

His Secretary Wrote Letter and He Had'nt Seen it Until Published-Man is Still in His Employ.

Washington, April 23.-Interesting developments followed each other in close succession today in the hearing being conducted by the special committee of the house of the charges preerred by Representative George L.

Lilley of Connecticut against the Elec-Fice Boat company. Representative Lilley was severely taken to task by members of the committee for allowing published criticisms of its actions, over his signature, to stand for months with-

his signature, to stand for months with-out being contradicted. It was at the afternoon session that the personal matters came to the sur-face. Mr. Olmstead read a clipping from the Hartford Courant of March 30, containing a letter signed by Mr. Lilley and addressed to George W, Goff of East Hampton, Conn. This letter which was in reply to one received by Mr. Lilley from Mr. Goff, contained the following: following:

The select committee to investigate have already demonstrated their inten-tion to apply the whitewash brush wherever they can. Therefore, it is safe to assume that very little will be brought out. They refused me the privi-lege of counsel to cross-examine wit-messes and do not allow me to put questions except by submitting them in writing, and even then they may throw out those which they deem im-proper, which means throwing out all important questions. I believe, how-ever, that the press of the country is already fully convinced."

WRITTEN BY WEBSTER.

WRITTEN BY WEBSTER. Mr. Lilley stated that that letter was written by his secretary, Mr. Webster, and that he had not seen it until it appeared in print. Mr. Webster, he said, had authority to sign his name to letters. At this point Mr. Webster was called to the stand, and admitted that he wrote the letter. He said that he had gathered his inference about the committee from newspaper clip-plings and from conversations he had had with a man who had attended some of the hearings. The letter was not suggsted by Mr. Lilley, he said. Mr. Lilley then resumed the stand and was asked if he had repudiated the letter. He replied that he had not "Do you repudiate it now?" asked Mr. Olmsted.

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that charge," answered Mr. Lilley, "and I am perfectly willing to withdhaw it." "It is not a question of withdhaw it." "It is not a question of withdhawing the charge," said Mr. Howard. "We want to locate the responsibility for the suggestions in that letter," "This letter casts a reflection upon the character of the house of represen-tatives and the officers of it which cannot go unnoticed." interposed Chair-man Boutell. "A month has elapsed since you had knowledge of its exist-ence. During that time it would cer-tainly have been possible for you to explain it on the floor of the house or to this committee, but no explana-tion was forthcoming." "I disclaim the charge,' 'sald Mr. Lilley.

Lilley

him by two correspondents of Con-necticut papers. During the day a letter from Mr. Lilley to Secy. Metcalf in the interest of the Lake company was read. In this communication Mr. Lilley refer-red to Congressman Roberts of Mas-sachusetts, saying: "Among the well-menuing members of Congress the Lake people have more friends be-cause they never employed the meth-ods of the Holland type people. It is well known that the company Mr. Roberts appears to represent is doing more today in the employment of questionable methods 'o intinidate members of Congress and the maval committee than all other corporations in the United States." The committee will be in session Lilley. Mr. Broussard asked Mr. Lilley if he had reprimanded his secretary for writ-ing such a letter. "I think I reprimanded my secre-tary," replied Mr. Lilley. "I am very sure I did." "Why have you not discharged a man who would abuse your confidence in such a manner?" asked Mr. Brous-sard.

HASN'T DISCHARGED HIM.

"Well. I have not discharged him," responded Mr. Lilley. Mr. Lilley said that he did not know Mr. Goff, and when asked if other lei-ters of a similar character had been written and signed with his name, re-plied that there might have been oth-ers but he did not know how many. "Will you let us have these letters?" asked Mr. Olmsted. This request brought forth the con-

This request brought forth the con-flict between Mr. Lilley and the com-Kodaks,finishing,framing, 142 Main St. mittee

"I don't think it is within the scope of this committee to examine my pri-vate correspondence," said Mr. Lil-

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tigation." Mr. Lilley persisted that he object-ed to producing his private corres-pondence. His position was fully stated by his counsel, Judson Brown, who said that Mr. Lilley felt that it would be an injustice to him to be compelled to produce letters he had written to friends containing expres-sions of opinion of the committee or sions of opinion of the committee or any member of it. He objected to producing any letters that are confi-dential between himself and friends.

WILL PRODUCE LETTER.



lettera would be required will be pass-ed on by the committee later. • This incident being closed tempor-arily, at least, Chairman Boutell in-troduced another matter of a personal nature. The committee had in its possession elippings from the Bridge-port. (Conn.) Standard of March 25, saying that it was reported around the corridors of the Capitol that Messrs. Boutell. Oinsted, Rothermel and Rodenberg had left Washington the day lefore for New London (Mr. Lil-ley being there at the time), for the purrose of bringing political influence to bear on Mr. Lilley to stop the sub-marine lavestigation. Of the four persons mentioned Mr. Boutell and Mr. Oinsted are members of the com-mittee and Messrs. Rothermel and Rodenerg are members of the house. A telegram was also in the possession of the committee dated March 24, sent to Mr. Lilley on the train return-ing from Connecticut, by his private secretary, stating that these four consressmen had bought tickets for New London on the 4 o'clock train. AUTHORITY FOR TELEGRAM.

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know the authority of Mr. Webster for this telegram. Mr. Olmsted had left on that day for Harrisburg and had gone to Springfield, Ill. to attend the con-vention. Mr. Webster replied that his information had been furnished him by two correspondents of Con-mention tenents.

The committee will be in session tomorrow,

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In Many Respects to Days Agone.

Washington, D. C., April 20 .- The rumor that Senator Aldrich of Rhode Island has about determined to quit Congress at the end of his term and

retire to private life brings one face

to face with the changes that have occurred in the upper branch of Congress

in the past few years and there is a distinctive bit of pathos in the deter-

mination of Senator Aldrich to quit the

cares of legislation, if it be true, be-cause he is among the last of the old guard who performed valiant service for the country in shaping legislation during the decade just past. Senator Aldrich has been for years a nover and an influence in the senato

amount of damage done to the rock surface thoroughfares by automobiles. To many it may seem beyond belief that a pneumatic rubber threas of the large stones: that every massing wagon would crush them firm-rank work any bijury to a road com-pased of bits of crushed flint rock but it becomes plain when the theory of such roads is explained. The macadam road samed after John Lowden Mac-adam, of Ayr, Scotland, who was for years highway surveyor of Bristol, was first latd down by the eminent French who wisely figured that slowly moving forn-tired wagons would crush dust surface; that those particles would be constantly sifted between the julter-

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At one of the tables in the senate lunch room the other day there sat three or four of the older representa-tives in the lower house and they dis-cussed the changes that have occurred three or four of the older representa-tives in the lower house and they dis-cussed the changes that have occurred in the upper branch of Congress during their careers. One of the elder states-men said in speaking of the rumor of Senator Aldrich's retirement: "I do not wonder at it whatsoever. Aldrich cannot but notice the unusual things that are happening these days in the upper branch. He cannot help but re-call the dressing down which Senator Burkett gave Senator Hale thad the te-merity to ask the return of the army appropriation bill from conference be-cause certain feautres of the meas-ure had been passed during his ab-sence from the chamber and with which he was not favorably im-pressed. The senate gasped for breath at the audacity of Burkett in pressed. The senate gasped for breath at the audacity of Burkett in pressed. The senate sasped for breath at the audacity of Burkett in pressed of the meas-ure had been passed during his ab-sence from the chamber and with which he was not favorably im-pressed. The senate gasped for breath at the audacity of Burkett in pressed of the senator Eugene Hale and even through the oc-casion might have warranted a gentle protest, the vitrolle language of the sen-ior senator from Nebraska made the entire chamber sit up and take notice. It was nuts for the Democrats, but it was wornwood for the Republicans. These things go to show how rapidly the old customs and the old forms, the quiet dignity, are disintegrating to make room for a pushing self-asserting group of men who have been raised in a wholly different school of polities from that of Aldrich, Hale, Allison and Daniels. Many of the new men who are serving their first terms in the senate are in the formative period of their careers as statesmen. They have not builded their foundations, and like in the lower house, the men who have been longest in the service and who have conscientiously worked for the public weal they are the men who have been longest in the service and who have conscientiously worked for IS A HARD WORKER.

IS A HARD WORKER. Senator Aldrich is one of this fast disappearing type of workers. Himself a hard worker he is helpful to all those who commend themselves to him along similar lines. While it is true he is anatere to the great mass of the people Aldrich is warm blooded and warm hearted and his knowledge of the busi-ness of legislating has been of the first importance in effecting legislation. With Aldrich's going will go one of the bulwarks of the older senatorial conception of that body's place in the scheme of things in this government, and he will be followed shortly by some who have been an influence in the work of Congress for a generation and more. The ranks of the leaders are thinning and within your life you will see a new order of things come to pass in the senate of the United States, for it is written that the "old order changeth." AUTO VS MACADAM.

AUTO VS MACADAM. France has called an interntaional congress for October to be held in Parls for the purpose of discussing the