

CHARGE GAYNORS WITH FRAUD

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Reveals Charges Against John F. Gaynor—Engineer Gillette on Stand for the Government—Identifies the Indicted Men.

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—The examination of Benjamin D. Greene, John F. Gaynor, William T. Gaynor and Edward Gaynor, indicted on a charge of defrauding the United States government of \$475,774 in connection with the Savannah river and Cumberland sound improvements, was begun today before United States Commissioner Shields.

Just prior to the opening of the session the mysterious woman who made the charges against John F. Gaynor at the last session appeared at the corridors of the building and renewed her charges against him.

Mr. Gaynor, who was present, said he did not know the woman.

Cassius M. Gilbert of the United States Engineer corps, was first placed on the stand for cross-examination by Lawyer Abram J. Rose, counsel for the contractors. Rose cross-examined Gilbert in connection with his identification of each of the defendants and then asked for the production of the original contract between the government and the accused contractors.

Commissioner Shields ruled that the counsel for the accused contractors would have to introduce its copy of the contract, if it wanted the paper as evidence.

Rose then went into a minute examination of his witness as to his personal knowledge of the opening of the bid for the contract, of the production of claims on the contract, of certain checks said to have been issued by Captain O. M. Carter, the engineer in charge, prior to July 16, 1896.

Burnett Objects to Questions. United States District Attorney Burnett objected, saying that the only points to be determined at the examination were the identification of the accused and if there was probable cause on which to hold the men.

Rose said he was endeavoring to prove that the indictment was untrue. Commissioner Shields said that the only questions to be decided, he understood, were the law, were the identity and probable cause. Notwithstanding this ruling Rose continued to question Captain Gillette as to the district engineer. This was objected to by Burnett. Rose then asked that he was endeavoring to prove that the district engineer has really no power to make contracts, and simply acts as the clerk and under the direct orders of the engineers. Rose continued his examination of Gillette, but his questions were objected to and Commissioner Shields ruled that they need not be answered, as they were immaterial and irrelevant.

Rose made a formal demand for the original contracts for the improvement of Savannah or Cumberland sound. The demand was refused because there was no evidence to show that they are in this district.

Rose then asked for an adjournment so that he could get the papers in a legal way. This was objected to by General Burnett, who said he wanted the examination finished without delay.

Strengthen the Identification. United States District Attorney Erwin then asked the witness if he had any knowledge of the connection of the defendant with the Savannah work after July 20, 1897.

Rose objected, saying that the indictment alleged offenses committed prior to that date.

Commissioner Shields allowed the question to strengthen the identification of the contractors.

"Yes," answered Captain Gillette; "I have official communications from them and I have paid Green money on these contracts. I have had official and verbal contracts with the contractors. Money was paid for work alleged to have been done during the month of July, before and after July 20, 1897. I gave the check to Greene on or about August 1, 1897. It was for about \$30,000. I was inclined to keep back some of the money at that time."

This ended Captain Gillette's examination and then Assistant District Attorney Baldwin introduced the bill bonds as additional evidence toward proving the identity of the accused contractors.

Commissioner Shields allowed the papers in evidence and the government then rested the case. The examination was adjourned until tomorrow, when the defense will present its case.

TESTIFY AGAINST MOLINEUX

Several Witnesses Give Evidence to Show that Defendant Murdered Mrs. Adams.

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—In the trial of Roland B. Molineux for the murder of Mrs. Katherine J. Adams, the most interesting testimony Wednesday was that of John P. Yocum, a chemist and a warm friend of Harry Cornish.

He said any chemist could make cyanide of mercury, the poison which is alleged to have caused the death of Mrs. Adams. He had made it himself and the process was easy. He took Prussian blue and yellow oxide of mercury, boiled them together, filtered the mass and the precipitate contained cyanide of mercury. Still other drugs would yield cyanide of mercury. All of the drugs required were what were known as dry colors.

Molineux, it will be remembered, was superintendent of a dry color factory in Newark. Yocum testified that any man known as a chemist can produce the ingredients of cyanide of mercury, even without registering his name.

Alvin A. Harpster, who has figured in the case as a friend of Cornish and an object of Molineux's hate, had been expected to give important testimony as to Molineux's

DOCTOR'S PROPHECY

About Grape Nuts.

Dr. J. H. Hanford, one of the oldest physicians in Reading, Mass., says in the Practical Age: "I firmly believe that Mr. Post has rendered a greater service to humanity than any other man living in the matter of food."

He claims, with propriety, I think that his new food, Grape Nuts, made from the most nourishing elements of the grains, contains nourishment in one pound equal to ten of meat, wheat, oats or bread.

From the acquaintance that I have had with this unusually nutritious article, I am satisfied the statement is truthful and demonstrable. I am inclined to believe the food will effect considerable relief in resolution in society, to the extent that it is introduced."

This was written by Dr. Hanford several months ago. The rapid spread of the use of Grape Nuts all over the country has demonstrated that the doctor's prophecy has already come true, to an extent, at least, perhaps never before in the history of food manufacture has such rapid progress been made as with Grape Nuts. It especially appeals to brain workers.

All first-class grocers furnish Grape Nuts, and the Postum Cereal Co., Ltd., Battle Creek, Mich., are the makers.

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Naval Commander and a Captain of the Marine Corps Succumb to Disease.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—The Navy department has been advised by cable from Admiral Watson of the death of Commander James W. Carlin, on board the Culgoa, from an attack of peritonitis. He was on his way to the naval hospital at Yokohama for treatment when he died, December 30. The message also reported the death of Captain C. L. A. Ingate of the marine corps at Guam, where he was stationed, on December 24. His death followed a surgical operation.

Batch of Insane Soldiers.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 3.—The following soldiers, declared to be insane, have been sent to Washington, D. C., from the Presidio military reservation: Sergeant Thomas F. Collins, Company G, Sixth Infantry; Sergeant Owen H. Wissman, hospital corps; Private Thomas E. Barry, hospital corps; Arthur E. Barber, Company E, Fourth Infantry; Michael Gallagher, Company C, Twenty-third Infantry; George M. Barton, Troop C, Fourth Cavalry; Walter A. O'Neill, Battery F, Sixth Artillery; Louis Foran, Company L, Fourth Infantry; Enrico Mulner, Company B, Sixth Infantry; David E. Young, Company A, Seventeenth Infantry; Frank Thayer, Company I, Seventeenth Infantry; George W. Decker, Company E, Eighteenth Infantry; Joseph Hoffman, Company E, Twenty-second Infantry; George J. Nixon, Company I, Twelfth Infantry.

Nearly all of these men lost their minds as a result of campaigning in the Philippines.

Arrival of Transports Reported.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—General Ochs sent a cable message to the War department today as follows: "Transports arrived: Indiana, Ohio (Forty-third Infantry, Colonel Godwin), Duke of Eife and St. Paul (Thirty-eighth Infantry, Colonel Anderson), December 27; no casualties. Dalny, Voscock and Columbia (Forty-second Infantry, Colonel Thompson), December 31. Private Carl E. Hall, I, Forty-second Infantry, died enroute December 29, acute meningitis. Meade (Forty-third Infantry, Colonel Murray), December 31, Sherman and Warren (Forty-ninth Infantry, Colonel Beck), January 2; no casualties. Transports sailed: Pekin, December 29; Ben Mohr and Missouri, December 31; Senator, January 2.

Watson Hns His Reinforcements.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—The Navy department has been informed that the Marietta has arrived at Manila. The Brooklyn, New Orleans, Nashville and Newark have all reached the main fleet and the Marietta is the last of these additional ships sent to reinforce Admiral Watson to arrive at the Asiatic station.

Transports Will Show Honolulu.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 3.—Until all details of the plague now prevalent in Honolulu is past, transports leaving this port for the Philippines will not stop there as has been the general custom, but will go straight through to their destination, taking sufficient coal with them from here to last the entire trip.

Wood Reports Two Deaths.

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HANNA STEPS ASIDE FOR DICK

Senator Will Not Be Delegate at Large from Ohio to National Republican Convention.

CLEVELAND, O., Jan. 3.—Senator Hanna declared today that although he had been urged to stand for the permanent chairmanship of the next republican convention, he would not do so.

Accident to New Royal Yacht.

LONDON, Jan. 3.—An attempt made to undo the new royal yacht Victoria and Albert at Penzance this morning proved disastrous. Immediately after the float the yacht listed thirty degrees to port and her starboard bilge keel became jammed. The strain was so great that shores sixteen inches square, used in an attempt to prevent her from capsizing, snapped like matchwood. The position of the yacht is critical.

Fruit Companies Collapse.

KINGSTON, Jamaica, Jan. 3.—The effects of the recent storm on exports are now manifesting themselves, and the apprehensions of the colony in this respect are confirmed. Three local fruit companies have practically collapsed and the fruit industry already absorbed by the United Fruit company has reached its lowest ebb. The United Fruit company is dispatching only two fruit steamers this week.

Pronounce Deroulade Guilty.

PARIS, Jan. 3.—The high court (senate) today, rendering its verdict in the conspiracy cases not previously disposed of, decided by a vote of 126 to 37 that Deroulade was guilty and by a vote of 200 to 1 decided on extenuating circumstances.

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