

CHRONICLE NEWS, THIS.

Cabinet Officials Will Go Slow In Making Changes.

McKINLEY OF THE SAME MIND.

Disheartening to the Hungry Horde of Office-seekers—New Ambassadors to Be Named—Nobody Seeks to Want to Be Minister to Spain—Hanna's Call.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—All of the officers of the new cabinet have indicated a purpose to go very slowly in the change of personnel in their departments. This not very cheerful news to office-seekers has been communicated directly to many of the aspirants, who have been unable to repress their ambitions, and to add to their discomfort it is intimated in some quarters that there are to be a very few changes in office, save where the incumbent insists upon immediate retirement for some time to come. This may be an overstatement of the conservatism exhibited by the administration, but it is recalled that Mr. McKinley before his inauguration held to the view that the change of officers with all its accompanying confusion and disarrangement of business should not be undertaken until the tariff bill is passed. This view is brought freshly to mind by the statement made that a prominent assistant secretary in one of the executive departments has been asked to remain in his place for five months.

Huge bundles of applications for office were sent from the White House to the various departments, and comprised some 10,000 applications received at Canton by Secretary Boyle. He had been hard at work for some time instead of waiting for the deluge of applications now coming in. With these 10,000 disposed of the officials were able for the first time to get abreast of the



COLONEL JOHN H. B. HATFIELD.

He Will Be Named Ambassador to England.

incoming mail. A rough estimate by Mr. Boyle, who is in charge of the correspondence, is that 18,000 letters have been handled within recent months.

It is expected that today Mr. John Hay will be named ambassador to Great Britain and Mr. Henry Carter of New York ambassador to Paris and that there may be a few other nominations, including Mr. Powell Clayton of Arkansas, as minister to Mexico.

One of the most important missions the president will have to fill will be that of minister to Spain. In view of the Cuban insurrection this post is one demanding the exercise of great tact and skill and the indications are that Mr. McKinley will select a man of deliberate and changing or minister there. Few of the thousands of applications for office have been received, which seems not to be in great demand, and it is certain that up to Sunday Mr. McKinley had no one in mind for it.

President McKinley has definitely settled upon J. H. Brigham of Ohio for assistant secretary of agriculture, and the nomination doubtless will be sent to the senate within a few days. Colonel Brigham is master of the national game. He is a war veteran, has figured considerably in the national game, and is an old friend of the president.

Postmaster General Gary has had another busy day, receiving scores of visitors. Senator Hanna called upon him and had an interview, lasting scarcely more than five minutes. It was his first call on the head of the postal service since Secretary Penrose and Representatives Huff and Hicks of Pennsylvania were among the other visitors.

The cabinet meeting lasted just an hour. Secretaries Sherman, Gage and Alger were the first to leave and Mr. Gary came from the cabinet room, soon afterward. The attorney general, Secretary Blaine, and the secretary of agriculture remained some time longer. Secretary Blaine was in the cabinet room. Nothing of importance was discussed by the cabinet.

A group embracing the silver Republicans and the gold Democrats, led by the grow of South Dakota and Canon of Utah, who withdrew from the St. Louis convention, called on the president. With them also, was Senator Warren of Wyoming.

They were shown at once to the president's office and five or ten minutes with Mr. McKinley was spent entirely a call of courtesy and no allusion to party or politics was made. The president showed great cordiality, and there was no evidence in manner or word of the divisions resulting from the national convention.

Following this group came another one, comprising the entire Republican membership of the ways and means committee, headed by Chairman Dingley. They filed before the president and were cordially greeted. This, too, was a call of courtesy and no reference was made to party politics.

It was so wet and disagreeable outside that the president decided not to take his usual afternoon walk yesterday. Last night he received a letter by appointment for more leisurely talks than the hurry of office hours would permit.

Senator Hanna's call on the president lasted half an hour, after which Mr. McKinley went to the east room and received about a dozen people. It was Senator Hanna's first call since the inauguration.

PEACE IN THE SENATE.

Opposition Leaders Decide on No War in the Senate.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—The contest over the organization of the senate, which has been threatening for several days, will likely not take place and the present situation will be maintained.

A feeling prevailed after many conferences of the opposition party leaders that the Republicans should retain the control of the committees and the Democrats of the general offices. The formal agreement to this effect may be possible in a few days, but the preliminaries were agreed upon by the representative men of all parties and it looks now as if there would be no objection to the consummation of the agreement.

This agreement is to be binding only during the present special session of the senate and the coming extra session of congress, it being understood that hostilities will break out again next December, when congress will convene in regular session.

The compact provides for the appointment of new senators to fill the vacancies caused by the retirement of their predecessors and that Republicans shall be appointed in the places of retiring Republicans and Democrats in the places of retiring Democrats.

This will give the Republicans the opposition in the senate and the Democrats the majority on the committees on foreign relations, naval affairs, pensions, and the committee on the judiciary. Senator Davis has already been placed at the head of the foreign committee. It is understood that Senator Shreve will succeed Mr. Davis as chairman of territories and that Senator Hansbrough will go to public lands, and it is probable that Senator Hale will take naval affairs and Senator Chandler privileges and elections. The two vacancies on the finance committee, occasioned by the retirement of Senators Sherman and Voorhees, will be filled by the appointment of a gold Republican to succeed the silver Democrat to take Voorhees' place.

The agreement also provides for the reference of the credentials of each senatorial appointee to the committee on privileges and elections, where, it is understood, they will not be disturbed until the regular session in December.

A CANTON MAN WANTS IT.

Miller Said to Be Pretty Sure of Patents Commissioner.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—A large number of candidates have entered the field for the commissionership of patents. Ex-Congressman Benjamin Miller of Ohio is being urged by most of the prominent Washington patent attorneys to fill the place which he has occupied under a previous administration, but it is not known that Mr. Miller has any intention of coming to Canton, O., is a formidable candidate and some of his friends claim his father, a well-known Ohioan, who died about the time of the election, was promised the appointment for the son, John A. Weidersheim, a Philadelphia attorney, is putting on a strong fight and there are indications that he will get through the country, including State Senator Robert M. Wilds of Illinois and an assistant commissioner of the interior in the Harrison administration.

Ex-Congressman Ryan of Kansas and Major William Warner of Missouri are also being mentioned for the first assistant secretaryship of the interior.

It can be stated that no selection has yet been determined upon for commissioner of pensions. Major Theodore L. Poole, ex-congressman from the Syracuse district in New York, and the ex-spendthrift war record, and ex-representative Pickler of South Dakota are leading candidates. Ex-Congressman Finley of Ohio is also mentioned, but it is said to be a certainty for either commissioner of the general land office or of Indian affairs.

THE FREE LIST COMPLETED.

Chairman Dingley Talks on the Protective New Tariff Bill.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—Chairman Dingley of the ways and means committee expects to introduce the new tariff bill which will be ready to introduce in the house very soon after congress assembles. Speaking of the report that the law might provide that the duties assessed should go into effect immediately upon the introduction of the bill, Mr. Dingley said that it would be impossible under our constitution to make a law retroactive. Duties, he said, must be assessed according to the law on the statute books at the time goods were imported. The law could provide that goods still in bond should pay the new duty if they had not been withdrawn from bond at the time the law went into effect.

The bill schedule has been completed. Nearly all the remaining articles which had not been disposed of and which were dutiable under the McKinley law have been restored to the dutiable list at a rate somewhat less than the McKinley rates.

The pottery schedule has not yet been completed, and there is yet considerable question whether the advocates rates of the McKinley law shall be restored or specific duties imposed.

A SHOSHONE CHIEF DYING.

His Death May Result in an Indian Outbreak.

FORT WASHAKIE, Wyo., March 10.—Chief Washakie, the noted head of the Shoshone Indians, is dying.

The chief is 50 years old and has spent the most of his time this winter in the hospital at the fort. Recently he was sent for by Rev. John Roberts and, at his request, was baptized.

The bill relating to the mining of bituminous coal was taken up on third reading. It is a very long bill, and it took while to read it. Representative Vreeland claimed that the clerk was not reading the bill in an audible tone and succeeded in having read the bill in a low voice. The bill passed third reading with a few minor amendments.

The bill repealing the prohibitory law in Vermont was placed on the house calendar. It had been defeated several days ago. It was done so quickly that there was no time to figure out what was going on.

A communication was received from Governor Hastings announcing his approval of a concurrent resolution authorizing the publication of 15,000 copies of a bulletin on diseases of poultry by the department of agriculture for use of the members of the legislature and state officers.

Mr. Woodruff (Philadelphia) reported favorably for committee the prison reform bill prepared by General Isaac J. Wister of Philadelphia.

Relative to actions by parents and child for injury to the person wrongfully inflicted on the child; regulating the practice of ball, costs and fees on appeals to the supreme and superior courts; relative to the removal of poor persons from one district to another; relative to the abolition of independent school districts created by quarter sessions courts; authorizing school districts to aid free public libraries otherwise established.

Representative Hosack of Pittsburg was chosen chairman of the committee to investigate the office of dairy and food commissioner, General Cook was elected secretary. The committee did not decide upon counsel and the employees. A meeting will be held next Tuesday.

Governor Hastings has issued a writ for a special congressional election to be held in the Twenty-fifth district on April 30 to elect a successor to the late James Davidson of Beaver.

Many representatives were disappointed when the bill paying the expenses of the Heller-Laubach senatorial contest in Northampton county in 1875 were not reached on final passage. The house was in a temper to defeat them.

BUILDING OF CAPITOL MAY CAUSE HARD FEELING.

GOVERNOR WANTS TO BE BOSS.

The Members of the Legislature Also Want to Do Some of the Superintending—Senator Magee Appears in the Role of Enemy to Trusts.

HARRISBURG, March 10.—There may be some excitement later on in the building of the new capitol. The governor wants to be in control, while the legislature wants to have a hand in the management.

When there was a resolution proposed in the house endorsing the governor's action in relation to the proposed plan of the capitol building, the resolution was promptly referred to a committee which showed that there is a feeling that the legislature must be consulted in all things pertaining to the new building.

After prayer the senate got down to work. A little of importance occurred, except a resolution introduced by Senator Magee, which was adopted. It says:

Whereas, it is alleged that the present act and general use is controlled by trusts and combinations and pools are destructive of individual enterprise and against public interests, resulting in driving out of competition, depriving labor of employment and imposing burdens upon consumers;

Whereas, all legislation heretofore had against such trusts, combinations and pools has been ineffective to prevent the same; therefore,

Resolved, That it is the sense of the senate that it is the sense of the senate that provision should be made in the proposed tariff bill that the United States shall be empowered, whenever the production of any article or article is controlled by any trust, combination or pool, to prohibit the importation of such article or article in part or in its entirety, the operations of such tariff should be subject to the control of the senate, and the duties upon such articles as are controlled by trusts, combinations or pools shall continue to exist.

Resolved, That the senators and representatives of Ohio in the senate be requested to use their efforts to secure the incorporation of a provision in the proposed tariff legislation.

Senator Grady then called up the civil service bill, which was on the calendar. The bill was then read and passed on second reading after some jangling over proposed amendments that had been introduced.

Senator Gibson, chairman of the joint committee of the house and senate on the investigation of the fire at the Hotel Hamilton, introduced an article to the senate and house. In his report Senator Gibson says that a number of persons were called before the committee and testified, but that one witness, Dr. Swallow, refused to testify on the grounds that it might prejudice his case in court. Chairman Gibson also friendly to bimetalism and to exert what influence they can toward inducing the countries to which they are accredited to give the matter serious consideration.

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Colonel Jack's Trial Postponed. HARRISBURG, Pa., March 10.—The trial of Colonel William M. J. Gardner in the insolvent bankruptcy of Gardner, Morrow & Co., on a charge of receiving stolen goods, has been postponed until the June term. Twenty-five civil suits to recover \$10,000 were entered by the firm against the five copartners in the bank.

A Preacher Mentally Unbalanced. KEESVILLE, N. Y., March 10.—Dazed and physically exhausted, Rev. E. J. Baker, minister of the Methodist church, who has been missing for the past ten days, has arrived here. He had come from Montreal and seemed completely unbalanced. He had lost all knowledge of the cause or length of his absence from home.

THE MARKETS.

PITTSBURGH, March 9. WHEAT—No. 1 red, 90¢; No. 2 red, 84¢; spring wheat, 24¢; No. 2, 27¢; No. 3, 25¢; No. 4, 23¢; No. 5, 21¢; No. 6, 19¢; No. 7, 17¢; No. 8, 15¢; No. 9, 13¢; No. 10, 11¢; No. 11, 9¢; No. 12, 7¢; No. 13, 5¢; No. 14, 3¢; No. 15, 1¢.

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DRY GOODS—Fancy New York full cream, 12½¢; extra full cream, 12¢; full cream, 11½¢; no. 1 Wisconsin, 11¢; no. 2 Wisconsin, 10½¢; no. 3 Wisconsin, 10¢; no. 4 Wisconsin, 9½¢; no. 5 Wisconsin, 9¢; no. 6 Wisconsin, 8½¢; no. 7 Wisconsin, 8¢; no. 8 Wisconsin, 7½¢; no. 9 Wisconsin, 7¢; no. 10 Wisconsin, 6½¢; no. 11 Wisconsin, 6¢; no. 12 Wisconsin, 5½¢; no. 13 Wisconsin, 5¢; no. 14 Wisconsin, 4½¢; no. 15 Wisconsin, 4¢; no. 16 Wisconsin, 3½¢; no. 17 Wisconsin, 3¢; no. 18 Wisconsin, 2½¢; no. 19 Wisconsin, 2¢; no. 20 Wisconsin, 1½¢; no. 21 Wisconsin, 1¢; no. 22 Wisconsin, ½¢; no. 23 Wisconsin, ¼¢; no. 24 Wisconsin, ¼¢; no. 25 Wisconsin, ¼¢; no. 26 Wisconsin, ¼¢; no. 27 Wisconsin, ¼¢; no. 28 Wisconsin, ¼¢; no. 29 Wisconsin, ¼¢; no. 30 Wisconsin, ¼¢.

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SCOVILL SET AT LIBERTY.

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