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WEDNESDAY, December 11, 1880.

CONGRESS HAS resumed business at the old stand and the work of introducing bills goes on as usual.

It appears that fully 90 per cent. of the shoe and leather industry of Lynn suffered heavily by the recent fire.

SENATOR HARRISON is expected to break the record and appoint his committee before the holiday adjournment.

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A PUBLIC THIEF.

CASHIER SILCOTT Absconds With the Government Money.

WASHINGTON, December 8.—C. E. Silcott, cashier in the office of the Sergeant-at-Arms of the House, has absconded with some \$75,000.

The startling news was imparted to Congress just after it opened this morning.

It is known that something was amiss this morning and there were vague rumors that Silcott was a wrong-doer.

When Speaker Reed arose there was a silence, as each member held his breath awaiting Mr. Reed's words.

There was an instant confusion, and then Representative Adams, of Illinois, was on his feet with a resolution authorizing the appointment of a committee of seven to investigate the accounts of the Sergeant-at-Arms.

Mr. Silcott was appointed by Mr. Leeson six years ago, and until last night he had enjoyed a reputation as a man of integrity.

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The Monongahela House in Ruins.

One of the Oldest and Best known Hotels in the Country Destroyed.

The Monongahela House, one of the largest and best-known hotels in Pittsburgh, and despite the efforts of the fire department, the building was almost wrecked.

The fire was discovered by Thomas O. Beck, the head porter, who, upon going down to the basement, found that the flames had just started at the bottom of the freight elevator.

A number of the 200 guests were just preparing for dinner and some were not completely dressed.

At 1:30 o'clock, less than two hours after the fire broke out, the building was a mass of smoking ruins.

A peculiar feature of the fire was that all the papers were drawn for the fire and transferred to the building at the time of the conflagration.

A TERRIBLE CHARGE. MISAPPROPRIATION, December 8.—Charles S. Ostrom, anti-trust lawyer and book-keeper of the Pioneer Press, is suspected of setting the fire which burned the Tribune building.

COURT PROCLAMATION. ALEXANDER, The Honorable Judge of the Court of Sessions of Somerset County, Pa., do hereby certify that the following is a true and correct copy of the original of the same.

MONDAY, JANUARY 6, 1890. Commencing at 10 o'clock a. m. of said day, I, the undersigned, will receive and hear the case of the People vs. Ostrom.

BRIDGE SALE. The Commissioners of Somerset County will, by the order of the Board of Public Safety, on the premises to be hereinafter specified, sell the following bridge.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 2, 1890. The Commissioners will receive sealed proposals for the construction of a new bridge over the Allegheny River.

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