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## SUIT AGAINST DELEGATE CANNON.

The public are pretty well acquainted with the preliminary proceedings by which a certificate of election for Delegate to Congress was given to a person who was not elected, and 1,357 votes were made to stand as more than 18,568. The scheme to defraud the people of Utah of representation in the National Legislature was formed on the supposition that the unpopularity of the "Mormons" would give countenance to any outrage by which they could be placed at a disadvantage. And it was thought that Congress would be so anxious to catch at a pretext for excluding the "Mormons" that it would not object to the fraud.

But the conspirators reckoned without their host. The wrong attempted was so flagrant and palpable, and so grossly in violation of the principles upon which our government is founded, that it met with almost universal condemnation. Congressmen and editors joined in denouncing it, and the public, although filled with prejudice against the "Mormons," could see the infamy of this lawless and unprincipled attempt to trample upon the rights of a large majority and strangle the popular voice in the interest of a few adventurers.

However, the conspirators of the scheme imagined that by impudence and push they could so far accomplish their purpose as to make the fraudulent certificate, which carried a lie on its face, stand as *prima facie* evidence of the election of the defeated candidate and put the elected Delegate on the defensive, with the trouble, costs and disadvantage of a contest for the rights to which he was plainly entitled. They thought that they could get A. G. Campbell's name on the roll, get him sworn in at the opening of Congress, and keep Delegate Cannon waiting around in the committee room and the lobby until his case could be brought to a hearing, which event they intended to postpone as long as possible by every means that they could employ.

Meanwhile—and here is where certain attorneys were particularly interested—they expected to draw the salary of the office, which would make a nice little contingent fee that their simple tool did not need, but which they were figuring for, and this would grease the wheels of the conspiracy machine and make it run pleasantly. But the best laid schemes of mice and men, after gang a-glee, and so it proved in this instance. Happens that the spurious certificate did not work its purpose; the bogus Delegate's name, it seems, did not get upon the roll; the monthly portion of the Delegate's stipend did not roll into the attorney's pockets; neither did the prospects for the minority candidate for getting the seat they were trying to steal for him look in the least degree flattering. Hence they who threatened to "make Rome howl" began to howl themselves and say words that are not considered fit for polite society.

Something had to be done. What next? Here it is, in the shape of an action in the Third District Court to have the certificate of naturalization held by George Q. Cannon annulled and declared void, and to enjoin Delegate Cannon from receiving any salary of his office. The attorneys for Mr. Campbell in this case are P. T. Van Zile and Sutherland and McBride. The papers have been served, and the design is to open the whole question of Mr. Cannon's naturalization and obtain a judicial decision upon it.

In a recent inquiry consequent upon the proceedings of the court for the seat, it was found, contrary to expectation or at least to statements freely made previously, that Mr. Cannon held a certificate of citizenship in due form having the seal of the court. It was foundly thought by some of the parties to the conspiracy that this document was lost, as it was not produced when the certificate of election was in dispute. It is this duly attested paper, which, according to Secretary Blaine's publicly announced doctrine, is unimpeachable, that the present suit is brought to annul. The grounds of complaint are that Mr. Cannon was born in Great Britain; that coming to this country, where he resided for a time, he went to California and subsequently to the Sandwich Isles; that returning to Utah in 1854 he obtained his certificate of naturalization the same year fraudulently, because five years' previous residence in the United States and one year's residence in the Territory next preceding the date of naturalization, were required by law; that there is no record of his admission to citizenship; also that previous to leaving the United States for Hawaii, Mr. Cannon did not declare his intention to become a citizen.

We have assured our readers who are referring to this subject, that at the proper time and in the proper place Delegate Cannon could make a perfect showing of his citizenship. We still offer the same assurance. Briefly told his position is this: He came to this country in his boyhood and resided in Nauvoo, Illinois, as is well known and can be proved; he subsequently came to Utah with the Saints; he was sent on a mission to California and thence on a mission to the Sandwich Isles; he was then absent from home; he made no declaration abroad in a legal sense, his absence from his domicile not affecting his residence, in law, as he has been frequently shown in judicial

decisions upon this question; on his return, having resided in the United States more than the required period, he was naturalized in the First Judicial District Court, and received his certificate with the seal of the court, which was recorded in the book kept for that purpose by the Clerk of the Court; the proceedings were regular; they took place in open court, two witnesses were examined as to his qualifications and everything was conducted according to the usages of the Court and the laws relating to naturalization.

Now as to the declaration of intention: Mr. Cannon came to this country before he was eighteen years of age, therefore, under the naturalization laws, no declaration of intention was necessary. The Court being satisfied that Mr. Cannon had resided in the United States and the Territory the required period, issued the certificate. On the back of it is endorsed the page of the naturalization record in which it is recorded; the book is now among the records of the Supreme Court of this Territory, and on the page denoted the record appears. That the book is the proper record is further evident from the facts that the Court, as appears of record in February, 1854, ordered the clerk to obtain it and keep it for such purpose, and that it was so kept and used, the record of the naturalization of other persons appearing therein in similar form.

The evidence is complete, the proof is irrefragable, the facts are indisputable; there is no room for doubt, no chance for legal twistings, no sphere for judicial discretion and tortuous renderings, it is all plain, straightforward and complete. This, therefore, is merely vexatious and malicious. Its final issue, what ever may be done in the interval cannot fail to be favorable to our Delegate. We have in former articles, gone over many features of the arguments affecting this case, and may touch upon them again, that they may be clearly understood by the public. And while we cannot but view with contempt the efforts of the clique of conspirators, and the attempt of a person with 1,357 votes to claim the seat in Congress to which his opponent was elected with 18,568 votes, we are confident of the result and have no cares concerning the shameful proceedings to harass, annoy and perplex the People's Delegate, and to rob the masses of the citizens of Utah of a sacred and inalienable political right.

## NEW WORKS.

"Literary Style and Other Essays" is the title of a new work by Dr. William Matthews, who is dubbed "The prince of popular essayists." The style of this writer is very taking, being pungent, witty, vigorous, terse and lively. His views are practical, his anecdotes and epigrams well put and thoroughly illustrative of his subject, and the sentence of his work is to elevate and ennoble and at the same time to stimulate and entertain. "Literary Style," etc., is in his best vein, and introduces a variety of subjects of worthy consideration and cultivated to good. The book contains 316 pages, it is handsomely bound in cloth, and can be had of James Dwyer for \$1.50.

"Scientific Sophisms," by Dr. Samuel Wainwright, reviews the newfangled theories concerning atoms, apes and men, and dissects and demolishes the heresies which put God out of the universe and make matter its own organizer, designer and developer. This excellent work is now produced in the Humdrol Library series, and can be had for 15 cents.

In the same series, and at the same price is "Light Science for Leisure Hours," by Richard A. Proctor, well worthy of perusal. The Franklin Square Library, No. 185, contains the whole of Front's "Reminiscences of Thomas Carlyle," which has made so much noise in the world. In this form it only costs 15 cents.

All the foregoing, with Ehrick's Quarterly and other magazines, can be obtained of James Dwyer.

## BY TELEGRAPH.

NEW YORK, June 10.—The World's London special says: It now turns out that Father Murphy, of Schull, was not been arrested, and further, that the government was not in the habit of arresting him. He has spoken pretty freely at public meetings, but unlike Father Sheehy, of Killybegs, who, by the way, has not been long back from the United States, he has carefully abstained from inciting the people to resistance or strike against the law.

A telegram from Father Murphy, dated from Cork, says that he is in the house to-day to the effect that the report of Father Murphy's arrest had been circulated by the Fenian leaders for the purpose of exciting the people and provoking a collision with the military. If this is true, and the Chief Secretary no doubt speaks by the voice of the law, the Fenian league are not improving. A meeting of the Fenian members of the House was held this morning to consider the report of the arrest of Father Murphy, and the Fenian members of the House have instructed the Sacred College to take action at once against Archbishop Croke and those priests who have identified themselves with agrarianism. This step on the part of his Holiness, of which I advised you by cable a fortnight ago has discomfited the Fenians and some of them advocate the preparation of a memorial urging the holy father not to interfere. Others alleged that there was no recent interference by the Vatican, but this is untrue. During the Fenian disturbances of 1865 and 1867, Pius IX more than once denounced the operations of the Fenian league as a secret society. On January 3, 1868, the sacred congregation addressed a note to the Irish prelates, instructing them to discomfit the Fenians and to mix themselves up in the agitation of that period and requesting them to report on current rumors that certain priests had incited the people to resistance and outrage. Trustworthy correspondents Rome say that Dr. Croke was asked to report himself at Rome, and that Bishop Butler of Limerick will be instructed to suspend, if not to silence Father Sheehy on his release. His holiness has been advised in this matter by Cardinal Manning and leading Catholic nobles in England and by Archbishop McCabe of Dublin, whose lenient pastoral denunciations the Irish Fenians have taken as a challenge. Mr. Parnell, Dr. Croke fell foul of in his published letters. This is the latest blow the agitation could have received. Fenian and Fenian will accede from the league organization and the leaders will have to rely for funds and "moral support" solely upon Irish Catholics on your side of the water. The military and constabulary at Skibbereen and Ballydeobah will probably be withdrawn to-morrow. At Skibbereen yesterday the people held a great fair opposite Father Murphy's house and camped there last night, but on the priest's return from Bantry in the morning they learned that the government had not and did not intend to interfere with him. This put a damper on their enthusiasm and the flag was hauled down and the mob quietly dispersed. Eight suspects have been arrested in this district under the act and lodged in Limerick.

A Cork cable says: During the riot the police station at Union Quay was wrecked. The riot originated on the new quay, where races were proceeding. One civilian was dangerously wounded by a stone thrown by a Fenian named Egan, a prominent member of the Land League, is arrested. Twenty Fenians are arrested. Every Fenian is a Fenian. Skibbereen is a Fenian. Fenians are arriving in Tipperary, yesterday, escorted from the railway station by the local league, brass bands

playing, and a large crowd of people drew his carriage through the streets. The archbishop, addressing the enormous crowd, warned the people not to come in collision with the forces of the empire, and not to give way to hooting and stone throwing, but appeal to the enlightened conscience of Europe and America. He declared he had no sympathy for those who could pay fair rent and would not.

## BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

There was a severe earthquake at Hayti, on the 17th of May.

Eight suspected persons at Schull and Skibbereen, Ireland, are arrested.

The Cuban sugar crop this present year is estimated at 464,000 tons, against 529,500 tons in 1880.

An cyclone at Solon City, Kansas, last night, killed two persons and damaged much property.

The negro who grossly assaulted a little girl yesterday, was caught in Georgia to-day and hanged.

The Secretary of the navy was handsomely received to-day at Annapolis, Md., it being graduating day.

Only five New York brewers now employ union men, and the demands of the strikers have been ignored.

Geo. B. Roberts is elected president of the Pennsylvania R. R. Co., and J. N. McCullough first vice-president.

A fire broke out in the arsenal at Carlisle, Pa., yesterday. Many shells exploded and great damage was done.

Another Nihilist trial has begun at Kitz. The prisoners include four women, a Saxon subject, and a French citizen.

Frederick Billings to-day resigned the presidency of the Northern Pacific, and Asahel H. Barney was elected president pro tem.

A forged check for \$3,456, purporting to be drawn by the Springfield, Ill., National Bank, was passed in Hartford by one Halbert B. Fisher.

The Dominion legislature has voted \$10,000 for the relief of the sufferers in the Quebec fire. Local insurance companies lose \$250,000 to \$300,000.

The French Senate, by a secret ballot, 148 to 144 refused to pass the discussion clauses of the *sortida de l'ile* bill. The ministers abstained from voting.

A pamphlet on hog diseases has been mailed to U. S. Consuls which will forever set at rest, it is hoped, the fears regarding the impurity of American hog meat.

W. J. Walron, superintendent of railway mail service of the Memphis district, is indicted for conspiracy to defraud the government in securing mail contracts.

The Home Missionary Anniversary at Chicago closed after a committee was appointed to take into consideration the future welfare of the Home Missionary Society.

Rev. Father D. F. Hager, (Catholic) and his brother were smothered to death at Corcoran, Minn., last night, owing to an imperfectly burning lamp in a close room where they slept.

Lou Paxton, of Grand Island, Neb., while plowing in his field, was murdered and horribly mutilated this morning. An Indian scout is on track of the murderer. The excitement is intense.

Five men have died of scalds by the explosion of the boiler of the steamer *Hanna*, at New Orleans, yesterday. One man was drowned, and four others expected to live. All are colored.

A policeman was arrested at Mullingar, Ireland, for refusing to form part of an escort to some Land League prisoners. He threw down his rifle and helmet and declared he would not go a step further.

Subscriptions are raised already in Quebec. The loss is estimated at one and half millions; insurance \$650,000. About 600 houses are burned. The remains of Mr. Hardy were dug from the ruins.

Samuel Dibble (dem.) was elected without opposition at Charleston, S. C., to succeed O'Connor, deceased, congressman. The republicans claim that Mackey was elected last fall and therefore a traitor.

Virginia republicans have decided to run a straight ticket and issue an address setting forth that they would have carried the State for Grant and Arthur in November, but for the interference of outside parties.

In Cork at 9.30 p. m. last night a furious riot was in progress. Magistrate Stokes has been severely injured and three policemen fatally wounded. The rioters charged the mob, and several persons were injured.

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