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TELEGRAPHIC.

CONKLING AND LAMAR.

The Disgraceful Scene in the Senate

How it was Received by the Senate and the Friends of Either.

Nothing more Serious Probable.

By Telegraph.

WASHINGTON, June 19.—The excitement caused in the senate chamber by the extraordinary and wholly unequalled interchange of denunciations and degrading epithets between Lamar and Conkling was intense. Each of the two senators, although wrought up to the highest pitch of unreflecting anger and resentment, maintained an outward appearance of calmness, and both managed to formulate their astounding insults in phraseology which kept within the bounds of parliamentary rules. For this reason and also because the senate was taken utterly by surprise, neither was called to order; and the whole colloquy was over before the listeners could fully realize to what unpardonable length it had been carried. Both senators spoke slowly; but Conkling was especially deliberate in his manner, and threw into his words an amount of scornful and contemptuous emphasis which barbed every word like an arrow. Lamar's last utterances quivered with anger and were accompanied by a disdainful gesture, suggesting the throwing down of a wage of mortal combat which he eagerly hoped his adversary would take up. Conkling while speaking stood in the middle aisle and Lamar spoke from a position very near it. Vance, of North Carolina, who like his father is a recognized authority on matters concerning the code duello, occupied a seat alongside of Lamar and made several suggestions to the latter, while Conkling was speaking.

Southern senators in conversation since the occurrence universally commend Lamar's action as justifiable and even demanded by Conkling's imputation of bad faith on his part; and they also confidently assert that there can be no question of his entire readiness to maintain his words with his life if necessary. They express doubts whether Conkling will send Lamar a challenge, although they say it is of course incumbent upon him to push the matter further, as Lamar gave the lie first. Lamar's friends explain that he felt called upon especially to resent Conkling's charge of bad faith on the part of the democratic side of the chamber because it had come to his ears that Conkling had denounced him personally. Senator Conkling informs his friends that he does not intend to send Lamar a challenge, or in any other way to be drawn into a duel, for neither he nor his constituents believe in duelling.

He also says that Lamar's attack upon him was unprovoked and unexplainable upon any personal grounds. (Conkling's) charge of bad faith having been made against the whole democratic side of the chamber and was not especially applicable to Lamar, whom, in fact, he did not have in his mind at all when uttering that remark, although he had pre-

viously referred to the Mississippi levee bill of which Lamar had charge, as being one of the matters that had consumed the time of the senate to the exclusion of a proper opportunity for the republicans to defeat the army appropriation bill.

HIS EXACT WORDS.

WASHINGTON, June 20.—Following is a correct report of Lamar's remarks in the senate to-day in response to Conkling: It is not my habit to indulge in personalities, but I desire to say to the senate that in intimating anything inconsistent, as he has done, with perfect good faith, I pronounce his statement as a falsehood, which I repel with an unmitigated contempt that I feel for the author of it.

Wednesday night's mud throwing encounter between Senators Lamar and Conkling, has been the chief topic of comment to-day, and there is still much speculation as to its possible consequences. There is no prospect, however, for Conkling does not recognize the code, and Lamar having given the lie first, is of course under no necessity to notice Conkling's words returning it. Although it is conceded that Conkling will not send a challenge, there are rumors that he is consulting with friends with a view to pushing the matter further in some other way, but it can hardly be supposed that he would seek to settle it by a street fight, and especially as Lamar is greatly his inferior in physique, the rumors are entitled to little credence.

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