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TWELVE O'CLOCK, M.

HARRISBURG.

Final Adjournment—Calcium Petrolia Gas Light in the Capitol—Bills Negatively Reported—Variety of Bills Passed—Extra Officers Compensation—Proposed Constitutional Amendment Changing the Time of General Election—Bill Allowing the Pittsburgh Board of Health to Regulate the Night Selling Business—Pleasant Valley Passenger Railway—Registry Bill Passed—Bill Allowing Commutation of the Death Sentence Voted.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

HARRISBURG, April 9, 1869.

SENATE.

BILLS PASSED.

Mr. WHITE introduced a bill incorporating the Indiana County Monumental Society. Passed.

Mr. CONNELL, incorporating the Erie and Western Transportation Company. Passed.

RECONSIDERED.

Mr. NAGLE moved a reconsideration of the vote by which the House bill authorizing the introduction of Petrolia Calcium Light into the Capitol and grounds, instead of coal gas, was defeated. Agreed to.

The bill was discussed and postponed until the afternoon.

FINAL ADJOURNMENT.

In the afternoon, the joint resolution for final adjournment on Friday, sixteenth instant, was adopted.

BILL PASSED.

The bill to enable Building, Saving and Loan Associations to collect debts after the expiration of charters, passed.

PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

The joint resolution proposing a Constitutional Amendment changing the October election to November in every year of the Presidential election coming up, Mr. WHITE moved to amend by submitting this and other questions to the Constitutional Convention, if called by the people on a vote at the next October election.

Mr. White's amendment proposed thirty delegates at large, each voter voting for three, and one hundred representative delegates.

The amendment was overruled as not germane, and the whole subject postponed.

BILL AMENDED.

The bill from the House, providing for the introduction of Calcium Light into the public buildings and grounds, was amended by Mr. ERRETT providing that the Auditor General and State Treasurer report to the next Legislature on the feasibility and comparative cost of this and every other method.

EXTRA EMPLOYEES.

The bill from the House, dispensing with the services of extra employees in the House, and providing for their pay, was indefinitely postponed, on motion of Mr. WHITE.

BILL POSTPONED.

The bill regulating the election of directors of railway companies and preventing fraud therein, was postponed. This bill was introduced during the Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne and Chicago Railway legislation.

TAXATION IN LAWRENCEVILLE.

In the evening, Mr. ERRETT had passed the bill allowing Pittsburgh Councils to change the rate of taxation in Lawrenceville, and adjourned until Monday evening.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

NEGATIVELY REPORTED.

The bill from the Senate, repealing the bill which repealed the act creating the Twenty-ninth Judicial District, was reported negatively.

The Philadelphia cattle bill was reported negatively.

The bill authorizing the laying of lateral pipes to connect with main pipes, and drains and rivers was reported negatively.

HOUSE BILLS PASSED.

The following House bills passed: Extending jurisdiction of certain Justices of the Peace in Allegheny county. Pittsburgh supplement, authorizing Councils by ordinance to change the mill tax in Lawrenceville, from year to year, to not less than one nor more than five mills, to pay indebtedness of said borough.

Requiring the Monongahela Bridge Company, Bridgeport, to light the bridge with gas.

Incorporating Medical and Surgical Hospital at Johnstown.

Incorporating East Sandy Pipe Company, Venango county.

Incorporating Charley and Shaffer Run Tubing Company.

SENATE BILLS PASSED.

The following Senate bills passed: Granting pension to Daniel Bolin, of Fayette, soldier of 1812.

Authorizing Courts to remove delinquent Assessors in Allegheny county.

Authorizing Uniontown and Waynesburg Railroads.

Incorporating Young Men's Christian Association, Pittsburgh.

Authorizing Tarentum borough to vote for or against liquor licenses.

PLEASANT VALLEY PASSENGER RAILWAY.

In the House, in the evening, Mr. HUMPHRIES called up the supplement for the Federal Street and Pleasant Valley Passenger Railway, and substituted a new bill, extending the road from the terminus in Allegheny city to the corner of Head and Liberty streets, Pittsburgh. Passed finally.

PITTSBURGH NIGHT SOLICITS.

Mr. MILLER introduced a supplement to the Pittsburgh Board of Health, authorizing it to declare the kind of vessels and instruments to be used in conveying and carrying away contents of cess-

pools and to control the time of removal and place of deposit.

LEGISLATIVE OFFICERS.

Mr. HUNTER, a bill amending the act of 1868 fixing the number of officers of the House and Senate, by allowing the officers the same mileage as before said act.

THE REGISTRY BILL.

The Registry bill passed finally, under the operation of the previous question.

BILL DEFEATED.

The bill authorizing a contract for interest at seven per cent was defeated—yeas 45, nays 48.

BILL VOTED.

The Governor vetoed the bill authorizing him to commute the death penalty to imprisonment for life. He declines that it is accordance with his recommendation in his last annual message, wherein the desire was expressed simply to commute the death penalty in six cases, distinctly specified, to such terms of imprisonment as the ameliorating circumstances might justify and demand.

NEWS BY CABLE.

(By Telegraph to the Pittsburgh Gazette.)

GREAT BRITAIN.

LONDON, April 9.—In the House of Lords the bill introduced by Earl Russell, authorizing the creation of Life Peerages, was read for the first time.

Earl Granville announced that the Hudson Bay Company had agreed to cede its territorial rights in British North America to the Crown, on the terms proposed.

In the House of Commons Mr. Harcourt introduced a bill for the purpose of intended to take concerning the report of the Neutralization Commission. Mr. Bruce, Home Secretary, replied that the Government were preparing a bill which would introduce a bill based on the recommendation of the Commission.

SPAIN.

MADRID, April 9.—The Government is about to send a naval commission to New York to purchase monitors for service in Cuban waters. The proposition to establish a Trinitaria had been abandoned. It met with many objections, the most formidable of which was that any immediate change in the form of administration would tend to the settlement of the financial difficulties of the country.

MADRID, April 9.—Evening.—Much political excitement is existing in consequence of the expiration of party feeling will result in an outbreak of violence. The military and military authorities are taking every precaution to prevent it.

The appointment of Gen'l Canales de Roda to Captain-Generalship of Cuba has not been finally determined on by the Provisional Government, but should be done by the Republic. Donato Igualdo will probably succeed Captain-General Roda.

Additional supplies of artillery and cavalry are demanded for the suppression of the rebellion in Cuba.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

LONDON, April 9.—Consols for security 93½; account 93½; American securities quiet; Five Per Cent at 93; Erie at 24½; Illinois at 93; Atlantic & Great Western at 30; Tallow 46 6d. Sugar 32 6d.

ANTWERP, April 9.—Petroleum unchanged at 62½@63½.

LIVERPOOL, April 9.—Cotton sales at Manchester markets for yarns and fabrics dull.

FRANKFURT, April 9.—Bonds at 87½.

LONDON, April 9.—Cotton sales at the week were 47,000 bales, of which 8,000 were for export and 3,000 on speculation. The market for the week is dull. Middling Uplands, 12½; Orleans, 12½; Sales of 7,000 bales, California, white wheat at 84½; red western at 84½@85; 10d. Western Flour at 22½; Corn 22½; New Oats 3s 6d; Peas 3s 6d; Pork 10s; Beef 9s.

LONDON, April 9.—Evening.—Consols closed at 93½ for money, and 93½ for account. 5 20s quiet at 23½. Stocks quiet; Erie 24½; Illinois Central 93½; A. and G. W. 22.

FRANKFURT, April 9.—Evening.—Consols firm at 87½.

PARIS, April 9.—Evening.—Bourse steady; Renten 707. 3/2c.

LIVERPOOL, April 9.—Evening.—Cotton market closed dull; middling uplands 12½; Orleans 12½; middling 12½; Broadstuffs and Provisions unchanged.

Produce.—Petroleum closed quiet and unchanged.

LONDON, April 9.—Evening.—Tallow advanced 8d. and quoted at 46s. 6d. Sugar 32s. 6d.

ANTWERP, April 9.—Evening.—Petroleum unchanged.

HAVRE, April 9.—Evening.—Cotton market unchanged for tres ordinaires on the spot and low middlings afloat.

HAVANA.

Leon and Medina Garroted—Great Excitement—The Crowd Fired into by the Guards, and Six Persons Killed.

HAVANA, April 9.—Francisco Leon and Augustin Medina were garroted today in the presence of a vast crowd of spectators. They both maintained complete firmness to the last. Leon, in mounting the scaffold, shouted "Viva Independence." There was great excitement among the spectators. Some parties uttered sedition cries, and the volunteers, who guarded the scaffold, faced about and fired about twenty shots into the crowd, with disastrous effect. Six men were killed and many wounded.

The Indiana Legislature—Matters Urgently Changed.

INDIANAPOLIS, April 9.—Legislative matters are unchanged. The House held three sessions and Senate one today. It is thought now the newly elected members will appear to-morrow and be qualified. Hon. A. P. Stanton, Speaker of the last House, has declined re-election, and Mr. Buskirk of Monroe county, has been nominated by the Republicans. The Democratic addition to the bill passed without protesting against it.

Mr. EDMUNDS then offered an additional section, which was adopted, declaring the proceedings of any of said States shall not be deemed final, or operate as a complete restoration, until their action shall be approved by Congress.

Mr. DAVIS said, understanding that the people of Virginia, Mississippi and Texas were willing to accept the bill as passed by the House, he had intended to say anything against it, although opposed to it, but he could not let that stand unopposed in the United States, in addition to the bill passed without protesting against it.

Mr. SAWYER offered an amendment to the first section, which was agreed to striking out the words "the registered voters of said State," and inserting in-

SECOND EDITION.

FOUR O'CLOCK A. M.

RECONSTRUCTION BILL FINALLY PASSED, WITH AMENDMENT REQUIRING THE RATIFICATION OF THE FIFTEENTH ARTICLE—PACIFIC RAILROAD BILL PASSED—CONTESTED ELECTION IN THE THIRD DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA—CONFERENCE REPORT ON THE DECEASED BILL—REMOVAL OF POLITICAL DISABILITIES.

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SENATE.

The House bill to submit the Constitutions of Virginia, Mississippi and Texas to a vote of the people was taken up. Mr. MORTON offered as an additional section his resolution that, before these States be represented in Congress, their Legislatures shall adopt the Fifteenth Amendment.

Mr. TRUMBULL did not think it wise to adopt this section. Congress had already, with great deliberation, passed several acts prescribing the conditions of reconstruction, and several States had complied with these conditions, and had been admitted to a representation, and for Congress now to impose additional conditions would be a breach of faith with those people. He did not doubt that these States would ratify the Fifteenth Amendment, without it being a made a condition of reconstruction.

Mr. MORTON denied it would be a breach of faith. No agreement had been made between Congress and the non-reconstruction States, and he offered those States reconstruction upon certain conditions, but they had refused to accept them. His amendment would not be a breach of faith to the government. And now it was the right of Congress to impose whatever conditions it pleased, provided they were right and just in themselves. He would rather see the pending bill fail, in his opinion, than see the government keep this question of negro suffrage open as an element of access in the election of 1870. The Democrats calculated that without the votes of Virginia, Mississippi, Texas and Indiana the Fifteenth Amendment must fail of ratification, and the only way to defeat that result was by making its ratification a condition of reconstruction.

Mr. CONKLING said the imposition of the new condition proposed by the Senator from Indiana would be a breach of faith. That Senator declared that States in question had remained unreconstructed, only because they had withdrawn to comply with the reconstruction upon the conditions offered by Congress. This certainty was not true in fact. That Senator declared that reconstruction upon the conditions offered by Congress was as far as he could in the prescribed course of reconstruction, and he would not consent to comply with the conditions of the Government of the United States, and he would not consent to hold the election, which was necessary as a condition precedent to her admission to representation in Congress.

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stead the words "voters of said States registered at time of said submission."

Mr. STOKTON declared himself opposed to the original bill, and especially opposed to the amendment of Senators from Indiana, which was not only unconstitutional and an outrage upon the people, but an outrage upon the Congressional reconstruction.

Mr. BAYARD opposed and denounced the bill on the same ground.

Mr. BAYARD said he would not have opposed the passage of the bill as it had come from the House, because that was a constitutional and a just measure, and he would have supported it in his late message, but he felt bound to oppose it in the only way he could, the harsh, unparliamentary and ungentlemanly manner of the Senator from Indiana. He had the authority of at least two distinguished Republican Senators for denouncing that amendment as a shameful breach of faith on the part of the Congress of the United States, and from his knowledge of the character of the American people, he felt very confident that any party that resorted to such a course would not be long afterwards broken or later be sternly and effectively rebuked by them.

The bill was passed by a vote of forty-four yeas to nine nays, all the Senators voting in the affirmative, except the four named Messrs. Bayard, Cassedy, Davis, Fowler, McCready, Norton, Sprague, Stockton and Thurman.

The unfinished business of yesterday, the bill to declare and fix the status of Judge Advocates of the Army, came up and was amended and passed.

Mr. BAYARD moved to suspend the Senate the President's proclamation calling an extra session of the Senate, beginning on Monday next, for the transaction of Executive business.

The bill providing for compensating the local owners of steamers taken for the use of the Government during the war, was taken up and discussed until 4½, when the Senate went into Executive session.

Mr. J. L. MANN, from the Committee on the bill to secure the interests of the United States in the Pacific Railroad, and said the Central and Union Pacific Railroad Companies had agreed to an agreement as to their point of meeting. He offered a substitute for the first and second sections of the bill, and moved that it be taken up and passed.

Mr. MANN said that there was not a Democrat on the Committee on the Pacific Railroad, and said he felt less delicacy about making complaint, because he was not himself a Democrat. [Laughter.]

Mr. THURMAN admitted that the bill was a breach of faith, but he pressed the hope that the cause would be removed at next session.

Mr. ANTHONY said formerly the practice was that the majority had the right to assign their own members to the several Committees, leaving in each a vacancy or vacancies to be filled by the minority, but at the beginning of the war it was found necessary to depart from that practice in the case of the Committee on the Pacific Railroad, and the majority had filled a vacancy left on the Committee for one of the minority.

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