

LAST OF THE FIFTY-THIRD

The House Will Meet for Its Final Session Today.

BILLS TO BE CONSIDERED

Top Gun Tariff Measures Will Come in for a Share of Attention--Arizona and New Mexico Must Be Looked To.

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Washington, Dec. 1.—At 12 o'clock tomorrow the house of representatives will convene in their final session of the Fifty-third congress.

Besides listening to the reading of the message of President Cleveland, it is not likely that anything else will be done tomorrow. The house may hear the announcement of the death of Hon. Myron B. Wright, late a representative from the Fifteenth district of Pennsylvania, who was re-elected to the Fifty-fourth congress, and died four days after the election.

Among the bills that are likely to come up are the Nicaragua canal bill, and the bill to permit railroad companies to pool passenger and freight business under regulation by the interstate commerce committee.

The contested election case of Williams vs. Settle, from the Fifth North Carolina district, which was postponed from last session by agreement, will be brought up, but the results of the late election have divested it of interest, aside from the regular appropriation bills.

Chairman Sayres, of the appropriation committee, says he will have the pension and appropriation bills on the calendar of the house early in the week and if no other important business presents itself for consideration the house will send them to the senate before the week closes. The pension bill is now ready to be reported, and the final meeting of the sub-committee having in charge the fortifications bill will be held at 11 o'clock tomorrow, at which time General Schofield and Hatchell will be present for examination. General Schofield is president of the ordinance board, and General Hatchell has submitted some estimates for work at Fortress Monroe.

The Senate Calendar.

The senate calendar contains 145 bills and resolutions that have been reported by committees, many of them measures that are of great importance and which will be urged for action as soon as the senate can emerge from the inertia which always characterizes the beginning of a session. Most important among these, from a political point of view, are the four so-called "pop gun" tariff bills sent over from the house at the close of the last session and reported favorably to the senate Aug. 20. Mr. Jones, of Arkansas, and Mr. Harrison, of the finance committee, have said that they intended to call these bills up, and especially the sugar bill, at the earliest possible moment. As it now stands on the senate calendar, the house bill providing for free sugar was amended by the senate finance committee by imposing a duty of 40 per cent. on all sugars.

The house bill providing for free coal was amended by the senate finance committee by imposing a duty on bituminous coal when imported from any country that levies a duty on American coal (this being understood to be directed chiefly against Canada). The house bill admitting iron ore free was reported by the senate finance committee without amendment, but the fourth bill, as the free barbed wire bill, was reported by a substitute providing for the free admission not only of barbed wire, but of the materials which might enter into its manufacture.

In Regard to Bluefields.

In view of the recent complications at Bluefields, Mr. Morgan will take the earliest opportunity to bring to the attention of the senate his bill relating to the construction of the Nicaraguan canal, which he reported to the senate so long ago as April 14. This measure is bound to be the cause of much discussion and will be championed by Senators Morgan and Frye. There is thought to be little doubt that it will pass the senate, but its fate in the house is surrounded by elements of doubt.

The house bill to establish a uniform system of bankruptcy, which was favorably reported to the senate on July 31 last, will be a matter of earnest discussion and the anti-option bill may produce itself early in the session. This was reported to the senate on Aug. 3 and on the same day there was also reported the house bills to admit the territories of Arizona and New Mexico to the sisterhood of states. Mr. Faulkner will endeavor to add these new stars to the flag before the Fifty-third congress dies.

PAID \$5,000 FOR A WIFE.

An Octogenarian Gets a Fourth Spouse by Advertising.

Morgantown, W. Va., Dec. 2.—For \$5,000 Ephraim Walters, aged 82, of Uniontown, Pa., has secured a fourth wife in the person of Mrs. Mary Madera, of this place, who is 69 years old. Walters' third wife died about two years ago; at that time the old man was very feeble, and his friends thought he would soon follow his wife. To their surprise he became sprightly, and began to talk of matrimony.

After looking about he advertised in the papers, offering \$5,000 to any woman who would agree to marry him. Mrs. Madera, a milliner, heard of the offer, the bargain was made and the pair have just been married.

JUDGE HARLAN'S FALL.

Drink Drives the Brother of Justice Harlan to the Almshouse.

Louisville, Dec. 2.—Ex-Judge James Harlan, a brother of Justice Harlan, of the supreme court, went to the almshouse today. He has no home, and has become so addicted to drink that no one will care for him. He hopes that under restraint he may be able to cure himself.

Judge Harlan was once one of the brightest men who practiced before the Kentucky bar. He had an extensive practice in Frankfort, where he lived for many years. About twenty

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Special Coal Train Dashes Into the Rear of a Freight.

TWO PERSONS ARE KILLED

A New Jersey Central Engineer Goes Down Under the Locomotive--The Conductor Burned to Death in an Explosion of a Barrel of Oil.

By the United Press. Lockport, Pa., Dec. 2.—A serious collision by which two persons were killed and one seriously injured, occurred near here at 12.30 o'clock this morning.

George W. Hull, a New Jersey Central engineer, whose home is in Jersey City, was sent out yesterday to bring in a special coal train from the mines. Shortly before reaching this town, Hull was ordered to run on a siding, which he did, in order to let a fast freight pass. After the freight had gone half a mile from here, he ran into the rear end of the freight train, which had stopped at a crossing to allow another train to pass.

A dense fog prevailed and Hull was not able to see the lights of the freight train. His engine was derailed and upset in a ditch, Hull being pinned under it. He was probably killed instantly.

Lewis Gordon, his fireman, whose home is in Elizabeth, N. J., jumped in order to save himself, but broke both legs and will probably die. The caboose of the freight train was wrecked and set on fire by a lamp.

While it was burning, Thomas Lukina, the conductor, who resides in Bayonne, N. Y., came back to ascertain the damage done, when a barrel of oil in the caboose exploded. The burning oil hit a colored man and a woman and burned to death before assistance could be rendered by the train hands. The money damage is not known.

HE LOOKED LIKE HOLT.

Edward William, a Colored Resident of Wilkes-Barre, is Arrested and Brought to Scranton.

Special to the Scranton Tribune. Wilkes-Barre, Dec. 2.—Edward William, a colored man, was arrested here on Saturday night upon the charge of shooting a colored man and a woman at Scranton, a few weeks ago. In response to a message from the chief of police of this city, Police Officer Roche, of Scranton, came to Wilkes-Barre yesterday and took William in charge and conveyed him to Scranton.

The man wanted is William Holt and it appears that early on Saturday night he went to a restaurant in this city kept by a man named Liem, who had heard of the shooting affray at Scranton and asked him whether he had not been working on the Lehigh Valley railroad. William said he had and Liem was strengthened in his opinion that his visitor was the man wanted for shooting and sent a notification to the police, who arrested him.

Police Officer Roche took his prisoner to Scranton yesterday, but upon investigation it was proved that he was not the man wanted, but at the same time it was elicited that he could give valuable information in tracking Holt. Roche and his prisoner, who was formally discharged, left Scranton yesterday. Officers Roche and Mienzer, of Scranton, have been on the track of Holt for some time, and it is believed have about run their man to cover.

Holt is among friends of the colored race, who, it is alleged, will use every effort to prevent his arrest.

BALLINGTON BOOTH ILL

Commander of the Salvation Army Has Typhoid Fever.

By the United Press. Chicago, Dec. 2.—Commander Ballington Booth, chief of the Salvation army forces, is critically ill with a combination of nervous prostration and typhoid fever. He has been confined to his room for over a week and a consultation of physicians has been held.

His friends are much concerned and the members of the Salvation army observed today as a day of special prayer for the recovery of their leader.

MR. BURNS ARRIVES.

The English Labor Representative is Heartily Welcomed.

By the United Press. New York, Dec. 2.—John Burns, member of parliament and representative of amalgamated labor in England, arrived here today on the Cunard steamer Etruria.

Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, and a couple of local labor leaders, went down to the bay on a revenue cutter to receive the noted Englishman. At the dock Mr. Burns was met by about 100 representatives of different trades unions.

Mr. Gompers formally welcomed Mr. Burns in the name of the United Trades Union of America. Mr. Burns, representing Typographical union No. 6, also delivered an address of welcome. Mr. Burns made an appropriate response and was then escorted to the Colonnade hotel.

Mr. Burns is accompanied by David Holmes, a London labor leader who, with Mr. Burns, comes to this country as the representative of the Trades Union Congress parliamentary committee of England, to attend the annual congress of the American Federation of Labor in Denver, which begins on Dec. 19.

FAIL'S TRAGIC SUICIDE

With a Razor the Young Man Nearly Severs His Head.

HE WAS A RICH NEW YORKER

The Suicide Had Ample Means but Worried Over His Mother's Death Until He Finally Became Insane--A Friend Arrives too Late.

By the United Press. Montreal, Que., Dec. 2.—This city was startled yesterday by a suicide which had unusually sensational features. The tragedy was discovered about 9 o'clock and like lightning the news spread through the city that Samuel C. Seely, the defaulting bookkeeper of the New York National Shoe and Leather bank, had taken his own life in a parlor bedroom of the Windsor hotel, and not until a photograph of Seely was produced could the authorities be made to believe otherwise.

Harry C. Falle registered here from New York some weeks ago, and it was his body that was found, with the head almost decapitated. How he managed to cut so deeply with the razor medical men are at a loss to know, especially when it was discovered that he had first cut the artery in his left wrist. He had sent numerous letters and telegrams during the last two or three days to friends in the United States, who evidently became alarmed over his condition, as one of them, Horace C. Wait, of Jersey City, arrived in the city this morning only to find him dead.

Under a doctor's care. During his stay here Falle has been under the care of Dr. Kenneth Cameron. In his pockets were found \$126 in bills and \$20 in silver, and on the table were two letters addressed to his relatives. One of these asked that his body be buried in his native town, Jersey City.

An old man from the General hospital was engaged several days ago to watch Falle. When the latter was about to retire last night he requested the nurse to leave the room. The man did so, and sat at the door all night. He was still sitting there when Mr. Wait's card was sent up, and declares that he heard no noise of any kind from the room.