

SHE KNEW OF THE PENCIL WILL.

A Widow Who Had a Flirtation With Senator Fair.

HER HAIR IS WHITE.

The Senator Told Her He Had Given His Will to a Teacher.

HER EMBARRASSING LETTERS.

It Was Decided to Be Best That She Should Be Withdrawn.

Mrs. Flavilla H. Todd, the widow of the late Alexander H. Todd, a white-haired old lady, yesterday added a new touch of interest to the Fair will case.

dress, but I went into the hall. The sound seemed to come from Jimmy's room and seemed like that of a man in a drunken stupor. I went into the room and found Jimmy almost unconscious. He beckoned me to come to him. I ran to him crying, "Why, Jimmy, what is the matter?" I then ran to Senator Fair's room and called him. The Senator hurried to his son's side, but nothing could be done for him. He died shortly after.

"Mr. Delmas turned the witness over to Attorney Pierson, who immediately began to question her upon her personal relations with Senator Fair. In answer to his questions the witness stated that she frequently staid for periods of two or three nights at a time at the Lick House; her room was not always the same, but she generally occupied the room adjoining that of the Senator.

"Did you correspond with Senator Fair after your husband's death?" asked Pierson.

"Oh, yes, frequently."

"Do you recall having placed letters under his door?"

"Did you ever make engagements with the Senator at night?"

"Did you ever make appointments to meet him at night?"

"He made appointments with me to take me to the theater several times."

"Did you ever make appointments with him, notifying him of what room you would occupy in the Lick House?"

"He would ask me to go to the theater, and I would go and stop at the Lick House and leave a note under his door advising him of what room I had that he might call for me."

"Was this on one occasion?"

"It may have been several occasions."

"You say you had a long acquaintance with Senator Fair previous to your husband's death?"

"Yes, sir."

A letter with a black lined envelope and paper addressed to Senator Fair and dated June 8, 1880, was shown witness and identified by her as in her handwriting.

MONTEITH NAILS HIS COLORS FAST

He Will Not Withdraw to Please the Southern Pacific.

DEMOCRATS IN A PICKLE

They Dare Not Disobey the Railroad Company and Support Its Opponent.

TWO COMMITTEES TO CONFER

The Sausalito Man Disliked Because He Tried to Get C. P. Huntington Arrested.

George W. Monteith, candidate of the People's party for Congressman from the First District, is on the war trail, and the Democracy, riding on the cowcatcher of

much stronger combination in the South, and it is in the South and West that we must make our fight.

Mr. Wardall added that one of the disingenuous aspects of the inauguration of the free coinage of silver would be the foreclosure of land mortgages now held by the banks. The purchasing power of the dollar would decrease, and land, therefore, would become more valuable. Hence, the banks would take it in.

Letters are coming into the office of the Every Day giving encouraging accounts of the campaign in the interior. R. A. Barstow, chairman of the Republican central committee of Fresno County, says:

"From a careful observation of the political situation grows brighter every day. Many of the weak-kneed are now falling into line and a good many Democrats have announced themselves for McKinley. As to the Populists, they don't know where they stand."

From the St. Louis Obispo County Central Committee comes the news that McKinley and Hobart clubs are being formed in every part of the county. The club in San Luis Obispo city has over 100 members, and others are being organized rapidly in all parts of the county.

THE LABOR UNIONS.

Arrests of Socialists Condemned by the Cigar-Makers.

The Cigar-makers' Union met last evening, and the subject of the recent arrest of socialists came up for discussion. The sentiment of the cigar-makers was crystallized in the following resolution:

WHEREAS, The right of free speech and peaceful assembly has again been assailed by the police of San Francisco, and whereas, a jury has been secured who will convict men for exercising the right of American citizens; and whereas, the only possible hope of the people to solve all questions that may arise in the untrammelled exercise of the right of free speech; therefore be it

Resolved, That we, the cigar-makers (No. 223) of San Francisco, unequivocally denounce the usurpation of power by the authorities as dangerous to the best interests of society and a menace to our free institutions.

All the carpenters' and joiners' unions have now withdrawn their delegates from the Building Trades Council and are conducting their business more to their pleasure. At the time the first two unions left the council the district council of the carpenters selected a business agent. Now that all are out it has been decided to hold a mass-meeting of the craft and elect a business agent. The mass-meeting will be held on Friday evening in one of the large halls in Odd Fellows building. Other important business will come up for consideration.

Carpenters' Union No. 304 is preparing for its ninth annual entertainment and ball, which will be held at 115 Turk street on next Saturday evening.

DICK WILLIAMS' DIVORCE

Charges of Awful Cruelty Are Brought by the Ex-Inspector's Wife.

Nine Years of Domestic Infelicity, in Which Threats to Kill Were Common.

The story of the domestic infelicities of Richard S. Williams, the ex-customs inspector, and his wife, is being unfolded in Judge Hunt's court. If the tale told by Mrs. Williams be but half true, her husband should be either in jail or in a lunatic asylum. Her testimony yesterday was one long recital of cruelty. Four days after her marriage, she said, her husband tore her wedding dress from her person and on the day she left him he tried to kill her with a carving-knife. During the intervening nine years Williams ran the gamut of every conceivable cruelty known to a brutal husband.

While the story of his shortcomings was being recited the ex-employee of Uncle Sam sat at a table with his attorney and scowled. He is apparently little interested in the witness' statements, but is trying to free herself from him. What interests Williams is \$3000 that is in the hands of the court pending the decision of the suit. This money is community property and he wants half of it. On the other hand Mrs. Williams wants it all. She claims that her husband made away with over \$5000 that remained in their home at 422 Scott street on the day of their separation.

The story of Williams' cruelty as related on the witness stand yesterday is almost incredible. It was related how he tore off his wife's wedding dress because she visited her mother; how he slapped her face with a hair brush; how he struck her with his fist and bit her on the neck; how, when she was sick in bed, he threw pillows at her and afterward threw her downstairs; how he threw plates at her, attacked her with a razor and threw a plate of food in her face. Williams also occasionally amused himself by dragging his wife from bed late at night and forcing her to do kitchen-work, and at other times made her do housework over again because it was not done to suit him.

About a year ago Williams was treated, the abused woman left her home and returned to her mother. She was enticed back by a message that one of her children was sick and locked in a room by her husband, who beat and kicked her to his heart's content. A month later he threw a ham at her, beat her with a poker and struck her on the side of the head and injured her so severely that her hearing has ever since been impaired.

The culmination of the entire trouble occurred on April 29 last. On that day Williams thrashed his wife with an umbrella, and when she threatened to leave him, tried to kill her with a carving-knife. She escaped through a window, after cutting her hand severely in securing the knife. Williams then tore up all her dresses, and she sued him for divorce.

Williams in his answer alleges that his wife treated him with cruelty, and that she recently threatened to shoot him.

Mr. Monteith defies the Democracy and its owner, the railroad company, and swears that he has nailed his colors to the mast and will not come down. The People's party State Central Committee has not the power to take him off the ticket.

A conference committee has been appointed by the Democratic Congressional committee of the district to confer with a like committee appointed by the Populists, but as the railroad company will not allow the Democracy to indorse any man not friendly to the company the conference is not expected to be of any avail.

Chairman E. M. Wardall of the People's party State Central Committee said yesterday that the conference committee would meet in a few days.

"I guess Mr. Monteith is not acceptable to the railroad company," he added. They say bitter things against Monteith. The Democrats say that they will indorse anybody but Monteith. But he will not draw out, and this committee cannot force him to withdraw. The Democrats have not met the People's party in the right spirit in the matter of fusion. They nominated Kelly in the Fifth Congressional District and they put up a man of their own in McGlashan's district, and they are now trying to nominate a man in Los Angeles in the Sixth District."

When Mr. Wardall was asked as to the probability of fusion on the electoral ticket he replied that a union would be had, he expected, on the basis of four People's party electors for Bryan and Watson and five Democratic electors for Bryan and Sewall. A meeting of the Populists' State Central Committee has been called for next Saturday, at which meeting some definite plan of action will be formulated.

"Bryan and Watson would be the stronger ticket before the people," remarked Mr. Wardall. "It would be a

IN THE REALM OF THE FIGHTERS

Jeffries' Condition Was Much Improved Yesterday.

NATIONAL CLUB RULES.

Choynski and McAuliffe Industriously Training for Their Contest.

OLD BARNEY AGAIN EXCITED.

Peter Maher Now Thinking of Challenging Corbett for Another Battle.

Contrary to a report printed in an evening paper that Jeffries, who was to have met Van Buskirk before the National Club the 25th inst., is in very critical condition, it may be stated on the authority of Dr. McCarthy, the attending physician, that Jeffries' condition is very much improved and that his speedy recovery is hoped for.

Managers Gibbs and Groom say that as soon as Jeffries is in good condition again he will be matched under the auspices of the National Club against some man of repute in the sporting world. There is no doubt that the winner of the coming McAuliffe-Choynski contest will receive the preference.

An excellent feature introduced by the National Club in its articles of agreement is that any man striking his opponent in a breakaway is guilty of a foul. That this is an excellent provision can admit of no question. Although under Marquis of Queensberry rules a fighter is permitted to strike in a breakaway, the public cannot be educated to the point of accepting it and always raises a hue and cry of "foul" when it is done. It has also been a prolific cause of police interference, as the slower man will generally hang onto his opponent, fearing a blow in case he loses his hold.

All the fighters are in training for the various bouts. Steiner is working hard to put himself in fit condition to meet Van Buskirk on the evening of August 25 at the Grove-street Theater and from all accounts will make a good battle, as in addition to being a large and clever man he has had the advantage of ten months' experience as sparring partner to Fitzsimmons.

Choynski is also in severe training for his match with McAuliffe at Woodward's Pavilion the evening of the 28th inst. Every afternoon he and George Green have a rattling sparring set-to at the Olympic Club. The intention is to fight hard for the whole eight rounds.

Old Barney Farley came rushing into "Young" Mitchell's saloon a day or so ago and demanded excitedly to know if the articles of agreement between "chrysanthemum" and Joe were a good battle, as in addition to being a large and clever man he has had the advantage of ten months' experience as sparring partner to Fitzsimmons.

Barney's mind was set at rest with the statement that Grane would be seen about it, and perhaps it could be arranged that way. Grane has not yet concluded whether he is willing or not.

Certain rumors have been in circulation that Gallagher intended to "bunk" his fight with George Green for September 2. Yesterday Manager Groom indignantly denied this. He said a letter had been received from one of Gallagher's trainers saying he was setting into fine condition and was confident of besting Green on the date named.

The sale of seats for the McAuliffe and Choynski contest will begin on Thursday. Several changes have been made in Woodward's Pavilion, and it now has a seating capacity of 5000. An excellent view of the ring can be had from all parts of the building.

Peter Maher has again reached the conclusion that he should have another trial at Corbett Quinn, his manager, says he has also concluded to challenge James. If Corbett is willing to fight unknown men like Tom Sharkey he thinks he should be willing to give Maher a show.

Jack McAuliffe says his mill with Jimmy Carroll is all set, and that he will probably meet him in October. In case Jack wins he will challenge "Kid" Lavigne.

ATTORNEYS APPOINTED.

Sullivan & Sullivan and J. H. Meredith Will Defend the Delaney Suit.

Sullivan & Sullivan and J. H. Meredith were selected by the Judiciary Committee of the Board of Supervisors yesterday, to represent the City and County before the United States Supreme Court in the case of Delaney vs. the City and County of San Francisco, that is now pending before that tribunal.

Supervisor Spreckels moved that the attorneys mentioned be appointed at a compensation of \$1500, one-half to be paid as a retainer and the balance when a verdict is reached. The question of the parcel of land now included in Lafayette Park.

An Old Case Revived.

A benchman of the Freeman-Edison and Fort Wayne Electric Light companies was heard in the United States Circuit Court yesterday when the case of Charles J. Aramburo against the Fort Wayne Electric Company was called. This is an action to recover \$2500 claimed to be due Attorney Boone, who it will be remembered fought so vigorously for his clients during the recent litigation in this City. The Fort Wayne Company refused to pay Boone, who immediately assigned the account to the present claimant. The matter was argued by both sides and submitted to Judge McKenna for decision.

Bodies From the Bay.

The bodies of two men were recovered from the bay yesterday. One has not yet been identified, but the other is known to be that of A. W. Malley, a sailor. His body was found off the foot of Howard-street wharf. Monday night while intoxicated he went aboard the ship Cedarbank and asked for a night's lodging, which was refused him. He started down the gang-plank, but losing his balance tumbled into the water. A thorough search was made for the man, but it was not until yesterday morning that the body was found.

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Mrs. Alexander Todd, the New Witness in the Fair Will Case.

She was dressed in widow's weeds, but her manner was, during the morning session, altogether bright and cheerful. She answered all questions frankly, having occasionally, however, to consult with her friends by way of refreshing her memory. Mrs. Todd stated that she had lived in California over forty years (with a little laugh); that she had married Alexander H. Todd in 1835; that her husband died in 1890. Todd established the first express, she said, in California, but sold it out about six months before their marriage and afterward engaged in the grain business. Then, coming to the point of interest, in answer to questions put by Mr. Delmas, the witness testified:

The letter began: "You will pardon me, Senator Fair, for addressing you, a perfect stranger." She was asked why she should have written so to an old friend.

Under cross-examination nothing new was developed, nor was the statement shaken.