

ADAMS-PEABODY ELECTION INQUIRY.

The General Assembly Committee Holds Its First Session and Examines Two Witnesses.

HENRY C. RIDDLE CALLED FIRST

Was Minority Member of Denver Commission—Repeaters Tell of Their Work.

Denver, Jan. 18.—In the court of appeals chamber this afternoon the committee of 27 members of the general assembly, 18 Republicans and nine Democrats, appointed to hear the contest of James M. Peabody for the seat of Gov. Alva Adams, held its first open session, and took testimony from two witnesses. Chairman William H. Griffith announced that sessions would be held night and day to hasten the work of investigation to the utmost degree.

The protest of the minority against the taking of testimony under the rules adopted was made by Senator Jefferson, who moved that it be spread upon the journal and that a record be made of the present action. A motion by Senator Barlow to lay the protest upon the table prevailed by a strict party vote.

Harry C. Riddle, minority member of the Denver election commission, was called as the first witness by Atty. Willis V. Elliott, of counsel for contestor. Mr. Riddle explained the manner in which district registrations are conducted, and said that registration books were withheld by the county clerk from all Republican judges who appeared on the day prior to election and asked to sign for the books.

Mr. Riddle affirmed that the clerk had strict instructions from the majority members of the commission to turn over all poll books to Democratic judges. He further testified that there were at the time of the May city election in the neighborhood of 170 persons in the employ of the election commission, and that he had never been given a voice in the appointment of one of this number.

Any action was contemplated by the majority members along this line, meetings were arranged for, Mr. Riddle said, of which he was not advised, and he was kept totally in the dark as to the method of procedure. Mr. Riddle said he had received notice of all meetings where his vote might be needed to legalize action, but usually the committee passed upon matters without his presence.

Regarding the appointment of election judges for the May election, Mr. Riddle said that it was his privilege to appoint one judge for each precinct, the majority members appointing two. At the meeting of the commission called to arrange for the selection of the judges, he said, he presented a list of approximately fifty vacancies caused by inability from one cause or another of judges at former elections to serve again, but the committee refused to recognize his list, asserting that the vacancies could be filled by the other two judges on the morning of election. Mr. Riddle said that the list of vacancies was certified to only after he had appealed to the county clerk for a list of mandamus compelling the majority members to recognize the right to have the vacancies filled by appointment.

Atty. Elliott asked the witness to say what action was taken by the commission on the petition of Republican attorneys for an investigation of the registration list which was alleged to contain many names of persons who were not in the neighborhood of the precincts during a five days' hearing of the commission prior to the May election testimony was taken on the contention that the list contained names of persons who were not in the neighborhood of the precincts during a five days' hearing of the commission prior to the May election testimony was taken on the contention that the list contained names of persons who were not in the neighborhood of the precincts during a five days' hearing of the commission prior to the May election.

Mr. Riddle declared that a rechecking of the registration list and comparison thereof with the names voted at the previous election showed that substantially 8,000 names appeared upon the registration list, representing non-residents, persons deceased and purely fictitious names.

When Mr. Riddle had concluded, Joseph Totten, a waiter, testified that between 7 and 12 o'clock on the day of election he voted at 20 times. He said that slips containing names and addresses were given him by men whom he knew to be prominent in the politics of the lower wards of the city, and he was instructed to vote the Democratic ticket. He testified that having agreed to cast such votes for the consideration of \$1 each.

A certain route was designated for his work for the day, and he was cautioned to change his clothing occasionally. The witness said that at some polling places he voted four times, and at others so often that he had no recollection of the number. In every instance he declared he voted the Democratic ticket as instructed. Totten said that in the afternoon he endeavored to cover again the territory which he had gone over in the morning, and in addition visited other polling places. He declared that eight or 10 men accompanied him on all his trips and that they, too, were furnished with slips and instructed how to vote. In the afternoon, he said, he received only 50 cents for each ballot. To a final question as to how many ballots he cast during the entire day, the witness replied that he had voted less than 40 times, and perhaps more than 10. When this witness was excused a recess was taken until 7:30 this evening.

Two witnesses were examined by the committee tonight. Joseph Cove and Harry Stringer. They testified to repeating on election day, Cove asserting that he voted in the neighborhood of 100 times, and Stringer admitting that he cast at least 100 votes. Both said they voted the Democratic ticket each time.

BRODIE L. DUKER DISCHARGED

Justice Gwynor Declared that He Was Not Demented.

New York, Jan. 18.—Brodie L. Duker, the half-brother of the president of the American Tobacco company, who has been kept in a sanitarium following his marriage to Alice Webb, was brought into the supreme court in Brooklyn today and discharged from custody after a hearing before Justice Gwynor. The action was the result of habeas corpus proceedings brought by William G. Bramham, Mr. Duker's private secretary, who alleged that Mr. Duker was deprived of his liberty without his consent and without process of law.

After a brief argument Justice Gwynor declared that Duker was not demented and ordered that he be given his liberty.

Mrs. Duker was not present at the hearing and her whereabouts is unknown. Papers calling for her arrest

If it isn't right we'll gladly make it so.

SMITH'S FLOUR

IS GOOD OR MONEY BACK.

and removal to Texas are said to be on the way to this city.

The original complaint against Mr. Duke was brought by his son, Lawrence Duke, who alleged that his father was suffering from alcoholic dementia. Mr. Duke said when he left the court that he would be guided by his counsel. The only proceedings now pending against him is an order to show cause to a New York court tomorrow why a sheriff's jury should not be called upon to decide whether or not he was competent to manage his own property. That action also was brought by Lawrence Duke.

When the case was called in the Brooklyn court Duke was not present, and counsel for the Duke family and Bramham agreed in asking the court for his discharge so that the case could be heard in New York county, but Justice Gwynor indignantly refused to agree. He called Duke into court from a hotel nearby, sharply criticized the doctor who had Duke in his charge for not bringing him into court and ordered Duke's discharge.

AUSTRIA CONCENTRATING TROOPS ON ITALIAN FRONTIER

Rome, Jan. 18.—Unpleasantness is felt here at the concentration of Austrian troops on the Italian frontier, the Patria going so far as to say that Austria is preparing for war against Italy. On the other hand, the Tribuna publishes a statement to the effect that its correspondent at Vienna has been assured by the Austrian foreign office that the increase in the number of Austrian troops on the frontier of Italy was merely due to the return of soldiers to their posts after having been on duty along the Russian frontier, their presence there being no longer necessary.

Denver Election Judge Fined.

Denver, Jan. 18.—John Wigginton was fined \$500 today by the supreme court for conduct as an election judge in violation of the court's injunction. Policeman Max Schradsky and Max Sisach, charged with interference with Republican watchers, were discharged. The court adjourned until Feb. 6, having disposed of all the Denver election cases on file. In all 41 men have been sentenced for contempt of court in committing or conniving at election frauds.

GERMAN COAL MINERS.

207,000 Out 268,000 in Rhine Country on Strike.

Essen, Germany, Jan. 18.—About 207,000 out of 268,000 miners in the Rhine country are now out on strike. The government commissioners are busy taking statements preparatory to the government forming judgments, and are giving counsel to both belligerents. Boisterous crowds of strikers in several places have been dispersed by mounted police, who used their sabres and blank cartridges.

The Colorado in Commission.

Philadelphia, Jan. 18.—The new armored cruiser Colorado was placed in commission at the League Island navy yard today. The cruiser is commanded by Capt. Duncan Kennedy.

Value of Fire Drill Proven.

New York, Jan. 18.—An explosion in a stereoscopic outfit during a lecture on volcanoes has narrowly missed causing a serious panic in the Civic Bay high school building. A blaze followed the explosion and the crowd scrambled wildly for the doors. Fortunately the scholars, who were present, coolly went through the drill and in a few minutes most of the spectators returned to the building. No one was seriously hurt.

Bristow Retires Today.

Washington, Jan. 18.—Fourth Asst. Postmaster-General Bristow will retire from office at the close of business hours today. He expects to receive instructions today or tomorrow from Secretary Taft preliminary to taking up his new duties as special commissioner to investigate rate conditions, etc., in connection with the Panama Railroad & Steamship company. Chief Clerk Conner is in charge of the bureau, and has performed most of the duties of that office since the recent removal of the corps of inspectors from the fourth assistant's office to that of the postmaster-general.

Prest. Eliot Sails for Europe.

New York, Jan. 18.—President Charles W. Eliot of Harvard university and Mrs. Eliot sailed for Europe today on the steamer Bluecher. Another passenger on the Bluecher was Mrs. Robert B. McCormick, wife of the American ambassador to Russia.

HIDE SWINDLERS COME UP TOMORROW

Much Speculation as to What Young Benyon Davies Proposes to Do.

HAS NOT YET BROKEN SILENCE.

Known That Friends Are Advising Him to Make a Clean Breast of All He Knows of Game.

The two men charged with fraud in the big skin game swindle—Jones and Davies—will probably have a chance to explain matters in court tomorrow before Judge Diehl. There is much speculation as to what young Davies will do. He has remained stolidly silent so far as the public is concerned regarding the merits of his case and the position in which he finds himself. If he has given any information to the arresting officers who have him in charge at the county jail they are discreetly silent upon the subject. The fact that an information was filed against him, and that he is to face the court on a serious charge is construed as meaning that he has given them no data upon which to work. Friends are wondering what he will do. They believe that he should make a complete statement as to his connection with the case, following the example, in this respect, of young Conkling at Ogden. They believe it would be best for him. It is known that some of Davies' friends are saying that he should do so. Will he? That is the question.

AN EARLY WARNING.

In view of the fact that as early as last June frauds by means of the wild animals bounty and warnings given, it seems strange that the proper authorities have not long ago adopted measures that would put a stop to the whole nefarious business. In the month mentioned County Clerk P. H. Neeley, of Summit county, prosecuted one Charles Andrews for attempted fraud along the lines indicated. Mr. Neeley at once notified adjoining counties, and in recognition of his prompt action in the matter received the following commendatory letter from the then state auditor:

P. H. Neeley, Esq., County Clerk, Coalville, Utah:

Dear Sir:—I have yours of the 30th ult., advising me of the arrest and conviction of one Charles Andrews for presenting scalps to you and demanding bounty thereon under the state bounty act, after the bounty had been paid on the same scalps by some other county. I want to congratulate you people on your vigilance in this matter, and as a matter of protection I will call on the clerk of this county and put him on his guard, assuming that the same party might present them in this county. We have had a number of suspicious cases reported to us, but this is the only one that has come to our knowledge where the offender has been punished. Yours truly,

C. S. TINGEY, State Auditor.

IN UTAH COUNTY.

Utah county has some mighty Nimrods too. One of these is Frank Clark, probably the same Frank Clark who proved himself to be such a terror to wild animals in the county of Wasatch. The dates of his transactions and the number of hides produced tally rather closely in both counties. In both counties, too, only part of the pelt was delivered.

Among those who received the largest amounts of money paid out in Utah county for 1904, a total of \$1,094, were B. W. Driggs and H. S. McCullough, the former of Pleasant Grove and the latter a resident of American Fork. The hides brought in by them are generally in good condition, and are from the Rush valley country.

Mr. Driggs is credited with 284 coyotes, numerous wild cats and of the larger game one mountain lion and one bear.

IN BOXELDER.

Through the vigilance of County Clerk N. J. Valentine, who last year was deputy under Clerk Jensen, Boxelder did not suffer to any extent from the deceptive tactics of bounty sharks. Charles Briggs, a resident of the county, received a considerable amount of the money paid out, but his claims are considered valid.

Mr. Valentine states that on Aug. 31 last, a man named Charles C. Jones brought in a large consignment of pelts, and when the deputy insisted upon culling out a number of bad ones, Jones took umbrage, and packed up his goods and said he would take them to Ogden for sale. The sheriff was notified and he brought Jones back to the courthouse, where the bundle was culled over and a bounty paid on 40 skins that were found to be all right. Eighty-nine were not paid for and were burned by the deputy, along with the 40 good ones, Jones declaring that he did not care for them. He wanted pay for four or five skins which

he said were mountain lions, but the clerk thought they were wild cats, and refused to pay the mountain lion price for them. Jones took the pelts away. SANPETE NOT TAINTED.

Sanpete county prides itself upon the fact that, so far as known, it is free from the taint of bounty frauds. None but well known citizens of the county have presented claims for the killing of wild animals, and the amount paid out—\$1,111.50—is considered to have been legitimately expended.

The Central Wool company of Mantt deals with trappers and hunters all over central and southern Utah, and not over 500 or 600 coyotes' skins are secured in a year, with a half dozen bear skins and about a dozen mountain lions. One hundred coyotes trapped by one man in a year is considered to be a big catch, and only one wolf pelt has been secured by the company in five years.

ACTIVE IN WASATCH.

It would be a difficult matter to hear the hunting record of one Frank Clark, whose name is frequently found upon the cash book of the clerk's office in Wasatch county. From the 16th of June to the 21st of December this man visited the clerk's office eight times to claim the bounty upon his "skins," and the total amount received by him was \$1,192, in sums ranging from \$70 to \$219.50. Clark usually brought but a portion of the animals' hides, including the scalp and a narrow strip running to the end of the tail. In explanation of his reason for doing this, he said that most of the animals were killed by poison and that the rest would fall off he retained only that portion required by the law. He did not always succeed in having his demands accepted, but such cases cheerfully repacked his goods and departed.

PINCHED IN SUMMIT.

Summit is the only county in Utah which has thus far punished violators of the bounty law. As stated elsewhere, the man who paid the penalty for attempted fraud was Charles Andrews, and he was fined \$25. The hides that he tried to palm off smelling strongly of moth balls and camphor, and upon investigation it was found that he had already been punished, though the punches used made very small holes and so carefully were they patched up that it was difficult to detect the deception. The clerk of the county had killed the animals at the head of Provo river, while he and a companion were prospecting. He had sufficient "good" hides to raise the amount of cash required to pay his fine. Morgan and Wasatch counties were at once notified to be on the lookout for the fellow.

DAVIES' INFORMATION.

Deputy Sheriff A. H. Steele yesterday afternoon swore to a complaint charging former deputy D. B. Davies with the crime of fraud. The preliminary hearing is expected to be held in a few days. The young man is still in custody, and it is expected that he will make any statement with reference to the charges against him.

WEATHER REPORT.

Record at the local office of the weather bureau for the 24 hours ending at 8 a. m. today:

Barometer reading at 6 a. m., 25.7 inches; temperature at 9 a. m., 27 degrees; maximum, 32; minimum, 24, which is 5 degrees above the normal.

Excess of daily mean temperature since the first of the month, 19 degrees.

Excess of daily mean temperature since Jan. 1, 19 degrees.

Precipitation for the 24 hours ending at 8 a. m., .31 inch.

Precipitation since the first of the month, .36 inch, which is 44 inch below normal.

Deficiency in precipitation since Jan. 1, .44 inch.

FORECASTS TILL 6 P. M. FRIDAY.

Local forecast for Salt Lake City and vicinity: Partly cloudy tonight and Friday.

For Utah—Forecast taken at Denver, Colo.)

Fair tonight and Friday.

Wyoming: Fair tonight and Friday.

WEATHER CONDITIONS.

The barometer is highest over the southern Pacific and south Atlantic states, middle plateau and central Rocky mountain slope, and lowest over the northern Rocky mountain slope, central Gulf states, lake regions and New England states.

Precipitation occurred over portions of Utah, the Pacific and Gulf states, Ohio and Mississippi valleys and lake region. It was raining this morning at Portland, Victoria, Melbourne, Atlanta, Knoxville and Cincinnati and snowing at Winnipeg and Sault Ste. Marie.

The temperature changes were generally unimportant, and moderate conditions prevailing in nearly all sections. No zero temperature was reported.

R. J. HYATT, Local Forecaster.

TODAY'S TEMPERATURE.

6 a. m.	27
7 a. m.	29
8 a. m.	30
9 a. m.	30
10 a. m.	33
11 a. m.	38
12 a. m.	42
1 p. m.	43

YESTERDAY'S RECORD.

Highest	42
Lowest	34

TEA

Good tea costs less than poor.

Good tea costs less than poor.

Your grocer returns your money if you don't like Schilling's.

PROMOTION FOR GORDON M. FRASER

Chief Clerk of Local Illinois General Agency Now Given A Title

TO TRAVEL IN THIS TERRITORY.

Appointed Traveling Freight and Passenger Agent Under Commercial Agent J. A. Foley Here.

G. M. Fraser, who for nearly three years past has been office man for the Illinois Central here, has been appointed traveling freight and passenger agent for the system in this territory, succeeding Mr. Powell, who left for Milwaukee last week.

The announcement was made this morning by Commercial Agent J. A. Foley while on the still hunt for a man to succeed Mr. Fraser. The appointment comes in the form of a recognition of merit. Mr. Fraser has been connected with the railroad service for 13 years, eight with the F. E. & M. V., now part of the C. & N. W. system, and five with the Illinois Central. Prior to coming here he was chief clerk for the commercial agent at Council Bluffs, Ia. Judging from comments on the appointment this morning on Railroad Row Mr. Fraser is going to make it interesting for competitors.

SPIKE AND RAIL.

Vice President Bancroft is due to leave for the coast today.

General Agent Warren of the Santa Fe is in Idaho on a business trip.

K. O. Keyes is out again hustling business after a serious siege of rheumatic tonsoils.

The Burlington is reported to be getting more than its share of passenger business out of this territory right now.

H. M. Cushing of the Rio Grande returned from Ogden this morning, where he went to attend the big Masonic banquet. He reports a very enjoyable time with 255 present at the festivities.

The engineering department of the Oregon Short Line is working on a proposition to cut out the big second bridge near McCammon by diverting the channel of the river and filling up the trestlework with rock.

The force of men employed in driving wells for the Salt Lake Route has succeeded in sending down a 14-inch pipe outside the 10-inch pipe at Oakes and connection with the big new 60,000 gallon steel tank will be made in a few days.

Officials of the Denver, Enid & Gulf, now operating between Enid and Guthrie, announce the purpose of the company to extend the line south to Oklahoma City and northwest to a connection with the Union Pacific in Kansas.

The executive committee of the Santa Fe held a meeting in New York yesterday. The session was a protracted one but no information as to what transpired was given out. President Ripley was not present. So far as could be learned no further action concerning the forthcoming bond issue was taken by the committee.

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If you want to Buy or Sell A Farm Anywhere In the West, Try the Semi-Weekly "News."

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

The Club de Langue Francaise will meet at the home of Madame Kelly, 333 Second street, on Tuesday evening, Jan. 20. Members are requested to bring some small article, carefully packed, which may be sold during the evening for 10 cents for the benefit of the treasury. A fine program has been prepared under the direction of Madame Heinz.

Treasurer Walter Paine of Long Prairie, Minn., is visiting in this city, as the guest of E. M. Budgett, en route to southern California on a vacation.

Word comes from Pueblo, Colo., that Miss Sadie Boyer of Springfield, daughter of William Boyer, and a sister to Miss Nellie Boyer, the actress, was married yesterday to Walter G. Payne of Council Bluffs.

The annual parish reception of St. Paul's church will be held on the evening of the 23d inst., at the rectory, with Bishop Spalding as the special guest of honor.

Mrs. Montgomery's class in the Westminster Presbyterian Sunday school will give an entertainment in the church tomorrow evening.

Tonight the inaugural ball takes place at the Salt Lake theater, and the affair promises to be most elaborate. All details have been planned to fit the occasion, which will be the notable affair of the year.

Another large affair planned for tonight is the ball to be given by the high school alumni, and a large attendance is assured for the function.

Miss Sadler entertained a few friends informally today.

Mr. and Mrs. David Evans and family will leave Saturday for the coast to be absent during the rest of the winter.

Miss Katherine Williams entertained the Bridge club Tuesday.

Dr. and Mrs. A. C. Ewing will give a dinner next Friday night in honor of Mrs. M. S. Lacy of Colorado.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Walker leave today for Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Mr. and Mrs. George Steiner have returned from the east.

The Plate club meets next Saturday with Mrs. J. H. McMillan.

Mrs. E. Y. Whitney gives an informal luncheon tomorrow.

Mrs. Wither Jones will leave shortly to visit relatives in the south.

Mrs. Joseph Stowe of Park City is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. C. L. Root.

The Keith-Griffin employees will give a grand ball at Christensen's on Friday evening next. Every member of the store force from the manager to

A SIMPLE LIFE.

One of the first things of importance in living a simple life is in using a simple diet. This does not mean that you must eat the coarsest food and that which is unpalatable to you; but, for you to eat the very best you can get of the ordinary necessities. First among these is good bread and butter. Poor indeed is the family which cannot afford the best of this! It is not extravagant to pay an extra price for butter extra in quality, as it makes you eat more bread. People do not eat butter alone, and when they are eating good bread and butter, they will not eat as much of other food, healthful and more expensive. There is only one best sold in this market and that is Hazel-nut Brand Butter. Your grocer can get it for you.

FAUST CREAMERY & SUPPLY COMPANY.

The cash boys are interested in the affair, and all expect to have a good time, promote fellowship and good will, and keep alive the enthusiasm of the store. Punch will be served and a novel song corner has been provided to promote sociability.

VITAL STATISTICS.

State Board of Health Issues Its Report for December.

The state board of health publishes today, the regular health bulletin of the state for December. This shows 41 cases of scarlet fever reported from 14 localities, with no deaths; 89 cases of smallpox in seven localities, but no deaths; 72 cases of diphtheria in 11 localities, with eight deaths; 55 cases of typhoid fever in 18 localities, with eight deaths; 41 cases of whooping cough in eight localities, with one death; 58 cases of measles in seven localities, with no deaths; 127 cases of pneumonia in 24 localities, with 18 deaths; seven cases of tuberculosis in four localities, with one death.

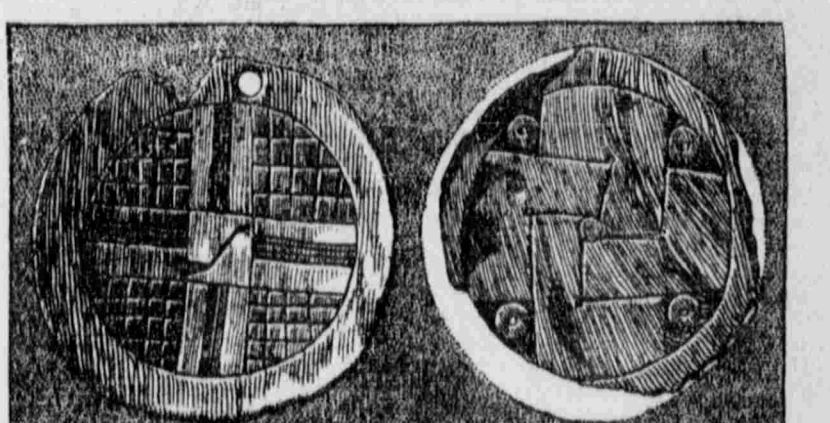
The mortality list shows this status: General diseases, 46; nervous diseases, 20; circulatory diseases, 8; respiratory diseases, 70; digestive diseases, 10; Puerperal fever, 4; malformations, 2; infancy, 12; old age, 3; external causes, 15; ill defined, 5.

The state board calls special attention to the increase in pneumonia and diphtheria, and the imperative necessity of proper sanitation and due regard for the maintenance of healthful hygienic conditions, on account of the spread of these diseases.

Peppermint Oil Speculators.

New York, Jan. 18.—Efforts of speculators with western capital to secure domestic peppermint oil are reported by wholesale druggists here to have been attended by unexpected results. Rumors of largely decreased production and advances in the market price caused large manufacturers of low priced candies to import quantities of dimethylol peppermint oil as an experiment. The cost was only about half that of the domestic oil, and while the latter is much superior in flavor, the Japanese product was found, according to the manufacturers, to be perfectly satisfactory in the making of cheap candies.

AN EXAMPLE OF PREHISTORIC AMERICAN ART.



The illustration shows one of the earliest and best examples of prehistoric American art. These designs are many centuries old and are excellent evidence that the early inhabitants of the continent, whoever they may have been, were not by any means destitute of artistic impulses. These mural tablets, found in the ruins of an ancient temple, bear a certain resemblance to designs known to be of antique Asiatic origin. Antiquarians who insist upon the theory that the original inhabitants of America were of Asiatic stock have been confirmed in their belief by the discovery from time to time of these evidences of an art which is manifestly distinct from all existing Indian remains.

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Join the procession tomorrow, and get your Overcoat, or your Suit, or your Hat, or your Bath Robe, or your House Coat, or clothes for the Boy. You'll make money if