

HINES MENTIONED AGAIN.

Witness at Stephenson Inquiry Says Agent Threatened to Shoot Him.

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MILWAUKEE, Wis., Oct. 20.—Wirt H. Cook, a lumberman of Duluth, as a witness to-day before the Senate Committee which is investigating the election of Senator Stephenson of Wisconsin, told, as others had before him, about the part played by Edward Hines, the lumberman and lobbyist, in electing Stephenson. In referring to a conversation in the Grand Pacific Hotel, Cook said that Henry Turkish asked Hines how he was getting along down in Washington.

"I am having a hard time," Hines replied, according to Cook. "For instance, there is Stephenson. After I elected him he went down to Washington and started to work for free lumber. I had a terrible time getting him lined up right."

Cook said that Daniel Haley, of Duluth, another lumberman, told him that R. J. Shields, an agent for Hines, had had a quarrel with Hines because Shields wanted \$15,000 for working for Stephenson and Hines refused to pay that much, saying Stephenson ought to pay half of it. Cook testified that shortly after hearing this he met Shields on a train between Chicago and Duluth and asked him about the story.

"We were talking about both the Stephenson and the Lorimer cases," said Cook. "I asked Shields how he came out with Hines in the dispute over the job at Madison. 'Oh, that's all fixed up,' said Shields. That's about all that was said."

Cook at the afternoon session testified that he had a talk with Shields at a hotel in Chicago subsequently to the talk with him on the train.

"Shields told me," said Cook, "that he did not blame me for going after Hines, but he did not think I ought to go after him. Shields said if I did anything to him he would shoot me. I tried to talk to him, but he was much excited and left the hotel."

Asked concerning a conversation he had with Lieut. Gov. Thomas Morris in the presence of Paul O. Husting, a State Senator, and Assistant Attorney General A. C. Titus, both of Wisconsin, Cook said:

"I did say that Edward Hines raised about \$100,000 or \$115,000 to put over the election. The statement was based on what I'd heard about Shields."

Shields, on the stand, denied absolutely all part in the Stephenson election as far as the legislative session was concerned, though he admitted doing work for Stephenson in his home county. He also denied threatening to shoot Cook, and said he never had trouble with Hines and never did any political work for him.

ROBBED WHILE OPERATING.

Surgeons Recover Coats When Well-Dressed but Grimy Man Is Arrested.

Shortly before midnight last night, Inspector Hayes and Sergeant Giblin of his staff were walking along Sixth Avenue at Forty-sixth Street, when they were approached by a man who wore a handsome overcoat and a new hat, but had grimy hands and a badly soiled face. The man asked for the price of a drink and a bed.

The inconsistency of the man's appearance excited the curiosity of the Inspector, and, calling Detectives Kenyon and McGhee, he had the man arrested and taken to the West Forty-seventh Street Station, where a charge of vagrancy was entered against him. When the man was searched the police say that the hat was found to be a new shape of English manufacture and the overcoat was also of English make. Under the overcoat the man wore a coat that indicated its owner to be a person of means. In the pocket of this coat the police say they found a card case containing the cards of Dr. Cary Eggleston, 171 West Ninety-fifth Street.

Dr. Eggleston was called up on the telephone and he came to the station and identified the hat and overcoat as the property of Dr. Henry C. Pelton, while the other coat he identified as his own. Dr. Eggleston told the police that in company with Dr. Pelton he was performing an operation at Bellevue Hospital yesterday, and before going into the operating room he and Dr. Pelton took off their coats and left them in an ante-room.

After completing the operation the doctors went to the ante-room and found that their clothes were missing. The prisoner when arraigned at the station said he was Richard Pears, 21 years old, an ironworker, and had been living at Mills Hotel No. 2. He said he came to New York recently from Wilmington, Del. He said the garments were given to him by another man whom he did not know. A charge of grand larceny was entered against Pears.