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CITY IS STORMBOUND

President Taft Took Oath of Office In Senate Chamber.

Instead of on the Open Air Platform Which Had Been Erected In Front of the Capitol—Great Stands In Which Seats Had Been Sold For High Prices Remained Almost Empty.

William Howard Taft and James Schoolcraft Sherman are now president and vice president of the United States.

Though scores of thousands of visitors from all sections of the country, who had poured into the capital city for the event, were doomed to bitter disappointment.

Aside from driving the principals in the ceremony indoors, the weather, by practically cutting off the capital from the outside world, served further to recall the pioneer days when details of the happenings had to be sent across the country by couriers on horseback.

The great stands in which seats had been sold for high prices remained almost empty, and it was not until the parade started in the afternoon that the throngs, disregarding all police restraint, surged into points of vantage to see what they could of the spectacle.

"I witnessed the dreadful weather conditions that prevailed in 1872, when four or five hundred people caught their deaths," he said, "I recall the Harrison inauguration with the soaking, chilling rainstorm, and the snow and icy gale that made life miserable at Cleveland's second inauguration."

4-Year Coal Agreement Ends April 1. It was in April seven years ago when the six months strike in the anthracite coal regions began and brought in its wake public hardship that will not soon be forgotten.

DISEASED AMERICAN MEAT

London Medical Officer Said Consignments Bore Official Inspection Label.

Startling allegations concerning the diseased condition of some recent consignments of American meat are contained in a report by Dr. Williams medical officer of the port of London presented to the city council at the Guildhall.

In a shipment of meat that arrived Feb. 2, consisting of tongues, kidneys liver, tripe, lamb plucks and sweet breads, Dr. Williams reports that he found 528 sheep livers and 130 lungs diseased out of a total of 2,400.

The city council decided to forward Dr. Williams' report to the local government board with the idea that the incidents therein be brought to the notice of Ambassador Reid and the various port and sanitary authorities.

DEATH OF MRS. POTTER

Was Active in Charitable Work—Survived Bishop Potter Only 8 Months.

Mrs. Elizabeth Scriven Potter, widow of Bishop Henry C. Potter, died at her home in New York on Thursday after an illness extending over several days.

Mrs. Potter, whose first husband, Alfred Corning Clark, left her an estate of several millions, was very much interested in charity and it was through her interest in charitable institutions conducted by the Protestant Episcopal church that the friendship was first formed which resulted in her marriage to the late bishop of New York.

Among the many charities in which she was interested were the Clark Neighborhood house, maintained entirely by her, and the chapel of the Incarnation built by her son Edward S. Clark in East Thirty-third street.

RECIPROCAL COAL TRADE

Western Pennsylvania Operators Sign Petition to Congress.

In an attempt to persuade congress to establish reciprocal coal trade with the Dominion of Canada, practically every coal operator in the Western Pennsylvania district has signed his name to a petition addressed to the ways and means committee of the house of representatives.

LUMBER DUTY HALVED

Understood to Be One of Changes in New Tariff Bill.

Washington, March 9.—A cut of one-half in the duties on lumber and manufactures of lumber is understood to be one of the changes provided by the new tariff bill which is printed preparatory to its final revision by the Republican members of the house ways and means committee.

The effort to obtain free hides is being made principally by the New England shoe and leather manufacturers, and is strongly opposed by the cattle men of the West.

The statistical officials say that the reputed longevity of people of ancient times as compared with modern is not borne out by the records. For instance, the census of Pennsylvania in 1900 showed 65 persons over 100 years old in a population of six and one-half million.

SUDDENLY STRICKEN BLIND

Elevator Operator Victim of Strange Malady.

Pittsburg, March 9.—Becoming suddenly blind while running an elevator in the Arrott building, Fourth avenue and Wood street, Saturday, William Sample, 31 years old, is at the Allegheny general hospital, where the physicians say he is suffering from meningitis.

DISCHARGED NEGRO SOLDIERS

Reasons For Delay In Organization of Commission.

Washington, March 9.—The hearing authorized by recent act of congress to the discharged negro soldiers of the Twenty-fifth infantry, in order that they might clear themselves of the charges of participation in the Brownsville riot, with the view to their re-enlistment, is not likely to be conducted for some time.

ATTACKED BY BULLDOG

Lies Unconscious at Hospital and May Lose Sight of an Eye.

Ithaca, March 9.—Warren Wilson, 18 years old, is lying unconscious at the City hospital as the result of an encounter with a blue-ribbon winning bulldog belonging to a friend, William LaBar.

GETS PAY AFTER 45 YEARS

Buyer Receives Check For Corn Purchased For Government In War. After waiting forty-five years John Baker, an aged resident of Pontiac, Ill., who was a grain buyer for the northern armies during the Civil war, has received a draft for \$1,000 for a shipment of corn which he purchased during the war for Uncle Sam.

TAXES DUE TOTAL MILLIONS

State Treasurer Sheatz Makes Astonishing Discoveries.

Harrisburg, March 9.—Millions of dollars are standing on the books of the state treasury in the form of unpaid taxes, due from the year 1907 as far back as 1882.

65 CENTENARIANS IN PENNSYLVANIA

One Was Aged 115 and Nine Near That in 1908 Death List.

Harrisburg, March 9.—According to the records of the bureau of vital statistics of the state department of health, 10 of the 112,291 persons who died in Pennsylvania during the year 1908 were more than 100 years of age.

Seven of the 10 were women, 4 were native Pennsylvanians, one of Virginia (colored), three of Ireland, one of Scotland and one of Hungary. Only one of the 10 died from an acute disease.

MANAGER'S DEATH FOLLOWED ACCIDENT

New York, March 9.—William H. Bishop, well-known in the theatrical circles as manager or owner of such old-time stage successes as "The Black Crook," "What Happened to Jones" and "The County Fair," died here Sunday at his home from internal injuries.

TRousERS AND MONEY STOLEN

Irwin, Pa., March 9.—When James Hudson of North Irwin awoke Sunday morning his trousers were gone along with \$2 in cash.

HEINZES IDENTIFY NECKLACE

Omaha, Neb., March 9.—Mr. and Mrs. Otto C. Heinze of New York arrived here and positively identified the pearl necklace recovered by the Omaha police from the Greek, John D. Savvis.

WAGES REDUCED TEN PER CENT.

Phoenixville, Pa., March 9.—A reduction of 10 per cent in the wages of the employees of the Phoenix Iron company went into effect yesterday affecting about 2,000 men.

THE NEWS SUMMARY

Short Items From Various Parts of the World.

Record of Many Happenings Condensed and Put in Small Space and Arranged With Special Regard For the Convenience of the Reader Who Has Little Time to Spare.

WEDNESDAY.

The case of a Spanish dancer's son, who claims the title and estate of the late Lord Stackville-West, opened in Madrid.

THURSDAY.

The Lackawanna Steel company at Buffalo has reduced the pay of its employes about 10 per cent.

FRIDAY.

In political circles in St. Petersburg war between Austria and Serbia is regarded as inevitable, says a dispatch from the Russian capital.

SATURDAY.

An automobile coach line was established yesterday between New York and Philadelphia.

SUNDAY.

William Loeb, Jr., was confirmed as collector of the port of New York.

MONDAY.

Theodore Roosevelt will receive the good wishes of Oyster Bay in a great farewell gathering before he departs for Africa.

TUESDAY.

Oscar Harris, a hotel proprietor at Cameron Mills, N. Y., was killed near his home by an Erie railroad train.

TARIFF ISSUE STIRS FRANCE

Senate Discussion Promises to Be Protracted and Bitter.

Paris, March 9.—The debate on the proposed general revision of the tariff of 1892, which has aroused a storm of opposition at home and abroad, will open in the senate this week and promises to be bitter and protracted.

TO SUCCEED KNOX

George T. Oliver of Pittsburg Will Probably Be Choice of Republican Caucus.

Harrisburg, March 9.—The Republican members of the two houses of the Pennsylvania legislature will meet in joint caucus to name a candidate for United States senator to succeed P. C. Knox, who resigned March 4 to become secretary of state in President Taft's cabinet.

It is probable that one name, that of George T. Oliver of Pittsburg, will be presented to the caucus and that he will be unanimously selected.

BEQUEST TO WELLESLEY COLLEGE.

Boston, March 9.—A bequest to Wellesley college of the residue of the estate of Miss Ellen A. Kendall of Boston, estimated at between \$75,000 and \$80,000, was made in the will of Miss Kendall filed for probate today.

BOYS FIND BURIED MONEY.

Elkins, W. Va., March 9.—A large sum of money, consisting of gold, silver and copper, was found by children while playing in a woods near the home of the late George Piercy, who is believed to have buried all his available cash during the civil war rather than have it fall into the hands of federal troops.

MARKET REPORT

New York Provision Market. WHEAT—No. 2 red, \$1.21 1/2 f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 northern Duluth, \$1.23 1/2.

Buffalo Provision Market. WHEAT—No. 1 northern, carloads, \$1.18 1/2; No. 2 red, \$1.26 1/2.

East Buffalo Live Stock Market. CATTLE—Prime export steers, \$5.50 @ 6.75; good to choice butcher steers, \$4.50 @ 5.10.