BILL APPORTIONING SCHOOL FUND PROVOKES HOT DEBATE IN ASSEMBLY

San Francisco Delegation Loses a Hard Fight.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 21.—The fight over Slaven's school apportionment bill produced a scene of great disorder in the Assembly this afternoon. The measure, which changes the law so as to make an apportionment on a basis of $250 per teacher employed, cuts San Francisco out of a large sum annually, Alameda also suffers, but through a combination with the interior members who are for the bill, changing the original plan for an apportionment of $300 per teacher, Los Angeles loses nothing.

The fight against the measure was led by the San Francisco delegation, with McGowan holding the reins. The fight just missed being seriously personal. When they saw that a vote would result in the carrying of the measure, the San Franciscans, backed by some of the Alamedans, resorted to the strongest filibustering tactics. At one stage of the proceedings, when matters were at a white heat, Coghlan practically defied the Speaker of the House. It was a beautiful scrap and will go down in legislative history as one of those deserving to be ranked as exciting.

With the bulldog tenacity that has characterized him from the time the bill was first placed in his hands by the Governor and the Superintendent of Instruction, Slaven of San Benito, who introduced the measure, refused to give one concession to its opponents, and it is due to his unyielding attitude that the bill was finally passed by the Assembly, but long after the original hour fixed for adjournment this evening.

The comedy of the battle was furnished by Anthony of San Francisco, who tried to get the Speaker's ear at inopportune times and was forcibly pushed down into his chair two or three times by members of his own delegation who wanted others to have the floor.

Slaven, when the bill was called up, said that under the proposed apportionment the country schools would be more justly dealt with and would get the much needed money for their support.

AMENDMENT MOVED.

McGowan moved an amendment that the portion of the bill providing for the apportionment on a basis of $250 per teacher be stricken out. This would leave the law as it now stands.

A dozen Assemblymen were trying to get the floor at once and there was a commotion that almost drowned the gavel. McGowan was still on his feet when it subsided and received recognition. He asked for fairness, courtesy and justice. He called attention to the fact that San Francisco supplied all the amount she drew from the State school fund and $448,000 more. With the loss of $215,000 under the Slaven bill she would be behind a total of nearly three-quarters of a million, he said. He spoke of the "unholy alliance" of the bill's proponents with Los Angeles, by which the basis of apportionment was reduced to $250 per teacher, so as to secure the vote of the delegation of that city. There was not one behind the bill who was not actuated by a selfish motive, he said.

McGowan's accusation of selfish motives brought another bunch of Assemblyment to their feet, all protesting at once. Drew of Fresno made a speech that brought down upon him the united wrath of the San Francisco delegation. He said that if he had his way he would not give San Francisco a dollar of school money, but would take her children from the bad influence of the streets and educate them in the interior. McGowan took a whirl at Drew and was followed by Atkinson, who said the Fresno man was slurring the youth of San Francisco without any right or any knowledge of the subject. The Speaker's gavel was broken during this rally.

COGHLAN DEFIANT.

The irrepressible Anthony said something during this mixup that caused the Speaker to admonish him that it might be necessary to call the sergeant-at-arms and exercise those measures that were both painful and regrettable.

Coghlan having something more to say, fired it off angrily and added: "I invite, Mr. Speaker, those measures that are both painful and regrettable."

"Be seated, Mr. Coghlan," shouted the Speaker. "I'll not make a martyr of you."

"No, and I'd not advise you to," said Coghlan, hotly.

The Speaker overlooked the remark, and, amid a storm of efforts to continue the filibustering, put the previous question, the passage of the bill to a vote. The measure was carried, 51 to 25.

Coghlan gave notice that he would move for a reconsideration.

Considerable time was devoted at the morning session to the discussion of Held's bill providing that the premiums on bonds supplied by surety companies for State, county and city officials be paid out of the public treasuries. Held said that the payment of these premiums unjustly took a considerable amount from the salary of every official. A similar bill had been passed by the last Legislature, he said, but it had been declared unconstitutional.

The measure was defeated by a vote of 38 to 27.

Henry Irving Ill.

LONDON, Feb. 21.—Sir Henry Irving is ill in Wolverhampton. He is suffering from a severe chill. He collapsed after a performance last night.

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AMEND BILL OF INTEREST TO RAILROADS

Crossing Measure Is Changed by Senators.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 21.—When the Senate convened this morning it was apparent that something had been doing the night before. But eighteen members were at their desks and they did not look overjoyed at the prospects of a hard day's work. The banquet given by the Chamber of Commerce last night was the cause of the delay in the arrival of the lawmakers, but enough of the yawning solons were located in the corridors to enable the upper house to proceed with its business.

Wright, French and Bunkers, who have been found guilty of bribery by the special investigating committee, were at their desks, but Emmons was not. It was announced that he had taken a turn for the worse and that he was fighting a hard battle for his life. This afternoon he was operated upon for appendicitis.

Wright, determined to get all of the advantage he can out of the few days' activity that remain to him, spoke this morning on behalf of his bill for the relief of E. D. McCabe, who asks for $3333 salary as Building and Loan Commissioner he was deprived of through the appointment of a successor to his office before his term legally expired. As all appreciated Wright's position no one raised a voice against the bill and it passed.

The most important legislation before the Senate this afternoon was the railroad crossing bill. A protest against the measure has gone up all over the State, with the result that today Senator Pendleton, author of the measure, offered an amendment he believes will meet with general approval. This amendment follows:

No railroad main track crossing, outside the limits of any incorporated town, city, or city and county, shall be at grade, unless the party proposing such crossing at grade shall, at its own sole cost and expense, protect such crossing by the construction, operation and maintenance of an interlocking plant, with suitable signals and derails, but either party to such crossing may insist upon a separation of grades, in which case the cost of constructing such crossing with separate grades shall be equally divided between the railroad companies concerned; and provided further that where any crossing has been constructed at grade, either company may, at any time thereafter, require a separation of the grades at such crossing, each company paying one-half of the expense of such separation; and provided further that the foregoing provisions shall not be construed as requiring a separation of grades where such separation is physically impracticable, and in case of any dispute or controversy as to the physical practicability of any undergrade or overhead crossing, the same shall be determined by the Superior Court of the county in which such crossing is situated in an action or proceeding brought by either party for that purpose.

The amendment was adopted and the bill ordered on the third reading file for final passage.

Senator Welch's bill aimed to prevent the feeding of diseased animal meat to poultry passed the Senate without a dissenting voice.

Lukens' bill to authorize the maintenance of spur tracks in municipalities was the subject of a lengthy debate and was finally referred to the San Francisco delegation for investigation. Senator Welch said he was of opinion that the bill would permit of the construction by the Santa Fe of spur tracks in the Potrero against which the citizens of that district had protested to the Board of Supervisors and he wanted time to look into the matter. Lukens denied that the bill was intended to aid the Santa Fe.

Waste's Assembly bill providing for the appointment of officers of the district courts of appeal and providing for their salaries was passed by the Senate after amendment in minor details and returned to the Assembly for its concurrence.

Wickersham's Assembly bill to appropriate $5075 for the erection of a new forestry station at Santa Monica was passed by the Senate and sent to the Governor.

McKinney's bill to place the whole burden of the support of inmates of the Whittier reform school on the State was defeated.

The Senate, by a vote of nineteen ayes to nine noes, denied passage to Simpson's bill authorizing the employment of men convicted of vagrancy upon county road work.

The Senate passed the following bills:

By Coggins—Appropriating $12,000 for the purchase and installment of heating plant for the use of the State Normal School at Chico.

By Carter—To provide for the erection of a State historical building, to be located in the city of Los Angeles.

By Coggins—Permitting the State Board of Prison Directors to sell jute bags at any time and at such prices as they see fit.

By Coggins—Providing that three instead of four members of the State Board of Prison Directors may constitute a quorum for the parole of prisoners; that the wardens of the State prisons need not be electors, but that guards must be electors. The bill also provides for the appointment of a special agent to look after parcled prisoners.

JOURNALIST EXPLAINS.

Santa Cruz Editor Is Purged of Contempt.

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 21.—The Assembly and Editor Smith of the Santa Cruz Surf have smoked the pipe of peace and the contempt incident is a matter for the archives. The editor has sent a communication to the Speaker, which has been ordered printed in the journal, explaining that when he called members of the Judge Smith investigatiing committee "programmers" he understood the political definition of the word "programmer" to be a man who followed the behest of the leaders of his party, and that there was nothing disgraceful attached to being one of those animals. McCartney, chairman of the Smith committee, introduced a resolution that further proceedings in the matter be indefinitely postponed, and it was adopted.

ANTI-VACCINATION BILL.

Assembly Reverses Itself and Passes Senate Amendment.

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 21.—The Assembly performed to-day again its well practiced stunt of reversing itself. It passed the Senate substitute for Pyle's anti-compulsory vaccination bill, after having defeated it last week. There was another debate on the measure. It had a close shave, getting only one more than the necessary forty-one votes, and that only after a call of the house.

FALLS FROM A TELEGRAPH POLE.—John Harmon, a lineman who lived at the New American Hotel on Howard street, fell from the top of a telegraph pole at Eighth and Howard streets last night. He was taken to the Central Emergency Hospital, where he died at 1:30 a. m.

KELLY GETS READY HIS SECURITIES

Boss Is Frightened by Rumors of a Warrant.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 21.—Martin Kelly is preparing for arrest which he believes will come to-morrow. The old-time boss arrived here this evening and was soon informed by his friends that it was the intention of the District Attorney to move against him at the earliest possible moment. Martin immediately became busy searching for bondsmen to secure his release in event a warrant was served upon him. He found two men that said they stood ready to qualify, and then the man that has thrust himself into the boodle scandal rested easy.

At the Sheriff's office to-night it was announced that Martin had been needlessly alarmed. No warrant, said Sheriff Reese, had been sworn out, nor had the Grand Jury met to consider his case. It may do so to-morrow, however, he concluded, but it was hardly probable in view of the holiday which all officials want to enjoy.

"I heard they wanted me," said Kelly, "So I went down to the courthouse with my bondsmen. It proved a false alarm, however."

VETOES FIREMEN'S BILL.

Governor Disapproves Measure Providing for Twelve-Hour Day.

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 21.—Governor Pardee has vetoed Senator Wolfe's pet measure which provided for twelve-hour work days for members of the San Francisco Fire Department. Wolfe put his best efforts in this bill, and is keenly disappointed over the fact that all his good intentions have gone for naught.

The Governor's explanation that he holds the bill to be unconstitutional and one that is of municipal concern alone, meets the legal but not the moral views of Wolfe. He said tonight that notwithstanding the ultimate fate of the bill, he was satisfied it would have a good effect in calling to the attention of the people of the metropolis the fact that the men that protect their homes against fire are compelled to be on duty twenty-four hours a day.

Three bills received the Governor's signature. The first was Senator Lukens' bill relative to the amount of real estate that may be held by corporations whose object is not pecuniary profit. The second was Senator Nelson's bill providing for the acquisition by the State of the old mission at Sonoma, the Fort Ross property, the landing place at Monterey of Junipero Serra and the old theater at Monterey. The third measure to receive executive approval was Assemblyman Severance's bill appropriating $4119 71 out of the State school book fund to pay the claim of Bonestell, Richardson & Co.

EMMONS VERY LOW.

Senator Is Not Expected to Survive Shock of Operation.

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 21.—At a late hour to-night the nurses in charge of Senator Emmons, who was operated on to-day for appendicitis, said he was progressing as favorably as could be expected under the circumstances. His temperature was about normal, the nurse said, and his pulse had fallen from 120 to 106, which the physicians considered favorable. Speaking about the prospects of Emmons' recovery, Senator McKee, who is a surgeon and who aided at the operation, said:

"Senator Emons is very low. We found that the appendix had burst and that considerable puss had escaped into the abdominal cavity. I do not look for favorable results, but he may live for several days. Of course a recovery is possible, but I do not look for it."

SALARIES OF JUDGES.

Bill Providing for Increase Is Sent to the Governor.

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 21.—It now rests with Governor Pardee to say whether San Francisco Superior Judges elected in the future shall receive salaries of $6000 a year instead of $4000, the present salary. The Senate amendments to Assemblyman McGowan's bill providing for the increase were approved by the lower house to-day and the bill sent to the chief executive.

LICENSE FOR BARBERS.

Assembly Passes Measure Providing State Board of Examiners.

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 21.—After some opposition the Assembly passed today Mitcheltree's bill providing for a State Board of Barber Examiners and the licensing of all barbers. The measure will create a board of three members to be appointed by the Governor.

TRAFFIC AGENTS' NEW OFFICERS IN THE CHAIRS

SAN JOSE, Feb. 21.—The members of the Pacific Coast Traffic Agents' Association were banqueted and entertained last night. This morning they held a business session. The following officers, who were elected yesterday, were in charge of the meeting: President, S. F. Booth, Union Pacific, San Francisco; first vice president, C. H. White, Southern Pacific, Los Angeles; second vice president, W. H. Olin, Chicago Great Western, Seattle; secretary-treasurer, George W. Colby, Great Northern, San Francisco.

A committee appointed to draft plans for a revision of the constitution and by-laws reported. Many changes were made. A new district, the fourth, was created. This was formed by a division of District No. 1, and comprises all the territory in Oregon, Washington and Idaho that lies north of the Columbia River.

A delegation of prominent citizens from Santa Cruz, headed by Mayor D. C. Clark, appeared before the convention and extended an invitation to the association to meet next year in Santa Cruz. An invitation was also received from Santa Barbara. On a vote being taken, the convention decided to hold next year's meeting at Ashland, Or., on February 24, 1906. The convention then adjourned.

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BOOKS MARKED BY GLADSTONE

Library of the Grand Old Man Reveals Annotations in Pencil on the Margins

AUTHOR'S LIBEL SUITS

Crosland, Who Speaks Ill of Others, Objects to Unkind Words Concerning Himself

LONDON, Feb. 21.—It seems that the late W. E. Gladstone was one of those book lovers who delight in marking sentences that please them and scribbling comments on the text in the margins of volumes read. An anonymous writer in the Book Monthly, who recently paid a visit to the Grand Old Man's library at Hawarden, says that almost every book therein contains profuse penciled annotations in Gladstone's own hand. His favorite works are filled with them.

"Vertical single or double lines," says the writer, "or a small V-shaped mark, call attention and generally imply approval; dissent is signified by a cross. 'N. B.' and 'query' or a note of interrogation are frequent."

Even Gladstone's novels are filled with comments in pencil, especially when these works bear on religious questions.

"Better, I think, than some others of those novels that play tricks with nature. W. E. G.," is the judgment at the end of one.

"In a certain political work," says the writer, "an allegation of a certain diplomatic and parliamentary transaction with Russia in 1870 under Gladstone's leadership evokes the straight comment 'Untrue,' thrice repeated in the space of four lines. 'We scarcely think Mr. Gladstone,' writes the late Walter Bagehot, 'that this style of oratory is the very highest.' Against this Mr. Gladstone wrote 'He never thought so.'"

WORKS ON DISRAELI.

Naturally a work dealing with his great rival, Disraeli, drew comments in profusion from the great Liberal. In his account of the famous maiden speech in the House of Commons, the author of this book tells how the young Disraeli described Lord Melbourne as "flourishing in one hand the keys of St. Peter." "In the other," says the author, "he was understood to be going to say 'the cap of liberty,' but the close of the sentence was drowned in derisive shouts." "I heard it," testifies Gladstone's pencil.

The writer of this essay says that the books read in Gladstone's closing years are fully marked and indexed as if he yet had a lifetime in which to use them.

Thomas Hardy, at his home in Dorchester, which in his novels he called Casterbridge, is now working on a new volume of poems, his third, which he hopes to publish in the spring. He is elso engaged in working over the material for the second and third volume of his Napoleonic drama, "The Dynasts." He says it is quite impossible to tell when these two volumes, or even one of them, will be ready.

WRITER SUES CRITIC.

It is true that T. W. H. Crosland is violently averse to taking his own medicine, or can it be—as was hinted in the King's Bench Court the other day—that the author of "The Unspeakable Scot" is bringing a series of libel suits for advertising purposes? Not long ago Crosland write a book called "Lovely Woman," in which he roasted the fair sex. Among other things he observed, "When I look out upon life in my calmer moments I am prone to wish that all women were widows."

In reviewing the book a London critic remarked that it seemed certain that the universe would be a more peaceable place in which to live if one woman was at least a widow. This remark so offended Crosland that he brought suit for libel against the newspaper, but the Judge said the criticism was justified.

A little later G. E. Farrow published a reply to "Lovely Woman," which he called "Lovely Man," and in which he too made a remark that if all married men were like unto Crosland widowhood would undoubtedly be by far the happier state for their wives. A few days ago Crosland sued Farrow on the ground that the latter had attacked his private character. Again he lost his suit.

HIMSELF AN OFFENDER.

"It is not in woman's watery blood to be loyal," wrote Crosland, amiably. "If you want loyalty and honor you will never go to a woman for them, no matter how old she may be." He also said: "A girl of 10 is faithless, spiteful, greedy, merciless, unruly and illogical, and at 20 she is the same girl, only more cunning and a trifle more commercial."

The book abounds in delicate comments of this sort, "A man can carry a skin full of liquor like a gentleman. A woman never gets drunk like a lady."

Crosland's abhorrence of personalities comes the less gracefully from him in view of this comment from his book on Miss Ellen Thornycroft Fowler, who, the author said, he wished had never been born.

"How any thinking being can wish to read her books passes one's comprehension," snapped Crosland. "But, of course, it must be remembered that she writes for women and that possibly her only two male readers are Dr. Robertson Nichol and her papa, the Right Hon. Sir Henry, whom I last beheld on a Calais boat eating buns out of a bag."

The opposing lawyer declared that Crosland had brought his action merely for the purpose of selling his book and affirmed that whenever the author of "The Unspeakable Scot" wanted a little enjoyment he "popped round to the law courts with a little ready money and took action." He also pointed out that Crosland had not paid the cost of appeal in his other libel suit and that the writer had an unsatisfied County Court judgment against him and a bill of sale.

RARE BOOK ABANDONED.

Owing to the death of the Rev. Richard Lovett, a book has been abandoned which promised to be a most valuable addition to the bibliography of the Bible. The book in question was to have been entitled "The Printed English Bible, 1525-1769," and it aimed at placing its possessor as nearly as possible in the position of one who had access to every volume of the Scriptures published between those dates. Such is the rarity of many of the early editions of the English Bible that it is a difficult matter to get even a sight of many of the most important copies.

Calotype fac-similes, which were to have been the chief feature of Lovett's costly work, would have rendered recourse to the originals unnecessary. Biblical scholars, who had been looking forward to the publication of the volume with great interest, deeply regret the announcement made by the Oxford Press that owing to the author's death the work will not be issued.

CZAR DECIDES TO MAKE PEACE WITH MIKADO

Kuropatkin Will Once More Try to Win a Battle.

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Government has ordered the immediate construction of twenty-five torpedo boat destroyers. Fifteen are to be built in the Government yards and ten in private yards.

It is reported that a steamship bound for Vladivostok has been caught and held in the ice in Ezo Strait, between the islands of Kunashiri and Hokkaido, since February 17. The name of the steamship has not been ascertained.

BREAK WORD OF HONOR.

Paroled Russian Officers Violate Pledge to Admiral McCalla.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—The Navy Department to-day received a report from Admiral McCalla, commandant of the Mare Island navy yard, stating that the three Russian officers of the Lena who left the ship at San Francisco and are now in St. Petersburg gave him, individually and personally, their paroles not to go beyond the limits of San Francisco, except upon the express permission of the President of the United States, or in accordance with any arrangement that might be reached touching their movements between the governments of Russia and Japan.

The Russian officers were granted a week's leave from their ship, which lies at Mare Island, to visit San Francisco, their applications being approved by the captain of the Lena. The navai officials here feel that it is only fair to this officer to say that he is greatly distressed at their disappearance. He supplied Admiral McCalla with such information as he had been able to obtain touching the whereabouts of the three officers. Therefore, no orders have been sent to Admiral McCalla to suspend further paroles in the case of the Lena's officers and crew and he will be allowed to exercise his discretion.

CZAR'S LIFE TO BE SPARED.

Assassin Says Only the Advisers of Nicholas Are Doomed.

MOSCOW, Feb. 21.—The assassin of Grand Duke Sergius maintains an attitude of profound indifference. When pressed to reply to questions he declared that all the efforts of the authorities would have no result. Before his victim was laid under earth other victims would be found.

Regarding his motives, the assassin says he acted only in the interests of an oppressed people. He considered the deed was an act of duty The Grand Dukes had for years violated every canon of ordinary decency and ruined the country, while exploiting the weak will of the Emperor for their own ends. They had made him a tyrant so that the people execrate him. He was aware that the Emperor was an innocent dupe and his party had decided to deliver the Emperor from the evil influences surrounding him, in the hope that he some day would join in the movement and become head of a national government based on Western lines.

Neither the police nor the spies, the assassin added, would be able to protect those who are doomed to death.

ATTACK DURING SNOWSTORM.

Japanese Drive Russians From an Advanced Position.

TSINKHETCHEN, Feb. 21.—Extensive movements by the Japanese opposite the Russian left flank caused the sending out of two scouting divisions at noon on February 18, the first occupying positions on both banks of the Taitse River, at Souidun, and the second occupying a pass eleven miles southeast of Tsinkhetchen. On February 19 the Japanese attacked both divisions, taking advantage of a snow storm to approach the Russian pickets, and succeeding in forcing back the Russians beyond the Taitse River.

Skirmishing continues to-day with varying fortunes. The division at the pass maintained its ground against the fire of four old-style guns, using common black powder. The Russian losses are less than a score wounded.

TAKE CANNON FROM TROOPS.

Caucasus Rioters Hold District Governor a Prisoner.

BERLIN, Feb. 22.—The Vorwaerts prints a special dispatch, without indicating the place from which it was sent, saying:

"The whole Caucasus region is in revolt. Armenians, Russians and Circassians have formed a coalition against the Emperor of Russia and seized arms and even cannon from Russian soldiers. They hold the Governor of the district as a prisoner. The revolutionists are organizing camps outside the cities."

Sergius' Coachman Dies.

MOSCOW, Feb. 21.—The coachman who was driving the carriage in which Grand Duke Sergius was riding when he was assassinated died to-day of his injuries.

BAKERSFIELD, Feb. 21.—Rupert Shaw, who was arrested in August of last year on a charge of embezzlement, was fully exonerated to-day by a jury.

DEATH CALLS R. J. LANGFORD OF SAN JOSE

SHERIFF ROBERT J. LANGFORD OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY, WHO DIED YESTERDAY.

Popular Sheriff of Santa Clara County Dies in Garden City.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

SAN JOSE, Feb. 21.—Sheriff Robert J. Langford died early this morning. It is believed his death was caused by a cancer of the stomach. Langford was a native of Iowa and 54 years of age. He came to California and to this county in 1852 with his parents. For twenty-five years he was engaged in the cattle and butcher business, and for a number of years conducted a market in this city.

In 1898 he was elected Sheriff on the Republican ticket, and two years ago, after being refused the nomination, he ran independently for the office and was elected by a plurality of nearly 5000. For two terms he was president of the State Association of Sheriffs. Langford was a member of the Elks, Odd Fellows, Eagles, Knights of Pythias, American Order of Foresters and Maccabees.

A widow and two sons, an aged mother, two sisters and four brothers survive him.

Coroner B. E. Kell, who became acting Sheriff on the death of the Sheriff, took charge of the office this morning. All the present deputies were reappointed. The Coroner will be in charge until the Supervisors fill the office by appointment. There is a strong sentiment in favor of the appointment of Arthur Langford, a son of the deceased, who has been a Deputy Sheriff for the last four years.

Former British Consul Dies.

The death of Sir William Lane Booker, K. B., G. M. C., F. R. G. S., in London, England, will be learned with regret by many of the older generation of San Francisco. Sir William was the first Consul sent to San Francisco by Great Britain, and from 1857 to 1883 he capably represented his country's interests in this city. At that time he was known as William Lane Booker, having been knighted after he assumed the Consul-Generalship in New York in 1883. This he relinquished to retire to private life in 1894. Sir William married Elizabeth Page, daughter of Gilbert Page of Moorestown, N. J., in 1861, and she died in 1900.

Death Calls General Estes.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—General L. G. Estes, commander of the Medal of Honor Legion and a prominent officer in the Army of the Potomac, died here of pneumonia to-day.

Earl of Southesk Dead.

LONDON, Feb. 21.—The Earl of Southesk (James Carnegie), died today. He was born in 1827.

NAMED BY THE WOODMEN TO SUCCEED FALKENBURG

John H. Foley of Los Angeles to Be Head Consul of Pacific Jurisdiction.

DENVER, Feb. 21.—The board of head managers of the Woodmen of the World, Pacific jurisdiction, met here to-day and chose John H. Foley of Los Angeles to be head consul to fill the unexpired term of the late Chief Falkenburg. The head camp will meet in Los Angeles on April 18, at which time a successor will be chosen.

Ends War With Cunard Line.

PARIS, Feb. 21.—The Compagnie Generale Transatlantique has signed a convention with the Cunard Steamship Company, ending the rate war.

BEEF PACKERS TO BE INDICTED AND PROSECUTED

Federal Officials Say They Have Necessary Evidence.

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ers in Chicago and other packing-houses in detail.

One hundred and thirty witnesses are to be from the Chicago packing houses and offices, and fifty-five are heads of departments and agents in fifteen other large cities of the country. Nearly all the subpenas directed to residents of Chicago were served before 6 o'clock to-night. The eight deputies engaged in the service invaded all the principal offices of the big packing companies. The jury will be drawn on Thursday or Friday.

The first subpenas were served on branch house managers and office men in New York City and Jersey City late Monday evening, commanding them to appear in Chicago on March 20.

In every outside city where witnesses were subpenaed, excepting New York, the deputies were dispatched from the office of the clerk of the court located there at 9 o'clock this morning. The cities in which such witnesses were located were notified as follows: Washington, Philadelphia, New York, Boston, Pittsburg, Omaha, Kansas City, St. Louis, Buffalo, Cincinnati, Sioux City, St. Paul, Fort Worth, Jersey City and Milwaukee.

ARMOUR'S MEN SUMMONED.

Seven subpenas were served in the downtown offices of Armour & Co. late to-day. Assistant Treasurer Samuel McRoberts was one of those subpenaed. General Superintendent T. J. Connors also was said to have received a notice, but he denied it later. The other men called were department heads in the general offices.

At the offices of Swift & Co., at the stock yards, the first two men to receive subpenas were W. H. Frederick, head of the railroad department, and W. B. Jones, manager of the Armour Company lines. The head cattle buyer and staff at the yards for Swift & Co. were summoned. Cattle buyers at the Morris plant and those of the National Packing Company and Schwarzschild & Sulzberger were served, as well as scalehouse men and car checkers and officials of the Union Stock Yards and Transit Company.

None of the heads of the packing companies will be called before the Grand Jury. Jesse P. Lyman, former president of the National Packing Company, was served as he was leaving his office to start for California.

PACKERS REFUSE TO TALK.

J. Ogden Armour, as well as the heads of the other packing companies, declined to make any statement regarding the determined step which the Government has taken to scrutinize the business of the packing companies. Inquirers were referred to Attorney John S. Miller, who represented the combined packers named in the Grosscup injunction, which was sustained by the United States Supreme Court a month ago.

"If all this investigation," said Miller, "does not entirely satisfy the representatives of the Government that we are in every way that is possible observing the requirements of this drastic injunction we have no word of opposition to offer to any further full and fair inquiry into the actual facts—even by means of the secret and ex-parte inquiry in the Grand Jury room. When that has been done, however, we sincerely trust we may look for and receive the 'square deal' which is promised every one, and as the facts justify it, we may be relieved from misrepresentation and unjust suspicion."

The men who were restrained by Judge Grosscup's decision in the beef case were J. Ogden Armour, Edward Morris, Ira Morris, Arthur Meeker, Charles F. Langdon, Edward A. Cudahy, Louis F. Swift, D. Edwin Hartwell, Frank E. Vogel, William Russell, Edward C. Swift, W. H. Noyes, Nelson Morris, Patrick A. Valentine, Calvin M. Favorite, Charles M. Conners, Michael Cudahy, Albert F. Boohert, Lawrence A. Carter, Jesse P. Lyman, Louis Pfaelzer, Albert H. Vedd and Ferdinand Sulzberger.

URGE GOVERNOR ADAMS TO EXPEL LOBBYISTS

Colorado Workingmen Would Have the "Third House" Driven From the Capitol.

DENVER, Colo., Feb. 21.—The executive board of the Denver Building Trades Council has addressed a communication to Governor Alva Adams, asking him to exclude from the Capitol the lobbyists who are said to be endeavoring to influence members of the Legislature to decide the gubernatorial contest in favor of former Governor Peabody. The letter is a reply to Governor Adams' address to the public, advising against the proposed labor demonstration on March 2, when the joint convention of the General Assembly is to receive the report of the contest committee.

Prizes for Stanford Students.

STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Feb. 21. Delmar M. Reynolds, a senior student in the department of English, has been awarded the prize offered by the junior class for the best original farce to be produced by the juniors on their class day next month. The play is a comic opera entitled "Princess Enone."

Miss Stella Wynne of San Francisco has been awarded the prize in a short story contest conducted by the editors of the Quad. P. C. Edwards, '06, of Indianapolis was given the award for the best original poem.

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