

# MISS BERGER WILL RETURN WITH REMAINS

## CHEMISTS SAY AT INQUEST THAT TRACES OF STRYCHNINE WERE FOUND IN ANALYSIS

### COLOR REACTION SHOWS PRESENCE OF POISON

#### Witness Declares Mrs. Stanford Suspected Some One in Her Own Household.

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much more feeble in its action than strychnine. Doctor Shorey agreed with a statement by Duncan concerning an estimate of the amount of strychnine that half teaspoonful of bicarbonate of soda obtained from Mrs. Stanford's bottle would contain. Such half teaspoonful would contain, he said, according to their estimate, one-twentieth of a grain of strychnine.

He further testified that he and Dr. Duncan employed the only practical test in their examinations of the organs and contents.

Deputy Sheriff Rawlins, who presided over the inquest, propounded the following to Dr. Shorey: "Have you carried your examination far enough to know the amount of strychnine found?"

Dr. Shorey answered: "I have not said and would not say that we found any strychnine, it would simply say that we developed the color reaction which strychnine causes."

"The color reaction is caused by the thousandth part of a grain of strychnine. Any quantity at all will cause a color reaction if there is sufficient residue from the matter being tested after the elimination processes," the doctor explained.

"We could have made other tests in this case, but the residue would have been too small to see anything at all. I do not believe that there was as much as the one thousandth part of a grain in the entire organs."

Mrs. Duncan and Shorey have films which they used in the tests where there was a process of elimination of other matter until the residue for the final test was practically an invisible white on the films. An application of acids to these showed the blue and purple colors which demonstrate the presence of strychnine. The amount is insufficient to show crystals even under the microscope.

#### SUSPECTED A SERVANT.

Mrs. Henry E. Highton of San Francisco testified as has been set forth in these dispatches regarding her conversation with Mrs. Stanford after the latter's arrival in Honolulu. Mrs. Highton said that Mrs. Stanford positively told her that her poisoning in San Francisco in January was a suspicious case and involved one of her own household.

Mrs. Highton further testified that Mrs. Stanford appeared to be afraid that the attempt to poison her would be repeated.

In presenting the chemists' written report to the jury to-night, Dr. Shorey made the further statement that possibly his testimony during the afternoon session was not clear. He intended, he said, to state that the examination of the organs obtained no definite residue of strychnine or anything else, but only a color reaction.

This result under the circumstances indicated the presence of a minute quantity of strychnine, so minute that it could neither be weighed or seen. In treating four or five pounds of organic matter for the isolation of alkaloids there is always some loss of the alkaloids.

Juror Hays—Do you positively say that strychnine was there? Dr. Shorey—I will not say that anything was there that could not see, but the color reaction produced is not known to be produced by any other substance than strychnine.

The remains of Mrs. Stanford will not be sent to San Francisco on the steamer China. It is now planned to ship her body on the steamer Alameda, which leaves here March 15. Miss Berner and Miss Hunt will remain here until that time, and it is possible that Deputy Sheriff Rawlins may accompany them to San Francisco.

#### FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS MADE

Body to Be Taken to Nob Hill Mansion, Then to Palo Alto.

PALO ALTO, March 7.—The body of Mrs. Stanford will lie at the university two days before it is placed in the mausoleum where Senator Stanford and their son Leland are now at rest. On the first day the body will be placed in the memorial church and on the second day it will lie at the Palo Alto residence.

Funeral services will take place on the third day, but the minister who will conduct them has not yet been selected.

#### ORCHARDISTS BEGIN SUIT AGAINST WATER COMPANY

Would Stop Operations of Bay Cities People in Santa Clara Valley.

SAN JOSE, March 7.—The suit of Charles Miller against the Bay Cities Water Company to prevent the defendant from taking the water of this valley to Oakland and San Francisco commenced before Judge Rhodes in the Superior Court to-day. Great interest centers in the case, and the outcome will affect hundreds of orchardists.

The Bay Cities Company is erecting an immense water plant at Coyote station and has offered to furnish 100,000 gallons water daily to San Francisco and Oakland, and it is claimed the taking of this water from the county will dry up the wells and rob the orchardists of underground water strata. A permanent injunction is asked to stop the operations of the company. The case will be heard by Judge Rhodes.

Charles Miller, the plaintiff, and Rudolph Wilkes were the only witnesses to-day. They testified that pumping in adjoining ranches affected wells on their property and they believed the immense works of the Bay Cities Company would permanently injure them. Garret McEnerney and Judge John Garber appear for the water company and S. F. Leib and J. E. Richards for the orchardists.

#### TELEPHONE MANAGER SHORT IN ACCOUNTS

Charles C. Anthony of Palo Alto Faces Discrepancy of Nine Hundred Dollars.

SAN JOSE, March 7.—Charles C. Anthony, who for nearly two years was manager of the Sunset Telephone office in Palo Alto, is short \$900 in his accounts. He has been removed from his position and unless his friends make up the shortage by to-morrow night he will be arrested.

Anthony is of a highly respected family and has been very popular in Palo Alto. Besides conducting the telephone agency, he is interested in a candy store. Anthony's father is bookkeeper for the Middleton Lumber Company at Boulder Creek, and it is believed he will come forward with the money and save his son from being charged with embezzlement.

The Pacific Surety Company of San Francisco is on Anthony's bond. Anthony was removed from his office on February 18. An investigation showed \$1000 missing, but against this amount, Anthony has a credit of \$100.

#### STANDARD OIL WANTS TANK AT SAN DIEGO

SAN DIEGO, March 7.—At the meeting of the Board of Harbor Commissioners this afternoon, the application of the Standard Oil Company, through its local representative, G. Sykes, for the right to construct a landing at the pier head line and connect it by a pipe line with a large crude oil tank to be erected at the foot of Twenty-second street, was considered and set for hearing on March 17. The company proposes to put in a tank for crude oil to hold 20,000 barrels. The oil will be brought here in tank steamships and pumped through a pipe along the bottom of the bay to the tank on shore.

The company is under contract with the Hawaiian-American line to supply its steamships with oil and the desire of the vessels to take oil here is one of the reasons for the application. Another reason, however, may be the desire to secure an outlet for the Union Oil Company.

#### LEGISLATORS CLASH

Hot Words Pass Between John and Senator Lynch.

SACRAMENTO, March 7.—The building and loan bill has been the nemesis of the Legislature from the opening to the closing week. The last quarrel of note occurred to-night between Assemblyman Warren M. John of San Luis Obispo and Senator Henry W. Lynch of the same county. John, in speaking against the building and loan bill last evening, impugned the motives of the Senate committee that drafted the measure.

He roasted every one that had anything to do with the bill with the result that Lynch, who hails from his section of the State, went over to the Assembly chamber to "call him down."

"You lie," said Lynch. "You know you lie, and I won't stand for your condemnation of my colleagues." John was white with anger, but he made no reply. Later he set about preparing a complaint against Lynch to call him before the bar of the Assembly to show cause why he should not be punished for contempt.

#### TRANSATLANTIC COMPANIES MAY RAISE THE RATES

Saloon and Steerage Passengers Will Soon Have to Pay More for Tickets.

LIVERPOOL, March 7.—It is understood that as a result of the recent conference of representatives of transatlantic steamship companies in London saloon rates will be advanced \$5 to \$12.50, according to the class of steamship, and that second cabin rates will be raised \$5.

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## BUTLER'S STORY CONTRADICTS.

### Says He Did Not Uncork Poland Water Bottle.

#### Declares Miss Richmond Is Mistaken

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net yesterday.

Whitney was in the sweatbox for nearly an hour. His interrogators were Captain Burnett, Acting Chief Spillane and District Attorney Byington. The butler answered all questions in a straightforward way and accounted for his movements in a satisfactory manner. He consented to be photographed and was allowed to go.

Shortly after he left, Miss Elizabeth Richmond, the former maid of Mrs. Stanford, pale and worn, hurried through the front entrance of the Hall of Justice. There was a hunted expression in her face and she tried to steal in unobserved.

When never accused, Attorney Mountford Wilson joined the inquisitors in Captain Burnett's room. When told of McWhinney's assertion that he had not opened the bottle from which Mrs. Stanford drank the poisoned water, the pale little woman seemed a trifle startled, but she stuck to her story.

She was made to go over again the incidents of the thirteenth and fourteenth of January and was submitted to a rigid cross-examination on every point. She was made to account for every movement made by her from a point long ante-dating her employment by Mrs. Stanford.

"Beverly did not accompany the woman this time. He came after she had been in the sweatbox for some time. The former butler was put through a cross-examination equally as severe as the one undergone by Miss Richmond."

"What do you mean by perquisites?" she asked. "I never grafted myself, either, but I took perquisites when we were traveling in Europe."

"Well," he replied, "when we were traveling in Europe I used to take commissions on sales. It is expected and nobody ever complains about it."

"I never did," replied Beverly firmly. "Not one 5-cent piece. I got my \$75 a month and that is every cent I made here."

"She did not; never to my knowledge," Beverly was angered at the report that had been spread to the effect that he had accused Miss Berner of "grafting."

Beverly and Miss Richmond were permitted to go and went out of the building together.

"I told them that I would not need them again until I receive word from Honolulu," said Captain Burnett later. "They will not be held under guard by my order. You may safely say that."

Nevertheless, it is reported that the pair will be summoned to San Francisco again to answer questions of the police. Miss Richmond is still at the Beverly home near Burlingame.

"I don't want my name dragged into this case," demanded William McWhinney of the detectives when he was led before them.

He was assured that no suspicion rested on him whatever and that only information was sought from him in the interest of justice. Before the detectives had finished the "sweating" the former butler was induced to sit for a photograph that will be filed away with the police records of the case.

At no time since the poisoning of Mrs. Stanford on January 14 has it been intimated that McWhinney might be involved. His character was thoroughly investigated and it was found to be good. With the detectives yesterday he was perfectly frank.

When he made his very important contradiction of the statement of Miss Richmond as to pulling the corks of the Poland water bottles, the detectives desiring to press the point further told him that Miss Richmond had said that it was he that had opened the two bottles, one for Miss Berner and one for Mrs. Stanford.

"No, no, Miss Richmond is mistaken or you must have misunderstood her," answered McWhinney with an air of defiance. "I know that the motives of the sleuths could not be repressed."

Captain Burnett swung in his chair that he might give vent to ill-suppressed laughter.

McWhinney explained that he was not really the employee by Mrs. Stanford as butler. He had been engaged temporarily only by the caterer who was to take charge of the number of social affairs she had planned. It was early in January that McWhinney went to work at the mansion and he remained at the residence until February 14.

"I was there when Mrs. Stanford was poisoned, but I really know nothing about the occurrence, for I did not become acquainted to any degree with the members of the household," insisted McWhinney in trying to explain that the detectives were wasting time in questioning him.

"Who first told you about it?" "I wouldn't say positively, but I think it was Miss Richmond. It was either Saturday evening or an evening or two after that. We were at dinner, Miss Richmond taking her meals with the rest of us, and I think it was during the conversation about the table that she informed me of what had occurred on the evening of January 14 and what the chemist had reported."

In subsequent conversation about the house McWhinney had learned all the available details.

"Did you uncork the bottle of Poland water from which Mrs. Stanford took the poisoned water, and which later was found to contain strychnine?" "Did you ever open a bottle of Poland water that was taken to Mrs. Stanford's room?"

"Yes, on the evening she was poisoned I uncorked a bottle that was taken to her room. But the poison was found in another bottle, the one that had been placed in her room the evening before."

## DEATH CALLS LITTLE FATHER OF GONDOLIERS



FAMOUS GONDOLIER BY WHOSE DEATH VENICE LOST HER MOST PICTURESCAPE CHARACTER.

VENICE, March 7.—By the death of Luigi Zatta, the famous Venetian gondolier, the queen city of the Adriatic has lost a most picturesque character, who was known and esteemed far beyond the borders of Italy. Honest, witty but respectful, proud of his calling and devoted to Venice, he belonged to the old order of gondoliers, of which there are few specimens now remaining.

Many are the stories told of his prowess and battles for the honor of his town and profession. He was long known as the "Little Father of the Gondoliers" and assumed rather more authority over them than the courtesy title conferred on him, not hesitating to enforce discipline by corporal punishment.

Of late years many who are not Venetians have taken to the business and Zatta much resented this alien invasion to which he ascribed the decadence of the old traditions of courtesy and fellowship among the knights of the oar. On one occasion he created a sensation by pitching into one of the foreigners who had demanded from a woman, with threats, more than his proper fare. They tumbled into the Grand Canal together and the old chap was nearly drowned, but he felt amply consoled for that by the severe drubbing and ducking the other fellow received.

This episode led really to his death, as the fellow one night knifed Zatta in the back, reopening an old wound received in the war of independence, and which never again healed.

The old man was very fond of the ladies, admiring particularly foreign types, and as he never forgot a face, his friends all over the world were legion. He was a great match-maker, too. If he had a young couple in his gondola he would take them to the most romantic spots, especially if it were moonlight, and sing love songs over their heads in his beautiful tenor voice, until only the stoniest hearts could resist the spell of the enchantment.

If necessary he would divert the attention of the chaperone by telling her blood curdling stories of what had happened in the different historic palaces, his pretty broken English adding much to the interest of his narratives.

The great event of Zatta's life was on the day he carried his hero, Garibaldi, in triumph about the lagoons, but it was also the day of his "great shame," as he called it, as he was so excited and nervous that he almost allowed the hero to have a ducking. He had carried all the sovereigns, foreign and domestic, without a tremor, but to have Garibaldi on his hands was an honor so great as to upset even his lion nerve.

Now Zatta is no more, and all the gondoliers of Venice are in mourning. The procession of black gondolas, guided by black-clad figures chanting a funeral dirge for the burial, was one of the most impressive sights Venice has ever witnessed. The lower classes idolized him, and a song composed in his honor, which was sung throughout the Venetian provinces, had for its refrain, "There is only one God, only one Pope and only one Zatta—for the regatta."

## DOES NOT WANT RECONCILIATION

### "Buffalo Bill" Declares He Will Have Nothing More to Do With His Wife

#### MRS. CODY NOT SINCERE

Showman's Attorney Says Woman's Overtures Were Not Made in Good Faith

OMAHA, Neb., March 7.—During the course of his deposition in his petition for divorce, William F. Cody (Buffalo Bill) to-day declared that he could not accept a reconciliation with Mrs. Cody and declared he would have absolutely nothing to do with her in the future. This declaration was made as the result, as Colonel Cody stated, of Mrs. Cody having charged him with being the murderer of their daughter Arta and announcing publicly that she would announce him over her grave.

A. M. Ridgley, for Colonel Cody, stated that Mrs. Cody had not been sincere in her expressed wish for a reconciliation and in making it he placed such conditions on her acceptance of such an event as to preclude any chance of Cody's accepting them.

Cody was questioned about the separation between himself and Mrs. Cody in 1877. He said that it resulted from an affair at a hotel in Omaha. He had closed a business season, he said, and was paying off the women employees. He said Mrs. Cody took exception to the manner in which he bade the women employees good-by, although he did not consider it an impropriety.

Colonel Cody left Omaha this afternoon for New York and will sail Saturday for Paris.

## TWO ROBBERS HOLD UP ROADHOUSE CLUB ROOM

Cover Seven Men Playing Poker and Then Take Their Coin.

LOS ANGELES, March 7.—In a manner which would have done credit to any pair of Arizona outlaws, two men entered the club room of a roadhouse three miles from Los Angeles on the Whittier road last night, covered seven men who were playing poker there and robbed them. From the dealer alone, a well known gambler known as "Spider" Kelly, the robbers secured \$125 and a big revolver.

## CAN WITH STICKS OF DYNAMITE FOUND

Believed to Have Been Intended to Wreck Safe of Bank at Campbell.

SAN JOSE, March 7.—A can containing four sticks of dynamite, fuses ready snipped, an extra coil of fuse and two drills has been found buried near the railway station at Campbell, four miles from this city. An old sack and a portion of a San Francisco newspaper of recent date were also found in the hole. Sheriff Ross believes the explosive was intended to wreck the safe of the Campbell Bank.

## CIGARETTE FIENDS NOT WANTED IN WISCONSIN

Legislature Passes Bill Prohibiting Manufacture and Sale of Paper Cigaretts in State.

MADISON, Wis., March 7.—The Legislature to-day, by a vote of 78 to 1, passed a bill absolutely prohibiting the sale or manufacture of cigarettes or cigarette paper.

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### WEBER ESTATE WORTH \$61,000

Special Dispatch to The Call.

AUBURN, March 7.—The appraisers of the Julius Weber estate have filed their inventory and have fixed the valuation of the estate at \$61,000.

Judge Prewett has granted a continuance of the time of passing sentence upon Adolph Weber for the killing of his mother until March 27, in order that the great mass of testimony may be written up by the court reporter. Weber's attorneys will at that time move for a new trial. This will be refused by Judge Prewett and an appeal will be taken to the Supreme Court. Weber still maintains his innocent demeanor. He eats and sleeps well.

Yesterday he was visited by Parker Whitney and Miss Grayson of San Francisco. As the latter left the jail she remarked to the officer, "I feel sorry for him." Weber heard her and laughingly called out, "I feel sorry for myself."

As one result of this great murder case, Henry Vaughn was to-day committed to the insane asylum at Agnew. During the trial Vaughn became very much wrought up over the case, finally imagining himself a detective. His brother, Charley Vaughn, was a witness for the defense.

SPOKANE WOMEN CALL ON MAYOR FOR REFORM

Twenty-Two of Them Visit His Office to Protest Against Poolrooms.

SPOKANE, March 7.—Twenty-two women, representatives of the Federated Society of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, marched in a body from the Baptist church to the City Hall to-day and called upon Mayor Boyd to enter a protest against poolrooms. The women argued that pool selling was prohibited by the law which makes gambling a felony and they wanted the Mayor to enforce the law. They also declared that young boys played the ponies and they wanted this stopped.

The Mayor promised to have the boys arrested and said he would refer the pool selling matter to the Corporation Counsel. As the rooms are now conducted under licenses issued by authority of the Council the Mayor intimated that he did not believe the practice could be legitimately moved against.

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