

**CONGRESS HAS ADJOURNED**

**After Many Days of Warm Debate All Ends Serenely.**

**TRIBUTE TO SPEAKER CANNON.**

**House Members of all Parties Join in a Rousing Testimonial to Their "Uncle Joe."**

At 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon the second session of the Fifty-eighth Congress adjourned sine die with the heartiest manifestations of good will among its members. For several weeks past the Republicans and Democrats have spent a considerable portion of the time in a political debate that at times has reached a very sharp and acrimonious stage. They have fought over all the political battles since the foundation of the government. But on the last all unpleasant features were apparently forgotten, and the senators and members separated with good wishes and the exchange of kindly sentiments.

In the house this love feast took the form of an ovation to Speaker Cannon, in which Democrats and Republicans vied with each other in an endeavor to show the speaker the greatest respect and consideration. A resolution was unanimously adopted by the house testifying to his absolute fairness, his good common sense and his genial good humor, characteristics which Mr. Cannon is admitted to possess in a remarkable degree. The speaker responded with a speech in which he showed his appreciation of his estimate of his colleagues, as this impressive scene was followed by one immediately succeeding adjournment, in which the members joined in singing patriotic airs and closed with a few stanzas of "He's a Jolly Good Fellow."

The closing hours of the session in the Senate were marked by a brief but spirited political debate between Senators Gorman and Aldrich. There was no ill feeling displayed, however, and even the senators parted with expressions of good fellowship, although they were not so demonstrative as to burst into song like the representatives. A resolution was adopted thanking Senator Frye, the presiding officer, for his fairness and efficiency, which he appropriately responded. The president and his cabinet occupied the president's capitol office room during a part of the debate, and some of the president's advisers were among the most interested listeners to the criticisms and defense of their chief. Mrs. Roosevelt and other members of the president's family occupied seats in the gallery towards the close of the session.

The total appropriations made by this Congress aggregate \$781,574,829. Of this sum \$2,501,843 was to pay deficiencies for prior fiscal years and \$56,500,000 is set aside for application to the sinking fund. This leaves the total appropriation for the expenses of the government for 1905 \$698,272,786.

**SAVED MANY LIVES.**

**Young Boy Prevents Train from Striking Rock.**

The heroism of Leonard Howard, a 13-year-old boy, saved a Norfolk & Western train and possibly 30 passengers who were bound to Norfolk, Va., from Columbus, O.

Knowing that a huge rock had fallen on the rails, the boy dashed up the track, waving his cap and shouting. The engineer understood the situation and applied the emergency airbrakes. The train, with grinding, spark-spitting wheels, slid down the track, but could not be stopped before the engine struck the rock. The boy's signal, however, saved the train, for no damage was done beyond crushing the front of the locomotive. A purse was made up for the little hero.

**Million Dollar Oil Deal.**

The Southern Oil company of Texas sold its entire holdings, except outstanding accounts, to the Houston Oil company. The consideration named in the deed is \$1,000,000.

**CHINA EQUIPPING ARMY.**

**Will Add 72,000 Men to Force Already in Field.**

What may be regarded as the first definite move on the part of the Chinese government to prepare to take part in the war between Japan and Russia was taken on the 29th ult., when an imperial order was issued to the viceroys to equip and prepare for active service at once 72,000 troops. This, in addition to the men already in the field, will give China an army of not far from 200,000 men, armed with modern rifles, equipped with modern munitions and in the main drilled in accord with modern military methods and officered by fairly competent men.

**Chile Wants Help.**

Alarming cablesgrams have been received from Santiago de Chile saying that the Chilean government has instructed its minister at Washington, Senior Walker-Martinez, to inquire if the United States will defend her in case Chile shall proceed forcibly on the question of annexing the provinces of Tacna and Arica, which that country is disposed to do.

**Four Deaths in a Fire.**

Four lives were lost in the burning of the Bryant house on East Michigan avenue, Lansing, Mich. The dead are Jerome C. Siles, Grand Rapids; John Yolland, Lansing; Ransom Dingman, Lansing; and James Ray, Lansing. Three victims were burned to death, their charred bodies not being found until daylight permitted a search of the ruins. A tank of gasoline in the basement of the building exploded a few minutes after the fire broke out, scattering flames all over the building.

**JAPANESE TRANSPORT SUNK.**

**Torpedo Boat of Vladivostok Fleet Inflicts Damage.**

Russian torpedo boats belonging to the Vladivostok squadron sank a Japanese military transport, the Kinshu-Maru, of 4,000 tons, during the night of April 26 with all on board with the exception of 17 officers, 20 soldiers, 65 of the crew and 85 coolie carriers. The others, who refused to surrender, were sent to the bottom with the ship. St. Petersburg is filled with rumors regarding the sinking of the transport. One report has it that 3,600 men were aboard the transport when she went down, but the Admiralty insists that there were only 200.

**DRIVEN BACK BY RUSSIANS**

**Muscovite Position at Lizavna Charged with Heavy Loss.**

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**THREW VITRIOL.**

**Contents of Bottle Dashed in Face of Sister at Convent.**

A red-faced, roughly dressed man, supposed to be a tramp, demanded money and refused the proffered food at the door of St. Joseph's convent, Wheeling. Returning a little later the man dashed the contents of a bottle of carbolic acid in the face of Sister Mary Alma, who answered the bell. The sister fell to the floor screaming with pain. A physician, who was promptly summoned, expressed the opinion that he could save her sight, but he feared the effect upon her nervous system.

Nearly all the tramps in the city are in the custody of the police, but the acid thrower is believed to have come towards Pittsburg on a freight train, and the authorities in that city have been furnished with as good a description of him as Sister Alma is able to give in her present condition. The authorities connect the outrage with the assault last September at St. John's orphanage, at Elm Grove, in which Sister Alma was the victim, and for which three negroes are now serving sentences in the penitentiary at Moundsville.

**CAPITAL NOTES.**

President Roosevelt has appointed Thomas C. Dawson, of Iowa, at present secretary of the United States legation at Rio Janeiro, Brazil, as United States Minister to Santo Domingo. The office has just been provided for by legislation and carries with it a salary of \$5,000 a year.

The Senate confirmed the nomination of Jeter C. Pritchard, of North Carolina, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth judicial district. The president sent to the senate the nomination of J. Whitaker Thompson to be United States attorney for the eastern district of Pennsylvania. The appointment was confirmed.

**DELETED BY DOMINICANS.**

A German steamer which arrived at St. Thomas from Monte Cristi, San to Domingo, reports that 300 government troops attacked the Jimenez forces at Guayanaco, near Santo de los Caballeros, several days ago. After a fierce battle the government troops were defeated. Their losses were 41 killed and 16 wounded. Gons. Cabrera, Arroyo and Luna were killed. Twelve of the Jimenez forces were killed.

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**CONGO STATE GETS LAKE.**

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**Town Almost Destroyed.**

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**Miners Go on Strike.**

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**MANY KILLED BY TORNADO.**

**The Indian Territory and Texas Swept by Destructive Storm.**

A dispatch from Fairland, I. T., says: Eight people were killed by a tornado that passed through this section Sunday. Many houses were demolished.

**ATTEMPT TO BLOW UP WARSHIP.**

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Between Monday night and Tuesday morning the Japanese forced a passage of the Yalu, two companies crossing. Heavy firing was heard near Tatung-Kan, in which it is believed the Japanese made a feint in order to distract attention from the real point of passage. So far no bridge spans the river. It is believed the Russian fire succeeded in destroying the floating parts of the Japanese bridges.

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**TERSE TELEGRAMS.**

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The Hungarian government railroad strike is ended and train service has been resumed.

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**Young Man Drowned.**

While sailing in a boat on the Machoning river at Warren, O., the wind capsized the boat, throwing Elroy F. Dutton into the water. He endeavored to swim to shore, but his rubber boots filled with water and dragged him down about 15 feet from shore. The body was recovered an hour after the drowning. The young man was 20 years old, a graduate of the local schools, and had been studying law.

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**STEEL TRADE AT STANDSTILL**

**Pig Iron is Weaker and Blast Furnace Activity Has Caused an Over Production.**

Dun & Co's. "Weekly Review of Trade" says: Business continues to move in most conservative channels, purchases being restricted to immediate requirements and weather conditions dominating the situation to an unusual extent. At many points there has been little spring trade and the transition from winter to summer will be accomplished with scarcely any intermediate season. Considering this adverse factor, the current volume of business is remarkably satisfactory. Building operations are also deferred to a later date. Much structural work is projected, however, and at some favored points last year's record promises to be surpassed.

**RUSSIAN NAVAL BLUNDERS.**

**Two of the Czar's War Vessels Take Each other for Enemies.**

The naval court-martial of the captain of the cruiser Boyarin, which struck a mine, and was partially destroyed near Port Arthur on February 13, has brought out some sensational facts not hitherto published. These show that Port Arthur was in a state of consternation at the time, owing to the Japanese torpedo attack on the night of February 9.

**MARKETS.**

**PITTSBURG.**

**Grain, Flour and Feed.**

Wheat-No. 2 red.....	98	99
Rye-No. 2.....	55	56
Corn-No. 2 yellow.....	59	60
Oats-No. 2 white.....	48	49
No. 3 white.....	45	47
Flour-Winter patent.....	4 75	4 80
Straight white.....	4 50	4 55
Hay-No. 1 timothy.....	15 25	15 30
Clover No. 1.....	22 00	22 00
Feed-No. 2 milo.....	22 00	22 00
Brown middlings.....	31 50	31 50
Straw-Wheat.....	9 00	9 50
Oats.....	9 00	9 50

**BALTIMORE.**

Flour-Winter Patent.....	\$2.00	5 25
Wheat-No. 2 red.....	1.90	1.01
Corn-mixed.....	11	12
Butter-Creamery.....	42	45

**PHILADELPHIA.**

Flour-Winter Patent.....	\$2.15	5 35
Wheat-No. 2 red.....	1.94	1.09
Corn-No. 2 mixed.....	50	51
Oats-No. 2 white.....	45	46
Butter-Creamery extra.....	23	25
Eggs-Pennsylvania.....	17	18

**NEW YORK.**

Flour-Patent.....	\$2.00	5 40
Wheat-No. 2 red.....	1.94	1.05
Corn-No. 2 mixed.....	50	52
Oats-No. 2 white.....	44	45
Butter-Creamery.....	22	23
Eggs-Standard Pennsylvania.....	16	17

**LIVE STOCK.**

Union Stock Yards, Pittsburg.		
Cattle.		
Prime heavy, 1400 to 1600 lbs.....	\$ 5.20	5 35
Medium, 1200 to 1400 lbs.....	4 75	4 85
Butcher, 800 to 1000 lbs.....	3 50	4 25
Common to fair.....	1 40	3 70
2000, common to fair.....	2 00	3 00
Common to good fat bulls and cows.....	2 50	3 50
Milk cows, each.....	25 00	30 00

**Hogs.**

Prime heavy hogs.....	\$ 3.00	3 30
Prime medium weights.....	3 30	3 35
Best heavy Yorkers and medium.....	3 25	3 30
Good pigs and light Yorkers.....	3 30	3 35
Pigs, common to good.....	2 50	3 20
2500, common to good.....	2 25	3 00
Stags.....	3 00	4 00

**Sheep.**

Extra, medium wethers.....	\$ 1.00	3 25
Good to choice.....	1 25	3 50
Medium.....	1 00	3 25
Common to fair.....	2 50	3 00
Spring Lambs.....	6 00	10 00

**Calves.**

Veal, extra.....	4 25	5 00
Veal, good to choice.....	3 75	4 50
Veal, common heavy.....	3 25	4 00