

POLICE AT WORK

Official Inquiry Begins at San Francisco.

STANFORD HOME SEARCHED

Captain of Detectives Takes Charge in Person.

CHEMISTS' REPORT NOT MADE

Three People Under Suspicion Will Probably Be Arrested on News From Honolulu of Presence of Strychnine in Stomach.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 3.—The police department of this city today cast aside its uncertainty regarding an official inquiry into the mysterious death of Mrs. Jane L. Stanford at Honolulu and began making a thorough examination of all the circumstances surrounding the case in San Francisco.

The first move was a long conference between Captain of Detectives Burnett, Detectives Reynolds and Gibson, Attorney Mountford S. Wilson and Captain Jules Callaghan, of Morse's detective agency, which made a thorough inquiry last January into the reported attempt to poison Mrs. Stanford at her mansion on California street. At the conclusion of the investigation of the January case Morse's agency made a voluminous report to Mountford S. Wilson, the attorney of Mrs. Stanford, and that report was made the basis of today's conference.

Detective Agency Gives Co-Operation. The Morse agency and Captain Callaghan have entered into hearty co-operation with the police department in the endeavor to clear up the doubts surrounding the aged lady's tragic death, and to fasten the responsibility on the guilty person, if a crime has been committed.

The Morse report contained the statements made by the various employes in the Stanford home, and are considered to be of much value, as they were made at a time when suspicion had not centered on any particular person or persons, and will be utilized largely for the purpose of reconciling them with subsequent conduct and statements of the Stanford domestics.

Captain Burnett Takes Charge. Captain of Detectives Burnett this afternoon decided to place the burden of his general duties upon a competent subordinate and personally to enter into the case. He will have as his chief assistant Detective Thomas Gibson, who has prominently figured in all of the mysterious cases that have for some years been presented for solution to the police.

Burnett and Gibson today visited Mrs. Stanford's home on California street and made a very searching examination of the premises, particularly in that section of the lady's apartments. The examination was made with the purpose of determining whether or not easy access could be had to Mrs. Stanford's rooms, and the conclusions of the detectives on this point, if any were formed, were not disclosed.

Three Under Suspicion. No fresh testimony was taken today and no arrests were made. It is common report that suspicion has narrowed down to three persons, who were closely connected with the affairs of Mrs. Stanford in the capacity of servants, but there has not been thus far any disposition manifested by the police to place these persons in custody. It is known, however, that certain people formerly employed by Mrs. Stanford and now residing in near-by localities, are under surveillance by Morse men.

The Chinese and women who remained at the Stanford home are, however, virtually prisoners in the mansion, guards being stationed at the doors to prevent access or communication from the outside.

Arrests May Follow Cable Message. It is not improbable that if the report of the Honolulu chemists declares strychnine was found in the contents of Mrs. Stanford's stomach, the police lines will be drawn more closely and that the people against whom suspicion now points will be detained in the Hall of Justice until they can convince the authorities of their absolute innocence of connection with the sad ending of Mrs. Stanford's life.

Acting Chief of Police Spillane this evening received the following cable from Honolulu: "Chemists are still working on the stomach of Mrs. Stanford. Expect definite results tomorrow afternoon. Will cable any important developments."

"WILLIAM HENRY, High Sheriff." CONCLUSION IS NOT REACHED. Hawaiian Chemists Are Not Prepared to Make Report.

HONOLULU, March 3.—High Sheriff Henry, who has complete charge of the investigation into the death of Mrs. Stanford, said tonight that he was not able to tell whether she died of poisoning or from natural causes. The chemists, he said, were not prepared to report the result of their analysis of the stomach, and until he got their conclusions he was unable to make any progress in his investigation.

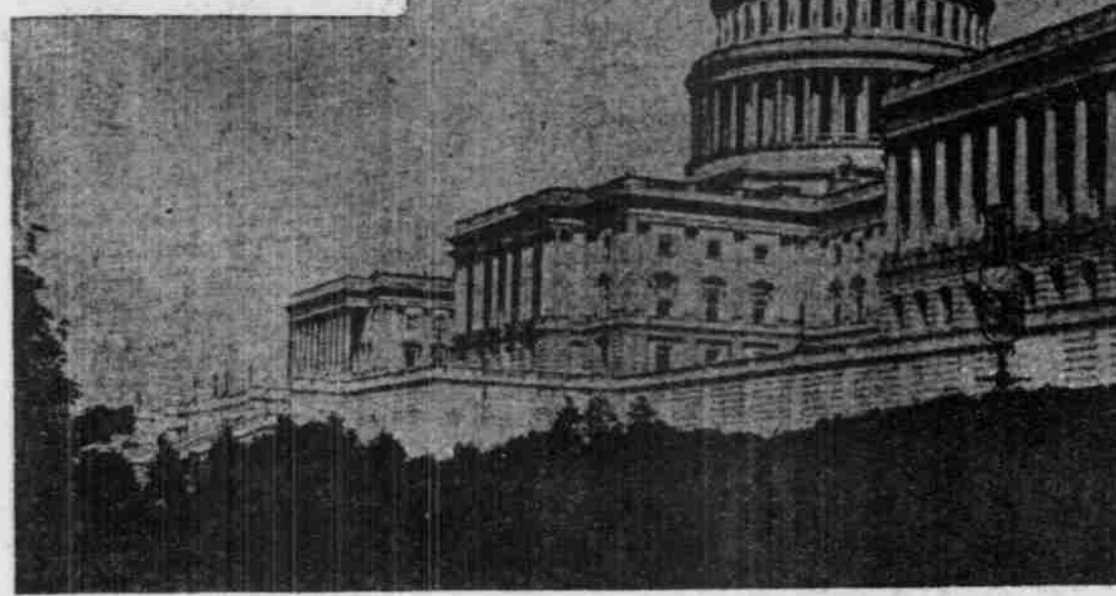
Mr. Henry further said that there was no foundation for the rumors that the chemists find a revealed no poison. The results, he said, had not yet been developed.

Among the many rumors current here is one to the effect that the chemists had completed their work and were withholding their report at the order of Sheriff Henry, at the request of the San Francisco police.

Deputy Sheriff Rawlings and Judge Stanley were with Miss Berner and Miss Hill, the secretary and maid of Mrs. Stanford, nearly all day. Deputy Sheriff Rawlings was securing additional statements from them.

The stomach of Mrs. Stanford is closely guarded by the police in the Board of Health building, where two chemists are

PROMINENT POINTS IN WASHINGTON AROUND WHICH THE INAUGURAL FESTIVITIES WILL CENTER



THE NATIONAL CAPITOL.



THE TREASURY, ONE OF THE PRINCIPAL BUILDINGS ON PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, WHERE THOUSANDS WILL ASSEMBLE TO SEE THE PARADE.

constantly on duty. Attorney-General Andrews denies a report that he has taken charge of the case.

NO ARRESTS MADE AS YET. San Francisco Police Awaiting News of the Autopsy.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 3.—Although every effort is being made to solve the mystery of the alleged poisoning of Mrs. Jane L. Stanford, in Honolulu, there were few new developments in the case today. The autopsy in Honolulu has not been completed, and it has not been proven that death did not result from natural causes. A cablegram from Honolulu intimates that an acute attack of indigestion may have caused the fatal illness of Mrs. Stanford, who, before dying, recalled the previous stories of an attempt on her life and exclaimed that she had been poisoned.

"At the present moment we have positively no proof that would hold anyone for the poisoning of Mrs. Stanford. We do not suspect Ah Wing, the Chinese cook, and he is no more under surveillance than the others in the Stanford mansion today."

"We cannot take any action until the report of the autopsy reaches us from Honolulu."

It has been learned that W. F. Jackson, head pharmacist at the Stanford pharmacy in Palo Alto, sold Mrs. Stanford a package of bicarbonate of soda February 6. Mrs. Stanford and her secretary, Miss Berner, had just returned from the Hotel Vendome, at San Jose, and came directly from the train to the drugstore. They were helped from their carriage and entered the drugstore. They purchased several drugs and toilet articles, among them being 10 cents worth of bicarbonate of soda.

The package was wrapped up, labeled and given to Miss Berner with the other articles. Mr. Jackson has placed the remainder of the bicarbonate of soda, from which the package was sold, in the keeping of his attorney, Walter Rogers, and refuses to be interviewed.

The report of the San Francisco chemist, who analyzed the mineral water of which Mrs. Stanford drank on January 14, made public today, declares that there was strychnine in the water submitted to him for examination. President Jordan, of the Leland Stanford, Jr. University, in company with the relatives and friends of Mrs. Stanford, are reluctant to believe that she was poisoned.

Dr. Jordan and Timothy Hopkins, of San Francisco, who is one of the trustees of the university, will leave tomorrow on the steamer Alameda for Honolulu, to take charge of Mrs. Stanford's body and investigate her death. They will return with the body on the steamer China.

MISS BERNER ENTERS A DENIAL. Says She Does Not Suspect Cook Ah Wing of Murder.

HONOLULU, March 3.—Miss Bertha Berner, who was Mrs. Stanford's secretary, told the correspondent of the Associated Press today that there was absolutely no truth in the dispatch from this city, published in San Francisco, attributing to her a statement to the effect that she suspected Ah Wing, a cook employed for many years at Mrs. Stanford's mansion in San Francisco, of having placed the strychnine in the bottle of

bicarbonate of soda, a dose of which Mrs. Stanford took before her death.

Miss Berner says she has made no statement whatever, except that made to the correspondent of the Associated Press and sent in these dispatches Wednesday. She says that, acting on the advice of the police authorities and her attorney, she will not make any further statement.

High Sheriff Henry says he is quite positive Miss Berner never made such a statement, and adds that he has had several prolonged conversations with her.

Owing to the delay of the chemists in reporting the results of the examination of the contents of the stomach, there are rumors in circulation here to the effect that no traces of poison have been found. These rumors, however, cannot be traced to any reliable source.

SODA BOUGHT IN PALO ALTO. Drug Clerk Tells of Purchase Made by Mrs. Stanford.

STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Cal., March 3.—It now develops beyond all question that the bicarbonate of soda which Mrs. Stanford took on the night of her death was purchased in Palo Alto. W. E. Jackson, head clerk in the Stanford Pharmacy, on University avenue, said tonight that he sold Mrs. Stanford and Miss Bertha Berner, the secretary, three ounces of bicarbonate of soda February 6, just nine days before she sailed for Honolulu, Jackson said.

"Mrs. Stanford came into the store February 6, and after purchasing a number of toilet articles asked for some bicarbonate of soda. I started to wrap three ounces in a package, when Mrs. Stanford asked: 'Have you a bottle with a large mouth, so I can put a spoon in it?' Miss Berner then spoke up, saying: 'We have a bottle home that we always use for bicarbonate of soda.'"

"So I accordingly wrapped up the soda and then put all the articles into one bundle, which I handed to Miss Berner. There was no chance for strychnine to become mixed with the bicarbonate of soda in the drugstore, for they are kept several feet apart on the shelves. We have sold no strychnine for several months."

SUSPICION IN STANFORD HOME. Ex-Maid Says It Affected Miss Berner and Two Chinese.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 3.—According to Acting Chief of Police Spillane there had been no developments in the Stanford case up to a late hour today. The Bulletin says that the police and Detective Captain Callaghan are only awaiting the result of the autopsy at Honolulu before taking into custody at least two persons, Miss Elisabeth Richmond, formerly Mrs. Stanford's maid, said today.

"It seems as though suspicion would naturally narrow down to two or three in the house. There was a little feeling of disfavor in the house the week after the attempt was made to poison Mrs. Stanford, and it affected Miss Berner, Ah Wing and Yeng."

"E. Beverly, formerly Mrs. Stanford's butler, said that if any charge was made against him, he was willing to surrender himself at once to the police. Miss Berner, Mrs. Stanford's secretary, who is now in Honolulu, the police here declare, is not suspected. They also say that there is no reason to suspect Ah Wing, the Chinese cook."

Soda Found at Both Homes.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., March 3.—Since the announcement was received that strychnine had been found in the bottle of bicarbonate, detectives have made careful search of Mrs. Stanford's California street home and her place in Palo Alto.

At both they have found a one-pound can of imported bicarbonate of soda. The can at the Palo Alto home had not been opened, but from the one discovered in the California-street mansion there had been taken a small portion, presumably the amount needed to fill the small bottle that Mrs. Stanford carried with her to Honolulu.

Both of these cans have been analyzed by a local chemist, who has pronounced their contents absolutely free from any kind of poison.

It is said that a large amount of strychnine was in the possession of the servants on the estate for the purpose of poisoning squirrels at the time of the first attempt on Mrs. Stanford's life.

CHEMISTS ARE STILL AT WORK. Report on Contents in Mrs. Stanford's Stomach Expected Today.

HONOLULU, March 3.—The chemists who are examining the contents of the stomach of Mrs. Jane L. Stanford, who died under suspicious circumstances in this city, say that they will be unable to arrive at any conclusion before tomorrow afternoon, when they expect to make a report to High Sheriff Henry.

Strychnine in Mineral Water.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 3.—A report made public today by Attorney Mountford Wilson of a careful analysis of the Poland water from the drinking of which Mrs. Stanford narrowly escaped death at her residence in this city last January, shows that an attempt upon her life was probably made January 14. In his report of the analysis, Chemist Louis Falkeman announces that a water glassful of that Poland water would contain 0.8 of a grain of strychnine, half a grain being the ordinary fatal dose.

The strychnine was in the form of the crystalline alkaloid, and probably was the common article of commerce.

Dr. Jordan Without a Theory.

STANFORD UNIVERSITY, Cal., March 3.—President Jordan, of Stanford University, still has hope that Mrs. Stanford died under suspicious circumstances in this city, say that they will be unable to arrive at any conclusion before tomorrow afternoon, when they expect to make a report to High Sheriff Henry.

Servants Confined to Mansion.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 3.—Ah Wing, a Chinese cook employed for 20 years by Mrs. Stanford, with other servants, are now confined in the Stanford mansion on California street by private detectives.

Dr. Jordan, who is one of the trustees of the university, will leave tomorrow on the steamer Alameda for Honolulu, to take charge of Mrs. Stanford's body and investigate her death. They will return with the body on the steamer China.

STANFORD CLUB MOURNS LOSS. Alumni Express Their Sorrow at Death of Benefactress.

At a special meeting of the Stanford University Club, of this city, held yesterday, the following resolution was adopted on the occasion of the passing of Mrs. Stanford, the founder and patron of the university, copies of which have been sent to President David Starr Jordan and to Charles G. Lathrop.

the representative of Mrs. Stanford's family at Palo Alto. The members of the Stanford University Club of Portland learn with the deepest sorrow and regret of the death of Mrs. Jane L. Stanford in a distant country, removed from the friends who would support and comfort her. No expressed sentiments are adequate to voice our feelings, which can only find their fullest manifestation in a life conforming to the noble ideals in the cause education will endure forever, and the gratitude of a great Nation shall be her noblest monument.

OUR SORROW IS TEMPERED BY THE THOUGHT THAT she knew her great life work was safely completed, and had rejoiced in the victories won by her unwavering devotion to a holy cause developed in the shadow of a great sorrow. As alumni of Stanford University, we each of us owe a debt to the memory and deeds of the illustrious and most unselfish humanitarian which we can never repay, and though she has been removed from among us, her good example and the gratitude of a great Nation shall be her noblest monument.

STANFORD UNIVERSITY CLUB OF PORTLAND, by Frank B. Riley, president; Robert J. O'Neil, secretary; William B. Weir, Robert J. O'Neil, Committee.

BRITISH NAVAL PROGRAMME. Forming Submarine Flotillas and Building Ocean-Going Destroyers.

LONDON, March 3.—A memorandum shows the navy estimates for 1906-06 to be £16,345,000, against £14,463,000 for the current year. The Admiralty proposes to build during the year, one battleship, four armored cruisers, five ocean-going torpedo-boat destroyers, one experimental type, 12 coastal torpedo-boat destroyers, and 11 submarine boats. King George V has approved the name of the new battleship Dreadnaught and one of the armored cruisers Invincible.

The number of men asked for is 120,000, a reduction of 200,000 has been decided to appoint a Rear-Admiral to take charge of all the torpedo craft in home waters. The memorandum says that the fleet of submarine boats are in course of organization.

Since the commencement of the year more than 100 vessels have been successfully commissioned in the navy. Lord Selborne, the retiring First Lord of the Admiralty, who has been appointed High Commissioner in South Africa, says the fleet was never in a more perfect state of repair than at present.

Lord Selborne, in discussing new construction, says the study of tactical and the question of the board to the conclusion that two classes of destroyers are required, one for ocean work and the other for narrow seas. They accordingly reduced the number of ships which will be built, and to design a new type of coastal destroyer which will be cheaper. Between January 1, 1904, and March 31, 1905, the following ships have been or will be completed and available: four third-class cruisers, 12 submarine boats and a new Admiralty yacht. At the present time the following are under construction: eight third-class cruisers, one second-class cruiser, one third-class cruiser, eight scouts, 15 destroyers and 11 submarine boats.

WILL CONSULT ALL LEADERS. Francis Joseph Seeking Solution of Hungarian Crisis.

VIENNA, March 3.—Emperor Francis Joseph has decided to receive here and consult with all Hungarian political leaders for the purpose of learning their views and obtaining information that will aid him in furthering his efforts to effect a solution of the Hungarian crisis. The 18 include representatives of all the Hungarian parties forming together the United Opposition. The reception is to begin on Saturday. Each man will be received privately. Count Albert Apponyi, one of the most brilliant orators and ablest politicians in the country, who has now thrown in his lot with the independence party, and who is thoroughly opposed to the imperial programme and the newly elected presidents of the Reichstag and House of Magnates, are among those who will be received.

Polish Students Scoff at Austria.

LEMBERG, Galicia, March 3.—A student demonstration occurred here Wednesday night during a ball, which was attended by a number of prominent people and local officials, which was not without significance taken in conjunction with affairs in Russian Poland. At 11 o'clock 300 students and workmen gathered outside the building in which the ball was in progress. Then 12 students bearing a black coffin started to march into the building singing in a scornful way one of the American national hymns. The police expelled the coffin-bearers and dispersed the crowd without trouble. In the disorder five students were arrested. An investigation is proceeding.

Reserves Will Suppress Rebels.

CONSTANTINOPLE, March 3.—Owing to the receipt of information that the Macedonian committee are preparing a general insurrectionary movement for the Spring, the Turkish Minister of War has decided to call out the reserves in all the provinces of Macedonia. Large quantities of arms and ammunition are also to be sent to Macedonia, and a plan is being drawn up for the crushing of the revolt. The Minister's decision was intended to be kept secret.

Mount Pelee Relief Fund Wasted.

PARIS, March 3.—Several of the Paris papers refer to a serious scandal which is expected to result in the disgrace of

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Marriage of Miss Elsie Porter. PARIS, March 2.—The civil marriage of Miss Elsie Porter, daughter of the American Ambassador, to Dr. Edwin Mendel, of Zurich, Switzerland, was performed today at the Town Hall of the municipality of the Faubourg St. Jacques. The Mayor, who seldom officiates personally, conducted the ceremony.

Arabs Capture Two Towns. CONSTANTINOPLE, March 3.—The towns of Abd and Yerin, in the southwest of the Province of the Province of Yemen, Arabia, have fallen into the hands of the insurgents. All Riga Faaba, with five battalions of Turkish reinforcements, left Akaba February 23 for Hodeida.

Death Penalty for Desertion. NEW YORK, March 3.—Colonel Martin Lanza, a deserter in the Acra campaign and also a promoter of the Cochabamba rebellion, has been shot, cables the Herald's correspondent at Lapaz, Bolivia. Lanza met his death calmly.

Ashland Opposed to Referendum. ASHLAND, Or., March 3.—(Special.)—Some interest has naturally arisen in this country over the movement started in Yamhill County to invoke a referendum on the general appropriation bill of the recent Legislature, but as far as heard from there is not the slightest sympathy with it. On the other hand, many expressions have been heard against it. This situation is doubtless influenced to some extent by the fact that the Southern Oregon State Normal School, a beneficiary under the bill, is located at Ashland, but there is a feeling among conservative taxpayers outside this sentiment that it would be a very poor policy to tie the funds for the state institutions up for two years, entailing heavy additional costs for interest.

Sheriff Makes Good Shortage. FOSSIL, Or., March 3.—A shortage of between \$4000 and \$5000 existing in the books of Sheriff Keaton, of Wheeler County, has been made good and Sheriff Keaton will continue in office. Experts found the trouble due more to bad arithmetic and probable loose methods in keeping records than anything else and no criminal intent was found. Sheriff Keaton has given bonds to cover the present shortfall. It is said he made good most of the shortage from his own pocket.

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