



CAPITOL GOSSIP

PROGRESS IN THE SENATE OF THE TARIFF BILL.

Peckham Turned Down for Good Reasons.—Not a Democrat.—The Hawaiian Investigation.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—For good and sufficient reasons the tariff bill was not reported to the Senate Finance committee last week, although it could have been reported. The delay was in the interest of Democratic harmony, it being thought best to allow objecting Democrats to have their say to the sub-committee composed entirely of Democrats rather than before the full committee. The regular meeting of the Finance committee will be held tomorrow and the present intention is to report the revised bill. It is possible that it may be delayed a day or two later, but I am assured by every member of the committee that it will certainly be reported this week. No time will be lost by the Democrats on the Finance committee after it is reported in getting it reported to the Senate, as they have been cognizant of every change made by the sub-committee. In fact the sub-committee while nominally made up of only three Senators has in reality been the entire Democratic membership of the Finance committee, except Senator Vance, who is away sick. The members of the sub-committee feel so certain that they have made the last change in the bill that the revised copy has been sent to the Government Printing office to be put in type.

The best posted Democrats laugh at the idea of the fifteen Democratic Senators who voted to reject the nomination of Peckham being classed as opponents of the administration. One of President Cleveland's most loyal supporters as well as his warm personal friends puts it in this way; "I am not a bit sorry that Peckham was rejected, and I know the reasons which governed most of the Democratic votes cast against him. First he bolted the regular Democratic ticket at the last state election and openly aided in defeating it, and, as though that were not enough to bar him from any favors at the disposal of the party, he neglected to vote at the recent special Congressional election in New York city when he knew that extraordinary efforts were being made to get out the full party vote, and when asked about it replied carelessly that he forgot all about the election. Now, I don't think a man who forgets when an important election is to be held should have any office, large or small." That this opinion is echoed by many of the staunchest friends of the administration in Congress is certain, and it is generally believed that if President Cleveland will nominate a good Democrat for the vacancy those fifteen Democratic Senators will show that they bear the administration no ill will by voting solidly for his confirmation. The shrewdest Democrats in Congress think that the mugwumps have been sufficiently rewarded and that all the appointments hereafter made should be good Democrats, men who can be depended upon to help the party win future battles.

Senator Morgan, chairman of the Senate committee on Foreign Relations, has, at the request of the sub-committee, written the report of the Hawaiian investigation. At a special meeting of the committee the report was read and it was decided to defer action upon it to a meeting to be held this week. The report has not been made public and members of the committee decline to discuss it.

Representative Bland, of Mo., has been having a tussle with the "no quorum" fiend, and his bill for the coinage of the seigniorage is still unacted upon. There has been a quorum on the floor of the House every day, but those opposed to the bill have refused to vote and the friends of the measure have been a few short of a quorum. Notice has been sent to all absentees to return at once and Mr. Bland is confident that a quorum in favor of the bill will be on hand this week and that the bill will be passed without further delay. It is thought that the filibustering against the bill was for the purpose of delaying it in the House until after the tariff bill gets before the Senate, so as to prevent its being promptly acted upon in the Senate, as its passage by the House has been conceded by all from the first.

The Woman's Suffragists are preparing to move on to the south. At their annual convention, just closed in this city, Atlanta, Ga., was selected as the meeting place of next year's convention.

The plate printers' branch of the K. of L., of this city, have adopted resolutions thanking Representative Sayers of Texas, chairman of the House committee on Appropriations, for his friendship to the interest of labor, and

requesting all labor organizations in his district to join in the voice thus raised in appreciation of his services to the working people. Judge Sayers has always been popular in Washington because of his approachability, and the fame he is making as chairman of the appropriations committee, one of the most important in the House, has not swelled his head even a little bit.

The Explanation.

A commercial paper, commenting on Bradstreet's review of the failures of the past few years, says:

These records show that, taking several years as a basis for forming the conclusion, we owe much the largest number of our failures to the unwise attempt to do business on a little capital and a great deal of credit, creating a top-heavy commercial structure which cannot stand. Disasters from external causes come next, followed by incompetence, inexperience and fraud, with the rest of the failures pretty well distributed among other causes.

Failure due to the faults of those failing made up 73.6 per cent. of the total last year, the remaining 26.4 per cent. being due to such external causes as disaster, failure of others and undue competition.

This statement speaks for itself. When three-fourths of our failures are due to incompetence and too little capital, we should think twice before ascribing our commercial disasters to hard times.

The Pix Box Opened.

The pix box at the United States mint in Philadelphia was opened on Wednesday by a commission appointed by President Cleveland. In this box samples of all coins made must be kept, one coin being picked out indiscriminately from every 1,000. The commission weighs and measures them to see that the mint superintendent has put in the full allowance of gold and silver. The pound weight used is of brass. It was made in England in 1837, and by law can only be used once in ten years, duplicates being employed at other times.

The mint last year coined \$50,000,000 of gold, the most ever turned out except the first year of the war and during the panic of 1873.

Strength and Health.

If you are not feeling strong and healthy, try Electric Bitters. If "La Grippe" has left you weak and weary, use Electric Bitters. This remedy acts directly on Liver, Stomach and Kidneys, gently aiding those organs to perform their functions. If you are afflicted with Sick Headache, you will find speedy and permanent relief by taking Electric Bitters. One trial will convince you that this is the remedy you need. Large bottles only 50c, at J. D. Murray's Drug Store.

A Simple Remedy for the Grip.

The *Scientific American* has given a remedy for the grip which a noted Edinburg physician employs with great success. Like most discoveries it is very simple. It is nothing more nor less than common saleratus or baking soda. Take a teaspoonful and dissolve it in two-thirds of a cup of water, and drink two swallows at a time at intervals of ten or fifteen minutes.

He Made \$100,000 Quick.

The author of "After the Ball is Over" cleared \$100,000 in less than a year on this song. This is the largest amount ever realized by a single individual, on the sale of one song. The author Charles K. Hanson, is a Jew, and lives in Detroit, Michigan. Although a great writer of songs he knows nothing whatever of music.

Came Near Making an Effective Cure.

A young lady named Martin, of Williamsport, drank the contents of a three ounce bottle of Piso consumption cure. She was imbued with the idea that if a little was good, more was better, and through that opinion came near ending her mortal career.

Postoffice Closed.

Today, Washington's birthday, being a holiday, the postoffice will be closed all day, except for handling the mails. Don't be disappointed then if you find it locked.

The New Owner.

The Philadelphia *Public Ledger*, owned by Mr. George W. Childs, now deceased, on Tuesday passed under the entire control and direction of the Drexel estate. Mr. G. W. C. Drexel is the editor and publisher.

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IN CONGRESS.

House Unable to Secure a Quorum to Consider the Seigniorage Bill.

Although there were 239 members of the house present to-day, as shown by one of the roll calls, Mr. Bland could get but 170, nine less than a quorum, to vote upon his motion to take up the bill to coin the seigniorage of the bullion in the treasury. Four attempts were made to overcome the obstacle of the voting quorum, but without avail, and at 4.10 the house adjourned until to-morrow, when it is believed by Democratic managers a voting quorum will be present. That Mr. Bland's motion will pass, however, is doubtful in the minds of some of them.

Sergeant at Arms Snow made a report of his proceedings under the order of arrest made yesterday, showing seven Republican members under arrest. It was developed upon examination that but two of them were subject to process, the others having been either present yesterday or previously excused by the house, and all were excused.

How Men Carry Their Hands.

"A sure indication of character is found in the way in which a man carries his hands," said C. G. Clark, of Boston. "You notice men on the streets. See the young man with swinging arms and palms which are displayed to all who take the trouble to look. He is one of that class whose heart is as open as his hands. He is frank, unsuspecting, a free spender and a believer in the honesty of his fellows. Notice the business man more advanced in years. His hands are always closed so tightly that he gives you the impression he is ever expecting an attack. This is the attitude of men bent upon a certain object. It is an attitude which displays the qualities of determination and fight."

"In debate you will observe some of our lawmakers emphasize a statement by hammering the desk before them with their knuckles, while others, apparently equally impassioned, are satisfied with the use of the palm. You may rest assured that if sheer determination will succeed, the man who applies his knuckles will win before his colleague who uses his palm."

Grant's Book.

General Grant's book, which he wrote while dying, to leave, as he said, something in the way of money to his widow and children, has already paid them \$500,000. A member of the Grant family says that there is still a steady and very large demand for the book. "In a short time," he added, "a cheaper edition will be published—something that can be sold for \$1 or a little less." If a cheaper edition meets with the sale that is expected, Mrs. Grant's profits may be nearer \$1,000,000 than \$500,000 within the next ten years. As it is the book is already the most profitable book, in a commercial sense, ever written.

A Nest of Counterfeiters in Altoona.

On Saturday morning Sam'l Swenney, a detective, arrested M. A. Smith, Charles Smith, George Graves and Louis Staller, all of Altoona, for manufacturing counterfeit money, right in the heart of that city. One of the men in the party said: "A fellow must do something these hard times," and then made a confession. It is claimed that they had been making bogus dollars, nickels and quarters. They have been bound over for the United States district court.

Clothing.

In addition to our large line of Men's, Boy's and Children's clothing, we show a "line of samples," representing several of the leading clothing houses in the East.

A full and complete measure taken. Men's Suits, \$7.50 to \$15.00. Boy's Suits, \$3.50 to \$10.00. Child's Suits, \$1.50 to \$5.00. All new fresh Spring Styles.

MONTGOMERY & Co.
Bellefonte, Pa.

Joseph V. Dory, of Warsaw, Ill., was troubled with rheumatism and tried a number of different remedies, but says none of them seemed to do him any good; but finally he got hold of one that speedily cured him. He was much pleased with it, and felt sure that others similarly afflicted would like to know what the remedy was that cured him. He states for the benefit of the public that it is called Chamberlain's Pain Balm. For sale by J. D. Murray, Druggist.

PRICES of wheat show signs of weakening; the surplus on hand and prospect of a good crop next summer, leave little hope for an advance in price.

Reports from Kansas speak of the outlook being for an unusually heavy wheat crop. Reports of prospects of large crops come from other parts of the country.

In our county the crop prospects are also good at this time.

ALL GROW

GALUSHA GROW GETS A BIG MAJORITY.

It Was All Grow Tuesday.—Over 150,000 Majority.—Vote Not Out.

The election on Tuesday in the state was tame. The Democrats, not expecting to win, did not take great interest in it, and not turning out, will likely result in a plurality for Grow of 150,000. The vote in the state is not near a full one.

Philadelphia gives 60,000 plurality for Grow.

York county seems to have given Grow from 300 to 400 majority.

Columbia county, Hancock 950 plurality.

Montgomery county, Grow 800 plurality.

Sullivan county, Hancock 250.

Northampton, Hancock, 475.

Juniata, Hancock, 190.

Snyder, Grow 800.

Chester, Grow 3,000.

Bradford, Grow 3,400.

Montour, Hancock 475.

Carbon, Hancock 150.

Lancaster, Grow 8,500.

Huntingdon, Grow 1,550.

Blair, Grow 4,000.

Union, Grow 1,100.

Berks, Hancock 2,500.

Centre, Grow 200.

Luzerne, Grow 900.

Mifflin, Grow 225.

Lycoming, Hancock 500.

Allegheny, Grow 30,000.

Erie, Grow 2,900.

The other counties in the state run about the same way, showing gains for Grow.

A Good Sized Plant.

The following information will prove interesting to our readers concerning the electrical department of the State Reformatory at Huntingdon: There are 1200 incandescent lights of ten and sixteen candle power each; from 500 to 1000 are burning during the entire night. There are 31 arc lights which burn until midnight and 25 are kept burning all night; each arc light contains 2000 candle power. The capacity of the entire plant is as follows: 60 arc lamps, and 1200 incandescent lamps. Two engines of 80 horse power each are used for running of the same.

State Notes.

Two more counterfeiters were arrested at Altoona, J. G. Shegars and Harry McFarland; this makes about half dozen that have been scooped in there.

Rev. Bringle of the Luth. church at Springfield, O., has refused wine at communion, and also refused the sacrament to beer drinkers. He is a strong temperance man. The sensation caused by his action has led him to resign.

Two Hollidaysburg attorneys, A. V. Dively and G. L. Owens, pounded each other in court the other day and had to be separated.

The wife of John Abel, of Altoona, a few days ago committed suicide by taking a dose of morphine.

Not Observed.

The schools did not observe Washington's birthday today and kept right on teaching. This is according to the decision of the State Superintendent of schools, who says that it is optional with the teacher, and he may teach if he so chooses on any holiday. It is the first day in Centre Hall that the scholars were at school on this day.

Election Quiet.

Tuesday, election day, was an unusually quiet one in Centre Hall, and there was very little stir. There was apparently no issue, and unless there was an undercurrent, every one was allowed to vote as he pleased. The vote was near all out, and a good vote, considering it was a decidedly off year.

M. E. Church Dedication.

The dedication of the M. E. church, at Mifflinburg, Rev. I. Heckman, pastor, will take place Sunday, February 25. Bishop Cyrus D. Foss, and Rev. E. J. Gray, D. D., of Dickinson Seminary, Williamsport, will have charge of the services.

Religious Services.

Rev. James W. Boal will preach in the Presbyterian church at this place next Sabbath morning at 10.30 o'clock, and at Spring Mills in the afternoon at 2.30 o'clock.

Big Hog.

P. A. Auman, farmer, living about 1 mile east of the Fort, killed a hog last week, which dressed 630 pounds. This beats Decker's and all the rest, and puts Auman A. No. 1.

Mr. Grow was originally a Democrat against high tariffs and always favored free coal.

SOME IMPORTANT LAW.

A Verdict which would Have Built A Handsome Rail.

The *York Gazette* says: The result of the trial of the case of Worley vs. the township of Dover, York county, in which the plaintiff recovered on Saturday a verdict of \$1,000, should be an admonition to township supervisors to take precaution against like accidents in their districts. Mr. Worley a year or so ago was driving over a small bridge in Dover township, only three feet high, when a carriage from the rear collided with his own, which caused it to overturn and fall from the bridge, throwing Mr. Worley out and breaking his neck. If the bridge had a guard rail the carriage would not have fallen over it. It was the absence of a guard rail that made the township liable in damages in \$1,600 to Mr. Worley's widow.

The law requires guard rails on bridges and guards or barriers on all precipices along public roads for the protection of the traveling public; and where the erection of such guards or barriers requires more expense than it is reasonable the township should bear, the cost on the representation of the supervisors or on petition of any of the inhabitants of the township, orders a view in the manner now provided in case of roads, and if on the report of viewers, it shall appear to the court the grand jurors and the commissioners of the county that such guards or barriers are necessary and not too expensive for such township, the same shall be erected and maintained as county bridges are now erected.

Not Favorable.

The low price for wheat is the wonder of not only the producer but of the consumer. The whole cause of this great decline in wheat prices lies in the fact that stocks have been accumulating in the west, and the Argentine Republic is offering 30,000,000 bushels of its new crop for export. The Russian crop is also said to be large. Other countries are offering large quantities of wheat for export, and are underselling the United States by 3 to 5 cents per bushel. Large speculators in the west have been holding their wheat and have allowed 20,000,000 bushels to accumulate in Chicago. Foreign buyers have been holding off on a continually declining market. Western speculators are beginning to see that there is no use in holding their wheat any longer, especially as the time for the new crop to come into the market is only a few months ahead, and they have been simply dumping their holdings on the market in order to get out of it with the least loss possible. It is estimated that approximately 80,000,000 bushels of wheat have been concentrated at the commercial centers.

Grain merchants are beginning to be much concerned at the state of the market. Many look for still further decline.

Important Postoffice Notice.

Owing to the great increase in the number of letters received at the dead letter office at Washington, First Assistant Postmaster General Frank H. Jones has sent out notices to all postmasters, with an order to post it conspicuously. It reads as follows:

"Don't mail your package without having your own address written or printed upon the upper left hand corner. This will insure its prompt return if not delivered, and will prevent its being sent to and opened at the dead letter office."

Are Happy.

Our good neighbors of Phillipsburg are happy over striking a rich vein of good coal at Steiner's, adjoining the boro limits. May it bring them a big boom; Phillipsburg is one of the best and most enterprising towns of its size in the state.

In Luck.

Tuesday was a lucky day for Frank Arney, and was a point in his career he will likely remember. His wife presented him with a son, and he was elected tax collector. Fortunes, like misfortunes, never come singly.

In Boston, on Tuesday, the anarchists held a gathering and made threats they would clean out the state house; the police were called and put the rabble to flight.

Work is going on to rescue the entombed miners near Wilkesbarre, but prospects are not encouraging to reach them alive.

Mr. Grow having favored free-trade in coal, the Democrats, on Tuesday, permitted his majority to run up to 150,000.

—Lewins, Bellefonte, is making a big reduction in price on all lines of goods. A big chance for purchases.

SPECIAL EXCURSIONS.

Low Rate Excursions to Washington, D. C., via P. R.R.

Three special excursions will be run to the National Capital from Pittsburgh and other points on the Pennsylvania Railroad, as mentioned below, at remarkably low rates. The dates selected are February 21st, March 22nd, and April 19th. Tickets for these trips will be good on any of the regular trains except the Pennsylvania Limited or on the special train to be run on the schedule herewith, on the days designated, and will admit of a stay of ten days in Washington. Stop-over at Baltimore may be made in either direction within limit.

These trips are especially appropriate and attractive during the present season, when the most beautiful city in America may be seen at its best. The historic and contemporaneous interest always attaching itself to Washington, and the magnificent architectural sights, will amply repay a visit, and when the extremely low rates are considered no better trip could well be devised.

A special train of parlor cars and day coaches will be run, and tickets will be sold as per the following:—

	Rate.	Trains leave
Pittsburg.....	\$9.00	8.05 A. M.
Johnstown.....	7.35	10.22 "
Altoona.....	7.85	12.05 P. M.
Bellefonte.....	7.25	10.54 A. M.
Phillipsburg.....	7.25	10.41 "
Tyros.....	7.25	12.27 P. M.
Lewistown Junction.....	5.60	1.50 "
Washington, Arrive.....	7.45	"

Dogs in Passenger Cars.

Occasionally a spinster much attached to a poodle, or a warm hearted wife who holds a pug in high regard, or a ruddy cheeked lass in her teens who hugs a nine ounce terrier close to her well rounded bust, manages to smuggle one or the other of these canine darlings into a passenger car, but it is at the risk of having it torn from her trembling grasp and hurried to her baggage or express car, where it is charged a certain rate for transportation. Dogs are not admitted to railroad cars if a conductor knows it while they are entering, and therefore all such admissions, if made, are effected clandestinely. There are occasional bitter altercations on the subject of dogs in passenger railroad cars, but the owner of the dog is the worsted party in all these cases.

M. r. Albert Favorite, of Arkansas City, Kas., wishes to give our readers the benefit of his experience with colds. He says "I contracted a cold early last spring that settled on my lungs, and had hardly recovered from it when I caught another that hung on all summer and left me with a hacking cough which I thought I never would get rid of. I had used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy some fourteen years ago with much success, and concluded to try it again. When I had got through with one bottle my cough had left me, and I have not suffered with a cough or cold since. I have recommended it to others, and all speak well of it." 50 cent bottles for sale by J. D. Murray, Druggist.

Much in Little.

The ice-houses are filled, and that agony is ended.

The public sale season is in full blast now—which means free grub.

Revival meetings are in full progress—go, ye sinners, poor and needy.

The ground-hog hit it for last week, but it's a miss this week.

Spring Mills merchants have quit selling sugar at 2 cents per pound.

Pennsylvania Railroad Relief.

The receipts of the Pennsylvania relief for the past year were \$630,000 and expense \$634,000, leaving a deficiency of \$4,000 to be made up from the balance in the treasury. The membership is now 82,827, an increase of 1,187 over 1892. This represents over 50 per cent. of the employees. There were 488 deaths and 22,543 cases of sickness and accidents in 1893. Since its organization the department has received \$3,553,832 and disbursed \$3,459,346.

SILVER keeps going down. Claren Snyder, of Caketown, near Sunbury, while playing with some boys, swallowed a half dollar. The only remedy we know is to present a silver certificate and demand specie payment.

Cure for rheumatism or neuralgia. Buy a 25 cent bottle of Salvation Oil and use it according to directions. It will cure the worst case.

—Ginghams that were 8 cts. and 10 cts. are now 6 cts. Prints that were 8 cts. are now 5 cts. and other corresponding bargains you will find at Wolf & Crawford's.

—Lewins, Bellefonte, has the most experienced cutter in these parts and at his establishment you can be suited in a manner befitting a prince, and at a reasonable price.

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