

SHE WAS TOO BIG.

Why Webb Objected to His Wife.

EVIDENCE FAVORING HER.

Showing Up the Duplicity of Mrs. Strube.

SHE WAS BOTH FRIEND AND FOE

Dr. Dean on the Witness-Stand—He Was Asked a Question That He Could Not Answer.

Proceedings in the Webb divorce case were resumed before Judge Ogden yesterday morning.

H. W. Rice of Hayward, an uncle of Mrs. Webb, testified to the existence of the peep-hole that had been cut in the ceiling of the defendant's bedroom, and produced a card upon which the size of the opening had been traced. The card was put in evidence.

Mrs. Webb was then called to the stand. In the beginning of her direct testimony she strongly hinted at a conspiracy of which she had been the subject.

She stated that her husband in Hathaway's presence had accused her of unfaithfulness. Later on Parsons and Kimage had come to her house and repeated the same charge. They added that she could secure a divorce by saying nothing and tacitly admitting her guilt.

Such a course as this Mrs. Webb said she emphatically protested. Even when Parsons assured her that he and Hathaway had taken an oath not to reveal the truth if she would interpose no legal objections she still strenuously declined to be a party to such an outrage.

Then followed in rapid succession emphatic denials of every charge made against the defendant by the plaintiff in the complaint.

"Why did you leave your house when your husband ordered you out?" "Because there was an officer present, and I thought that you are a wife was accused of unfaithfulness had to go away," replied the witness.

Mrs. Webb then told how her husband had been accused to ill use her, and had called their boy a brat and a nuisance.

When this testimony was objected to the court ruled that it was admissible, as the custody of the child was in controversy.

The witness then continued: "Sometimes I would ask my husband why he did not take me out, for he used often to go to the theater, and I was lonesome at home. Then he said: 'You are too big. I am ashamed to be seen with you.'"

The disposition made by the witness of certain moneys was next brought up. Six hundred dollars had been advanced for some land in Oakland, and \$2000 for Lake County property. All of this money, Mrs. Webb said, was used to defray the current expenses of the house.

With regard to having invited Dr. Dean to a French dinner, she testified that she had seen him, and that she had invited him to see the doctor, but that she had never seen him.

The now famous "nestling" expression appears, according to Mrs. Strube, to have been used by Mrs. Webb. Witness denied ever having applied it to Dr. Dean. Mrs. Strube, she said, nestled on her neck and kissed her.

To show the general duplicity of Mrs. Strube, and to emphasize her private detective work upon the conduct of Mrs. Webb the following formula was prepared by her, the scientific palmitist, and given to Mrs. Webb with the address of Mrs. Strube.

First—To gain affection. Second—To scatter all obstacles in way. Third—To bring back to the witness. Fourth—To cast off sickness and trouble. Fifth—To scatter enemies by death. Sixth—To command a person at your will. Seventh—To charm all persons and have power to grant marriage and divorce to whom applied.

To further show Mrs. Strube up as a spy, a piece of paper was introduced in evidence bearing the address of Mrs. Strube, 625 Clay street, San Francisco, with a crude cipher, by which the letter "A" was indicated by the number 26.

The witness, upon interrogation, denied ever having wished her husband out of the house, and that she could collect his life insurance.

She described the San Jose trip, and told how, at Mrs. Strube's suggestion, she had consulted the gypsies.

to talk too much. This feature caused Attorney Foote poignant grief upon more than one occasion.

The doctor said he had treated Mrs. Webb since 1887, and at request of counsel described his manner of treatment.

Dr. Dean denied the charge as to relations with the defendant. He said his visits had been purely professional, having been six to forty-five minutes, and never received an invitation to a French dinner from the defendant.

In his cross-examination Mr. Moore wanted to know why Dr. Dean had not treated Mrs. Webb if he had treated her for six years.

The doctor said such a complaint as she was suffering from could not be cured. It was discovered that the doctor kept no records, and that he refused to pay for the progress of his patients or tell how much they owed him.

Dr. Dean was asked by Mr. Moore if under certain circumstances he, like the Prince of Wales, to protect certain Duchesses, went to the witness-stand and committed perjury to save her.

The question was objected to, but it was allowed by the court, and the doctor said that he would not do that to him, he did not know what he would do.

An adjournment was then taken until 7:30 o'clock in the evening.

Dr. Dean again took the stand at the night session and testified to payments made by Mrs. Webb to him for professional services.

Mrs. Webb was again put on the stand and corroborated the testimony of the doctor as to payments of money for services.

Mr. Moore asked Mrs. Webb if she told Mr. Webb on May 13 that she had consulted a spiritualist, and that she was told something was going to happen to her.

The witness went as a nurse to Mrs. Webb when the latter made a trip to Santa Cruz for her health. This was the occasion when it is said Mr. Webb swore at his wife when taking her to the station to catch a train. He had put her in an old wagon which was out of order.

Mrs. Webb was fearful would cause her to miss the train, because of the frequent stopping to drive the tire on the wheels.

Mrs. Webb expostulated with her husband because of using the wagon, and he answered her, "You are too big, and you are too lighted."

Mrs. Carrie Thomas, a wife of a brother of Mrs. Webb, testified that in 1891 she was at the Webb house, and one day while there heard Mr. Webb swear at his wife, saying to her: "You never want me to whip that child."

Mr. Webb, witness said, wanted to whip the child, and she intervened. In cross-examination the witness stated that the boy was writing his lesson when company came, and the father wanted him to go with it, but the mother wanted to wait until the company had gone.

Mrs. Carrie Thomas, a sister of Mrs. Webb, said she was taking care of her sister one night in 1881, and Mr. Webb was snoring so loud that he disturbed Mrs. Webb, and she said, "Will you, you are always causing trouble." "Then," witness said, "he flew out of bed."

Judge Ogden asked if he generally treated his wife well, and the witness said: "No, sir; he did not."

"Well, what did he do?" said the Judge. "Well, I'll tell you one thing he did. He once fired a dog at her."

Mr. Webb, witness said, had been accused of using profane language, but the Judge ruled out the question on an objection from opposition counsel.

J. H. Waugh, a druggist, who formerly worked for Dr. Dean, testified to seeing Mrs. Webb often come to the drugstore to see the doctor, but had never seen anything wrong between Dr. Dean and Mrs. Webb. Witness said he had never seen any women come to see Dr. Dean as often as Mrs. Webb came.

Mrs. Jeannette Heale, a sister of Mrs. Webb, testified that she was present at a trial of the boy Eddie, who was presenting, and heard Mr. Webb swear at his wife.

In the cross-examination witness could not remember if she did or did not wake the boy before his father struck him.

Sheriff McKillohan testified that in May, 1893, Mr. Ramage of Hayward was one of his deputies.

for my life no more. I have many good friends, but none know where I am to-day. I ask no favors of any one. Good-by, to meet in next world. J. A. H.

Everything pointed to suicide, but when an autopsy was made it was found that Bright's disease had been the cause of death. This puzzled the doctors not a little, as it was thought that the initials "J. H." were those of the deceased and that he committed suicide. The supposition was that he had taken opium when first found, but not taking sufficient to cause death had realized from the effects after being taken to the hospital, and that during the night he again took a dose of the drug, which it was thought he had concealed about his person, which dose had a fatal effect. His story of the revolver was discredited, it being thought that he had it to finish the job in case the drug did not work.

Coroner Evers has been very assiduous in his endeavors to identify the identity of the man, and accordingly sent pictures of the deceased to all who might know anything of the case.

In the memorandum-book was written "Hotel Vendome, San Jose, on one page, and according to the letter was sent to the Chief of Police of that place.

Yesterday word was received from this source that the man was known in San Jose, that he was a Mason and went by the name of Andrew Como.

The Chief of Police also wrote that Como was from Missoula, Mont., at which place he had relatives and property. It was also stated that Como had money in some bank, but this Coroner Evers has no evidence of bankbook or certificate being found on his person.

The coroner has sent word to the authorities at Missoula, but is still very much mystified at the letter written by "J. H. H.," and in which the writer bid this was writing his lesson when company came, and the father wanted him to go with it, but the mother wanted to wait until the company had gone.

Railroad Matters. The residents on the south side of Broadway feel that they are very much hurt in their business and property interests by not being able to get off the Seventh-street local except on the north side of the street. A petition asking for a change is being circulated and generally signed by persons residing between Seventh and Broadway streets.

Attorney Baker of the Southern Pacific was in the afternoon of the council-chamber on Monday night, but did not get an opportunity to express himself. In an interview with the Chief of Police, the railroad company was perfectly willing to pay a reasonable license tax on each of the thirty-five cars used on Seventh street, but thought that \$10 per year, the same rate as charged for streetcars, was sufficient, and if this rate was fixed, Mr. Baker said, the railroad will not claim the right to do a streetcar business on the ground that they pay a municipal license. It was this that City Attorney Johnson had previously advised the Council not to place the tax at \$10 per year.

Work of the Supervisors. Among other things done yesterday by the Alameda County Supervisors, the contract for building the annex to the Hall of Records was let to the Fortia Brick Company. The bid of the successful firm was \$29,149. The bonds of the contractors was fixed at \$7500.

Most of the day was taken up by the board in consideration of the Livermore road. This road will extend along the Rio del Valle into the valley and town of Livermore, and the question of building it has been before the board for over two years. After hearing the testimony of numerous residents in the district to be affected the whole matter went over to November 13, to which date the board adjourned.

Big Tax Receipts. On Monday Tax Collector Rosborough turned over to the County Treasurer the sum of \$136,602 41, this sum representing the tax receipts up to that time.

The amount will be immediately apportioned among the various funds and reported to the depleted condition of some of them.

The excess of taxes collected this year over last at this time is \$65,508 02. This is partially accounted for because the higher rate of taxation this year, than last, being 20 cents in excess, and also because the outside districts are reporting earlier than last year.

Buried Here. The remains of Miss Millie B. Clow, the Oakland teacher who died while on the cars on her way to and from the World's Fair, on May 31 last, were sent to the World's Fair, on Monday, arriving on Monday. They were buried in Mountain View yesterday afternoon.

Berkeley. The electric light service is to be increased by placing lamps at Stewart and Grove streets, Shattuck avenue and Adeline street, King and Harmon streets, College avenue and Russell street, Claremont avenue and Russell street and at or near the entrance of the Deaf and Dumb Asylum grounds. This last lamp will be maintained by the asylum, which has a full electrical plant. This increased service will be attained by taking one lamp from the lowers in various parts of town.

The number of lamps will be the same. The light at Channing way and Ellsworth street will be removed to Channing way and Tremont street.

The Arion Club. The Arion Musical Club, which is the Loring Club of Berkeley, D. B. Loring, after whom the latter is named, being the director of the former, is to be made a university organization. The present includes some half hundred voices. It practices in Siles Hall, and plans are being laid for the presentation of a number of oratorios during the coming year.

Was the Prisoner. A number of organizations in town are making endeavors to secure the prizes offered by the Oakland Consolidated Electric line for the greatest number of prize tickets. An especial effort is being made by the friends of the late Mrs. Loring and the Fred Finck Orphanage, for the latter of which Oaklanders are working also.

New Stations. The Oakland Consolidated Electric Railway will erect waiting-rooms along its line at Center street and Shattuck avenue, at Alcatraz street and Broadway, and at Grove and Mason streets. The plans for the same, however, will have first to be submitted to and approved by the Board of Trustees.

Alameda. Laura E. Webster has filed a complaint in the Superior Court against her husband for a divorce, upon the ground of extreme cruelty. She complains that her husband has abused her daily for over eight years. He spent much of his time kicking her, bird cages and killing her birds. She sets forth that when they kept a boarding-house in San Francisco he used to pour water in the clean beds and also squirt water through the keyholes of bedrooms and wet the carpets to make the roomers have cold feet. She also alleges that one night he arose from the family couch, and going into the room, stood under a fan, and turned the water on himself, and then, in that condition, he went back to bed.

again, much to his wife's annoyance. The parties reside in their home on Paris street and Buena Vista avenue and have no children. He is a skilled mechanic in the employ of the Dow Steam Pump Works in San Francisco.

No Boxing. The boxing match that was to come off in Alameda for the benefit of the fund of the Midwinter Fair will not take place, because of the refusal to grant a license by the City Council. They do not believe in boxing matches.

The Public Park. The citizens on Park avenue desire the authorities to improve the public park. It now looks like a thistle ranch.

Dangerous Ill. Peter Meslek is lying at the point of death at his home on Central avenue.

The French Players. "Nos Intimes" Keeps the Audience Merry.

Victorien Sardou's "Nos Intimes" was the attraction offered by the French Dramatic Company at the Grand Opera-house last evening. The comedy is not unknown to the English-speaking stage—a version has been played in this city under the title of "A Wife's Peril." It is the most effective comedy the French players have yet given us, full of bright lines and active business. The cast shows that the entire strength of the company was included in its interpretation:

Maurice..... M. Jean Coquelin
Causse..... M. Chameroy
Maurice..... M. Deroz
Laurie..... M. Remy
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Jean..... M. Chameroy
De la Richaudiere..... M. Maurice
Cecile..... Mme. Mouton
Mme. Vignolle..... Mme. Davuise
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Causse is everybody's friend and in-auls all the "intimes" with a will. In the act of the accept the invitation that the house of the hospitable host can well accommodate, and this fact gives much of the comic element to the piece. The chief interest, however, is centered in Cecile Causse's wife, on Maurice, a pretended invalid, who, under the guise of illness, seeks to excite that pity in her breast which is akin to love, and on Tholios, the doctor who, being up to "the best thing he does," keeps a vigilant watch on him. The piece, it is needless to say, was admirably played. Having especially developed the varied phases as the country gentleman, the invalid, the doctor, the best thing he does, M. Coquelin played Maurice, the intensely selfish old hump who turned affairs topsy-turvy to suit his own convenience, and disarranged all the regulations of Causse's household for that purpose. He kept the audience laughing till they were tired.

The programme to-night is a Moliere one—"Tartuffe" and "Les Precieuses Ridicules."

Next week's programme is as follows: Monday—"La Jolie Fille de Peur and Gringoire." Tuesday—"Frou-Frou." Wednesday—"Le Grand de M. Poltier." Thursday—"Le Grand de M. Poltier." Friday—"Les Effrontes." Saturday matinee—"La Dame aux Camellias." Saturday evening—"Tartuffe."

CAMINETTI HERE. The Congressman Gives His Views of the Elections.

Congressman Caminetti arrived here yesterday and registered at the Lick House. He had stopped a little while in Sacramento between trains to pay his respects to his constituents. Referring to the elections he said:

"The way they have gone is doubtless due to the dull times and the popular belief that the party in power is the cause of the business depression."

"Did the silver fight have anything to do with it, do you think?" "Oh, no, I don't think it did. See how New York went. Maynard was the principal cause there. Even the independent papers that had supported Cleveland fought Maynard. No, I don't think the silver fight had anything to do with it."

Mr. Caminetti was asked why Congress failed to make any appropriation to cover the expense of registering the Chinese under the McCready bill. His reply was in substance:

"Well, the Committee on Foreign Relations which reported the bill could not recommend any appropriation under the rules, and the Committee on Appropriations could not recommend a special bill until the regular session. Besides, the bill could not be amended. We all supposed that the session would run right along into the regular session, and then an appropriation would be made. It was only the Senate would shut us off as they did. The money set apart to carry out the Geary act can be used, though, and before December 10 there will be a special appropriation bill reported in April."

The reason the President had not appointed more Democrats to the important Federal positions in this State, Mr. Caminetti said, was that he was following the policy of both administrations in waiting for the term to expire. Internal Revenue Collector Quinn's case was an exception which Mr. Caminetti could not clearly explain. Mr. Quinn's case was an exception, however, in the improvement of the Sacramento and San Joaquin rivers and the needs of his own district than in any appointments—more interested in his own district than in anything else.

Educational Union. The annual election for the board of directors of the Women's Educational and Industrial Union took place yesterday, with the following result: Mrs. W. B. Ewer, Mrs. E. K. Taylor, Mrs. Louise A. Miller, Mrs. J. C. Taylor, Mrs. M. V. H. Swain, Mrs. Mary W. Keane, Mrs. C. Chappelle, Mrs. Paris Kilburn, Mrs. O. V. Thayer, Mrs. A. B. Cantin.

Dille's Lecture. To-morrow night the Hawthorne Society will give a grand stereopticon exhibition of World's Fair views and lectures at Metropolitan Temple. Rev. E. R. Dille will deliver the lecture, and several prominent local artists will render musical selections during intermission.

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FALLING IN LINE.

Concessionaires at Work in the Park.

GRADING FOR BUILDINGS.

Space Being Secured by Chicago Exhibitors.

CLAUS SPRECKELS' DONATION.

Santa Clara's Prune Horse—Siskiyou County Wishes to Exhibit Joaquin Miller's Cabin.

Some of the concessionaires in connection with the Midwinter Fair, who have been decidedly tardy in practical preparation for the opening of the exposition, are waking up to the necessity for prompt action to be in line with the procession on January 1.

Engineer M. O'Shaughnessy spent the day with a number of delinquent contractors yesterday, and last evening contracts were made for the immediate grading of the sites for the Oriental, Chinese and Heidelberg Castle sites. A location has been assigned for the Santa Clara building, and the Hawaiian cottages are rising rapidly. The walls of the cyclorama are well up, and work has been commenced on the aquarium.

An interesting feature of the Santa Clara exhibit will be the prune horse. The de-

vice which attracted so much attention at Chicago is to be reproduced here. The steed, made of the product of the prune trees, will be newly caparisoned with fruit and will surpass its original appearance in the California building in Jackson Park.

The horse, with the rider, is intended to indicate the pre-eminence of Santa Clara County in prune culture.

The cash receipts yesterday were \$224 50, making a total amount received to date \$233,621 21. Hooper, McArthur, the Omnibus line \$1000 and the Ferris and Cliff House \$1000 each of the latter being paid by the committee to a company of \$1000. Claus Spreckels subscribed \$5000 to the Midwinter Fair.

Word came from Chicago yesterday that 12,000 feet of the space in the building for Manufacturers and Liberal Arts had been contracted for by the exhibitors making up the Russian section in the Columbian Exposition. This reduces the space at the disposal of the committee to a comparatively small amount and those who wish to get in on the ground floor, literally, had better be up and doing. More than 3000 feet was yesterday allotted to local merchants.

A novel sort of excursion has been projected for the benefit of the Midwinter Fair. It is to take place on Sunday next, leaving Mission pier at 12 o'clock and returning at 5 o'clock in the afternoon. The excursionists will go out to sea as far as the heads in a full-rigged ship, the Eclipse, so that those who have not had that experience before may sail out under full sail at the same time and need not have any fear of not getting back again, whatever wind or tide may be, since a tug will go along as consort. The ship will be manned with a full complement of sailors, who will man yards, trim ship and form all the evolutions of a vessel started on a long voyage.

Bids for constructing the fence around the exposition grounds will be opened, as heretofore, at 12 o'clock on Saturday, November 11. A number of bids have already been received, but some of the bidders do not seem to understand what is required of them. Bids are received by the committee at the building comprising lumber, nails and barbed wire, will be supplied by the exposition. The entire length of the fence is supposed to be 8500 feet, and bidders will estimate at such per running foot. The height of the fence is to be fifteen feet, twelve feet of lumber and three feet of barbed wire including five strips of the latter. Instead of bidding for bands twelve feet long in width of ten, twelve and fourteen feet, bids will be accepted on construction with tongue and grooved stuff in various widths, as these may be donated by the lumber men. Bids are also invited to make separate bids for the construction of the fence, supplying all materials and doing all the work themselves.

Siskiyou County proposes to exhibit the old log cabin built and occupied by Joaquin Miller in the early fifties near Dutch Flat where the bull now stands. The walls have been pierced by bullets, and arrowheads are still sticking in the walls in various places. In this cabin Joaquin Miller entertained one hundred Indian warriors who attempted to storm his retreat one winter's day.

The bee-keepers from the southern part of the State are arranging a large and comprehensive exhibit of honey in the comb, in glass and in the granulated state. Beeswax and an endless variety of the appliances used in the apiculture, including several colonies of the bees, will be displayed by Elder J. J. Morrison, Rev. E. R. Dille and Fenton T. Newberry, representing the local Canadian auxiliary committee, held a conference this morning with George E. Foster and M. Angus, two of the Canadian exhibitors now in the city. The desirability of Canadian representation was represented, and the visiting statesmen replied that Canada would not allow herself to be overlooked, and would make a display not less elaborate than at Chicago.

An exhibition of submarine diving will probably be a feature of the coming exposition. It is proposed, by the promoters of the display, to dig a well 12 feet deep, into which a diving bell will be sent at intervals. A fee will be charged for these excursions, which will be made under the charge of a practical diver.

The Barara Marble Quarry Company of Amador County will furnish for the entrance to the mineral department the same amount of marble which is now in the space occupied by it at Chicago. The Miller management also notes that the position management that they will place the marble in position to correspond with



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