

BIG BIDS FOR BONDS.

New Yorkers Want Thirty Million Dollars Worth.

SOVEREIGN'S CASE THROWN OUT.

Judge Cox Declares That the Knights of Labor Have No Standing in Court, and Sustains the Legality of the Proposed Bond Issue.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—Two telegrams were received by Secretary Carlisle from New York informing him that subscriptions to the amount of \$30,000,000 would be made for the 5 per cent. ten year bonds which the secretary is to issue on the 1st of February. The secretary said that he had no doubt that the entire issue of \$30,000,000 would be floated at the fixed price of 117.23 and upwards.

Judge Cox, of the supreme court of the District of Columbia, yesterday rendered his decision denying the application of General Master Workman Sovereign and General Secretary McGuire, representing the Knights of Labor, for an injunction to restrain the secretary of the treasury from issuing \$30,000,000 gold bonds. The first question, the judge said, that suggested itself was what standing had these complainants in court? It was a well known principle of law that in cases of this character the complainants must show that the alleged illegal act would, if carried into execution, injuriously affect their property rights. He did not think that this had been shown.

The allegation was made in the bill that the Knights of Labor had a membership of over 300,000, and that the issue of the bonds would incur a public indebtedness of about \$65,000,000, or \$1 for each inhabitant of the country. This, the judge said, could only happen in case of a per capita or poll tax, and there is now in force no law of that character or any other levying a direct tax for the payment of public indebtedness. Neither had their been since 1861. The complainants had not shown that they would be asked to pay bonds on their property, and therefore as tax payers they had no proper standing in court. The interest one of the 65,000,000 people in the country had in any public debt was too infinitesimal to be seriously considered by any court.

The point that the Knights had a special and peculiar interest in this case by reason of the fact that a very large number of them were engaged in mining, in the opinion of the judge was not well taken. It was not even shown that they were mine owners, but only laborers. It would be just as competent for a number of factory hands to come to Washington and seek to prevent by legal process a tariff bill from being put into effect because of some provision inimical to their interests.

In his opinion there was no merit in the allegation that the proposed action of the secretary was a discrimination against silver, and therefore it was a matter in which the Knights of Labor had a peculiar and particular right. The title of their association indicated that it was an organization of laborers, and not even of mine owners. This part of the bill was, in his opinion, fatally defective. The question of whether the United States should pay its debts in gold or silver was not a question of law, but was a question of public policy, and it was not a matter in which the courts could properly interfere.

THE WEEK IN CONGRESS.

The Income Tax Remains a Part of the Wilson Bill.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—The amendments to the iron schedule yesterday shared the same fate as those to the coal schedule. They were overwhelmingly defeated and iron ore remains upon the free list.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—At a caucus of the Democratic members of the house late yesterday afternoon the friends of an income tax succeeded in carrying a resolution that the internal revenue bill, including the income tax, should be added as an amendment to the Wilson bill. It was further determined that the tariff debate should be extended three days in order to give time to the discussion of the income tax. Under the new arrangement the final vote on the tariff and income tax will be taken Thursday. These conclusions were reached after an animated meeting of an hour.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—The only amendment to the tariff bill adopted by the house yesterday was an increasing the duty on cut stones used to 30 per cent. ad valorem and taking rough, uncut stones from the free list and placing them on the dutiable list at 15 per cent. ad valorem. The ways and means committee's desire to reduce the duty on cut stones from 15 to 10 per cent. was overruled in this matter. An attempt to place tin plate on the free list was unsuccessful.

Two Oystermen Drowned.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 31.—Word has reached here that two men known as "Charles" and "Fritz," belonging to this city, were drowned by the upsetting of a yawl off Tighman Solomon's Island on Thursday last. The men had just reached the place from Baltimore to work on an oyster schooner.

Many Lives Lost in the Black Sea.

LONDON, Jan. 31.—A dispatch to The Times from Odessa says: There have been severe storms entailing enormous loss of small craft in the Black Sea. Two steamers have also foundered, and the loss of life, as far as known, foots up thirty-eight.

Mexico's Insurrection Crushed.

CITY OF MEXICO, Jan. 31.—The federal troops have crushed the insurrection in the northern part of the republic, after eleven hours fighting. The insurgents lost thirty men killed and the federal troops seven killed.

Ireland Will Not Succeed Satelli.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—The report that Archbishop Ireland is to succeed Mgr. Satelli as the pope's legate in this country and that Mgr. Satelli is to be recalled is officially denied at the residence of the legate.

Killed While Coasting.

STREELTON, Pa., Jan. 31.—An electric car last night collided with a bob sled, instantly killing Myra Brown, aged 15 years, and seriously injuring Roger Alleman, aged 9.

Death of a Senate Official.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—Mr. Charles J. Hagan, of West Virginia, the assistant postmaster of the United States senate, died in this city of paralysis of the brain.

LED BY ANARCHISTS.

Riotous Pennsylvania Miners Create Sad Havoc.

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 29.—A wave of anarchy, in whose train followed bloodshed, arson and the destruction of property, passed over the Mansfield coal region Saturday. It began at dawn, and at dusk it was estimated that \$100,000 worth of property had been destroyed. Made wild by financial grievances and liquor a mob of several hundred foreigners, Hungarians, Slavs, Italians and Frenchmen swept over the country surrounding Mansfield and through the valleys of Tom's and Painter's run. They attacked mine owners, miners and the few scattered deputy sheriffs, burned Hoppel's, wrecked cars and destroyed railroad property. The working miners were put to flight, and in one instance a man was robbed of his clothes and thrown in a creek.

Until noon the mob met hardly any resistance. When they reached the mines of the Begging Bros., near Federal, on the Pittsburgh, Charliers and Younghighway railroad, the rioters met determined resistance and were checked. With repeating Winchester rifles in their hands, Thomas, William and Harry Beadling stood their ground and opened fire upon the mob as it advanced. They fired four volleys in quick succession, killing one and injuring a half dozen others. The man killed was Frank Steptiz, a Frenchman.

After the fourth volley the rioters turned and fled precipitately down the hill, but this moment a train bearing Sheriff Richardson and forty deputies pulled into Beadling, and the officers quickly alighting, started in pursuit of the rioters, firing as they ran. The chase was a long one, but finally sixteen were overtaken and captured.

There are strong reasons for believing that the anarchists hereabouts are responsible for the disaster. It is known that the bulk came from Dover Hill, and upon the authority of Rev. Father Jacob Wertz, pastor of St. Joseph's German Catholic church, at Mansfield, there are at least 100 families on Dover Hill who openly avow anarchism.

Father Wertz said further that they had a secret organization opposed to American law, but none but members could secure admittance, or learn anything of the proceedings.

An Engineer's Awful Death.

WHEELING, W. Va., Jan. 31.—George Turner, an engineer at the Wheeling steel works, met a horrible death. He was hauling a red hot steel mold weighing 6,000 pounds on a small truck with a pony locomotive, when the truck careened and allowed the mold to fall over the cab of the locomotive where he was sitting. He fell to the platform, and the mold fell across his abdomen, and held him there until he was literally roasted to death, the hot metal burning his body almost in two. He was conscious fully ten minutes while lying under the burning mass.

New York's New Congressmen.

NEW YORK, Jan. 31.—The special elections yesterday for two congressmen in the Fourteenth and Fifteenth districts resulted in an even distribution as far as the political parties are concerned. In the Fourteenth district the Republican candidate, Lemuel Ely Quigg, led his rival, William L. Brown, by 233 votes, and thus succeeds to the seat left vacant by District Attorney John R. Fellows. In the Fifteenth district leader Strauss (Dem.) was elected over Frederick Sierist. Mr. Strauss succeeds Ashbel P. Fitch, now comptroller of this city.

Corbett Defeats Mitchell.

JACKSONVILLE, Jan. 29.—In the contest between James J. Corbett and Charles Mitchell, at the Duval Athletic club's arena yesterday, the American champion proved too much for the Englishman and bested him in three rounds, winning \$30,000 in less than ten minutes. Both pugilists were arrested and gave bonds for their appearance on Feb. 28. While in the court Mitchell apologized to Corbett for the harsh things he had said of the champion, and the two shook hands and buried their differences.

Thieves Burn Archives.

ROME, Jan. 30.—Burglars during the night forced an entrance into the American legation, No. 13 Via Nazionale, by breaking the locks. The thieves broke open the safe and desks of the minister and the consul general, and then set fire to all the papers in the office. A number of the archives were completely destroyed, and others partially burned.

The Khedive Yields.

CAIRO, Jan. 27.—The khedive has published an order praising the English and Egyptian officers, and it is understood that Mahad Pasha is to be transferred from the ministry of war to some other post. This means that Lord Cromer has triumphed and that the khedive bows once more to the dictation of England.

Virginia's New Congressmen.

RICHMOND, Jan. 31.—A special election was held in the Seventh congressional district yesterday to elect a successor to Colonel O'Ferrall in the house of representatives. There was a very light vote, but Turner, the Democratic candidate, was elected by a good majority over Root, Republican.

A Policeman Stabbed by a Burglar.

BUFFALO, Jan. 31.—Patrolman Hunter discovered a tough looking fellow trying to climb into a window, and in the tussle to arrest him the prisoner drew a razor and cut a gash in Hunter's cheek five inches long, nearly severing his nose. The officer will be disgraced for life.

Driven Out by Strikers.

SHARPSBURG, Pa., Jan. 31.—A riot occurred shortly after midnight at the Venus Iron works of Morehead Bros. & Co., between the strikers and non-union men. One man was probably fatally shot and a number were injured.

Conspirators Sentenced.

SOFIA, Jan. 31.—Lieutenant Luca Ivanoff and his brother Stojan were convicted of conspiring to murder Prince Ferdinand of Bulgaria. Luca was sentenced to fifteen years' imprisonment and Stojan to three years.

Appointed Minister to Bolivia.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—Colonel Thomas Moonlight, of Kansas, was yesterday appointed minister to Bolivia.

STUDYING THE TARIFF

Efforts of the Senate to Secure Full Information.

A Million Circulars of Inquiry to People Interested in Various Industries—The Difference Between the Wilson and McKlaley Bills To Be Set Forth.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—When the senate committee on finance meets Mr. Voorhees, its chairman, will be able to make a satisfactory report relative to the work being done preparatory to the active consideration of the tariff bill when it reaches the senate. Several weeks ago the committee decided to send throughout the country circular letters of inquiry, it being hoped that by this means much valuable information would be received and the need for prolonged verbal hearings lessened. Letters were addressed to manufacturers, importers, merchants, labor organizations of workmen, agriculturalists, to newspapers, collectors of customs, mayors of cities, and the secretaries of various boards of trade and chambers of commerce, propounding a series of questions with the end in view of gathering all the conflicting views on the tariff subject and from the standpoint of the men interested in various industries. A force of about twenty clerks has been kept busy for some weeks preparing these circulars for distribution, and it is thought at least one million will be sent out. Up to now the mails have carried 100,000 circulars, and by the time the Wilson bill reaches the senate not less than 400,000 will have gone out. Answers are beginning to come back already. The committee is also preparing a comparative statement showing the changes made by the Wilson bill in the McKlaley act, both in regard to the text of the bill and the rates of duty. It will also indicate the changes made in the paragraphs in the text of the administrative feature of the law. The intent of the committee will not even stop at this point, for, as soon as the bill passes the house, it will be printed in pamphlet form, with each paragraph annotated under it the amount imported of the articles contained in the paragraph, their value, amount of duty collected, and the equivalent of the ad valorem rate for the specific duty, all this information, including statistics, covering the last four years. It will be thus that the committee proposes giving the widest possible publicity to the whole tariff question, and will by virtue of that act secure in return the views of those interested in all parts of the country.

Ground Hog Day

Next Friday will be Ground-Hog Day but unless this old time weather prophet fulfills his promises better in the future than he has in the recent past he might as well retire from business; his credit is almost entirely gone.

—If you have any member of your family in a distant state send him or her the CENTRE DEMOCRAT. News on home is always appreciated.

A BREAKFAST APPETITE.

CAN BEST BE AIDED BY THE NEWS OF THE WORLD CONCISELY TOLD AND BRIGHTLY COMMENTED UPON.

CORBETT TALKS.

He Says the Next Man He Fights Will Be Jackson.

BOSTON, Jan. 30.—James J. Corbett, the champion pugilist, arrived in Boston from New York. He and his party went to an uptown hotel, where they had breakfast and then went to the main theatre for rehearsal of "Gentleman Jack."

Corbett said: "The next man I fight will be Jackson." "What do you intend to do in regard to the challenge of 'Denver' Smith and the 'Hibernians'?" "I do not propose to take any notice of them," said Corbett. "Let them take on the hard game that I have fought, such as Cooyneal, and then if they are successful I will be ready to talk business with them. I would not gain anything by defeating them, while they would not lose anything. I do not propose to risk my reputation by fighting men who are not eligible to meet me. I do not care where I fight Jackson, but before I accept a fight I will be satisfied that the club is a bona fide one. I have a great respect for the law and I do not propose to take any more chances. I hope we shall be able to meet in this country, but at the present time it does not look as if we could. I shall not begin to train for the fight till about six weeks before the time set for the contest. I intend to make a trip to England in April, and will return in time to begin getting in condition. I expect a hard battle, but am confident of winning."

Locke and Lightning.

BUFFALO, Jan. 30.—Franklin D. Locke, who was mentioned in a despatch from Washington as a probable nominee for supreme court justice in the event of failure to confirm the nomination of Wheeler H. Peckham, was asked if he had any intimation that his name would be sent to the senate. Mr. Locke replied that he had no information beyond what he had seen in the newspapers, and added that there was about as much danger of his being nominated for the position as of his being struck by lightning.

Ohio Mining Troubles.

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 30.—The miners of Ohio have ignored the call of the mine operators sent out from here last Thursday for a conference here upon the wage question. The operators' representatives are here, but not a miner is in the city. Secretary P. S. McBride, of the united mine workers, declined to give any explanation of the miners' course. Employes and employers seem to be drifting further apart, and the prospect for a resumption of work in the mines grows no brighter.

Boxing Prohibited in Queens.

LONG ISLAND CITY, L. I., Jan. 30.—Boxing contests and pugilistic encounters of all description are henceforth to be barred in Queens county. This is the decision reached by District Attorney Daniel Noble and Sheriff James Norton. The decision was brought about through several contests that took place in the county last week in which the fighting was reported to be bloody and disgusting.

Elmira Reformatory Investigation.

ELMIRA, N. Y., Jan. 30.—Edward H. Litchfield of Brooklyn, will resume the investigation of the Elmira reformatory. Evidence will be taken four or five days. Mr. Litchfield, owing to the death of chairman Craig and the absence of Dr. Smith in Paris, will be the only member of the committee present.

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