

FIFTY-SECOND CONGRESS.

MONDAY—In the Senate Mr. Manderson, from the Committee on Military Affairs reported back adversely four bills for the increase of the infantry and artillery branches of the army, and reported in lieu of them a bill to reorganize the artillery and infantry branches of the army and to increase their efficiency, which was placed on the calendar.

Recommendations from the Treasury Department for urgent deficiency appropriations for the current fiscal year were presented by the Vice President and were referred to the committee on Appropriations.

Mr. Gibson, of Louisiana, from the committee on Commerce reported a bill appropriating \$1,000,000 for the improvement of the Mississippi river, and it was placed on the calendar.

Mr. Chandler introduced a concurrent resolution instructing the Senate committee on Immigration to investigate the working of the various laws which restrict immigration relative to immigration from various countries and the importation of contract laborers especially in connection with the recent admission of immigrants infected with typhus fever into New York.

Mr. Chandler said these immigrants had been admitted in contradiction and disobedience of the laws which restrict them from one end of the Eastern States to the other, perhaps to infect those communities with typhus fever. They had, in his judgment, been admitted when they had been excluded by the Immigrant Commissioner in the performance of a strict and imperative duty under the statute of the United States.

The Senate then resumed consideration of the bill providing for the distribution of public documents, the pending question being Mr. Gorman's amendment to strike out the second section of the bill. After a long discussion the section was modified and the bill—which had been reported on the committee on the 24th of January—was passed.

Mr. Paddock's bill for preventing the adulteration and misbranding of food and drugs was then taken up as unfinished business. The bill went over as unfinished business to come up at 2 o'clock each day. After a brief executive session the Senate adjourned.

In the House Representative McMillen, of Tennessee, presided to day in the absence of Speaker Crisp, who was confined to his room by a headache. After some formal business, Mr. Hatch, of Missouri, brought the tariff question to the front by moving to suspend the rules and adopt a resolution requesting the committee on Finance to report the effect upon agriculture of the present tariff law.

Representative Stuart, of Michigan, introduced in the House the following resolution: "Whereas, the Reading, Lehigh Valley, the Jersey Central, Delaware and Lehigh Valley Western railways, operating lines in different States and representing a nominal capital of \$300,000,000, the plan of which could be duplicated at a cost of \$100,000,000, have effected a combination.

Resolved, That the committee on Interstate Commerce be requested to investigate the facts of the case and report thereon such consolidations should not be prohibited by national law, and whether a bureau of interstate transportation should not be organized to take charge of such lines as the secretary of commerce."

Mr. Outwater, of Ohio, from the committee on Military Affairs, moved to suspend the rules and pass a bill to establish a promotion in the Army. After a short discussion, the opposition being led by Mr. Breckinridge of Kentucky, the motion was agreed to, and the bill was passed.

The House was called to order today by Mr. Kern, the clerk, who read a communication from the Speaker designating Mr. McMillen, of Tennessee, as Speaker pro tem.

In his prayer the Chaplain invoked the Divine protection of the Senators, Representatives and members of the press in their trip to Chicago.

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THURSDAY—Senator Palmer made a statement today on his resolution for a constitutional amendment for the election of United States Senators by a direct vote of the people of the States.

Mr. Palmer said that the present system of electing Senators is not satisfactory to the American people. He combated the idea that the constitution is so perfect that amendments are not necessary, and held that the reasons that the framers of the constitution had in providing for the election of Senators by the State Legislature do not now exist.

After further discussion the subject went over.

Among the petitions reported and referred by the Senate was one by Footers, from some citizens of Weedsburg, Ind., asking that the Pinkerton detective force be suppressed by law, or else that it be incorporated into the military force of the country.

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Mr. O'Neill, of Pennsylvania, presented a protest of the Philadelphia Board of Trade against the free coinage bill.

Mr. George, of California, from the committee on Foreign Affairs, reported a bill for the exclusion of the Chinese.

The House then went into committee of the whole. Mr. Bynum, of Indiana, in the chair, on the Indian Appropriation bill, which was generally discussed until adjournment.

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The Reading Coal Combination Gathers in the B. & O. Pittsburgh, Pa., Feb. 15.—The Reading Coal Combination is assuming more gigantic proportions than were ever dreamed of.

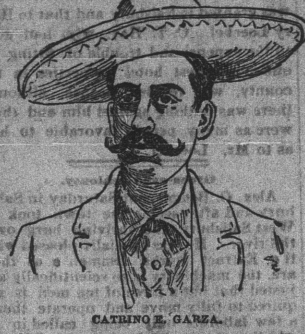
Private advices were received by a Pittsburgh banker this afternoon, which are regarded as thoroughly reliable, to the effect that the Reading Company has secured absolute control of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad and its numerous branches, and also the New York & New England Railroad company.

The total mileage of the Baltimore and Ohio is 1,330 miles, of which 1,305 miles are east of the Ohio, and 245 west of that river. The B. & O. lines extend from Philadelphia in the East to Lexington, Va., on the South, to Chicago in the Northwest, and St. Louis in the West with many collateral lines, and extend, extending through Maryland, Southern and West Virginia, Western Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois, reaching all the lake ports and important points on the Ohio and Mississippi rivers.

The capitalization of the combination before today's additions was estimated to be \$300,000,000. The Baltimore & Ohio has \$25,000,000 common stock and \$15,000,000 preferred, besides its numerous bond issues. The New York and New England has \$20,000,000 common stock and \$2,000,000 preferred.

A PRIZE UPON HIS HEAD.

Carpet of Carrino E. Garza, Leader of the Mexican Revolutionists.



Senator Garza, who is attracting considerable attention from the Government of Mexico and the United States troops stationed in Texas, through his efforts to create a revolution against the Government of Mexico, to escape further punishment, fled from among the Mexicans of both sides of the Rio Grande, in a man of more than ordinary interesting personality.

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CATARHAL DEAFNESS.

How Roaring, Crackling and Buzzing in the Ear is Produced.

The eustachian tubes are small tubes, about two inches long, leading from the upper and back part of the throat to the middle ear. Their uses are to permit the passage of air inside the drum-head of the ear. An ordinary drum would be worthless unless a small hole was in the barrel to allow the pressure of air to be equal on both sides of the drum-head.

Peruina is the best, if not the only, remedy that will cure these cases. Taken regularly according to the directions on the bottle the symptoms gradually disappear, until a complete cure is effected.

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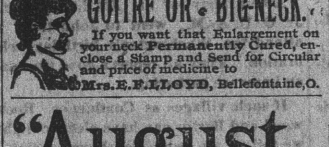
Routs Rheumatism.

Mr. CHARLES LAWRENCE, of Ashland, Neb., says that Swift's Specific cured him of SEVERE RHEUMATISM of which he had suffered for over six months, with vain efforts to get relief.

After suffering untold agonies three years from Rheumatism, having had much treatment without relief, I decided to take Swift's Specific. Eight bottles

CURED ME ENTIRELY and I wish other sufferers to know of the value of your great remedy for Rheumatism.—JOHN McDONALD, McDonald's Mills, Ga.

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"August Flower" My wife suffered with indigestion and dyspepsia for years. Life became a burden to her. Physicians failed to give relief. After reading one of your books, I purchased a bottle of August Flower. It worked like a charm. My wife received immediate relief after taking the first dose. She was completely cured—now weighs 165 pounds, and can eat anything she desires without any deleterious results as was formerly the case. C. H. Dear, Prop'r Washington House, Washington, Va.

Tuff's Tiny Pills act so kindly on the child, the delicate female or infirm old age as upon the vigorous man.

Tuff's Tiny Pills give tone and strength to the weak stomach, head aches and headaches.

Best Remedy for Catarrh is the Best, Kept in Use, and Cheapest.

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Is a fine Calf Shoe, made seamless, of the best leather produced in this country.

This shoe has been on sale throughout the United States over eight years, and has given excellent satisfaction, as the increasing sales show.

Best Shoe in the World for the Price.



Arrested—the progress of Consumption. In all its earlier stages, it can be cured.

It purifies the blood—that's the secret. Nothing else acts like it.

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No other medicine of its kind is "just as good" as the "Discovery."

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MARKETS.

Table listing market prices for various commodities including BUTTER, EGGS, POULTRY, GAME, DUCKS, POTATOES, WHEAT, CORN, OATS, RYE, FLOUR, HAY, MIDDINGS, FEATHERS, HONEY, MAPLE SYRUP, TALLOW, CRANBERRIES, and FLOUR.

THE WORLD'S FAIR JUNKET.

Departure of the Trains Loaded With Congressmen and Diplomats. Washington, Feb. 20.—The World's Fair special, comprising five of the most magnificent trains ever put on the road, by the Pullman Palace car company, left for the Baltimore and Ohio at 12:30 o'clock Friday afternoon, bound for the city of Chicago.

Well preserved women, when consulting their mirror see beside their satisfied reflection the calm and earnest face of Lydia E. Pinkham. They can't say why.

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