

CHURCH POLITICS COST STORER JOB

Wife Sought Appointment of Cardinal.

WANTED RED HAT FOR IRELAND

Roosevelt Would Not Interfere in Church Affairs.

NEW AMBASSADOR NAMED

Cincinnati Man Disgraced Because Not Promoted From Vienna to Better Post—Owes Appointment to McKinley.

BELLAMY STORER.
Bellamy Storer was born at Cincinnati, August 28, 1847, and graduated from Harvard in 1867 and the Cincinnati Law School in 1869, in which year he was admitted to the bar. He practiced in Cincinnati and was elected to the lower house of Congress for two terms from 1891 to 1895. He entered the diplomatic service as minister to Belgium in 1897, was transferred to Spain in June, 1899, and to Austria-Hungary in September, 1902.

WASHINGTON, March 19.—(Special.)—Ambassador Bellamy Storer, of Ohio, was removed from his post at Vienna by President Roosevelt because of the ambition of Archbishop Ireland to be

made a cardinal and the efforts of the wife of Mr. Storer to assist him in that ambition.

President Roosevelt had warned Mr. Storer that the course of his wife would be fatal to his diplomatic career, but the warning was unheeded. Then the President decided that the only course left was to remove Mr. Storer.

WASHINGTON, March 19.—(Special.)—The name of Charles S. Francis, of Troy, N. Y., ex-American minister to Greece, was sent to the Senate today as ambassador to Austria-Hungary, to succeed Bellamy Storer. Mr. Francis' father was formerly ambassador to Austria.

Enough was learned today of the reasons for the retirement of Mr. Storer from the post to indicate that a diplomatic session will be provided, if the whole story is allowed to become known.

Wife Cause of Trouble.

To Mrs. Storer, who is an aunt of Congressman Longworth, is attributed the creation of friction. Her devotion to the Catholic faith is said to have exercised an influence which, in the opinion of the President, hampered rather than assisted her husband's service. Clerical politics, although unknown at Washington, is a potent influence in Continental European capitals. Mrs. Storer is said to have interested herself especially in the question of appointing another Roman Catholic cardinal in the United States. President Roosevelt felt himself in no position to exercise his influence in affairs of the church.

Soured Because Not Promoted.

There is another theory regarding Mr. Storer's resignation that finds some adherents, although it is not as generally accepted as that of Mrs. Storer's becoming involved in church politics. It is whispered that Mr. Storer has been nursing a "grudge" because he was forced to remain so long in a country distant from him. This is offset by the announcement that he retires of his own volition, and that no unpleasantness exists between him and his government. Mr. Storer went to Austria-Hungary, expecting he would get early promotion to a more responsible post. He has been three years and a half in Vienna, however, and there was little likelihood that he would go to either St. Petersburg or Berlin.

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ELKINS TURNS ON CRITICS

Objects to Cummins' Calling Senate a Cemetery.

NO SOCIALISM FOR TAMMANY

Opposes Municipal Ownership and Prefers Supervision.

NEW YORK, March 19.—

What is regarded as a declaration of Tammany Hall's principles for the state campaign next fall was made today at a special meeting of the organization, which was addressed by Representative W. Bourke Cockran, grand sachem of the Tammany Society. Mr. Cockran introduced a lengthy series of resolutions, which were adopted. The resolutions throughout are in opposition to so-called "latter-day Socialism," and it was asserted that on this platform Tammany will make this year's fight.

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The man who swore to the complaints is A. W. Doherty St. Clair, the driver of one of the teams which formed a part of the ambuscade caravan. St. Clair left Los Angeles yesterday afternoon bound for San Bernardino. He arrived there in the charge of a Los Angeles officer. He says he is sorry he stirred up so much trouble, and expressed a wish to leave the country.

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SPRECKELS' DOOM SEALED

Doctors Say Wealthy Californian Has Not Long to Live.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 19.—(Special.)—John D. Spreckels is very near death. He may linger for days, but a fatal outcome to his illness is predicted. Dr. W. S. Thorne, who has charge of the case, has informed his relatives that there is absolutely no hope, and Mrs. Alexander Hamilton, daughter of the millionaire, has been called to come home from Europe, whether she went on her honeymoon trip to the illness which brought Mr. Spreckels to his death bed is cirrhosis of the liver. John D. Spreckels is the oldest son of Claus Spreckels, and has extensive steamship and mining interests in California, Southern Oregon and Hawaii. He is the proprietor of the San Francisco Call.

BIG GANG IS INDICTED

Charged With Swindling Chicago Merchants by Bogus Checks.

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AMBUSCADE TO SCARE EXPERTS

"Scotty's" Plan, According to His Associates, Is Exposed.

WARRANTS FOR HIS ARREST

Antonio Apache, the Indian, Declares That "King of Death Valley" Got Money From Investor and Had No Ore.

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CALLS INSURANCE OFFICIALS CURS AND COWARDS.

Another Version of Ambuscade.
Another version, as related by J. A. St. Clair, is to the effect that Scotty outlined the plan to the ambuscade. For his own part, says St. Clair, he was with the sick horses and mules back at the water hole. He knows only what he has been told of the shooting.

Plan to Get \$100,000.

"I will get that \$100,000 and come back to Barstow with it," Scott told members of the party. It was then determined to shoot Owen on the way out. This would give Walter Scott time to get to the telegraph station and to send a message signing Owen's name, and representing that Owen had just come back from the mine. St. Clair asserted. Meantime influences had been at work against Pearl. Johnson had furnished the money for this expedition. Pearl had backed Scotty before, using Eastern money.

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