

PENNSYLVANIA BRIBERY

Damaging Evidence Before the Investigators at Harrisburg.

ALLEGED WOULD-BE BRIBERS.

They Are Ex-Senator Coyle and Representative Moyle, and Witnesses Declare They Offered Cash to Representatives Engler and Criste.

Harrisburg, March 8.—A meeting of the committee to inquire into the charges of bribery in connection with the passage of the McCarrill jury bill in the house, was held last evening in the house judiciary general committee room.

The committee is composed of Representatives W. H. Koontz of Somerset, Frank B. McClain of Lancaster, Michael J. Tighe of Luzerne, Charles E. Voorhees of Philadelphia, George R. Dixon of Elk, John H. Fow of Philadelphia, John B. Rendall of Chester and Robert K. Young of Tioga. McClain succeeds Captain Skinner, resigned.

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THE SENATORIAL DEADLOCK.

Still No Sign of a Settlement of the Prolonged Contest.

Harrisburg, March 8.—The ballot for United States senator yesterday resulted in no election. Ex-Senator Quay gained two votes, however, by the absence of four members without a pair.

The result of the joint ballots for senator, from the thirty-seventh to the forty-second, was as follows:

Table with 5 columns: Name, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42. Rows include M. S. Quay, George A. Jenks, John Daize, John Stewart, C. W. Stone, George F. Huff, E. A. Irvin, P. A. B. Widener, Alvin Markle, Charles Tubbs, Frank M. Rice, Charles E. Rice, G. A. Grow, and Total.

ITEMS OF STATE NEWS.

Harrisburg, March 4.—Governor Stone yesterday tendered D. T. Watson, of Pittsburg, the appointment of justice of the supreme court of Pennsylvania, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Judge Henry W. Williams, of Wellsboro.

Hollidaysburg, Pa., March 7.—The puddlers employed in the Portage Iron works, at Dunsmuirville, have been granted an increase of 25 cents per ton.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., March 4.—Alonzo Kittle, aged 16, of Plymouth, died yesterday from a gunshot wound received on Thursday while out hunting.

Bradford, Pa., March 6.—Thomas Nolan, 18 years old, son of a well known oil producer, was shot in the back and probably fatally wounded while trying to effect an entrance into the house of former Senator Lewis Emery.

Huntingdon, Pa., March 6.—The first section of the fast newspaper train, due here at 7 o'clock, was wrecked one mile east of this place yesterday morning by a landslide which resulted from Saturday's heavy rainfall.

SCANDAL AT CAPITAL.

Quay's Bribery Committee Holds Up the Investigation Into Charges.

ALMOST A FRACAS IN THE HOUSE.

Colonel Guffey Defeats Sibley, Who at Last Comes Out Squarely For Quay. Quay Calls on Sibley—Colonel Guffey's Great Generosity—The Democratic Party's Future in the Light of Present Troubles.

Harrisburg, March 6.—No week like that which has just been closed has ever been witnessed in the Pennsylvania legislature.

When the charges were published that members of the house had been offered money for their votes on the McCarrill bill the Quay faction poohpoohed the suggestion.

On Tuesday the committee met and organized, with Kreps as chairman and Voorhees as secretary, and adjourned until Thursday night to hear witnesses.

These were the men who, it is believed, were offered bribes and indignantly refused them, but the committee refused to hear these witnesses on Thursday because, at Mr. Voorhees' suggestion, Kreps and Voorhees, with Tighe voting with them, adopted a series of rules which General Koontz claimed would keep out instead of admit testimony.

A bitter fight was waged in the committee that night. Koontz declared that the resolutions were an outrage, and that he would appeal to the house for redress.

That night the Quay ring mapped out a scheme to keep Koontz from making his speech to the house the next morning. Koontz also intended to ask for the appointment of four new members of the committee, and the names given for this were those of Representatives Fow (Democrat) of Philadelphia, Dixon (Democrat) of Elk, Young (Republican) of Tioga and Moore (Republican) of Butler.

The committee will report to a meeting of the majority on Tuesday night next. It is believed that Farr will be severely censured. It is the consensus of conservative anti-Quay Republicans and Democrats that it is not well to do any revolutionary act, and Mr. Farr will in all probability be given another chance.

Colonel Guffey's statement: "The distinguished Democratic United States senators and representatives, who are foreign to Pennsylvania and not in touch with her political conditions, mean well, and no doubt are honest in their expressions, but have heard only one side of the question about which they write."

the senatorial situation themselves. They are familiar with both Republican factions, their strong and weak points, and as for themselves their course was distinctly outlined in the Altoona platform, on which the campaign was fought.

Quay visits Sibley. The next morning Sibley practically declared himself out of the fight. He found that he could not break the Democratic lines for Quay, and besides he was taken sick at the hotel.

The result of Sibley's attempt and the splendid control maintained by Colonel Guffey was that today the old Quay machine and its corruptionists than ever before.

It becomes more evident daily that the Quay leaders are getting desperate, as shown by their tactics of last week. Quay lost three Republican votes, viz: those of Representatives Hersh and Yates, of Philadelphia, and Mackey, of Lackawanna, and it is said that there will be four or five more desertions in a week or ten days.

Nothing better perhaps could happen to the party than to have the issue go before the people. The 87 Democrats in the legislature have demonstrated to the people that they are for better government and against corruption.

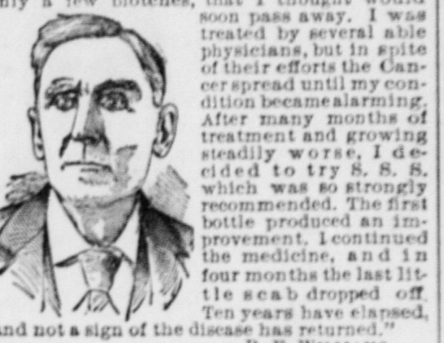
The youngest eloping couple on record spent several hours at the Allegheny, (Pa.), Police Station a few days ago, and were returned to their parents. The would-be groom was Charles M. Douglas, aged 3 years, and his prospective bride was Margaret Carpenter, aged 3 years and 6 months.

The lady gave the youthful elopers in charge of an officer, who learned their names, but they did not know on what street they lived. At the Police Station they were handed over to the matron.

Charles also told the matron he intended to marry Margaret. He was a most affectionate lover, placing his arm about the little lady's waist, and was not a bit pleased when she made him remove the arm.

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