

KEEP HANDS OFF

Instructions Sent to Conger and Chaffee

TRY MORAL SUASION

They Are to Use Their Influence with Waldersee and the Ministers to Head Off the Military Expedition

Washington, Feb. 19.—Instructions were sent to Minister Conger and Major General Chaffee today to use their influence against the proposed military expedition of the allied forces in China designed to capture the emperor and empress dowager and the court at Peking and drive the imperial troops out of the province of Shansi. These instructions were the outcome of a long discussion at the cabinet meeting which began at 11 o'clock and lasted more than two hours. The dispatch to Mr. Conger, sent in the name of the President, directed him to represent to the foreign ministers at Peking that this government was opposed to the expedition; and while he is not to protest, the communication which he is to deliver amounts to a remonstrance. The attitude to which this government has consistently adhered was defined and reiterated in the message.

It was at first deemed better to appeal directly to the power to prevent Count Von Waldersee carrying out his hostile intentions toward the Chinese court and soldiers, but the President and cabinet came to the conclusion that the presentation of the remonstrance of the United States to the foreign ministers at Peking would be tantamount to notice to the foreign offices in the several European capitals and Tokio. The position assumed by the United States is, in substance, that the powers are not at war with China, that the expedition would cause a renewal of hostilities against a people with whom peace negotiations are being conducted, and that such a course would be a breach of faith with the Chinese after they had expressed a willingness to accede to the demands of the powers.

The instructions to General Chaffee were practically similar to those sent to Mr. Conger, except that he was directed to use his influence with Count Von Waldersee and the military commanders of the allies to dissuade them from proceeding against the Chinese court and empire.

The government is also making inquiries at the capitals of the powers as to the view taken by each nation in regard to the proposed expedition. Some dispatches today received from Minister Conger today and read at the cabinet meeting by Secretary Hay, who left a sick room to participate in the conference, indicates that the minister may have difficulty in securing a hearing by his diplomatic colleagues. The dispatch shows that when Mr. Conger learned of the proposition to send a hostile expedition to Peking he argued the ministers to prevent its going forward, making the same argument as that contained in the instructions telegraphed to him today.

The diplomatic body, however, virtually threw Mr. Conger out of court by holding that the matter was not one of diplomacy, but of war, and that the ministers had no control over the military who were acting under instructions direct from their capitals. Should the ministers adhere to this attitude it will probably be necessary for the United States to appeal direct to the powers.

BOTTLING WORKS

Very Large Establishment to Be Operated in Wilmington

Wilmington, N. C., Feb. 19.—Special.—A. M. Houboldt, of Milwaukee, a general traveling agent for the Joseph Schlitz Brewing Company, gave newspaper men here today an authoritative statement that his company would erect in Wilmington the largest bottling works in the South. Beer will be bottled not only for sale in territory tributary to Wilmington, but will be exported from here to foreign countries. In fact, Wilmington will be made the principal point of export for Schlitz's beer. A site for works convenient to river and railroad has been acquired and plans for building are being considered. The works, when completed, will employ about 200 men. Col. Walker Taylor today wrote Governor Aycock accepting the position tendered to him in a letter received yesterday.

KIDNAPPER CAUGHT

James Cullahan Positively Identified by Eddie Cudahy

Omaha, Neb., Feb. 19.—James Cullahan, an ex-convict, and a personal friend of Pat Crowe, is now in the custody of the police in this city and has been positively identified by kidnapped Eddie Cudahy. Cullahan has been staying for a month past with his sister, Mrs. Kelly, at Fifty-third street and Poppleton avenue. The identification is positive on the

part of young Cudahy who says that the prisoner is the man who first accosted him in the street on the night of the kidnapping and told him he was the man of Sarpy county, pretending to arrest him for a crime committed in that county. He is also the man who kept guard over the boy in the cottage where he was held prisoner by the kidnappers. The man is further identified by five different people as No. 3 in the famous plot to kidnap the Cudahy boy.

Callahan was arrested late Saturday afternoon in a down-town saloon. The arrest was made by Detectives Dwyer and Deneberry. They took their prisoner direct to the office of the chief where a private inquiry was conducted. Callahan was then taken to the city jail, where he has since been held pending further investigation. Apprehensive that an injustice might be done to an innocent man, Chief Donahue kept the arrest secret. J. N. Patrick, who lives in Happy Hollow, west of the city, says that Callahan is one of the men who came to his home late last summer to rent a little house that stood in a cornfield on the Parick premises at a considerable distance from the road.

This house, it will be remembered, was the one fitted up by the bandits as the prison house, but was abandoned after having been visited by the police. Eddie Cudahy's identification of the suspect was most positive.

SAFE CRACKERS

ABROAD IN THE LAND

They Break Into an Antiquated Affair at Littleton

Littleton, N. C., Feb. 19.—Special.—Last night about 12 o'clock burglars entered the store of Mr. S. J. Stallings and blew open his safe with nitro-glycerine. There is no clue as to who the robbers are. There were two young men sleeping in the second story of the building. They say they heard the front door open, but thought it was another young man who had a key to the store and some times shared their apartments with them. They pretty soon discovered their mistake, but were too nearly frightened to death to offer any resistance.

The safe was rather an ordinary affair and "easy fruit" to speak. They used three iron wedges in prying open the door so as to insert the explosive. From appearances they climbed the bottom of the safe with laundry soap and in the center of this they made a little cup of the soap so the nitro-glycerine would run through the safe and down into this cup. Then it is supposed they attached a fuse and were heard to run to the front door before the explosion.

It is evident that they were either strangers or they would have known that Mr. Stallings was too smart a man to keep any quantity of money in those old boxes, as however, is done by some of his neighbors. The loss in money only amounted to \$25 or \$30.

The robbers paid no attention to the bank which is only 150 feet away.

NO THANKS FOR SAMPSON

He Will Receive No Higher Distinction Than Schley

Washington, Feb. 19.—The Senate Committee on Naval Affairs held a long meeting this morning for the purpose of acting upon the list of nominations sent in by the President several days ago. It was decided to report all the nominations favorably with the exception of the names of Rear Admirals Schley and Sampson. The committee unanimously agreed to take no action on the nomination of Rear Admiral Schley and in the opinion of the members of the committee, this was the only way out of the dilemma.

The two resolutions offered by Mr. Hearse, one creating the grade of rear admiral, and the other tendering the thanks of Congress to Rear Admiral Sampson—were taken up. The bill creating the new grade was unanimously adopted. It is now in the hands of the President to be signed.

"Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the grade of vice-admiral in the United States Navy, created by section 1508 of the Revised Statutes, be and the same is hereby authorized, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, to appoint from the active list of rear admirals of the navy two vice-admirals."

The resolution tendering the thanks of Congress to Rear Admiral Sampson was rejected, both Democrats and Republicans voting against it. It is as follows:

"Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in accordance with the provisions of section 1508 of the Revised Statutes, the thanks of Congress and of the American people are hereby tendered to Rear Admiral William T. Sampson, United States Navy, Commander-in-Chief of the United States naval forces on the North Atlantic Station during the late war with Spain, and to the officers and men under his command, for his distinguished conduct in conflict with the enemy, and in carrying on the blockade and naval campaign on the Cuban coast, resulting in the destruction of the Spanish fleet at Santiago de Cuba, July 3, 1898.

"That the President of the United States be and he is hereby authorized to promulgate and to communicate the same to Rear Admiral Sampson and to the officers and men of his late command."

A Break to Addicks

Dover, Del., Feb. 19.—There was a break in the ranks of the Republicans today when the ballot for United States Senator was taken. Four regulars who have steadfastly opposed the election of J. Edward Addicks to the United States Senate—Senators Groves and MacFalls and Representatives Baynard and Dayett—voted for him today for the short term. This is probably the fore-runner of what the Addicks follow is a break in the ranks of the regular Republicans and that their candidate would ultimately be elected to the Senate.

RYAN COMES TO TERMS

Sells His Stock to Williams-Middendorf Syndicate

Baltimore, Feb. 19.—The Williams-Middendorf syndicate, which controls the Seaboard Air Line Railway Company, has acquired Thomas F. Ryan's holdings in the Seaboard, Chesapeake and Raleigh & Gaston railroads.

A settlement was made in New York, where John Skelton Williams, president of the Seaboard Air Line Company, paid to Mr. Ryan the amount fixed by Daniel S. Lamont, former Secretary of War, who was selected to arbitrate the differences between Mr. Ryan and the Seaboard syndicate.

Mr. Ryan then delivered to Mr. Williams his holdings in the Seaboard and Roanoke, amounting to about 2,700 shares, and in the Raleigh & Gaston, amounting to about 100 shares.

There will be a special meeting of the board of directors of the Seaboard Air Line at the company's New York office, 52 Liberty street, tomorrow, at which the details of the settlement with Mr. Ryan will be submitted. At this meeting arrangements probably will be completed for turning over to the managing committee of the Greater Seaboard, the various stocks that have been acquired from Mr. Ryan and issuing in exchange for them stocks and bonds of the Seaboard Air Line Railway Company.

Salts to Be Withdrawn

New York, Feb. 19.—In connection with the disposition of Mr. Ryan's stock in the Seaboard Air Line it was announced here today that Mr. Ryan has at the same time agreed to withdraw his several suits which have been pending for some years in various courts, and to abandon all opposition to Mr. Williams' plans of consolidation and management of the properties involved.

It is reported in Wall street that a syndicate, supposed to consist of the Seaboard, Chesapeake and Raleigh & Gaston Railroads.

THE RACES AT NEW ORLEANS

New Orleans, Feb. 19.—Results at New Orleans track:
First race, selling 1-16 mile—Bele Swardman 4 to 5; Swardman 8 to 5; Marjah 12 to 1. Time 1:54.
Second race, selling 1 mile—Gen. Manager 7 to 5; J. H. Sloan 6 to 1; Uterp 6 to 1. Time 1:29.
Third race, selling 1/4 mile—Greyfoze 4 to 5; Jockey June 4 to 1; Banquo 24 to 1. Time 2:12.
Fourth race, handicap 3/4 mile—Ger Elliott 8 to 1; Tritida 4 to 5; Andes 8 to 1. Time 1:15.
Fifth race, selling 1/2 mile—Dagmar 4 to 1; Egyptian Prince 3 to 1; Bthead 4 to 1. Time 1:51.
Sixth race, selling 1/4 mile—Corialis 3 to 1; Purlington Route 15 to 1; Bethead 15 to 1. Time 1:15.

Entries for Today

First race, selling 1 mile—Sig. Loy 93; B. of Elin 96; Pirates Queen 96; Bronze Demon 96; Miss Golligarty 99; Gollipin 99; L. Duesch 2nd; 102; Head 102; Aaron 104; Lefse Foss 106; Inaund 106; Harry Duke 132.
Second race, selling 1-16 mile—Lady Mother 93; Al Caskey 97; El Moran 98; Bert Davis 100; Mergs 100; King Elkwood 100; Defender 2nd; 100; Eagonia 8; 105; Left Bover 105.
Third race, handicap steeples—short course—Lizzy Kelly 130; Terry Rancier 131; Cyress 135; Tomny Obrien 136; Divertissement 138; Doca Clarence 138; Miss Ranson 143.
Fourth race, handicap 1 mile—Synops 1st; Sandy 2d; Jack Addis 3d; Lady Callahan 4d; Skilman 8th; Thais 9th; Hood's Brigade 100; Chorus Boy 102; Sir Gath 108.
Fifth race, selling 1 mile—Margie Young 100; Fannie Maul 110; No-oily 100; Junetta 109; Zola 111; Hery Preston 114; Leon Ferguson 112; Swordsman 114; Island Prince 114.
Sixth race, selling 1-16 mile—Litho Boy Blue 102; Star Cotton 102; Lidal 101; Browns Wall 105; Fair Decier 105; Little Blossom 105; Respatech 107; Rena 109; Chorus Boy 113.

PRESIDENT'S BIG JOB

He Is Hard at Work on His Inaugural Address

Washington, Feb. 19.—The President is hard at work on his inaugural address, and expects to have it written within a few days. He did not begin its preparation until his recovery from his recent illness, and since that time the pressure of official business, particularly affairs relating to the army, has been so strong that he has been compelled to devote to his inaugural address time which might otherwise be spent in leisure.

The President is proceeding with great care in writing the address, with the determination that it shall be one of the strongest of his State papers. It will cover all of the subjects appropos to present conditions, and in a measure outline the policy to be pursued.

EXTRA SESSION IS IMPROBABLE

Washington, Feb. 19.—General Grover, sometimes called the spokesman of the administration, had a conference with the President at the White House this morning, and upon leaving, emphatically expressed the opinion that the extra session of Congress would not be called together in extra session. General Grover spoke in a confident manner, but qualified his statement by saying that of course if the President saw that an extra session was necessary he would call one, and that the friends of the administration would readily yield to his judgment.

Cuban constitution is concerned. I do not think we will receive it before next December, and we may not get it even then. That is one of the principal reasons why I believe that Congress will not assemble before the regular date.

SPEECH IN IRISH

Thomas O'Donnell Violates an Old Tradition

London, Feb. 19.—Mr. Thomas O'Donnell, nationalist member for the West division of Kerry, today addressed the House of Commons in the Irish language. The speaker called his attention to the fact that he was using a language with which he was not acquainted, and asked him to speak in English as he doubtless could do as eloquently as in Irish. The speaker added that for six hundred years no member had addressed the House otherwise than in English.

Several members shouted "Welsh." Mr. John Redmond, member for Waterford city and leader of the Irish nationalists, advised Mr. O'Donnell to follow the ruling of the chair. Mr. John Murphy, nationalist member for the East division of Kerry, declared that the Irish language was the best means the Irish members had for making known their wants to the English government.

DISPENSARY VOTE IN CUMBERLAND

Fayetteville, N. C., Feb. 19.—Special.—The dispensary primary was very quiet. At some precincts in the county not a vote was cast for the dispensary. Fayetteville cast 273 votes—all against the dispensary but eleven. At ten precincts so far heard from, 533 votes were cast against the dispensary and 20 for it. Much of the country is to be heard from, but enough is known to justify the calculation that the vote will be under 1,000, largely against the dispensary, as friends of the measure abstained from taking part in the primary.

Another Report

Fayetteville, N. C., Feb. 19.—Special.—The dispensary primary vote today was overwhelmingly against the dispensary, although dodgers were sent out at the last moment declaring that the primary had been postponed. The vote against the dispensary in the county is considerably more than a majority of the combined Simmons and Carr vote. The county districts so far heard from show even heavier majorities.

And Still Another

Fayetteville, N. C., Feb. 19.—Special.—Out of a total vote of 3,200 in Cumberland county, present returns indicate that only about 800 voted against the dispensary. The dispensary advocates did not participate on the ground that the primary was not properly held or the issue fairly presented. Friends of the dispensary are happy over the result, as it shows that a large majority of white people want the dispensary retained absolutely. In Fayetteville was only 262 against the dispensary out of a total white vote of 750.

SIGHT RESTORED IN ANSWER TO PRAYER

Goshen, N. Y., Feb. 19.—By the efficacy of Prayer Mrs. G. Henry Baranatt, of 21 East Avenue, Middletown, claims to have had her sight which was totally restored absolutely. On December 22d she was taken ill with grip and one week later was stricken blind. A New York specialist pronounced her case hopeless, but Mrs. Baranatt prayed fervently and her friends also prayed that her affliction might leave her. Last Wednesday a mysterious voice whispered in her ear, saying "Take no more medicine and your sight will return." Mrs. Baranatt told her uncle, William Baranatt, who lived with her and they prayed together. That night her sight returned and she saw a kitten playing at her feet. Daily since—when her vision has been getting clearer and is now almost as good as ever.

Deperate Assault Expected

Oraxca, Mex., Feb. 19.—General Bravo is rapidly concentrating all of the government forces in the immediate vicinity of Chan Santa Cruz, the stronghold of the Maya Indians, and a desperate assault is to be made on the defenses of the place within the next few days. The Indians realize the importance of the movement made against them and the advances of the federal troops are strongly opposed from every quarter. Engagements between the government forces and the Indians occur almost daily, and the casualties on the side of the rebels are very heavy.

Rumor Starts a Run on a Bank

Pittsburg, Pa., Feb. 19.—Somebody started a wild rumor today that the German National Bank of Allegheny was in financial difficulties and a run was started. Depositors crowded the sidewalks and the policemen were sent to keep order. All depositors who wanted their money got it. A continuation of the run is expected tomorrow. The officers of the bank say they have enough money to pay out the deposits four times over.

Deaths from Freezing

Paris, Feb. 19.—Intense cold weather continues to prevail here. There were ten deaths from freezing reported yesterday.

Dyer Retired as Rear Admiral

Washington, Feb. 19.—Captain Nehemiah Mero Dyer, who commanded the Baltimore in the battle of Manila Bay, was placed on the retired list of the navy today as a rear admiral.

IN A NEST OF DEMOCRATS

Senator Simmons Will Find Himself in Good Company

Washington, Feb. 19.—Special.—Senator-elect Simmons has engaged apartments at the Varum, in New Jersey avenue, near the capitol, and will arrive here Friday, March 1. He will be in a nest of Democrats, among them Congressmen DeArmond of Missouri, Jones of Virginia, Small of North Carolina, McDowell of Ohio, McLain of Mississippi, McCulloch of Arkansas, Ryan of Pennsylvania, Sims of Tennessee and Zeigler of Pennsylvania.

Collector Duncan is here, and was at the capitol this morning. So soon as he arrived Senator Fritchard sent over to the House for Mr. Pearson, and the three, retiring to the President's room, adjoining the Senate, remained in conference for some time.

W. G. Linn, letter-carrier in the Greenboro post office, has been promoted from \$600 to \$850. John Q. Messick of Jonesville has been granted a pension of \$17.

W. W. Curtis has been appointed postmaster at Finley, Caldwell county, vice E. P. Curtis, resigned; J. F. P. Harlan at One, Warren county, vice A. G. Hayes, removed.

Mr. Butler has been perhaps the most active member of the Senate in opposition to the Ship-subsidy bill. He is always on hand when the Senate meets, and remains until it adjourns, and is ever alert to prevent a march being stolen on the opponents of the bill.

HEARD AT THE CAPITOL

Representative Locke Craig of Buncombe, the author of the resolution for the impeachment of the Supreme Court judges, declared last night that there was no possibility of the Legislature meeting in extra session. The trial of the judges before the Senate, Mr. Craig declared, "will hardly consume more than a week. That much time can be very well spared."

The managers on the part of the House who are to prepare and present the articles of impeachment are authorized to employ counsel. Among the lawyers who are being urged to prosecute are James H. Poir, Cyrus B. Watson, Charles M. Binsley, James H. Merrimon, W. B. Guthrie, T. F. Davidson.

The constitutional amendment which provides that the rates shall enjoy the benefit of the taxes as paid by each race will be reported to the House without prejudice. This is the decision of the House Committee on Constitutional Amendments. Mr. Stubbs of Martin, is the author of the measure. The bill was amended so as to strike out the feature allowing the races to levy a tax on property.

The permanent registration roll bill, which was referred to the committee on Constitutional amendments, will be reported to the House Thursday.

The committee on Railroads from the House yesterday considered Mr. Bradshaw's bill, which provides for a uniform rate on railroads of three cents per mile. The bill had advocates and opponents in the committee and it was finally referred to a sub-committee, consisting of Messrs. Page and MacKethan.

Mr. Hood's bill relative to Jim Crow cars, was unfavorably reported, having been introduced by the bill introduced by Mr. Blount.

The Finance Committee, which is considering the Revenue Act, has referred the feature levying a tax on railroad trackage according to the amount of gross earnings to a sub-committee.

The bill to prohibit the sale and manufacture of liquor in Duplin county, was reported favorably last night by the joint committee on Propositions and Grievances.

The measure was discussed for two hours. The representative from the county, Mr. Carlton, declined to take sides and left final action to the committee. A number of petitions on both sides were read. Dr. Faison from the district in which Duplin is located first opposed the bill, while Mr. Foy, the other Senator, favored.

In a speech declaring that he would not take sides, Mr. Carlton said: "If we are to have a prohibition bill I will say that we don't want any cider, wine or blackberry juice."

Mr. Carlton agreed to accept an amendment by Judge Graham allowing persons to make wine or cider from the products of their own lands.

ACADEMY OF MEDICINE

Asks Compulsory Vaccination—Precautionary Measure

There was a called meeting of the board of aldermen yesterday (from noon) to consider a recommendation by the Raleigh Academy of Medicine that an ordinance for compulsory vaccination be passed. Dr. Knox, Dr. Lewis and Dr. McEneaney were present and stated that a meeting of the Academy of Medicine held yesterday they had been appointed to bring the matter to the attention of the board of aldermen. They stated that the action was asked purely as a precautionary measure; that there are now only two cases in the city and these carefully isolated and doing well. Vaccination at this time, they argued, however, would prevent the introduction of the disease at some subsequent time as well as make an outbreak from this infection impossible. The strain now was made that about 10 per cent of the people have not been vaccinated at all and many others have not been vaccinated within the past two years. The ordinance they ask for would provide for compulsory vaccination for those who have never been vaccinated and those

who have not been vaccinated during the past two years. The aldermen referred the matter to the board of health, with instructions to investigate the situation and report to a meeting of the board to be held Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock, when the board will decide whether there shall or shall not be compulsory vaccination.

CRAZY MAN WITH A GUN

A Detective Has a Bad Scare and Narrow Escape

New York, Feb. 19.—Dr. P. H. Sturges of 145 Seventh avenue Brooklyn, was hastily summoned about 6 o'clock this evening to the fashionable boarding house of Mrs. St. John, widow, at 133 St. John's Place. Mrs. St. John explained that she had called him as she became greatly alarmed over the condition of her son Albert St. John, 23 years old who lived with her. She said the young man had been acting queerly for some time, that she feared his mind was affected, and that as he had a loaded revolver in his possession he might do himself or some other person injury. Dr. Sturges talked to the young man and attempted to induce him to surrender the revolver, but he refused to do so and becoming ugly Dr. Sturges called in Detective Sergeant Belger and Policeman Feeney. Belger, after an unsuccessful parley with the crazed man who threatened to use the weapon, stepped forward with the intention of forcibly disarming him. Just as they came together St. John drew the weapon and in a flash had placed it against Belger's left breast and fired. Belger staggered backward against a table. Mrs. St. John ran screaming to the room and Policeman Feeney rushed in and grabbed St. John. Feeney threw him but the young man got his right arm free. He still had the revolver, but Feeney bent his arm until the muzzle was directed toward St. John's face. In the midst of the struggle there was another explosion and this time the bullet entered St. John's abdomen. St. John dropped the weapon and, rushed from the house hatless, never stopping until he had reached the house of his brother, Paul St. John, at 301 Centre street, about twelve blocks distant. From there he was removed to the hospital, where it was said he would die.

The singular feature in the case is that neither Belger nor Feeney had received any injury whatever. Belger had a marvellous escape. The bullet struck directly over the heart, gone through the coat, waistcoat and a roll of bills in a pocketbook in the pocket of the waistcoat, shattered a lead pencil and, after cutting the outer shirt, had its course diverted to the right and lodged finally in an outside waistcoat pocket.

Four Firemen Killed

New Haven, Conn., Feb. 19.—The search for bodies in the ruins of the old Judson packing house in Canal street, which was burned shortly after midnight, was continued for hours after the flames were extinguished, resulting in the definite knowledge that the four firemen whose mangled bodies were pulled from under the debris of the fallen wall while the fire was in progress were the only victims.

'Joint Keeper's' Wife Shot

Leavenworth, Kas., Feb. 19.—Mrs. Rose Hudson, wife of John Hudson, a "joint" keeper at Millwood, fourteen miles north of this city, was shot and instantly killed last night during a rail upon her husband's saloon. One of the raiders was slightly wounded.

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GENERAL TOON CONSTRUES SCHOOL LAW

Advices County Superintendent of New Hanover

Gen. T. F. Toon, Superintendent of all points of school law yesterday in compliance with requests from educators in different parts of the State. The first was regarding section 34, chapter 24, Laws of 1898, regarding the county license tax on her county. His request came from Prof. Washington Catlett, Superintendent of Public Instruction for New Hanover county, and was written for the request of the New Hanover Board of Education, of which that it has not been the practice of the county commissioners to pay into the school fund the proceeds from the license tax, and the school board at their meeting in January made a demand for the money, which was refused on the ground that the law was contradictory and not operative as to the requirement that the license taxes be for the benefit of the schools. Professor Catlett, however, wrote that the commissioners had in the past paid half of the income from the tax over to the school board, but they (the school board) want it all. In reply to Professor Catlett's query General Toon says:

"The law expressly directs the course of the three tax levies in the first part of section 24, chapter 24, Laws of 1898. Its failure to direct the result of permission given on page 47, I think, is fatal to the claim that it must go to the school fund. I hope, however, you may make another compromise with our generous board of county commissioners for the benefit of the schools."

The other query answered by General Toon was from County Superintendent Brewer of Stanly county. He wrote to ask the Superintendent of Public Instruction whether he would be justified in signing a voucher for a teacher's pay at a salary greater than that fixed by the district committee. He said that the township trustees in Westburg township had the schools and put School No. 1 at \$25 salary for the teacher, and the district committee employed a good teacher for \$35.50 and asked him to approve the vouchers for that amount instead of \$25, the salary prescribed by the township trustees. In reply to this query General Toon wrote that if the county board of education is conscientious in signing teachers' vouchers for more than the maximum fixed by the township school trustees:

Every generation laughs at the old fashions, but follows religiously the new—Thoreau.

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