

IVEY HANDS OUT HEATED CHARGES

Wants Investigation of Alaskan Affairs.

Says Money for Lighthouses Has Gone in Some Strange Way Tells of Its Needs.

(Journal Special Service.) WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—It is possible that a Congressional investigation of expenditures in Alaska may be ordered at the present session of Congress.

J. W. Ivey, who was collector of customs at Sitka for some years, and who attracted a great deal of attention some time ago by his criticisms of the government for allowing the Canadians to assume sovereignty over certain territory in Alaska, which he claimed belonged to the United States, is here, sent by the citizens of that territory assembled in mass meetings.

He says there is need for some investigation as to the disposition that has been made of money that has been appropriated by Congress for specific purposes in Alaska.

AN INSTANCE. Some time ago Congress appropriated \$1,500 for a custom house on Mary Is. and \$10,000 for another on one of the Aleutian Islands. Recently it was discovered that these custom houses were located at the wrong places, and the buildings erected have been abandoned to the bats and owls.

"For years," says Mr. Ivey, "our people have been asking for a few cheap light houses for the protection of life and property. Congress appropriated over \$400,000 at the last session for this purpose, but the light house board says it cannot build them for lack of funds.

The board proposes to build light houses at a cost of from \$40,000 to \$125,000 each. So we have to go without light houses indefinitely. Light houses costing from \$7,000 to \$10,000 each is all we have been asking for. We will agree to take \$100,000 of the \$427,000 appropriated and build all the light houses we need. There is a very ugly look to this light house business, especially when, in all probability, it will be found that these high priced light houses were built in the wrong places, just as the custom houses were. The light house board dis-

claims responsibility both for the estimates of cost upon which Congress appropriated and for the location of the lights, and lays it all upon the shoulders of their representative at Seattle. It is my belief that that man ought to be investigated and I shall try to have it done while I am here.

DELEGATE NEEDED. "The fact is that Alaska needs a delegate in Congress who knows what the needs of that big country are. There is a terrible amount of ignorance in the East about Alaska and it is time the rest of the United States awoke to the fact that there is in that territory an empire second only in importance to the great Louisiana purchase, containing 600,000 square miles, 100,000 population, and a climate that produces a diversified crops as are raised in any of the states except in the far South.

"Mining will always be our greatest source of wealth. The country is rich in gold, copper, silver, tin, marble, oil, coal, iron, timber, furs, and fisheries. The product of the fisheries alone for the past year is estimated at a value of about \$7,000,000, which is equal to the amount we paid Russia for the whole of Alaska.

THE PEOPLE. "The people are law abiding and patriotic. They are now more numerous than in any Western territory, when it became a state, and yet they have not even a Delegate to represent them here. "I believe that this condition will be remedied at the present session of Congress and that the bill authorizing an Alaskan Delegate to sit in the next Congress will be passed."

ALASKAN LANDS. WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—Today the Senate land committee decided to give Alaskan settlers titles to 220 acres of land at the conclusion of a five-year residence.

PARTNERS FALL OUT.

Judge Sears will hear more evidence this afternoon in the case of W. A. Bellou against R. Peterson and Gustave Street. The three men are partners in the Vancouver Milling Company, and have agreed to disengage.

Two weeks ago, it seems, Bellou was served with a notice of dissolution of partnership. Peterson and Street want a receiver appointed, but Bellou contends it is unnecessary.

During the hearing of the case yesterday afternoon Judge Sears remarked that the partners ought to arrange a settlement out of court, but that seems improbable.

HIS LIFE PROLONGED.

George Smith, the colored murderer, will not expiate his crime on the gallows on the day set, as Judge George has signed an order staying the execution pending the appeal of the case to the State Supreme Court. Smith, who is convicted of murdering his wife, was to have been hanged Friday, but the order of the court gives an indefinite respite.

TO HOLD FOURTH ANNUAL MEETING

Oregon Historical Society on December 20.

Judge McBride of Spokane Will Tell of Old Times in Oregon.

The Oregon Historical Society will hold its fourth annual meeting next Saturday, December 20, in the lobby of the City Hall, on the third floor from the Fifth street entrance. After the annual business is transacted, Judge John R. McBride of Spokane, Wash., member of Congress from Oregon in 1892-94, will give an historical address on the "Constitutional Convention of Oregon." This was held in Salem in August and September, 1857. Judge McBride was the youngest member of that body. Besides him there are eight survivors of that historic body, as follows: Judge James K. Kelly, Washington, D. C.; H. B. Nichols, Monroe, Benton County; W. H. Packwood, Baker City, Baker County; W. A. Starkweather, Clatsop County; Judge R. P. Boise, Salem, Marion County; Hon. L. F. Grover, Mayor George H. Williams and R. V. Short, of this city. It is hoped that all now living in Oregon will be present at the meeting.

CALIFORNIA BEEKEEPERS.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 16.—Members of the California State Beekeepers' Association commenced a three days' convention today in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce. Leading apiculturists of the state are in attendance and the meeting promises to be one of more than ordinary interest to those engaged in bee culture. It is probable that considerable attention will be devoted by the convention to ways and means of preventing the introduction into this state of "foul brood," which is devastating the apiaries of a large part of the West and Northwest.

This so-called "foul brood" disease threatens to wipe out the bee kingdom, according to members of the association. It swoops down upon the queens, the drones and the busy little workers alike. The apiculturists compare the disease to Asiatic cholera and the foot and mouth disease.

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BEEF TRUST CASE.

CHICAGO, Dec. 16.—The famous "beef trust" case came before the United States Circuit Court. The point at issue is the granting of the injunction applied for by the government to enjoin the packers from carrying on business in restraint of trade. The defendants in the case are Swift & Co., the Cudahy Packing Company, the Hammond Packing Company, Schwarzschild & Subberger, Nelson, Morris & Co., and the officers and agents of these concerns. They are charged with having violated the anti-trust and interstate commerce laws, and an injunction is asked for the purpose of checking such alleged violations.

BLOOD-BOILING AT THE LEGATION

Guns and Razors Handy in Liberia.

It Was Cut and Shot From the Word Go—Department Investigating.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—There are several "niggers" in the woods" in Monrovia, Liberia, and the State Department is at present most busily engaged in attempting to dislodge them and bring them out within sight of the light of day. The American legation there seems to have been well supplied with factions, each of which was at war against the others. It will be some time before the sensational tangle can be adjusted and matters straightened to the satisfaction of Secretary of State Elihu.

The report of the shooting of T. J. R. Faulkner by United States Minister J. R. A. Crossland first brought the attention of the department to an unsatisfactory state of affairs being in existence. Now that the investigation has started, it will be continued until the disgraceful mystery has been probed to the bottom.

WEAPONS HANDY.

From all accounts in the possession of the State Department, the legation roof sheltered a number of warring factions and, for all the department knows, they may be there yet.

All those concerned are American negroes. Dr. Crossland said in his report of the shooting of Faulkner that the latter tried to cut him with a razor. Faulkner charged the Minister with attempts to assassinate him.

Secretary Spurgeon, in his account of the matter, remarked incidentally that he was in the room at the time and kept a loaded revolver on his desk in the legation office. The Minister, he said, also kept a revolver in his own desk. He expressed the opinion that Dr. Crossland is mentally unbalanced.

It is evident that the trouble began through an arrangement concerning the renting of the legation building at Monrovia. When Minister Crossland got there, about nine or ten months ago, he rented rooms in a residence building, of which Faulkner was the lessee.

BECAUSE OF LEASE.

Faulkner lived there with his bride. After a while the owner of the building agreed to transfer the lease to the Minister, and the latter sublet part of it to the Faulknors, who continued to live there.

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While the Minister and Faulkner were still under the lease, and carrying around razors and pistols with deadly intent on each other, Secretary Spurgeon was having trouble with the Minister.

ANOTHER WAR.

Crossland took Ellis with him to Monrovia with the intention of having him appointed secretary of the legation. Naturally Spurgeon did not like the king's appointment meant that he would lose his place. But the appointment was vested in the President of the United States and Mr. Roosevelt and Secretary Hay saw no occasion for ousting Spurgeon.

While they were obliged to conduct official business together, Crossland and Spurgeon were personal enemies and neither made any bones of telling the other that he did not like him. Spurgeon, in a letter of complaint to the State Department of his treatment at the hands of the Minister, told of an interesting incident.

He said that one day Minister Crossland sent for him and on going to the Minister's office he found with Crossland a man who was an enemy of Spurgeon's. They were sitting at the Minister's desk and between them were two cocked revolvers. Spurgeon left the room in a hurry. After that he kept a revolver on his desk. He said in the letter that whenever the Minister passed through his (Spurgeon's) office he always wanted to know why his secretary "had that thing on his desk."

ELLIS WAS IN IT.

Ellis seems to have had a grievance. He got short of funds at Monrovia while waiting to be appointed to Spurgeon's place, and wrote some letters to the State Department, in which he said that Minister Crossland had induced him to go to Liberia on the promise of having him appointed secretary of the legation. After the reports of the shooting reached the department and it was evident that Crossland and Spurgeon could not get along together, it was determined to appoint Ellis in Spurgeon's place. Still another member of the legation household has been writing to the department. He is a negro boy, who holds the place of "runner," which probably means messenger in the legation. He wrote to Secretary Hay, charging that Minister Crossland had spanked him.

The State Department officials have determined not to take any action in the case until a full report of the shooting affray has been received from Minister Crossland. Secretary Hay has telegraphed him to send a "truthful" account, and it is expected that this will come by mail. So far as the State Department knows, no legal measures have been instituted against Crossland.

The Liberian government has not complained of his conduct.

NOTHING DOING WITH GAMBLERS

Police Blockade Is Still Effective.

Situation From Standpoint of All Who Have a Hand in the Deal.

In the past 24 hours no new developments have developed in the gambling controversy. The blue-coated guardians of the law still hold sway at the various clubs, and for the first time in many months there is absolutely nothing doing in these places. Of course, the poker games are in operation at cigar stores, but the larger games are effectively blocked. Some of the gamblers are getting uneasy, and Grant & Dale state that they will ship their devices to some other place. Others of the king sports are laboring under the impression that the restriction is only a temporary one, and as in the past, the spasm of morality will only last for a few weeks. They state that it is not reasonable that the city can afford to pay men to watch the various houses to prevent gambling, when there is nothing to be gained by it. The city, they claim, is now bankrupt and the adding of the additional expense on a proposition of this sort is foolish. They say to stop gambling the city would have to detail about 100 men to watch about that many persons who are in the habit of speculating with their money and are doing so at present among themselves.

CHAMBERLAIN'S POSITION.

The indictments made by the District Attorney's office, upon the information furnished by Judge Hogue and B. B. Beckman, in reference to the violation of the "craps" law, will be vigorously acted upon. The course to be pursued is the same as that in any ordinary case. District Attorney Chamberlain being out of the city, the only information that could be gleaned from his deputies was that they intended to issue warrants for the arrests of the offenders, and that the cases would be tried in the Circuit Court for violations of the state law. They claim that the activity in the prosecution of the case is simply a desire to perform their duty, a good opportunity having been presented by the observation of Judge Hogue. When asked if it was not at all times possible for the office to secure names upon which indictments could be issued, as gambling had been open for months, it was stated that this was the first time it had come to the knowledge of the office in a tangible manner.

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POLITICAL FIGHT

Denver Is the Scene of Big Election Contests.

DENVER, Dec. 16.—Wholesale election contests were filed here yesterday when the Democrats decided to make a fight against the 11 Republican delegates alleged to have been chosen at the recent election. The point is a strange one, and it is claimed by politicians to be simply a plan to retaliate. Fraud is charged.

STRIKE OVER.

PARIS, Dec. 16.—The sailors and dockmen who have been on a strike at Marseilles are returning to work, and it is believed the troubles are over.

WILL CONDUCT FAIRS.

Articles of incorporation of the Multnomah Fair Association have been filed with the county clerk by G. Rosenblatt and D. Wiscom. The capital stock of the association is to be \$25,000. The new fair association will be organized for the purpose of conducting agricultural fairs, races and the like. The grounds of the association will be in Portland.

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