper that he would not act favorably on the bill to permit the leasing of water-front lands for terminal facilities by the San Francisco and San Joaquin Railroad Company and his reply to the editorial advice not to do so which

sign it," said Mr. Spreckels, "and you may rest assured that he will do as he has promised. Everything is moving along nicely and we apparently have clear sailing before us."

Engineer Storey finds that the work of attending to the numerous applications for work which have flooded the office of Mr. Spreckels for weeks past has in a large measure been shifted to his shoulders. It might be well to state in this connection that Mr. Storey has all the men he requires, and that applications of this character are useless.

It is stated that the first shipment of rails for the new road will leave New York on April 1 and will consist of 2000 tons. It is believed the trip around Cape Horn can be made easily in seventy days, if no unfavorable weather is encountered. This probable order of 80,000 tons of rails has had a marked effect in the East, where this



W. B. Storey Jr., Chief Engineer of the Valley Road. [From a photograph.]

particular line of business has been exceedingly dull, and manufacturers look upon it as in the nature of a sign of revival in business throughout the whole country.

Several members of the Pacific Stock Exchange subscribed to the capital stock of the road yesterday, and it is expected that a substantial amount will be secured when all the members have been heard from.

Some criticism was indulged in yesterday among projectors of the new line regarding the position of Stockton in the matter of subscriptions to stock, and a comparison with the attitude of San Jose was made which was not at all favorable to the former. Stockton plainly states that her subscription to stock is contingent upon the main line passing through that city, while San Jose says either the main line or a branch will be acceptable there.

TO REWARD HONESTY.

THOSE WHO STOOD BY THE VALLEY ROAD TO BE COMMENDED.

A proposition has been set on foot by Mr. William Fahey of this city looking to a grand reception of the representatives in the Legislature who stood with the people in the recent vote on the bill giving to the State a competing line of railroad through the San Joaquin Valley.

The idea is to appoint committees, which are to formulate a plan to demonstrate public approval of faithful services from public servants.

"In this case the city and the State have received a great benefit through a very small majority. When that majority arrives at the ferry-landing of this city I believe they should be welcomed with great acclaim. Metropolitan Hall or some other place should be hired and speakers invited to proclaim the sentiments of the people in regard to the men who stood by them in the hour of trial.

"The committees should all be at the ferry landing to meet the statesmen as they come off the boat, and march with them through the streets with banners and transparencies. The names of the representatives should be displayed in a most prominent manner."

BUREAU OF HIGHWAYS.

THE BILL PASSES AND NOW GOES TO THE GOVERNOR.

SACRAMENTO, March 15.—Quite a fight was made in the Assembly to-day against the bill authorizing the appointment of a Bureau of Highways consisting of three members at \$3000 a year. This commission is empowered to gather statistics as to the condition of the roads in each county and to advise with the various Boards of Supervisors as to the best methods to be employed in roadmaking. They are also to superintend the distribution of the powdered trap rock for roads from Folsom. They are, of course, empowered to employ clerks, and altogether \$31,000 is appropriated for their use in the next two years.

The commission is a necessary one. It is the direct result of the good roads convention, and the provisions of the bill were decided upon after long discussion, as the members of the committee realized that commissions were in disfavor.

Bledsoe, Belshaw, Dr. Glass and Spencer opposed the bill on the ground of economy, while the friends of the measure urged that it would be economy to pass it, and the bill was sent to the Governor by a vote of 46 to 23.

Conviction of a Madera Murderer.

MADERA, March 15.—The jury in the trial of Jim Hanlip, an Indian, for the murder of Pasquale Milesi, brought in a verdict of murder in the first degree, with a life sentence late last night.



LEFT OUT IN THE COLD.

he was in Sacramento for "the stuff," and that if the insurance companies wanted bills passed or bills defeated they must pay.

Dunn swore that this statement was false, too.

The committee took a narrow view of its powers, and a technical view as to evidence. The attorneys sought to introduce other evidence, but it was ruled out on technicalities, and the investigation was confined to the charge made by Biggy, and this charge was limited in its application to Dunn. The attorneys were fortified with other evidence, which under this construction could not be admitted.

There is more trouble in store for the Senate. It must either investigate now and make a thorough investigation or else retire bemired. There is evidence of a combine. Does the Senate want it made known? If so it can appoint a committee to sit after adjournment to take the evidence.

Attorney Nougues pointed out to the committee that it could sit after the Legislature adjourned. The committee was not disposed to take this view of it, though justified by Congressional precedent.

Here is a fact which may cause a change of heart:

If the committee will sit after the session, or if the Senate will empower a committee to do so, then a number of business men of the city of San Francisco will come before that committee and testify that they have been approached by legislators for money to influence legislation. These men do not care to appear before a committee with the Legislature in session at the same time and their business in jeopardy through bills which are before that Legislature. If the Legislature adjourns now, with these facts known, without empowering a committee to make an investigation it goes out of existence blackened.

The testimony of Kahn would not have

committee would sit after adjournment, if the investigation was to take a wider range, Senator Seawell declared that the committee should get further authority from the Senate.

Attorney Nougues declared that the committee had authority under the code. There was a little more preliminary sparring. Foote did not want the investigation confined to the charge against Dunn. He was ready to go on with the case. Attorney Nougues cited precedents to show that this committee could continue its investigation after the adjournment of the Legislature. He read Biggy's statement and declared that if the committee was prepared to listen to the evidence he would produce evidence relative to "cinch" bills, their authors, their purpose and what the men who introduced the bills had done and said. If the committee find that the scope of the investigation was such that it would need to continue a resolution might be introduced for that purpose. "We are prepared to go on as far as you are prepared to go," continued Nougues.

Senator Smith of the committee declared that the scope of the investigation evidently was greater than he had anticipated. He favored reporting back to the Senate at once for further power.

Foote objected to this. Senator Biggy was ready to go on the stand and substantiate the statement under oath.

"The attorney for Mr. Biggy blows hot and blows cold," said Johnson. "He proposes to have an investigation that will last all summer and then objects. It is evidently not the intention to investigate Mr. Dunn, but to throw mud on the Senate."

Senator Biggy, after being sworn, said that Senator Dunn proposed to him to sell his vote. The first time was in the county committee-room, on Sutter street, about a

month ago. The second time was in the county committee-room, on Sutter street, about a

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appears in another morning journal of that city.

"I shall sign the bill," repeated the Governor, "but I shall not do so immediately. When a satisfactory lease has been prepared and has been approved by the Board of Harbor Commissioners, of which Mayor Sutro and I are members, then I will sign the bill."

The Governor continued:

"I am not going to sign any bill which would give away the water front of San Francisco to any corporation. That is not the purpose of this bill. If the lease is prepared specifying the mudflats in China Basin and no other State property I shall sign the bill. The lease must contain all the safeguards necessary. It must state specifically just what is wanted. It must provide every safeguard that is needed.

"But it is idle to discuss this feature. The valley road does not want to grab the water front of San Francisco. All that it asks is to lease terminal facilities. The directors of the valley road are perfectly satisfied with the lease proposed, so there will be no trouble and I shall sign the bill."

FOR THE NEW ROAD.

THE FIRST SHIPMENT OF RAILS SOON TO LEAVE NEW YORK.

J. D. Spreckels and Attorney Preston returned from Sacramento yesterday. Mr. Spreckels said, when asked what caused the delay on the part of the Governor in signing the bill granting the valley road

privileges on the water front, that the bill had only been engrossed and placed in the executive's hands yesterday, and that there was no reason for alarm in the apparent delay.

"The Governor assured us that he would

MEMBERS OF THE SENATORIAL INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE.



WHITEHURST.



SEAWELL.



SMITH.



ARAM.

WOMEN MAY NOT VOTE

The Equal Suffrage Bill Given Its Quietus in the Senate.

AN UNEXPECTED DEFEAT

Favorable Action Followed by Reconsideration and an Adverse Vote.

TEACHERS WIN THEIR FIGHT.

Passage of the Pension Measure After a Long and Stubborn Contest by Opponents.

SACRAMENTO, March 15.—The woman suffrage bill passed away to-day. It died in the Senate.

Equal suffrage gained a victory in the Senate to-day, but its advocates were so elated that they threw discretion aside, and the result was reconsideration and defeat. Some days ago the Senate destroyed the purpose of an Assembly bill to give suffrage to women by inserting the word "male" in the bill. The Assembly refused to accept the amendment.

In an unguarded hour to-day the bill came back to the Senate, and the Senate receded from its amendment. This gave suffrage to women. When the opponents of equal suffrage realized the fact they raised a storm of protest, and a motion to reconsider was carried. Then the vote was taken again on the motion that the Senate recede from its amendment. The equal suffragists were routed by the following vote:

Ayes—Andross, Denison, Earl, Franck, Gleaves, Hart, Holloway, Hoyt, Langford, Mahoney, McGowan, Orr, Pedlar, Seymour, Smith, Voorheis—16.

Noes—Aram, Arms, Beard, Bert, Burke, Dunn, Fay, Flint, Gessford, Henderson, Linder, Martin, Mathews, McAllister, Seawell, Shine, Shippee, Whitehurst, Withington—19.

Absent or declined to vote—Biggy, Ford, Mitchell, Simpson, Toner—5.

This virtually disposes of the bill at this session.

At the afternoon session the teachers' pension bill came up for consideration. The bill, which is No. 736, introduced by Ewing, passed the Assembly last night.

Senator Mathews attacked the measure. He was followed by Senator Simpson, who declared it was a service pension bill. The State Teachers' Association had condemned the bill, so had the Southern California teachers' convention. If the teachers wished to organize let them organize under the county insurance plan or some similar law.

Senator Ford came to the rescue of the bill. He eulogized the schools of Germany, which the United States might well emulate. There the pension system prevailed.

"Do you know what they pay teachers in Germany?" asked Senator McAllister.

"I don't care what they pay in Germany," was the reply. "Wages are lower in Europe than here. This bill proposes to take 1 per cent of the salaries of certain teachers."

Senator Pedlar yielded to none in his support of the public schools, he said, but he could not vote for the bill. Senator McAllister declared that the district which he represents was opposed to the bill, and Senator Mathews read opinions of teachers in San Francisco opposing the bill. The latter offered an amendment to destroy the State aid feature.

Senator Gessford did not believe in class legislation. He favored the amendment. The teachers could then form their own organization.

The amendment was adopted and the bill was sent to print.

The Committee on Conference on the county government bill allowed the salary raiders of Alameda to have their own way, and the Senate amendments were accepted.

The resolution was defeated calling for an investigation of the ferry depot foundation in San Francisco by United States engineers.

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