

# A HUNDRED YEARS.

## CONSTITUTIONAL CENTENNIAL

Celebrating the One Hundredth Anniversary of the Inauguration of President Washington.



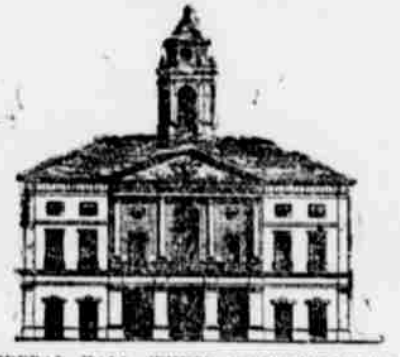
### A GALA DAY IN NEW YORK CITY.

Scenes and Incidents Attending the First Inauguration of Washington as President.

#### THE BIRTH OF OUR REPUBLIC.

The 30th of April, 1789, marks one of the great epochs in American history. It was upon that day that General Washington took the oath of office as the first President of the United States.

The last congress of the United States under the confederation adopted a resolution declaring that on the first Wednesday in January, 1789, presidential electors should be chosen in the several States.



FEDERAL HALL, WHERE WASHINGTON WAS INAUGURATED.

But though the government was born on March 4, 1789, it did not begin active existence until several weeks later. Steamboats were not dreamed of then, and railroads did not come into being until half a century later.

The inauguration of George Washington was performed on the balcony of the old Federal Hall, April 30, 1789, on the site now occupied by the United States post-office, at Wall and Nassau streets.

Washington wished to make the trip to New York as quietly and with as little show as possible, but he soon found that this was out of the question, owing to the patriotic ardor that was aflame everywhere.



MT. VERNON, HOME OF WASHINGTON.

incident and speculation, was characterized by the wildest enthusiasm of the citizens, all the way from Mount Vernon to Federal Hill.



GEORGE WASHINGTON.

peaceful republic. Between the date of Washington's arrival and his inauguration, the city was overrun with visitors and sightseers from all parts of the country.

THE INAUGURAL CEREMONIES. Vice President Adams, who had taken the oath of office a few days previously, met Washington at the entrance and escorted him to the President's chair.

"I am ready to proceed," was the grave response. Vice President Adams escorted Washington to the balcony, accompanied by congressmen and distinguished officials.

A profound silence, that was awe-inspiring and almost appalling, brooded over the scene immediately preceding the administration of the oath.

In the center, between two pillars, stood the commanding figure of Washington. He wore a Continental coat, dark brown knee-breeches, white silk stockings, and low shoes with silver buckles.

On this sacred volume, on the thirtieth day of April, 1789, in the city of New York, was administered to George Washington, the first president of the United States of America, the oath to support the constitution of the United States.

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MARTHA WASHINGTON.

This was the signal for the outbreak of the pent up joy and patriotism. A hurricane of shouts rent the air, and with the waving of flags and banners lasted for several minutes.

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Second only to the immortal Washington in American history will stand the names of the members of the first cabinet—Thomas Jefferson, Secretary of State, Alexander Hamilton, Secretary of the Treasury, General Henry Knox, Secretary of War and the Navy, and Edmund Randolph, Attorney General.

#### GOTHAM DECORATED.

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TRIUMPHAL ARCH, WASHINGTON SQUARE.

Taken as a whole, the scene was very pretty. The chief interest seemed to center at the Washington Square end of the avenue, where the first great arch stretches from curb to curb between the Rhineland residence and that of ex-Mayor Cooper.

This statue is said to have been first erected on the battery in 1791. At the foot of the statue was a large trophy of national flags, and then from the four corners of the arch streamers extended to the corners of the neighboring residences.

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#### THE NAVAL PARADE.

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#### STATE OF CHAOS.

OKLAHOMAITES ARE A SORRY SET. A Stampede for Home or Anywhere Else.

Chaos reigns, not only in Oklahoma, but in the entire tributary country. The railroad is prostrated and communications are entirely cut off.

When the correspondent reached Yellow Spring, from the Diamond Bar ranch, he learned from the dispatchers that neither the north nor the southbound passenger trains had been heard from.

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#### STATE NEWS.

Mrs. Boles, of Conemaugh upset a baby Wednesday night and burned her 11-month-old child so badly that it died an hour afterward. The mother is not expected to live.

At Manor station Goehring & Altmeyer store was burglarized Wednesday night. A large quantity of clothing, shoes, etc. were taken. As some old clothing was found in the yard, tramps are being blamed with the robbery.

The Confluence and State Line Railroad to run from a point on the Pittsburgh branch of the B. & O., at or near Confluence, to a point on the Youghiogheny river where it meets Maryland, was chartered at Harrisburg yesterday, with \$100,000 as the capital stock.

Great excitement at Legionville, over a strike of an oil well, which is said to be for 500 barrels.

James Trimble, a Pennsylvania coal mine employe, was killed by a train near Conemaugh.

Mr. J. P. Jones, a large manufacturer of cotton in Philadelphia, has contracted to move his plant in that city, valued at \$1,000,000, to Florence, Ala., and the P. H. Manufacturing Company of Trenton, Pa., have removed all their machinery for the manufacture of hardware, valued at \$2,000,000, to the same city.

The Catholic Church Temporary School Cambria borough, has decided to purchase any person who sells liquor on Sunday in Cambria borough.

The Bedford County Democrats have elected their delegates to the next State Convention. They are John C. Fugate, Dr. W. Van Ormer, M. H. Kramer and C. W. Dorman.

John Hereran was arrested at Pittsburgh passing bogus checks on the Mercantile Bank. He claimed to be an agent of the Pennsylvania Accident Association.

A coal digger named August Shupe was killed by a fall of slate in the mine of Chicago and Conemaugh Company at Lehigh. He was a middle-aged German and married.

The name of Mrs. Anon, of Shadysburg, near Sharon, has been noticed in the list of those who received support from the late late Johnnie Steel, who squandered \$500,000 during the oil excitement.

Pennsylvania has 286 natural gas wells organized within her State borders. There are 78 in West Virginia, 24 in West Virginia, 19 in Beaver, 16 in Brownsville, 12 in town, 6 in Monongahela City, 3, and the balance are scattered among many other different towns and cities.

The Sharon Council has passed a resolution against the using of sling shot boys.

An elderly lady named Noble, who was deranged, committed suicide at Sharon, Pa., by taking strychnine.

Hon. A. A. Barker, of Ebensburg, was seriously ill in Washington, D. C., but far recovered as to be able to return, and his health is still improving.

The large pipe mill of the Baring Works will be put in operation to produce large order it was filling when the war broke out, and which will take about two weeks, after which the business will be disposed of the plant.

DRONES AT A DISCOUNT. Glowing Reports From the South of the New South.

The Manufacturers' Record publishes a report from leading bankers and business men in the South as to the condition of business in that section, stating that the views of the South are being secured because they are the best authority on the condition of business in that section.

The Record says: "In the North the complaint of dullness; in the South, however, there is a steady and constant industry. The people are not only not enthusiastic. The steady progress of the South has brought about a season of prosperity, which has infused new life into the body, and the whole South is now working. Drones are at a discount, and enterprise is rampant. Trade is brisk, and push are now the controlling factors in the South. The reports of bankers and business men in the South are full of great improvement in business activity in trade and manufacturing, and enthusiasm which prevails in all classes, farmers and business men alike."

"This is probably the most favorable summary of the condition of business in an area as great as the South could ever have been made. Prosperity results from these facts. South, during the last two years, has 10,000 new industrial establishments, and every line of manufacturing, from making pins to building railroads, and the production of crops ever raised in this section, is doing fairly good profits to the farmer, as reported."

A Bridge Giv' a Way. At Che'ssa Park, a summer resort, the Kansas line from Kansas City bridge across an artificial lake gave precipitated about seventy-five feet of water. Most of the out- or were assisted to the shore, and not a hurt, but fifty or more were four of them seriously. These were J. H. Prendergast, Miss Mollie Prendergast and E. L. Steves.

Through a Burning Hell. An engine and eight cars, on a tank filled with oil, went through the Pennsylvania Railroad, five miles from the engine was destroyed. The engineer, and James J. Stone, both of Sunbury, Pa., were injured internally.

An Election Tragedy in Va. During a local option election in Virginia, Joe Howell shot and killed Porter, a Deputy U. S. Marshal. The latter died so that Howell is now fleeing a man whose wife was

WASHINGTON'S COACH. Bandits Captured. The ten persons, seven men and three women, captured on Sunday, near Merkleysburg, Fayette county, Pa., supposed to be a portion of the gang of McCollindown robbers and desperadoes, were brought to Somerset in charge of Sheriff Kyle and a posse of forty men. The prisoners are accused of committing the outrage upon Christian Vander, near Meyersdale, a few weeks ago. Two of them had been previously arrested, but escaped.

On Saturday last ex-Sheriff Kyle, of Meyersdale organized a posse. The rendezvous of the outlaws was located two miles from Merkleysburg and surrounded. On Sunday evening the party sought they could not escape surrendered. They were taken to Confluence, placed on a midnight train. The whole town turned out and escorted the prisoners from the station to the jail.

The names of those are: Carley Lewis, Jack and Maurice Sullivan, D. Curtis Tesker, Maama Thomas, Clarence Anderson, Bill Hill and wife, Nat Sullivan and Louisa Teats.

High License in Boston. This year begins the enforcement of the license law, which limits the number of licensed places to 750, and as there are over 2,000 places that must close by May 1. The list of rejected applicants includes some of the most prominent dealers within the city limits. There is not a sporting house in town except Councilman Billy Mahoney's place, on Lyngrave street, that has been granted a license.

John Wayne, of Reading, has a leader for 600 years old, in which his great-grandfather used to keep tobacco, gold, etc.

To Restore Capital Punishment. At Lansing, Michigan, the House took steps towards restoring capital punishment by passing the Abbott Hanging bill in Committee of the Whole. The bill provides for the death penalty for murderers, but before it can be imposed requires that every juror shall sign a verdict recommending its infliction, and even then the Judge may exercise his discretion in sentencing the prisoner to death or to imprisonment for life. As amended the bill authorizes the execution by either hanging or electricity, and provides that no newspaper reporters shall be allowed to witness executions.

Factory Wrecked. An explosion of dynamite and emmentite occurred at the factory of the Emmenette Gun Explosive and Ammunition Company, near Harrison, N. Y. Charles Anderson, foreman, employed at the works, was probably fatally injured, and Newton Emmenette, son of the owner of the place, was badly cut and burned. The factory, valued at \$10,000, was entirely demolished, and two other buildings were slightly damaged. The explosion was caused by a fire which originated in the engine room.