

BROOKLYN ANNEX IMPERILS HEALTH

DR. MAE CARDWELL WILL PREPARE A STATEMENT TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION THAT AN EPIDEMIC MAY BREAK OUT AT THE SCHOOL.

Dr. Mae Cardwell, representing the city board of health, will prepare a statement for the board of education on the alleged unsanitary condition of the Brooklyn school annex, in which she will represent that the annex should be closed instantly. This was authorized by the health board today.

"I investigated the condition at the solicitation of the women's clubs of the city," explained Mrs. Cardwell at the session today, "and found things in a bad state. In fact I never saw a better chance for an epidemic of disease to develop. It is the lack of proper sewer facilities which is mostly to blame, but the building itself is in a deplorable state. The structure in the early days was the meeting place for some religious body and is at best but a ramshackle affair."

The section of country surrounding the annex, Mrs. Cardwell found, was entirely without sewer facilities. The ground is low and in the winter the cesspools overflow and offer the best chance in the world for lurking germs of disease. That no such trouble had been experienced in the past, she explained, was no reason that the district would be immune forever.

Dr. Biersdorf also stated that he had been visiting numerous times by people complaining of these conditions and that he had reported the facts to the board of education, but that they had apparently done nothing about the matter.

Mayor Williams suggested that Mrs. Cardwell embody the results of her trip of inspection in the form of a communication to the board of education.

"It is up to the board," he explained; "we can do nothing, and the board's members will undoubtedly give it deserving attention."

**FIERCE COMBAT
IN COPPER WAR**

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ferred to the many pitfalls to be avoided in framing a change of the judgeship law and stated that it would be impossible under Montana's constitution for the supreme court to make appointments where bias or prejudice is shown on the part of a district judge. He warned that wherever power of appointment lodged, no litigation can be imposed which would exclude the right to appoint any judge, even though the resident of the same county might be disqualified as a juror. He warned the legislature that while isolated and individual cases may serve to show the defect of existing laws and the necessity for corrective legislation, it should be mindful of the fact that duty to the state makes it imperative that it avoid the least semblance of partisanship or special legislation.

Relating to the second proposed measure giving the supreme court power to remove the facts in equity cases, he thought if a measure passed providing for a fair trial before a fair judge, the necessity for this law largely failed, but if it passed it should provide for not the mere right of review, but also see that such a right will be exercised in all cases, otherwise it might prove empty and unavailing. He also recommended that the legislature re-enact the constitutional eight-hour agreement and prohibiting the employment of children under 16 years of age in mines, and providing for an eight-hour day in all mines and smelters, which passed at the last session, but failed to become effective because of a technicality in the title.

ATTORNEY GENERAL BACKS BELLINGER

The ruling of Judge Charles B. Bellinger of the United States district court, that Louisa Lea is entitled to her liberty and may remain in this country, holds. This morning in the United States district court District Attorney John H. Hall informed the court that he had been advised by the attorney general not to appeal from the judge's decision and he moved that the bond restraining the woman be exonerated.

Louisa Lea, a Frenchwoman, was arrested by order of the department of commerce and labor, charged with being in the United States for immoral purposes. She was ordered deported but petitioned for writ of habeas corpus and the motion was allowed by the court upon the ground that the act of March 3, 1903, governing such cases was not effective at the time Louisa Lea arrived in this country.

KAISER GETS SUBSTITUTE.

(Journal Special Service.) Berlin, Dec. 1.—It was announced this morning that the Kaiser's throat was in such a condition as to prevent his opening the reichstag on Thursday, as is customary. Chancellor von Bülow will act as his majesty's substitute.

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TO EXPEND \$10,000 ON POLICE STATION

AT LEAST THAT AMOUNT TO BE DEVOTED TO NEW CEMENT FLOORS, NEW CELLS, A COMPLETE SYSTEM OF PLUMBING AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS.

Among the estimates of expenses for the year 1904 will be an item of at least \$10,000 for repairs to the police station. The commissioners have thoroughly investigated the situation and deem the present jail accommodations a disgrace. "The building should be fixed up at once," says Sig Sichel, and General Beebe and Mayor Williams, the other members of the commission, fully coincide with those views. Mayor Williams said this morning:

"We want at least \$10,000 and possibly \$14,000, if the finances will stand that appropriation, to fix up the jail half way decently. Of course more than that could be advantageously spent in the work, but I think that with either sum mentioned available, repairs could be made which would put the place in a sanitary condition."

City Physician Zan stated at the annual session of the Health board this morning that the receiving cell at the jail was hardly fit for a human being to exist in. "It is in an absolutely filthy state continually," he explained, "and until the place is fixed up must remain so."

The principal feature of the proposed renovation will include new cement floors, new cells and a complete system of plumbing.

ASA B. THOMPSON FACES A JURY

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M. M. Edwards, of Dundee, Yamhill county, who was excused by the government, was asked if from what he had read of the case if he had formed any opinion as to the guilt or innocence of the defendant.

"I told my sons," said the juror, "that I thought a man in Thompson's position must be pretty hard up for money when he would do so. But he got no further, for an objection went up from all sides, and the defendant smiled with the rest."

The jurors challenged were: M. G. Edwards, Dundee, Yamhill county; Jas. R. Ewing, Portland; A. L. Allen, Rickwood, Polk county; M. Duncan, Nyssa, Malheur county; R. H. Graves, Gibson, Umatilla county; J. B. Johnson, Portland; E. L. Barnett, Athena, Umatilla county; John P. ole, Barlow, Clackamas county.

The defense will attempt to prove the innocence of their client by his previous good standing and by endeavoring to impeach the testimony of Charles Cunningham, by showing up the sheep grower as the instigator of the case against Thompson and by attempting to show that he is persecuting the land office receiver, Attorney Hatley, who made the opening statement, was not the least bit backward in his remarks as to what he thought of the wealthy wool grower and referred to Cunningham on several occasions in language that one has to smile at when he directs it toward a friend.

Attorney Hall said that the prosecution hoped to prove that Asa Thompson was a sheep grower and by questioning the sheep man to pay \$50 each in order to secure favorable decisions upon nine homesteaded proofs that were pending in La Grande land office.

Mr. Cunningham left Thompson in indignation. He said that he was the chief questions for you to decide will be whether Mr. Cunningham is telling the truth. The defense will attempt to impeach his testimony.

Mr. Hatley spoke of the good character and excellent reputation borne by Mr. Thompson, who, he said, was born and reared in Umatilla county, came from one of the oldest pioneer families in the state and had married into another.

"He draws a salary of \$3,000 a year as receiver of the land office," said the attorney, "and besides that, he owns several hundred head of stock and has a large amount of valuable land. There is no motive as to why he should demand such a petty price for favorable passage upon the homesteaded proofs."

"It was Cunningham who approached Thompson, not Thompson who went to Cunningham. Cunningham asked why the proofs had not been passed and Mr. Thompson informed him that the applicants had not fulfilled the requirements of the law. Cunningham exclaimed: 'If you don't know any better than to act like that after you have got into this position, I will make you wish you had never been in the office.'"

"It was Thompson who was indignant and who walked away from Cunningham, as we will prove. Ask any one in Pendleton or Umatilla county who knows the latter and they would brand it as perfectly ridiculous that Charley Cunningham should be insulted by a thing like that."

Mr. Hatley went on to say that before the case was ended the defense expected to prove that every cent of money used in the proving upon the land held by O'Hara, Saling and the rest mentioned in the indictment, was put up by Cunningham; that the sheep grower desired the land to add to the thousands of acres he already owned and that Cunningham had had from 1,200 to 1,500 sheep ranging on each claim in question.

"It will be for you to say how Cunningham got the other thousands of acres of land that he holds, before this trial is ended," exclaimed the attorney, "and I think by that time my friend Mr. Hall, here, will feel like the proverbial 30 cents."

The first witness called by the government was A. B. Green, special inspector of the department of the interior. Mr. Green was on the stand an hour this morning and during the early part of the afternoon session. He went to La Grande because he had heard that the sheep grower gave the first information of irregularities.

WOODMEN TO MAKE SPEECHES.

Mount Tabor Camp, W. O. W., will hold an open meeting at the Woodman hall at Mount Tabor tonight. There will be several speeches, including one by G. F. Rogers, manager for Oregon. Refreshments will be served.

JURORS OFF TILL DECEMBER 14.

Judge Bellinger excused all jurors not in the Asa B. Thompson case, this morning until December 14, the date set for the trial of McKinley, Ware, Pater and others, charged with conspiracy to defraud the government.

WANTS FEDERAL CURB ON CRIMPS

LAW TO PREVENT EVIL OF SAILOR BOARDING-HOUSES SHOULD FORBID THE EXACTION OF 'BLOOD MONEY,' SAYS BRITISH CONSUL LAIDLAW.

British Consul Laidlaw believes that the most effective manner in which to put an end to crimping would be for the federal government to take the matter up. He says that if a law should be enacted by congress making it illegal to exact 'blood money,' and imposing a heavy penalty for its violation, crimping as practiced on the Pacific coast would soon be a thing of the past.

"Capt. Dohererty, master of the British ship 'Ardenburg,'" continued Mr. Laidlaw, "stated the facts just as they exist in his letter to Governor Chamberlain, published in yesterday's Journal. But what can the state authorities do to remedy the evil? They have already made experiments along this line, which resulted in dismal failures. What have the members of the state commission, who were appointed last winter to enforce the law governing the sailor boarding-house business, done to relieve the situation?"

"The most notorious crimps," said the consul, "are the sailors who get a treatment, but now they have no assurance that they will be able to get a crew at any price."

"There should be no 'blood money' charges. Such a law merely places a premium on desertions. A sailor would be required to pay the boarding-house master for his board and what clothes they furnish him, but nothing more. They not only do that now, but also pay \$30 additional to the crimps. This amount is known as 'blood money.' In San Francisco the boarding-house masters receive only \$1 in addition to the amounts paid them for a sailor's board and clothes. That is the way it should be."

Same on Sound. "At Puget sound, however, and at every other point in my consular district, the same condition of affairs exist as here in Portland. The crimps seem to have everything their own way. There are more desertions and extravagant charges made by the boarding-house masters in this district than in any other locality in the world. There may be other points where as much bodily violence is done by the crimps as here, but they do not fleece the shipowners to such an outrageous extent as is done in this district."

"Another very singular thing about the board and clothes bill is this: It invariably amounts to \$25, although it is supposed to represent the exact amount of food and clothing that the boarding-house men furnish each sailor while he is stopping at their place. I have known seamen to stop with them but one day, but when his bill was made out it amounted to \$25. This is always sworn by the crimps to be the exact sum of money which each sailor owes them when he is being signed for a voyage. It is known that they are perjurying themselves, but it is a difficult matter to prove. They threaten anything they suggest. Then after getting this amount they demand their 'blood money' from the shipowners, which, unfortunately, the present law allows."

**NEW COMPLICATIONS
IN ALLESINA CASE**

Motion to dismiss a cross-bill, filed by the Fire Association of Philadelphia, in reply to a suit brought by John Allesina, to recover on an insurance policy was argued and submitted before Judge Cross-bills by six other companies—the Atlas, the Lancashire, the Norwich, the Orient, the Western and the London & Liverpool, were filed.

The insurance in question was placed on Allesina's umbrella store at 183 Morrison street, which burned a short time ago and the claim has been bitterly contested by the insurance companies. Originally Allesina brought suit in a court of law, against the insurance companies, claiming that they had violated the terms of the policy by refusing to abide by the award of the arbitration committee.

Now the cross-bills filed by the insurance companies attempt to take the case out of the law court, claiming fraud by Allesina, and hence in the jurisdiction of a court of equity.

After the fire an award of \$13,552 was made by the arbitrators, but the amount is claimed to be excessive by the insurance companies. As a side issue, a \$20,000 damage suit against the fire association and F. J. Alex. Mayer, the general agent, for libel has been commenced by Allesina.

HELD AS A HIGHWAYMAN.

After a preliminary examination in the police court yesterday John Thompson and Bert Coble, alleged highwaymen, were held to the grand jury in ball of \$2,000 each. The suspects were arrested a week ago by Officers Carpenter and Resing. They were believed to be the pair who held up and robbed the South Portland saloon November 11, in which 14 men were lined up at the point of a revolver. A search of the men revealed skeleton keys.

DISASTROUS WRECK.

(Journal Special Service.) Parkersburg, W. Va., Dec. 1.—The Baltimore & Ohio fast express was wrecked in the Belpe yards across the river from here at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon by running into an open switch and then striking a freight train. The entire passenger train is reported overturned. Engineer Whortger is dead beneath the engine and five others are reported dead and several injured. A special train with surgeons has been sent to the scene.

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JUSTICE HAINE WARS WITH COUNCIL

(Journal Special Service.) Vancouver, Wash., Dec. 1.—Justice Arthur Haine has a fight on his hands with the Vancouver city council. He claims that he is a much-abused man by the police and certain members of the council, and that through their efforts he has been placed in the wrong light by the local press. He says "most any one reading what has been published would infer that I had done something wrong," and then proceeds to address a letter to the various county papers, in which he invites the public attention to many of the affidavits preferring grave charges against the police department and censuring certain members of the council.

These difficulties between Justice Haine and the city council cover a period beginning about the middle of July and come down to the present time. The facts have been published from time to time in The Journal, together with accounts of the action of the city council regarding them. It is the action of the council, Mr. Haine states, that he objects to. He alleges that the council believes by its proceedings it has "betrayed" the matter and stopped further work, but I think that Mr. Haine's ghost the facts will arise until the public is cognizant of everything.

The various councilmen state they have nothing further to say, that the whole matter has been gone over from time to time, and the proceedings of the council will show what action has been taken.

One member of the council stated that the whole trouble with Justice Haine now is that he sought to have Chief of Police Bateman dismissed. The council investigated the charges preferred against Bateman and exonerated him of the same. That this was not satisfactory to Mr. Haine and that he now hopes to arouse public sentiment on his side.

Talks on Temperance.

Last night was a red-letter night with the Post Good Templars' lodge. Hon. O. W. Blain, the past grand chief templar of Michigan and the present acting grand lecturer of the state of Washington, was present and drilled the lodge in the ritualistic work, after which he gave a very interesting address.

Mr. Blain addressed a large number of citizens and soldiers at the post hall Sunday night, taking for his theme "Temperance." In connection with his address he gave a stereoscopic illustration of "Ten Nights in a Barroom." Mr. Blain has a very fine outfit for moving pictures in connection with his stereoscopic and incidentally used several films of moving pictures belonging to Chaplain Smith, illustrating the troops in the Philippines in action. This feature of the exhibition was very exciting and interesting to several of the soldiers, as many of them were in the fight illustrated. It was the more real because Chaplain Smith stationed one of the best buglers in the post behind the curtain, who gave the call to arms, charge and recall, respectively, as the scenes were illustrated.

Excellent Minstrelsy.

A mingling of sweet voices, a burst of humor interspersed here and there, with occasional bits of comedy, marked the first rehearsal at the post hall last evening of the soldier minstrels, who will give an entertainment at Vancouver Barracks some time in the near future. Some 20 or more men of decided minstrel talent gathered for the initial rehearsal and made good. Corporal Calder, under whose personal supervision the entertainment will be given, was favorably impressed by the talent developed, and Stage Manager Stenberger, who has had much experience in minstrelsy, says the success of the show is assured. Private Clay, who has a rich baritone voice, rehearsed a new song, which will be rendered for the first time in Vancouver, and Private Lauer, a basso of great ability, sang a choice selection.

On the ends, Private Williams of the hospital corps and Connolly of the Eighth battery gave a good exhibition of modern minstrelsy. Chaplain S. J. Smith, Nineteenth infantry, is working in hearty co-operation with the soldiers in rendering every assistance possible.

Vancouver Items.

Capt. Evan Johnson's daughter, who has been seriously ill, is making satisfactory progress toward recovery. The Elks' lodge of Vancouver will meet in regular session tonight, after which the theatrical troupe will attend and enjoy a banquet which will be given by the lodge.

The women of the Presbyterian church will hold a bazaar at Eichenlaub's hall tonight.

A. G. Potter is quite ill with a severe attack of la grippe.

Lieut. Nally, Stewart and Engel, who were assigned to the Nineteenth infantry some time ago, should arrive today for duty. Lieut. Stewart has made application to be transferred to the cavalry and possibly will not join the company here.

The Fruitgrowers' association will hold a meeting tomorrow evening for the purpose of considering the advisability of increasing the capital stock of the association.

The regular entertainment will be given at the post hall tonight, at which an unusually interesting program will be rendered.

Capt. Enoch has been prevailed upon to coach the Twenty-sixth battery football team preparatory to playing the Chemawa Indians at Salem, Or., December 14.

Rev. A. S. Leitz, who has been visiting with relatives in town for a few days, left today for his home at Olney, Or. His wife and daughter will continue to visit in the town for a few days longer.

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REV. KENNEDY COMES
INTO OPEN COURT

(Journal Special Service.)

Hillsboro, Or., Dec. 1.—Rev. Richard H. Kennedy, a accused of committing burglary at the Warren residence in September last, appeared in court this morning when many details of the coming trial were arranged. Ex-State Senator Huston appeared for the defendant. It is understood that Judge Hewitt of Albany will assist. Because of cases already set, the trial of the accused will not be taken up until next week.

Dan J. Trombley, he of tar and feather fame, was arraigned this morning to answer to the information charging him with giving aid to prisoners in their attempt to break jail. The matter took him completely by surprise. He was allowed until tomorrow morning to plead. John Tom McNamara was arraigned on information charging larceny from a store. He asked until Monday next to plead. The court assigned an attorney.

TOURIST CAR RATES RAISED.

Chicago, Dec. 1.—The increased rates on Pullman tourist cars recently announced became operative today, and it now costs \$7 to ride in a tourist car from Chicago to California, instead of \$6, as heretofore. Rates throughout the country are increased proportionately. The company gives as the reason for the advance that wages, as well as the cost of building and equipping the tourist cars, is much greater than formerly, and that the service could not be maintained at the old rates with profit.

SPECIAL KILLS WORKMEN.

(Journal Special Service.) Mahanoy City, Pa., Dec. 1.—A special engine and a private car carrying the Philadelphia & Reading officials, this forenoon in a fog mowed through a gang of track men near Gilberton, killing one and fatally injuring two men. The special brought the injured to the hospital here.

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