

RUSHING WORK AT HARRISBURG

Large Number of Bills Are Considered in the Senate and House of Representatives.

ORDER IN THE SENATE

House Amendments to Several Bills Concurred In—Bill Increasing Number of Mine Inspectors Passes Second Reading—The House Factory Inspectors' Bill Is Defeated on Final Passage.

Harrisburg, May 21.—The consideration of bills on the general calendar was the order of business in the senate tonight, but no bills on third reading were taken up. An effort will be made to clear the calendar tomorrow, after which the senate probably will adjourn for the week.

The senate concurred in the house amendments to the following senate bills, and they now go to the governor: Declaring the species of fish which are game fish and the species which are commercially valuable for food, regulating the catching and encouragement of the propagation of the same and providing for the appointment of fish commissioners and wardens.

Providing for the extinguishment of any ground rent, annuity or other charge upon real estate after twenty-one years, and making the same applicable in cases where the commonwealth is a party claimant, the same as in the case of other parties.

Providing for further facilitating the labors of the justices of the Supreme court by providing stenographers, typewriters and clerical assistance for the justices.

Providing for the protection and increase of fish in such parts of boundary lakes of more than five thousand acres and in water on any peninsula or in any bay adjacent to or connected with such lakes.

The house factory inspectors' bill was defeated when it came up for final passage, but the vote by which it failed was reconsidered and the bill was placed on the postponed calendar.

The house bill making it unlawful for a man to be joined in marriage, and declaring all marriages heretofore contracted in violation of the act void, was defeated when it came up on second reading.

The house bill increasing the number of mine inspectors in the anthracite coal regions from eight to sixteen and providing for their election by the voters in the anthracite coal-producing counties, was passed on second reading and will come up on final passage next week.

The company store bill, which has passed the house, was reported favorably by the finance committee.

The house bill, providing for the adjustment of the indebtedness of boroughs and townships when annexed to third-class cities, was reported to the senate with a negative recommendation.

A resolution presented by Mr. Scott, of Philadelphia, increasing the membership of the senate judicial appointment committee from thirteen to sixteen, was adopted. The president pro tempore appointed Messrs. Berkebach, of Philadelphia; Fisher, of Indiana, and Scott, of Philadelphia, as the new members of the committee.

BILLS PASSED IN HOUSE

Large Number of Measures Are Considered Finally.

Harrisburg, May 21.—The house tonight by a vote of 81 to 53 adopted a motion offered by Mr. Bliss, of Delaware, to lay on the table the Cressy concurrent resolution to adjourn finally on June 11.

Mr. Bliss reported from the rules committee a resolution, which was adopted, making a special order for the Fox capital bill. The measure will be taken up next Tuesday for second reading and the following day on third reading and final passage.

The bill authorizing county commissioners to levy a tax of one-tenth of one mill for the relief of indigent soldiers, sailors and marines, and the indigent wives, widows and minor children of such persons, passed finally.

The bill revoking the warrants, grants or licenses made under the act of April 15, 1881, creating the office of associate judge, was defeated.

Mr. Stroth, of Carbon, introduced a bill authorizing the appointment by the governor of three physicians to constitute a board of medical directors in cities of the first, second and third class, with power to supervise or close private hospitals or sanitariums.

Mr. Harris, of Clearfield, introduced a bill abolishing the office of associate judge not learned in the law, and repealing the act of April 15, 1881, creating the office of associate judge.

A bill was introduced by Mr. James, of Lackawanna, amending the factory inspection act of 1893, so as to fix the hours of labor for minors in manufacturing establishments at nine hours daily.

The following House bills passed finally: To prevent the importation and sale in Pennsylvania of dressed carcasses of lamb and sheep with the hoofs on.

BRITISH PLAN FOR CHINA

English Government's Chief Concern Is to Modify the Demands for Indemnity.

THE METHOD OF PAYMENT

Funds to Each Power Redeemable in a Term of Years by Payment of Principal and Interest—Certain Sources of Revenue to Be Paid to a Board for Distribution—Objective to Joint Guarantee of Loan. Brighter Outlook for Peace.

London, May 21.—The government was questioned in the house of commons today on the subject of the British tug Ewo incident at Tien-Tsin, when two Chinese on board that vessel were fatally shot by Germans guarding a bridge after the tug had fouled it.

The under foreign secretary, Lord Cranborne, in reply said Field Marshal Count von Waldersee had expressed his regrets and had promised to take measures to prevent the recurrence of similar incidents.

Lord Cranborne proceeded to make a general statement on the China question. He said that the government's chief concern at the present time was, so far as possible, to moderate the demands for indemnity and see that they did not infringe on commercial interests.

The government, therefore, was unalterably opposed to raising the import duties to ten per cent, as security for the payment of the indemnity, and, in reply to all such suggestions, had signified its intention to consent only to such an advance of duties in connection with commercial improvements in the Chinese fiscal system as the abolition of the Hkin taxes.

As to moderating the total indemnity, there were more ways than one of achieving that object, and Lord Cranborne might be perceptibly lightened by the method of exacting payment.

China's Obligation. In regard to the proposal that the indemnity be defrayed by a loan guaranteed by a concept of the powers, undoubtedly China's obligation to pay the indemnity was a joint obligation, and, though he hoped it would not be necessary, if such a loan was guaranteed by the joint force of all the powers, the objection to a joint guarantee, however, was so obvious that the British government would have nothing to do with it.

Considering that British credit stood higher than that of any other power, which Great Britain only claimed a small portion of the indemnity, it would be nothing short of insanity to agree to jointly guarantee the loan.

After mentioning that these Chinese offenders in high places had been put to death, that three had been permitted to commit suicide, that four had been banished, and that the powers had demanded the punishment of 170 provincial culprits, Lord Cranborne concluded by saying that on certain points a more pacific phase and that the government hoped to soon withdraw a large portion of the British troops from that country.

Lord Lansdowne, the foreign secretary, made a statement in the House of Lords, similar to that made by Lord Cranborne in the House of Commons. He said the government desired to avoid an arrangement for the payment of the indemnity by which China would be compelled to contract separate obligations.

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HEARING ON THE COMPANY STORE BILL

The Senate Committee Decides to Report the Bill Favorably.

ENTHUSIASM AT THE ASSEMBLY

Dr. Thompson's Appeal for Aid for Home Missions Becomes Effective as Orator.

COMMISSIONERS ANGRY

Their Ire Is Aroused by Statements Concerning the Failure of Churches to Contribute Towards Home Missions—Dr. Walker Asserts That Unless Home Missions Are Supported, Foreign Missions Will Fail.

THE JURY'S VERDICT

IN THE AYRES CASE

Coroner's Panel Decides to Hold Loin Ida Henri Bonine for the Murder.

Washington, May 21.—The coroner's jury which has been investigating the murder of James S. Ayres, the young census office clerk, at the Hotel Kenmore, last Wednesday morning, today brought in the following verdict:

James Seymour Ayres came to his death Wednesday morning, the 16th inst., at the hotel Kenmore, from a pistol shot wound of the chest. Furthermore, that said shot was fired during a fatal conflict between said James Seymour Ayres and Loin Ida Henri Bonine, the coroner's jury, hold Loin Ida Henri Bonine for the grand jury.

Before the jury rendered their verdict a number of witnesses were heard. An effort was made to show that Miss Minas could easily have heard voices through the door connecting her room with that of Ayres, but this could not be seen through the cracks. Detectives Horn and Weedon testified to this effect, but Miss Minas declared that she saw no lights on the night of the shooting. She also testified that the cries she heard coming from Ayres' room were made by a man's voice and not by a woman's. She was positive that the voice was not that of Mrs. Bonine. This contradicts Mrs. Bonine, who, in her confession yesterday said that she had uttered the only vocal sounds made in the room at the time of the tragedy.

Detective Horn's testimony concerning yesterday's confession made by Mrs. Bonine, after the statement as then given out. District Attorney Gould says that Mrs. Bonine has decided not to appear before the coroner's inquest.

The typewritten copy of her confession was taken to Mrs. Bonine today for the purpose of having her swear that she did not voluntarily give out her statement as then given out.

After the coroner's jury had rendered the verdict, Mrs. Bonine was removed to the city jail.

EARLY SETTLEMENT LIKELY

Prospects That Strike of Machinists Will Soon Be Adjusted.

Washington, May 21.—President O'Connell said tonight that the advances received up to 6 o'clock at headquarters here indicate that an early settlement of the trouble between the machinists and employers will be effected.

Information at hand showed that during the day over 120 hours had settled by granting the nine-hour day.

Mr. O'Connell said that so far as he knew, about 6,000 men are out in San Francisco and about 3,000 in Cincinnati. In Chicago, nearly all the iron-works shops have settled with the men. The reports from the South, he said, show that all through that section settlements are being effected.

Half the firms in Philadelphia, he said, have come to terms and the others are expected to follow suit. There was no news of a clash anywhere.

NEW CATHOLIC DIOCESE

Rev. Dr. Eugene Garvey, of Pittston, Has Been Made Bishop.

Harrisburg, May 21.—Bishop Shanahan, of the Harrisburg diocese, was notified today of the receipt at the arch episcopal residence in Philadelphia of a telegram from Rome announcing the appointment of Rev. Dr. Eugene Garvey, of Pittston, as bishop of the new Pennsylvania diocese, which will be composed of portions of the Harrisburg diocese and the Philadelphia arch-diocese and the headquarters of which will be Altoona, from which the new see will take its name.

Odell's Appointments

Albany, May 21.—Governor Odell today honored the newspaper profession by selecting two of its members to be commissioners to the Charleston exposition to be held in December. One of the men selected is Hon. S. Clair McKelvey, of Brooklyn, and the other, George Edward Graham, of the Albany bureau of the Associated Press.

The other commissioners are Hon. John T. Mohr, of Oswego; Wm. Torlam Rice, of Albany; S. Christy Mead and Simon Hess, of New York city, and Harrison L. Beatty, of Balmaceda.

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