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PREPARATIONS FOR THE INAUGURATION

President-Elect McKinley Passes an Active Day.

MANY CALLERS ARE ENTERTAINED

The Last Cabinet Portfolio Disposed of--Major McKinley Serenaded by Various Glee Clubs--President Cleveland Pays His Visit of Ceremony--Hosts of Visitors Constantly Arriving in Washington.

Washington, March 3.--The president-elect passed a very active day. He received a large number of callers and made a formal visit to the White House and took dinner tonight with Colonel John Hay. Major McKinley's most important callers from a political point of view this morning were Messrs. Platt, Bliss and Hanna. Mr. Hanna and Mr. Bliss met at breakfast and had a long talk about the New York situation. Mr. Bliss, who had steadily and stoutly declined up to that time to reconsider his determination not to become a member of the cabinet, finally agreed to accept the position of secretary of the interior if it were offered him. Mr. Hanna went over to the Elbert House at once and in a short time Mr. Bliss was summoned and a few minutes later Mr. Platt. A full, frank discussion followed and then Mr. Bliss was offered a portfolio in the cabinet of Major McKinley. He will be secretary of the interior unless ex-Governor Long, of Massachusetts, should indicate a willingness to take that place and if he does, Mr. Bliss will probably be secretary of the navy. Mr. Platt and Mr. Bliss understood each other thoroughly and it is said they will be jointly consulted about all important New York appointments. The Republican leaders here express great satisfaction over the appointment of Mr. Bliss.

In the afternoon the Charles L. Kurtz Republican club of Columbus, a handsomely uniformed political organization, accompanied by the Columbus Glee club serenaded Major and Mrs. McKinley. The president-elect and his wife came out on the balcony to acknowledge the salute. Mrs. McKinley was slightly indisposed early in the afternoon, but later took a drive for an hour and a half with three of her friends. Tonight she is quite in her usual health.

Among Major McKinley's callers this afternoon were Colonel J. J. McCook, Senator-elect Fairbanks, of Indiana; John E. Mulholland, Congressman C. Z. Taft, of Cincinnati; Vice-President Stevenson, Henry Clay Evans and General E. P. Swallow, of Kansas City.

Late in the evening the A. C. Harter club, of Philadelphia, serenaded the president-elect.

VISITORS EN ROUTE. Philadelphia, March 3.--The exodus from this city for Washington began today and it will continue until tomorrow morning. Several of the more prominent Republican clubs of Philadelphia will not attend the inaugural ceremonies, but this afternoon a dozen clubs, comprising 1,500 men, exclusive of the brass bands, left for the national capital. The clubs will generally occupy the special cars, in which they will make the trip, during the stay in Washington. While the travel from Philadelphia is not as large as on previous inaugurations, it is probable that this city will be largely represented tomorrow.

Wilmington, Del., March 3.--The members of the general assembly and of the constitutional convention left Dover this afternoon for Washington to attend the inaugural ceremonies.

Harrisburg, Pa., March 3.--The special train bearing the members of the Pennsylvania legislature to Washington left here at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

THE FIREWORKS. The programme for the fireworks display tomorrow night has been changed. Instead of commencing at 8 o'clock the first salute of 100 aerial guns will be fired at 7:30 sharp, and after that the display will continue without cessation for fully an hour, from a point 150 feet northwest of the Washington monument.

Another change in the programme will be the illumination of the treasury, white house and state, war and navy departments by a magical fire. It was originally intended to use the capitol building for this illumination. A thousands pounds of a secret composition will be burned and will render the immediate vicinity as bright as day.

After the aerial fireworks Pennsylvania avenue, from the capitol to Seventeenth street, will be illuminated by colored fire. These fires will burn for several hours.

BANQUET TO MAJOR MCKINLEY. Mr. John Hay, who is understood to be slated for the position of ambassador to the court of St. James, gave an elaborate dinner tonight in honor of the president-elect. Covers were laid 141 and twenty-six. The dining room of the Hay residence was tastefully decorated, while the table was a superb affair from an artistic standpoint. Major McKinley sat at the right of the host.

The other guests were the members of Major McKinley's cabinet now in Washington, and a number of friends who accompanied the president-elect to Washington, including Mr. Mark Hanna, Mr. Abner McKinley, and Mr. John Addison Porter. After the dinner Major McKinley returned to the Elbert House and at 11 o'clock retired.

BLACKBURN'S SUCCESSOR. The Kentucky Wrangle Ends in the Appointment of Major Wood.

Louisville, Ky., March 3.--A dispatch from Frankfort says Governor Bradley has appointed Major A. T. Wood, of Mount Sterling, United States senator from Kentucky to succeed J. C. S. Blackburn and that the appointment will be announced tomorrow afternoon or early Friday morning.

St. John Boyle, of Louisville, was offered the appointment, but he declined because he is the Republican nominee and he will prosecute his claims before the extra session which will elect a

WANING HOURS OF THE 54TH CONGRESS

An Immense Amount of Business Transacted in Senate and House.

CRUSH OF VISITORS IN THE HOUSE

Much Haste and Energy Displayed by Leaders in Disposing of Unfinished Business Before the Body. Immigration and Other Bills Passed Over the President's Veto.

Washington, March 3.--The business of the Senate today was principally conference reports. The first to be reported was on the appropriation bill for the District of Columbia. It was not a final report, however, as the conferees had failed to reach an agreement on the series of senate amendments appropriating various sums for the charitable institutions of the city. The partial report was agreed to, and a further conference was ordered.

The next conference committee was on the bill to amend the laws relating to navigation. This is the bill for which Senator Frye, of Maine, was denounced on the idea that it restored flogging in the American merchant marine. In his explanation today he showed that the object of the bill was to relieve sailors who were subjected to assault or imprisonment on the part of a captain or officer from the onus of proof that the assault was inspired by "malice, hatred or revenge"--words used in each explaining the law. He also showed that flogging in the American merchant marine was prohibited by an act passed in 1849, so that those who made such a charge against him were, he said, fools or insane. The conference report was agreed to.

The conference report, final, was made on the postoffice appropriation bill and was agreed to, without any question of discussion, on the part of the Senate. The next report acted on was on the bill relating to copyrights, which Mr. Platt, of Connecticut, stated had nothing to do with the newspapers and only prohibited the use of the word "copyrighted." The report was agreed to.

The conference report on the naval appropriation bill, partial, gave rise to a long discussion and was finally agreed to, and a new conference ordered. The controverted matters that were left open were as to the increase of the number of torpedo boats and the limitation of the price of armor plate to \$300 per ton.

At 6 o'clock the senate took a recess until 8 p. m. The senate resumed its session at 8 p. m., but in the absence of a quorum it was attempted to transact business. It was just nine o'clock when a quorum was announced to be present.

The vote was taken on the bill vetoed by the president granting a pension to Rachel Patton, and resulted: Yeas 23. The bill was passed over the president's veto.

A TILT IN THE SENATE. Mr. Quay, Pennsylvania, having several times suggested the absence of the senator from Massachusetts, called for a quorum each time appearing. He Mr. Hoar, of Massachusetts, to enter a vigorous protest against his dilatory tactics.

It was never intended," he said, "that the senator should be taken into the power of one man to prevent 99 men doing business--one man who in some conceivable case might be under the influence of liquor; and I think that."

Mr. Quay--"I desire to say to the senator from Massachusetts that if he intends to intimidate that I am under the influence of liquor he--"

Mr. Hoar--"I make no such intimation, Mr. President."

Mr. Quay--"Is a lunatic or a liar and I will report an address of a quorum in the senate from Massachusetts or any one else. I am doing what I am doing in the interest of my constituents."

Mr. Hoar repeated his disclaimer of any intention of an address of a quorum in the Pennsylvania senator replied with a remark, sotto voce, that the mere suggestion was a "filthy one."

Mr. Quay went on to say that when the repeal of the Sherman law was pending in the senate dilatory tactics were employed and the senate was powerless to prevent it.

This reference to ancient history brought Mr. Dubois of Idaho, to his feet with the assertion that during that time the senate once called for a quorum when there was a quorum of senators in their seats.

THE CRUSH OF VISITORS. The crush of visitors to the galleries and corridors and the narrow aisles were displayed by the leaders of the house in the management of the big appropriation bills still remaining undischarged, spoke even more plainly today words of the near approach of the close of this congress and of the final action was taken on the bill.

Final action was taken on the bill to amend the tariff laws so as to authorize the sale to the highest bidder

CONYNGHAM FIRE OUT.

Work of Pumping Water from the Mine to Begin at Once.

Wilkes-Barre, Pa., March 3.--The work of pumping water out of the Conyngham mine will begin tomorrow. The fire which originated in this mine about a year ago is now believed to be extinguished. It will take fully a year to remove the water from the shaft.

The Hollenback mine adjoining the Conyngham, separately by a greater of coal has been left alone for fear of the water breaking through the barrier and flooding the Hollenback. On investigation yesterday it is now deemed safe to work in the Hollenback which will be resumed on Monday next.

GLEE CLUB ADMIRER.

Congressman Connell's Scranton Singers Create a Favorable Impression at Washington.

Special to the Scranton Tribune. Washington, D. C., March 3.--Congressman-elect Connell and Mrs. Connell were serenaded at their hotel tonight by the glee club bearing his name. The singers have attracted a great deal of attention since their arrival in Washington, and have received well-merited applause wherever they have appeared. Mr. Connell is very proud of the club.

The new member from the Scranton district spent some time at the capitol today where he met a large number of representatives and senators. Mr. and Mrs. Connell will see Major McKinley sworn in as president in front of the capitol tomorrow, and afterwards witness the parade from their room at the Hotel Regent, corner of Fifteenth street and Pennsylvania avenue, the best point of view along the entire route. They will be joined tomorrow by their two youngest sons, who are students at the University of Pennsylvania.

They also serenaded President-elect McKinley at the Elbert house, and the Washington Post. They were well received at both places. Friday evening the club will give a concert at Georgetown college.

FIGHTING IN CUBA.

Rebels Have Been Displaying Great Activity and Have Obtained Signal Victories Over Spanish Troops.

Havana, March 3.--Advices received here show that the rebels have been displaying great activity and that several encounters sustained with the Spanish troops have obtained signal victories.

Incomplete details received from Manzanillo state that General Garcia with 1,000 men and three pieces of artillery, met General Rey with 1,300 men and three pieces of artillery at Costanada. A fierce fight resulted and Garcia with his superior forces and better position routed the Spaniards, inflicting losses, estimated at six hundred if not over.

Another report comes from Matanzas of a severe engagement on the 24th of February. Cayo Billas, Maya Rodriguez and Carrillo, met General Molinas' forces and obtained a complete victory. Details are lacking. Seventy-four wounded Spaniards were brought into Cuesitas on stretchers. Many dead were left on the field.

Colonel Gonzalez, commanding the rebel forces in Remedios district, recently raided the fort protecting the estate of Dolores. He fired cannon shots at the garrison. The civil guards fled and abandoned their arms and munitions, taking refuge in the building of the estate.

General Aljande Rodriguez, now commanding the rebel forces in Havana province, vigorously and successfully attacked two cavalry squadrons belonging to the Pizarro regiment near Pozorondo. Few Spaniards escaped. It is positively known that twenty-two were buried and the rest were left on the field. Many rumors are circulating regarding Gomez's whereabouts.

No doubt exists that 6,000 insurgent cavalry crossed near Lajas two weeks ago, marching west. They succeeded in entering Matanzas province, and on its borders sustained the encounter referred to above. They were commanded by Major Rodriguez, recently appointed in command of the three western provinces, taking General Maceo's place.

General Carrillo has assumed command of the forces in Matanzas province. It is rumored that the cowboy expedition which left Dallas, Tex., landed safely in Pinar Del Rio.

Stabbed Through the Heart.

Bangor, Pa., March 3.--During an Italian justification here last night Fausto Deporala stabbed Nicholas Ruggero to death. Deporala wanted to get into the house where a party was in progress. He was refused admittance and blamed Ruggero for it. Deporala called Ruggero outside, provoked a quarrel and then stabbed him through the heart. Ruggero died in a few minutes. The murderer made his escape to the mountains.

Earnings of the Lehigh Valley.

Philadelphia, March 3.--The net earnings of the Lehigh Valley Railroad company for January, 1897, as compared with January, 1896, show a decrease of \$165,722. The two months of the fiscal year to Jan. 31 show a decrease in net earnings of \$75,517. The net earnings of the Lehigh Valley Coal company for January show a decrease of \$175,495. For the two months of the fiscal year the decrease in net earnings was \$220,023.

Paymaster Corwin Captured.

Chicago, March 3.--John Corwin, the absconding paymaster of the United States Navy, who was stationed at Newport, R. I., was arrested in Chicago this afternoon. Corwin made no effort to conceal his identity and readily confessed all the charges made against him by the navy department. The police recovered \$2,950 in his possession.

MEN OF PROMINENCE.



CORNELIUS N. BLISS.

New York, March 3.--Cornelius N. Bliss, who enabled Mr. McKinley to complete his cabinet by accepting a portfolio this afternoon, was born in Fall River, Mass., sixty years ago. As a youth he worked in a New Orleans store. Later he became a member of a Boston firm, and in 1866 came to this city. He is now the senior partner in the firm of Bliss, Fabian & Co., one of the largest wholesale dry goods houses in this country. Mr. Bliss was one of the founders of the chamber of commerce. He also drifted into the banking business, and is at present a

director in many financial institutions. He was married in 1858. He is a member of all the prominent clubs of the city, also of the New England society, National Academy of Music, Metropolitan Museum of Art, and other social organizations. He has always been in politics, but never held office. He has been treasurer of the national committee for many years and was always a big contributor. He could have been nominated for governor twice but he declined. He took no part in local politics, but is generally classed as an anti-Platt man.

of forfeited smoking opium, to amend the navigation laws and to revise and amend the patent laws.

ATHLETES CONFIDENT.

Both Corbett and Fitzsimmons Are Certain of Winning the Fight--Methods of Training at Carson.

Carson, Nev., March 3.--Dan Stuart ventured down to his office this morning. His face was pale. Before George Siler followed the massive Texan behind the counter and the two chatted over their plans for half an hour.

"I am glad to know that the big fellows are not quibbling over the rules," remarked Stuart. "I did not expect they would. There is no doubt in my mind that the men are anxious to meet and they won't permit any technicalities to stand between them."

"Yes, the tickets are going as fast as we could expect. I think we will have a swell attendance. Pajpers and tin horns don't travel in sleeping cars and you will see the longest string of Pullmans in the Carson yard that ever came over the dump. I could not shut the women folks out. There is no law that would uphold me in denying them admission and I had to give in and provide for them."

"I can assure you of one positive fact. Anybody who attempts to create a disturbance inside that pavilion will be ejected without ceremony. We intend to procure order about the ring and we have just the right kind of men engaged to do it. The aisles will be kept clear and spectators will be shown their seats without any fussing."

Charles White and Billy Delaney have won Corbett over to their notion of outdoor work. When breakfast was cleared away this morning Jim hunted up a couple of hand weights and set out for a tramp around the hills. He frisks about the sage brush like a school boy and soon distanced White and Delaney, who brought up the rear. After his jaunt Corbett was as cool as a roll of Carson butter, and pleaded for "just one game of hand ball." His trainers would not hear of it and he was seized and rubbed down under protest.

Fitzsimmons was in rare spirits today. "Have you heard that my wife is coming out?" he asked of every one who called.

"I guess Corbett is not the only boulder on the hill. Wait until you see my rose. How can I lose now with her beside me. She is worth an array of trainers. Let Corbett go ahead and practice all the new blows he likes, this fight will be mine."

"Did you know that I had promised my wife that I would retire after meeting Corbett?"

The morning run to Carson was cut out from Fitzsimmons' programme this morning and inserted as an afternoon finish. He took a good rub down instead, and expressed the belief that he could handle the new punches as well as a couple of new punching bags and Bob soon had them frayed at the seams. Stenzler, Hickey and Roebber were jolted about like ten pin when it came to sparring. They were shown no mercy and Fitzsimmons paid back with pawbroker's interest all the blows he received from them while nursing his cold last week.

Rev. Potter Off His Guard.

New York, March 3.--The Rev. Daniel C. Potter, who has resisted all attempts of the Baptist Mission society and John D. Rockefeller to eject him from the parsonage at 362 Second avenue, was put out by force this afternoon. Dr. Potter was caught off his guard by the men who have been watching the house and pulled out of the door, which was then locked against him.

Disabled Firemen's Fund.

Harrisburg, Pa., March 3.--Insurance Commissioner Lambert finds that under the act of 1885, providing for a return of 2 per cent. of the tax on gross premiums of foreign insurance companies doing business in this state, was not applied to the amount available for the disabled firemen's fund which was about \$16,000. There is nothing in the law to compel municipal authorities to establish a firemen's beneficial fund.

Killed by a D. L. and W. Express.

Corning, N. Y., March 3.--Mr. and Mrs. William Lester, of Toga, Pa., were killed while driving across the tracks of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western railroad this morning. Their carriage was struck by an express train and demolished.

THE NEWS THIS MORNING.

- Weather Indications Today: Fair; Cold Wave. 1 Final Preparations for Inauguration. All Night Session of Congress. 2 Certain Situation Becoming Serious. Financial and Commercial. 3 (Local)--Mulberry Street Property. Ash Wednesday Observances. 4 Editorial. Second Term of Grover Cleveland. 5 (Local)--Status of the Kinsey Case. Slip of the Tongue Responsible for Years of Litigation. 6 (Story)--"Celeste." 7 West Side News and Gossip. Suburban Happenings. 8 Up and Down the Valley.

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CHILDREN IN DANGER.

Almost Suffocated at an Early Morning Fire on Franklin Avenue--Work of a Fire Bug.

At 2:45 this morning Patrolman Geo. Jones saw smoke issuing from a frame addition in the rear of a double brick building on Franklin avenue near Vine street. He had an alarm of fire turned in and proceeded to awaken the occupants of the house, all of whom were soundly asleep when he arrived.

By this time the apartments were filled with smoke and the frightened tenants grabbing up the few articles they could place their hands on rushed into the street.

Mrs. Burke, who occupied the upper floor of one-half of the building, cried out that her three children were in the smoke-filled rooms and Patrolman Jones and Lona Day dashed up the stairs and soon reappeared with the three children. They also carried five children out of the rooms on the first floor occupied by William Cutler.

The frame annex was destroyed, but the main part of the structure was but slightly damaged, owing to the good work of the firemen.

The building was owned by John Lewis, of the West Side, and was occupied on the first floor by William Cutler and John Johnson and their families, and on the second floor by John Crady and James Burke and their families. The fire started in the rear of the Cutler apartments and is supposed to have been of incendiary origin. There was no fire of any kind in that portion of the building when the tenants retired about 11 o'clock.

No New Trial for Durant. San Francisco, March 3.--The supreme court this afternoon filed a decision denying a new trial to Theodore Durant, murderer of Blanche Lamont and Minnie Williams.

Harvard's Weather Forecast. New York, March 4.--In the Middle States today considerably colder. On Friday, fair to partly cloudy weather will prevail, followed by rising temperature.