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M'GUIRE COLLAPSES

Contractor Breaks Down at New York Graft Inquiry.

ADMITS SENDING TELEGRAM.

Agrees to Tell Everything and Repudiated His Former Testimony—A Nervous Wreck While Being Questioned by District Attorney Whitman.

New York, Nov. 12.—George H. McGuire, the Syracuse state contractor, collapsed in the John Doe inquiry before Chief Magistrate McAdoo and confessed to the authorship of the famous "M." telegram. He also repudiated a section of his testimony given last Thursday and promised to make a clean breast of his knowledge of the shaking down of state contractors.

This was after the grand jury had taken a hand in the investigation and had heard testimony which promised criminal charges against McGuire. McGuire came into court accompanied by ex-United States District Attorney Henry A. Wise. He had evidently determined to tell the truth. Those who saw McGuire, a dapper business on the stand last Thursday, could hardly recognize him today. His face was pallid, and there were deep circles under his eyes. He walked with difficulty and was trembling with nervous emotion.

As soon as McGuire had taken the stand Whitman produced the "M." telegram and asked McGuire if he had sent it.

"I admit that I sent that telegram," replied the witness in a weak tone. He squirmed in his seat and shook visibly. He added, "After having had my memory refreshed."

"Did you write it yourself?"

"I did."

The telegram was then read. It was sent to John A. Hennessy prior to his speech just before the campaign closed at the Lenox casino, One Hundred and Sixteenth street and Eighth avenue. In it reference was made to William H. Kelly, Democratic state committeeman, and Hennessy was asked to make the statement that Everett Fowler had made Kelly's office in Syracuse his headquarters in 1911-12 to shake down state contractors.

"Do you recall a conference with Hennessy in the Utica hotel, Utica, N. Y.?"

"Yes."

"Circumstances regarding which you testified at the last hearing?"

"Yes."

McGuire Near Breakdown.

"Did he make notes or memoranda in your presence at that time?"

"The testimony I gave on that subject at the last hearing I repudiate now," said McGuire in a low, nervous tone.

"Did you give him at that time the names of any contractors who contributed to campaign funds?"

There was a long pause. The witness appeared on the point of collapse.

"As I recall the testimony at the last hearing—"

"Answer my question," interrupted Whitman.

"I didn't give him any names."

"No names at all?" asked the district attorney in surprise.

"He mentioned the names."

"What did you say?"

There was another long pause.

"I'm trying to recall," McGuire said finally.

Eugene Wood, who was quoted by John A. Hennessy as authority for his charges against Judge McCall, was called as the first witness. Wood is a red faced, heavily built, smooth shaven man with short cropped white hair.

He was for years a noted lobbyist at Albany. When he was asked what his business was he replied "law student." Mr. Whitman then asked him if he was a "legislative agent or lobbyist," and he replied that he was not. He denied knowing anything about McCall paying for his nomination to the bench.

LINER AGAIN AIDS IN RESCUE.

Rappahannock Helps Disabled South Point Back to Port.

London, Nov. 12.—The steamer Rappahannock, which rescued nineteen passengers from the burning Voltorno last month, has figured in another rescue at sea.

The Rappahannock was 750 miles west of Fastnet Light on Nov. 4 when she picked up a wireless S O S call from the steamer South Point, bound from Queenstown to Philadelphia. The South Point had broken the thrust block of her shaft and was unable to proceed. The Rappahannock turned back at once and went to the assistance of the disabled steamer, which she took in tow. The hawser, however, snapped, and the tremendous seas made it impossible to renew the tow-ge.

The Rappahannock then conveyed the South Point, which is crawling slowly into port at Queenstown.

Woman Found Drowned.

Newburg, N. Y., Nov. 12.—The body of Miss Amanda Williams, fifty-two years old, of Newburg, was found in the Walkill river. She had been missing since Saturday night, and it is supposed she was led off the river bank in the darkness.

NEWFOUNDLAND.

Newfoundland, Nov. 12.—Mrs. Job Moore and son Albert of Gouldsboro, spent last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Heffley.

Chas. Stickley and James McCauley, Samuel Hutchinson, Harry Henry, George Gerhard, George Kilpatrick, William Law, William Brogan and Joe Kilpatrick of Philadelphia, who spent last week at Hill Cottage gunning, have returned home.

John Hause, of Harrisburg, is spending the week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hause.

We are glad to learn that Mrs. Herbert Heberling is some better at this writing.

William Voeste spent several days in Honesdale last week.

The Ladies' Aid will meet at the home of Mrs. A. C. Angel on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Armstrong and son Jack, and daughter Louisa, of Chester, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Burrus last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Beaver are rejoicing over the arrival of a daughter.

\$2,600,000 FROM SWAMP ROOT.

Binghamton, Nov. 8.—The treasurer of Broome county will file with the county Surrogate a statement appraising the estate of the late Jonas M. Kilmer of this city, exploiter of Swamp Root, a patent medicine, at \$2,600,000. The fortune of Willis Sharpe Kilmer, his son, who is now in Europe, is estimated at about the same amount.

The fortune was built in twenty years. When the elder Kilmer started the manufacture of Swamp Root his original outfit consisted of a big iron kettle and a few gallons of ingredients.

PACIFIC OCEAN TRAFFIC WITH THE UNITED STATES.

One-fourth of Total Trade Supplied by Uncle Sam.

About one-fourth of the total trade of all countries fronting on the Pacific ocean is supplied by the United States, according to figures just produced by the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce. Into these ports \$2,333,000,000 worth of imports entered in 1912, according to the figures, and their exports aggregated another \$2,000,000,000. Of the total imports about one-half represents eastern Asia, a little less than one-fourth western America and the remainder the countries and islands of the south Pacific.

The imports of China are approximately \$350,000,000, Japan about \$300,000,000, Straits Settlements \$200,000,000, Hongkong \$200,000,000 and Siam, French Indo-China, Chosen (Korea) and Asiatic Russia about \$100,000,000. Those of western South America are about \$200,000,000, western North America (including \$125,000,000 at the Pacific ports of the United States) \$200,000,000, Australia \$375,000,000, New Zealand \$100,000,000, Dutch East Indies \$150,000,000, Philippine Islands \$55,000,000 and the Hawaiian Islands \$34,000,000.

Of the imports of these Pacific frontages other than those of the United States this country supplies about 12 per cent, the United Kingdom about 25 per cent, continental Europe about 15 per cent and India about 10 per cent, the remainder being chiefly exchanges among the countries forming the group under consideration.

NEW TARIFF LAW'S EFFECT.

Treasury Statement Finds but Little Decrease in Duties Collected.

Although the new tariff act, with its lowered rate of duty, has been in effect over a month, the customs receipts have shown little falling off.

A treasury statement made a few days ago shows that the customs receipts for October amounted to \$30,138,000, about \$80,000 less than those of October, 1912.

The deficit for the fiscal year to date, the statement shows, is \$5,757,627, about \$3,900,000 more than at the corresponding period last year.

Pension payments under the Sherwood act are apparently largely responsible for the larger deficiency. In 1912 the October payments amounted to about \$52,500,000, and for the same period this year nearly \$57,000,000.

The total pay warrants for October, 1913, were \$59,306,994, with total receipts of \$64,196,633. The net balance in the general fund of the treasury on Nov. 1 was \$124,923,123. In national bank depositories to the credit of the United States treasurer there was \$91,121,101.

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STEENE.

Steene, Nov. 12.—Lesley Mill and mother are visiting this week with friends at Whites Valley and Aldenville.

Merchant Snediker and wife were very agreeably surprised Saturday evening, Nov. 1st. After closing their store and going to their home they found awaiting their arrival about fifty guests that had called to help celebrate the 39th birthday of Mrs. Snediker. Cake, ice cream, candy, cigars were served. At 12 o'clock the party departed, wishing Mrs. Snediker many more happy birthdays. Four handsome pieces of cut glass ware were presented by the guests to Mrs. Snediker.

Aunt Abbie Craft, who is living with her daughter, Mrs. Chas. Baker, at Waymart, had the misfortune of falling while in the act of doing some outdoor chores a few days ago, and dislocated her left shoulder. On account of her advanced age she will be confined to her room for several weeks. Her friends hope for a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. William Tonkin are busily repairing and remodeling their country residence here.

The Bobolink received his sentence last Tuesday evening to serve nothing less than four years or more than six years at hard labor on the Prompton borough school board. He recently served a three-year sentence and was pardoned on good behavior. He is thanking his friends for so light a sentence.

There will be plenty of tubers raised in this section next season.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hamby, of Honesdale, spent Sunday with the Link and mate here.

MILANVILLE.

Milanville, Nov. 12.—Mrs. H. M. Page is very ill at the present writing.

Miss Lorena Skinner is improving very slowly.

Mrs. M. H. Connor is afflicted with a bad cold and cough.

Virgil Conklin has sold his farm which is located about a mile below Skinner's Falls, to a man from Livingston Manor, and it is rumored Mr. Conklin has purchased Mrs. Rookwell Brigham's property in this village. The Brighams have not decided as yet where they will locate.

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Misses Fredericka Hocker and Gertrude Calkins will attend institute.

Miss Minnie Gay, who has been visiting friends here, went to Scranton Saturday to spend some time with her sister, Mrs. H. G. Carr.

Dr. Brooks, Messrs. Meyer, Rendfeldt and Klein of Rutherford, and Dr. Beesecker of Passaic, N. J., have been spending the week at Volney Skinner's. These gentlemen are ardent sportsmen, and have met with fine results. To satisfy the suspicious and curious we would say these gentlemen all are provided with the necessary licenses.

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WHITES VALLEY.

Wm. Glover, S. Tompkins, H. S. Fisher, Mrs. Harriet Martin, Mr. Van Hauser, Ernest Gardner and Miss Barnes, spent the week-end in Scranton on business.

William Fitze, who has been seriously ill, is slowly recovering.

Mr. and Mrs. Simon Pomey spent last week with Honesdale and Seelyville friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Bonham and daughter Esther are visiting at W. S. Bonham's in Carbondale.

Miss Genevieve Miller, of Pleasant, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. William Fitze.

Miss Barnes has returned to her home at Stroudsburg, after spending a week here with relatives.

Mrs. Dwight Hull recently spent several days with her parents at Waymart.

Mrs. Jennie Edwards, of Scranton, was recently entertained by Mrs. O. C. Miller.

Miss Cynthia Kellogg is visiting at W. G. Spencer's, Lake LeMar.

A party of hunters from Seelyville were entertained at L. P. Stark's recently.

Arthur William, with two friends from Wilkes-Barre, were guests at O. C. Miller's.

The young people enjoyed a house warming at Henry Clift's on Saturday evening.

Fred White, of Lestershire, N. Y., is spending a week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. White.

Mrs. D. E. Hacker is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. L. E. Perkins, at Scranton.

Neighbors and friends of Chas. Hauser pleasantly surprised him at his home Monday evening, the occasion being his 55th birthday. Miss Barnes of Stroudsburg rendered several instrumental selections and games were enjoyed until eleven o'clock when delicious refreshments were served by his daughter, Miss Anna Hauser. Mr. Hauser received many gifts of remembrance with best wishes that he may enjoy many returns of the day in excellent health. Those present with their wives were: V. E. O'Dell, D. E. Hacker, G. C. Allen, Emerson Miller, H. Clift, and Charles O'Dell.

HOADLEYS.

Mrs. Wm. Ramble, who underwent an operation last week in West Side Hospital, Scranton, is getting along quite well, with much hopes for her recovery. Her sister, Mrs. Wood, is keeping house during her absence.

Harry Belknap and John Wetzel left Sunday for Pike county where they will try and get one of those wild beauties called deer.

Wedding bells are to ring in our town, says rumor.

Edith Belknap and Walter Johannes spent Sunday, Nov. 2, in Hawley.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Johannes went to Hawley Sunday morning where the latter will spend some

time sewing before returning to Honesdale, where they expect to spend the winter with Mr and Mrs. Wm. Belknap.

Edna Swiagle, of Gravity, is working for Mrs. Leon Beecher.

James Cook is busy building his new house.

Walter Belknap went to Prompton Monday morning where he will resume his work for Mr. Gromley in the excelsior business.

Mrs. Will Utter and daughter and Mrs. Frank Roe, of Prompton, recently visited the former's mother, Mrs. Charles Bigart, at this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Bray are visiting relatives in Jermyn and Carbondale for a few days.

Charles Bigart and Leo Johannes, of Clemo, have gone deer hunting in Pike county.

Bert Rickard is working for Francis Weeks, foreman for Mr. Hollenbeck in his mill near Reining's, also Walter Johannes.

Owing to the stormy night the box social at Clemo, Nov. 8, was not so largely attended. \$19.00 was the amount received.

Russell Belknap is working at Oxford, N. Y., from where he expects to go to Endicott, N. Y., the latter part of this week.

We are glad to hear that Frank Brown is to be our next supervisor. He understands making good roads.

Mrs. Limbrick is in a hospital in Scranton where she had an operation last Thursday.

Mr. Bunsfield, who is working for Mr. Hollenbeck, cutting in the woods, met with an accident last Tuesday. As he swung his axe, it glided and cut his left knee severely. He is getting along quite well at this writing.

Norman Avery, our genial station agent, is busy handling coal.

Walter Belknap spent Tuesday and Wednesday with his aunt, Mrs. Grimstone at Bethany.

Ed. Bea, the Erie land agent, was through here last week trying to sell some land.

PENNSYLVANIA ASSOCIATION OPPOSED TO WOMAN SUFFRAGE.

Stirred by the rising and popular feeling against the "Votes for Women" propaganda, anti-suffragets from all over the county will gather in the Y. M. C. A. hall at Scranton, on Thursday evening, November 23, to hear an address by Mrs. Grace Duffield Goodwin, of Washington, D. C. Mrs. Goodwin is one of the ablest speakers on the "anti" side of the suffrage question. She will tell of the many evils which are directly traceable to woman suffrage in some of the states where the right of franchise has been extended to women.

Thursday night's meeting will be presided over by Mrs. Horace Brock, of Lebanon, Pa., president of the Pennsylvania Association Opposed to Woman Suffrage. Mrs. Brock will also make an address. Among the other speakers will be Mrs. J. Gardner Cassatt and Mrs. Charles B. Penrose, of Philadelphia, and Miss Laura M. Sloan, also of the Quaker City and secretary of the Pennsylvania Association.

It was Miss Sloan in fact who arranged for the coming meeting. About one week ago, she came to Scranton to speak against woman suffrage at a meeting of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Her campaign met with such hearty approval from both the men and women of the county, that she was prevailed upon to remain in Scranton and call a mass meeting as soon as possible, so that the great need of strong opposition against "votes for women" could be placed before the people of the community.

Tickets of admission have been printed for the coming assembly, and reserved seats for the holders of these tickets will be held at the hall until 8 o'clock on the evening of the meeting.

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