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CONGRESSIONAL RESUME.

Labors of the National Legislators at Washington.

WASHINGTON, June 5.—The house agreed to the conference report on the army appropriation bill.

The senate passed the fortifications bill. Mr. Fry offered a joint resolution to authorize the president to send to any foreign countries for the suppression of the liquor traffic.

WASHINGTON, June 6.—In the house the silver bill agreed upon in the Republican caucus was taken up and the previous question ordered for 3 p. m. Saturday.

Messrs. Hiseock and Sherman addressed the senate in opposition to free coinage. The house bill to establish a national military park at the battlefield of Chickamauga was favorably reported.

WASHINGTON, June 7.—The house continued the debate on the silver bill to the exclusion of other business.

The senate ordered a new conference on the dependent pension bill. Mr. Plumb spoke at length on the silver bill.

WASHINGTON, June 9.—The house passed the Republican caucus substitute for the treasury silver bill by a vote of 135 to 119.

The senate passed 120 private pension bills and a number of other unimportant measures.

WASHINGTON, June 10.—Mr. Cockrell addressed the senate at length on the silver bill. The house silver bill was received and laid on the table.

The house voted the day to District of Columbia bills. The bill authorizing the erection of a monument at the Tippecanoe battleground in Indiana was favorably reported.

SEVEN WERE DROWNED.

Disaster Overtakes a Sunday Sailing Party in Dorchester Bay.

BOSTON, June 9.—Yesterday morning a party of eight young men started for a fishing excursion in a sail boat owned largely by themselves.

When they were about one mile from Thompson's island in Dorchester bay, the boat was struck by a squall and capsized.

All but one of the crew were killed. The survivor, Walter Quinlan, had sunk for the last time when the boat in rising came up under him, lifting him above the surface.

He floated in an unconscious condition for some time, when the boat was seen from the shore by employees of the gas works at Gaston Pasture Point.

ORIGINAL PACKAGES AGAIN.

Another Severe Blow to Prohibition in Iowa.

MASON CITY, Ia., June 10.—Judge John C. Sherwin made a sweeping decision in the original package injunction cases which is by far the severest blow at prohibition the state has yet received.

In his decision the judge finds that the defendants as agents of the importers could occupy the building for the purpose of selling the beer in original packages to all persons except minors and habitual drunkards, and that such use would not constitute a nuisance.

He granted a temporary injunction restraining defendants from selling to minors and those in the habit of being intoxicated.

Northern Capitalists Going South.

WASHINGTON, June 9.—A large party of northern and eastern capitalists, sixty-six in number, representatives of various financial and industrial industries of New England and New York, arrived here yesterday on their way south to participate in the ceremonies incident to the inauguration of the new town of Kimball, in Marion county, Tennessee.

Named in honor of H. I. Kimball, of Atlanta, Ga., the initiator and hard worker during the past twenty years for the south's development. The party left Washington last night in a special train of Pullman cars over the Virginia Midland and East Tennessee and Virginia and Georgia roads for Chattanooga.

Two or three days will be spent in Kimball, which is a few miles west of Chattanooga, inspecting the rich iron and coal fields of Marion county and the battle grounds of Lookout Mountain.

Confederate Memorial Day.

BALTIMORE, June 7.—Yesterday was Confederate memorial day. With no display, but quietly, reverently, the surviving ex-Confederates of Maryland, covered the graves of their fallen comrades with fragrant flowers, emblematic of memories still fondly cherished.

There are about 1,200 active members of the Confederate societies here, and the membership was well represented at London park and the other cemeteries. Last night the exercises closed by a lecture at the Cyclorama building on the battle of Gettysburg, delivered by Mr. G. A. Savage.

Lightning's Terrible Work.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., June 7.—Lightning did some terrible work at the Pioneer Coal works, six miles above this city. During a heavy storm a stroke of lightning struck the company's barn, killing Tom Hicks, the company boss; Sumner Stephenson, a colored boy, and partially paralyzing William Dillis, the company's store superintendent, and a boy named Dick Alexander.

Stephenson's clothes were ignited by the lightning. Dillis and Alexander will recover, but narrowly escaped instant death. The barn was slightly injured.

Imported Glassblowers Returned.

NEW YORK, June 7.—The seven Belgian glassblowers who arrived on the Umbria a few days ago, and were detained on suspicion of having made a contract to work for the Warwick Glass company of New Jersey, were ordered to be sent back to Belgium.

MAYOR AND MARSHAL

President Harrison Tells How They Terrorized a Town.

SOCIAL ORDER AT CEDAR KEYS.

The President Sends to the Senate a Statement of the Facts in the Government's Campaign Against Mayor Cottrell—Uncle Sam's Right to Protect His Officers.

WASHINGTON, June 7.—The president sent to the senate in response to a resolution of May 26 requesting information concerning the alleged landing of an armed cutter from the United States revenue cutter McLane at Cedar Keys, Fla., and the alleged entry of the houses of citizens by force and their alleged pursuit of citizens of the United States in the surrounding country, a letter containing what he describes as all the information possessed by the executive department relating to the matter inquired about.

The President's Statement.

It will be observed, says the president, that the United States collector of customs at Cedar Keys had been driven from his office and from the town and the administration of the customs laws of the United States at that port suspended by the violent demonstration and threats of one Cottrell, the mayor of the place, assisted by his town marshal, Mitchell.

If it had been necessary, as I do not think it can be in any case, for a United States officer to appeal to the local authorities for immunity from violence in the exercise of his duties, the situation at Cedar Keys did not suggest or encourage such an appeal, for those to whom the appeal would have been addressed were themselves the lawless instruments of the threatened violence.

It will always be agreeable to me if the local authorities, acting upon their own sense of duty, maintain the public order in such a way that the officers of the United States shall have no occasion to appeal for the intervention of the government, but when this is not done, I shall deem it my duty to use the adequate powers vested in the executive to make it safe and feasible to hold and exercise the offices established by the federal constitution and laws.

Lawful and Necessary Interference.

The means used in this case were in my opinion, lawful and necessary and the officers do not seem to have intruded upon any private right in exercising the warrants placed in their hands.

The letter dated Aug. 4 last, which appears in the correspondence submitted to me to intervene for the protection of the citizens of Cedar Keys from the brutal violence of Cottrell, it will be noticed, was written before the appointment of the new collector. That the officers of the law should not have had the full sympathy of every good citizen in their efforts to bring these men to merited punishment is the matter of surprise and regret.

It is a very grim commentary upon the condition of social order at Cedar Keys that one woman, who had, as she says in a letter, no son or husband who could be made the victim of his malice, had the courage to file charges against the man who was then holding a subordinate place in the customs service.

Correspondence in the Case.

The papers accompanying the message included the correspondence between the department of justice and Marshal Weeks, and between the treasury department and the customs officers and the officers of the revenue cutter McLane.

The report of E. L. Estrange, the United States deputy marshal who was sent to Cedar Keys to search for Cottrell and Mitchell with warrants for their arrest, shows that Cottrell was not found, but Mitchell was arrested and released on bail. He says that he and Capt. Smyth, of the McLane, were victimized by the people, who foiled them several times in their efforts to capture Cottrell.

The attorney general, he says, has been misinformed in the matter of their searching dwellings unlawfully. In every case he says they asked permission which was cheerfully granted.

The reports of Capt. Smyth, of the McLane, and J. H. Pinkerton, collector at Cedar Keys, agree with the reports that have been published.

The City of Rome on a Rock.

LONDON, June 9.—The steamship City of Rome, from New York, arrived at Queenstown at 10 o'clock Sunday morning in a damaged condition and reported having met with a narrow escape from sinking off Fastnet light.

While proceeding slowly in a dense fog she struck a rock bows on and the passengers, alarmed by the shock and the crash, made a rush for the decks.

They were met by the officers of the ship, who succeeded in allaying their fears by stifling their own, inasmuch as they were not then aware of the extent of the danger. A signal was given to the engineer, and which the engines promptly obeyed, and the vessel was removed from her perilous position.

Examination of the bows was then made and it was found that the stern of the ship was broken and her bulwarks stove in, but the full extent of the damage sustained will not be known until the vessel is dry docked. Several ladies among the passengers were made ill by fright, but, all things considered, the passengers behaved well. The steamer halted only an hour at Queenstown and at 11 o'clock steamed for Liverpool at half speed.

Fatal Duel Between Boys.

COLUMBIA, S. C., June 9.—Frank Holloway and James Watkins, while returning from church, near Belton, in Anderson county, quarrelled. They went from words to blows, and finally drew their pocket knives and began slashing at each other. Holloway received a terrible gash in the throat, when he rushed at Watkins and plunged his knife into his heart and death was instantaneous. Watkins and his antagonist were found together in the road. Holloway's wound is fatal. The boys were each about 16 years old.

Address to Colored Voters.

WASHINGTON, June 9.—The officers of the Washington Tariff Reform Club and Colored Bureau of Information have issued an address to the colored voters of the United States, and especially to those south of Mason and Dixon's line, in which a division of their vote among all the political parties is asked.

Secretary for the World's Fair.

CHICAGO, June 9.—It is said that Benjamin Butterworth will in all probability be the secretary of the world's fair, owing to the fact that he fought for Chicago from start to finish in the house.

Fighting for Life.

CHICAGO, June 10.—A number of the small stockholders will fight against the proposed sale of the stock yards to a British syndicate.

THE ALLEGHENY REPUBLICANS

New Primaries Called For—Bayne Issues a Statement.

PITTSBURGH, June 9.—Three thousand indignant Republicans assembled at Carnegie hall, Allegheny, to protest against the manner in which Col. Stone was nominated for congress. B. F. Jones, president, and Ricketson and other prominent members of the party were upon the platform. Resolutions demanding new primaries were unanimously adopted. It was also decided to request that the county committee adopt the Crawford county system.

Bayne issued a long statement to the public. Among other things he said: "Having endeavored in private life and in public positions for nearly eighteen years to discharge the obligations and duties of a citizen and public official with fidelity and honor, I feel that I should reply to the imputations of 'treachery and bad faith' originated against me by Nelson P. Reed in The Commercial Gazette in connection with the recent Republican congressional convention. This I believe, in my whole life I have been charged with treachery and bad faith. Mr. Reed's apparent indignation at my course is a sham and a false pretense. He dislikes Col. Stone, and hence his indignation. If any one of the several whom I have named has been chosen by the convention Mr. Reed would have lauded the candidate and the whole proceedings to the skies and given me probably a stickful of praise."

At a private meeting held after the public demonstration B. F. Jones and his friends decided to support Shiras for congress against Stone in the coming primaries.

Engineer Warg on Trial.

ALLENTOWN, Pa., June 7.—Prosper Warg, of Weatherly, the Lehigh Valley engineer who was arrested last December on the charge of criminal negligence, is now on trial in this city. Warg was the engineer of a Lehigh Valley freight train, and was running ahead of the Buffalo express, which was half an hour late. He had orders to occupy twelve minutes of that time and then vacate the main line. When his train arrived at Slatington, Warg was notified by his conductor that he had already violated his order, and was advised to stop at that station. He refused, it is charged, to pay any attention to the conductor and went on; and, while entering a siding at Laury's station, the express ran into the rear of his train, causing the death of Engineer Monroe Musick, of South Easton.

Geese Chased Him Up a Tree.

BRANDON, Pa., June 7.—Irwin W. Bossler of this place, while fishing in the Maiden creek, was attacked by two wild geese. He was standing in the middle of the stream, when one of the geese suddenly flopped upon him, knocked off his hat and sent his rod and line flying into the water. As Bossler grabbed for his hat he received a blow which almost broke his arm and sent him sprawling upon his back. He waded out, but had no sooner reached the bank when another goose attacked him and dealt him such severe blows that he was compelled to retreat. He finally crawled up a tree, where he was rescued completely exhausted.

The Pennsylvania Road at Scranton.

SCRANTON, Pa., June 9.—Offers have been made for the Arcade block, running from Penn to Wyoming avenue, in the center of the city, by representatives of the Pennsylvania and Lehigh Valley railroads, the object being to secure depot facilities for the proposed line into Scranton. Arthur Frothingham, the owner of the Arcade, holds the property at \$650,000, a higher figure than the company are willing to pay. It is admitted in railroad circles here that the plan of the Pennsylvania company is to reach the center of the city and to push on either by Carbon-dale or Dunmore for a connection with the east by the Poughkeepsie bridge.

Death Ended His Spree.

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa., June 9.—The body of Francis Oaks, aged 33 years, of Jersey Shore, was found among the logs in a mill pond here. Oaks was last seen alive in this city on May 26, and was in an intoxicated condition. He boarded a Beech creek train that night, and it is supposed that he fell or jumped while the train was passing over the high trestling near where the body was found. Oaks had trouble with his wife, who left him on account of his drinking, and he immediately started on a spree which ended in his death.

A Jail Delivery Frustrated.

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa., June 9.—Sheriff Michael frustrated an attempt at a general jail delivery which the prisoners had intended to carry into effect. The prisoners had come to an agreement to make a break for liberty while at exercise in the corridor, overpower the jailer and get away. The plan leaked out, and the sheriff made a search of the cells. In the one occupied by William Mitchell, a desperate young colored convict, he found a hole dug almost through the wall.

Searching for Escaped Convicts.

POTTSVILLE, Pa., June 10.—The coal and iron police have been scouring the country herabouts in search of the four prisoners who made their escape from jail. Telegrams have also been sent along the lines of all the railroads. It is now believed that they were aided by friends from the outside, who furnished them citizens' clothes after they got out. The Schuylkill county prison is one of the most secure in the state, second only to the Eastern penitentiary.

A Disastrous Salute.

PHILADELPHIA, June 9.—On the Haytian corvette Dessalines in the Delaware there was a terrific explosion. A gunner was firing a salute in honor of the visit of A. H. Lennor, Haytian consul. The thirty pound gun he was handling burst, blowing his right hand completely off and hurling him into the river. He was rescued and sent to the Pennsylvania hospital.

Foot Race at Scranton.

SCRANTON, Pa., June 9.—The 100-yard foot race at the Scranton Driving park between George A. Dills, of Duryea, Luzerne county, and Ben Fern, of Hyde Park, for \$400 a side, the gate receipts and the championship of northeastern Pennsylvania, was won by the former in 10 1/2 seconds.

The Aid Society Sustained.

HARRISBURG, June 10.—Judge Simon-ton handed down an important opinion dismissing the proceedings in the case of the Commonwealth vs. the United Brethren Mutual Aid society, of Lebanon.

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