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HARRISBURG.

Proceedings of the Legislature—General Appropriation Bill—Philadelphia and Erie Railroad.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

HARRISBURG, March 31, 1869.

SENATE.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. SEARIGHT: Incorporating the Unlton Woolen Manufacturing Company.

Prohibiting liquor licenses in Patton township, Allegheny county.

Changing the title of Jurasses of the Peace in the newly consolidated districts of Pittsburgh to Aldermen.

Incorporating J. S. Finch Manufacturing Company.

Supplement for Mercantile Hall Library Company, Pittsburgh, providing that their bonds shall not exceed the cash actually paid in and allowing trustees, executors, administrators, guardians and corporations to invest in said bonds, and exempting the same from taxation.

By Mr. LOWRY: Incorporating the Presque Oil and Pipe Company.

By Mr. DAVIS: Making Good Friday a public holiday.

Evening Session.—Mr. RANDALL moved the consideration of the Philadelphia bill.

Mr. LOWRY moved to amend by calling up the appropriation bill.

Mr. CONNELL, Chairman of the Finance Committee, refused to call up the same.

Mr. STINSON raised the point of order that the appropriation bill took precedence when called for.

After some discussion the SPEAKER decided the point well taken, and the bill was put upon second reading and discussed all evening.

Several important amendments introduced in this bill by the Finance Committee are three thousand dollars to each member of the Greenbank consolidated Election Committee and showing dollars for additional building for Gettysburg battle painting, other paintings, dollars for railroad, canal and coal mines, accompanying Auditor General's report; six thousand dollars to print the botanical survey of Professor J. M. Coulter; five hundred to each member of Committee on Board of State Charities; one hundred to the Danville Asylum; twenty-five thousand for Erie Marine Hospital. The Pittsburgh school of Design was thrown out. The Senate agreed by including fifteen hundred dollars for piano and one thousand for incidental expenses in the Executive Mansion.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Business Considered.

Mr. STRANG introduced a bill relating to suits brought by residents of other States against residents of Pennsylvania.

Mr. HARRIS introduced a bill upon defendant making affidavits and showing that witnesses of both parties reside in the county and State in which plaintiff resides, and where the cause of action originates, the Court shall order a discontinuance of suit, if defendant shall deliver to the plaintiff a copy of a resolution calling on the proper departments for copies of documents to be used in the case.

Mr. LESLIE, of Butler, called up the bill containing the jurisdiction of Butler Common Pleas Court in the case of Butler County vs. Northwestern Railroad Company, being for an injunction against the company transferring bonds owned by Lawrence county. Passed second reading.

Evening Session.—The bill from the Senate authorizing the Philadelphia and Erie Railroad to issue twenty millions of dollars of mortgage bonds, to build a double track and branches and improve equipments, passed today.

The bill from the Senate was discussed all night.

The Cuban Insurrection.

HAVANA, March 31.—Two volunteers have been convicted of committing excesses on Sunday last, and sentenced to six months imprisonment.

The reports of the capture of the steamer Commander are not confirmed.

Advised from Spanish sources state that Céspedes has repudiated the declaration of war to the knife, by a decree that all persons taken hereafter, except regular Spanish soldiers, are to be immediately put to death.

The British Consul has sent the gun boat Heron to Gibraltar, where the British ship *Just* Davis, captured by a Spanish cruiser, has arrived. The vessel and crew have been thrown into the sea, and the British Consul is expected to have a British fleet soon cruising in the Bahama.

Two steamers and two schooners have landed men and arms at Cape Malis, in the eastern part of the island.

Advised from Santiago on the 23d report the steamer *Proserpine* and two schooners had landed expeditions on the northern shore.

Three canoes have returned from 24-year.

News received from Nevitas to the 24th states the insurgents were very active in the vicinity.

The government troops had re-occupied the city and expect to restore communication with Yuma.

Key West, March 31.—Information from the most reliable source is received, that the so-called Ferran monitors are really in the service of the Cuban Revolution, and it was believed they are now in the vicinity of Manzanilla.

In the New Jersey Legislature, yesterday, a bill, putting a tax of two percent on the net income of banks and corporations, incorporated banks and savings institutions, express companies and all corporations who do not now pay tax to the State by contract, was passed.

THE CAPITAL.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

WASHINGTON, March 21, 1869.

Lieutenant Governor Dunn, (colored,) of Louisiana, came in this city.

The President has acknowledged E. G. Squires as Consul General of Honduras in New York.

Among the nominations to be made for Justices of the Peace of this district will be one colored man.

Secretary Boutwell will nominate Mr. Halsey to the President to-day for the position of Register of the Treasury.

The Postmaster General has accepted Special Agent G. W. Summers and retained Foster Blodgett, in charge of the Arizona, Georgia, and Florida.

The President is quite well to-day, and received callers as usual, among whom were Senators Oles, Sprague, Sherman, Morton and a number of Representatives. No delegations visited the White House.

The Senate confirmed this evening Charles E. Hamlin, to be Marshal for the District of Wisconsin, and Charles Lafolet, Superintendent of Indian Affairs in Oregon.

The Comptroller of Contingent Expenses, of the Senate, has ordered the Sergeant-at-Arms to discharge ninety-three men and boys, if it can be done without detriment to the business.

NOMINATIONS BY THE PRESIDENT.

The following nominations were sent in to-day: Emil Solcheater, Consul Agent at Bremen, Prussia; Geo. M. Linn, Assessor Internal Revenue, Sixth District, Kentucky; B. F. Wagenseiler, Assessor of Internal Revenue, Fourteenth District, Pennsylvania; John S. Nixon, Collector of Internal Revenue, Sixth District, Kentucky; Franklin J. Rollins, Collector of Internal Revenue, First District, Maine; Wm. A. Arnold, Receiver of Public Money, Central City, Cal.; F. B. Mason, Register Land Office, Humboldt, Kan.; W. Babcock, Surveyor General for Kan.; Lewis B. Edge, Agent Blackfoot and neighboring Indians.

The following to be deputy Postmasters: J. M. Billings, Santa Clara, Cal.; Thomas S. Johnson, Cal.; J. B. McFely, Terr.; Robt. Fisher, Dallas, Texas; Robt. N. Mills, Bryan, Texas; Wm. H. Sullivan, Tenn.; J. M. McFely, Georgetown, S. C.; John J. Speed, Louisville, Ky.; Henry W. Hogan, Lancaster, Pa.; John W. Harris, Lock Haven, Pa.; Enoch Hawley, Pa.; J. H. Cogswell, Titusville, Pa.; Jos. Hall, Acosta, Wis.; Harwood M. Edgington, Ohio; Elias S. Coe, Newark, N. J.; Lewis D. Smith, Elmira, Moh.; Mattison Weston, N. J.; J. W. Kattabon, Marlon, O.; Geo. W. Coe, Anomast, Iowa; J. N. Murdoch, West St. Cloud, Minn.; J. N. Murdoch, Washburn, Minn.; E. H. Davidson, Austin, Minn.; John A. H. Davidson, Bridgeport, Conn.; Chas. W. Keating, Shreveport, La.; Franklin A. Munson, Sandwich, Ill.; O. S. Jencks, Mango, Ill.; Edward S. Smith, Balaiva, Ill.

PACIFIC RAILROAD INVESTIGATION.

The House Committee on the Pacific Railroad to-day commenced an investigation into the charges contained in the resolution offered by Representative Bingham, in relation to the bonds of the Central Pacific Railroad.

Caleb Cushing and Wm. E. Chandler appeared before the Committee, and showed the contract of the Central Pacific, and L. E. Chittenden for the Central Pacific, C. P. Huntington, Vice President of the latter Company, was also present. A resolution was adopted, calling on the proper departments for copies of documents to be used in the case.

The Committee listened to an argument by Mr. Chandler, in which he reviewed the various laws enacted on this subject. He discussed the progress of the roads and reiterated the charges of the resolution. The Committee then adjourned until to-morrow, when the Secretary of the Interior and Secretary of the Treasury will be present with the necessary maps and papers.

SPECIAL TREASURY AGENTS.

Secretary Boutwell has concluded to discontinue all Special Agents of the Treasury. His reason for it is that he does not know which are honest and which are not, and he believes an investigation, after the dismissal of all, will prove the one really worthy of trust.

Hon. George A. Halsey, who reluctantly consented to accept the Registry of the Treasury, cannot, it appears, be appointed to that position, owing to the opinion of Attorney General Hoar, who holds that Mr. Halsey, being a manufacturer, is precluded, by the act establishing the Treasury Department.

THE TWICHELL CASE, PHILADELPHIA.

The Supreme Court of the United States has granted a writ of habeas corpus in a motion for a writ of error on behalf of Twichell, condemned to be hung in Philadelphia, the argument to be heard on Friday.

Attorney General Hoar made his first argument in a case before the Court to-day.

NEW YORK CITY.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

NEW YORK, March 31.

In the Union Pacific Railroad litigation, before the Supreme Court yesterday, Judge Barnard directed the receiver to break open the Company's safe. This he attempted to do, assisted by some laborers and others, but Mr. Barlow, a member of the Company, warned the whole party off as trespassers, and they went away. The case was then adjourned until to-morrow.

Virgil A. Ketchum, the abolitionist who attempted to kill Miss Carle King in a Brooklyn store, in February, was sentenced in the Brooklyn Court of Quarter Sessions yesterday, to eight years any seven months imprisonment in Sing Sing.

The annual book trade season commenced yesterday. The business was arranged to occupy four days. Several western traders were present and made liberal purchases.

Boston Police Corruption.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

BOSTON, March 31.—At the meeting to-day before the Legislative Committee on the Metropolitan Police of Boston, very grave charges were made by George H. Gooding against the members of the Police, incorporated banks and savings institutions, express companies and all corporations who do not now pay tax to the State by contract, was passed.

SECOND EDITION.

FOUR O'CLOCK A. M.

FOURTY-FIRST CONGRESS. (FIRST SESSION.)

SENATE: Question of Adjournment Discussed—Indian Appropriation Bill Considered—Report of Conference Committee on Tenure-of-Office Bill Presented and Adopted.

HOUSE: Mississippi Reconstruction—Committee of Conference on Tenure-of-Office Bill Adopted—Supplemental Currency Bill Referred.

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SENATE.

The House joint resolution for adjournment on April 6th, was taken up.

Mr. FESSENDEN, as Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations, said in his opinion it would be impossible to finish by that time the business pending before the Senate; that the Senate ought not to fix a day for adjournment until it should at least dispose of the Indian Appropriation bill.

Mr. SUMNER agreed with the Senator from Maine, that the Senate ought not to concur in this resolution; but the Indian Appropriation bill was not the only, or the most important, subject requiring the attention of Congress. There was the whole subject of Georgia involved, the question of the admission to representation, and the question of what shall be done to secure the proper reconstruction of that State. This was the most important subject before Congress, and Senators ought not even to talk of going home until the case of Georgia, in all its bearings, should have been fully considered and settled. The settlement of the case was important, not only to the people of that State, but also as a precedent for the other States of Mississippi, Texas and Virginia. Another very important matter, demanding the attention of Congress, was the removal of naturalization, so as to prevent frauds.

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