

HERE'S HOPING THE FEDERAL BUILDING WILL SOON HAVE REPUBLICAN TENANTS

OUR NATIONAL LAW MAKERS

Preparing to Pass the Coming Week in the Usual Way.

MEANWHILE THE NATION WAITS

A Wrangle Promised on the Tariff Measure—Mr. Bland Proposes to Keep His Scheme Before the House All Summer if Necessary—Several Contested Election Cases in the Back-ground—There Will Be no End of Talk.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 25.—The present week in the senate promises to be barren in legislation but fertile in action, looking to the shaping of the policy of the party in power on the tariff question. Three very important matters are expected to transpire tomorrow, the presentation of the tariff bill to the Republican members of the finance committee, the Democratic caucus with the same bill as a basis for the discussion in which disaffected Democrats are expected to be most active, and the report of the committee on foreign affairs on the Hawaiian investigation.

For two weeks, Mr. Bland has unavailingly striven to bring a majority of the house to the support of his bill to coin the silver of the silver-bullion in the treasury, or at least to induce a majority to vote upon the question of closing debate on the measure, and thus bring it before the house for disposition. Mr. Bland says that the struggle will be kept up until the bill shall have been voted upon if it takes all summer.

DEMOCRATS WILL OPPOSE THE BILL. An impression prevails that the necessary and long delayed effort will manifest itself tomorrow or Tuesday. A prominent member, who has not taken an active part in the controversy over the bill, but who has voted to consider it, said this evening: "I very much doubt that the bill will be passed until it is incorporated into a bill to be introduced on Tuesday. With the present anti-facilities this would amount to about two millions a month, distributed in the issue over a period of nearly two and a half years. And the second section can be stricken out altogether. The proposition to incorporate authority in the issue bonds in the bill will not be adopted. With the changes suggested the bill will probably be passed, but not otherwise."

ELICTION CONTESTS HEAVY. Whenever the bill shall be disposed of, the election cases of O'Neil vs. Joy, from the eleventh Missouri district, and of English vs. Hilborn, from the fourth California district, in both cases of which the committee has reported in favor of contesting the stated members—Joy and Hilborn—will be taken up and afterwards the appropriation bills will be brought forward. There are five of these on the calendar already, and four others, the river and harbor, postal, naval, and diplomatic and consular, are practically completed and ready for report at any time.

NIPPED IN THE BUD. A Small Revolutionary Plot Is Disclosed at Naples. NAPLES, Feb. 25.—An interesting trial of socialists and anarchists will begin shortly in this city. There will be forty-two defendants, one of them a deputy. All are implicated with the Sicilian socialist deputy, Dr. Felice, and the exiled anarchist, Cipriani, in plotting to start a revolution in Italy.

CONFERENCE AT READING. Ministers of the Anti-Bowman Demonstration Occupy the City Churches. READING, Pa., Feb. 25.—A large number of churches outside of Reading have been occupied today by ministers attending that conference now in session here.

EVANGELISTS DISSOLVE A Matrimonial Venture Binales the Prospects of Mr. Quinn. JERSEY CITY, Feb. 25.—Evangelists Goff and Quinn have decided to dissolve partnership and yesterday their parlor car Romance was sent to Wilmington, Del. Mr. and Mrs. Goff and their son returned to Buffalo, where they formerly resided.

IN MEMORY OF MR. CHILDS. Services Will Be Held by Typographical Union, No. 6. NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Services in memory of George W. Childs will be held at 2 p. m. on Sunday, March 11, under the auspices of Typographical union, No. 6, in the Fifth Avenue theater. Frank Damrosch, leader of the People's

Singing classes, has volunteered to furnish and conduct a chorus of from 500 to 700 singers gratuitously. It was decided that a chorus of 200 voices should be provided.

President John W. Koiler, of the New York Press club, has accepted an invitation to deliver an address on the relation of the press to the writers of the Press, and Congressman Amos J. Cummings is expected to deliver an eulogy.

WARRING BRAZILIANS. Government's Big Force Unable to Capture Da Gama's Five Hundred. RIO DE JANEIRO, Feb. 24, via Montevideo, Feb. 25.—The insurgent cruiser Republic, with Admiral Mell aboard, was off the bay on Tuesday, Feb. 23. She exchanged shots with the government forts and signals with Admiral Da Gama's flagship. At 3 o'clock this morning the insurgent warship Aquidaban sailed away. The government search light revealed her later about two miles from the fort, and within ten minutes a hot fire had been opened from all the guns along shore.

The Aquidaban returned the fire briskly and was assisted by Fort Villequignon, which turned on all its guns as the warship was passing through the narrows. The Aquidaban was struck with many shells, but apparently did not suffer any serious damage. After getting outside she shelled the military school on the neck of the peninsula, opposite Fort Santa Cruz.

Admiral Da Gama with 500 men is holding the bay and five islands against the government's 10,000. The officers of the United States cruiser Detroit report that the government is winning ground slowly in the southern provinces.

STEELE MACKAYE DEAD. The Well Known Actor and Dramatist Expires on Board of a Western Train. LA JENTA, Col., Feb. 25.—Steele Mackaye, author and dramatist, died at 10 o'clock this morning near Tampa, on board a Santa Fe railroad train, while on his way to San Diego, Cal., where it was hoped that he would be able to build up his health.

Although he had been claimed that he was an Englishman, the dead dramatist, and promoter was born at Fort Porter, on the banks of the Niagara river, now a portion of the city of Buffalo, about 47 years ago. At the age of 16, while slowly convalescing in France from an attack of brain fever, he occupied himself with painting and modeling, the artistic instinct inherited from his mother having by that time strongly asserted itself. He returned to America at the breaking out of the Rebellion and enlisted as a common soldier. At the end of the war he returned to France and resumed his studies. He became a pupil of Garnier, and later on of Francois Del Sartre.

After appearing with marked success in a number of Shakespeare's plays, notably in the title role of "Hamlet," he began to apply the knowledge of his art to the writing of plays. In no collaboration with the late Taylor he produced two plays in London with success, "Arkwright's Wife" and "Clancarty."

PAYING THE STRIKERS. The Grand Treasurer of Railroad Firemen's Union Pays Cash. PITTSBURGH, Pa., Feb. 25.—The grand treasurer of the Order of Railroad Firemen came here yesterday and distributed the money due members who went out when the Lehigh Valley strike was ordered and who have since been unable to obtain work. The men were paid at the rate of \$50 per month. It is expected that the Order of Railroad Firemen will pay its members in this section who are still out of work, tomorrow.

SUICIDE IN A COUNTY JAIL

Larry McDonald, Charged with Murder, Hangs Himself with a Sheet.

LARRY McDONALD, charged with murder, hangs himself with a sheet. He leaves a note of confession.

His Dead Body Discovered Early Yesterday Morning Hanging to the Cell Door.—In a Communication to the Sheriff the Suicide Admits That He Killed His Father, but Claims That It Was Accidental and That He Was Intoxicated at the Time.

Special to the Scranton Tribune. HONESDALE, Pa., Feb. 25. ON Sunday, January 7, the body of aged Thomas McDonald was found mutilated in the sitting room of his home about two miles above Prompton. His son, Larry McDonald, was suspected of the murder. The coroner's jury later found him guilty and he was placed in the county jail to await the action of the grand jury. Early this morning the other prisoner in the jail falling to cross Larry McDonald's body was suspended in his cell. When Sheriff Murphy came to feed them he was notified and Coroner O'Connell was summoned. Later THE TRIBUNE reporter visited the jail and found the body of Larry stretched out on his cot. A twisted piece of a sheet lay across his chest and the floor about his neck was drawn up. His body had been cut down by the sheriff and the remaining portion of the sheet with which he hung himself was tied to the hinge of the iron shutter of the window. He had securely fastened the sheet to the hinge, made a slip-knot and standing on a chair fastened it about his neck, kicked the chair out and strangled to death. Coroner O'Connell viewed the remains, and as it was a clear case of suicide did not summon a jury.

The dead was probably committed about 1 or 2 o'clock, a. m. The window was open and the temperature of the room was about 20 degrees below zero, and the body was frozen. L. rry left the following note written with a lead pencil in a scrawling hand on both sides of a sheet of paper: "I am accused of a murder. I always meant good to everybody from a good heart which you will hereafter learn, but now my father has gone back on me, which cannot be helped. No money, no friends. Good bye all. Signed L. McDonald."

LOHMAN'S SUCCESSOR. The Northeastern Saengerband Elects Another President. NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—A special meeting of the Northeastern Saengerband was held this afternoon at the Lexington avenue opera house. There were present delegates from Baltimore, Philadelphia, Trenton, Newark, Jersey City, Troy, Albany, Brooklyn and this city.

The meeting was called for the election of a president in the stead of William B. Lohman. Major R. C. Kelly of Newark, N. J., was chosen his successor. Former President Lohman, who was cashier of the estate bank in Brooklyn, N. Y., recently died, leaving a shortage in his accounts.

TO BOYCOTT LAND GRABBERS. The Evicted Tenants' Association Has Appointed a Vigilance Committee. LONDON, Feb. 25.—John Morley, chief secretary for Ireland, has refused to receive a deputation from the evicted Tenants' association. He bases his refusal on the ground that the government has decided to introduce a reinstatement bill in the next session of parliament.

ERASTUS WIMAN FREE. He Spends the Day at the Bedside of His Sick Son. NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—Erastus Wiman, released from his unpleasant sojourn in the Tombs prison, spent today with his family at his home in St. George, Staten Island. His son, W. Dwight Wiman, whose home ailments, but who has been dangerously ill with pneumonia, seemed better this morning, and that was considered an especially favorable sign, this being one of the critical days of the disease. With afternoon, however, a relapse came and it was feared this evening that he might not survive the night. Mr. Wiman received no one during the day.

Was found lying dead against an iron railing outside Page's hotel last night. He is identified as Benjamin Low, a wealthy shipping agent of Gloucester.

It was thought that Mr. Low was robbed and foully dealt with, but according to the autopsy today, the immediate cause of death was a congestive chill, including heart failure.

DINGENS STILL ABSENT. The Cornell Sophomore Has Not as Yet Discovered Himself. ITHACA, N. Y., Feb. 25.—Dingens, the missing student, is still absent, but his friends assert that he is absolutely innocent of any connection with the affair, and no good reason has yet been made public for entertaining such suspicions. There are some circumstances, however, which he will doubtless be called upon to explain.

The sudden way in which he left town has been accounted for by the assertion which is apparently reliable that he went to Syracuse to meet his sister, who was on her way to New York, where she is to undergo an operation. It is in this regard that his relatives in Buffalo were unable to account for his disappearance, but it is likely that he will be called upon to tell, if he can, something about the mysterious piece of wrapping paper found with the jug and having written upon it the name of E. L. Mitchell.

FIRE AT VINELAND. The Robinson Training School for Feeble Minded Totally Destroyed. VINELAND, N. J., Feb. 25.—At 2:45 this morning what is known as the Robinson Memorial cottage at the New Jersey Training School for Feeble Minded was discovered to be on fire, and was totally destroyed. J. H. Sage, the engineer, and his wife were burned to death, but the other inmates, sixteen in number, were rescued in their night clothes. The weather was bitter cold and several inmates were frozen.

Some Rapid Skating. The Amateur Champions of Europe Make a Creditable Showing. STOCKHOLM, Feb. 25.—The amateur skating club of Stockholm in Europe was contested today at Hamar, Norway. In the 1,500 metre race, Othland, of Norway, won and beat the record, having covered the course in 2 minutes 34.5 seconds.

FIGHTING THE AFRICANS. Chief Fodislah and His Warriors Give All Visitors a Warm Reception. LONDON, Feb. 25.—Despatches from Bathurst, West Africa, say that the parties from the warship Widgou and Raleigh lost a field piece and 6,000 rounds of ammunition in their encounter with Chief Fodislah and his warriors.

HEARING BEFORE VIEWERS. Edward Multinoland's Reason for Asking Damages from Water Company. There was a hearing before Viewers John Kelly, of Clonsilla; J. W. Swick, of Jermy, and E. D. Dimmick, J. B. Snyder and Peter Davidson, of this city, in court room No. 2 on Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock. He brought the property of Edward Multinoland of Scott township, by the Bush Brook Water company.

IN OUR OWN COMMONWEALTH. The Nurristown Woolen mills, which have been shut down since last August, will resume operations tomorrow with 200 hands. Enough orders have been received to run six months.



The World-Renowned Preacher. For Twenty-five Years Pastor of the Brooklyn (N. Y.) Tabernacle. Recently Announced His Resignation of the Charge.

THE TARIFF BILL READY. Considerably Reconstructed It Will Probably Be Made Public Today. SUGAR TAKEN CARE OF.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 25.—It is possible that the tariff bill may be made public tomorrow. The subcommittee of the senate committee on finance will meet at 9 tomorrow morning and give the bill the finishing touches and at 10 will lay it before the full committee. The bill is full of concessions and the committee believes it has met the objections more than half way.

MOYER AT MONTICELLO. Floyd Carr Charged with the Murder of Moore and Mrs. Raymond. MONTICELLO, N. Y., Feb. 26.—Floyd J. Carr, of Bushville, a young farmer residing near the home of the aged couple who were murdered Thursday night or Friday morning, is suspected of having committed the crime, and was accordingly arrested this afternoon. Young Carr has behaved strangely since the murder and the postmaster of Bushville attributes his conduct directly to remorse because of the murder of old Moore and his aged housekeeper, Mrs. Raymond.

WILL DISCARD THE BIBLE. A New Departure in the Public School System at Pittsburg. PITTSBURGH, Pa., Feb. 25.—Last night the board of directors of the Riverside school, in the West End, determined upon a new departure in their management of the public school. Five Sisters of Mercy, or Catholic nuns, now teaching in St. James Parochial school, will be transferred to the public school and the parish school closed.

PROBABLY A BOGUS BOMB. A Mysterious Missile Left at the Door of a Paris Jayman. PARIS, Feb. 25.—A metal cylinder, filled so as to resemble a bomb, was found to-day next door to the house of an ironmonger in the Rue Des Abbees. The ironmonger served on the jury which found August Valliant guilty of throwing a bomb in the chamber of deputies. The cylinder is believed to be a bogus bomb. It was sent to the municipal laboratory, where it will be examined.

HIS SERMON EFFECTIVE. A Western Minister Preaches on the Fiery Ordeal. CINCINNATI, O., Feb. 25.—During services at the Reformed Presbyterian church this morning the minister's subject being "A Fiery Ordeal," the building was discovered to be in flames. The alarm created a panic among the children, and for a time it looked as though many would be crushed, but luckily none were injured. Loss \$1,000.

WEATHER FORECAST. WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Forecast for Monday. For eastern Pennsylvania, snow, warmer, north-east shifting to northwest gale. For western Pennsylvania, snow in the early morning and probably during Monday; warmer, variable winds.

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