# MORE THAN A BLUFF.

## The New York Brotherhood Club Thoroughly in Line.

## A VERY BIG BOND GIVEN.

### Priddy Issues a Plain Challenge to E. C. McClelland.

### SPORTING EVENTS OF INTEREST

The Brotherhood Baseball Club, of New York, has thoroughly organized, and the treasurer has given a $100,000 bond. Peter Priddy writes a definite challenge to E. C. McClelland. Hanlon and Ward will be here to-morrow to organize a local Brotherhood Baseball Club.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

NEW YORK, December 9.—The first annual meeting of the New York Baseball Players' Club was held at the office of Judge Bacon, 110 Broadway, this afternoon. Among the players present were: Ward, O'Rourke, Ewing, Richardson, Keefe, Connor and Crane. The election resulted as follows:

President, Cornelius Van Cott; Vice President, E. B. Talcott; Secretary and Treasurer, Frank B. Robinson, who must qualify in $100,000; directors, VanCott, McAlpin, Talcott, Robinson, Ewing and Keefe.

There was some little surprise at the result of the election, for it was considered a foregone conclusion that Colonel Tom McAlpine would be elected President. He, however, sent word that a pressure of business would prevent his accepting the office. Treasurer Talcott put up a bond of $100,000, and the constitution and by-laws of the club, as compiled by Messrs. Ward and Bacon, were adopted. Connor, Richardson, Crane and O'Rourke paid in their 10 per cent of the capital stock, as required by law.

On Monday next the meeting of the Players' League will be held, when two delegates, a player and a backer from each club, will complete the organization of the League. A central board, consisting of two players and two backers from each club, will be appointed. This new board will meet directly after the regular meeting and arrange for the transfer of players.

### WILL ARRIVE TO-MORROW.

**Hanlon and Ward Coming to Organize a New Club.**

There have been many conjectures about the continued absence of Ed Hanlon. It was stated yesterday, however, by a gentleman who is in a position to know that Mr. Hanlon has been detained from visiting this city on particular and important business. Mr. Hanlon and Mr. John M. Ward will be here to-morrow, and their mission is to thoroughly organize a Brotherhood club here. Mr. Hanlon has been detained on business vitally concerning the Brotherhood, and he wires a friend here to the effect that there will be little or no trouble in organizing a club here.

This definite news sets at rest all rumors to the effect that Cincinnati would take the place of Pittsburg in the Brotherhood circuit, and it will doubtless be pleasing news to local cranks, because if any city has to have the old players of last year's local club Pittsburg ought to have them.

A gentleman interested in the proposed Brotherhood club here said yesterday afternoon: "It is unnecessary to keep up a newspaper dispute about the pros and cons of the old and new club. Let it suffice to say that a Brotherhood club will be in Pittsburg next season. Each player will get a share of the profits cleared, and this will guarantee that the whole team will be in line. The players are simply trying to help themselves and a few of us are aiding them. I say let them go on and if they have an art that the public is willing to pay for let them share the money by all means. That's all there is in it. The Brotherhood Club will be organized here this week and it will play to big audiences in Pittsburg next season.

**The Card at Clifton.**

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

NEW YORK, December 9.—The entries for to-morrow's races at Clifton are as follows:

First race, six and a half furlongs, selling—Silver Star 110, Carrie G 110, Melodrama 110, J. J. O'B. 110, Courtier 110, Count Luna 115, Kittie Pease 105, Blanche 105, Bay Ridge 105, Peril 105, Salnda 105, Redstone 100, Brien 95, Centipede 90, Red Leaf 90.

Second race, five furlongs—Mamie Hay 119, Repartee, Little Mickey 117, Squando 115, Rudolph 122, Shot Over 112, Dongan 110, Ivy 109, Raid 102, Effie Moore 102, Consignee 102, Trifler 105, Verona 105, Lady Winkle 97, Lady Archer 97.

Third race, handicap, one mile—Juggler 118, Young Duke 117, Grimaldi 114, O'Falece 112, Belwood 107, Supervisor 106, Raymond G 105, Mattie Looram 104, Clay Stockton 103, Fittaway 101, Blessed 102, Eatontown 100, Persuader 100, Philip D 96, Iceberg 97, Mabel Glenn 92, Falcon 92, Dalesman 93, Maggie K 91.

Fourth race, two miles, selling—Refund 120, Eleve 113, Brac-a-ban 108, Adonis 108, Gallus Dan 108, Charley Russel 106, Broadhead 108.

Fifth race, mile and a sixteenth, selling—Pocatello 110, Lancaster 110, Wild Cherry 104, Gray Cloud 102, Jennie McFarland 99, Equality 90.

Sixth race, six furlongs—Young Duke 147, O'Falece 132, Autocrat 130, Chapman 128, Deception 131, Fustic 125, Memory 119, Beckie Knott 116, Alveda 116.

**Guttenberg Entries.**

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

NEW YORK, December 9.—The entries for to-morrow's races at Guttenberg are:

First race, five furlongs—Extra 115, Bob C 115, Margery Daw 115, Mertin 115, Trojan 115, Marty B 113, Benedict 113, Little Fred 110, Teddington 110, Remeer gelding 110, Peachblow 110, Bonnie Lass 110, Gendarme 110, Topeka 110, Hallowood 110.

Second race, six furlongs—Bass Viol 120, Lord Beaconsfield 118, Vaulter 118, Rapine 108, Nita 105, Wynwood 105, Tunis 105, Herman 105, Clatter 105, Goldfish 103, Stephanie 110, Don't Know 110, Dr. Jekyl 110, Elkton 95, Imogene 92.

Third race, six furlongs—Mart Gibson 108, Pocahontas 105, Watch 'Em 105, Harry Brown 105, Carlow 105, Blue Rock 105, Lillie D 100, Marie Lovell 87.

Fourth race, one mile—Bradford 110, Lavinia Belle 109, Belwood 108, Hamlet 108, Blue Rock 106, Stephanie 85, Glenmound 102, G. W. Cook 96, Sam Morse 90, Lemon 92.

Fifth race, six and a half furlongs—Suitor 113, Alva 113, Gloster 110, Boodle 110, Glenluce 110, Duff 108, King Crab 95, Rancocas 90, Gipsy filly 82.

Sixth race, seven furlongs—Hot Scotch 114, Bander 112, Wayward 110, MacGregor 110, Landseer 106, St. Clair 106, Joe Heineman 105, Lizzie Scott 104, Arizona 104, Easterbok 104, Bela 104, Capstone 102, Big Brown Jug 102, Pomeroy Sec 102.

**Clifton Results.**

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

NEW YORK, December 9.—The races at Clifton to-day resulted as follows:

First race, five furlongs—Seatick first, Dongan second, Little Mickey third. Time 1:06½. Post betting—8 to 1 straight and 3 to 1 place against Seatick, 7 to 5 place against Dongan.

Second race, six and one-half furlongs—Persuader first, Ariel second, Jim Murphy third. Time 1:27¾. Post betting—11 to 5 and 4 to 5 Persuader, 8 to 1 Ariel place.

Third race, one mile—Can't Tell first, Pericles second, Mulligan third. Time 1:46¾. Post betting—3 to 5 straight and 3 to 10 place Can't Tell, 3 to 5 place Pericles.

Fourth race, one and one-sixteenth miles—Juggler first, Dunboyne second, Eleve third. Time 1:53¾. Post betting—3 to 5 straight and 3 to 10 place Juggler, 8 to 5 place Dunboyne.

Fifth race, seven and one-half furlongs—Wanderer II. first, Manhattan second, Pocatello third. Time 1:41. Post betting—5 to 2 against Wanderer II., 4 to 1 Manhattan place.

Sixth race, three-quarters of a mile—Ban Lassie first, Mabel Glenn second, Lady Agnes third. Time 1:19¾. Post betting—6 to 5 against Ban Lassie, 2 to 5 Mabel Glenn place.

**Winners at Elizabeth.**

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

NEW YORK, December 9.—The races at Elizabeth to-day resulted as follows:

First race, three-quarters of a mile—Sunshine first, Sam Morse second, Battersby third. Time, 1:22¼. Post betting: Sunshine 30 to 1 straight, 10 to 1 place. No place betting on Sam Morse.

Second race, one mile—Cortland first, King Idle second, The Abbess third. Time, 1:53¼. Post betting: Cortland even money straight, King Idle 4 to 5 place.

Third race, six and a half furlongs—Autumn Leaf first, Elizabeth second, Wheeler T third. Time, 1:29. Post betting: Autumn Leaf 2¼ to 1 against, Elizabeth 2 to 1 place.

Fourth race, three-quarters of a mile—Kenwood first, Frejols second, Manola third. Time, 1:22. Post betting: Kenwood 5 to 1 straight, Frejols 11 to 5 straight. No place betting.

Fifth race, one mile—Now or Never first, Santalene second, Martin Russell third. Time, 1:51¼. Post betting: Now or Never 6 to 5 against, no place betting against Santalene.

Sixth race, three-quarters of a mile—Glenmound first, Oregon second, Lela May third. Time, 1:21¼. Post betting: 11 to 5 against Glenmound, no place betting against Oregon.

### WHAT JACKSON WILL DO.

**He is Willing to Meet Sullivan Some Time Next Summer.**

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

SAN FRANCISCO, December 9.—L. R. Fulda, President of the California Athletic Club, has received a letter from Parson Davies, which tells exactly what Peter Jackson intends to do. Jackson will not challenge Sullivan, but will fight him for a reasonable purse if the California Club arranges the match. Peter will want five months from the date of signing the articles of agreement with Sullivan before meeting him in the ring. As Jackson will not leave for America before January 20, and will take two months in the East to fill engagements that have been offered him there, the fight with Sullivan couldn't possibly take place before the middle of summer. Davies writes that Jackson has been treated in royal style in England and everywhere he has been received in most friendly manner. Recently, on visiting one large London market, marketmen all received him with cheers, and as he passed through sang "He's a Jolly Good Fellow." Davies does not indulge in any predictions as to probable results of the match between Jackson and Sullivan, but judging by the length of time Peter wants to get in shape to meet the Boston man, he does not underrate his capacity.

### FUTURE OF JEROME PARK.

**Slim Prospects of Racing There in Opposition to Westchester.**

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

NEW YORK, December 9.—A special meeting of the stockholders of the Jerome Park Villa Site and Improvement Company was held at 5 o'clock this afternoon at the rooms of the American Jockey Club. It is this company which owns Jerome Park and rents it to the American Jockey Club. It is conceded that Jerome Park lost a good deal of money this last year, principally because of the competition of the Wes chester track. The question was whether Jerome Park should open next year, or whether it should kick the bucket on the spot. Some decision on this point must be reached before the beginning of the year, for then the announcements of the next season's card and purses must be made.

Secretary Lovecraft said at the close of the meeting that this point had not been decided. It was not yet known, he said, whether or not there would be any more racing at Jerome Park, and no financial plan had been settled upon. None of the stockholders present would say more than this. There is likely to be another meeting soon.

### SOME GREAT SHOOTING.

**Local Gun Experts Make an Exciting Contest at Brunot's Island.**

One of the most remarkable live bird contests that has occurred in this vicinity for some time took place on the grounds of the Herron Hill Gun Club, at Brunot's Island, yesterday afternoon, between Elmer E. Shaner, Charles Richardson and Samuel Shaner. The conditions were: 25 live birds a man, entrance fee $10 each, American Shooting Association's rules. After an exciting contest it resulted in a tie between E. E. Shaner and Charles Richardson for first money, with the fine score of 24 out of 25 each. Samuel Shaner won second money, with 21. Following is the detailed score:

Elmer E. Shaner—2 2 1 1 2 1 1 0 1 1 2 2 2 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 2 2 2 1—24.
Charles Richarson—2 1 1 1 1 2 2 2 1 0 1 1 1 1 1 2 1 2 2 1 1 1 1 1 2—24.
Samuel Shaner—2 2 0 2 0 2 1 2 2 1 1 1 1 1 0 2 2 2 1 1 2 0 1 2—21.
2 denotes killed with the second barrel.

The tie between Shaner and Richardson will be shot off next week. The birds were as fine a lot as ever left the trap.

### PRIDDY'S CHALLENGE.

**He is Ready to Run McClelland For Big Stakes.**

The local foot runners are again to the front, and Pittsburgers may see another good race before long. Sam Day, the trainer of Peter Priddy, called at this office yesterday, and left the following challenge:

"I understand that McClelland and his backers are not satisfied with his defeat by Peter Priddy. If this is so, I want to make a definite offer to the McClelland party. Peter Priddy will run McClelland one mile, or one mile and a half, under the same conditions as the last race between them for $500 or $1,000 a side. Priddy will also run McClelland a two-mile race on a good track for the same amount. I now put up $50 forfeit as a guarantee that the challenge means business, and I will allow it to remain at THE DISPATCH office for three weeks. This is no bluff, because our money goes, and we prefer the race, whatever distance it may be, to be for $1,000 a side. Now is the time for these dissatisfied people to put up the cash."

**Jennings Talks Plain.**

Jack Jennings, the heavy weight pugilist, called at this office last evening and left the following statement:

"I read in THE DISPATCH to-day that I had forfeited to Ryan, of McDonald's station. This is false. Ryan wanted a 'receipt' fight, and also that it should take place outside the State. He could not guarantee a safe place to fight, and therefore demanded his own money back. Now let me say a word: I will fight Ryan under any rules, at any place in Pennsylvania, and for any stake ranging from $500 to $1,000 a side. I really want to know, and so do hundreds of others, whether or not Ryan is a pugilist. If he will put up the cash for a square contest then I will notice what he says."

**Matched to Pitch Quoits.**

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

MCKEESPORT, December 9.—Charles Carman, the Suter quoit pitcher, who, it is claimed, is one of the best in the country, but who was defeated twice by Jinks, the McKeesport pitcher, writes that he has been matched to pitch a game for $200 a side, January 18, at Suter, with W. Stooker, of Irwin, the latter to be conceded ten points, the game to be 61 shots up, 4¾ pound quoits, 2 inch clay and pegs 30 feet apart. A deposit of $50 was put up Saturday, and a second deposit of $100 is to follow December 28, the remainder on the day of the match.

**A Task for Sunday.**

Last evening a local sporting man put up a forfeit of $20 to back Sam Day to run 166 miles in 10 hours next Saturday, a week before the Christmas 72-hour race. A messenger was sent to Day, and he stated that he thinks he can accomplish the feat. The parties interested will meet to-day and select a track and put up the entire bet, $100 each. The bet is play or pay. The bet was the result of a discussion about the respective merits of Day and Noremac as pedestrians.

**The War About to Begin.**

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

NEW YORK, December 9.—Col. John I. Rogers will arrive in this city to-morrow, and a meeting of the National League committee, consisting of Messrs. Day, Byrne and Rogers, will be held at 2:30 o'clock at the office of their counsel, at 52 Wall street, to prepare the papers in the Ward suit.

**A Good Dog Wanted.**

The following challenge was received at this office last evening.

I, the undersigned, will match my dog, Baldy, to fight any dog in America at 42 pounds, give or take one pound, for from $50 to $200 a side. The battle can take place at any time or location. I hope some game man with a good dog will answer my challenge through THE DISPATCH.

Yours truly, J. K. BALDY.

**McClelland and Miller.**

E. C. McClelland, accompanied by his trainer, Chris Roselip, left the city last evening for Philadelphia, to train for his race with Miller, which takes place on the evening of the 24th inst. The track is 14 laps to the mile, and McClelland is confident of victory. The race, as stated in THE DISPATCH, is for $300 a side.

**A Local Dog Fight.**

A match has been made between Sullivan, the dog that won the local fight on Thanksgiving Day, and Jack the Ripper. The dogs are to fight for $500 a side on March 17. The battle will be a great one, as both dogs are considered champions. The Ripper defeated Sullivan in their last battle.

**Searle, the Famous Sculler, Dead.**

LONDON, December 9.—A dispatch from Adelaide reports that Henry Searle, the champion single sculler, is dead.

### ALL OF THEM DARK HORSES.

**Office Seekers in New Bethlehem Demand Official Documents.**

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

NEW BETHLEHEM, December 9.—G. L. Thomas, of local gas, oil, water, coal and borough committee fame, called a meeting of the applicants for the postoffice in this place. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Thomas stating that he had a letter from headquarters that if the applicants would indorse some one of the five office seekers he would be appointed postmaster. But he could not produce the letter, and the meeting was adjourned at once.

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### A CONVICT'S CHARGES.

**John Reilly Follows in McPhillamy's Footsteps With a Tale of Woe.**

During the McPhillamy-Maharneke investigation before the Board of Directors of the Western Penitentiary last year, one of the witnesses was a prisoner named John Reilly. After his examination had been completed, Reilly startled those present by saying to President George A. Kelly, of the Prison Board:

Mr. Kelly, I want to make a charge.
Does it relate to the matter in hand?
No, sir; but I want to make it.
You can prefer your charge at another time.

The prisoner was taken out by the guards. He refused to see a newspaper man subsequently, and his charge was not made public, the incident being quickly forgotten.

Warden Wright said last evening that Reilly had been recently released, and that he had related his woes to a fellow ex-prisoner. In this way Reilly's grievance was retailed to Warden Wright yesterday. It was, in effect, that Reilly alleges that the money paid for the expenses of securing a hearing before the Pardon Board had been "whacked up" by a prominent attorney and a jail official. This story was stamped by Warden Wright as ridiculous in the extreme.

Mr. George A. Kelly was also seen in regard to the story, and said it was all news to him, but he remembered Reilly's question and the incident of the Maharneke affair above quoted. He believed that the charges were groundless.

### A PENN AVENUE AFFRAY.

**A Man Shot in the Head and His Assailant Arrested.**

Anton Bigel was shot during a fight out Penn avenue last night. Bigel, in company with three men named Roman Niggel, Peter Massey and Conrad Deminger, met at a house in Lafayette alley, and had a dispute which led to the row. Massey drew a revolver and fired two shots, the first one striking Bigel on the head and the second on the left hand.

Bigel was taken to Dr. Clark's office, and was afterward removed to his home. The ball that struck his head had gone under the scalp, scraping the skull, but coming out without breaking the bone.

The matter was reported to the police, and when the officers searched for Massey, they found him at his home in bed. Officer Wentzel had a grapple with Massey. The latter tried to shoot him, and would have overpowered him, had not Lieutenant Orth appeared.

The police were obliged to use their maces, and Massey was locked up with a badly beaten head.

### URSULINE CONVENT MATTERS.

**Some Inside Facts Concerning the Troubles of the Institution.**

An undoubted authority states that the five French nuns of the Ursuline Convent were recently offered $30,000, or $6,000 apiece, to leave the convent in peace. This they refused and cannot get now. As a consequence the convent is in trouble and $200,000 in debt. By the rules of the convent, there should be a new superioress every three years. Mother Alphonse refused to comply with this rule, hence her removal. The three sisters Burns, daughters of the London publisher, one of whom is Superioress Gertrude, have, however, contributed handsomely to help the convent out.

**The Best Chance Yet.**

We are tired waiting for cold weather; have therefore determined to slaughter all our overcoats and winter suits regardless of cost, including underwear and winter furnishing goods and fur caps. The sale will begin promptly this morning at 8 o'clock, and will not end until every article is sold. This is a great chance for anyone who wants good, honest-made clothing for very little money. We repeat this again: The goods must be sold without reserve. Children's clothing is included in this slaughter sale. We will not mention prices, but come and see. P. C. C. C.,
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ATTEND our holiday and clearing sale for bargains and holiday presents.
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# FIRST ON THE FLOOR.

## McKinley Officially Recognized as the Republican Leader of

## THE LOWER BRANCH OF CONGRESS.

### Speaker Reed Appoints Him to Succeed Roger Q. Mills, of Texas.

### CARLISLE TO LEAD THE DEMOCRATS.

**The Blind Chaplain Makes a Plea for the Late Jefferson Davis.**

Messrs. McKinley, of Ohio, and Carlisle, of New York, have been officially recognized by Speaker Reed as the leaders of their respective parties in Congress. The Speaker yesterday announced five important committees, and expects to complete his list by Monday next. Mr. Kelley requested lighter work than that of Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee.

[FROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT.]

WASHINGTON, December 9.—As THE DISPATCH predicted he would do, Speaker Reed this morning announced the membership of several of the important committees. He took this course in order to permit the Ways and Means and Appropriations committees to begin their work without delay, and enable them to report any bills they may have to present at an earlier date than would otherwise be possible. He expects to complete the list of committees during the week, and report them on next Monday to the House.

The formation of the committees announced to-day is regarded on all sides as very satisfactory. The Democratic minority express themselves well pleased at their representation. In the make-up of the Ways and Means Committee but few of the members who served on it during the last Congress have been reappointed. Of the 13 members only 2 of the Republicans and 3 of the Democrats have been retained. Practically, therefore, it is a new committee.

AT HIS OWN REQUEST.

Mr. Kelley, of Pennsylvania, whom many expected to see made chairman of this committee, wrote to Speaker Reed, relinquishing any claim he might have for this recognition, and suggesting that on account of the present condition of his health and his advanced age, work on a less important committee would be more in consonance with his wishes. Mr. Kelley also suggested that the Committee on Manufactures would be the one upon which he would like to serve, and in conformity with this, the Speaker made him its Chairman.

Mr. W. C. P. Breckenridge, of Kentucky, realizing that two places on the committee could not be given to the same State, and that Mr. Carlisle's place as leader of the minority was clearly at the head of the Democratic representation on the Ways and Means, gracefully requested the Speaker to assign himself to some other work. He was consequently transferred to the next important committee in the House, that on Appropriations.

ALL VERY POLITE.

Mr. Mills, of Texas, who was the Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee in the last House, also acted very courteously toward the ex-Speaker. He waived his right to the first place on the minority representation, and insisted that he be placed second to Mr. Carlisle.

Representative Bayne was given a highly complimentary position on the Ways and Means Committee. He was the recipient of many congratulations from his colleagues upon his appointment, as they realize his peculiar fitness for the place on account of his taste for the work and his special study for years of political economy and finance.

Mr. Belden, of New York, gets a place on the Appropriations Committee, in return for his valuable services on behalf of Speaker Reed in his recent candidacy. Mr. Wilson, of West Virginia, one of the best of the Democrats serving last Congress on the Ways and Means Committee, has been transferred to the leadership of the minority on the Committee on Manufactures.

MR. DALZELL PLEASED.

Mr. Dalzell is placed on the Elections Committee, which is probably one of the strongest ever formed. He says he is much pleased that the Speaker has consulted his wishes in this matter. No committee of the House offers better opportunities for oratory. Maish, of York, also gets on this committee. Townsend, of New Brighton, is placed second on the Committee on Mileage, a committee whose prompt appointment is possibly due to the fact that mileage is all many of the members will have to live on this month, on account of the ungracious performance of Mr. Silcott.

Of course the appointment of McKinley to the Chairmanship of Ways and Means was discounted, and occasioned no surprise. His selection was practically settled the moment his defeat for the Speakership was decided by ballot! In this position he is ex-officio the leader of the majority party in the House, and a great deal of curiosity is manifested as to whether he will make a brilliant success in the position.

A GREAT DEAL AT STAKE.

In this Congress Mr. McKinley will have unlimited opportunity to show his mettle, and if he exhibits the least lack of courage or ability to meet the great responsibilities of the office, the Democrats will crowd him and the party to the wall, and force to the front a new leader.

The Democratic leaders, with a consummate parliamentarian like Carlisle as their generalissimo, will lose no chance to gain an advantage, and the questions which will soon arise will put the abilities of Mr. McKinley to the severest test. His is a position which will make vastly greater demands than the Speakership would have made, and while his most ardent admirers have perfect confidence in his meeting all the severe requirements, the developments of the session in regard to the new leader will be awaited with deep interest, as the Ohioan's future depends on the result. Should he expand into a brilliant and invincible leader, his ambition for the Presidency will have solid substance to build upon. LIGHTNER.

### ONE OF THE WEDGES.

**Congressman Houk Has a New Scheme to Knock Out Civil Service.**

[FROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT.]

WASHINGTON, December 9.—Representative Houk, of Tennessee, is one of the most outspoken of the opponents to the civil service law in Congress. He has prepared a bill replacing the present civil service commission, by a board of three persons, to be appointed by the head of each department. He said, to-day:

This will be the entering wedge, and if we pass this measure it will not be long before the civil service law is repealed outright. There are a number of men who will vote for this bill of mine who would go no further at this time. I have every reason to believe, also, that President Harrison will sign my bill if it gets to him, while I expect he would veto a proposition to repeal the existing law. There is no doubt in my mind that this civil service humbug is doomed to destruction. The people don't want it. While there were, no doubt, other potent factors, I believe that the result of the recent elections in Ohio and Iowa was partly brought about as a manifestation of disgust at the existing system of civil service. I don't believe that an appropriation will go through the present House to carry on the commission. I shall certainly vote against it, and at least 50 other members have come to me and expressed themselves as being inclined to do the same thing.

Mr. Alf. Taylor, also of Tennessee, and brother of the present Democratic Governor of that State, although he himself is a Republican, promised his constituents to introduce a bill to repeal the civil service law. Said he:

I was talking to a gentleman the other day about this, and he asked me if I would like to see a condition of chaos such as would ensue if the law was repealed. I replied that if it was a case of "no chaos, no offices," I was in favor of chaos and offices.

### LOOKING OUT FOR THEIR OWN.

**Congressmen Anxious to Get Their Salaries Stolen by Silcott.**

[FROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT.]

WASHINGTON, December 9.—The committee, engaged in investigating the accounts of the Sergeant-at-Arms' office, as a result of Silcott's defalcation, will make their report on Wednesday, if they have time to present it before the beginning of the Congressional Centennial proceedings. They will make no report on the question as to whether the Sergeant-at-Arms is a disbursing officer of the Government, but it is expected that they will recommend that the salaries of members lost by Silcott's flight be paid in full by the Government.

In the House to-day Mr. Payne, of New York, introduced a bill defining the duties of the Sergeant-at-Arms of the House of Representatives. It defines the duties already performed by that officer, and then proceeds:

The moneys which have been or may be appropriated for the compensation and mileage shall be paid at the Treasury on requisition drawn by the clerk on the Sergeant-at-Arms, shall be kept, disbursed and accounted for by him, according to law, and he shall be a disbursing officer. He shall give a bond in the sum of $50,000, which shall be deposited in the office of the First Controller of the Treasury.

The bill was referred to the special Investigating Committee, with leave to report at any time.

### ON THE INSTALLMENT PLAN.

**Speaker Reed Announces Five Committees That He Has Selected.**

WASHINGTON, December 9.—Speaker Reed to-day announced the appointment of the following committees:

On Ways and Means—Messrs. McKinley, Burrows, Bayne, Dingley, McKenna, Payne, Lafalette, Gear, Carlisle, Mills, McMillan, Breckinridge, of Arkansas, and Flower.

On Appropriations—Messrs. Cannon, Butterworth, McComas, Henderson, of Iowa, Peters, Cogswell, Belden, Morrow, Brewer, of Michigan, Randall, Forney, Sayres, Breckinridge, of Kentucky, and Dockery.

On Manufacture—Messrs. Kelley, Burrows, E. B. Taylor, of Ohio, Arnold, Morse, Sanford, Wilson, of West Virginia, Bynum, Williams, of Illinois, Grimes and Fowler.

On Elections—Messrs. Rowell, Houk, Cooper, Haugen, Sherman, Dalzell, Bergen, Greenhalge, Comstock, Crisp, O'Ferrell, Outhwaite, Maish, Moore, of Texas, and Wike, of Illinois.

On Mileage—Messrs. Lind, Townsend, of Pennsylvania, Wallace, of Massachusetts, Clunie, Pennington.

### A PLEA FOR CHARITY.

**The Blind Chaplain Prays for the North to Forget and Forgive.**

WASHINGTON, December 9.—In his prayer this morning, the House chaplain said:

Almighty God, the land is full of sorrow, Rachel weeping for her children and will not be comforted because they are not; fathers for their first born, the pride and stay of their future years; children for their parents, and millions sit cold in the atmosphere of death, mourning the departure from earth of a man dear to their hearts, who had reached the term of four score of years. Grant that the solemn mystery of death, the common heritage of us all, the meaning of which all must know ere long, may soften and hallow our hearts and feelings into the noble gentleness of the golden text uttered by the most conspicuous man of the century, in whom tenderness of heart made greatness of station and character more illustrious: "Charity for all; malice for none."

THE WEATHER.

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PITTSBURG, December 9, 1889.

The United States Signal Service officer in this city furnishes the following:

| Time. | Ther. | | Ther. |
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| 8:00 A. M. | 50 | Maximum temp. | 57 |
| 12:00 M. | 56 | Minimum temp. | 47 |
| 1:00 P. M. | — | Range | 10 |
| 2:00 P. M. | 57 | Mean temp. | 52 |
| 5:00 P. M. | — | Precipitation | .22 |
| 8:00 P. M. | 48 | | |

River at 5:20 P. M., 6.9 feet, a change of 1.6 in 24 hours.

**River Telegrams.**

[SPECIAL TELEGRAMS TO THE DISPATCH.]

MORGANTOWN—River 7 feet and rising. Weather cloudy. Thermometer 59° at 4 P. M.

BROWNSVILLE—River 8 feet 1 inch and rising. Weather clear. Thermometer 54° at 6 P. M.

WARREN—River 4 7-10 feet and stationary. Weather clear and warm.

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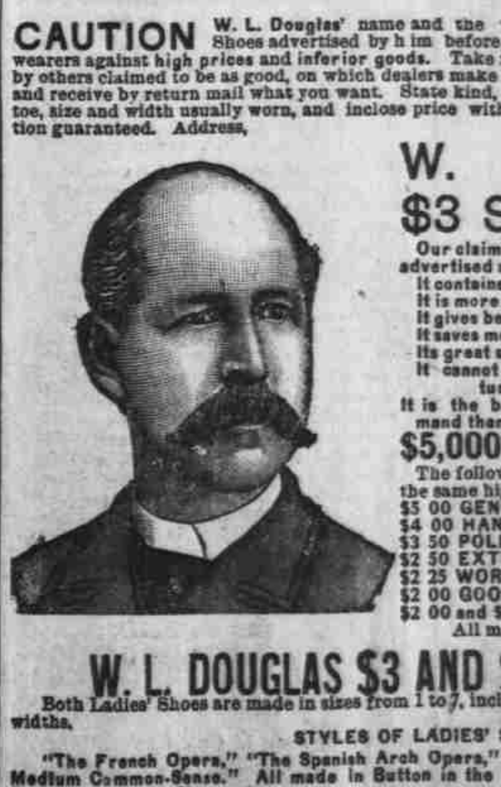

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