

WOULD ELECT SENATORS

Mr. Turpie Thinks They Should Be Chosen by Vote of the People.

VEST ADVOCATES CLOTURE

His Efforts Are Cut Off by the Consideration of Executive Business--Bills Passed by the Senate--Proceedings of Interest in the House.

By the United Press.

Washington, Dec. 6.--The senate spent two hours in session today, transacted some business of minor importance and adjourned over till Monday. Mr. Vest (Dem. Mo.) made an effort at the close of the proceedings to get up his cloture resolution for action; but he was cut off by a motion to proceed to the consideration of executive business.

Mr. Turpie (Dem. Ind.) occupied about an hour in the presentation of an argument in favor of making senators elective by the people of each state instead of by the legislatures. He claimed that the proposed change would not disturb in the slightest degree the special relations existing between senators and the states which they represent, and that its only effect would be to have senators chosen by the suffrages of the whole people of a state instead of by the suffrages of a very small minority. No action was taken on the resolution.

Four bills were passed: To exempt from the payment of duties articles of foreign exhibitors at the Portland, Oregon, Universal Exposition; extending the time for the commencement and completion of a bridge across the Mississippi river above New Orleans; to reimburse the Washington and Lee university at Lexington, Va., for injuries done by United States troops during the war, \$17,484; and appropriating \$20,000 for the dedication of the Chickamauga and Chattanooga National park on the two battlefields on Sept. 19 and 20.

Glimese at the House. Washington, Dec. 6.--Speaker Crisp today announced a number of committee removals and assignments, made necessary by the changes that have occurred in the membership of the house. The most important of them were the assignment of Mr. Wheeler (Dem. Ala.) to the committee on ways and means in place of Mr. Breckinridge (Dem. Ark.) appointed minister to Russia; Mr. Sibley (Dem. Pa.) to the committee on appropriations in place of Mr. Compton (Dem. Md.) appointed naval officer at Baltimore; Mr. Becker (Dem. Ky.) to elections vice Mr. Paynter (Dem. Ky.) elected judge of the court of appeals of that state; Mr. Hicks (Rep. Pa.) to public buildings and grounds; Mr. Tracy (Dem. N. Y.) to merchant marine and fisheries.

The pension and fortifications appropriation bills for the year ending June 30, 1896, were reported to the house with the notification that the former would be called up next Wednesday and the latter when the railroad pooling bill shall have been disposed of.

The debate on the bill to amend the inter-state commerce law as to permit of pooling by the railroads was resumed and occupied the attention of the house until 5 o'clock. Conner (Dem. Fla.) and Daniels (Rep., N. Y.) spoke against the bill, and Mr. Gresham (Dem. Tex.) Mr. Morse (Rep. Mass.) and Mr. Reed (Rep. Me.) for it.

SLICK SWINDLE OF WOMEN.

Unsuspicious Ones Fleeced Out of \$12 for an Imaginary Position.

By the United Press. Altoona, Pa., Dec. 6.--A slick swindler who came here from Pittsburgh under the alias of W. S. Deming was arrested this afternoon. His scheme was to place newspaper advertisements in the daily newspapers, asking for a lady of excellent executive ability, to act as manageress, saying that correspondence exclusively was necessary and no canvassing, but that \$12 security would have to be advanced for the permanent (now found to be imaginary) position.

From all accounts the well-dressed, shrewd-looking rascal has been working his game extensively. As soon as his victims at this place are done with him the authorities at Pittsburg, Cincinnati, Indianapolis and Chicago will take him in hand, where he is wanted on similar charges.

TO TAKE BALLONA'S MONEY.

National Trotting Association Decides That She Is Not Entitled to Purse.

By the United Press. New York, Dec. 6.--The most important case that came up for action before this day's session of the board of review of the National Trotting association was that of the National Trotting association against the Clover Dell Stock farm, A. H. Moore, of Colmar, Pa., proprietor; Budd Doble, of Chicago, and the bay mare Ballona. This mare won during the past year stakes and purses aggregating \$6,000, but as Moore, to whom the animal belongs, is under suspension, it is proposed to take the money from her.

Doble campaigned the mare for Moore and hence his importance in the case. It was finally agreed to continue the hearing to the May session of the board at Chicago.

GRAVEYARD FOR SALE.

Secretary Lamont Recommends the Disposal of Bucks County Plot.

By the United Press. Washington, Dec. 6.--Secretary Lamont sent to the house today the draft of a bill, which he recommends passed, to authorize the war department to sell a section of land in Bucks county, Pa., formerly used as a burial ground for soldiers.

The land was purchased in 1864 for the interment for soldiers dying while in the service of the United States. The remains of the soldiers buried in the lot have since been removed to the National cemetery, Philadelphia.

FOR POLICE PROTECTION.

Mrs. Neustatel Paid \$18 Per Month and Lost Her Diamonds.

By the United Press. New York, Dec. 6.--Mrs. Anna Neustatel, a widow, testified before the Lexow committee this afternoon that after her husband's death she bought a saloon at 108 Livingston street, and paid Detectives Brennan and McCor-

THE PORTE IS ALARMED

Turkey Now Eager to Explain the Massacre of Armenians.

ANOTHER STORY RELATED

Turks Deny That Women and Children Were Killed by Troops--Americans Think President's Message Should Have Referred to the Topic.

By the United Press.

London, Dec. 6.--A dispatch from Constantinople to the Morning Advertiser says that the Porte denies, on the authority of the commander of the Fourth army corps, that any women or children were killed in the Sassoun district by regular troops. It is added that not a single unarmed individual was killed; indeed, twenty rebels who submitted were treated with the greatest consideration and were liberated after their evidence had been taken. It was through their statements that the place where Hamparson and his accomplices had taken refuge was revealed. No other rebels submitted.

MISS BRAND'S MISFORTUNE.

She Is Robbed of a Package Containing Nearly \$10,000, on One of Cincinnati's Busiest Streets.

By the United Press.

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 6.--Josephine Brand, a single woman 43 years of age, whose home is in Lawrenceburg, Ind., was robbed of \$3,800 this evening on Central avenue in plain sight of many people. This morning she came to the city with the intention of drawing out of bank all her money and taking it to Lawrenceburg. She had a draft for \$338 on the Citizens' bank of this city, and, after cashing it, wrapped the money in a handkerchief and secreted it under her corage. After shopping several hours she drew \$9,800 from her bank, placing it in a satin handbag closed with drawstrings. As she was going down one of the most prominent streets in the city a man suddenly slipped behind her, and grabbing the bag, ran it a mile. The thief displayed a set of bundles which she had under her arm and as she struggled to save them she released her hold on the bag. The thief ran up Central avenue and disappeared on Fourth street.

PENNSY'S NEW CAPTAIN.

Carl S. Williams Will Command the Foot Ball Team.

By the United Press. Philadelphia, Dec. 6.--Carl S. Williams was today unanimously selected captain of the University of Pennsylvania foot ball team for next year. Williams played quarter back on this year's team and was substitute quarter back on last year's team. He is 21 years old and a member of the medical class of '97.

The Addicks Divorce Case.

By the United Press. Wilmington, Del., Dec. 6.--Counsel for J. Edward Addicks said today that no formal answer to his wife's petition for divorce will be filed. A demurrer will be interposed declaring that the charges of the petitions are not specific, and asking that definite charges be made so that direct answer may be filed.

Dubs Will Be at Denver.

By the United Press. Denver, Dec. 6.--Eugene V. Debs will attend the convention of the American Federation of Labor to be held here next week for the purpose of obtaining an endorsement of his plan to amalgamate all the labor organizations to be known as the United Federation of Labor.

Another Furnace Started.

By the United Press. Reading, Pa., Dec. 6.--No. 2 furnace of the Reading Iron company was put in blast today. The stack has been idle for nearly three years. This is the second furnace started up by the company within a month.

Our Gold Will Float Away.

By the United Press. New York, Dec. 6.--Arrangements were made today for the shipment of \$1,500,000 worth of gold to Europe, and, unless the foreign exchange market should weaken unexpectedly tomorrow the gold will be withdrawn from the sub-treasury tomorrow morning.

Killed by Foot Ball.

By the United Press. Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 6.--Stewart Criss, aged 24, a student at the Culver Military academy, Maximinko, died yesterday from an injury received in a game of foot ball played three weeks ago between the cadets of the academy and the Indianapolis high school team.

Big Fire in Texas.

By the United Press. Fort Worth, Tex., Dec. 6.--A raging fire is reported in the extreme western part of Texas and eastern New Mexico. The ranges have been totally destroyed, \$5,000,000 acres of grass being consumed.

MINOR WIRINGS.

The Debs conspiracy case at Chicago was postponed until Dec. 18. Two marvelous cures of diphtheria by anti-toxine have set Kansas City doctors wild.

Without a tremor, Riggo Vela, who killed his wife, went to his death at Lockhart, Tex. Albany, N. Y., Women's Christian temperance union is against "living pictures and sin in general."

Conviction of bribery was found at New Orleans against Numa Dudoussat, a member of the city council. A \$50,000 defalcation was found in the accounts of S. W. Ridenour, the misting ex-deputy clerk of Chicago.

To catch his sweetheart flirting, Adolph Rospe, of Brooklyn, put on a false beard and moustache, and was arrested.

William B. Wilson, of Philadelphia, has been made second vice president of the Telegraphic Historical Society of America.

SEVERED FOOT IN HIS HAND.

Nervy Action of a Young State Pickler After a Crash.

By the United Press.

Pottsville, Pa., Dec. 6.--William Oates, a 15-year-old state pickler at Thomaston colliery, had a thrilling experience, in which he came off minus one foot. He got one of his feet in the monkey rolls in the breaker while the machinery was in motion and his leg was torn off below the knee.

After the accident the nervy lad stood alongside the rolls on one leg and held "his foot" as severed foot in one hand until assistance came.

BOYCOTTED BY LABOR.

The Negroes of the Country Not Recognized by Unions.

By the United Press.

Philadelphia, Dec. 6.--The Christian Recorder of this city, published in the interest of the African Methodist church, publishes an open letter addressed to John Burns, the English labor leader, urging him to use his influence at Denver towards having the word white eliminated from the constitutions of the great labor organizations of this country.

The letter claims that 8,000,000 colored workmen in the United States are "boycotted" by organized labor.

TRAGEDY IN KENTUCKY.

A Whiskey Peddler Who Has Ruined a Young Girl, Shoots Her Father, and Brother, and Brother-in-Law.

By the United Press.

Ashland, Ky., Dec. 6.--A tragedy that will end in the loss of three lives occurred last night at a small hamlet called Fultz, thirty miles from here, where, for six months, Thomas James, a whiskey peddler, representing himself to be a cattle driver, has been clandestinely meeting the daughter of Farmer George Fultz. The parents' suspicions as to condition of the girl were confirmed by her confession. The father, his son, George, and a son-in-law, in search of James.

CHINA SUES FOR PEACE.

The Foreign Board About to Send an Ambassador to Japan.

By the United Press.

Washington, Dec. 6.--It is reported late this evening that Ministers Denby and Dun closed the war for peace negotiation between China and Japan. The Chinese foreign board is about to send to Tokio an ambassador fully authorized to treat for a cessation of hostilities.

Found Dead in His Room.

By the United Press.

Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 6.--H. N. Judge, one of the leading lawyers of West Alabama, died at 9 o'clock yesterday morning in his room in Etowah yesterday with a pistol grasped in his hand and a gaping wound in the side of his head, from which the brains and blood oozed.

Looking After the Couplings.

By the United Press.

Washington, Dec. 6.--Mr. Draper, of Massachusetts, offered in the house today a bill which makes it unlawful for any common carrier to haul any car not equipped with automatic couplings or any passenger coach that is not fitted with such couplings or any locomotive without driving wheel brakes.

The Steamer Paris Aground.

By the United Press.

Southampton, Dec. 6.--The American line steamer Paris, Captain Watkins, from New York, Nov. 28, went aground on the company's dock extension during a dense fog at 9 o'clock yesterday. The passengers and mails were landed by tenders. She was floated at high tide today and reached her dock at 12:30 p. m.

KEYSTONE NOTES.

The convention of the State Farmers' Alliance will be held in Harrisburg the third week in December. While playing with a revolver at Honeybrook, 6-year-old Edward Leibo shot his 3-year-old brother Willie dead.

At a meeting of the committee on law, of the Reading school board, it was decided to prosecute all school tax delinquents.

Chief Burgess Nichols, of Pottsville, has vetoed council's proposition to cut down the number of companies in the fire department.

Pottsville borough council has appointed a committee to make arrangements to give the taxpayers an opportunity to vote for an increase of debt sufficient to establish public water works.

Charles Gorman, aged 25 years, living near Boston, seemed violently insane Tuesday night on a Lehigh Valley express train and created great consternation among the passengers before being overpowered.

CABLE CULLINGS.

King Humbert of Italy has given \$20,000 more for the relief of earthquake sufferers.

Switzerland will ask foreign governments to adopt international regulations on labor questions.

EASTERN LEAGUE FORMED

It Will Open Next Season with an Eight Club Circuit.

By the United Press.

The Balance of the Circuit Includes Toronto, Buffalo, Rochester, Springfield, Providence and Wilkes-Barre--Patrick Will Hold the Offices.

New York, Dec. 6.--The Eastern league of base ball clubs concluded its labors today in one session and most of the delegates have returned to their homes.

All the clubs were represented when the meeting was called to order. The question of filling the circuit was the first matter considered. The Bridgeport, Conn. club was given a hearing and the ex-New York ball player, James O'Rourke, made an able speech in behalf of the city of Bridgeport as a base ball town and he made such an impression upon the delegates that a committee was appointed later to consider the advisability of increasing the circuit.

President James Franklin, of the Buffalo club, notified the league that he had come to a satisfactory arrangement for the purchase of the franchise and players of the Erie club. He turned the franchise over to the league and will retain the players. The franchise was then given to the Toronto club, which was represented by W. J. Smith and Charles Maddock in behalf of Peter Ryan, register of Toronto and a great base ball enthusiast.

Scranton Is In It. Scranton was permitted to retain the Troy franchise by the payment of the \$250 that they had failed to hand over last season to meet the \$300 that the club had agreed to pay when the franchise was turned over to them last summer and the Scranton delegates were invited into the meeting.

The Rochester club was given the vacancy caused by the disbandment of the Yankees club. John C. Chapman, the veteran base ball player, will doubtless be made manager of the Rochester club next season.

A circuit committee was then appointed consisting of President P. T. Powers, Thomas E. Burns, of Springfield, and G. N. Kuntzsch, of Syracuse, to look over the field and consider the advisability of making a local circuit by admitting Bridgeport, Conn., and Newark, N. J. The circuit now consists of Toronto, Buffalo, Rochester, Syracuse, Springfield, Providence, Scranton and Wilkes-Barre.

A committee consisting of C. H. Morton, of Buffalo; John E. F. Bogart, of Wilkes-Barre; and W. L. Betts, of Scranton, was appointed to revise the constitution and report on the same at the annual spring meeting of the league.

Powers Is the Pooh Bah.

The secretary was instructed to cast one ballot for P. T. Powers as president, secretary and treasurer, which was done, and Mr. Powers' salary was increased accordingly. The board of directors elected were: James Franklin, Buffalo; W. H. Draper, of Providence, and John E. F. Bogart, of Wilkes-Barre. A schedule committee was appointed consisting of President P. T. Powers, C. H. Morton (formerly of Erie, but now the manager of the Buffalo club), and E. A. Johnson, of Providence. The league instructed President Powers to push the suit, in the interest of the players, which was begun against Marcus Russel, of Troy, for the back salaries of his players while that club was in the league.

It was agreed that the Eastern league should apply to the National league for reservation privileges for class B, which are \$75 a club, the National league reserving the privilege of taking any of their players at the end of a season by the payment of \$25 for each player desired. President Powers was authorized to select a competent staff of umpires at a salary in excess of that which was paid last year. President Powers declined to state the amount that would be paid. The umpires last season received \$25 per month, but they had to pay their own expenses.

THEY ARE USED TO IT.

Bus Containing U. P. Foot Ball Players Upset on a Bumping Avance.

The following members of the University of Pennsylvania Foot Ball team registered at the Westminster last night: C. W. Williams, William L. Atkin, J. B. Starnard, Thomas J. Orblison, J. W. Ufflerbringer, Charles T. Gelbert, Jr., W. T. Worth, Buel and Farrar remained at Wilkes-Barre over night, and Woodruff, O. Wagonhurst and J. Wagonhurst are expected to arrive this morning. They play the Scranton eleven at the Base Ball park this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Those who registered at the Westminster arrived on the midnight Lackawanna train and drove to the hotel and a race ensued between the two buses along Wyoming avenue. One of the buses crossed the car rails at a sharp angle leaving one of the wheels behind. The vehicle turned over and unceremoniously discharged the passengers who, however, escaped unhurt.

WHERE IS JOHNSON?

A Gay Commission Merchant After Gathering About \$12,000, Skips Out.

By the United Press.

Pittsburg, Dec. 6.--Frank Johnson, giving his former address as Elgin, Ill., located on Liberty avenue, Pittsburg, eight weeks ago, engaged in the produce commission business under the firm name of Kirkpatrick & Johnson. Johnson made flattering promises of favorable returns to those dealing with him and succeeded in gathering in from \$1,200 to \$20,000.

Two days ago Johnson was among the missing, and he has not as yet been located. Nothing whatever is known of Kirkpatrick.

FATE OF THE DUNCANS.

They Demanded Fire-Water and Received Cold Lead.

By the United Press.

Shelbyville, Ind., Dec. 6.--A pitched battle, from which two parties will lose their lives, occurred at 1 o'clock this morning in Clark township, this county. Harry Windhurst is a saloonkeeper at Acton, a small station on the Big

STRUCK BY A TROLLEY CAR.

Squire Loughrey of Port Griffith Receives Serious Injuries.

Special to the Scranton Tribune.

Pittston, Dec. 6.--William Loughrey, the well known justice of the peace of Port Griffith, accompanied by his daughter, while driving to their home Wednesday evening was struck by an electric car, north bound, and thrown to the ground.

Mr. Loughrey received an ugly gash on the head. His hip was also injured. The girl escaped uninjured.

THE FRIENDS OF "LO."

National Woman's Indian Association in Session at New Haven--Officers Chosen for the Ensuing Year.

By the United Press.

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 6.--The National Women's Indian association met in annual session in the United church this morning, forty states being represented by 300 delegates. Mrs. Amelia T. Quinton, of Philadelphia, national president, occupied the chair. After scriptural lessons and prayer, Miss M. E. Ives, of this city, delivered an address of welcome to which Mrs. E. S. Savage, of New York, responded. The national treasurer, Miss Helen R. Foote, of Pennsylvania, reported receipts during the year \$12,145.62; and expenditures \$18,714. The organ of the association, The Indian Friend, is now self-supporting.

The corresponding secretary of the association, Miss Eliza W. Jones, of New Jersey, reported eight new associations formed in Rhode Island during the year, two in Louisiana, two in Pennsylvania, one in New Jersey and one in Ohio.

The following officers were chosen for the ensuing year: Honorary president, Mrs. M. L. B. Rambaut, New York; president, Mrs. A. Squinton, Pennsylvania; vice-president at large, Mrs. W. H. Brooks, New Jersey; eastern vice-president, Mrs. J. Bidwell, California; corresponding secretary, Miss E. W. Jones, New Jersey; recording secretary, Mrs. H. O. Wilbur, Pennsylvania; treasurer, Mrs. H. P. Foote, Pennsylvania; auditor of accounts, Mrs. C. G. Boughton, Pennsylvania; executive board, Mrs. W. R. Brooks, New Jersey; Mrs. G. D. Boardman, Miss S. M. Taylor, Mrs. J. T. Cook, Mrs. William Blackwell, Mrs. Russell Conwell, Mrs. E. M. Wister, Mrs. C. E. Milnor, Philadelphia; Mrs. C. C. Hine, New Jersey; Mrs. P. S. Laggart, Mrs. Edward Elliot, Mrs. A. Blekmore, Mrs. Clinton E. Fish, Mrs. George Wood, Mrs. H. Green, Mrs. C. T. Cook, Mrs. William Isaacs, Mrs. B. I. Reynolds, Mrs. O. F. Zollikoffer, Mrs. J. C. Baldwin, Mrs. O. W. Wickham, Mrs. Hugh O'Neil, Mrs. William Collins, Mrs. W. H. Laird, Mrs. S. A. Shepley, New York City; Mrs. L. Abbott, Mrs. W. L. Burke, Mrs. F. A. Van Iderstine, Mrs. G. W. Vansickler, Mrs. Van B. Bergen, Brooklyn.

Mrs. Sara L. Kinney, of Connecticut, read an interesting paper entitled "Good Cheer."

President Squinton announced that the government intended to appoint an assistant Indian commissioner, who would be in a position to render great service to the association.

DR. DURLAND'S CASE.

Jury Seals a Verdict Which Will Be Read Today.

By the United Press.

Philadelphia, Dec. 6.--The trial of Dr. John H. Durland, president of the Provident Bond and Investment company, charged with using the mails to further a scheme to defraud, was concluded in the United States court this afternoon.

Judge Butler had gone home before the jury reached a decision and the verdict was sealed and will not be known until tomorrow morning.

Colonel Colt's Case.

By the United Press.

Columbus, O., Dec. 6.--The case of Colonel A. B. Colt was admitted to the court of inquiry this morning and the sessions of the court were adjourned sine die. Ex-Attorney General George K. Nash and H. J. Booth made oral arguments for Colonel Colt, and Thomas W. Merchant, of Washington Court House, for the prosecution.

FROM WASHINGTON.

The next congress will not contain a single colored member. Senator Peffer is after the congressional funeral junket with a "sharp stick."

A pension of \$100 per month has been proposed for Mrs. General N. P. Banks. Secretary Herbert's plan for relieving the "stagnation" in naval promotions in the line is not favorably received in congress.

It is not true that Major Alexander McDowell, candidate for the chief clerkship of the next house, has entered into any combination with the New York delegation.

The resolution to inquire into the surrender of two Japanese spies to the Chinese by our consul at Shanghai has been referred to the senate foreign affairs committee.

The lottery feature of the Artisans Building and Loan association of Pittsburg, has been eliminated and the concern has been granted the use of the mails, of which it was recently deprived.

Senator Berry has introduced a bill to provide a temporary form of government for that part of the Indian Territory occupied by the five civilized tribes. It provides for a territory, to be known as Indianola.

The man who has been longest in the civil service of this government is Isaac Bassett, the acting assistant clerkkeeper of the senate. Sixty-three years ago Daniel Webster had Bassett appointed page in the senate, and the venerable Captain Bassett is yet hearty and well, and able to attend to his official duties.

WEATHER REPORT.

For eastern Pennsylvania, fair; north-west winds; becoming variable.

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