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Fred. Douglass' Humor.

There are going the rounds a number of very reliable stories relating to Frederick Douglass, who, though very sensitive on the subject of any distinction drawn between negroes and mulattoes to the disparagement of the former, was always ready to crack a joke on his own color. He often laughed over a witticism of Mrs. Fred. Grant's at his expense when they met at the Chicago convention of 1888.

Justified Deception.

An original application of photography to astronomy was lately reported by Sir Robert Ball. One evening, says a contemporary, Sir Robert saw a peripatetic exhibitor of a telescope inviting the public to look at the moon, and, possibly out of sympathy with a brother astronomer, he paid his half-penny, and was gratified by seeing a capital view of a full moon.

The Penalty of Carelessness.

A resident of Pennsylvania tells a story that furnishes a warning against the indiscriminate use of the brushes about the house by persons who have been vaccinated. It seems, says the Philadelphia Record, that several members of a family in the town of which the man is a resident had been vaccinated, and the itchy feeling that follows the success of the operation prompted the free use of the hair brush to secure relief.

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Many Bills on the House Calendar for Immediate Action.

THE QUAY COUNTY BILL AGAIN.

It Will Come Up for Final Passage in the House on Wednesday—How the Greater Pittsburg Bills Were Corrected and Pushed Through Both Houses.

(Special Correspondence.)

HARRISBURG, May 13.—The legislature is getting ready to adjourn. Bills are being rushed through both bodies with unprecedented haste. Speaker Walton wants to get away the latter part of next week. He insists that the calendar be cleared by that time if the house will keep right at work. Mr. Walton's belief is not shared by his older and more experienced colleagues. They say it is absolutely impossible to adjourn finally before the first week of June.

May Extend the Session into June.

The appointment bills are near the bottom of the calendar. They will probably be taken up on special orders and passed with the understanding that they will be sent to conference by the time of adjournment. Many of the appropriation bills will also go to a conference committee. This will cause much delay, and may extend the session far into June. Governor Hastings is insisting upon a new appropriation bill, but the members whose districts are adversely affected by the bills under consideration are not likely to be willing to let it pass.

The House Judicial Appointment Bill.

After having been hung up in the senate committee for more than a month, was amended and then reported out. It will be considered this week in the senate on second reading. The congressional, legislative and judicial appointment bills are not satisfactory to a majority of the members of both bodies, and are sure to be amended before they reach third reading.

The Revenue Bill Framed by the State Tax Conference.

will be considered on third reading tomorrow in the house. On Wednesday the bill creating the county of Quay will be called up in the house for final passage. Its friends are confident that they have enough votes to put it through this stage. On Tuesday evening the opponent of the Porter school bill will give a hearing by the house municipal corporations committee.

The School Appropriation Bills.

During the week the advocates of the various bills for the distribution of the school appropriation will have a conference to try to agree on a measure satisfactory to all parties. The granters are willing to agree to a bill giving each school \$50 and distributing the balance of the appropriation on the basis of the number of taxables, as at present. By this plan Philadelphia would receive about \$50,000 less than its present share of the appropriation.

The Appellate Court Bill Will be Called Up This Week in the House for Third Reading and Final Passage by Representative Kunkel of this City.

Many other postponed bills will be called up during the week by their sponsors through fear the rules committee at its next meeting will drop all such measures from its calendar. Governor Hastings is disposing of the bills as fast as they reach him. He has very few under consideration. Among them is the Farr compulsory education bill, which will probably be signed tomorrow, along with the other bills not yet acted upon.

On Wednesday a meeting of the board of pardons will be held for the consideration of a number of cases which have been pending for several months.

Rushing the "Greater Pittsburg" Bills.

A feat in legislation which has probably never been equaled before was accomplished on Wednesday afternoon last by those tireless Pittsburgers, Chris Magee and Senator "Billy" Flinn. The three bills which were required to make the "greater Pittsburg" a possibility were in the governor's hands, but at the last moment a flaw was discovered in one of them. It was merely technical, but the bill could not become a law until it was corrected, and the two big hustlers were anxious to have everything completed before the evening of the same day, when the passage of the bills was to be celebrated with a mammoth banquet to the members of the legislature and others.

The amount of red tape would have discouraged almost anybody else. First a joint resolution was passed by both the senate and the house recalling the bill from the governor. As the governor had to sign the resolution, the senate took a recess for an hour. At the end of that time Private Secretary Beiler appeared with the announcement that the resolution had been approved, and returned the bill. It was then amended, but another recess of the senate was necessary to permit the bill to be printed. At 5 o'clock the senate again reconvened, passed the bill finally, and then had to go to the house for concurrence. It was then engrossed, and just at 7 o'clock, as the members were taking their places at the banqueting board, Governor Hastings affixed his signature to the bill, which practically assures the formation of the western Pennsylvania metropolis.

Mr. McGaughey's Sacrament.

After the resolution of Mr. Focht, of Union county, on the Niagara question, and the resolution of sympathy with Cuban revolutionists had passed the house on Thursday evening Representative McGaughey introduced the following: Whereas, Cuba is now engaged in an unequal contest for liberty, and whereas, the fool killer is still at large; therefore, be it resolved, That the legislature of Pennsylvania enlist with the Cuban patriots in a body.

Before the resolution could be introduced, however, the time for original resolutions had passed, and it had to be held over until this week.

During the summer weather of last week considerable difficulty was experienced in opening and closing the upper windows in the house, no provision for handling them having been made when

the alterations were made in the building. The rule was not to arrange them when the house was not in session, using for that purpose a big ladder on the inside. On Thursday evening it became necessary to close them while the house was in session, and as the ladder could not be used from the inside, Speaker Walton notified the fire department and sent a truck around for the purpose, and as the machine dashed up the hill and the big ladders were raised in front of the building the news quickly spread that the Capitol was on fire. The firemen had some difficulty in explaining the situation, and it was several hours before the excitement subsided. The question "Where's the fire?" had been asked and answered.

Speaker Walton's Gallery of Celebrities.

The resolution introduced by Representative Pomeroy for a gallery of the portraits of all the speakers of the house recalls the fact that Speaker Walton has one of the best collections of portraits of distinguished men in the country. He has been gathering it for years, and the collection now numbers over 500, among them being paintings of representative men of all nations and all ages. He has practically a complete set of the sovereigns of England, Spain and other countries, besides men who have distinguished themselves in particular ways of life. His collection is very complete.

The House was responsible for a mild sensation in the senate on Wednesday. The constitution provides that neither house can adjourn for more than three days without the consent of the other. The necessary consent has, however, never heretofore been refused. On Wednesday morning, after being run out of work, decided to adjourn on Tuesday afternoon, but to the horror of the senate and diffidence of the house refused to give its consent. Subsequently, however, the house reconsidered and allowed the senators to go home.

Three Night Sessions Weekly.

The first attempt of the house to hold night sessions was a dismal failure, but with the present week they will begin in earnest. The new order of business is as follows: Monday evening session, bills on first reading; local and special bills on third reading and final passage. Tuesday morning, afternoon and evening, revenue bills on second reading; revenue bills on third reading and final passage. Wednesday morning and afternoon, revenue bills on second reading; revenue bills on third reading and final passage. Wednesday evening, appropriation bills on second reading; senate bills on third reading and final passage. Thursday morning, afternoon and evening, appropriation bills on third reading and final passage; senate bills on second reading; senate bills on third reading and final passage. Friday, senate bills on second reading.

There is quite a delegation of newspaper editors and publishers in the legislature, and on Tuesday evening they gave a banquet to the Legislative Correspondents' association at the Bolton House. Covers were laid for forty, and Representative Smith, of Bedford, the chairman of the committee of arrangements, presided. Speeches were made by Representative Pomeroy, the president of the Editors' and Publishers' association; Senator Brewer, Colonel Henry Hall, Representatives Fow, Salinger, Gould, Parsons and others.

A Clean Sweep for Grist.

LANCASTER, Pa., May 13.—The majority for George A. Lane for district attorney in the Republican primary election of Saturday will reach fifty-four. Following are the delegates to the state convention: City district, William T. Brown and William Wholsen. Southern district, John M. Groff, Dr. I. H. Mayer and P. P. Sentman. Northern district, James Lichty, E. B. Eckman, Linnaeus Roist, Dr. George W. Kelch and Edwin Musser. The election of H. W. Bass and B. F. Weaver as poor directors and C. G. Boyd and John T. Brubaker as prison inspectors make a clean sweep for Grist.

Found a Dead Baby in a Store Box.

HAZLETON, Pa., May 13.—While at work in the Catholic cemetery at Beaver Meadow, Cormac McGreary and Martin Mulligan came unexpectedly across a small store box containing the body of a male child about 3 months old. An effort had been made to conceal the box in the underbrush. Last Tuesday evening a carriage was seen to stop before the graveyard, and a woman alighted carrying a bundle. As this was not a very unusual proceeding, no particular attention was paid to it at the time.

An Elevator Collapses.

Oshkosh, Wis., May 13.—A three-story elevator, the property of Joseph Stringham and situated at the south approach of Main street bridge, collapsed last evening without warning. It is a total wreck. It contained 30,000 bushels of oats. The settling of piles and a high wind caused the disaster.

Italy and Canada.

Rome, May 12.—The government has appointed Signor Salimbergo, an ex-member of the chamber of deputies, to visit Montreal on a special mission having for its object the development of commercial relations between Italy and Canada.

Mother Dead; Child Fatally Burned.

Toledo, O., May 13.—The residence of Thaddeus Brown, a farmer residing half a mile from the village of Bryan, O., was destroyed by fire yesterday. Brown's wife perished in the flames and his five-year-old son is fatally burned.

Lawn Tennis Tournament.

Cambridge, Mass., May 13.—The spring tournament of the Harvard lawn tennis association begins to-day on the Jarvis field tennis courts. The number of entries is small, but some of the best players are entered.

Slavin Challenges Corbett.

London, May 12.—A sporting paper to-day publishes a challenge from Frank Slavin to Jim Corbett for a fight for £2,000 or £5,000 a side, to take place in England between March and May, 1896.

Death of an Old Grocer.

Trenton, N. J., May 13.—William Delton, of the firm of Delton company, wholesale grocer, died yesterday, aged 63 years. He leaves a wife and two children and an estate valued at \$300,000.

Russia and Japan.

London, May 13.—The Post will to-day publish a dispatch from St. Petersburg stating that the final negotiations between Russia and Japan are proceeding in the most friendly manner.

Mrs. Herbert S. Underwood Dead.

Winchester, Mass., May 13.—The wife of Herbert S. Underwood, editor of the Boston Advertiser and Record, died suddenly yesterday.

AN INTERESTING EVENT

Close of the Y. M. C. A. Convention at Springfield.

Representatives of Eleven Different Countries Address an Audience of 2,000—Each Speaker Closed by Repeating in His Own Tongue the Words "Jesus Christ."

Springfield, Mass., May 13.—The Young Men's Christian association convention closed last evening with a remarkable parliament of nations at which representatives from eleven different countries addressed an audience of 2,000 people. The international committee could hardly have devised a more effective method of exhibiting the scope of their work.

W. H. Roberts spoke for the work in England and showed the great growth that the Y. M. C. A. has had in the western part of the country in the last few years. He was followed by W. A. Boyd of Ireland, who also had an encouraging report to make. Germany, the Fatherland, was represented by J. C. Kessler, now of St. Louis, and Mr. Bichel, secretary of the French branch of the New York Y. M. C. A., spoke for France.

Springfield training school, gave an account of the work in Italy, which was closely followed in spite of the speaker's somewhat imperfect English. Then the Aryan branches were dropped, and W. A. Hutton, Secretary of colored work for the international committee, spoke for his race, and a strong and polished address he gave, to the satisfaction of all.

Charles A. Eastman, the Indian secretary, responded as the representative of the true, the original Americans, and gave greeting to those present as foreigners. Burt Iphig Jung, of China, was not very expert in the English language, but made a neat little speech, and Rev. K. Tsunishima, a Japanese minister, who followed him, extolled the prowess of the Japanese, and then apologized to his Chinese brother for having mentioned such a theme. Japan, he said, is the leader of Asia, and to win China and Korea, missionaries should be sent to the land of the Rising Sun.

Rutnas, of Ceylon, spoke for the Indian empire, of which he said Ceylon was the key. An interesting feature of the addresses was the fact that each speaker closed by repeating in his own language the words, "Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, to-day and forever." The rest of the evening was taken up by Mr. Moody, who presented the cause of work among the prisoners in county jails. The greater part of the delegates and other visitors are leaving the city to-day.

BUSINESS IS BOOMING.

Encouraging Reports from Ohio, Pennsylvania and West Virginia.

Pittsburg, May 13.—The Times to-day will print dispatches from the western Pennsylvania, eastern Ohio and West Virginia on the business situation. These dispatches show that business is booming at every point heard from and that confidence in the future seems fully restored. Not since the spring of 1893 has such activity been noticed.

The revival of confidence in any one line of industry, but all classes of manufacture and trade feel the good effects. Old works that have been idle for two years or more are resuming, plants that have been operating on part time have increased working forces, and numerous mills have advanced the price of labor.

In the vicinity of Pittsburg, alone over ten thousand workmen received an advance in wages during the past week.

Victims of the Lehigh Wreck.

Newark, N. J., May 13.—Louis Bartholomew, the brakeman injured in Saturday night's accident on the Lehigh Valley railroad near this city, died at the city hospital. It was not till four hours after the accident occurred that Engineer Loutzenberger was extricated from beneath his engine. He was taken from his long and painful imprisonment, and died a few hours later at the hospital.

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Constantinople, May 13.—Three of the embassies here yesterday presented to the sultan a scheme for the reform of the condition of affairs at present existing in Armenia.

SIR ROBERT PEEL DEAD.

His Son, Who Cut Quite a Figure Here Last Year, Succeds Him.

London, May 10.—The Right Hon. Sir Robert Peel, who was chief secretary for Ireland from 1861 to 1865, is dead. Sir Robert was the eldest son of the Right Hon. Sir Robert Peel, the famous English statesman. He was born in 1822 and succeeded to the title in 1850. Robert Peel, who now succeeds to the title and his father's estates, worth £23,000 a year, gained considerable notoriety in America on at least two occasions. Two years ago, on his first trip here, he was honored by a confederate man named McDermott. His last visit was made one year ago, and he caused a sensation. He had some time before met Miss Kittie Sanford of Bridgeport, granddaughter of Henry Sanford, president of the Adams Express company. The couple were engaged to be married but the grandfather forced her to leave him up. He gloried in the fact that he had "cut out" Freddie Gebhard with Lillie Langtry, and had done Monte Carlo with the latter. Before that he was attentive to Marie Tempest.

MEADE'S RETIREMENT.

The Admiral Says He Got Out To Give Younger Officers a Chance.

New York, May 9.—Rear-Admiral Meade was seen at a hotel in this city last night and asked about his sudden retirement from the navy. He said he got out to give some of the younger officers a chance for promotion. He would not say what his plans were. Those who have been close to him, however, say that the admiral has chosen to resign rather than be subjected to the incessant scolding of the department over alleged petty breaches of discipline. A morning paper says: When reference was made to the hauling down of his flag on the New York, and the incidental salute, Rear-Admiral Meade said, in reply to the question: "The hauling down of the flag means simply that I have been detached from the north Atlantic squadron. The salute is naval etiquette. I am detached from my squadron at my own request." When he was asked why he had asked to be retired he said: "My ideas are not in accordance with this administration, and I preferred to quit rather than continue my connection with it."

RACING BILLS SIGNED.

The Sport Under Legitimate Conditions Assured in New York State.

Albany, May 10.—Gov. Morton has signed the Gray racing bill and two bills of Assemblyman Wilds, which seek to carry out the anti-gambling provisions of the new constitution and prohibit pool selling and all forms of gambling, and the supplemental bill correcting certain errors in the Gray racing bill. At the time the governor signed the bill, he said that he was glad to see the provisions of the new constitution which it was supposed would put a stop to this sport since its adoption by the people last fall.

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FACTS OF LI'S ORDEAL

Loss of His Peacock Plume and Yellow Jacket.

An Interesting Communication Made Public by the State Department.

The Chinese Viceroy Was Subjected to Many Indignities by the Emperor and Former Friends.

Washington, May 11.—The cold facts relating to the depriving of Li Hung Chang of several valuable articles of wearing apparel have been made public by the state department in its appendix to the volume of "foreign relations" for 1894. Charles Denby, jr., charge d'affaires of the United States legation at Peking, gave the state department the first information of Li's disgrace in a letter dated September 18, 1894, to which he appended a copy of the decree about which the American newspapers have found so many interesting things to say. The decree follows:

A decree issued by his majesty the emperor, published in the Manuscript Gazette of September 17, 1894. The Japanese revoked the treaty existing between the two countries and commenced hostilities and forced their way into Korea. Entertaining a kindly feeling toward our vassal state, we, therefore, dispatched our forces to Korea to punish our foe.

Li Hung Chang, minister superintendent of northern trade, was appointed general director in the management of our military affairs, and he should have given the utmost consideration of the general interests at stake, made the best possible arrangements and satisfied all necessary requirements. He alone was responsible for the trust imposed upon him. But he has not been prompt in the dispatch of troops at opportune times, and a long period has elapsed without successful achievements. He has failed to properly discharge his duties.

Let him, therefore, be deprived of the "three-eyed peacock feather" and the "yellow riding jacket" as a light form of punishment. He must, however, make an effort and earnestly seek to action and give orders urging the officers in command of our forces in the various places in Korea to exert themselves, pursue and join battle with the enemy as an atonement for the errors committed.

In his letter on the subject Mr. Denby says: "These decorations, strange as they may seem, are not to be taken as bestowal of marks of the utmost favor of the emperor. They are conferred in recognition of exemplary services. The 'three-eyed peacock feather' is granted only to princes of the blood and in compensation for military achievements. It is the highest decoration that a military career can obtain. The withdrawal of these decorations involves disgrace in proportion to the honor conferred in bestowing them.

"This is the last of a long series of indignities put upon Li Hung Chang by his imperial master. His enemies have bitterly attacked him and, unfortunately for China, these attacks have received a favorable hearing. The viceroy has received preeminent and insulting messages from the throne. He has been accused of nepotism. His son-in-law, Chang Pei Lun, of the army department, has been dismissed from office and is reported to have committed suicide. The fact that his son, Li Ching Fang, was minister to Japan, some time ago also urged against him.

"Many friends, whose careers the viceroy has made, have turned upon him. Attacking him they hope to save themselves. He remains, however, defiant, spiritedly defending himself. He explains the charge of nepotism by saying that the appointments in war are not governed by the same principles as those made in peace, that in confidential positions he must have men upon whom he can rely. This conflict between the throne and the foremost statesman of China may be fraught with the gravest consequences. Should the emperor allow him to crush it, it would be impossible to fill his place. It is probable that China has even the semblance of a modern army and navy."

LARGE REAL ESTATE DEAL.

An Important Transfer of Property at Providence.

Providence, R. I., May 11.—The largest and most important real estate deal ever made in this city was finished late yesterday afternoon, when the Greaves real estate, bounded by Waybasset and Dryden streets, Dunwells Waybasset and Postoffice court, comprising nearly 20,000 square feet of land, was sold by W. H. Herricks to E. H. Rollins & Co., and E. M. Morse, Bros. & Co., brokers of Boston, who will remove the old wooden building now on the land and erect a modern business block of nine stories, at a cost of over \$1,000,000.

All Aliens To Be Removed.

Washington, May 9.—As a result of the action of the immigration authorities here General Manager Carter of the Detroit & Cleveland Steam Navigation company has directed that all aliens in the employ of that company be removed and none but citizens be hereafter employed.

Fear a Water Famine.

Norwalk, Conn., May 11.—Considerable alarm has been caused over the prospect of another water famine here. The water reservoir has been falling rapidly during the present week. The water authorities have issued an order to consumers regarding the waste of water.

Marine Postal Service for Detroit.

Washington, May 9.—The postmaster general has decided to establish a marine postal service at Detroit, Michigan, for the free delivery and collection of mail matter of the vessels that pass up and down the Detroit river without touching at Detroit.

Wages To Be Restored.

Newburyport, Mass., May 11.—On May 27 the 10 per cent. reduction made in wages at the Peabody mills on January 19, 1895, will be restored.

Smith Defeats Pritchard.

London, May 11.—Jem Smith boxed Ted Pritchard at the Central Music hall last night for a purse and defeated him in the second round.

One Million Dollars Stolen.

Chicago, May 11.—The new commissioner of public works has discovered a shortage of \$1,000,000.

LEHIGH VALLEY RAILROAD