### SPRECKELS' FIGHT ON TROLLEY LINE

Financial Backer of Graft Prosecution Tells of Talks With Calhoun.

#### ATTEMPTS AT COMPROMISE

Rudolph Spreckels Relates History of Opposition to Trolley Franchise and of Immunity Given Supervisors.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 17.—Rudolph Spreckels, the San Francisco banker, who contributed \$100,000 to presente an inquiry into municipal conditions in 1906, was called to the witness stand in the trial of Patrick Calhoun today, and added to the case of the people a detailed account of his reasons for opposing Calhoun's plans for railway development and of the manner in which he became involved as a supporter of the prosecution. His examination had been in progress but a few moments when Assistant District Attorney F. J. Heney, replying to a statement by one of the attorneys for the defense, declared that he had thrown down the bars, had summoned Mr. Spreckels as a witness for the first time in any of the trials for bribery, and that he stood ready to meet any line of inquiry the defense might choose to pursue when cross-examination was reached.

#### Heney Throws Down Bars.

"We have been trying Mr. Calhous and no other," said Mr. Heney, "but from the time we began the selection of the jury the defense has endeavored to try Rudolph Spreckels and James D. Phelan at the same time. You have insinuated times without number that Spreckels was back of the prosecution for a malicious purpose, for his personal gain and profit and in an effort to gain control of the United Railroads. You made this issue. Surely you are not afraid to meet it, now that he is on the stand, prepared to answer your questions."

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Mr. Spreckels testified that he first came into conflict with the United Railroads in 1996, when he learned of a proposal to substitute the overhead trolley for the cable on the Sutter-street system. As an owner of property on the lines of this system and as a member of the Sutter-Street Improvement Club. Mr. Spreckels suid, he actively opposed the project among his influential acquaintances and he had consented three times to meet Calhoun to discuss the project. houn to discuss the project.

#### Calhoun Tries to Compromise.

In detailing the conferences to which he referred. Mr. Spreckels provided the most

referred. Mr. Spreckels provided the most interesting feature of the day's proceedings. He said that he had ateadfastly refused to accept the street railway president's arguments in support of the overhead trolley, and had rejected offers of compromise that he believed to be to the city's disadvantage.

"On the occasion of our third interview," said the winness, "Mr. Calhoun said he would be willing to withdraw the cable line from Pacific avenue, where my residence is located, and substitute an overhead trolley line on Broadway in the same district. He called my attention to the fact that, in common with many of my neighbors, I had carriages and automobiles and was not dependent on the meblies and was not dependent on the streetears. In reply I said that my fight was not a selfish one, and that I was interested in behalf of people not so fortunate as to possess carriages and automobiles, and that I would not entertain the proposition preposition, "Mr. Calboun at this interview said that

he was ready to construct a tunnel through Powell-street hill, and make the entrance one of the busiest transfer points in the city. I asked him if this was be-Powell and Sutter, and he expressed sur-prise, saying he did not know of it."

#### Efforts to Defeat Franchise.

Subsequently, according to the testimony, the improvement club and Calhoun
had exchanged letters, through the newspapers, and the organization announced a
determination to do all in its power te defeat the overhead troiley. Mr. Spreckels
said he had telegraphed to his attorney
in the East, urging his immediate return,
and that he had directed the lawyer to
prepare articles of incorporation of a rival
transportation system. Before the fire of
1906. Mr. Spreckels said, he had gone, in
company with his father, to see Mayor
Eugene E. Schmitz and urge that he oppose the grant of an overhead franchise
by the Supervisors.

#### Made Immunity Contract.

Mr. Hency led the witness to relate circumstances under which he arranged with James L. Gallagher for a contract of immunity, absolving the Supervisors from legal penalty. He testified that W. J. Burns had arranged for Gallagher to meet him at the Presidio, and that he had some there armed with authority by the District Attorney to offer immunity to Gallagher for a full confession of the boodling schemes in which the Board had engaged. Gallagher, he said, refused to tell anything until assured that all the other Supervisors would escape legal punishment, and a second interview was arlahment, and a second interview was arranged after the District Attorney had declared that Gallagher's testimony was essential. At the second Presidio conference Gallagher was told that all the Supervisors who confessed would be granted intervisors.

#### Shut Out by Trolley Franchise.

Charles S. Wheeler, who was attorney for the Municipal Street Railways of San Francisco, completed his testimony today. Mr. Wheeler was made the target of over a hundred questions that were apparently framed without hope of eliciting any reply, but which were calculated to define more clearly the arguments of prosecution or deferments of prosecution or deferments.

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Earl Rogers, of the counsel for Mr.
Calhoun, sought to ascertain why the
Municipal Company had never constructed the street railways it was organized
to build. The witness declared that the
situation after the fire was such as to
make the investment unsatisfactory from
his standpoint, particularly as the United
Railroads had obtained the overhead permit. Mr. Rogers then sought to assermit. Mr. Rogers then sought to ascer-tain what had become of the \$459,000 sub-scribed by Rudolph Spreechels and other incorporators of the rival corporation. Mr. Wheeler stated that the entire amount, with the exception of \$500, had been returned to the subscribers in the form of loans. He expressed a belief, however, that the corporation itself has become defunct through failure to pay its license tax.

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At this point Mr. Rogers and Mr. Heney engaged in a dispute concerning the amount which Patrick Calhoun personally invested in San Francisco after the fire of 1906. Mr. Rogers asserted that colose in reorganization and improvement, and Mr. Hency expressed a belief that Mr. Calboun's share of this was less than the E.250,000 invested by James D. Phelan

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VAN VLISSINGEN CASE UP

Rosenfeld and Rosenberg Admit Forger Paid Them, but Say He Told Them He Had Good Equities on Hand.

CHICAGO, May 17.-Maurice Resenfeld and Bernhard Rosenberg, to whom Peter Van Vlissingen, forger of more than a million dollars in mortgages, alleges he confessed his crimes four years prior to his public admission of guilt, apprior to his public admission of guilt, appeared before Referee in Bankruptcy Wean today to answer questions growing out of Van Vlissingen's recent testimony. Van Vlissingen deciared that in 1994, Rosenfeld, then cashier of the now definet Chicago Notional Bank, and Rosenberg, brother-in-law of the latter, discovered that several hundred thousand deliant in most process. dollars in mortgages which they had se-cured from him were forgestes.
"I offered then to go before the State's Attorney, confess and take my punish-ment," said Van Vlassingen, when on the witness stand a formight ago. "They said they wanted their money. I told them I could get it only by defrauding still other people. They said they did not want to hear about how I got it. The point with them was that I was to get it, so I continued forging."

STORY IS DENIED

said, on December 19, 1904, because on December 9 of that year Van Vilssingen confessed his forgeries to him.

Rosenfeld was asked how he discovered the forgeries and saw a final of property at Portyninth strace and Cottage Grove avenue in the hands of John R. Walsh, president of the hank. Mr. Walsh was about to of the hank after Van Vilssingen. I kept after him for three days, till on December 9 he finally confessed, breaking down and crying. I said to him:

"I am going to take this up with my ONE DAY TO FILE APPEAL lawyer; I am not going to compound a "To this he answered:

Says Equities Good.

"I am not going to run away, neither do I propose to commit suicide. I have equities in real estate, and I can pay Mr. Rosenfeld was alone at this interview, but on the following day he was accompanied by his brother-in-law, Mr.

Rosenberg. "Van Vilssingen repeated his confes-sion, and I again declared I would not compound a felony. Then Van Vilssin-gen explained that his embarrassment was only temporary, due to loaning out too much money.
"I suggested that his friends might help him out, but he said no, the amount was him out, but he said no, the amount too large."
Did he agree to pay you and Rosen-

"Yes, he agreed to pay us \$1000 weekly. He owed us about \$270,000, which he said he figured he could pay us in two or three years. He said he valued his equities in real estate at \$300,000."

### PIERCE GETS RID OF CASE

Original Charge Against Oil Man Dismissed in Court.

AUSTIN, Tex., May 17.—The original want to hear about how I got it. The point with them was that I was to get it, so I continued forging."

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Mr. Rosenfeld, taking the stand, said he had known Van Vliesingen 25 years and had purchased from him many mortgages for himself and clients. He said he had not learned of Van Vlimingen's insolvency until his arrest last Winter. He had opened a new set of books, he in the sum of \$13,000.

Prisoner Dazed at Bar and Does Not Seem to Realize What Court Is Doing-Gets Eight to

Sixteen Years.

PLUSHING, N. Y., May H.—Captain Peter C. Hains, U. S. A., who was convicted of manslaughter in the first degree for killing William E. Annis at the Bayside Yacht Club last August, was centenced today by Justice Garretson in the Supreme Court, to an indeterminate sentence of not less than eight years nor more than 18 years at hard labor in state's prison. John F. McIntyre, counsel for the defendant, made the usual motion for a new trial, on the ground that the verdict was against the weight of evidence and also contrary to law. Justice Garretson desied the motion. Mr. Mo-Intyre then raised the point of jurisdiction of the Supreme Court over the defendant, contending that he never had been released from the jurisdiction of the Federal Government, and therefore the case was not properly before the court. Mr. McIntyre also stated that Dr. Brush, who had been an expert witness for the defense, had examined Captain Hains since he was convicted, and found him insane. Justice Garretson said there was no evidence to that effect before the court, and he declined to consider the motion in regard to jurisdiction.

Captain Seems Dazed. FLUSHING, N. Y., May H.-Captain

prisoner seemed dated, and appeared to have some difficulty in understanding the questions. Lawyers McIntyre and Young, of the defense, stood on either side of Captain Hains and assisted him in answering the questions of the chief clerk.

In passing sontence, Justice Carretso said the defendant had a fair trial an had been defended by experienced lawyers. He said he was not aware that
any errors of law had been committed
during the trial. Although there had
been a great deal of sympathy injected
into the case, the law did not allow a
man to punish another for wrong he had
suffered or to wreak vengeance upon the
man who had wronged him. After Justice Garretson had imposed the sentence.
Captain Hains sat down and dropped his
head on the table before him. He seemed
overcome with emotion for a few moments, but soon recovered himself and
sat upright, staring at the court.

Appeal Will Be Taken.

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General Hains, the defendant's father, and Major John Hains, who were in court, displayed much emotion when the Captain was sentenced. Immediately after sontence, the prisoner's lawyers asked for a stay of sentence for a few days, in order to take an appeal. Justice Garretsen said the court would take the usual course, and gave the defense it hours in which to file an appeal. He then remanded Captain Hains to the custody of the Rheriff.

The operation of an indeterminate sentence such as that imposed upon Captain Hains is so fixed by law that unless pardoned by the Governor or released on some legal point traised by hits coursel, the prisoner must serve the full length of the minimum term named, which is eight years in the case of Captain Hains.

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READY FOR THIRD JURY

Many Witnesses Walling to Testify in Oklahoma Land-Fraud Cases.

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Captain Seems Daxed.

The court then instructed Captain Hains to come to the bar, and proceeded to sak him the questions usually put to a man about to be sentenced. The TULEA, Okla., May 17.-Twenty out-of-

more held here to repeat their testimony, and others were summoned by the Gov-

STRIKERS GIVE NO HELP Laborers Watch Fire at Sugar Mill,

but Offer No Ald. HONOLULU, May 17.-A fire which HONOLULU. May 17.—A fire which broke out today in a pile of rubbish at the Oahu sugar mill was extinguished before any damage had been done to the mill. The striking employes offered no assistance to the firefighters.

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