

## STORY OF A POLITICIAN.

### Amusing Incident Revealed in the Career of Ex-Governor Irwin.

### HOW HE HELPED THE "CONSCIENCE FUND"

**Refused to Receive Money to Which  
He Felt He Was Not Entitled  
and it Was Credited to  
Defaulters.**

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Governor John L. Irwin of Arizona is in Washington. He was formerly of Keokuk, Ia. His visit here has revealed an amusing incident connected with his resignation as governor of Idaho when it was a territory. It seems that after his resignation he went immediately to Keokuk and lived there, but

He refused to accept it because he had not performed official duties and returned it to the department.

Judge Lawrence of Ohio was the first state comptroller of the treasury and in classifying Mr. Irwin's remittance he ruled that it should be placed in the "conscience fund."

Governor Irwin objected to have his contribution placed in the fund with those from conscience-stricken thieves and defaulters and insisted that the money was not returned because his conscience had smitten him, for he had never signified a willingness to accept it. He returned the check as soon as he received it because he felt as a sense of justice that he was not entitled to it, but notwithstanding his protests, Governor Irwin's contribution was placed in the fund.

Comptroller Lawrence stood firm at the \$1,800 which Governor Irwin so magnanimously returned has been put to the credit of his conscience. Governor Irwin has never forgotten Judge Lawrence for this act and has tried repeatedly, but in vain, to have the matter righted since. P. S. H.

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**NO NEW DEVELOPMENTS.**

**Latest Chilean News Throws Little Further Light on the Situation.**

Washington, D. C., Aug. 30.—The following dispatch, dated Valparaiso, August 29, has been received at the navy department

The insurgents have possession of the city of Valparaiso; was taken yesterday morning after a very sanguinary engagement. The government had the advantage of a good position, but bad generalship. Troops disaffected.

ected. Insurgents ships were not present. Forts not engaged. Lynch, with three second-class torpedo boats, captured. The foreign admirals demanded guarantee in protecting lives and property of foreign subjects. I have

The following dispatch was received this afternoon by Mr. Montte, one of the congressional envoys:

Iquique, Aug. 30.—Don Pedro Montte, Washington: The junta of the seacoast,

Washington: The junta of the congressional government is en route for Santiago today.

Paris, Aug. 30.—The agents of the Cuban congressional party has received an official dispatch from Santiago saying, that the congressional party is in control of the capital; that Balmaceda fled on Friday night, and that the country is tranquil.

Dispatches also say that Balmaceda resigned in favor of General Baquedano.

Washington, Aug. 30.—The official dispatch from Admiral Brown to the Navy department, was the only information received

here today by the government officials of the situation in Chili. Nothing further has been heard from the consul at Valparaiso since his dispatch announcing the surrender of that city to the insurgents. Nor has anything been received from Minister Egan at Santiago. It is believed by officials of the State department, notwithstanding the dispatches to the contrary, that Santiago is still in the hands of Balmaceda. They base this opinion on the fact that the depart-

The Chilean minister declined to receive an interview, but he did send a statement that he received word today that Balmaceda was still in possession of Santiago and had not fled.

The only news received here by the envoys of the congressional party, besides the dispatch from Iquique, saying the Junta was on its way to Santiago, was a message from Lima, stating that Santiago is in the hands of the military, and that, therefore, they have established a temporary authority looking to the safety of persons and property and that Balmaceda's whereabouts are unknown. There is no doubt, however, no doubt but that the capital has fallen and that the insurgents will soon be in full control.

LONDON, Aug. 30.—The Berlin correspondent of the Times says the British man-of-war *Esperanza* consented to carry Balmaceda's silver only after an American man-of-war had declined tempting offers to perform the same service.

LONDON, Aug. 31.—The Standard's Berlin correspondent says: "The surrender of Valparaiso was preceded by a rapid exchange of telegrams between the German foreign office and the German admiral in Chili. The avoidance of bloodshed and disorder is attributed to the conciliatory measures which the German admiral took in conjunction with the other foreign admirals."

The press of both Berlin and Paris rejoice at the fall of Balmaceda.

**Reciprocity With Venezuela.**

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 30.—It is stated, on good authority, that the reported reciprocity

tion of the government of Venezuela of the reciprocity treaty with the United States was incorrect. The treaty was not rejected, but the government of Venezuela sent it back and asked that certain modifications be made, for the reason that the concessions contemplated would decrease the national revenues at least 30 per cent. This is

more than the government can afford. The Venezuelan government is willing to concede about one-half the reduction asked and the negotiations will be renewed.

**Hurt in a Runaway.**  
MONTGOMERY, Ala., Aug. 30.—A special to the Advertiser from Eufaula says: Dr. J. H. Copeland was thrown from his buggy and struck a telegraph pole with such force that both legs were broken. The bone of one leg was driven into the foot and had to be cut out with an axe. It is thought both legs will have to be amputated.

**Paying for His Capture.**  
HANOVER, N. H., Aug. 30.—A town meeting has ratified the action of the selectmen

offering a reward of \$1,500 for the capture of Frank Almy, the murderer. A letter was read from Mrs. Warden authorizing the division among those who endangered their lives on the day of Almy's capture of any portion of the reward that may legally belong to her.

**Will Use Their Strength in Politics.**  
CHICAGO, Ill., Aug. 30.—Twenty-two Chicago assemblies of the National Citizens Industrial alliance were represented this afternoon at the first meeting of the local central committee. The membership of the order in Chicago is variously stated at from

**Alabama's Cotton Crop.**  
MONTGOMERY, Ala., Aug. 30.—Reports from the greater portion of Alabama indicate a full corn crop, but a cutting off of cotton of at least 25 per cent. Rust has been the destroying element.