

A POLITICAL CANARD EXPOSED

The Story Concerning Marshal Cummings' Alleged Bribe-taking Proven False.

MORRIS SULLIVAN'S SPLREEN.

Clear and Convincing Testimony—Heath Brought Back—Lovejoy Pleads Guilty—Legion of Honor, Etc.

A Life Explored.

Marshal Cummings was met yesterday by a reporter for the Bee and questioned about the truth of the story published in a morning contemporary to the effect that he had received money for the release of Travis in December last.

"The whole story," he replied emphatically, "is a lie—from beginning to end. It has been concocted by that man Sullivan, who is mad as a because I deposed him from the position of captain. It is utterly absurdly false, without a particle of foundation to it. I'll tell you just how the whole thing happened. This man Travis came over here from Council Bluffs where he had tried to secure \$45 on a forged check. Marshal Skinner of Council Bluffs came over here on the day that Travis did, and together we were looking for the man. We went to the corner of Twelfth and Douglas streets talking with Officer Dan Green, when I saw a man stabbing himself a few feet away. I at once rushed to the spot, and ordered him under arrest. Just at that time Marshal Skinner came up and said 'Why, that's Travis, the man I'm looking for.' The fellow was taken up to jail, and a doctor was called to dress his wound. Skinner, however, went away without filing a complaint against Travis. The next day no one appeared from the Bluffs to file the complaint, and I telephoned the doctor for Skinner, and as he did not show up I told Gen. O'Brien that he could take Travis to the hospital, as he was badly in need of care, and, acting in my mind, you, strictly in accordance with Judge Henke's orders, I had the man taken him to the hospital. O'Brien sent him out of town. I could not have acted differently from what I did, even if I had wanted to. I had held him longer than the law provided and, of course, I could not take the responsibility of prosecuting him for a crime committed in Council Bluffs. Why, the whole story is so ridiculous that I don't see how even such a man as Sullivan could have sprung it. I never heard of it until he told me yesterday morning when he had a few hot words, about his going on a night beat. He has been on the Douglas street day beat since Corrick was made captain, and as we were two men together, I made up my mind to change him to night duty. He came to me yesterday morning and asked me about my intentions with regard to him. I intend to put you on your duty, Morris," I replied. "I am sure you will do it. There is no one in Omaha, I have never been on a regular beat yet, since I have been connected with the police force, and I don't want to go on one now." I repeated my former statement, and he then said, "Marshal can make trouble for you. I'm going to turn the talk on you, see if I don't." And this is the story he has patched up.

"Suppose I have not done the kind, I shall demand an investigation, and give Morris Sullivan a chance to prove what he says. Then he or I will get in trouble—and I'm not very anxious on my own account, either."

GEN. O'BRIEN'S STATEMENT.

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might mean for you to start that damnable story on me, which you know is false, after all I have done for you. You are a low-down scoundrel."

"You're another," retorted Sullivan grimly. "A d—n more, you're a d—n—lie if you say that I've ever said anything about you or any other man that is not true."

"You have acted like a snake," continued Marshal Cummings, hardly noticing Sullivan's retort. "Last night you shook hands with me, and you were going to get me along in good shape, and I hope you'll have no more trouble, and at that very moment you had had your plans to start this miserable lying story on me."

"That's all right," retorted Sullivan, "I can never prove it and you know it," was the marshal's reply, delivered with warm emphasis. "You miserable pup, you're often to the core yourself. Why all the while I was doing so much for you you were working against me and trying to do me up. I can tell you of 600 citizens who have come to me and said, 'You ought to drop that man Sullivan, he's scheming against you.' I did not believe it at the time, but I see it all now. You talk about your disciplining the police force. Why, if I had followed your advice and done as you wanted me to do, there wouldn't have been a good man on the force today. All the reliable men would have been obliged to suit your will. There's a man there pointing to Douglas street, who would like to be discharged, because, you said, he was in the habit of getting drunk. I looked the matter up and found he was a faithful, efficient officer, and this I discharged him. That's the way you acted about every policeman against whom you have a grudge. And I want to say that I am now going to make you prove every word you have said against me."

"All right," replied Sullivan, "if you can make it hot for me, go ahead and do it."

Marshal Cummings announced last evening that he would assist Gen. O'Brien in the case of Sullivan this morning. He stated that his reasons for so doing were that he could thus prove charges against Sullivan, and the city council would then be bound to investigate them.

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suspected that there was anything dark on my record. I told my friend to see the United States marshal and find out what I was wanted for. This he did and got away myself up immediately. I went out for a long time until he stole a letter containing \$500 when the postmaster was out for the recovery of the amount and he was accused of the assistant of it.

Heath was arraigned before Judge Dundy at 11 o'clock in the morning and pleaded not guilty, after which he was returned to jail.

ROYAL ARCH MASONS.

Their Annual Meeting Concluded—Officers Elected.

The annual convention of the Grand Chapter of Nebraska Royal Arch Masons was in session all the yesterday in Mason hall, corner of Sixteenth street and Capitol avenue. A large amount of business of a secret nature was transacted during the morning, and in the afternoon the annual election of officers was held, which resulted as follows:

Grand High Priest—John D. Moore, Grand Island.
Grand Lecturer—High Priest—L. T. Benjamin, Crete.
Grand King—Enoch B. Carter, Omaha.
Grand Scribe—Lucius D. Richards, Fremont.
Grand Treasurer—John Dinsmore, Sutton.
Grand Secretary—Wm. R. Bowen, Omaha.
Grand Chaplain—P. H. Van Fleet, Omaha.
Grand Lecturer—Edwin R. Richardson, Crete.
Grand Captain of Host—Charles A. Holmes, Tremont.
Grand Marshal—Edw. S. Johnson—Frank H. Young, Custer.
Grand Royal Arch Captain—Benjamin F. Rawalt, Hastings.
Grand Master Third Veil—Charles B. Stillman, Columbus.
Grand Master Second Veil—Ross Gamble, Kearney.
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On the night of the 11th, in which Messrs. Kimball, Shelby, Morse, Stebbins and Dickinson were exposed to danger. The special car containing the officials was on the rear of the train, and did not leave the rails. Mr. Chisholm was in the regular sleeper, however, and went down with the wreck. His car turned topsy turvy until it landed trucks up, but fortunately without injury to any one. One man in the day coach who attempted to jump out of a window fell under the car and was instantly killed. Beyond a few cuts and bruises received by several of the passengers this was the only casualty that attended the wreck.

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Saratoga Chips.

The Troubadours.

The question for next Wednesday evening is, Resolved, That the dead should be cremated. I would remark in closing, that though the discussion will be warm, grave issues are involved. GEMRO.

The Omaha Fair.

Secretary Wheeler, of the Fair association, said to a reporter for the Bee yesterday that a committee of prominent citizens had been appointed to inspect the books and accounts of the association and to recommend a time for holding the fair next year. This committee will meet next week, and their report will be acted upon at the annual session of the stockholders and directors in January. "I am of the opinion," said Mr. Wheeler, "that our fair next year will be held in conjunction with those of St. Joe, Kansas City and Marysville, on some sort of a circuit arrangement."

The Cullough Fair.

A fair and festival for the benefit of St. John's church began at Cullough, Washington county, Wednesday, and will close Saturday night. To accommodate a large number of Omaha people who have purchased tickets the managers of the fair have arranged for an excursion to that city from Omaha Saturday morning. The train will leave the Omaha depot at 7:30 and return about midnight.

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