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THE LEGISLATURE.

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The days of session of the Legislature of 1891, are fast nearing their end. Within the next thirty-six hours we can say *Vale et vale*. And yet, judging from the manner of transacting business in the Senate and House last night, a stranger would have supposed the session was only beginning instead of ending. Gable has been the prime mover, although work was of primary importance. I need not say to you again that I have never known a legislative body since the adoption of the constitution of 1837 which has done so little. I am neither hide-bound nor partisan in my feelings or utterances when the remark is made that this of all has proved the least consequential, the least important of all Legislatures which have ever assembled. It has been throughout in the control of a ring of bosses, which must bring the greatest discredit upon the men who have been sent here to make laws for the great Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Last night, nearly reaching away into the wee small hours of the morning, but little of benefit or consequence to the taxpayers of Pennsylvania was done. This sort of legislature may be all right, but I doubt whether the people of Pennsylvania will approve of it when they come to cast their ballots next November. Mind you, I am not saying there are not good, honest, conscientious Republicans in the Legislature, but I do say that "bosses" have ruled them from beginning to end.

Last night the Senate devoted to the final passage of the Appropriation bill. Cowardly like these bills have been passed, and then the attempt is made to shift the responsibility upon the shoulders of the Governor. He is equal to the requirements of the occasion, and more than the pet scheme to filch money from the State Treasury will meet with his approval. Governor Pattison will do his duty, and, whether it meets the commendation of friend or foe, his veto will be exercised in the interest of the constitution and thereby of the people.

The Baker Ballot Reform bill passed the Senate last night. It is emasculated of many of its best features, and the end is that its author will be like Japhet, "in search of a father." My own impression is that Mr. Baker was never honest or sincere in his advocacy of the bill of which he is supposed to be the author. Should it ever receive the signature of the Governor, it will never amount to shucks. It was never intended to be for the best interests of the people, and they will find that out before many suns rise and set, many moons wax and wane, many stars twinkle and disappear.

There was a pitiable spectacle in the House last night. Mr. Taggart, of Montgomery, the author of the Taggart or Grangers' bill for equal taxation, was the first to move for the final passage of the Boyer bill. Oh, how he was twitted by Messrs Wherry, Skinner and others; but he arose in his seat, flushed in the face, and advocated the passage of the Boyer bill. There are many "small potatoes" in the Senate and House, but Taggart by his conduct and course has made himself the smallest of small potatoes in a small hill. He tried to pose in the beginning of the session as an opponent to the re-election of Senator Cameron, even went so far as to announce himself as a candidate for United States Senator, but the little boom he started soon petered out, and throughout the session he has been of no consequence whatever. He has been for Taggart first, last and all the time, and even should he become Chief of the Agricultural Department, which is proposed to be started, he will be the same small (although great in avordupois) Taggart!

The terrible fall of Bardsley the City Treasurer of Philadelphia, has caused much surprise. At the State Capitol he was always considered to have been an honest man, although a gabbler from way back. His speculations now amount, it is said, to \$3,000,000. I was talking with a prominent Republican Senator on Monday night, and he expressed his fears for Republican success in Pennsylvania next fall, more especially in Philadelphia. He was wont to swear by John Bardsley, but he says his and the conduct of his masters will make matters very uncertain for Republican success next fall. The defalcations of Bardsley and his pals may, after all, prove a great boom to the people of this tax-ridden, boss-ridden grand old

Commonwealth. So mote it be.

Before another issue of the COLUMBIAN the Legislature of Pennsylvania for 1891 will be among the things that were. May we never look upon its like again.

COLUMBIA.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, D. C. May 25, 1891.

Mr. Harrison is really becoming alarmed on account of the attitude Mr. Blaine has assumed towards him. It isn't the absurd fiction concerning Mr. Blaine's failing mental powers that is worrying Mr. H. for he has had ocular demonstration within the last four days that there is not the slightest disarrangement of his premier's ability to use plain and terse English, but it is the idea that Mr. Blaine does not propose to give him the benefit of his advice in shaping things for his nomination, and that under the plea of ill health Mr. Blaine may go to Maine and leave him for an indefinite period to wrestle alone with the important international questions that are now so numerous in the State department that they almost bump their heads together.

If the republican District Attorney is not made to neglect his duty by the powers above him young Mr. Raum, the son of the borrowing Commissioner of Pensions, may find himself the inmate of a prison cell as the result of his energy in selling appointments and promotions in the Pension office. The Civil Service Commission, which was duped by this young office-broker, is determined, that is to say, "Teddy" Roosevelt, who is in reality the commission, is determined that Raum and his confederates shall be prosecuted, and if he can possibly accomplish it, punished. The evidence, which Roosevelt says makes a plain case, was laid before Mr. Harrison; he referred it to the Attorney General, after holding a long consultation with him, and doubtless mapping out precisely how much in earnest the prosecution is to be on the part of the Government.

Meanwhile old man Raum holds the fort in the crookedest bureau of the Government although public opinion may in the end compel Mr. Harrison to ask for his resignation—he'll never get it unless he does ask for it.

The old fake that Mr. Harrison had come to the conclusion that it would be only right and decent to give the democrats three out of the nine U. S. Circuit Court judges has again been revived possibly by the visit to the White House of a delegation of Virginians led by Senator Barbour, in the interest of a democratic candidate for one of the appointments. When he appoints even one democrat then I shall believe that he intends recognizing the party. Outside signs—the presence of some of the known republican candidates—point to the early appointment of the new judges, but it is impossible to get a definite official statement, consequently rumors are numerous. One will tell you that in order to take no chances Mr. Harrison has decided to defer making the appointments until after Congress meets, another that he has them all ready to announce.

There is an unconfirmed rumor that Mr. J. W. Foster, who recently returned from Spain whither he went as Mr. Blaine's special and confidential agent, is to take charge of diplomatic affairs until Mr. Blaine returns to duty. There are numerous reasons which make it probable that this rumor will turn out to be a fact.

It is a noticeable fact that every republican of any prominence who comes to town these days gets himself interviewed for the purpose of setting a dish of "taffy" before the gentleman who occupies the White House; they all want something. There have been a half dozen of these interviews within a week that about the only difference in was the change of the name of the talker. These people all talk as though they expected Texas to cast her electoral vote for Harrison because her citizens courteously received the President of the United States.

"Mark my words", said a disgusted republican: "if the democrats of the next House will put a smart investigating committee to work on this Behring Sea business one of the biggest scandals of the age will be uncovered. The facts are in existence and can be got at if they will go about it in the right way, and, like the trail of the notorious whiskey ring, it will lead pretty close to the Executive Mansion." In vain I tried to persuade the gentleman to say more on the subject.

It is announced with a great flourish of trumpets as though it were a financial triumph, that Secretary Foster now sees his way clear to paying the \$26,000,000 of pension money that falls due in the first week in June.

Mr. Steve Elkins was at the White House a day or two ago. He says he has no personal interest in the Behring Sea sealing contract, but that his friend Mill, father-in-law of Whitelaw Reid, requested him to look out for his interests while he was abroad. Of course no one would think for a moment of doubting any statement Mr. Elkins might make.

If you decide, from what you have heard or read, that you will take Hood's Sarsaparilla, do not be induced to buy any substitute instead.

Philadelphia's Two Treasurers

THE GOVERNOR APPOINTS ONE. COMMISSIONERS ELECT A SECOND.

PHILADELPHIA, May 26.—The county commissioners, this morning, by a vote of two to one, elected Richard G. Oellers city treasurer, to fill the vacancy that will shortly occur in that office. Messrs. Bartley and Stull, Republicans, voted for Mr. Oellers, and Mr. Sensenderfer, Democrat, cast his ballot for William Redwood Wright, the governor's appointee.

The meeting of the commissioners took place in their office in city hall at 10.30 a. m. The discussion was brief and to the point, and the work for which they convened together was quickly accomplished. Messrs. Bartley and Stull nominated Mr. Oellers and voted for him. Mr. Sensenderfer named Clement R. Wainwright, Henry D. Welsh and William Redwood Wright, and when it came to a ballot he voted for Mr. Wright. Immediately after voting Mr. Stull left the hall for a trip out of town, and Mr. Bartley went to the *Record* office to inform Mr. Oellers of his election.

Referring to the position taken by the commissioners, Mr. Sensenderfer says: "From all the information we have been able to get on the subject we understand that we have the right to elect. We have had nothing from Mr. Warwick yet—nothing official; it is simply a matter of opinion. The people whom we have consulted, and they include lawyers of admitted ability, say if the governor has not the right to name the successor we have. The weight of opinions already received is in our favor. We simply acted on that. If we had not the right no harm can be done."

Both branches of the city council will meet in joint convention tomorrow and proceed to elect a successor to Mr. Bardsley. City Solicitor Warwick has prepared an elaborate opinion sustaining the right of councils to fill the vacancy, and after the presentation of Mr. Warwick's opinion the election will be held.

Although it is not improbable that the councils will repudiate the election to-day of Mr. Oellers by the city commissioners and elect another man, still from present indications that gentleman will be their choice for the office.

There seems to be a tacit understanding that the state senate will do nothing toward seating the nominee of Governor Pattison. This is in accord with declarations by Senator George Handy Smith, Porter, J. P. S. Gobin, and others, that the right to fill the vacancy resides under the law with the county commissioners.

A curious legal question in reference to the various appointing powers came out to-day. The county commissioners can, under the authority they claim, not only appoint but issue the necessary commission and approve the sureties. In case councils elect, it is said they cannot issue the commission, which must be done by the governor, and under the circumstances, the latter would of course refuse to do that until instructed to do so by the court. In case of the governor's appointment he can also issue the commission and the only doubtful question is as to the approval of the sureties.

Eva Ray Hamilton, it is announced, will go upon the stage this fall. Since she failed in establishing herself as the legal widow of Mr. Ray Hamilton before the Surrogate's court in New York, she has determined to seek revenge by going upon the stage in a drama of her own debased life, entitled "The Hammertons." It is supposed to be a scheme to bring the Hamiltons to terms, and thus force them to buy her off.

A team belonging to Gomer Thomas ran away on Railroad street last Saturday, and threw the driver, Richard Metherell, out of the wagon cutting a gash on his head.



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It will be remembered that Beatrice's beautiful dark eyes have played havoc lately with the heart of Albert, the eldest son of the Prince of Wales. What it will amount to is as yet a matter of conjecture in England. The young ladies are acknowledged to be the most beautiful in all Europe, and there will be not a little excitement in the hearts of our American belles over their coming. They are exquisite dressers, and their costumes will be marvels of curiosity. Unlike most ladies, they know exactly what is suited to them. Some time ago they sent for the chief designer of the Paris house of THE NEW YORK AND PARIS YOUNG LADIES' FASHION BAZAR, and selected forty costumes each, the cost of which will amount to thousands of pounds.

Through the courtesy of these young ladies we have been permitted to copy for THE NEW YORK AND PARIS YOUNG LADIES' FASHION BAZAR two of their most exquisite costumes, which appear as figures 3 and 4 on the colored plates of the June number of this magazine, just out, and for which the publisher has issued, in the name of the American ladies, a card of thanks. It is rumored that the prince may follow the young ladies to Newport this summer. THE NEW YORK AND PARIS YOUNG LADIES' FASHION BAZAR has the exclusive right to publish each month at least one or more of the costumes in which the ladies Beatrice and Adelaide will appear.

Observation at Funerals.

It is a sad commentary on a Christian community, which takes that distinctive title from a religion whose founder is called the Consoler, because His word plucks the sting from death, that it surrounds death with every circumstance of woe and gloom. The distinctive ministry of the faith seems to fail at the very point to which it is especially addressed. The natural Christian tone at the burial of the dead would seem to be the cheer that springs from the thought of immortality—a sublime hope, a tender resignation. The Christian thought in that hour should instinctively dwell upon the soul, not upon the body, and the simplest and most unostentatious rite of burial would seem to be the most truly Christian. But the ostentation of Christian funerals has become so great that burial reform associations are formed, both in this country and in England, to relieve the poor of the painful and needless cost which, from mistaken respect for the dead, they will not spare so long as ostentation is the custom.—GEORGE WILLIAM CURTIS, in the Editor's Easy Chair, in Harper's Magazine for June.

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CANDIDATES' CARDS.

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For Sheriff,
J. B. KNITTLE,
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For Sheriff,
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For Associate Judge,
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