



WOMAN'S LETTERS ATTACK BALDWIN

Detective Wood Shows Correspondence.

MRS. TURNBULL WAS SCORNED

Marriage Sought Even if Divorce Follows Quickly.

LETTERS CALLED FORGERY

Paiked Old Man Comes From Boston and Identifies Long Series of Epistles—Mrs. Turnbull One of Baldwin's Several Wives.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 12.—With unexpected celerity, the attorneys for Anita Turnbull completed their case in the Baldwin will contest today and counsel for the defense immediately began their effort to break down the testimony ad-

Wood, a paiked old man of 72, all afternoon was busy identifying as Mrs. Turnbull's letters which she previously had branded as forgeries, perpetrated by one of his employees in Boston. All the letters were introduced in the trial of Mrs. Turnbull's former suit against Baldwin for \$7,000 damages and some of them were relied upon by the defense to controvert Mrs. Turnbull's contention that she married Baldwin in 1893, by showing that prior to the trial of the damage suit in 1898 she herself had repeatedly written the declaration that Baldwin had betrayed her under the promise of regarding her as his daughter.

Woman Scorned Voices Fury. One of the letters which Wood identified as having been written to him by Mrs. Turnbull from San Francisco, July 12, 1893, spoke of the faint hope she had that Baldwin would marry her and legitimize her expected child. This letter, introduced in evidence on behalf of the estate, says in part: "Lucky Baldwin is mighty stingy where women are concerned, everyone says, and I think he could divorce his wife, who really is no wife at all (I have heard almost anyone can get a divorce in Chicago), and marry me to get out of this scrape any less. I am almost persuaded he would do it, even should he divorce me soon after, just to give our child a name. You know, Mr. Wood, money can do almost anything, and if he will show me and my little innocent babe kindly consideration and give my baby a legal name, while I can never love him, I shall always be grateful to him and let him down easy, so to speak."

Witness Knew Several "Wives." Jacob H. Wheatfield, of San Francisco, a whisky broker, testified that he first met Mrs. Turnbull in San Francisco in the cafe of the Baldwin Hotel. "She was with Baldwin at a table, I went over to Baldwin's table. He did not recognize me, but when I recalled our acquaintance, he shook hands," he said. "He introduced the woman with him to me as his wife. I met Baldwin and the woman later in the Cliff House a couple of times." On cross-examination, Wheatfield was not very positive as to the identification of Mrs. Turnbull. "The features seem to be the same," he said. "There has been some change in her in 18 years." The witness testified that he had not seen Mrs. Turnbull since 1893 until this morning. "And you recognized her at once," asked Gavin McNab, for the defense. "The features came back," answered Wheatfield. "She is just about the same, except for about 100 pounds additional weight."

Teeth Remembered 18 Years. "I recognized her by her teeth, too," added Wheatfield. "You asked her to open her mouth and let you see her teeth?" asked McNab. "You guessed right that time," was the answer. "When I met her in 1893 we commented on her teeth. They were very regular and pretty." "And you remembered her teeth 18 years?" "Yes, sir."

Further questions revealed that in 1893 Mrs. Turnbull was a blonde. Now she has brown hair. "Do you know the real Mrs. Baldwin-Lilly Bennett Baldwin?" asked McNab. "I wouldn't swear that I ever met the real Mrs. Baldwin," answered Wheatfield. "I was introduced by Baldwin to three different women whom he called his wives. I met a brunette

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WOMAN AS SLEUTH DAZZLES POLICE

BANKER'S WIFE FINDS JEWELS THEY HAD GIVEN UP.

Seattle Matron Conducts Search and Recovers Necklace and Brooch Belonging to Friend.

SEATTLE, Jan. 12.—(Special.)—Mrs. Joseph A. Swallow, wife of a Seattle banker, has traced down stolen property which the police departments of Seattle and Everett were unable to recover.

The residence of Charles G. Smyth, in Everett, was entered by burglars and a large number of bloods and trinkets taken. A description was placed in the hands of the Seattle authorities and Mr. Smyth offered a reward of \$200.

Mrs. Swallow, while passing a jewelry store here two days ago, saw a necklace which she had seen about the neck of her friend, Mrs. Smyth. She inspected the necklace and discovered the Smyth initials on a pendant locket.

A telephone message from Mrs. Swallow took Mrs. Smyth to Seattle, where she identified her property. Mrs. Smyth then visited the Seattle police headquarters and asked to inspect the daily reports turned in by pawnbrokers, and found a description of a \$100 brooch that had been taken from her home. This she recovered from a second-hand store.

LOYAL NURSE GETS \$6000

Woman Who Attended Captain Graham Remembered in Will.

OREGON CITY, Or., Jan. 12.—(Special.)—The will of the late Captain John M. Graham was admitted to probate here today. The estate is valued at \$15,000.

The chief beneficiary is Mrs. Julia E. Haskell, who inherits \$6000 for faithful service, she having taken care of Captain Graham during his declining years. Until the estate is settled Mrs. Haskell is to receive \$50 a month. The bequest becomes void if she remarries. The remainder of the estate is willed, share and share alike, to the sons and daughters—Alden B., Arthur W., and John N. Graham, and Mercy W. Anderson, Anna May Morrill and Jessie E. Fuchs, his daughters.

NEWLY-WED LOSES PURSE

Honest Stranger Returns Money and Tickets for Honeymoon Trip.

EUGENE, Or., Jan. 12.—(Special.)—Louis Aye, of Eugene, owes it to a kind-hearted and honest stranger that his wedding trip was not sadly disrupted, if not prevented. While taking some clothes to the cleaner yesterday Mr. Aye dropped a pocketbook containing over \$50 and two tickets to Medford for himself and bride. Consternation prevailed when the loss was discovered, but the purse fell in good hands, and was returned this morning. Mr. Aye was married yesterday to Miss Margaret Hetlich, of Eugene.

BILL COMPELS POLITENESS

Missouri Legislator Would Fine Station Agents Who Won't Talk.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Jan. 12.—The tongues of railroad station agents in Missouri will be loosened if a bill introduced in the State Legislature today by Representative Floyd Tuggle is passed. The bill provides a fine of \$25 to \$50 for any agent who refuses to answer any questions put by travelers. Mr. Tuggle said years of rebuffs by country agents at whom he had inquired if the trains were on time, had aroused in him a lingering longing to get back at the "aphinx behind the wicket."

WAGNER MEMOIRS COMING

Composer's Autobiography Will Be Published May 1.

BERLIN, Jan. 12.—The publication of an autobiography of Richard Wagner, the existence of which has been a matter of doubt, is announced for May 1. In a preface, the composer authenticates the manuscript which was dictated to his wife, and directs that it remain unpublished until some time after his death, in order that others mentioned therein shall not be embarrassed.

\$1,000,000 WILL FILED

Seattle Founder's Widow Remembers Her Grandchildren.

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 12.—The \$1,000,000 will of Mrs. Mary Ann Denny, widow of the founder of Seattle, was filed for probate today. The will provides that the estate remain intact until the death of the last of Mrs. Denny's six children, when it shall be divided among her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

COLD KILLS MONTANANS

Rabbit Hunter and Stage Passenger Frozen to Death.

BUTTE, Mont., Jan. 12.—The extreme cold of the last two days has caused at least two deaths. Moses Klein, a homesteader near Culbertson, was frozen to death while hunting rabbits, and William Compton died of cold near Ringling, when the stage in which he was riding broke down.

EDDY BEQUEST TO CHURCH ATTACKED

Lawyers for Relatives Say It Is Void.

FORBIDDEN BY STATE LAW

Claim of Mother Church of Scientists Contested.

\$13,000,000 IS AT STAKE

Chandler Harris Taylor and Others Cite Law Forbidding Legacies in Excess of \$5000 a Year to Any New Hampshire Church.

CONCORD, N. H., Jan. 12.—The residuary clause in the will of Mrs. Mary Baker G. Eddy, founder of the Christian Science Church, is null and void, in the opinion of ex-United States Senator William E. Chandler, Hannis Taylor, professor of constitutional and international law at George Washington University, and others, according to a statement given out for publication. The clause in question provides for a gift of \$13,000,000 to the First Church of Christ, Scientist, Boston, known as the "Mother Church."

Law Forbids Such Gifts.

A statute of New Hampshire, prohibiting a bequest to a church of more than \$5000 annually and one of Massachusetts forbidding more than \$2000 annually are the basis of the opinion, which was written by Professor Taylor, formerly Minister to Spain. According to the residuary clause held "null and void," the opinion says: "As to the void gift, the testatrix died intestate and its subject matter passed on her death to her next of kin under the New Hampshire statute of distribution."

In the closing paragraph the opinion advises the attorneys for the next of kin that such agreements stand and contracts as they made with the testatrix and her trustees in her lifetime bind them only "to recognize as valid such provisions of her last will as are legally valid."

Residuary Clause Void.

"To that extent," continued the opinion, "you are bound and required to join with the executors in requesting the Probate Court of New Hampshire to admit such will to probate in solemn form, in order that all its provisions may prevail, so far as they are not forbidden by law."

"After you have so acted and performed every part of the agreement you have entered into, it will remain for the courts of equity, Federal or state, to construe the will, in order to determine whether the residuary clause is valid or void."

Besides Mr. Chandler and Professor Taylor, the signers of the opinion are Attorneys John W. Kelley, of Portsmouth, and DeWitt C. Howe, of Concord, who were associated with Mr. Chandler as counsel for the "next

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18 REBELS DEFEAT 175 DIAZ FIGHTERS

Federal Forces Forced to Retreat.

20 KILLED DURING BATTLE

Regulars Charge Handful of Enemy but Are Forced Back.

TWO OF INSURRECTOS DIE

Arrival of Reinforcements Enables Vallant Mederosists to Retreat to Hills With Their Dead and Injured.

COMSTOCK, Tex., Jan. 12.—For three hours a handful of insurrectos—18 men—held at bay a force of Mexican government troops, numbering 175, on the bank of the Rio Grande, opposite this place yesterday. The revolutionists were surprised by the government force but they immediately occupied a strategic position in the trail and coolly poured deadly fire into the enemy. The total dead in the engagement, which continued hotly until darkness fell, was 20, of whom two were of the vallant band of rebels.

Twice the government force, comprising 75 rurales and 100 regular infantrymen, charged the insurrectos, but the latter, drawn up in the crags, fired so frequently and so accurately that the government soldiers were forced to retreat. On one attack, only nine rebels remained at the guns and withstood the enemy, the others having been killed or wounded.

Rebels Are Reinforced.

When darkness came, the insurrectos were reinforced by 20 men, who had been off on a raid, and with the assistance of this force, the crippled but courageous rebels were able to retreat to the mountains with their dead and injured. Had they remained the superior force of regulars would, in the course of a few hours, have annihilated them. Besides the two revolutionists killed, seven were wounded. E. S. O'Reilly, a correspondent with the revolutionists, received a slight wound. Twice the rurales charged the rebels position, once coming within 50 yards, but each time they were repulsed. The correspondent counted 18 soldiers who were carried from the field during the battle.

Forty in Original Party.

The original party of insurrectos numbered 40 men. They had been on a raid through the country south of Las Vacas, getting horses and recruits. For two days 70 rurales had chased the band and Tuesday night the party went to the river to water their jaded horses, thinking they had eluded the government forces. The next morning, 20 rebels started for a ranch about 12 miles away to get more horses. The company of insurrectos was discovered and mounted infantrymen were sent to the support (Continued on Page 5.)

TWIN SISTERS GO WITH AFFINITIES

BORN TOGETHER, THEY ELOPE ON SAME DAY, TAKING BABES.

When Husband of One Returns From Renting New House, He Finds Wife, Money, Watch Gone.

CHICO, Cal., Jan. 12.—(Special.)—Taking with them all the money and jewelry they could find at home and leaving a letter to their husbands, in which they jointly bade a fond adieu, Mrs. Charles Rose and Mrs. Al Lawson, twin sisters aged 22 years, last night departed from Chico, presumably bound for Portland. Their husbands, however, believe they have gone to Sacramento to join affinities whose presence around the two homes and aroused suspicions. Mrs. Rose took with her a 2-year-old child by a former husband, and Mrs. Lawson took her two children, aged two and four years.

The elopement was made while Rose, acting under his wife's directions, had gone to arrange for a new house, into which they planned to move. When he returned, he found a note written by his wife in which she said she and her sister were tired of housekeeping and did not love their husbands enough to take their hard-earned money.

Rose missed his money and gold watch and has asked the officers to apprehend the pair.

PEARY'S CLAIM APPROVED

House Subcommittee Recommends Promotion to Rear-Admiral.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—Captain Robert E. Peary, Arctic explorer, today was formally approved by a subcommittee of the House committee on naval affairs. The sub-committee at an executive meeting, from which the two principal opponents of Captain Peary, Roberts and Macon, were absent, adopted a favorable report to the full committee on the Bates bill, which extends the thanks of Congress to Peary and retires him with the rank of Rear-Admiral in the Engineer Corps of the Navy.

Captain Peary is 62 years old, and the action, if approved by the full committee and agreed to by the Senate, will place him immediately upon the retired list with about the same pay—\$6000—as he is receiving as a Captain upon the active list.

PLAGUE SLAYS THOUSANDS

Manchuria Being Fast Depopulated by Bubonic Scourge.

PEKIN, Jan. 12.—Bubonic plague in Manchuria is spreading rapidly. Reports reaching here state that hundreds of persons are dying every day and that the number of fatalities is increasing. A French plague expert has succumbed to the disease. The Chinese government has pleaded to the foreign communities for assistance in combating the epidemic and four missionary doctors, one an American and the others British, have volunteered their services. It was planned to quarantine the railways and the great wall in the hope of arresting the spread of the scourge southward.

GIRLS WEAR OWN HAIR

New Vogue Is Ushered In at Salem High School.

SALEM, Or., Jan. 12.—(Special.)—Rats, switches, rouge and powder were absent from the high school yesterday as a result of a decree issued by the co-eds themselves. They have decided to dispense with all artificial aids to beauty. Yesterday's decree revived the old-fashioned braid, the large number of the young women inclining to the plait down the back.

Court was held and all girls wearing superfluous hair were fined. But there were few violations of the decree.

7 OPEN POSTAL ACCOUNTS

High School Girl Is First Depositor at Klamath Falls.

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Jan. 12.—(Special.)—Only seven persons took advantage of the opening of the postal savings bank here today and but \$125 was deposited. Miss Laura Nelson, high school girl, was the first depositor. J. C. Stanley was the last depositor with \$61. Another was for \$50 and the rest for \$1 each.

Local bankers expect no effect upon the private banks of the city as a result of the Government institutions.

CENSUS MAN IS ON TRIAL

Seattle Enumerator Charged With Making False Returns.

SEATTLE, Jan. 12.—Furman J. Shad, a former Seattle enumerator, charged with making false returns, will be tried in Seattle. The papers in the case were brought today from Tacoma. Shad was indicted by the grand jury at Tacoma on October 13 on a charge of feloniously making false and fictitious returns on a schedule of population.

2 TRAINS BURIED IN SNOW DRIFTS

Passengers Are Marooned for 5 Days.

SHOVELERS FIGHT IN VAIN

No Dining Cars Attached to Stalled Equipment.

75 PERSONS SUFFER

Great Northern Men Working With Might and Main Near Fielding, Mont., to Rescue Trains, Fearing Fatal Snowslides.

KALISPEL, Mont., Jan. 12.—(Special.)

Two passenger trains, carrying not less than 75 persons, have been buried in the snow in the mountains near Fielding, Mont., since Monday of this week, and all efforts to get within ten miles of them have been futile. Neither train has a dining car.

Driven by a 70-mile gale, snow has piled upon the tracks to depths that have defied the strongest snow-fighting equipment of the Great Northern. The storm has razed the telegraph wires leading to the stalled trains and for two days no word has reached the outside world from the marooned trains.

Armies of snow-fighting men have been assembled under rush orders from the headquarters of the Great Northern, snow-fighting machinery that has hitherto conquered the mountain drifts that each winter obliterate the railroad map, has battered at the soggy white walls that isolate the passenger trains. It has been useless.

Fight Is Kept Up.

Unceasingly since Monday night the fight has been kept up. Division superintendents, section foremen and laborers and many volunteers have clawed and hammered and dug side by side. Sleep has been forgotten. Men have dropped in their tracks. Others have jumped to fill their places. And still the snow piles up, piles up faster than it can be removed. Tonight word was sent out that the outlook carried little hope.

Railroad officials admit reluctantly that the situation is the gravest in the annals of mountain railroading. It seems almost an impossibility to buck the snow. What shall we do next? Is the only question that is heard at headquarters. Fear of a repetition of the Wellington disaster—a snowslide—multiplies the anxiety.

Flour and Rice Food.

Flour and rice consignments were carried on number three, "The Oregonian," one of the stalled trains, and constitute the sole means of subsistence. Number three is believed to have carried sufficient coal to last a week. Rotaries coupled back to back, in pairs, a measure that has been resorted to only in rare cases, went out on tonight to be sent to bore into the 15-mile snow bank. The bank was attacked from both sides—Whitefish on the West and Cutbank on the East, but the rotaries were compelled to return to avoid being buried in the drifts.

Early yesterday, a relief train left Whitefish following a huge rotary. The rotary was snowed in and it and the train were compelled to return to Whitefish. Two of the giant type of mountain engines left Cutbank with two rotaries this morning but had to turn back.

COLD WAVE STRIKES MEDFORD

Temperature Lowest in Years.

Portland Expects No Change. Cold weather in the Northwest continues, with the high-pressure area spreading south. Eastern Oregon and Southeastern Washington are in Winter's grip, although the snowfall in those districts is light except in the high altitudes.

The Medford district, in the Upper Willamette Valley, was struck yesterday by a hard snow storm, accompanied by a strong wind. It is colder there than it has been in 20 years. Fruitmen believe that the orchards will not be damaged, however.

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