

with a gun. And at one time in his teaching career he was offered to switch over to the Leland Stanford University for a yearly salary of \$15,000, no meager sum for those days, but he declined.

Dyche went on from this point to accomplish many things for the University, science and himself. His death still retains a questionable note in it. He died on January 20th 1915. Two weeks before his death he was bitten by one of the pet gila monsters in the State House in Topeka. This occurred when he was showing the sluggish traits of the reptile to the Governor.

About a week after this incident he was taken ill with an attack of heart disease and was sick for only one week before his death. Physicians didn't attribute the cause of death to the bite of the gila monster, though many other skeptics believe that that was the cause of his death.