TELEGRAM-HERALD.

GRAND RAPIDS, TUESDAY, JULY 13.

## SAYINGS AND DOINGS.

The U. S. District Court will be in session today.

Men are working on the roof of the second story of the new Barnhart block.

S. Bradford, the baker, baked eight hundred loaves Sunday night for the regatta men.

An excursion train of Fourteen cars from Kalamazoo will visit Ottawa Beach Wednesday.

The wholesale grocers will close this afternoon. Most of the employes will visit the Lake.

The Fourth of July committees met at Sweet's last night, audited and paid all accounts in full, and adjourned sine die.

Three carloads of people from this city went to Ottawa Beach on Sunday and several private teams took the same place a visit yesterday.

A tramp arrested for sleeping in a box car near the G. R. & I. M. Junction, was sent to jail for five days by Justice Walsh, yesterday.

Janet Sanford was granted a decree of divorce from Priestly Sanford in the Superior Court yesterday, on the grounds of extreme cruelty.

The Grand Rapids tourists stopped at Ionia for about three hours on their way to Detroit yesterday. The Ionia boys made it pleasant for them.

A dozen Holland emigrants reached this city yesterday. Two stopped here and the rest went to Newaygo and Bayne Falls. Few are arriving now a-days.

The new Blakeley block on West Fulton-st. is almost completed and F. B. Blakeley is moving in his stock of hardware. The store will be opened next week.

John McIntyre, administrator of the estate of the late John Clancy, gave to Bishop Richter yesterday a check for $60,000, the amount left by Mr. Clancy to found a Catholic Orphan Asylum.

Tessie Hawthorne and Jane Smith got drunk and amused themselves by turning somersaults at the Black Hills Sunday. They were sent to jail for twenty days each in default by Justice Westfall yesterday.

The President of the Macatawa Park Association has forbidden the steamer Savidge from landing passengers at their dock. South and Ottawa Beach having secured the traffic has been the means of arousing the President's ire.

It is now told on the street that Carroll's Weekly Wind will soon appear as a stalwart Republican paper with Hon. Truman S. Bailey as editor. It is certain that a strong effort is being made by interested parties to induce Mr. Bailey to take charge of the paper.

A letter from the Cutler House informs the TELEGRAM-HERALD that a black bass weighing seven and one-half pounds, was caught in the river at Grand Haven on Sunday. It seems that the wicked fish of Grand Haven will bite on Sunday. Will Mr. D. A. Blodgett please preach a sermon from this text?

### AMUSEMENT NOTES.

**"The Pirates of Penzance."**

The opera of "The Pirates of Penzance," given last evening at Powers' Opera House by local talent for the benefit of the Police Relief Fund, was largely attended. It would be unfair to expect the same rendition by amateurs as is usually witnessed at the hands of professionals, but yet, considering the difficulties to be met with, and the lack of sufficiently extended rehearsals, the performance last evening reflected a great deal of credit. To be sure, the chorus frequently wandered far from the time kept by the orchestra, and occasional passages were not true, but on the whole it was pleasing. Primarily, Gilbert & Sullivan's operas are the most difficult of any for amateurs, their chief merit consisting in the satire and fine humor which runs through them all, and their successful presentation depends more upon this, than in the mere vocal or instrumental score, or in the same recital of the lines. Mr. Rogers as the Pirate Chief discovered a good voice, and was well up in the business of his part. Mr. Popowski, as Frederick, was weak, both in voice and acting, his voice is a very fair tenor, but lacks in compass and vigor. Mr. Buchanan, in the part of Maj. Gen. Stanley, was very acceptable. Miss Weiss, as Mabel, exhibited a remarkably sweet soprano voice in the middle register, but it lacked truth in the upper notes. She acted the part in a manner much above the ordinary beginner. She is possessed of much beauty, and with proper vocal culture would compare favorably with many professionals. The feature of the evening was the "Policeman's Chorus," by a squad of Grand Rapids finest, which was well given and loudly encored. The company are greatly in need of good stage management, this want being very noticeable upon the first appearance of General Stanley's daughters, when instead of disposing themselves in easy pictures about the entire stage, they continually huddled, like a flock of sheep, near the wings on the right. The performance will be repeated this evening and everybody who has not seen it should attend.

**At Ottawa Beach.**

Life goes on gally at Grand Rapids' own and own summer resort, Ottawa Beach, at the mouth of Black lake. The new steamer, Queen of the Lakes is in service in command of Captain Johnson, the jolliest old skipper that ever sailed our inland seas. The "Ottawa" has just got straightened around and ready for business, and Joe. H. Spires and his amiable wife make the pretty hotel almost a paradise for all guests. The Beach is becoming famous as a fishing resort, and bass and perch reward the enthusiastic anglers every day. Among the guests at the Ottawa registered up to last evening, were: Miss Kate Sparry, Chicago; V. W. Wilson, White Pigeon; J. H. Parker wife and daughter, New Orleans; F. Sherwood, Memphis, Tenn.; F. O. Nye and wife, Holland, and the following from Grand Rapids: J. H. Terrell, J. H. Rice, N. S. Hayes, J. M. Manly, Mis E. A. Stanly, C. De Ruyter and lady, E. M. Schermerhorn, J. Minor, Henry Spring, C. H. Lewis and wife, H. M. Amsden, O. D. Fisher and wife, Thomas Crane, Jr., W. J. Warner, Geo. C. Pitner, G. H. Sellers and wife, F. Mindenhall, Jos. Krone, Miss Watson, T. W. Dwight, J. A. Wykes, Geo. Crane, Miss White, Otto Thorn, H. J. Dorenblum, W. S. Cox, A. S. Ainsworth, J. S. Allen.

**Muskegon Knights and Their Ladies.**

A party of Knights of Pythias with their ladies, from Muskegon, passed through the city yesterday on their way to attend the grand conclave of the Order, which meets at Toronto, Canada. Among them were: Major Booth and wife, Capt. R. J. Goldborough, H. J. Fleetwood, S. C. Moon, Sam Kaw and son, O. S. Fuller, Jos. Johnson, J. R. Teesdale, George Scherer, Joe Hamilton, George Towler and wife, Capt. W. A. Amsden, Fred Peck, Col. Chas. Dodge, Abe Mix, Charles and children and Miss Johnson, of Muskegon.

**A Horse Thief.**

Sunday afternoon an unknown man was seen in the pasture of Reinhard Koning, near the plaster quarries, leading a pair of horses and driving a pair of cows. The witnesses of the act supposed the man owned the animals he was employed to care for there. The case proved one of theft and complaint was duly made to Justice Walsh's court yesterday and a warrant issued for the arrest of the thief. The team is valued at $300.

Remember the Fraternal Circle excursion to Macatawa Park, Friday, July 16. Round trip tickets $1. Tickets now on sale at Union Ticket Office. This will be the finest excursion this season, and everybody is invited to participate.

By Order of Committee.

# LOCAL LEGISLATURE

## A Proposition From Boston to Supply Us With Water.

## PRESIDENT THAYER'S ANNUAL REPORT

### The Mason-St. Main Will be Rebuilt—New Sidewalks Ordered by Wholesale—A Prolonged and Weary Session.

The regular meeting of the Common Council was held last night, Mayor Duxerman in the chair. Absent, Aldermen Crogan. Residents on Franklin protested against the removal of the electric light on that street, referred to Committee on Lamps. The accounts amounting to over $17,000 as recommended by the Controller, were passed with the exception of the bill for telephone hire, which was referred to the Committee on Claims and Accounts. The time for collecting the Canal-st. wheeling tax was extended thirty days at the request of City Marshal Nesser. President Thayer of the Board of Public Works, presented the annual report of the Board. It shows that the amount of water pumped during the past year was an increase over the previous year of [illegible] 300,000 gallons, the pumps having worked one-half an hour a day longer. It pointed out the many defects of the present water system, and the impossibility of granting the requests of citizens to provide new water works mains for the undesirable supply of water. The gross receipts for the year $[illegible], net income, $[illegible], an increase $[illegible]. The report also asked the city to pay for the water drawn from the 285 hydrants at $60 a year. Accepted. President Thayer recommended that a new main replace the one passing under the river at Mason-st. He also recommended that $10,000 be transferred from the loan fund to the water works with which to rebuild the main. President Thayer stated that he had received the following proposition:

The undersigned, representing a syndicate who propose to organize a corporation to be formed for the purpose of supplying the city of Grand Rapids, Michigan, with an ample supply of pure and wholesome water, propose to provide for and take up the city's entire water indebtedness, now amounting to about three hundred and eighty-two thousand dollars of bonds outstanding.

First—It is proposed that the corporation to be formed shall have an authorized issue of not to exceed twelve hundred thousand dollars of bonds, issued only as required for the purposes of the corporation. Such bonds to be secured by a first mortgage or trust deed to be made to the American Loan and Trust Company of Boston. Three hundred and eighty-two thousand dollars par value of these bonds, and which three hundred and eighty-two thousand dollars shall bear interest at the rate of five per cent. and have twenty years to run, being a first lien on all the property of the corporation, including the city's present water works, when acquired, to be given to the city for the present system of water works, which shall thereupon be turned over to the corporation. The interest on said $382,000 of bonds to be paid to the city until such time as the city's water bonds, now outstanding, mature, and then to be taken up in cash at par as the city's bonds mature. The said $382,000 of bonds to have a first preference as to interest from the first net earnings of the company.

Second. The proposed corporation to furnish an ample supply of pure and whole some water from wells or galleries, located at or near the point where the city's tests were made, or from such other localities as may be determined upon. The work to be commenced immediately, or as soon as possible after the city shall approve of these terms, and a system of forty miles of mains, including the present system, to be completed on or before October 1st, 1887. Said system to render satisfactory service in every particular, and all new mains laid to be cast iron pipe of approved quality.

Third—The existing hydrants on the present system of the city's works to be rented by the city at the rate of sixty dollars per year, and new hydrants to be taken by the city at the same rate on each five hundred feet of new mains the corporation may lay to complete said system of forty miles. New lines of mains or extensions to be laid by the corporation whenever so ordered by the city, provided the city takes a hydrant at the same rate on each five hundred feet of such new mains or extensions. New hydrants to be placed by the corporation at the same rate on the present line of pipes, at such new locations as may be designated. Whenever the number of hydrants rented and in use by the city shall exceed six hundred, then the hydrant rental shall be reduced to $50 each for all hydrants, such contract for hydrant rental to run for a term of twenty years, and at the expiration of such term the city of Grand Rapids shall have the option of purchasing the said works, as they may then exist at a price to be agreed upon by both parties, and in the event of their not agreeing upon a price, the same to be settled by arbitration, the city to adopt the proper ordinances to enable the corporation to construct and perfect the system and carry on its business.

S. D. Louns,
M. R. Chew.

Boston, June 30th, 1886.

After some discussion the matter was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means with the Mayor. The Mayor to appoint three other members on the committee. He appointed as such members Alds. DeGraff, Huntley and Stewart.

The following letter was read:

Hon. Geo. W. Thayer, Chairman Board of Public Works, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

DEAR SIR—I am well acquainted with Messrs. R. R. Phillips, Charles A. Rogers, Joshua Loring and L. B. Loring, who as a syndicate with some other gentlemen, have made a proposition to the City of Grand Rapids with reference to a new system of water supply. I think these gentlemen are abundantly able to furnish the necessary funds for such an undertaking and can be relied on to carry out any contract which they may assume. Most respectfully yours,

J. W. CONVERSE.

Accompanying this document was a letter from Messrs. Loring & Crow, offering to fill an indemnification bond for such amount or with such sureties as Council might direct.

President Thayer called attention to the fact that the contract with Eddy, Briggs to connect for water on his land, expired July 13, and on behalf of the Board recommended that the lease be extended one year. Adopted.

President Thayer, addressing the Council, said that the proposition of the Boston gentleman came entirely unsolicited. The syndicate heard that the water supply of this city was insufficient, and they had had engineers here looking over the field. He wished to vindicate the Board, the members of which had not yet even discussed the matter. The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners asked that $1,000 be transferred from the Police Department to the Fire Department fund in order to reconcile the books with those of the city Treasurer. Referred to Committee on Claims and Accounts. The Board of Police and Fire Commissioners asked for further information in regard to a resolution adopted by the Council asking the Board to enforce the property ordinance, accepted. Alderman Saunders moved that the City Clerk be instructed to request the Board to enforce the ordinance relative to the protection of lamp posts, etc., adopted. The Committee on Streets recommended that Bridge-st., just at the brow of the hill, be straightened and widened, adopted. The Committee on Ways and Means recommended that the prayer of Thomas Walsh, J. F., asking for a license be granted, adopted. A. B. Watson was granted a pool table license on Lot 2, Lemer & Richmond addition. The bids of E. A. Connelly and the G. R. E. L. & P. Co. for lighting the city with oil and gas respectively were accepted.

The committee on lamps was granted a week's further time to consider the bids for gas lighting. The petition asking that Gillespie between Hastings to East Bridge-st. be improved was denied. The Spring-st. roll was confirmed, there being no appeals. The Lowell improvement roll was laid on the interior appeals. The roll for the construction of a sewer in the alley in block 1, Silverman's addition, took the same course. Ald. Stein moved that South Division-st. be improved from Hallett to Wealthy-ave., and that the expense be charged to the First and Third highway fund. Ald. Stanly amended the report so that the expense be charged to the First ward fund. Alderman De Graff opposed the amendment. Alderman Stein, in view of the fact that the street will be gravel-blocked next Spring, thought a few hundred dollars should be spent to get the street in shape. Alderman Stanly thought it was better to wait and macadamize next Spring. Alderman De Graff was tired of waiting. Alderman Stewart moved as a substitute that the matter be referred to the aldermen of the First and Third wards. Adopted.

Alderman Stein moved that electric lights be placed at the corner of First and Fulliard-sts. and Second Division-st. Committee on Lamps.

Ald. Stanly introduced a resolution fixing the day's work of the city employes at ten hours. Laid on the table for one week. Sidewalks were ordered by wholesale by the aldermen in various parts of the city. Ald. Hayward moved that $10,000 be transferred from the hospital fund to the water works fund for the purpose of laying the Mason-st. water main under the river. Adopted.

### OUR FOLKS.

Justice Brouwer is still ill.

Mrs. Ed. Fitzgerald is at Mancelona.

District Attorney J. W. Stone is in Marquette.

L. G. Davidson is suffering from a poisoned hand.

Mrs. W. E. White went to Chicago yesterday to visit relatives.

Mrs. Vanderkloot of Chicago, is visiting relatives in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Soules returned yesterday from a visit with relatives at LaGrange, Ind.

Mrs. Homer Bovington of Chicago, is visiting Mrs. Geo. F. Buss of North Crescent-ave.

Miss Frankie Hydorn, of Court-st., left yesterday for a visit with friends at Cedar Springs.

Master James Dyke, of Riverdale, Ills., is visiting his uncle, Frank Dyke, of 102 Center-st.

The Putnam Daniels, Crosby and Ball families enjoyed a picnic at Ottawa Beach yesterday.

Supreme Oracle Mohler, of the Patriarchal Circle, of Minneapolis, arrived in the city yesterday.

Miss Jennie Higgins, of the Telephone Exchange, is spending her vacation at Macatawa Park.

E. P. White, who has been visiting his mother at the Brunswick, returned to Chicago yesterday.

Frank E. Chase has returned from a visit at Boston. Mrs. Chase and daughter will remain all summer.

Mrs. A. T. Peck and children, of East Saginaw, are visiting her brother, L. A. Miller, of the Ledyard block.

Mrs. Lucy Huntley Clark and son Willie left yesterday for a short visit at Niagara Falls, Buffalo and Aurora.

H. D. Irish, proprietor of the Cutler House at Grand Haven, and Will Savidge, of Spring Lake, were in the city yesterday.

Prof. C. B. Buchanan, of Wilton Junction, Ia., returned yesterday from a visit with his brother, Capt. Stuart Buchanan, of Ionia.

Mrs. W. H. Hughes is in Carlsbad, Austria. Her traveling companion, Miss Maud Hughes, is journeying through southern France.

Miss Julia Page, a teacher in the State Industrial Home at Adrian, is spending her month's vacation with her parents at 216 Jefferson-st.

Mrs. Anna Werner and son Frank, and Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Robinson, of 22 Beswick-st., left yesterday for a week's sojourn at Macatawa.

E. C. Thorpe, of San Antonio, Tex., passed through the city yesterday on his way to Pentwater to join his wife, Rose Hartwicke Thorpe.

Willis Perkins, prosecuting attorney of Kalkaska county, who has been in the city for the past few days, went to Lansing yesterday upon legal business.

Rev. J. E. Roberts and M. D. Lane leave today for Portage Lake upon a fishing jaunt. Mr. Lane will remain a few days, Mr. Roberts about three weeks.

Profs. Greesom and Eggers left for Traverse City yesterday. George B. Stanton will meet them at Mackinaw Thursday, and the party will then go yachting on Lake Superior.

Mrs. Nelson W. Northrop, of Cherry-st., has returned from a two weeks visit with her husband's relatives in Danbury, Conn. She also went to New York and other eastern cities.

A. C. Wurmser, of Wurmser & Louis, of Kansas City, Fred Louis, of Louis & Co., of Cincinnati, I. Gottlieb, of Cleveland and H. A. Stern, of St. Louis, all furniture buyers, are in the city. Geo. B. Stoddard, of Knapp & Stoddard, of Chicago, is also here.

### RAILROAD GOSSIP.

J. H. P. Hughart is expected home from New York in a few days.

A. S. J. Holt, G. R. & I. agent at Cincinnati, was in the city yesterday.

John Wykes, traveling auditor for the C. & W. M. R. R., was in the city yesterday.

President W. O. Hughart, of the G. R. & I. R. R., goes to Muskegon today upon business connected with the new line.

Lieut. Knox and Sergt. Bennett, of Company I, are obliged to remain at home from the encampment by the press of business in the G. R. & I. offices.

Auditor F. A. Gorham, of the G. R. & I. R. R., did not go to Chicago last Saturday to witness the ball game. Mr. J. E. MacBride did not go either.

Superintendent J. M. Metheany, of the Northern Division G. R. & I. R. R., is superintending the construction of a bathing house at Olen. He will be home in a few days.

The C. & W. M. R. R. has purchased one hundred new Milwaukee folding chairs for the decks of the "Queen of the Lakes." The chairs are of the best make. They are painted red.

Of the 500,000 and over acres of land granted to the G. R. & I. R. R. by the government, about 300,000 still remain unsold. The company has leased the land for thirteen years.

### SPARKS FROM OUR SPECIAL WIRE.

Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Thompson, who entered upon his duties yesterday and who has charge of the appointments in that department, told a United Press reporter yesterday that he was in full accord with the President's views of civil service reform.

C. W. McKeown, a prominent and much respected lawyer of Onion, Henry Co., Ill., has evidently disappeared, leaving a shortage of $13,000.

A scheme is on foot to hold a farmers' convention in St. Paul, August 25 next, with a view to effecting a permanent organization. The principal object of the organization will be to look after national legislation bearing on agriculture and labor at Washington.

The Virginia delegation will call on the President today in a body and urge him to reconsider Mr. Goode, for Solicitor General. It is the opinion that he will do so.

The Denver & Rio Grande railway was brought in yesterday by the Cappell interest for $1,000,000.

### Contest Results.

At Kansas City—Detroit, 10; Kansas City, 2.

At Washington—Washington, 5; Boston, 4.

At St. Louis—Chicago 9, Marcum, 4.

At Philadelphia—Philadelphia, 7; New York, 6 (11 innings).

At St. Louis—Athletics, 8; St. Louis, 10.

# GOV. A. P. SWINEFORD

## Writes an Open Letter to Attorney-General Taggart.

## THOROUGH INVESTIGATION DEMANDED.

### He Accuses the Attorney-General of Allowing Fraudulent Claims and Prosecuting Him for Political Purposes.

The following letter from Gov. A. P. Swineford to Attorney General Taggart was published in the Detroit Free Press yesterday morning:

MANISTEE, July 10, 1886.

Hon. Moses Taggart, Attorney-General, Grand Rapids, Mich.

SIR—I am informed through the newspapers and otherwise that you propose bringing suit against me in behalf of the State, to recover $700, which you allege to be due from me to the State, on account of the money which came into my hands as United States Commissioner to the New Orleans Exposition of 1884-5. I had concluded to make a statement to you concerning this matter, but after mature consideration have decided otherwise.

However, in addressing you this open letter I premise by saying that I paid out in the expenses attendant upon the business of the Michigan exhibit at the first New Orleans Exposition more money than came to me, and asked for no compensation for my time or services, both of which were freely given, to the exclusion and detriment of my private business. I am informed, through sources I deem wholly reliable, that your pretended efforts to recover money alleged to be due from me to the State are, and have been, prompted wholly by political considerations, and I venture to suggest that your conduct in the premises has been, and is, unfair, unjust, and in all respects such as will hardly entitle you to the respect of reasonably fair-minded persons. The good people of Michigan are, I believe, generally possessed by a spirit of fairness, and will not demand from one of their public servants more than is their just due.

The Prosecuting Attorney of this county informs me that you have requested him to bring suit here for the recovery of the $700 alleged to be due from me to the State before I leave Michigan once more for Alaska; but, *he being a Democrat and an honest man*, I have asked him to allow you to bring the suit, and insist that you shall take the responsibility. In order to make it easy for you to do this I have empowered my attorneys, Messrs. Dickinson, Hosmer & Thurber, of Detroit, to accept service for me, in any action you may be pleased to bring against me, either here, in Detroit, or elsewhere in the State, and this whether I am in Michigan or Alaska. The reasons that move me to this course—some of them—I will here state:

I do not believe that you think I owe the State anything; but if I did so believe, I would not render an account to be passed upon by any officer, or board, whose legal adviser *you* are. You have directed suit to be brought without ever requesting payment of the sum alleged to be due. The only communication I ever had from you was an envelope inclosing a copy of the report you made to Governor Alger—which appears to have been mailed to me at Sitka, March 6, 1886, and which reached me just as I was leaving Alaska for Michigan, and the original of which, it seems, you sent to the Committee on Territories of the United States Senate, without ever having asked me a word about the matter, and before I could possibly reach Michigan without neglecting matters of grave concern to the people of the Territory committed to my care. I was designated Governor of Alaska in May, 1883, but remained in Michigan till August 1, and you did not ask me to account for, or pay to the State, anything. I went to Alaska, and later, after I had reached my post of duty, several thousand miles from Michigan, and you knew I could not return without leave of absence or forfeiture of the office to which I had been appointed, and in either event only at great expense, you took notice of the statement made by the fellow Carroll, who was expelled from the Michigan Exposition Commission, that the World's Exposition donated to the State of Michigan $5,000; that $1,000 had been retained by me, and that Carroll had been called upon by Director Gen. E. A. Burke for an account of this $1,000. Both of these statements were untrue, *and you knew it*. All the money that came into my hands was paid to me as United States Commissioner; it was never in the State treasury, and the State never had any control of any part of it, until I paid over to the Commissioners appointed by the Governor four fifths of the whole amount received.

Then follows a long history of the work of the New Orleans Commission. After commenting at length upon facts with which the people are familiar, the letter continues: "Do you pretend to say, sir, that if you really thought I owed the State, this report of yours to the Governor, made while I was absent in Alaska engaged in the public service, was a necessary proceeding looking to the collection of the money? But this is not all. I was absent from August 1, 1885, to the last of June 1886, and during that time you filled the press of the State with false and slanderous reports and charges concerning this matter, causing them to be repeated in all the varied forms known to the ingenuity of the press. When I came back from Alaska I not only found that state of facts, but at Washington I found this report of yours in the hands of the Senate Committee which had the question of my confirmation under consideration. It must be apparent to any unprejudiced person that you made that report for the purpose of defeating, if possible, my confirmation by the Senate. It was not made for any legitimate purpose. If any necessity for it existed even in your mind, that necessity was a purely political one, and did not improve the merely honest desire on your part to collect a sum of money honestly believed to be due from me to the State. Neither that report, the interviews, nor yet the newspaper slanders set afloat by you, will be recognized as legitimate agencies in the collection of debts, and a resort to them by you, in this instance, was a no less wicked and unjustifiable one than it was a cowardly assault upon my private character, wholly discreditable to you as a citizen, and a positive disgrace to the high office you hold. Your conduct in this regard will not be approved by any honest man belonging to which political party he may. It was simply a stab in the back, a killing in the dark, a wanton effort to injure and blacken my character while I was away from home in a distant country and in a position where I could not defend myself. Such a cowardly course is not usually pursued by honest men."

In alluding to the action of the Commission in allowing Mr. Carroll's claim for expenses, the letter says: "This creature Carroll, whose agent you seem to be, tried to get money from the Commission while a member of it, wrongfully claiming to have paid out money, which upon its face it was patent he had not expended, and which every member of the Commission knew he had not paid out. In fact he claimed to have paid out money as long as eight months before anybody did anything about the State exhibit, and long before the exposition was dreamed organized. And yet acting under your advice, no doubt, the State Board of Auditors has paid this fellow Carroll out of the State money for expenses never incurred by him and for services never performed.

You did this with the knowledge that the Commission had refused its payment, and without ever asking a single one of its members its reasons for the refusal. You paid this money, too, without any authority of law. The statute authorizing the State to pay the expenses of the exhibit at New Orleans only authorizes the payment of the expenses of the New Orleans Commission. It does not authorize the State to pay Tom, Dick and Harry each claims as they may present, but recognizes the Commission as the agency to pass upon its own accounts. The Commission had disallowed Carroll's claim, because it was false and fraudulent, and this you knew when you allowed it.

Your pretense of an attempt to save money to the State is flimsy. It is without merit. Had you a better motive for paying him this money than that of procuring him to furnish you false material to use to this dirty political work? I apprehend not. In this matter you have dragged your high office into the lowest depths of political intrigue and infamy. Because I am a Democrat you would stop at nothing to injure me personally, and it seems that nothing you could do with all the power that lay behind the name attached to your office, was neglected, necessary to accomplish that purpose, but to impair my prestige and value as an officer in a very important branch of the public service."

The letter is concluded as follows:

Now I especially desire that you will *see me promptly*. I demand the fullest investigation—not by you or anyone who acts under your advice, but by and through the courts. My attorneys are ready to meet your charge. But I want you to act for yourself. Your desire and attempt to put the case in charge of a Democratic Prosecuting Attorney, so that in the end, when you are defeated and covered with the shame you deserve to have thrown upon you, you may be able to lay the blame on Democratic shortcomings, is too transparent to not easily be seen through.

I am aware that it is not usual that business letters should be given to the public, as this letter will be, but for the reason that its main purpose is to answer the unjust and wicked slanders that you have promulgated and sought to impress upon the public mind, through the name of your office and through the newspapers of this State, it will be given to the press. All I desire is that this statement shall have as wide publicity as the arraignment you saw fit to bring against me in your newspaper interviews and fulminations when I was thousands of miles distant from Michigan.

I have once met this report of yours to Gov. Alger before a committee of the United States Senate, and it was not believed by any member of that committee, and I do not believe one member for a single moment gave it any credence. That ought to satisfy even your modest ambition to excel all others in the performance of dirty political work, such as never fails to receive the indignant condemnation of the honest men of all political parties.

Now, do please come into court, Mr. Taggart, and stop your newspaper talk. I am ready to convict you of all I charge, and show in court, what you already know, that I not only paid out fairly all the money intrusted to me, and much more, but that I rendered my services, extending over a period of six months, and of such value as they might be to the State without charge or compensation. You may rightfully remark that this letter contains some strong language. Your conduct calls for it. Milder words would fail to do you justice, and, besides, I do not wish to be misunderstood.

Very respectfully, etc.,
A. P. SWINEFORD.

### BAYARD ON THE FISHERIES.

**A Letter from the Secretary of State in Reference to the Seizures of American Vessels.**

PORTLAND, Me., July 12.—The following is self-explanatory:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON, D. C., July 9.—*To E. J. Willard, Esq., Portland, Me.*—SIR:—"Your telegram of the 3rd and your letter of the 7th inst., stating the seizure at Shelburne, N. S., by the local authorities of the port, of the schooner George Cushing, were duly received. Before the receipt of either news of this seizure had been received by the department and instructions had been sent to the Consul-General at Halifax to proceed to Shelburne and obtain full knowledge of all the facts and make full reports to this department of the cause of such seizure and the nature of the complaint upon which such proceedings were founded. In the absence of such authentic information it is impossible for the department to take any action or give you advice. You are well aware that questions are now pending between this Government and that of Great Britain in relation to the justification of the rights of American fishing vessels in the territorial waters of British North America. I shall relax no effort to arrive at a satisfactory solution of the difficulty, and in the meantime it is the duty and manifest interest of all American citizens entering Canadian jurisdiction to ascertain and obey the laws and regulations there in force. For all unlawful deprivation of property or commercial rights this Government will expect to procure redress and compensation for the innocent sufferers.

Very respectfully yours,
T. F. BAYARD."

**No More Anarchist Jurors.**

CHICAGO, July 12.—No additional jurors were secured in the anarchist trial today. C. B. Stange, a clerk in the First National Bank, who was summoned to serve on the jury, and for three days refused to appear, was severely lectured by the Court, fined $20, and compelled to take his seat among the talesmen. Later he was excused for cause. As the close of today's session the defense had made 112 peremptory challenges, while the prosecution has limited itself to forty-six. Each side has 100.

### PROHIBITION CAUCUS.

Prohibition caucuses for each ward in the city to elect delegates to the Prohibition County Convention to be held in Duxell, are hereby called to meet at the W. C. T. U. Hall, on Bridge-st., Thursday, July 15th, at 8 o'clock p. m.

Each ward will be entitled to three delegates and three alternates in the convention.

Let the Prohibitionists from every ward in the city turn out in force.

Dated July 10th, 1886.

J. B. TATEM,
Chairman City Committee.

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