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ROTTENNESS IN POLICE CIRCLES

From the Boss Down to the Very Lowest Ward Scullion.

AN OBJECT LESSON IN MISRULE

Some Choice Selections from the Testimony of Protected Bunco Steerers and Green Goods Confidence Men as Brought Out in New York Yesterday During the Inquiries of the Lexow Committee—Justice Patrick Divver's Select Early Associations—Political Preference Bought with the Blood Money of the Victims of Protected Vice

NEW YORK, June 19.—SUPERINTENDENT BYRNES has at last been brought directly into the investigation of the police department by the Lexow committee. He has now been dragged in. Lawyer Moss today took the head of the uniformed force by the collar, and, figuratively speaking, plumped him right down in front of the committee and the public. Mr. Moss began these interesting proceedings by reading the official reports of captains and inspectors to the superintendent in relation to certain precincts, in which they stated in many instances that no gambling places or disorderly houses exist in those precincts at the time covered by the reports, while the evidence taken before the committee showed that at that very time those precincts were honeycombed with disorderly houses. Mr. Moss pointed out that for years the police captains had reported the existence and location of hundreds of houses of a disorderly character. Suddenly, said Mr. Moss, after the grand jury had made a presentment calling attention to the existence of section 285 of the code giving to the superintendent of the police power to issue his own warrant for the raiding of such houses, these reports ceased and the captains reported that no such houses existed in these precincts.

BYRNES NOT SURPRISED. The abrupt disappearance of these disorderly houses did not appear to have excited any comment on the part of the superintendent. Mr. Moss said, although it would be to suppose, as the chairman pointed out, that the superintendent would either have complimented the captains for ridding their precincts so completely of disorderly houses or made some inquiry as to the correctness of the reports. Mr. Moss also pointed out the sum of what singular fact that in the earlier reports, in which lists of known disorderly houses and their location in the Eleventh and Fourteenth precincts were given, these lists were evidently written in the same clerical hand, the reports having been apparently made out at police headquarters, where snuff lists have been kept for years. The reports, although evidently made out by the same person, were signed by the captains of the respective precincts. Mr. Moss also put in evidence the letters addressed last year by the Society for the Prevention of Crime to the police commissioners, Superintendent Byrnes, and the chief of police, calling attention to the existence of certain specified disorderly houses, some of which letters were treated with contempt by Police Commissioner Martin and his colleagues. Mr. Moss also read official reports on the charges contained in some of the letters, some amusement being caused by the statements therein that Wardman Glendon had investigated some of the charges and found them unfounded. Glendon, it will be remembered, was one of the wardmen charged by several witnesses before the committee with having collected blackmail for police protection.

PASTOR HAMILTON TESTIFIES. Rev. William Hamilton, pastor of the Allen Memorial Methodist church, in the Eleventh precinct, was the first witness to-day. He testified to having asked Captain Divver if he could not do something to remove some of the houses of ill-fame in the street in which his church is situated. The captain said that if he closed the houses the inmates would simply go into tenements and more harm would result. As to the violations of the excise law on Sundays in the precinct, Rev. Mr. Hamilton said that on one occasion he counted seventeen or nineteen saloons open and doing business between his house and the church. He pointed out one of the saloons to the policeman on the beat, and asked him why he did not close it, and the officer replied that he dared not do so. After further strong testimony showing how bunco steerers were protected by making specific payments to the police, Mr. Goff opened up another avenue of information. He called a well-preserved looking man to the stand, who gave his name as Frank Clarke. During the war, Clarke testified, he was engaged as a gambler, being dealer in a faro game at the place known as "Old General's," at Prince and Mercer streets. The gambling place, the detective said, was frequently visited by police detectives from headquarters. They did business with police headquarters.

HEADQUARTERS DIVIDED UP. Among the headquarters men who regularly visited the "Old General's" at that time were Messrs. Bradford, Keino (afterwards superintendent) and Tilly. Some headquarters men called regularly each week for the money for the protection of the gambling house, and \$100 was always paid for that purpose. The money was put in an envelope, which was put in a certain place, and the officer always got it. The "General's" was a famous resort for thieves, pickpockets and burglars, who were in the habit of leaving their envelopes there containing money for the headquarters men. The witness said he had frequently seen these criminals put money in envelopes and leave the envelopes there for the police. Among

SIBLEY'S DEBUT AS A HUMORIST

The Crawford County Populist Puts the House Into an Uproar.

ANTI-OPTIONS TAKEN AS A TEXT

As Between the Vagaries of a Coxey, Who Goes to Congress to Get Arrested, and a Harter, Who Goes There to Get a Large Salary, the Gentleman From Meadville Confesses He Finds Difficulty in Choosing—Other Features of a Lively Debate.

WASHINGTON, June 19.—GENERAL debate on the Hatch anti-option bill occupied the house's attention today. In his speech advocating the bill, Mr. Sibley convulsed the committee by relating the visit of the Lord to the coast of Gadarene where the legion of devils, which he drove out of the unfortunate young man whom they had afflicted, entered into a herd of swine, which ran down the steep into the sea. Whereupon, the board of trade of Gadarene came out and petitioned him to leave their coasts. "And He said," said Mr. Sibley, "never more to return. And that's what the Chicago board of trade would ask if He were to visit them, fearing a falling pork market with no line of shorts out."

MR. SIBLEY OPPOSES BLOQUETTE. "The difference between Harter and Coxey seems to be," continued Mr. Sibley, "that Coxey came to Washington and was elected to serve twenty days in jail, while Harter was elected to come to Washington and serve two years in Congress. Which one serves his country best, God knows, I don't (laugh)."

ELKS IN GRAND LODGE.

The Afferly Forces Rally at Jamestown and Reopen by Filling Vacancies to Order.

JAMESTOWN, N. Y., June 19.—The grand lodge of Elks met in regular session at 10 o'clock this morning. Grand Exalted Ruler Afferly appointed the following to fill vacancies in the grand lodge offices: H. B. Watkins, of Danville, Va., grand esteemed loyal knight, in place of George A. Reynolds, of Hartford, Conn.; Meade D. Detweiler, of Harrisburg, Pa., grand esteemed leading knight, in place of Wilbur G. Myers, of Philadelphia; Dr. W. H. Caine, of Stillwater, Minn., and Thomas Turner, of Canton, O., members of the committee on laws and supervision in the place of L. E. Griffith, of Troy, and M. A. Foran, of Cleveland.

The morning session was taken up with reports of the credentials committee and of the grand lodge officers. The grand secretary's report for the year shows a strong growth of the order and sound financial standing. The amount to the credit of the lodge, March 23, was \$173,422; cash in hand, \$37,908. The total value of property owned by the lodge is \$433,967.

CRISP FOREIGN FACTS.

Emperor William recommends boat racing. Mr. Gladstone doesn't intend to visit America. Abdul Aziz has been recognized as sultan of Morocco. Sir William Vernon Harcourt will retire and be made a peer. Mulley Mahomed has been imprisoned in the city of Morocco. The anti-lobs conference will open at Leeds, England, today. In three days ninety-three persons have died from the plague in Hong Kong. Sir Edward Malet, English ambassador to Germany, has resigned, at Kaiser William's desire. The athletic congress at Sorbonne has resolved that in the proposed international sports no money prizes shall be competed for. Ritzel, of the Tyrol, beat Zimmerman, of New York, at the international schutzenfest at Mainz. Zimmerman was sixth in the list. Ambassador Bayard, Mrs. and Miss Bayard, Mr. and Mrs. Levi P. Morton, William C. Whitney, John Jay and Cornelius Vanderbilt saw the foot races.

ALL STRANDED BY A BIG BERG

Many of the Passengers of the Rose Drown in the Chili Sea.

SUNDAY ENDED IN A TRAGEDY

While Bound from Spaniard's Bay to Labrador, Captain Gosse's Trim Fishing Schooner Runs Into a Fog and Collides with a Floating Mountain of Ice—Twelve of the Crew of Fifty-five Persons Go Down.

ST. JOHN'S, N. F., June 19.—THE schooner Rose, Henry Gosse, master, bound from Spaniard's bay to Labrador for the summer's fishery, and having on board fishing crews numbering fifty-five persons, struck an iceberg Sunday afternoon off Partridge Point during a dense fog, and sank within ten minutes. The iceberg being low and flat, forty-three persons managed to clamber upon it. The remaining twelve, however, sank with the vessel.

THE latter included 8 men, 2 women and 2 boys. The survivors consisted of 27 men, 3 women and 7 children, and but for the accessibility of the iceberg, none of them would have been saved. The body of one woman was recovered. Shortly after, the crew of another vessel, the Irene, which was passing, hearing the cries of the people on the iceberg, brought their ship near and took off the castaways.

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BRIEF POLITICAL POINTS.

Speaker Crisp is ill. President Cleveland is back at his desk. Ex-Secretary of War Elkins is a candidate for the West Virginia senatorship. On the twenty-first ballot at Carlisle Judge Sadler was elected for re-nomination by Filmore Maust. Governor Tillman, of South Carolina, speaking at Rock Hill, called President Cleveland "an old bag of wool."

NEW WORK FOR GRAND JURY.

Washington Broker Refuses to Disclose Sugar Standard Evidence.

WASHINGTON, June 19.—A new feature was injected into the sugar investigation through George W. Sibley, of the firm of Sibley & Co., bankers and brokers. It was in Mr. Sibley's office that George Ransom, son of Senator Ransom and Captain Barnes, Senator Ransom's messenger made the small speculations that caused the rumor that the North Carolina senator was dabbling in the sugar stock. The newspaper correspondent who thought he had hold of a big sensation, told Senator Ransom that he had photographic copies of a stock sheet in his possession containing the names of "Ransom's" and yesterday testified before the committee that the sheet bore the name of Sibley & Co.

THE first witness before the committee this morning was Mr. Sibley and he fully confirmed the testimony of Senator Ransom that the senator had not speculated in sugar stock through the firm, and also stated that George Ransom had made small speculations. Mr. Sibley was asked if any son of his had speculated in sugar stock through his office, but he said he was unwilling to answer on that point until he could consult his attorney, Major Dan Littleworth. Mr. Sibley told the committee that there was another matter involved in the case which also deterred him from answering at this time. He said he meant a criminal prosecution, and this new feature interested the committee exceedingly.

MR. SIBLEY EXPLAINED that the stock sheet, of which the New York Press had photos, had been stolen from one of his branch offices, together with orders for stock signed by some of his customers. This was a criminal offense, he said, involving as it did the theft of private papers and he had secured the services of a private detective agency to assist in following up a clue which he had discovered from one of J. W. McCartney, of the firm of Corson & McCartney, the Washington correspondent of Moore & Scley, stock brokers, followed Mr. Sibley and also refused to give any information in answer to inquiries whether any senators had bought sugar stock. Mr. McCartney's refusal to answer questions will be reported to Vice-President Stevenson for certification to the grand jury, as was done in the cases of Messrs. Havemeyer, Searies, Chapman, Shriver and Edwards.

THE PRIEST KNOCKED DOWN.

His Demand at a Funeral for Back Church Dues Precipitates a Lively Commotion. READING, Pa., June 19.—St. Mary's Polish Catholic church was the scene of considerable excitement this morning. The trouble was caused over the funeral of a member, whose body had been taken into the church. Suddenly Rev. Father Januszkiewicz arose, and in his native tongue said, "All names back in their church dues will vacate their seats and either stand or leave." The request was repeated three times, when at least 150 persons arose in their seats and demanded the \$10 which had been paid for mass and which was returned.

THE STRIKE SITUATION.

It is charged that foreign strikers at Thomas Run have been secreting dynamite for use in case an outbreak occurs. At the Columbus convention, President McBride scored President A. A. Adams, of the Ohio miners, calling him a traitor; and President Adams accused McBride of selling out. Judge Taft, in the United States court at Columbus, O., sentenced six Belmont county miners, who were arrested for interfering with railway trains, to six months in Belmont county jail. They pleaded guilty.

QUICKSILVER IS PROTECTED.

The opposition from the finance committee was only passive, not active. On the vote to strike the paragraph from the free list, Senators Hill and Morgan, and the four Populists voted with the Republicans and the motion was carried 23 to 23. Quicksilver was then placed on the dutiable list, without opposition or division, at the rate of 7 cents a pound. The coal paragraph was amended by striking out "bituminous and shale" and making the paragraph read "anthracite coal and coal stoves of American vessels, but none shall be unloaded." The paragraph placing iron ore on the free list was struck out—yeas 43, nays 4, leaving iron ore on the dutiable list. The negative votes were given by the three Populists, Allen, Kyle and Peffer and by Mr. Hill (New York). Paintings and statuary remain on the free list. Thirty-three pages of the bill were disposed of, and when the last paragraph was reached the senate at 6:35 adjourned.

SUGAR SENATORS YIELD.

Ready to Bow to the Inevitable—Wool Also Changes. WASHINGTON, June 19.—It has been practically decided by those in control of the tariff bill in the senate, that there is to be a further revision of the sugar schedule, as it will finally be adopted will place a duty of 40 per cent. ad valorem on all sugars and one-eighth of a cent additional on refined and end there. Another change will also be made in the wool schedule. As agreed to, the rate of the finished product in men's clothing is fixed at 45 cents, with the duty on cloth entering into the manufacture of the same grade of goods is fixed at 50 per cent. This is a discrimination against the manufacturer in this country that will be remedied by increasing the duty on finished product to 50 per cent.

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