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ALLEGED GRAETING IN THE HIGH PLACES

Lorrimer Affair In Illinois Has Caused Sensation.

Bursting like a bomb while United States Senator Lorimer was delivering his vindication speech at Washington, D. C., State Senator John Broderick, a leading Chicago democrat, was indicted on a bribery charge by the grand jury at Springfield, Ill. Broderick's indictment, it is said, was the direct result of a confession made to the grand jury by State Senator D. W. Holstlaw, of Iuka, Ill., who



WILLIAM LORIMER.
says Broderick paid him \$2,500 to vote for Lorimer for senator. A capias was ordered at once for Broderick, and a bench warrant issued for his arrest.

\$4,700 All Told for Votes.
The unexpected turn in the Lorimer scandal is said to have been an offshoot of State's Attorney Burke's investigation of alleged graft in a legislative furniture deal. Senator Holstlaw has been indicted on a prejury charge in connection with the furniture contract, and upon advice of his lawyers, when offered immunity, agreed to make a confession. Then he told the grand jury that he had received \$2,500 for his vote for Lorimer; \$700 as his share of a legislative "jackpot", and a promise of \$1,500 as his share of the state house furniture deal.

Confession Corroborated.
Senator Holstlaw's confession regarding the furniture deal was corroborated before the grand jury by Otto Freier, of Chicago, who, as agent for the Ford-Johnson Furniture Company, obtained the furniture contract.

The two confessions regarding the furniture contract resulted in two additional indictments, of a conspiracy charge. These were State Senator S. C. Pemberton, republican, of Oakland, Ill., and Representative Joseph S. Clark, democrat, of Vandalia, Ill. As in the case of Senator Broderick, in the Lorimer alleged bribery matter, capias and bench warrants were immediately issued for Senator Pemberton and Representative Clark, on the conspiracy charges in connection with the furniture contract.

BALLINGER INVESTIGATION.

Report of Congressional Committee May Come Soon.

Washington advices say that the report of the congressional committee appointed to investigate the Ballinger-Pinchot controversy will, in all likelihood, be published about the middle of July. There may be two reports, one signed by Senator Nelson, of Minnesota, chairman of the joint committee, and the majority members, and the other by the insurgents and democrats on the committee.

While it is generally believed that Secretary Ballinger will be entirely exonerated of wrong doing, and Gifford Pinchot, Louis R. Gavis and others among the accusers will be criticized for what the committee may term "their misguided zeal," nevertheless the opinion prevails that Secretary Ballinger's resignation will be

in the hands of President Taft before November.

It is reported that Secretary Ballinger has already intimated to his friends that he thought of resigning but he declared he would never resign under fire.

AGED MAN KILLS SELF.

Suffering From Remorse, William Young Sought Death.

Hanging by the neck from a rope tied to the limb of a tree in a dense thicket near the Atlanta city stockade, the dead body of William S. Young, aged 62 years, was found. He had been missing for several days from the home of F. C. A. Mullen, on Glenwood avenue, where he had lived for the past year.

Suffering from remorse because of a terrible crime for which it is said he served twenty years in the penitentiary, coupled with broken and feeble health, and the fact that his children no longer cared for him, formed the motive, it is believed, which prompted the old man to seek a lonely spot and take his life.

HUNTER FOUND GUILTY.

Charged With Atrocious Triple Murder at Savannah, Ga.

Guilty of the atrocious murder of his wife, Mrs. Maggie Hunter, and aged Mrs. Eliza Gribble and her daughter, Mrs. Carrie Ohlander, in the Perry street murders here last December was the verdict returned against J. C. Hunter in Chatham superior court at Savannah.

The verdict came after the jury had been out but twenty-six minutes and was a distinct surprise both because many persons believed the solely circumstantial evidence adduced by the prosecution would leave a reasonable doubt in the minds of the jurors, and because it was believed the jury would not agree quickly upon the verdict in any case.

The murders for which Hunter is now under death sentence were committed in the early afternoon of December 12 in a small frame two-story house on Perry street. Mrs. Gribble's skull was crushed in with blows of a blunt instrument. She was very old. Her daughter, too, met death almost instantly from blows over the head. Mrs. Hunter, the wife of the convicted man, was not dead when a patrolman pushed open the door of the house on the terrible scene, but died several days later in a hospital without recovering consciousness sufficiently to tell who struck her. She babbled of a "white man" who attacked her.

W. H. Walls, a white man, and John Cooker, a negro, are charged with aiding Hunter and are prisoners.

CHANNEL DISASTER.

French Boat, Struck By Steamer, Is Sent to Bottom.

Twenty-three men were drowned in the English channel when the French submarine boat Pluiose was struck by the packet steamer Pas DeCalais. The passengers on the latter were thrown into panic, and the ship itself was so badly damaged that she had to put back to Calais.

The fighting ship was scudding along partly submerged when the steamer crashed into her. According to the reports, the submarine spun around for a moment and then the water began to pour through a big rent in her plates. Before a man could escape she had foundered in one of the deepest parts of the channel.

This is the sixth serious accident in the French submarine flotilla in five years.

A bill for the reconversion by the Mexican government of its consolidated foreign 5 per cent loan of \$22,700,000 pounds sterling has been passed by the national chamber of deputies. The Council of the Royal Society of London has elected Theodore Roosevelt a life member. The first American to be so honored was Benjamin Franklin.

Henry Watterson, editor of the Louisville Courier-Journal was the guest of the New York press club, at a recent dinner at the metropolis.

TWO HUNDRED ARE KILLED IN BATTLE

Americans Take an Important Part In Struggle.

By the unerring marksmanship of American gunners the government army has been repulsed in its attack on Bluefields and the custom house has been recaptured by the forces of the provisional government. Two hundred have been killed in the fighting and more than 400 wounded.

The government forces were too slow in following up their victory of Wednesday. This dilatoriness gave the Americans in the insurgent ranks time to rally the Estradan leaders and the repulse of the Madriz forces began.

As the army of Madriz fell back under the heavy rain of shells, again and again it attempted to hold its ground, throwing up trenches about the city. The soldiers were killed as they dug the ditches, picked off by the field guns operated by the American soldiers of fortune, or picked off by the sharpshooters from the states. The Madriz army appeared to be handicapped by lack of proper armament.

With the fortunes of the insurgents almost from the first dependent upon the efforts of the Americans holding commands in the Estradan army, the Nicaraguan war is now clearly more a struggle between Americans than between Central Americans. Men from the states form the backbone of each army.

MANY ARE BURNED.

Details of Great Disaster in Japanese Town—Loss \$2,500,000.

The story of how 100 persons were burned to death and 8,000 buildings were destroyed with a loss of \$2,500,000, was told at Victoria, B. C., when the liner Inaba arrived with the details of the fire that swept Oomori, Japan.

Thirty thousand persons were rendered homeless by the fire and several hundred by a powder explosion which followed the blaze. Famine and pestilence still menace the refugees.

It is reported that Colonel L. L. Middlebrook, of Covington, Ga., who is serving his fifth term in the Georgia legislature, announces that he is in the race for governor of Georgia. This is a surprise in politics, as no one except close friends had any idea that he would make the race for governor until it was announced.

MRS. MORSE'S FIGHT.

All Her Household Effects Will Go In Effort to Secure Pardon for Husband.

Mrs. Charles W. Morse is quoted as saying that she will sell all her household effects and art objects to raise funds to continue the fight for her husband's release from the federal prison at Atlanta.

For months Mrs. Morse has been directing the work of obtaining names to a monster petition praying for a presidential pardon for the convicted banker and maintaining offices here as headquarters. The Morse home on Fifth avenue has already been sold and Mrs. Morse must soon vacate. She intends to visit her husband at Atlanta soon.

AUTO TURNED TURTLE.

Misses Lillian Wright and Flossie Herman, of Columbus, O., Meet Death.

Miss Lillian Wright and Miss Flossie Herman were instantly killed at Logan, Ohio, by their automobile turning turtle. Several others were reported to have been severely injured.

The occupants of the automobiles were returning from a party at midnight. William Snyder, president of lumber company, and driver of the machine, ran over an embankment near Young's bridge. Mrs. Don Goss had a rib fractured and Mr. Snyder's leg was broken. Miss Wright was to have been married in a few days.

GENERAL NOTES Queen Alexandra has expressed to Theodore Roosevelt, special ambassador from the United States, her appreciation of the sympathy which has been extended to her from America. The queen's acknowledgments to Colonel Roosevelt were made during the course of a reception in the throne room at Buckingham palace, which she granted to him, Lord Strathmore, high commissioner from Canada, and Sir George Reid, representing Austria. Colonel Roosevelt was received first, and had a long talk with her majesty before the other envoys were announced. The official audience lasted an hour.

An official protest against the postal savings bank plan was entered by the executive council of the Tennessee Bankers' association at a dinner at Chattanooga as a preliminary to the opening of the twentieth annual convention of the organization. The postal savings bank plan was the chief subject up for discussion, and practically every man present gave a talk of greater or less length setting forth his views in opposition to it.

The Standard Oil Company has now a competitor in Talledega, Ala. The Indiana Refining Company has completed its storage tanks on the Southern Railway and a bright, new tank wagon of the company is on the streets delivering oil and gasoline to merchants.

With more than 300 delegates present, the great welcoming parade of the grand lodge of the Knights of Pythias of Alabama was given at Anniston, as advertised, with the exception of the fact that General W. W. Brandon, of Tuscaloosa, acted as grand marshal in place of Colonel W. H. McKelroy, who was suddenly stricken ill. More than 500 knights were in the parade, which extended six blocks.

Mrs. L. G. Nations died at her home at Blue Springs, Ga., after an illness of some time. She was 66 years of age. She is survived by a husband and the following children: W. T., George and J. H. Nations, of Gordon county; Mrs. Ida McCauley, of Armuchee; Mrs. J. A. Owens, of Dalton, and Mrs. R. B. Adams, of Ranger. Mrs. Nations is survived by forty grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Contracts for locomotives, rolling stock, steel rails and fittings, involving a total expenditure of \$2,000,000, have been let within the past few weeks by the Southern Railway Company, according to announcement made, thus carrying out the statements as to orders to be given contained in President Finley's announcement of March 17.

It was learned at the department of justice that an investigation is to be made of the workings of the lumber trust for the purpose of ascertaining if any violations of the Sherman anti-trust law are being made. This is a part of the plan of Attorney General Wickersham to inquire into various sections of the country to gather the high cost of living. Several inspectors have been detailed in various localities.

Coal in Chicago which supplies the factories and other large commercial interests of the city is to advance \$1 a ton in price on account of the miners' strike. Soft coal is now being mined and Chicago and all of the other manufacturing interests in the state are dependent on coal from North Carolina, Oklahoma and Indiana for their fuel supply.

The honorary degree of doctor of laws has been conferred upon Commander Robert E. Peary by the University of Edinburgh. Sir Ludovic Grant, who presided at the ceremony, introduced the explorer, saying in conclusion: "This is the man who by his explorations has vastly contributed to the extension and enrichment of scientific knowledge."

Official dispatches received at the state department at Washington, D. C., from both Lima, Peru, and Quito, Ecuador, indicate that warlike preparations between Peru and Ecuador are being rapidly pushed forward and that a conflict seems inevitable.

That James M. Lynch has been re-elected to the presidency of the International Typographical Union is indicated by reports received at the headquarters in Indianapolis, according to a statement given out.

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STATIONS		
P M		A M
3 30	Asheville.....Ar	11 30
4 30	Hendersonville.....Ar	10 10
14 41	Yale.....Ar	10 48
14 46	Horse Shoe.....Ar	10 44
14 51	Canham.....Ar	10 39
15 00	Blountsville.....Ar	10 38
15 06	Blountsville.....Ar	10 38
15 12	Penrose.....Ar	10 31
15 20	Davidson River.....Ar	10 18
15 28	Pisgah Forest.....Ar	10 10
15 35	Brevard.....Ar	10 05
15 42	Selma.....Ar	10 00
15 50	Cherryfield.....Ar	10 00
15 58	Calvert.....Ar	10 00
16 05	Rosman.....Ar	10 00
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16 20	Quebec.....Ar	10 00
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Treasurer—Z. W. Nicholls.
Register of Deeds—B. A. Gillespie.
Coroner—Dr. W. J. Wallis.
Surveyor—A. L. Hardin.
Commissioners—W. M. Henry, Ch'n; G. T. Lyday; W. E. Galloway.
Superintendent of Schools—T. C. Henderson.
Physician—Dr. Goode Cheatham.
Attorney—R. L. Gash.

Town Government.

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