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FORTIETH CONGRESS.

The High Court of Impeachment—Manager Bingham Proceeds with His Argument—Does not Conclude—Will Speak an Hour to-day.

(By Telegram to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

WASHINGTON, May 5, 1898.

Senator CAMERON moved to invite the members of the Medical Convention now in session in the city to seats in the gallery without charge, saying they numbered about two hundred.

Senator DRAKE objected.

The motion was disagreed to.

Mr. BINGHAM resumed his argument. After recapitulating his arguments of yesterday, he took up the question whether or not it is necessary in this case to read the records of the trial. He read from the records of English trials to show such proof is not needed. He would not argue the point at any length, because it was plainly settled by common law and the practice of centuries. The arguments of counsel on this question were perfunctory and he refused to be present.

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ing tribute to the public services, character and virtues of that accomplished officer, who had been a member of the House of Representatives, and who had served his country with fidelity and honor.

Mr. BINGHAM was asked to be able to agree with the counsel in one point of law, namely, that an unconstitutional law was not a law, but that it could be considered as such until it has been so pronounced by a proper authority. He would also reiterate that evil intent is to be presumed from evil acts, but the President's intention was a merely a matter of intention, and not a matter of fact.

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SECURITY MATTERS.

FROM EUROPE.

The British House of Commons and the Ministry—The Irish Church Question.

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THE CAPITAL.

Public Debt Reduced \$16,000,000.

WASHINGTON, May 5, 1898. The debt bearing tax interest is \$1,983,375,000; debt bearing no interest, \$4,016,625,000. Total debt, \$6,000,000,000. Amount in Treasury, \$1,000,000,000. Currency, \$3,000,000,000.

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BRIEF NEWS ITEMS.

—Engineers arrived at New York, yesterday, to the number of 8,177.

—The jury in the Cole homicide trial, at Albany, N. Y., retired yesterday afternoon and will still out for a late hour last night.

—Eighteen persons were poisoned by arsenic administered in food at a boarding house at New Orleans on Sunday. None are dead, however, as "quackery" patients having been too large.

—At Galveston, Texas, yesterday, Judge Wickersham, United States District Court, delivered a charge sustaining the constitutionality of the Civil Rights bill, and holding that freedom are citizens by virtue of Congressional enactment, but by Constitutional law, being born on the soil.

—The official report of the Board of Health of the city of the death in the city for the month of April states the number was 322, four of which were caused by the explosion of the steam Magnolia, nine from small pox and two from cholera. Dr. Wm. Clendinning has been re-elected health officer for the ensuing year.

—Judge Briggs, of the Nashville Court, has rendered a partial decision in the case of the Kentucky stockholders in the Nashville and Northwestern Railroad Company. He has sustained the appointment of new directors, but declared the action of the directors null and void. He said the receiver was illegitimate, and that the directors were not authorized to act in the name of the corporation. He also held that the jurisdiction of the Court, and asked a further argument.

—Jeremiah Laroque, a prominent member of the New York Bar, died on Monday.

—All but one of the prisoners in the jail at Berlin, Vermont, escaped on Friday.

—Commander Rigely, of the Navy, a native of Kentucky, died at Philadelphia yesterday.

—Lewis Lebering, a resident of Buffalo, was killed by a street car in Louisville, Ky., on Monday.

—Gov. Fenton, of New York, has signed the bill requiring the Central Railroad to forward freight by river vessels.

—The strikers at Prospect Park, Brooklyn, were dispersed by the police yesterday.

—A negro chicken thief, named Shado Pugh, was shot in Memphis by a policeman on Monday night, while attempting to escape.

—Charles McClain, of Philadelphia, starts on the 10th from Trenton to St. Louis, via the Southern States.

—Charles Becker, a detective of Newark, N. J., charged with being a gambler, was arrested in Philadelphia yesterday.

—A man named Yowell, an agent of the American Express Company at Ladoga Station, Indiana, absconded on Monday last with several thousand dollars of the company's money.

—At the second regular meeting of the women's club, at New York, on Monday, inaugural remarks were made by the President, Miss Alice Cary. She presided for the first time.

—The Young Men's Christian Association of New York, refused the gift of five thousand dollars from the American Council General La Rénie, by the Havana Shipping Line, Senator Garcia, who was arrested and will undoubtedly lose his position.

BOARD OF CONTROL.

Regular Meeting—Reports of Local Boards of Teachers Recommended—The Examination of Teachers, etc.

The Board of School Controllers of Allegheny City held a regular monthly meeting on Tuesday evening, at eight o'clock, in the Common Council Chamber, City Building.

In the absence of the President, of motion Rev. E. E. Swift presided. R. B. Francis acted as Secretary.

The meeting opened with prayer by Rev. S. F. Crowther.

At the call of the roll the following members answered to their names: Messrs. Barr, Brown, John K., Boyle, Barker, Becker, Crowther, Dunlap, Eaton, Francis, Grouard, Kollock, Kimball, Loomis, Leitch, McKim, McLaughlin, McQuinn, Parke, Swift, Shea, Torrence, Trimble, Walton, Young, Alex., Young, Robert.

Reports from the different Local Boards were received, showing the schools to be in a flourishing condition, and an increase in the average attendance.

The Second Ward Board recommended the employment of two additional teachers.

The Fourth Ward Board reported the resignation of Prof. C. A. Chamberlain, and recommended the appointment of Miss S. F. Davis to serve in his place until the end of the term.

Mr. Francis offered the following resolution: Resolved, That the Chairman of the Standing Committee form a special Committee to compile rules for the government of the Board, and to define the duties of the Standing Committee.

After being discussed, the resolution was adopted.

Mr. John Brown, Jr., thought there should be some method of endorsing teachers certificates, and therefore moved that the Board of Control be authorized to issue general certificates to teachers applying for permanent certificates.

The resolution as read, was adopted.

Mr. Francis presented the annual report of the Board of Control of Public Schools of St. Louis, which was received and read on motion adjourned.

United States District Court—Judge Morrison met at ten o'clock Tuesday morning. The grand jurors were called, and a quorum answering, D. Sankay, Esq., was selected as foreman. The jury retired to conduct business.

There being no case ready for trial, the grand jurors were discharged till Wednesday morning.

In the bankruptcy branch, A. J. Milligan, of Lookport, Indiana county, against whom a petition in bankruptcy had been filed by Wm. Maher, Esq., of Ellettsville, was adjudged a bankrupt by the Court, on motion of H. W. Wier, Esq., attorney of petitioner's creditors.

The case of Hood Brightwell vs. J. F. Martin, was continued at the cost of the respondent.

The case of Frisbee vs. Thomas was continued, by consent, until Thursday morning.

Petitions for final discharge were filed by W. E. Severance of Somerset county, and J. F. Minton, Kittanning, Armstrong county.

Petitions for adjudication were filed by Joseph C. Holmes, of Williamsport, Luzerne county, and Ferdinand Jones, of Snyder county.