

LAFFERTY LETTERS ARE MADE PUBLIC

Father of Girl Importuned by
Representative Dis-
cusses Episode.

AUTHORSHIP IS ADMITTED

Oregon Member of Congress Bared
as Cringing Before Indignant
Parent to Prevent Publication
of Story of Note.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Wash-
ington, Aug. 7.—Authentic copies of
letters written by Representative Laf-
ferty to Miss Florence Kubel and her
father, S. J. Kubel, and Kubel's letter
to Lafferty were made public for the
first time today and projected the Ore-
gon Representative still further into the
limelight.

The letter Lafferty wrote to the
Washington schoolgirl three months
ago reads as follows:
House of Representatives, Washington, D.
C.—Dear Miss Kubel: Your picture in the
paper as impressing me I have been
to meet you some time. Please overlook
the unbecoming nature of the request if you
ever have occasion to visit the House. I
happen to be a bachelor without any fam-
ily of my own. Very truly yours,
(Signed)
May 7, 1911.

Girl's Father Talks.

This letter is in Lafferty's own hand-
writing and he now admits its author-
ship. About a week after the letter
was written, S. J. Kubel, father of the
girl, called at Lafferty's office. In a
statement today, Mr. Kubel said:

"When I called at Lafferty's office
and confronted him with his letter,
he told me with much wringing of his
hands and pleas for consideration that
he did not write the letter, but that
he knew it had been written by one of
the young men in his office. He
begged me to give the matter no pub-
licity and told me what it would mean
to him personally if the matter should
be aired in the newspapers. He said
he would write me a letter of apology,
if I stayed in his office while he wrote.

Apology Made Public.

"In his letter of apology, which is
contradicted by his statement of yester-
day, Lafferty in part said:

"The letter which was sent from
my office last Saturday to your daugh-
ter, Miss Florence Kubel, was not
written with my knowledge or con-
sent, but prepared by others in my of-
fice. When I learned that same had
been sent, I regretted it very much,
and would before this have taken steps
to correct the matter if I could have
thought of anything that I could have
done that would not have further em-
barrassed the young lady. It seems
to me that I am the one that has
gotten the worst of it by the letter
having been sent. It casts reflection
upon me and myself. While I am
the one that has suffered on account
of it, I will gladly do all that I can
to settle the matter, and if you will
try to prevent any further publicity
being given in regards to it, you
will do me a favor that will not be
forgotten."

Lafferty Begs for Silence.

Mr. Kubel had decided to drop the
matter, being satisfied that Lafferty
would not again address his daughter,
but several weeks ago the Washing-
ton Times got wind of the incident,
prepared to publish the letter, and
publication. Lafferty then wrote to Mr.
Kubel again, beseeching him not to
talk for publication. He also sought
an interview with Kubel, and he
got his promise to suppress publica-
tion of the story.

When Kubel received this latter
communication, he wrote to Lafferty
a paper watermarked "C. Mount Holly,"
and not "Mount Hood," as Lafferty had
declared. Kubel retains a copy of that
letter, dated June 30, which reads in
part as follows:

"I do not care to have you visit me
at any place and, generally speaking,
my advice to you is to keep out of
my way altogether. You seem to think
that the most serious phase of the
publishing of this matter is only what
affects you and your prospects. From
my standpoint, that is of no impor-
tance whatever. But what is of impor-
tance is the publicity which will be given
to my family through you. It is this
account alone that I have been anxious
that your offense against common de-
cency should not be given publicity.

Representative Need Not Call.

"There is just one point regarding
which my mind is not entirely clear
and that is just what satisfaction I
will demand from you. The matter
does become public property, but you
can rest assured that if I deem fur-
ther conference necessary, you need
not call at either my house or my of-
fice. I will find you."
(Signed)
"S. Kubel."

In concluding his statement Mr. Ku-
bel said today:
"I regret very much that my daugh-
ter and my family must be made sub-
jects of public comment through the
unthought and unencouraged actions
of Mr. Lafferty."

"I have been informed that Mr. Laf-
ferty, in addition to writing the let-
ter, on one or more occasions, waited
down to the school which my daugh-
ter was attending and watched her as
she passed along the street."

E. E. Baldwin, former private secre-
tary to Representative Ellis, who is
mentioned in Lafferty's statement of
yesterday, has been earnestly endeavor-
ing for six weeks to have the Kubel
Lafferty story published and he thinks
that he ever directly or indirectly
offered to suppress it if Lafferty would
put up the price of his return to Ore-
gon.

Lafferty admits that Baldwin never
made such a proposition to him and
F. H. Barrow, of the Oregonian, who
has been through the proposition was
said to have been made, denies that
Baldwin ever intimated to him he
wanted to "hold up" Lafferty, and he
denies that he has always been anxious
for publicity.

SHORE LEAVE EFFECT BAD

Navy Dismayed by Number of Su-
icides and Breakdowns of Officers.

NEW YORK, Aug. 7.—The number
of United States naval officers who
have committed suicide, suffered men-
tal breakdowns or disappeared sud-
denly within the last year or two has
become so large that officials at the
Brooklyn Navy Yard will try to learn
the possible causes. It is said that
within the last 12 months 29 commis-

PICTURES OF PRINCIPALS IN LATEST ROMANCE IN NEW YORK'S SMART SET, AND PROSPECTIVE
BRIDEGROOM'S SON.



sioned officers on active duty have
either committed suicide or disap-
peared.

For eight or ten years such cases
have been on the increase, and within
the last year the increase, especially
among younger officers, has been
alarming.

The matter was discussed at a meet-
ing of officers of high rank in Wash-
ington a few years ago, and a number
of theories were advanced to account
for the tendency. Some of the officers
held that the juniors had too little to
do, others were strongly in favor of
restricting shore leave almost entirely.
It was urged that many cases of men-
tal breakdowns are caused by unfortu-
nate matters and methods of enforcing dis-
cipline by commanding officers.

COUNSEL IN NEAR-FIGHT

WORD "LIE" PASSED OFTEN IN
LORIMER INVESTIGATION.

Senator's Attorney Makes Witness
Say Repeatedly He Testified
Falsely to Corruption.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 7.—What prom-
ised for a few minutes to be a per-
sonal encounter between Edridge
Haney, representing Senator Lorimer,
and John J. Healy, counsel for the Sen-
ate Lorimer committee, marked the
close today of the long cross-examina-
tion of H. J. C. Beckmeyer, ex-Illinois
State Representative, who says he re-
ceived \$1000 after voting for Lorimer
for Senator.

The clash between counsel occurred
when Healy accused Haney of having
the "purpose of confusing the record
and those who will read it," He
speaking of Haney's questions regard-
ing testimony Beckmeyer gave Satur-
day concerning his statement two years
ago to officials in Cook County that
he knew nothing of interest to the
grand jury relative to the corruption
in the Legislature.

"If the gentleman means what he
says, I desire to brand it in the man-
ner it deserves to be branded," shouted
Haney, jumping to his feet and facing
Beckmeyer's attorney. He declared
he could not tell whether Haney
was asking about Beckmeyer's
testimony Saturday or about the truth
of the statements he made two years
ago. Beckmeyer said he could not un-
derstand, either. As a result, Chairman
Dillingham conducted the examination
on the point himself.

Repeatedly Haney required the
witness to admit that he lied when he
said he received money that he had not
received, and knew nothing about cor-
ruption in the Legislature.
Finally Beckmeyer appealed to the
committee to be excused from answer-
ing further questions. Chairman Dil-
lingham ruled that after the witness
had testified three, or four, or five
times that he lied, it was not necessary
for counsel to require him to repeat
characterize the kind of lies he told.
Throughout Beckmeyer remained
firm in declaring that he asked the
privilege of making a "clean breast"
before the grand jury, because he did
not want an indictment to be brought
against him at the time his wife was
in a hospital.

SAFETY EMPLOYEES' AIM

RAILROAD MEN SEEK TO MAKE
ACCIDENTS FEWER.

Workmen on St. Louis & San Fran-
cisco Will Send Out Committees
to Improve Service.

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 7.—Employees of the
St. Louis & San Francisco Railroad
have formulated plans for the organ-
ization of safety committees at the dif-
ferent division points, whereby they
hope to save the lives of hundreds of
railway employees.

The organization, one of the first of
its kind in the United States, will con-
sist of a central safety committee, a
committee for each division, shop com-
mittee, roundhouse, yards and station
committees.

In this way they hope to discover
defective conditions or careless prac-
tices local to each division or plant.
When such conditions are found, the
necessary improvements or remedy will
be made and a report to the central
safety committee, whereby a general
improvement may be made of like con-
ditions throughout the entire system.
Inspection trips will be made by the
division committees over the respective
divisions at stated times on special
trains. Each member of the commit-
tee on these trips will be assigned to
investigate some department of the
service with which he is not familiar.

This plan is adopted because it is
thought a machinist will overlook con-
ditions in his plant by reason of con-
stant association, which the station
agent will see as a menace to life and
limb, and can suggest betterments
which regular employees will overlook.

KIDNAPERS THREATEN BOY

Unless Father Gives \$2000, 6-Year-
Old Son May Be Killed.

CHICAGO, Aug. 7.—"If we do not re-
ceive \$2000 by the night, we will kill
your boy," was the word received this
afternoon by Antony Marino, whose 6-
year-old son was kidnapped Saturday.



ABOVE (LEFT TO RIGHT), MISS MADELINE T. FORCE (AMERICAN
PRESS PHOTO), SNAPSHOT OF MISS FORCE AND JOHN JACOB ASTOR
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COLONEL ASTOR (COPYRIGHT, 1909, BY G. G. BAIN, ALL RIGHTS RE-
SERVED)—BELOW, SNAPSHOT OF COLONEL ASTOR AND HIS SON, VIN-
CENT, WHO IS YEAR OLDER THAN MISS FORCE.

DATE IS NOT SET

Society Wonders When Astor-
Force Wedding Is to Be.

HIS SON OLDER THAN SHE

Eighteen-Year-Old Girl Who Is to Be
Mistress of Millions Is Radiant-
ly Happy and Bridgroom-
to-Be No Less So.

NEW YORK, Aug. 7.—(Special.)—
Society is on the qui vive to learn when
the marriage of Miss Madeline T. Force,
the 18-year-old daughter
of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Force, to
Colonel John Jacob Astor is to take
place.

Miss Force, in reply to the inquiring
rumors of her friends, archly says
that the wedding may take place in the
Fall, or it may be later. No date for
the ceremony has been set, she says.

In the meantime she is radiantly
happy and the head in this country of
the famous house of Astor is more
chipper than he has been at any time
since he was divorced in 1895 by Mrs.
Ava Willing Astor and consequently
practically retired from society.

Colonel Astor Is Gay.

Colonel Astor hums gaily in his of-
fice in Twenty-sixth street, when he is
there, and presumably hums at his
country place, Rhinebeck, and at New-
port and Bar Harbor. Contrary to his
usual custom, Colonel Astor did not go
abroad this Summer, dividing his time
between his country estate, the water-
ing places where Miss Force spends
part of her time, and the city.

Miss Force recently returned with
her sister, Katherine Force, from
Newport and is at the home of their
parents, 15 East Thirty-seventh street,
where she is receiving the congratula-
tions of her many friends and to whom
she finds delight in showing the gorge-
ous solitaire diamond. Colonel Astor
literally keeps his fiancée banked with
flowers, the Force home being strewn
with floral gifts.

Four Hundred Interested.

Members of the Four Hundred were
much interested in the gossip that
Colonel Astor and his father-in-law to
be, Mr. Force, who is the head of a
shipping empire, had decided to make
an announcement of the engagement.
Rumors of the engagement had been
heard all Winter and Mr. Force de-
sired to have the announcement made
to still gossip. Colonel Astor, for rea-
sons of his own, did not want the an-
nouncement to be made so soon, but
when pressed by Mr. Force, consented.
There has been doubt of his infatua-
tion for Miss Force.

The wedding will not be held in New
York, for the divorce decrees obtained
by Mrs. Alva Willing Astor prohibits
remarriage in this state within five
years after the date of the decree.
Colonel Astor met Miss Force, who is
a year younger than the Colonel's son,
Vincent at Bar Harbor last Summer.
Since then he has paid her marked at-
tention.

Miss Force Honored.

Miss Force was a guest of honor at
the beautiful and brilliant dinner dance
given by Colonel Astor on February 4
last, which practically marked her re-
entry into society after a period of
retirement following his divorce.
Of the 700 guests at that gorgeous
affair Miss Force was the one Colonel
Astor chose to be with most of the

time. This occasioned much gossip, as
did the fact that Miss Force, with her
mother, was a frequent occupant of the
famous box in the "Golden Horseshoe"
of the Metropolitan Opera House,
which had been the throne of Mrs.
Caroline Astor, who for many years
wielded the scepter over New York's
"400."

Miss Madeline Force was introduced
to society only last Winter. She was
then a pupil in Miss Spencer's School
for Girls. She had previously studied
in Europe and at Miss Ely's School in
Greenwich, Conn.

The future mistress of the Astor mil-
lions is tall and graceful, with a mass
of brown hair, which she wears in lu-
strous coils, brown eyes and strong
features, which are classical in out-
line and carriage she strongly re-
minds one of Mrs. Ava Willing Astor.

Bride-to-Be Athletic.

Like the first Mrs. Astor, Miss Force
enjoys horseback riding. Her figure, at-
tired in a trim, well-fitting habit, has
been a familiar one along the bridge
paths of Central Park. Miss Force, un-
der Colonel Astor's tutelage, has also
become very fond of boating. She is
good tennis player, dances with the vigor
of youth and is radiantly healthy. She
converses intelligently about art and
literature and it is expected that she
will be hostess at many brilliant gath-
erings next Winter in the famous Astor
home, at 80 Fifth avenue, and may ulti-
mately succeed to the title of "Forward an-
swers" to the death of the elder
Mrs. Astor.

WOMEN SAVE VILLAGE

THEIR VOTES KEEP HILLSIDE,
NEW YORK, ON MAP.

When Disgruntled Ones Would Bury
Corporation Enfranchised Fair
Ones Prevent.

NEW YORK, Aug. 7.—(Special.)—
Long live Hillside! She's going to
keep right on being a village—although
the smaller in the state—and her
women citizens who have perpetuated
her life may take all the credit. They
marched to the balloting booth yester-
day and voted straight tickets to main-
tain the little half-portion hamlet seven
miles north of White Plains with its
daisy and buttercup vistas and the
\$225-a-year policeman.

Incidentally, the women, all of whom
owning property are enfranchised, have
decreed that Hillside shall interpret
the excise laws liberally. They an-
nounced their verdict recently when
the \$225-a-year policeman was arrested
by the New York State Police on a
charge of neglect of duty in fail-
ing to report in the case of two saloon-
keepers whose refreshment is enjoyed
occasionally in Hillside. Police Justice
Stage dismissed the complaint against
the solitary "cop." A few disgruntled
villagers sought other legal means to
oust him, but the Supreme Court de-
cided that as he is an elective office he
may be removed only by the Governor.

A petition to end Hillside's corporate
existence was circulated, but was
thrown out because the signatures
were unsatisfactory to the village
trustees. Another petition was cir-
culated calling for a special election,
held yesterday, to dissolve the corpora-
tion.

Almost one-half of the votes against
Hillside's dissolution were cast by
women, and they swung into line
enough men voters to carry the day.
All but six of the votes of the vil-
lage were cast.

McManigal's Uncle Excused.

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 7.—George
Behm, of Portage, Wis., uncle of Orle
E. McManigal, alleged self-confessed

For Your Lunch

The best appetizer
is a bottle of

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Blue Ribbon**
The Beer of Quality

The sight of it will
make you hungry,
and you will enjoy
your food. It is
also an excellent aid
to digestion.

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dynamiter, was officially excused today
from giving further testimony to the
grand jury concerning his relations
with his nephew, who is the star wit-
ness in the McNamara cases. Behm
was the object of contempt proceed-
ings instituted when he at first re-
fused to answer certain questions
asked by the grand jurors.

GREEN INTENDS TO WED

Metty's Son Fulfills Promise Not to
Marry for 20 Years.

NEW YORK, Aug. 7.—Colonel Ed-
ward H. R. Green, son of Betty
Green, and owner of the Texas Mid-
land Railroad, expects to marry with-
in 12 months, although he does not
yet know who the bride-to-be is.
Colonel Green has been in New York
for some time, consolidating his
mother's interests under the control of
the Westminister Company.
In announcing his proposed soon to
terminate his bachelorhood, Colonel
Green told his interviewers why he
has so long lived a life of single bi-
edness. He promised his mother 19
years ago, when she took him down to
Texas to teach him railroad, he would
remain a bachelor for 20 years.
He has kept his word, but when the
time expires next year he will marry.
Mr. Green is now 42 years old.

High School Building Weakens.
GRANTS PASS, Or., Aug. 7.—(Spe-
cial.)—The new high school building

No. 2. (August 8)

Should a Gordon be
all hat, the is that.

This is No. 2 of a series of six transposed Gordon
hat advertisements appearing from August 1st
to September 5th. A Gordon hat free to all
who solve the six transposed words. Forward answers
to your dealer, or Gordon & Ferguson, St. Paul.
See announcement in this paper of July 28th.

Lipman Wolfe & Co.
Merchandise of Merit Only

For Tuesday's Special Selling

2.50 House
Dresses
\$1.89

One-piece wash dresses in light blue, lav-
ender, navy, black, brown and white ef-
fects. Made with sailor collar, belt and
cuffs of a contrasting plain shade. Kimono
sleeves.

Bath
Towels
25c

Bleached Turkish bath towels of two-ply
cotton. Size 45 by 22 inches. Hemmed
ends. The best towel ever offered at the
price.

Fancy
Waists
\$2.23

Silk waists in a variety of styles. High or
Dutch necks, long or short sleeves. Fou-
lards, messalines, china silks, chiffons and
marquisesettes in plain or fancy effects.

25c
Cretonnes
14c

Thirty-six-inch wide cretonnes, handsome
patterns in floral and conventional designs.
Large variety to select from. Any color
combination.

\$4 Auto
Veils
\$1.98

Auto veils of a very fine quality chiffon,
in all the most popular shades. Two
yards long and 32 inches wide. Finished
on all sides with a graduated satin border.

Beaded
Handbags
\$2.69

Handsomely beaded hand bags in floral
and conventional designs. Finished across
the bottom with beaded fringe and carried
by long silk cords.

English
Corduroy
85c Yd.

The popular English whipcord corduroy
in brown, castor, navy, tans and gray. The
most popular material for women's outing
suits.

that was finished this year is not up
to the mechanical point of endurance.
It is alleged that the contractors per-
formed their part of the work, but that
the architect did not make provisions
for the heavy strains, and as a result
a local contractor is going over the
building with jackscrews and attempt-
ing to straighten up the places that are
beginning to buckle in the roof. The
plastering is falling off in a good many
places owing to shrinkage of timbers.



THE SAFE LINE

NORTH BEACH

is the pleasure haunt in this part of the country this Summer. Its
devotees rejoice to learn that they can now go and come on a regular
schedule, independent of tides. The popular excursion steamer,
"T. J. POTTER"

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DAILY, EXCEPT SATURDAY AND SUNDAY, 8:30 A. M.
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day, at 8:00 P. M. (Saturday at 10:00 P. M.)

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anywhere, genial and beneficial climate, and all the comforts of home
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When we tell you that the hose offered at this low price are the
world famous "Onyx" brand, you know how good the bargain is.
Never mind the noise—you'll find bargains that will make you
forget any little annoyance like carpenters hammering. 'Twill do
you good to rub elbows with the throng of eager buyers you'll
find here. Buy 50c and 75c hose in plain colors, 28c
fancies, embroidered effects, etc. for 28c

Silk Hose 88c a Pair

Women's Colored Silk Hose,
with double tops and rein-
forced soles; \$1.50 88c
and \$2 grades, at... 88c

Long Lisle Gloves 29c

16-button length lisle, 16-
button chamoisette and 2-
clasp lisle gloves; 29c
values to \$1.25 pair.

Men's 35c Hose 18c

Silk lisle hose for men,
colors only, smart looking
and good wearing hose
with silky finish, 18c
sale price 18c

Children's Hose 8c Pr.

Child's Half Hose in black
and tan, also black and tan
cotton stockings; 20c 8c
qualities, sale price.... 8c

Chamoisette Gloves 18c

Women's one clasp cham-
oisette gloves, wash per-
fectly, wear well, splendid
35c grade, sale price... 18c

Cape Gloves 58c Pair

Women's Cape Walking
Gloves, Dent shades of tan;
a regular 95c quality, 58c
Alteration Sale price

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