

JERSEY'S BEAR GARDEN.

A DISGRACEFUL WRANGLE AT THE LEGISLATURE'S OPENING.

The Labor Representatives Continue With the Republicans for the Control of the House—Two Grave and Reverend Legislators Fight for the Gavel.

One of the most exciting periods in New Jersey politics was passed through on Tuesday afternoon, when the opening of the United States senator seemed so bright, in the background, and the chances are ten to one in favor of William J. Sewell, his opponent both in the Senate and in the House.

Both sides were excitedly engaged in the House, where the fight raged furiously. Late Monday night the Hudspeth-Throckmorton combination agreed on the following state speaker, Hudspeth, of Hudson county, Thompson, of Camden; Astley, of Essex, sergeant-at-arms; Drake, of Morris, engrossing clerk; and the Democratic nomination faction demurred, and did some lively kicking.

The caucus met Tuesday morning, but it was not long after the Democrats had been in session for an hour, when the speaker, Mr. Drake, was called to the floor by the Republicans.

Mr. Beckwith, who occupied the chair, asked the speaker to read the constitution required that the legislature shall meet at 3 o'clock and in the afternoon, and the Democrats demanded possession of the House.

After considerable quibbling, Mr. Beckwith yielded in the name of decency they should retire, and let the Republicans have the floor of the caucus. At length the crowd and the Republican members retired.

In the meantime it began to be rumored that two labor representatives were willing to unite with the three kicking Democrats to vote with the Republicans for an organization of the House.

When the Democrats opened the door this caucus took place at the speaker's desk, and the other officers each took their places. The Democrats were ascended at the game table on the floor, and the Republicans, Frank McDermott moved that Mr. Beckwith, of Atlantic, be made temporary chairman.

Mr. Beckwith, who had been elected by the House, refused to give up the gavel, and a disgraceful wrangle, which has not a parallel in the history of the State, followed.

Both gentlemen struggled for the implement of power, and tumbled over for the moment on the platform. The excitement continued for a moment as though blood might be spilled.

A Democratic member moved that this House adjourn, and the motion was put by Mr. Beckwith, and the House adjourned.

The Democrats in caucus decided to hold the organization as valid and not to obstruct the work of the House. It is also understood that Mr. Beckwith will be elected speaker, but a new election will be ordered.

It is intended to bring up for settlement the question whether the Legislature had the right to order the policemen, as it is alleged he did, to interfere with members of the Legislature.

On next Friday evening, the 14th inst., there will be a public installation of the officers of Geo. H. Thomas Post No. 4, G. A. R., and campfire in the court house.

Hanks and inquiries have been sent out in large numbers to the various railroad connections and facilities of the city.

On Tuesday afternoon a young man named Kiehl was dining on a street car when he crossed the tracks and the road track his horse broke a steering strap.

The animal started upon a street on a run and crossed Centre square at a very lively trot, upon which the section of a large steam roller mill will be begun as soon as the weather permits.

This afternoon a dramatic company, that is playing "A Wife's Honor," passed through Lancaster on their way to York, where they appear to-night.

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THE LOCAL BOARD OF TRADE.

MEETS FOR THE DISCUSSION OF THE CITY'S INTERESTS.

People Who Are Willing to Present Ground for Manufacturing Purposes—The Publication of the Minutes, &c., of the City—Easements to Discuss Mr. Hensel's Paper.

The Lancaster Board of Trade held a stated meeting in their rooms in Eschelman's law building Tuesday evening. The attendance was very large, almost every seat in both rooms being occupied.

The president, J. C. Hager, called the meeting to order and Secretary Harry C. Moore read the minutes.

The treasurer, J. Fred Sener, read his report from which it appeared that he had received from all sources \$111.42, and expended \$21.61.

The committees on manufactures, commerce, railroads, publication and arbitration had no reports to make.

The committee on real estate reported that John C. Hager, Dr. Henry Carpenter, Dr. M. L. Herz and Mrs. Sener had signed their willingness to donate to any manufacturing company twice as much land as they would require for building purposes.

Dr. Wickelsham, from the committee on municipal affairs, reported verbally that the committee had considered the matters in relation to the welfare of the city.

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50,000 MINERS MAY STRIKE.

THE ANTHRACITE WORKMEN READY TO LEAVE THE MINE.

The Knights of Labor Officers Will Declare a general strike if the New Jersey coal handlers decide to withhold their aid.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 12.—A dispatch from Hazleton, Pa., says: "The executive committee of the miners' and laborers' subdivision No. 1, district assembly No. 135 E. of L., which includes the entire anthracite coal fields, held a session there yesterday and resolved to declare a general strike of all the employees engaged in the mining and preparation of coal that goes to the places affected by the strike of the New Jersey coal handlers, providing the strikers approve of this as being the most effective manner of rendering their assistance.

The following named persons were elected directors of this bank: Samuel S. Hoyer, E. B. Miller, Saml. Erb, Isaac J. G. Kessler, Jr., assistant cashier.

The following named gentlemen were elected to serve as directors of this bank for the ensuing year: Samuel S. Hoyer, James D. Reed, Thomas J. Phillips, Aaron Hartman, Abraham Koop, W. S. Kennedy, Thomas McKeown, S. W. Swisher, Isaac J. Kaylor, Officers: S. S. Hoyer, president; J. D. Reed, vice president; T. J. Phillips, secretary; I. W. S. Hoyer, cashier; S. S. Hoyer, Jr., assistant cashier.

The following board of directors were elected yesterday by the Commonwealth Mutual Fire Insurance company: Messrs. F. A. Bennett, J. H. Herr, Jacob Sneath, J. W. Dr. E. M. St. John, Wm. H. H. Hays, J. Z. Eby and A. Eberly.

The following officers and board of directors of the Pennsylvania Mutual Fire Insurance company, of Columbia, were elected on Tuesday afternoon: President, John B. Bachman; vice president, Samuel Filbert; secretary, John W. Wier; secretary, George Young, Jr.; directors, John B. Bachman, Jacob S. Srinne, Samuel Filbert, W. J. Baker, David L. Hays, John W. Wier, Martin McClune, Gottlieb Young, Wm. McDevitt, John Ziegler, H. E. Wolfe, William Harne.

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NEW YORK CITY EXCITED.

THE EXECUTIVE PRIVATE SECRETARY SEEN ALONE.

The Executive Private Secretary Seen Alone the Conterstation Among Politicians and Members of the Stock Exchange—His Condition Not so Hopeful, However.

NEW YORK, Jan. 12.—The statement that Mayor Abram S. Hewitt died of a stroke is untrue. His private secretary, Mr. Berry, stated to a United Press reporter that he had just come from Mayor Hewitt's residence and that the mayor's condition is not so good as his friends would have the public believe. The rheumatic inflammation which commenced at the knee has gradually spread and has extended to the stomach and fears are entertained that if it is not speedily checked it will cause some vital organ and result in his sudden death.

One of the honors of the sensation was the agility with which the Union club, on Fifth avenue, ran up its flag at half mast. A denial from police headquarters soon reached the club house and the hurry with which the standard was taken in was amusing.

PHILADELPHIA FIRMS INJURED.

While Working on a Fire Natural Gas Explosions and They are Severely Injured.

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 12.—At 11:30 o'clock this morning the fire department were hastily summoned to quench a small blaze in the rear part of the cellar of a two-story brick building on Twelfth street.

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EVICTIORS IN IRELAND.

Outrageous Conduct of Landlords—They have been beginning in the Winn estates in county Kerry.

As the tenants are evicted their houses are burned to prevent the return of their occupants. This procedure has created intense feeling among the tenants, and will probably result in its continuance.

DUBLIN, Jan. 12.—At Rosemangher, county Limerick, yesterday, a landlord named Desterre, attempted to evict a tenant named Frost, who owed him more than £700 for rent. The police, followed by a crowd of people, were called to Frost's house, found it barricaded and outside the front entrance a huge pile of stones. In front of this pile and securely bound to it by chains was Father Little, the parish priest. The police surveyed the scene and found that the priest had been chained in such a manner that entrance to the house could not be gained without disturbing him. This they were disposed to do, but the crowd threatened to assault the police if they laid hands on the priest, and finally became so demonstrative that the police drew their batons and charged against the people. The priest, still chained to the pile of stones, vehemently denounced the landlord, who had accompanied the police to the house, and Desterre finally agreed to settle the matter by allowing Frost to purchase his holding on the basis of 15 years rental.

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THE HARRISBURG CONVOCATION.

Interesting Meetings in St. John's Protestant Episcopal Church.

The winter session of the Harrisburg convocation of the Protestant Episcopal church met in St. John's church, this city, last evening at 7:30 o'clock.

The following clergymen were present: The Rev. A. C. Fowell, York; secretary, Rev. J. Graham, Harrisburg; Rev. W. C. Langdon, D. D., Bedford; Rev. C. F. Knight, D. D., Lancaster; Rev. B. H. Berghaus, Chambersburg; Rev. Francis J. Clay-Moran, Columbia; Rev. H. C. Pastorsky, Lykens; Rev. A. S. Wood, Altoona; Rev. Jan. Stoddard, Newport; Rev. Thomas McClintock, Manheim.

The evening prayer was said by Rev. Wood, assisted by St. John's Rector, Rev. Knight. The sermon was preached by W. C. Langdon. The service was well attended, and the convocation was the only convocation administered, the sermon being preached by Rev. Berghaus.

This afternoon will be devoted to receiving resolutions by the convocation, and this evening there will be missionary services and addresses by several members of the convocation.

Sold a Diseased Turkey.

A few days before Christmas Joel L. Haines purchased on market from John Eschelman a turkey for Christmas. The turkey was diseased and had to be thrown away and complaint was made before Alderman Barr against Eschelman for selling unwholesome meat.

Eschelman was arrested, he was taken before Alderman Barr where he disclaimed all knowledge of anything being wrong with the turkey. Eschelman paid Mr. Haines \$5.00, and the turkey was returned to court and the accused committed for trial.

Harry E. Bremer's Funeral.

The remains of the late Harry E. Bremer arrived from Philadelphia at 1:30 p. m. today, accompanied by his relatives. The funeral proceeded to St. Mary's cemetery where interment was made. The pall bearers were Charles W. Haines, William Harkins, John J. Alick and John E. Malone, etc.

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