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STORMY TIME OF COMMONERS

It Ended by the Selection of P. J. Nealis for President and John P. Mahon for Clerk—C. E. Chittenden Re-elected President of the Select Council and Martin T. Lavelle Succeeds Himself as City Clerk—Full Text of Mayor W. L. Connell's Masterly Message—It Contains Many Admirable Suggestions.

The city councils reorganized yesterday morning for the fiscal year 1894 Select council re-elected C. E. Chittenden president and the common chose P. J. Nealis, of the Fourteenth ward, to preside over the deliberations of that body for the coming year. John P. Mahon was re-elected clerk of the common council by acclamation.

Following the reorganization of both branches of council a joint session was held at which Martin T. Lavelle was again re-elected city clerk. The councilman afterward listened to the reading of the mayor's annual message, which was a thoughtful and comprehensive document that contained numerous excellent suggestions.

The common council furnished the only excitement incident to the re-organization. There was an interesting struggle for the offices of that body, but the Democrats had the votes and won.

James Grier, of the Third ward, did not agree with the plan of operations of his political brethren and voted with the Republicans much to the disgust of the Democratic members, who expressed themselves very freely concerning their private opinions about the member from the Third.

VIADUCT ORDINANCE KILLED.

Business Transacted at Last Meeting of Select Council.

T. Ellsworth Davies' viaduct ordinance was killed by the select council at its last meeting yesterday morning. The meeting was called to transact the odds and ends of business that remained to be cleared up before the body adjourned sine die.

Every member of the council was present. An ordinance licensing transient merchants passed finally and then the ordinance providing for a viaduct over the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western tracks at West Lackawanna avenue was called up. It was found that the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western company has not yet filed with the city clerk its agreement to pay $10,000 toward the erection of the viaduct. The Scranton Traction company's offer is on file but provides that the $10,000 shall be paid in four annual payments. The ordinance was thought to be defective, all of the facts with regard to it considered, and the councilmen believed it advisable to kill the present ordinance and introduce one in the new council in which the defects in the old ordinance can be remedied.

The members generally expressed their regret that the movement had to be set back even for a few months, but to protect the interests of the city they saw no other course open to them. The vote by which the ordinance was killed was 18 to 3. After the transaction of some unimportant business, Councilman Victor Lauer moved that the select council adjourn sine die, but before it did so Chairman Chittenden took occasion to thank the members for the courtesies extended to him as chairman and commended the members for their faithfulness in the prosecution of public business during the year.

LAST MEETING OF THE COMMON.

Vote of Thanks to President Moir and Clerk Mahon.

The last meeting of the common council, which was called to order yesterday morning at 9 o'clock, was a very quiet, orderly affair, the holdovers evidently desiring to husband their energies for the fight on reorganization.

Captain James Moir, the president of the body, is a modest man. He realized that there would be something said concerning the able manner in which he discharged the exacting duties of his office and he did not want to be present. So he called E. E. Robathan to the chair and retired.

Others who were not present at the last meeting were: Edward Robinson, J. W. Browning and Arja Williams. An ordinance passed on third reading for the laying of lateral sewers in Roche and Spellman courts and Ash streets, and then Mr. Robathan introduced the following resolution, which was adopted:

Whereas, The common council for the fiscal year 1893, is about to adjourn sine die; therefore, be it

Resolved, That a vote of thanks be tendered to the presiding officer, Captain James Moir, for the fair and impartial manner in which he has fulfilled the exacting duties of his office; also, a like vote to the efficient clerk, John P. Mahon, who during his term in office has performed the work that is incumbent upon him in a manner that meets the approval of all members of this body, irrespective of party affiliations.

Before the council adjourned sine die George Duhigg, one of the retiring members, took occasion to thank the members for the courtesies they had extended to him during the year he acted as the representative of the Sixth ward in the body. He asked a continuance of these courtesies for his successors. Mr. Robathan speaking for the other councilmen, praised Mr. Duhigg for his fidelity to duty, and said the council was loath to lose such a companionable and genial member.

MR. CHITTENDEN RE-ELECTED.

Will Preside Over the Select Council for Another Year.

At 10 a. m. the new select council met for organization and Colonel George Sanderson was elected temporary president. For permanent president Mr. Clemons named C. E. Chittenden and Mr. Roche, P. F. McCann. Mr. Chittenden was elected by the following vote:

Chittenden—Finley Ross, Wade M. Finn, William J. Thomas, R. H. Williams, Fred Durr, Charles Wagner, George Sanderson, P. F. McCann, H. T. Fellows, William Kellow, F. H. Clemons, C. W. Westpfahl, Alexander T. Connell—13.

McCann—Peter Kelly, M. E. Clark, John E. Roche, J. F. Schwenk, James J. Manley, M. J. Burns, Victor H. Lauer, C. E. Chittenden—8.

The rules of the old council were adopted and then Mr. Chittenden thanked the members for the honor they had conferred upon him in re-electing him to preside over the body.

Mayor Connell administered the oath of office to Mr. Chittenden who, in turn, swore in the new and re-elected members. The new members are: Wade M. Finn, Second ward; William J. Thomas, Fourth ward; M. E. Clarke, Sixth ward; Fred Durr, Eighth ward; Charles Wagner, Tenth ward; M. J. Burns, Eighteenth ward.

Mr. Manley's right to his seat and a vote was not questioned, although, like Mr. Sweeney, he has a contest on his hands.

STORMY COMMON COUNCIL MEETING

Morgan Sweeney's Right to Vote Questioned by Councilmen.

The session of the common council, particularly the preliminary organization, was fringed with a halo of excitement and considerable disorder. At various times one or two members of both the Republican and Democratic sides were simultaneously clamoring for recognition.

To the uninitiated spectators who crowded the gallery and rear of the chamber, it appeared as though hard feelings existed between the divisions of the council; however, after the Democratic faction won the preliminary contest by installing its candidates for permanent chairman and clerk to like temporary offices, the body settled down to an exchange of compliments and a less tumultuous transaction of business.

E. E. Robathan, Republican, from the Fifth ward, and P. J. Nealis, Democrat, from the Fourteenth ward, were nominated for temporary chairman. Clerk Mahon announced that Mr. Nealis received the largest responsive vote, but the ayes and nays were asked for. The result showed the vote to be 11 and 10, favoring Mr. Nealis, whereupon he assumed the chair. The particulars of the vote was as follows:

For Nealis—Golden, Robathan, Regan, McLean, Robinson, Sweeney, Schadt, Noone, Hickey, Battle, Norton.

For Robathan—Morris, Grier, Thomas, Godfrey, Moir, Wenzel, Howe, Nealis, Davis, Williams.

The new members are Morris, Thomas, Regan, Godfrey, Wenzel, Schadt and Noone.

John P. Mahon, for the Democrats, and Evan Morris, for the Republicans, were the nominees for the temporary clerkship, and the former received the largest number of votes under the same conditions which elected Mr. Nealis to the chair.

Then followed the incidents which led to no end of confusion and turmoil.

Mr. Grier called for action upon a resolution which he laid upon the chairman's desk immediately following the temporary organization. Mr. Nealis refused to allow its reading and ordered the certificate of election read. Members Robathan, Moir and Grier at once asked for recognition; the former was given the floor and stated that the resolution had an important bearing on the permanent organization and the time chosen was perfectly proper for its reading and consequential action. Again the chair refused its introduction and Mr. Robathan's exception to the ruling was interrupted by Mr. Grier, who, on being recognized, said he would withdraw the resolution, but moved that all certificates of election be accepted with the exception of Morgan J. Sweeney, whose election is disputed. Mr. Sweeney's case is now pending in court.

The Democrats met the move by a motion offered by Mr. Norton, to lay Mr. Grier's motion on the table. While the amendment was being acted upon Mr. Sweeney responded "aye;" instantly Members Moir, Robathan and Grier arose and protested against Mr. Sweeney's right to vote. The chair refused to consider the protest and ordered a continuance of the polling, and Mr. Norton's amendment was carried by a vote of 11 and 10, which tabled any further consideration of Mr. Sweeney's right to a seat.

Mr. McLean moved an acceptance of the certificates, which was met with an amendment by Mr. Robathan to lay the motion on the table. The amendment was lost and the original motion carried by an 11 to 10 vote.

At this point a peculiar mistake was made in the taking of the oath of office by the chairman and new members, which necessitated the ceremony being done over again in the only legal way.

On a motion, carried, to proceed to permanent organization, Mr. Nealis before his election to the chair was sworn into office by Notary Fellows, of the school board, and Mr. Nealis in turn administered the oath to new and re-elected members. Mayor Connell entered the chamber some time later and after Mr. Nealis' election instructed the body that the permanent chairman should first be elected and then receive the oath of office from the mayor only; afterward the chairman could administer the oath to the new members.

Patrick J. Nealis nominated by Mr. Battle, received 12 votes, and Edward E. Robathan, nominated by Mr. Moir, received 9 votes for permanent chairman; Republican Member Thomas B. Howe, voting with the Democrats.

Mr. Robathan's motion followed and was carried to make Mr. Nealis' election unanimous.

In accepting the office Mr. Nealis said:

Gentlemen of the Common Council:

For the unexpected compliment you have given me, I return you my most sincere thanks. The great honor of being elected to preside over the deliberations of the common council of this city, the fourth in the great commonwealth of Pennsylvania, is one which I least expected would fall to my lot. In accepting the call, I realize my inability to perform the duties which the office requires in such a manner as I know other members of this body could; but I shall do the best I can to serve you and the people of the city.

Gentlemen, there is much important work for us to perform this year, and in order to get the best results and to meet the approval of the taxpayers, we will have to watch carefully all the expenditures of the coming year. As our city grows its wants increase, and it behooves us to be mindful of the people's interests.

There have been appropriated $323,280.49, together with the appropriation for bridges of $250,000, for which the people have given their consent, making in all $573,280.49. This great amount of money to be expended under the supervision of the city councils, as you will observe, will require careful and earnest consideration at our hands.

In conclusion, let our aim be at all times for the interest of the city and the taxpayers, with equal justice to all concerned.

Again, I thank you, and I trust I will merit your approval in any and all decisions I may be called upon to make.

John B. Mahon was elected unanimously, and without opposition, to succeed himself as permanent clerk.

Frederick S. Godfrey, Republican, from the Eighth ward, the councilman who received the largest majority, based on a proportionate vote, of any candidate in the city—not excepting Mr. Grow—very appropriately signed his name first to the councilmanic oath of office.

On motion of Mr. Robathan it was decided unanimously to adopt the rules which governed the previous common council body.

James Moir, retiring chairman, is entitled approbation for the most graceful act of the session. In conjunction with the other Republican leaders of the body, he had been urging earnestly and strenuously the fight to unseat Mr. Sweeney, defeat Mr. Nealis and protect the city in every way possible in the temporary and permanent organization. He obtained recognition and said:

Mr. Chairman and Members:

From the heated arguments and exciting incidents of this session about to close, it must not be inferred that now I or those who voted with me are in any wise opposed to the present organization. We did only what we thought best, and, now that the matters are settled, propose for all time to support Mr. Nealis in whatever attitude he may assume for the city's good.

While Mr. Nealis occupied a seat in this body he showed himself capable and clear-sighted, and as long as he retains those qualities, believe me, he will be supported by me and the others who voted for Mr. Robathan.

Mr. Nealis thanked the speaker and those he represented and averred that his rulings and attitude as chairman would be fair and impartial to all.

JOINT SESSION OF COUNCILS.

Martin T. Lavelle Re-Elected City Clerk Without Opposition.

After both councils had effected permanent organizations a joint session was called to order by City Clerk Lavelle. Mr. Chittenden was chosen to preside and Colonel Sanderson moved that councils proceed to elect a city clerk.

Martin T. Lavelle, the present efficient clerk, was nominated by Victor Lauer in a very eulogistic speech. The nomination was seconded by Colonel Sanderson, who said he took great pleasure in indorsing such a worthy nominee. There being no other nominee Mr. Lavelle was unanimously chosen.

After repeated demands for a speech Mr. Lavelle said he was very thankful for the mark of esteem just given by the councils and hoped that no act of his during the year would cause the councilmen to regret their action.

Mr. Roche moved that councils meet next Monday night to elect a city engineer. The mayor's annual message was reported as ready for transmission to councils and City Clerk Lavelle was directed to read it.

MAYOR'S ANNUAL MESSAGE.

Very Thoughtful Document Containing Excellent Suggestions.

The mayor's annual message was listened to with the closest attention by the councilmen and the many citizens who crowded the council chambers. It is as follows:

To the Select and Common Councils of the City of Scranton, Pa.:

Gentlemen: In accordance with my duties as mayor, I most respectfully submit herewith my first annual message.

The chief objects intended to be served by the mayor's annual message are: First, to supply the people with a full statement of the work performed and, second, to suggest to your honorable bodies such legislation as may be required to support and improve the departments of the city government.

We have every reason to feel gratified with the material advancement which our city has made during the past year; and while we have suffered somewhat from the industrial depression which has overtaken all the cities and towns of the country, building, while not probably as general as in former years, has steadily gone on, and more especially in the line of business blocks many handsome and valuable additions have been made to the city's architecture. These and many other improvements which have been made during the past year by private enterprise, are indisputable witnesses to the confidence manifested by our citizens in Scranton's continued growth and permanency.

The desirability of our city with her cheap fuel, her low taxation and her near proximity to the great markets, as a manufacturing center, has been evinced by the location of many manufactories in our midst during the past few years. I believe that our city officers should work in harmony at all times with our boards of trade; for while we admit that coal is the original foundation upon which our prosperity is based, we must not be unmindful of the fact that it is upon diversified industries that the continued growth of any city is dependent.

I desire to take this opportunity to publicly express my appreciation on behalf of the city for the splendid work that has been done in this direction by our boards of trade.

The work accomplished in the different departments during the past year has been most satisfactory. The close application to their respective duties by all of the officers to whom is intrusted the administration of municipal affairs has been productive of a safe routine of business which is always gratifying to those persons whose occupations bring them in contact with the city's undertakings. The most kindly consideration has invariably been shown to the public doing business with the city, but no unnecessary delay has been admitted or impeding tactics tolerated. All of the new improvements which the city now has under way are be-

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BIG STRIKES THREATENED

Prospects of an Entire Suspension in Soft Coal Mining Districts.

CAN STAND NO MORE REDUCTION

Compensation Has Been Reduced to Such an Extent That It Is Almost Impossible for the Miners to Exist. It Is Thought That a General Strike Will Have the Effect of Elevating Prices—Mass Meeting at Phillipsburg Last Evening.

PHILLIPSBURG, Pa., April 2.

SITUATION in the coal fields in this part of the state today is as follows: A complete suspension in the Houtzdale and Osceola districts, with 3,500 men on strike against the reduction. A mass meeting is being held tonight in Phillipsburg, with delegates present from Houtzdale and Osceola, and it is almost a certainty that a vote to suspend work in the Beech Creek district will carry and 3,000 more men added to the number now on strike.

Delegates from the Clearfield region at Dubois are arranging for a mass meeting in order to bring out the men in the Dubois, Reynoldsville and Punxsutawney districts in which 3,000 miners are employed.

CONCERTED ACTION DESIRABLE.

There is a partial suspension of mining in the Cambria county coal fields, and those at work are awaiting the action of the Beech Creek and Dubois districts. To this suspension the district and national officers of the miners' organization are emphatically opposed, their desire being that the men should continue at work until the meeting of the national convention at Columbus on April 10 when, if the reports of the delegates from southern and western coal fields are favorable, a general suspension of soft coal mining throughout the United States will be made, in the hope of advancing the price of coal to such an extent that the operators can afford to pay better wages to the miners.

The operators in the Clearfield and Beech Creek regions say they are opposed to making the reduction, but that they cannot afford to pay a higher price for mining than ther competitors. The position of the miners is that at 40 cents a gross ton for digging low coal it is impossible for them to make a living, the assertion is also made that if this last 10 per cent. reduction is accepted the competition between the operators for orders will lead them to make another cut in wages.

TROUBLE FEARED AT UNIONTOWN.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., April 2.—A special from Uniontown, Pa., to the Times says the coke strike really began today at more than half the works in the region and large numbers of Frick men refused to go to work this morning in contradiction to the expressed belief of that company and general opinion. At least 5,000 of the 9,000 men at work in the region struck this morning.

The first call on the sheriff of Fayette county for protection was made by the Oliver Coke and Furnace company just north of this place, where 600 men are employed, and the company had been assured the men would not strike. The trouble began early this morning when a number of the English speaking workmen went in the yard to draw coke. The foreign element at once raided them and drove them off.

This firm has 1,500 tons of coke in the ovens ready to be drawn which will be spoiled in a few days. Sheriff Wilhelm was called on for deputies to protect the men who wanted to work, but said the company must put up the cash to pay them before they are sworn in.

Shortly before noon today the strikers marched upon the Elm Grove works of the W. J. Rainey company armed with guns and clubs. The workmen were driven away after a fierce battle with stones and clubs. Several of the workmen were hit by flying missiles from the hands of the strikers. W. J. Rainey dispatched for the sheriff, who was soon on the grounds.

WINCHESTERS APPEAR.

Fifty deputies were sworn in and armed with Winchesters. Tomorrow morning trouble is looked for at these works. The Moyer works of the same company was operated today and the Elm Grove works will try and start again tomorrow. Here the first struggle will likely take place, seventy five Hungarians having struck at the former place today. Rainey said tonight that any attempt to drive the men from the plant would be accompanied with bloodshed, as he expected to protect his workmen.

At Morrell and Wheeler where the riot occurred this morning forty deputies were sworn in this evening. Twenty-five deputies were sworn in at Oliver and Sheriff Wilhelm went to Vanderbilt tonight to station deputies at all the works in that region. The operators throughout the region are guarding their property.

Tomorrow is expected to be a day of general rioting and disorder, and men will be driven from every plant where they show a disposition to work. The foreign element met here tonight in large numbers to discuss the situation. They decided to compel all foreigners in the region to join the strikers.

TILLMAN DECLARES PEACE.

Newberry Rifles Withdraw from the Scene of Action.

COLUMBIA, S. C., April 2.—Governor Tillman declares that law and order now reigns. Surveillance of the telegraph offices is maintained. Captain McCaughren, of the Newberry rifles, detailed for this duty last night, has addressed a letter to the governor declaring that his men came here to protect property and not supervise people's private affairs, resigning his command and surrendering the arms and equipments of his men.

Governor Tillman accepted it and the company went to Newberry. Holloway, a fugitive spy, arrived here safe this morning. Troops passed an uneventful night at Darlington.

LE CARON'S COMPENSATION.

The Spy Received 1,000 Pounds Yearly from the British Government.

LONDON, April 2.—It has been learned that Major Le Caron, the British government spy who died yesterday, had, ever since the close of the proceedings of the Parnell commission, before which he gave testimony, been receiving an annuity of £1,000 from one of the interests which endeavored to prove the charges brought against the Irish leader.

He had been residing in Kensington under the name of Dr. Howard, and was guarded day and night by detectives to prevent his assassination by those whose deadly hatred he had earned by his testimony against Parnell and his associates. It is understood that his life was insured for a large sum, the agreement by which he entered the witness box against Parnell.

BRECKINRIDGE DENIALS.

The Defendant Spends a Day Contradicting the Plaintiff's Evidence.

WASHINGTON, April 2.—The trial of the Pollard-Breckinridge case was adjourned this afternoon until tomorrow at the most interesting point of the cross-examination—a mystery involving an alleged letter addressed "My Dear Louise," which the plaintiff's counsel will try to prove was written to her in 1886 at a time when, according to his testimony, Colonel Breckinridge had suspended his relations with her and did not know her whereabouts.

The chief interest in this, the second dubious letter introduced in the case, centers in the name Louise. Miss Pollard avers that she went to Cincinnati in February, 1885, and in June of that year gave birth to a baby at St. Joseph's asylum at Norwood, near Cincinnati, and that after leaving the asylum she went to the house of a physician under the assumed name of Louise Wilson.

The defendant denied positively this afternoon having any knowledge of "my dear sister Louise," or of having given a letter beginning that way to a typewriter to copy.

The cross-examination of the defendant will be continued all through tomorrow and probably the next day.

THE ELEVENTH BODY FOUND.

John Hammer's Remains Are Identified by an Old Belt.

WILKES-BARRE, Pa., April 2.—The eleventh body, that of John Hammer, was found in the Gaylord mine shortly after noon today. It was brought to the surface at 1 o'clock this afternoon and identified only by an old belt that he wore about his waist.

He leaves a wife but no children. His funeral took place late this afternoon. The remaining two miners still uncovered are Thomas Picton, mine foreman, and Daniel Morgan. The rescuing party are in hopes of finding their bodies between this and tomorrow morning.

STOLE OF PETER'S PENCE.

A Trusted Vatican Cashier Gets a Big Slice of the Fund.

ROME, April 2.—A trusted cashier at the vatican, charged with the administration of Peter's Pence, has confessed to stealing $20,000 of the fund. He hopes to be able to replace the money.

It is probable that the vatican, in order to avoid a scandal, will not denounce him to the police. The pope is much annoyed that the affair has been divulged.

DR. BROWN-SEQUARD DEAD.

The French Doctor, Famous for His Elixir of Life, Expires in Paris.

PARIS, April 2.—Professor Brown-Sequard, the eminent physician and physiologist, died here today.

He became celebrated as the originator of the "elixir of life," which bears his name.

PROPHESIED A FUNERAL.

James Remmel Furnishes the Corpse by Hanging Himself.

ALLENTOWN, Pa., April 2.—After a quarrel with his sweetheart, during which he said there would be a funeral before Wednesday, James Remmel went home and hung himself today.

He was 21 years old.

IN OUR OWN COMMONWEALTH.

Congregationalists will hold a state convention in Johnstown on May 15.

At the close of business on March 31, State Treasurer Morrison had $5,026,882 in the treasury.

Banks will be asked to bid for the $250,000 of Allegheny City's school deposits, if a test suit in court wins.

Aged Farmer Michael Schultz fell and was trampled to death by his horse on the road near Williamsport.

Several score of Indian pupils left the Carlisle school yesterday for various farms in eastern Pennsylvania.

The Pottsville Gun club will today distribute 150 quail for breeding purposes in the Tumbling Run valley.

John Baldridge, of Braddock, is endeavoring to corral a $6,000,000 estate said to exist in Ireland for him and a few relatives.

Several hundred track hands on the central division of the Pennsylvania railroad between West Chester and Media, quit work yesterday because of a reduction in wages and a lengthening of their hours at work.

TICKINGS FROM THE CABLE.

American women living in Germany have formed a league to help distressed countrywomen.

Mrs. William Walter Phelps, wife of the ex-minister to Germany, is visiting old friends in Berlin.

The new Russian edict on insurance bars out the tontine system, and several American companies will suffer.

A trunkful of Emin Pasha's diaries, containing six years' records, will be published by the German government.

Russian authorities have captured and imprisoned at Vladivostock, Eastern Siberia, Captain O. G. Hansen, known as the "Flying Dutchman," a notorious seal poacher, and all his crew.

TARIFF DEBATE IS NOW ON

Senator Voorhees Opens the Ball with Two Hours of Talk.

HE WOULD NOT BE INTERRUPTED

The Fiery Orator from Printed Slips Denounced the McKinley Bill as an Act of Robbery and Declared the Opposition to Income Tax to Be Results of Narrow and Corroding Selfishness—The House Accomplished no Business Whatever, Having Passed the Day in Hopeless Wrangle on Contested Election Cases.

WASHINGTON, April 2.

THE debate on the tariff bill was opened in the senate today with a speech by the chairman of the committee on finance, Mr. Voorhees. The speech was read from printed slips, but was delivered with as much earnestness as if it were an extempore effort. It occupied just two hours and had a large and attentive audience on the floor and in the galleries.

The McKinley tariff was denounced in it as an act of robbery and of unbridled extortion, and was contrasted with the Walker tariff of 1846, "of blessed and glorious memory."

As to the income tax the opposition to it came, Mr. Voorhees declared, from "the narrow and corroding selfishness of riches." While discussing this point he declined to permit Mr. Hill (N. Y.) to interpose some remarks, stating that he did not feel well and did not wish to be interrupted.

At the close of the speech the bill, which has displaced the Russian thistle bill and is now the unfinished business, went over till tomorrow. A demand has been made by Mr. Hoar that the bill shall receive its second reading in full. Some time was given to the Bering sea bill. The senate at 5.25 adjourned.

HOUSE ACCOMPLISHES NOTHING.

No business whatever was accomplished in the house today. As soon as the journal had been read the contested election case of O'Neill versus Joy, from the Eleventh district of Missouri, was taken up and four and a half hours spent in unavailing attempts to secure the vote of a quorum of the house upon the pending motion. At 4.35 o'clock Mr. Patterson, Tennessee, abandoned the effort and the house adjourned.

Mr. Patterson gave notice that he would ask the house to sit continuously from tomorrow noon until the case had been disposed of.

PROPOSE TO JOIN COXEY.

East Liverpool's Striking Potters Chase the Grub Pilgrims.

EAST LIVERPOOL, O., April 2.—The East Liverpool delegation of striking potters left here yesterday afternoon to join Coxey at Beaver Falls.

A thousand persons saw the squad start. There were 119 men in line.

PATRICK HAS ACCEPTED.

He Will Cordially Support the Democratic Platform.

AUGUSTA, Ga., April 2.—Patrick Walsh has accepted the senatorship. In notifying Governor Northen of his acceptance, Mr. Walsh says:

"Every measure of reform pledged by the National Democratic party will receive my cordial support."

FLASHED FROM THE WIRES.

Seal fishers on the Newfoundland coast are getting only half the usual catch.

Ex-President James McCosh, of Princeton university, was 83 years old yesterday.

A $200,000 commission fee is demanded of G. W. McNear, the grain king, by B. Rich & Co., of New York.

On the day Coughlin was acquitted at Chicago, the famous white horse in the Cronin case died on an Iowa farm.

Eastern New York State plowmen report that the sod shows all the signs of a return of the plague of 17-year locusts.

John Nicholl, a "Jack the Spitter," who has ruined many ladies' dresses, has been captured and imprisoned at Indianapolis.

On charges preferred by nine priests, Bishop Bonacum, of Lincoln, Neb., will be tried before Archbishop Hennessey, at Omaha, April 12.

Russel Sage will appeal from the $25,000 against him for injuries sustained by Laidlaw, whom Sage used as a shield against a dynamite bomb.

Zella Nicolaus has jumped at an offer of $150 per week to appear in a thinking part during the second act of a comic opera at a New York theater.

For beating his 11-year-old son, Joseph, who went to the wrong saloons for the preacher's whisky, Rev. William H. Hopkins, colored, was arrested in New York.

Sons of the Revolution will meet at Baltimore April 19 and hold a special session in the Annapolis senate chamber, where Washington resigned his commission.

President McCoy, ruler of the famous little community on Pitcairn Island, arrived in San Francisco on the missionary brig Pitcairn. McCoy's errand was to engage two school teachers to educate the children on the island.

WASHINGTON NOTES.

The house has passed a bill to change the penalty for barratry from death to imprisonment for life or a term of years.

In the senate yesterday Mr. Quay introduced a resolution authorizing the Philadelphia and Camden Bridge company to erect a bridge over the Delaware river at Philadelphia.

A bill permitting the construction of an elevated electric railway between Washington and New York was introduced in the house. It is designed to run trains at the rate of 120 miles an hour over this road.

WEATHER FORECAST.

CLEAR

WASHINGTON, April 2.—*Forecast for Tuesday: For Eastern Pennsylvania, fair Tuesday, winds shifting southeast; warmer Tuesday evening. For Western Pennsylvania, fair; but with increasing cloudiness during the day, winds shifting to southeast and warmer Tuesday evening.*

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