

PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEGISLATURE

Bills Read in Place in Senate and House.

THE INHERITANCE TAX MEASURE

Chairman Bolles, of the Ways and Means Committee, Fathers Three Important Revenue Bills—The Direct Inheritance Tax Is Expected to Yield \$500,000 a Year.

Harrisburg, Pa., April 5.—After a recess of ten days, the senate met at 4 o'clock this afternoon, with President Pro Tem, McCullough, in the chair.

By Mr. Mitchell, of Jefferson—Providing that in counties where there are two judges or more, the chief justice shall have the power to appoint a deputy, at a salary of \$1,200 a year; authorizing the state treasury to refund collateral inheritance tax that has been erroneously paid into the treasury.

By Mr. Siles—Prohibiting the violation of rules of street railway companies in reference to the conduct of passengers. Violation of said rules is punishable by a fine not exceeding \$50 or an imprisonment of not more than 30 days or both.

By Mr. Kaufman—To abolish the public building commission of Philadelphia.

By Mr. Meredith—An amendatory act for the protection of steam engines and boilers by providing additional penalties, by imprisoning those in default of paying the fine one day for each dollar of the fine imposed.

By Mr. Stineham—Providing that the treasurer of Cambria county shall receive in lieu of the present amount the amount allowed him by law, an annual compensation of \$4,000.

By Mr. Heller—To authorize street railway companies to erect a toll drawbridge across the Delaware river, connecting Burlington, N. J., with Bristol, Pa. The toll to be paid for foot passengers, horses, cattle, wagons and all other vehicles. The Burlington and Bristol Bridge company has already been incorporated under the laws of New Jersey to erect this drawbridge.

Owing to the slim attendance in the senate bills on first and second reading were taken up for consideration. Senator Thomas' bill to make Philadelphia the state capital was incorporated in the bill but Senator Walton's bill to build a capitol in Harrisburg at a cost of \$500,000 passed second reading.

The bill regulating the occupation of horse shoeing passed first reading. The senate adjourned until 11 o'clock tomorrow morning.

BILLS IN THE HOUSE

Three important revenue bills were introduced in the house tonight by Chairman Bolles of the ways and means committee. They were framed by Deputy Attorney General Eskin and are intended to be party measures. One taxes inheritances and is expected to yield \$500,000 a year. The bill exempts real estate and fixes the rate of taxation on mixed and personal property at 2 on every \$100 clear value and at and after the same rate for any less amount. All taxes of \$5,000 or less are exempted by the act.

If the tax is paid within three months after the death of the decedent an abatement of 5 per cent. is allowed. If the tax is not paid at the end of a year 10 per cent. is added on, and in cases where the estates from litigation or other causes cannot be settled in a year a charge of 6 per cent. interest will be made. If the property thus in dispute shall not be productive of the estate for a year the heirs shall not be compelled to pay a greater amount than they have realized.

The bill provides for the collection of the tax by the same method as is employed to collect the collateral inheritance tax. Another bill introduced by Chairman Bolles taxes corporations claiming to be insolvent and whose capital stock, therefore, has no value. The bill provides for taxation that the value of the stock shall not be less than that of the property. This scheme will yield \$500,000 a year to the state. The third bill taxes certain corporate loans. A meeting of the ways and means committee will be held tomorrow evening to act upon these and other revenue bills.

PREACHER SUE FOR DIVORCE

Rev. Potter's Wife Files a List of Complaints Against Him.

New York, April 5.—Rev. Dr. Daniel C. Potter, who five weeks ago was put out of the Baptist church in Scranton after a fight with the Baptist City Mission society which had existed over five years, has been sued for divorce.

In all the church foreclosure complications there appeared the name of Julia Ross, who had been appointed superintendent of the city mission. She was Dr. Potter's housekeeper, fought his battle, shared his long siege and finally when he was driven out accompanied him to his flat on East Eighth street.

It fell with the force of a thunderbolt on Dr. Potter, when on Thursday night Hummel served him with papers in a suit for absolute divorce brought by his wife, Mary C. Potter. Mrs. Potter asks for alimony and the custody of the three children of the marriage. In her petition she charges Dr. Potter with acts in violation of his marriage vows committed between the years 1881 and 1897.

Her name as principal respondent is "One Julia Oschewsky, better known as Julia Ross, his housekeeper and superintendent of the city mission, in her petition she charges Dr. Potter with acts in violation of his marriage vows committed between the years 1881 and 1897.

The entertainment held by Miss Dorsey in the Odd Fellows hall Friday evening was a grand success. The hall was filled, on the R. Dupue, an old resident of this place, who was found unconscious in his bed Wednesday evening, died Thursday morning. The funeral was held Monday at the Christian church, Madisonville, Rev. Wardell officiating. Services were

that time, 1892, had charge of the yacht, and he spent much time cruising. In the last count of the charges the name of Miss Ross appears. Ever since Dr. Potter was ejected from the church he has lived in the flat. Here again Mrs. Potter charges Mr. Potter with misconduct. Mrs. Potter, who is out of the city, was married to the defendant in 1882, and she was the first to break it. Mrs. Potter left the parsonage and has not since lived with her husband.

SENATE CONFIRMATIONS.

President McKinley's Various Appointments Are Ratified.

Washington, April 5.—The senate, in executive session today confirmed the following appointments: Andrew D. White, of New York, to be ambassador extraordinary and plenipotentiary to the United States to the republic of Mexico; William F. Draper, of Massachusetts, to be ambassador extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary of the United States to the republic of Mexico; John G. Crawford, of Michigan, to be assistant secretary of the treasury; William B. Howell, of New Jersey, to be assistant secretary of the treasury; Selden Edwards, of Maine, to be pension agent at Augusta, Me.; Chandler Hale, of Maine, to be secretary of the embassy 1897 to the republic of Mexico; Samuel L. Gracy, of Massachusetts, to be United States consul at Fuchan, China; Lieutenant Commander R. R. Couden, to be a commander of the navy.

MR. M'KINLEY'S CALLERS

The Green Mountain Delegation Urges the Appointment of John G. Crawford for Minister to Columbia.

Washington, April 5.—President McKinley had hosts of callers today. The national forestry commission, headed by Arthur Hays Alward, professor of forestry at Yale, which was summoned here to consult with the president regarding the re-creation of the order of Mr. Cleveland's forest reservation in the Adirondacks, arrived before noon and remained with Mr. McKinley some time discussing the matter.

The Connecticut and New Hampshire delegations called in force. The delegation from the Nutmeg state pressed the state for the local office agreed upon last week. The Green Mountain delegation presented John G. Crawford, of New Hampshire, for minister to Columbia. As the present minister is a New Hampshire Democrat they claim that the place should go to their state. Senator Nelson, of Minnesota, urged the claims of ex-Secretary Mark H. Dunnell for an auditorship in the treasury department. Ex-Delegate Murphy, of New Mexico, saw the president in behalf of Myron H. McCord, his candidate for the governorship of the territory. It is expected that this contest, which has been very bitter, will be settled before the president leaves the city on Wednesday. The other candidates are Isaac T. Stoddard, Kurt Dunlop, L. H. C. Sturtevant, of Pennsylvania, introduced Mr. Holmes, who is a candidate for the office of state auditor, and a little encouragement. Mr. Stone also spoke a good word for ex-Congressman W. W. Drown, of Pennsylvania, who is a candidate for the governorship of the territory.

Representative W. A. Stone, of Pennsylvania, and Representative Boutelle, of Maine, chairman of the house committee on the navy, introduced Mr. Robinson, who is a candidate for assistant secretary of the navy. There was a report that Mr. Robinson had withdrawn from the contest, but this is indignantly denied. The impression prevails about the white house that Mr. Robinson is the honor of being Secretary Long's assistant.

The president and his family will leave here Wednesday for their outing on the coast. The weather is expected to be favorable and will depend largely upon the weather. It is probable, however, that they will sail down the Potomac by the capes and anchor at Annapolis, where they will return to Washington by rail.

WILL PHOTOGRAPH THE SUN.

Charles Burkhalter to Travel Half Way Around the World.

Oakland, Cal., April 5.—Charles Burkhalter, astronomer of the Lick observatory, will travel halfway around the world so that for two minutes in far-off India he may endeavor to photograph the sun during the solar eclipse of next January. As the eclipse during totality will be observable only in India, many scientists will travel thither to make observations. Charles Burkhalter has obtained considerable renown by his discovery of a new method of photographing the sun during an eclipse which gives results that are the greatest scientific interest. To give him an opportunity to apply his discovery, a number of wealthy San Franciscans who wanted to add something to the cause of science sent the astronomer to Japan during the eclipse observable there some time since. The day on which the eclipse occurred was cloudy and not a photograph could be secured.

These same friends of science have offered to pay the expenses of a trip for Mr. Burkhalter to India.

HOT TIMES FOR A WIDOW.

Mrs. Peck Sues Mrs. Scott for Alienating Her Husband's Love.

Nyak, N. Y., April 5.—Mrs. John Peck, wife of a prominent brickmaker at Havana, has entered suit against Mrs. Scott, a divorcee, for alienating her husband's affection. Mrs. Scott debarred the charges of Mrs. Peck.

Yesterday the fact was developed that Mr. Peck has left for North Dakota seeking a divorce from his wife, and the present suit is one of the side issues connected with the divorce proceedings.

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conducted by the Grand Army, of which he was a member. Mrs. L. G. Finch, of Hyde Park; Mrs. L. G. Griffin, of River Ridge; and Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Swartz, of Danmore, were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Hartshorn over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Swartz, of Danmore, and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Dupue, of Moscow, were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chauncey Noack, on Sunday.

S. J. Hornbaker, our popular shoe dealer, led on the early train this morning to attend the session of the Grand Union of the State of Pennsylvania, E. A. U., to be held at Warren, Warren county, Pa., on Wednesday and Thursday, April 7 and 8.

Dr. C. D. Mackey has returned with his family from Waverly, where he has been located for the past winter. The doctor says "there is no place like home after all."

Marshall Finn will begin a new home in the near future on Verheyer street. The new house is a two-story affair, and is a very pleasing structure. It is now under construction and will be ready for occupancy in a few days.

H. D. Swartz has moved into his new residence on Chestnut street, near the residence of James Boardman.

Rev. C. H. Newing preached to the members of the Young Men's Christian association Sunday evening. This was his last sermon during the conference year. He has made many friends here, who are desirous of having him returning to the field of his ministry so successfully for the past two years.

Frank R. Callaghan has removed his stock of merchandise to the new store building on Chestnut street, near the residence of James Boardman.

A sad accident, resulting in the death of Robert, the 6-year-old son of John Ryan, occurred on Sunday. He, in company with an older brother, Frank, about 12 years of age, and a sister, Nellie, about 12, had been to Glenburn to attend Sunday school. They were walking along on the railroad track and were aware of an approaching milk train at full speed, but being, as they thought, entirely out of danger, they were talking along on the opposite track when Frank, who was ahead, glanced back and saw his little brother jump right toward the other track and at the same instant the pilot of the locomotive struck him, knocking him from the track and rendering him unconscious. Friends speedily gathered and carried him to the hospital, where he died after he was an unusually bright little fellow and his loss will be deeply felt by the family.

Hon. Gatusha A. Grow is home from Washington for a few days. Mrs. Hattie Harton, of Sheffield, Pa., is visiting her sister, Mrs. O. H. Willingham, in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Johnson entertained Dr. E. N. Webb, of Jersey City, over Sunday. Lewis Boyle, of Marshwood, spent the Sabbath with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. N. Boyle.

John Baker, who has been employed for some time with S. E. Finn & Son, of Dalton, has accepted a position here with J. M. Carpenter & Co. Programs will be held today for the benefit concert to be given next Tuesday evening, April 13.

MARKETS AND STOCKS.

Wall Street Review.

New York, April 5.—The traders in stocks market today were in a very nervous state. A prevailing subject for speculation was that it absorbed a large share of attention a very narrow market, its wide and erratic fluctuations making it especially available for the purposes of the traders. The absorption of the professional element in the coalers left the market decidedly dull and transactions small. There was, however, a large number of small lots of shares traded in, supposed to be for outside public of the present low level of prices. There was some slight raising of prices today and some covering of shares and in sympathy with the short lived upward movement in the coalers. Leather preferred showed the extreme gain of 1/2 cent, but the Vanderbilts profited to the extent of a sharp fraction. Later the market succumbed to a number of adverse influences or it was interpreted as such by the dealers.

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Table with columns for WHEAT, CORN, and OATS, listing prices for various grades and quantities.

Chicago Grain Market.

New York, April 5.—Flour—Dull and weak, with demand checked by the break in wheat; city mill patents, 4.70-4.80; do. extra, 4.50-4.60; do. standard, 4.40-4.50; do. low, 4.30-4.40; do. cheap, 4.20-4.30; do. very cheap, 4.10-4.20; do. extra, 4.00-4.10; do. standard, 3.90-4.00; do. low, 3.80-3.90; do. cheap, 3.70-3.80; do. very cheap, 3.60-3.70.

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