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SILVER FAVORED IN SENATE

Friends of Mr. Jones' Coinage Bill Prevail by Majority of 3.

LEADING UP TO FREE COINAGE

The Vote on Motion to Take Up the Bill of the Senator from Arkansas Demonstrates the Strength of Silver Advocates.

By the United Press.

Washington, Feb. 18.—Today's session of the senate was interesting from start to finish. Early in the day the resolution offered last Saturday by Mr. Stewart, Nevada, declaring that there was no authority in law for the purchase of gold coin in preference to silver coin was laid before the senate, and Mr. Gray, Delaware, took advantage of it to reply to the attacks made last Saturday upon the president in connection with the contract for the purchase of gold by the issue of a 4 per cent. bond. Mr. Gray entered into a defense of the action of the president and showed that the president had twice appealed to congress for aid in sustaining the credit of the United States; that congress had sat dumb and irresponsive to those appeals, and that the executive action was dictated by his duty under the laws. It was entirely the fault of congress, not of the president, if the government had to pay interest at the rate of 2 1/2 per cent. instead of 3 per cent.

Senator Sherman, Ohio, also addressed the senate, contending that a promise to pay in coin was payment in such coin as the holder of the bonds desired, and that the government had required gold coin to be paid for all the bonds issued since 1869, honesty and fair dealing required their re-payment, principal and interest, in gold coin. Mr. Sherman, however, was far from approving the contract whereby 4 per cent. thirty year bonds were sold to the syndicate at 104 1/2, when they were really worth, in the English and American market, 120.

He characterized the bargain as faulty and imprudent on the part of the United States, but concluded that it had now to be submitted to. There was no action on the resolution.

Leaning Toward Silver.

Then Mr. Jones, Arkansas, came forward with a motion that the senate proceed to the consideration of the bill reported by him from the finance committee on Feb. 12, providing for the issue of bonds and the coinage of silver. This motion was antagonized by a motion to adjourn, made by Mr. Hale, Maine, but the senate, by a very decisive vote of 11 to 3, refused to adjourn. After some interminable skirmishing the senate came to a direct vote on the motion to take up the silver bill; and the friends of that measure prevailed with a majority of three, the vote being: Yeas, 20; nays, 17, as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Allen, Hale, Berry, Blackburn, Butler, Call, Clark, Dingle, Dubois, Hansbrough, Harris, Hutton, Jones, of Arkansas; Jones, of Nevada; Kyle, McLaughlin, Mitchell, Morgan, Peffer, Perkins, Reagin, Smith, Tamm, Teller, Tilden, Tipton, Voorhees, Walsh, White, Yates.

Nays—Messrs. Allison, Bacon, Camden, Carey, Chandler, Clegg, Cushman, Dingle, Gurnea, Gibson, Gray, Hale, Hawley, Hill, Hoar, McMillin, McPherson, Manderson, Mitchell, of Wisconsin; Palmer, Pascoe, Platt, Proctor, Quay, Sherman, Vilas, 27.

The following pairs were announced: Messrs. Hale and Sherman, Wolcott and Murphy; Cushman and Wagner; Dingle and Shoup; and Smith, Frazier and Higgins, Roach and Gorman; Fry and Morrill; Cockrell and Culom; Blanchard and Burrows; Lodge and Smith.

Mr. Jones' bill provides as follows:

That from and after the passage of this act, the secretary of the treasury is hereby authorized and directed to receive at any United States mint from any citizen of the United States silver bullion of standard fineness, and coin the same into silver dollar of 412 1/2 grains each. The seigniorage on the said bullion shall belong to the United States and shall be the difference between the coinage value thereof and the market price of the bullion in New York on the day the deposit is made, and all expenditures for the coinage of the said bullion shall be paid out of the proceeds of the sale of the said bullion at the price thereof as aforesaid; and whenever the said coinage herein provided for shall be received into the treasury, certificates may be issued thereon, in the manner now provided by law.

MRS. MANSFIELD INJURED.

The Actress Receives Severe Shock in a Car Wreck.

By the United Press.

Milwaukee, Feb. 18.—Beatrice Cameron, or Mrs. Richard Mansfield, as she is known in private life, sustained serious injuries in a peculiar railroad accident here this afternoon, and in consequence no performance was given at the Davidson theater this evening. Upon the arrival of Mansfield's company from Chicago this afternoon his private car was switched out into the St. Paul yards. Mrs. Mansfield and her maid were the only occupants, and were preparing to leave the car when a passenger coach crashed into it with terrific force, through the open switch, wrecking both cars and throwing Mrs. Mansfield and her maid to the floor with great violence. The former sustained several cuts and bruises about the head and face and was rendered unconscious. Her maid escaped with a few bruises. Late tonight it was announced that Mrs. Mansfield would probably be able to play tomorrow evening.

SEEKING THE OFFICES.

An Army of Applicants Desire Positions in Department of Agriculture.

By the United Press.

Harrisburg, Pa., Feb. 18.—The governor is besieged with applications for place in the department of agriculture, created by the bill on the calendar for second reading in the senate. Chairman Moore, of the agriculture committee, who had charge of the bill in the house, is a formidable aspirant for the proposed new department. Other aspirants are the incumbent, Eastern Reeder, of Bucks; J. Cheston Morris, of Philadelphia; Captain Levi Wells, of Bradford; and Jason Sexton, superintendent of William M. Singler's Montgomery county farm. Commissioner Reeder is being urged

GREAT CONGRESS OF WOMEN

Types of Feminine Beauty at the National Council at Washington.

OF ALL AGES AND CONDITIONS

Dress Reformers and Butterflies of Fashion Brush Against Each Other—Mrs. Sewall Advocates Revision of the Laws of Divorce.

By the United Press.

Washington, Feb. 18.—The leading features of the opening session of the second triennial congress of the National Council of Women of the United States in Metzerott hall today was the address of the president, Mrs. May Wright Sewall, of Indianapolis. In her opening address she advocated a revision of the laws of divorce. She took high ground in favor of more sensible and hygienic living and dressing, for a greater regard being paid to the physical and social culture of the young, and for the patriotic instruction of all the youth of the land. She gave a brief and interesting account of the general work done by the organization and its members since the preceding session four years ago, and also since its organization in 1885, and predicted greater changes and more sweeping reforms in the coming ten years than those through which they had just passed. The address was enthusiastically applauded and greeted with the waving of hundreds of handkerchiefs.

President Sewall represented her co-workers on the board of general officers and the presidents and delegates of the organization composing the council, who were gathered about her on the stage. The gathering was not only representative from a geographical standpoint, but from those of appearance and sphere. Dress reformers and women in gowns of the mode sat side by side, while here and there could be seen the quaint bonnet of a Quakeress. All ages were likewise in evidence, ranging from more than three score and ten of Miss Susan B. Anthony, to the 13 years of Miss H. Ogden Moore of Georgia. It was truly a national council of women.

After President Sewall had delivered her annual address a recess was taken until 3 o'clock, when the officers of the council held an informal reception in the Ebbitt House parlors which lasted until 5 o'clock.

SWALLOWED A LIZARD.

It Lived in a Deputy Sheriff's Stomach for Fourteen Years and Then Died.

By the United Press.

Parkersburg, W. Va., Feb. 18.—Fourteen years ago, while Deputy Sheriff Frank M. Ford was riding along the highway near Morgantown, he stopped at a roadside spring for a drink. While in the act of drinking Mr. Ford saw a small lizard, which, he says, looked to be about two inches in length, slide toward his mouth. Before he could prevent it he felt it as it slid down his throat. Greatly alarmed, Ford tried in every way he could think of to dislodge his uncomfortable tenant, but in vain. He then mounted his horse and made his way home as rapidly as possible, and as soon as he got there he took a strong emetic, hoping thereby to dislodge the reptile, but failed. From that day on the lizard remained in his stomach, causing him to feel sick and nauseated, and the man began to lose flesh and health, and today he is unable to leave his house.

A day or two ago, after having taken a dose of medicine, the lizard was ejected. It was dead, but presented the appearance of having been dead but a very short time. The reptile had been in the man's stomach fourteen years.

George Hoffman, an acquaintance of Sheriff Ford, visited the latter only a day or two ago and was told of the final ridance of the reptile.

FOUR TIMES HIS BRIDE.

Young Girl Has Had Three Names and Four Divorce Suits.

By the United Press.

New York, Feb. 18.—One of the most remarkable stories of marriage and divorce on record came to light in the superior court on a motion to file an amended complaint. From the papers it appears that a girl aged 19 has been married four times to the same man, has begun and discontinued four suits for divorce, has tried breach of promise proceedings, has figured in the courts under three names, has three lawyers, and has figured as co-respondent once. The girl's latest name is Maggie Pratt. She has appeared in the divorce courts before as Maggie J. Finerty and Margaret Finley. The defendant is much older, and his name is Spencer Charles Pratt. He says in his answer that the whole business is blackmail, and cites the various suits against him. The girl had been married in Philadelphia, twice, and in Rahway and Bayonne once each. Pratt's lawyer said that his client had not been married.

AGED PHYSICIAN KILLED.

Dr. Dyes of Chicago Struck by a Railway Train.

By the United Press.

Chicago, Feb. 18.—Dr. William Godfrey Dyes, one of Chicago's pioneer physicians, was killed by a Lake Shore train at the Sixty-ninth street crossing last night. It is supposed that the old gentleman did not see the approaching train because of the heavy snow which was falling at the time. Dr. Dyes was born in Dublin in 1807, and was graduated from the Royal College of Surgeons in 1829. He came to Chicago early in the fifties, and was for some time editor of the Chicago Journal. He afterward resumed active medical practice, and retired but a short time ago.

CONDENSED STATE TOPICS.

Allegheny City proposes to borrow \$400,000 to build water works.

Oil men at Pittsburg have subscribed \$50,000 for the new company organized at Bradford to oppose the Standard Oil company.

Judge Yerkes, of Bucks county, declares he will revoke the license of any saloon keeper who sells drinks to prison inmates or paupers.

About 15 wages claims, aggregating \$200,000, have been filed against Contractor F. J. Amweg for work done on the Wernersville insane asylum.

Owing to snowdrifts, Mrs. Fergus McDermott, living two miles from Altoona, only reached that town yesterday with the news that her husband froze to death eight days ago.

POTTSVILLE MINE HORROR

Death Follows a Terrific Explosion of Gas in West Bear Ridge Colliery.

MANY KILLED AND WOUNDED

Six Miners Are Taken Out Alive Though Terribly Injured—Five Dead Bodies Recovered—Other Victims Still in the Mine.

By the United Press.

Pottsville, Pa., Feb. 18.—A terrific explosion of mine gas took place at 10 o'clock this morning in West Bear Ridge colliery, belonging to the Reading company, and located at Mahanoy Plane. The following miners were taken out seriously and probably fatally injured: Anthony Myers and Edward Davis, of Girardville; William Minnich and William Goff, of Ashland; John Lamey, Mahanoy Plane; William Davis, of Mahanoy Plane, was slightly burned. While being taken to the miners' hospital at Ashland, Anthony Myers, one of the men rescued this morning, died of his injuries. The heads of the bodies were bruised and scorched and this indicates that they were killed by the force of the explosion.

The five bodies recovered were those of Peter Greenback, St. Clair; Joseph Glitz, Crescent Hill; Thomas Durlain, Girardville; Benjamin Reider, Mahanoy Plane, and Peter Kline, Ashland. While being taken to the miners' hospital at Ashland, Anthony Myers, one of the men rescued this morning, died of his injuries. The heads of the bodies were bruised and scorched and this indicates that they were killed by the force of the explosion.

CAUSED BY A NAKED LAMP.

Major Heber S. Thompson, of Pottsville, was in the mine at the time, but he escaped without injury.

The colliery, which is owned by the Reading Coal and Iron company, is situated on the Girard coal land, of which Mr. Thompson is the general superintendent, and he was making an inspection of the mine this morning in his official capacity when the explosion occurred. The origin of the explosion is not known, but it is believed that a naked lamp ignited a large body of gas that had been let down when a blast was made in the roadway.

The mine is burning fiercely, though the employees of the company are fighting it with energy. Several thousand feet of hose was procured from the home company of Mahanoy Plane and Gilbert and this was put into use. The fire is located in the northern Monkey driveway, and is in a place that is not easy of access. The officials hope to be able to extinguish the fire before it gets a hold on the coal. Should the latter disaster follow, the mine will have to be flooded, and in that case over 200 men would be thrown out of work. The colliery has a capacity of 250,000 tons annually.

CONVENTION OF WHEELMEN.

Fourteenth Annual Gathering of the League at New York.

By the United Press.

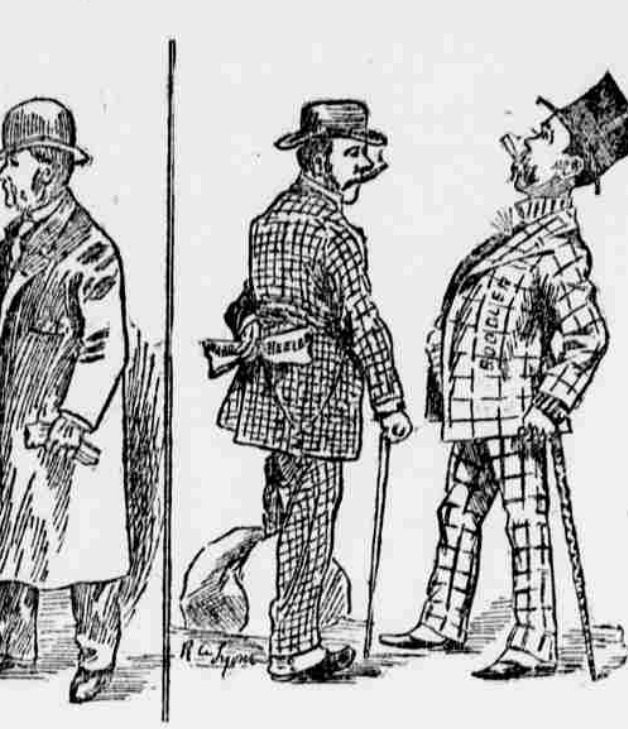
New York, Feb. 18.—The fourteenth annual convention of the League of American Wheelmen began this morning in the Grand Union hotel. There were about 125 delegates present. They represented nearly every state and territory of the Union. A new president will be elected. There is only one ticket in the field, A. C. Willson, of Maryland, who was the vice-president of the League of American Wheelmen, heads it. He will succeed Charles H. Lunscomb, who resigned today. Charles A. Perkins, of Boston, will be made vice-president. There are four candidates for the second vice-presidency. In addition to the election of officers, new rules will be adopted.

NEW JERSEY FIEND'S ACT.

After Abusing His Wife Spearling Cuts Her Throat with a Razor.

By the United Press.

New York, Feb. 18.—Mrs. Helena Spearling, 42 years of age, of Hoboken, N. J., was killed by her husband this morning. Spearling had abused and ill-treated his wife for some time and she complained to the police, who arrested him, and he was sent to the Snake Hill penitentiary. This morning the couple had a quarrel in their bed room and as Mrs. Spearling turned to leave the room her husband seized her and drew a razor across her throat, severing the wind pipe and nearly cutting her head from the body. After cutting his wife's



Business Men or Boodlers for Council--Which?

WARWICK-PATTISON FIGHT

Election in the Quaker City Today Will Be Most Exciting.

By the United Press.

Lawrenceburg, Ky., Feb. 15.—One of the most remarkable marriages ever witnessed in Kentucky was solemnized in this county Friday when Colonel Cody Bourne wedded Miss Rose Brown. He has passed his ninety-third year, while his bride is but a few days over sixteen. She is the seventh woman who has stood before the colonel and promised to love, honor and obey him. The bride is the daughter of Jackson Brown, of the Shiloh neighborhood, this county. Until last October Colonel Bourne was an inmate of the Anderson County poorhouse, where he had been confined for ten years.

His life is full of sensational situations. In the prime of manhood, away back in the thirties, he died for a Texas ranger, while he was known as "Fleet-foot Cody," a title he earned because of his propensity to walk or run for miles rather than on horseback or in the stage coaches. Leaving Texas shortly before the Mexican war, Colonel Bourne walked through the country to this county, some years later entering the United States army and fighting to the end of the civil war. At the close he came back to Lawrenceburg. He was so infirm and poverty stricken that the county authorities gave him a home at the poorhouse. He had been married four times previous to his entrance there in 1855. Soon after he became one of the county's paupers he married one of the inmates of the almshouse, who lived but a few years. Colonel Bourne repeated this matrimonial venture by eloping with another inmate and walked to Indiana on a bridal tour. On the way they met a preacher, who performed the ceremony on the public highway. The wedding journey was continued through the Hoosier state, Colonel Bourne and bride returning a few months later to the poorhouse.

IRWIN VINDICATED.

Pittsburg Jury Acquits the Discretionary Pool Operator.

By the United Press.

Pittsburg, Pa., Feb. 18.—The sealed verdict of the jury in the case of Discretionary Pool Operator George M. Irwin was opened by Judge Kennedy today. The finding was for acquittal, defendant to pay the costs, so far as the charges of false pretense preferred by Mrs. Brown are concerned. The court room was crowded to the limit. The verdict created no surprise and Irwin was the first man to leave the bench in the case. He had been charged with being the man to break faith with these candidates. Mr. Pattison has the splendid record of an unbeaten candidate. He has twice carried the city of Philadelphia for controller, and twice carried the great Republican state of Pennsylvania for governor.

In addition to the two heads of the tickets, councilmen and nineteen police magistrates will be elected tomorrow. A conservative estimate of the situation tonight makes it reasonably doubtful which party will elect the heads of the ticket tomorrow.

EYRICH RELEASED.

The Court Considers Him Capable of Managing His Estate.

By the United Press.

Harrisburg, Pa., Feb. 18.—As a result of habeas corpus proceedings today Judge Simonson ordered the discharge of William Eyrich from the hospital for the insane in this city. The testimony went to show that Eyrich was able to take care of himself. His home is at Reading, and there was some trouble about his property.

FOREIGN NOTES.

Archduke Albrecht, field marshal and inspector general of the army of Austria, died at Areo yesterday morning from congestion of the lungs. He was in his seventy-eighth year.

WAFFED FROM THE WIRES.

Strikers on two Brooklyn trolley roads have declared the strike off.

For the murder of Emma Hunt, who rejected his suit, William Lake, of Albion, N. Y., was sentenced to death. Sioux City temperance women made the round of the saloons, singing hymns, and will enjoin liquor sellers that break the law.

Doctors and undertakers disagreed as to Mrs. Peter Oswald, of Lenox, Mich., being really dead, and the funeral is postponed to settle the question.

For attempts at bulldozing voters in the November election, D. H. Chapman, a Democratic challenger, of Chicago, was given eighteen months in prison.

Richard Donnelly, charged with the murder of Lena Tapper, at Denver, Col., has been rearrested, as new evidence has been found. He is one of the "strangers."

THE RESULT IS UNCERTAIN

Leaders of Various Factions Will Be Abroad at Early Dawn Prepared to Carve Regardless of Party Affiliations.

By the United Press.

Philadelphia, Feb. 18.—Local elections will be held in every township of all the counties in Pennsylvania tomorrow and in every city and borough. Mayors, burgesses, councilmen, school directors, election board officers and other officials are to be elected. Here in this city an interest that has not been equalled for years has been aroused by the mayoralty canvass made by Charles F. Warwick, the Republican candidate, and ex-Governor Robert E. Pattison, the Democratic standard bearer. The contest has been particularly fierce and waged with a virulence which with which no political battle in this city has been fought for a long time.

Under usual conditions Mr. Warwick would probably be swept into the mayoralty chair upon the crest of the usual enormous Republican majority given his party in Philadelphia, but local and factional fights in the party ranks have so complicated the situation that tonight there is a reasonable doubt of the certainty of his election.

The normal Republican majority in Philadelphia on local issues is from 21,000 to 25,000, and Mr. Warwick has been four times elected city solicitor with an increased majority each time, so that he brings to the polls with him the prestige of an unbeaten candidate. The factional fight in the Republican party was begun when State Senator Penrose did not receive the nomination for mayor, which he claims had been promised him. The followers of both these men are believed to be contemplating vengeance and it is said that they will "knife" the Republican candidate at the polls tomorrow.

MR. WARWICK'S ASSOCIATE.

Associated with Mr. Warwick upon the ticket is William J. Roney, who is the nominee for receiver of taxes.

Upon the Democratic ticket opposed to Mr. Roney is Colonel Sylvester Bonafant, Jr., an independent Republican. The receivership of taxes fight has been somewhat lost in the great prominence given to the mayoralty battle. Mr. Roney is a brother-in-law of David Martin, the Republican leader of the city of Philadelphia, and as such will probably be freely "knifed" by the followers of Penrose, as Mr. Martin is charged with being the man to break faith with these candidates.

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ELECTRICIANS STRIKE.

They Desire a Working Day of Eight Hours Only.

By the United Press.

New York, Feb. 18.—The electrical workers, 900 men, went out on strike today. At noon the board of walking delegates of the building trades took charge of the strike, and if any firm gives employment to any electrical worker who is not a member of the Electrical Workers' union this board declares that they will order on strike every man in the building trade, and as the board claims its mandate will extend to every man at work anywhere within a radius of fifty miles of this city, 80,000 men will go out on strike when ordered.

The electrical workers say that five weeks ago they notified the Electrical Contractors' association that if on Feb. 15 they were not limited to eight hours for a day's work they would strike. Wages had nothing to do with the question.

WASHINGTON GOSSIP.

Senator Ransom has the overwhelming senatorial preference for the Mexican mission.

Hawaiian revolutionists are entitled to exile in America. Immigration Superintendent Stump decides.

Civil Service Commissioner Lyman has discovered laxities and limitations in the Mexican border customs service, which render smuggling very profitable.

WEATHER REPORT.

For eastern Pennsylvania, fair; south-west winds.

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