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Events of the Day in a Condensed Form.

OF INTEREST TO ALL READERS

Items of Importance From Domestic and Foreign Sources—Cream of the Dispatches.

The president has nominated Leo Bergholz, of New York, as consul at Erzerum, Armenia.

Rich placer grounds have been found in Washoe valley, near Carson, Nev., and there is considerable excitement in consequence.

Charles H. Voorhees, formerly a lay judge of Bergen county, N. J., and an ex-member of congress, committed suicide in New York.

Five men were fatally injured by an explosion of fire damp during a fire in the Red Ash vein of the Woodward mine in Wilkesbarre, Pa.

John Jones, colored, aged 19, who committed an assault upon a 13-year-old white girl near Mormon Springs, Miss., was hanged by a mob. Jones confessed his crime.

A cable message from Cape Town, South Africa, reports the killing of three engineers near Bulawayo. The names of two of the victims are given as Hammond and Palmer.

An explosion occurred in the colliery at Wellington, S. C. Eight miners are known to have been killed, and it is believed 18 persons will lose their lives through the disaster.

On April 3 another powder explosion occurred at Juneau, Alaska, this time in the new tunnel of the Treadwell Company, between the Treadwell and Mexican mines. Some of the men injured are expected to die.

A dispatch from Bulawayo, South Africa, says the whole country is in the hands of rebellious natives, and they are moving in great force northward. It will require a large force of troops to dislodge them.

Joseph Selamel was put to death in the state prison at Clinton, N. Y., by electricity. He murdered his sweetheart, Theresa Kamorra, by cutting her throat with a razor, August 30, 1895. The cause was jealousy.

The Madrid correspondent of the London Standard says: The new chamber just elected will certainly support the government in resisting American interference in Cuba, and it will also be a very protectionist body.

The Paris correspondent of the London Times says he learns that at France's invitation, Russia now directs the negotiations with England on the subject of the Nile expedition, growing out of the objections of Russia and France.

A broken rail on the New York, Pennsylvania & Ohio road wrecked the third section of freight train No. 82, near Meadville, Pa. Two men were killed and three others seriously injured. The dead are: Patrick Kerr, engineer; Bert Rowley, brakeman.

Emperor Francis Joseph has bestowed the order of the Golden Fleece upon the German imperial chancellor, Prince von Hohenlohe. Emperor William has decorated Count Goluchowski, the Austrian minister of foreign affairs, with the order of the Black Eagle.

It has been discovered that some of the Matabeles who are employed as servants in Bulawayo have been acting as spies and conveying information of the movements of the expeditions to their friends in outlying districts. One of these traitorous natives has been shot.

While brooding over the idea that his family would suffer from want, John Lehman of Chicago shot and killed his three children. After committing this terrible deed, Lehman attempted to end his own life by hanging, but, failing in this, he turned the revolver upon himself, and sent a bullet through his heart, killing himself instantly.

One of the main buildings of the Chicago Fireworks Company, at Gross Point, fourteen miles north of Chicago, blew up, resulting in the death of Nicholas Boree and Annie Boree. The explosion is supposed to have been caused by powder being ignited by concussion in the machinery used in making fireworks.

The house committee on ways and means has decided to report favorably the bill introduced by C. W. Stone, to repeal that section of the Wilson act which gives free alcohol for use in the arts and manufactures. The internal revenue officials acknowledge their inability to carry out the provisions of the law. Great frauds are said to be possible under the law, and many large claims have been piled up against the government.

Message reports from the lower Brule agency in South Dakota, state that Handsome Elk, an Indian belonging to that agency, shot two Indian police who were trying to arrest him. Indian Commissioner Browning and United States Marshal Peemiller have been notified, and deputy marshals have gone to the scene of the difficulty. More trouble is feared.

Chairman Aldace Walker, of the Atchison, in an interview stated that Judge Collier's decree in the foreclosure case of the United States Trust Company against the Atlantic & Pacific railroad, was a preliminary step toward the foreclosure sale of the line. The decree covers the property in New Mexico, but no decree in Arizona has yet been given. Similar proceedings

will be taken in other sections of the company's territory.

The senate committee on public buildings and grounds has authorized favorable reports on the amendments to the sundry-civil bill, increasing the limit for cost for public buildings at Cheyenne, Wyo., from \$150,000 to \$250,000, and at Boise City, Idaho, from \$150,000 to \$300,000, and at Helena, Mont., from \$150,000 to \$300,000. An appropriation of \$100,000 was made available in each case.

In the suit of the London Times against the Central News, which furnished dispatches to a news agency in the United States, demanding the return of sums of money which had been paid by the Times to the Central News for telegrams alleged to have been fabricated or unduly expanded, the News agency submitted to a verdict imposing upon it nominal damages and costs, the Times withdrawing its charges of fraud.

Joseph D. Higgins, one of the oldest pioneers of Oregon, died in Astoria. He was 78 years of age, having been born in Fulton county, Ill., in 1823.

A New York Herald special from Cairo, Egypt, says: A telegram to the war department states that Colonel Lloyd defeated the dervishes near Saikin.

A postoffice has been established at Chase, in Yamhill county, Or. William O. Chase is the postmaster and the office is a special one from McMinnville.

The young ladies' club of the university of Washington defeated the young ladies of the Ellensburg normal school at basket-ball by a score of six points to three.

A Madrid dispatch says: It is announced that the royal speech to be delivered at the opening of the new cortes will promise political and administrative reforms for Cuba and Porto Rico.

Judge B. F. Dennison, ex chief justice of the supreme court of Washington territory, and one of the ablest jurists of the state, died in Olympia, aged 76. He was a native of Vermont and one of the Argonauts of California.

From Washington, D. C., comes the news that the postoffice at Escalator, Pierce county, Wash., will be discontinued April 30, next. It is to be consolidated on May 1 with the postoffice at Tacoma, to which all mail should be sent.

Sir Hercules Robinson, governor of Cape Colony, telegraphs to the English government that there is no sign that Bulawayo is endangered, and that negotiations are being taken to keep the road to Bulawayo open in order to supply it with food.

The first sleeping car porter is dead. He was John D. Mitchell, and he was with the Pullman company over thirty years. He began his service as porter on the "Pioneer," the first sleeping car ever built, the rolling foundation of its inventor's vast wealth.

A dispatch to the Volks Zeitung, Cologne, dated from Shanghai, declares that it is true, as has been before reported, that Li Hung Chang, who is on his way to Moscow to be present at the coronation of the czar, bears with him a secret Russo-Chinese treaty.

The arrest of the Baptist missionary, Bishop Diaz, in Havana, was due to the declarations by some prisoners who were captured at Vivas, near that place, and to the documents which were found in their possession. His case will be summarily pushed.

A dispatch from Rome to the Pall Mall Gazette, London, says the papal nuncio at Madrid has been instructed to propose the mediation of the pope to bring about a settlement of the trouble in Cuba or to urge upon Spain the acceptance of President Cleveland's reported offer of mediation.

James E. Allison, alias A. A. Austin, who was arrested in Seattle by Detective John Courtney, of Minneapolis, on the charge of murdering Lena Olsen on the shore of Lake Superior, near Duluth, in order to get possession of \$450, committed suicide in the city jail at Seattle, by hanging himself with a piece of blanket.

Undertakers of Chicago are interested in the propositions of an Indiana company to manufacture glass coffins on a large scale. In an interview George F. Kimball, the plate-glass manufacturer, stated that the idea is entirely practicable, and that coffins can be constructed in the cheaper grades for not more than 50 cents a running foot.

A dispatch from Havana says: Three prisoners of war, Gregorio Birges, Estaban Hernandez and Jose Paacalla, were executed at Cabana fortress. They belonged to the insurgent band commanded by Dr. Bruno Zayas, and were captured by the soldiers of Aarapiles' battalion during the attack on Managua.

A number of the newspapers of Madrid and elsewhere demand that the elections in Cuba be annulled and ex-premier Sagasti intends to ask the chamber of deputies to annul the Cuban elections on the ground that the elections, owing to the state of rebellion prevailing, were not free to vote as they pleased.

The steamer Gaelic brings news that Admiral McNeer, in command of the Asiatic squadron, is contemplating a naval demonstration in Chinese waters. The fleet, consisting of the Detroit, Olympia, Charleston and Boston, will rendezvous at Shanghai during the summer, and will sail north along the coasts of China and Japan.

Deputy United States Marshal Sam Vinson and Secret Officer Harris made a raid on a den of counterfeiters near the Union Pacific depot, Spokane, Wash., and captured two. A complete plant for the making of half-dollars was found, with about thirty of bogus coins. They are splendid imitations, and have been in circulation freely in saloons and sporting resorts.

TREACHERY IS FEARED

Bulawayo Is Threatened by Hordes of Matabeles.

WHOLESALE MASSACRE IMMINENT

The Hostile Natives Are Gathering by Thousands About the Town—Feeling of Apprehension.

Bulawayo, April 20.—A feeling of apprehension as to what the next step of the revolting Matabeles will be permeates all circles here. Information coming from the country around makes it certain that the natives are preparing an offensive movement against the place. The number of Matabeles reported gathering at points near by is sufficient to appal the hearts of even experienced fighters. There is a dread in the minds of many that the place is in danger of being overwhelmed by a rush of hordes of Matabeles, and the inhabitants put to a wholesale massacre.

The fear of treachery is added to the apprehension of overwhelming numbers. Many indications point to a conspiracy with the war parties of supposed friendly natives. There are many of the latter in the town itself, and no white man feels sure how far he can trust his dusky associates or servants.

On Wednesday evening, three Dutch scouts were sent out from here to secure some definite and accurate information of the position and movements of the natives. What they have found has not served to relieve the anxiety and suspense. They report that the Matabeles are gathered like ants in a hill on the Umguza river, only six miles north of here. That some treacherous plot is being concocted is indicated by the fact that native women are secreting European clothes. The native men on the Veldt wear the native costume, while most of those in Bulawayo wear clothes approaching the European fashion. By stirring the native warriors in European garments, the Matabeles hope they will be enabled to enter the town unquestioned.

A Matabele "boy" has also been caught stealing the badges belonging to the Rhodesia horse, and it is believed that it was intended to use these for the purpose of disguise to further some treacherous project for taking Bulawayo at a disadvantage and killing the inhabitants. It is plainly noticeable that the natives in the town are becoming as thick as bees. In ordinary times, the natives come and go in town without attracting attention. The native population is at all times a shifting one, and a large number of the men that make it up are not known individually to the white people of the town or to the authorities. The fact that the natives in the town live apart from the whites adds to the difficulty of identifying those who belong in the town. But there is little more confidence felt in the natives who belong in the town than in the hostile men who it is believed, are surreptitiously being introduced to aid from within when an attack shall be made from without. It looks now as though that might occur at any time.

The roads by which communication is had with the south, both the one to Tuli and the one to Mafeking, are felt to be in peril. There are undoubtedly large numbers of hostile natives between Bulawayo and the settlements to the south, some of them in open revolt. The situation is felt to be serious and threatening.

Jail-Breaker Left His Card.

Price, Utah, April 20.—S. H. Brownlee, who has been confined in the county jail since March 23 last, on a six months' sentence for criminal libel, broke jail last night and is supposed to have taken midnight train east. When the deputy jailer, George Simpleman, went to the jail this morning to feed Brownlee, he was confronted with a note pinned to the empty cage informing him that Brownlee had taken the eastbound train, and that if it was desired that he should return to please wire him at Leadville, and he would take the first train back. The note was signed by Brownlee, who had by that time over eight hours start, and was in all likelihood in Colorado.

The Lamborn Murder Case.

Leavenworth, Kan., April 20.—The hearing of the case of Charles and Annie Lamborn and Charles Davenport, accused of the brutal murder of John T. Lamborn, at Fall Leaf, February 17, was begun here at 2 o'clock this afternoon. Detective Charles Schaeffer, of Kansas City, who worked up the evidence against the three accused and caused their arrest, failed to appear. The county attorney had relied on Schaeffer to produce the evidence to convict. Two days will be required to conclude the trial. The prisoners and their attorneys are confident of acquittal.

Handsome Elk Resists Arrest.

Chamberlain, S. D., April 20.—Handsome Elk, a Lower Brule Indian, who shot two Indian police, one of them fatally, has taken refuge in a house which has been transformed into a temporary fortress. He is heavily armed and will resist arrest. He is a very bad Indian, and the Indian police force may be ordered to assist the deputy marshal to make the arrest.

The Omaha Exposition.

Washington, April 23.—The house committee on ways and means today decided to report favorably the senate bill to give \$200,000 for a government building and exhibit at the trans-Mississippi and international exposition in Omaha in 1898. An amendment was added providing that the exposition authorities must raise an equal sum.

BULUWAYO RELIEVED.

Imperial Troops Pushing Forward From Mafeking.

London, April 23.—The South African situation still absorbs a large share of public attention, and apprehensions for the safety of the English in Matabeleland, and particularly in Bulawayo, are not yet abated. There is an appreciable sense of relief over the news that a supply train from Mafeking has got through to Bulawayo, and that the reinforcements of imperial troops from Mafeking are being rapidly pushed forward for the relief of the place, which is, to all purposes, beleaguered, so closely invested by the natives that numerous skirmishes are occurring almost in the outskirts of the town. Friends of the people in Bulawayo (and this includes, so far as sentiment is concerned, all England) are relieved to hear that no extensive offensive movement is planned at present against the natives. There have been grave fears that the whites would be rash and invite disaster.

The reply of President Kruger to the invitation of Colonial Secretary Chamberlain to visit England and discuss with him what remedies can be applied to the grievances of the Uitlanders in the Transvaal is the newest factor in the South African problem. The reply is not accorded a very kindly reception by the English public. In its editorial commenting upon President Kruger's reply to Colonial Secretary Chamberlain, the Times says: "If President Kruger and his supporters willfully close their eyes to obvious facts and obstinately refuse to redress the grievances of the Uitlanders circumstances may occur that will force them to rely upon the primary right of all communities to save themselves from imminent peril."

The Times tomorrow will publish a dispatch from Pretoria, which says: "President Kruger's reply to Mr. Chamberlain is friendly and conciliatory, but it fails to advance the negotiation. It repeats that the president cannot ask the volunteers to consent to his visit to England until a basis for the discussion is settled."

TORNADO IN OHIO.

Two Persons Killed and Many Others Injured.

Fremont, O., April 23.—A tornado accompanied by a heavy rain swept over the northwestern part of Sandusky county, killing two persons, injuring a number of others and doing great damage to buildings and other property.

The tornado came from the southwest with great fury, and every tree and building in its path was swept away. After smashing a road bridge and blowing a big tree across a wheeling and Lake Erie freight train, which crushed the caboose and came near killing a number of trainmen, the wind began to play havoc with farm buildings.

The barns of Jacob Engler, J. E. Hoffinger, Winton Burger and Anthony Swift first went down by it. Then the house of James Greene was destroyed. Greene's aged father, William L. Greene, was killed outright. His wife was fatally hurt, and the baby carried across the road in its cradle. The child escaped uninjured. Next the barn of Amos Harlick, in which Harlick and John Low were shearing sheep, was crushed. Low was blown across a field against a tree, being instantly killed. Other buildings destroyed were the barns of Al Fairchild, William Hanson, Perry Parish, George Weggoner and Charles Tucker. Tucker's wife was badly hurt. At Booktown, a hamlet near here, nearly all the buildings were destroyed, but there was no loss of life.

A Riot in Kansas.

Topeka, Kan., April 23.—Governor Morrill has received a dispatch asking that troops be sent to St. John, Stafford county, to quell a riot. The dispatch was signed by the sheriff and county attorney. The cause of the disturbance was not stated. The governor ordered Adjutant-General Fox to proceed to St. John at once, taking with him the company of militia at Newton.

Kansas City, April 23.—A dispatch to the Times from Hutchinson, Kansas, says the reported riot at St. John was provoked by followers of Bond Brothers' circus, who after swindling several people, resisted the efforts that were made to recover the money that they had taken. In the scrimmage that ensued, the entire circus crowd was pitted against the citizens and officers. The trouble soon took on an aspect so serious that the sheriff telegraphed Governor Morrill for assistance to put down the riot. Five men are reported to have been badly hurt. The details of the trouble cannot be learned.

The Arid Land Act.

Washington, April 23.—The committee on irrigation of arid lands today authorized a favorable report on a bill amendatory of the Carey act. The amendments provide that where the greater part of a legal subdivision is desert in character, the whole shall be so considered. In order to be entitled to desert lands, the states and territories must cause to be irrigated and occupied not less than 30 acres in each 160. Such tracts must be cultivated by actual settlers within 10 years from the date of segregation.

Agricultural Rating Bill.

London, April 23.—Henry Chaplin, president of the local government board, today introduced in the house of commons the agricultural rating bill, by which, after March 31, 1897, agricultural land will be assessed for one-half of its present rateable value. This means an annual loss in revenue of £1,550,000.

GROWING NORTHWEST

Progress and Doings in the Pacific States.

CONDENSED BUDGET OF NEWS

From All the Cities and Towns of the Pacific States and Territories—Washington.

The receipts of the Goldendale post-office for the year ending March 31, were \$1,955.64.

Seattle's health officer reports the public schools of the town in a bad sanitary condition.

J. H. Horan, of Wenatchee, has ordered a creamery plant, which will be in operation this spring.

Two guns and three revolvers were stolen by burglars from the hardware store of Frank McKay in Port Townsend.

Spokane jobbers are talking of raising \$10,000 to carry up a railway tariff fight to the interstate commerce commission.

The regular annual meeting of the Washington State Yachting Association will be held in North Yakima this year on July 9 and 10.

Two Paulist fathers from San Francisco have been holding mission services at the Church of the Assumption at New Whatcom.

Hoquiam postoffice receipts for the fiscal year ending March 30, 1896, were \$2,496.68. This is sufficient to increase the salary to \$1,200.

Rachel Danon, a 6-year-old child, drowned in the tide flats in Seattle, while playing at hide and seek with a number of companions. Her body was recovered.

The correct thing in Colfax church circles is to present the pastor with a new bicycle. This is certainly a step in advance of the old-fashioned donation party.

A Falouse correspondent of the Spokesman-Review estimates that 30 per cent of the wheat in that vicinity was destroyed by the cold weather during March.

The county commissioners of Skagit county have decided to appropriate \$6,000 for the Blanchard road, connecting the Bellingham bay cities with the Samish country.

William Hume, the veteran canneryman and hunter, of Eagle Cliff, in Waukegan county, killed a 400-pound black bear last week, in the woods back of the cannery.

Some uneasiness is felt concerning Mr. Cradlebaugh and the party who went with him on a prospecting tour into the Cascades north of Mount Adams a month ago.

George I. Cook, a man apparently 65 or 70 years of age, was found dead in a tent in the woods near Tacoma. Heart disease is believed to have caused the cause of his death.

At 12 o'clock at night a prisoner named Webb, who was night engineer in the electric light plant at the penitentiary at Walla Walla, scaled the wall and made his escape.

The 18th annual association of Congregational churches and ministers of Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho has ended at Walla Walla. The next meeting will be held at Medical Lake.

The Waitsburg fire department has ordered a racing cart for the tournament of the Eastern Oregon and Washington Firemen's Association, to be held in Pendleton. It is ball-bearing and cushion-tired.

Engineer E. G. Fanning, of the Walla Walla paid fire department, has perfected a most useful invention for a system of fire alarm, and has made a proposition to the city council for the adoption of the system. It has peculiar merit of its own, and is highly spoken of.

It is estimated that there are between 75,000 and 100,000 bushels of wheat in the warehouses at Waitsburg yet unsold, the owners of which feel themselves able to hold for better prices. The price now is 43 cents, which is about 10 cents higher than it was a year ago.

The financial exhibit of the auditor of Pierce county shows that the county has a bonded indebtedness of \$698,000; general fund warrant indebtedness of \$196,893.10; road district and other indebtedness, \$233.46; total, \$895,126.56. There is now cash in the general fund subject to check, \$4,215.88.

Robert Scott has made a close examination of fruit trees with a view to ascertaining if the buds have been injured by the late freeze, says the Yakima Times. He says that they are practically uninjured. Here and there a few apricot blossoms are killed, but the trees will have all the fruit they should bear, and be better for the thing about.

The certificate of the treasurer of Walla Walla county shows a total on hand of \$3,878.65. Under the operations of the "barefoot schoolboy" law, \$2,100 of the money collected for school purposes must be first turned in to the state treasury and reapportioned. It is not available until the next state apportionment, while in the meantime many districts in the county are paying interest on their warrants at the rate of 8 per cent and teachers are compelled in many instances to discount their salary warrants. There are 4,288 children of school age in the county.

Oregon.

The action of the county court of Wasco in offering bounties for the

sculp of coyotes is causing many of these pests to be killed.

A lodge of Elks was formed in Salem last week.

A newspaper is promised for Langola, Curry county.

Albany's gilded youth still do their base ball playing indoors.

Columbia county owes \$49,710 unpaid taxes, running as far back as 1887.

A steam ferry is to be established across Young's river from Daggett's Point to Case's Astoria.

There is an exodus of Coos bay coal miners. A good many are going to the Nevada county, Cal., quartz mines.

Joseph J. Miller, of Montana, is in Sherman county buying 2-year-old steers. He is paying \$10 for good yearlings and \$15 for good 2-year-olds.

The semi-annual statement of the financial condition of Linn county on April 1 shows resources amounting to \$128,893.50, and liabilities of \$44,090.74.

Mr. Charles N. Crittenden, the millionaire evangelist and founder of the Florence Crittenden houses for fallen women, arrived in Baker City and has begun a series of meetings.

J. Durkheimer, of Burns, has started 20,000 head of sheep from Harney county to the shearing grounds near Huntington. The wool and sheep will be shipped to market from Huntington.

County Clerk Jacobs, of Jackson county, claims to have found a shortage in the accounts of ex-Treasurer Moore of \$106.43. The clerk has been instructed to notify Moore to reimburse the county.

The Indians on the Umatilla reservation held a wake over Patawa and Big Dick for three days, and had a big feast. The horses and personal effects of the deceased have been divided up according to tribal customs.

J. Creswell, a young son of Press Creswell, of Heppner, recently swallowed, in a joking way, a lot of camphor, and not long after went into violent convulsions. It required the services of a physician to pull him through alive.

It is reported that 15 inches of snow fell the last week over in the Lone Rock country, says the Heppner Gazette. Many sheepmen were in the midst of lambing and the cold snap has proven very disastrous to this industry in that section.

The Goldendale Telephone Company has submitted, through The Dalles Commercial Club, a proposition to the people of The Dalles to build a telephone line from Goldendale to The Dalles, to be connected with the Condon-Senfer system.

Last week Sheriff Patterson, of Jackson, levied an attachment on the property owned by E. G. Salstrom, of Medford, to satisfy a judgment for \$5,000, held by the estate of S. D. Garrison, which was rendered by the Washington courts.

There is a milch cow in The Dalles that has a wooden leg. One of A. Thompson's cows was laid up with a strained leg and Mr. Thompson had a wooden one made and strapped on her, and now the cow uses the artificial leg as though always accustomed to it.

Sheriff Houser, of Umatilla, has paid into the county treasury \$21,400, the amount collected of the 1895 taxes. Treasurer Kern sent \$15,000 of this amount to the state treasurer and the balance will be apportioned to school districts and cities in Umatilla county.

The apparatus for operating the gates at the locks is now all placed and a successful trial was made last week. By attaching cables to the hydraulic machine, the big gates were opened and closed with apparently little effort. No water has as yet been turned into the canal.

C. D. Moore, of White Salmon, has just completed setting strawberry plants for A. P. Bateham on the Cooe place at Hood river. He used a machine for doing the work that he learned to use in setting sweet potato plants in New Jersey. He set 15,000 plants a day for Mr. Bateham, and says he has set as high as 20,000 a day. Mr. Bateham says the work was well done.

Idaho.

The Daddy mine, at Murray, is said to have netted its owners \$50,000 during the year 1895.

A conservative estimate places the output of concentrates from the Coeur d'Alene mills at 10,000 tons per month.

The building of boats in Lewiston is assuming considerable importance. Several boats are being constructed at that point.

F. A. Bauer, of Elk City, writes advising men and prospectors who contemplate going into that country, to wait a few weeks longer, as there is considerable snow, which will interfere with prospecting and inspection of properties.

Montana.

The Montana Ore Purchasing Company has declared its usual dividend of \$1 per share. This dividend is at the rate of 48 per cent.

An assay office has been started up at Melrose under the supervision of M. D. Fleming, a well known chemist of Butte. Mr. Fleming is in Butte this week and reports the mineral outlook in that section as being excellent.

THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

Daily Proceedings in Senate and House.

IMPORTANT BILLS INTRODUCED

Substance of the Measures Being Considered by the Fifty-Fourth Session—Senate.

Washington, April 18.—The resolution for an investigation of the recent bond issues was taken up in the senate today and Hill made a sensational and dramatic speech in opposition. The New York senator defended Secretary Carlisle and his administration of the treasury against loose insinuations of irregularity, and showed the prevalence of charges of this character by presenting and reading in full the charges made by Senator Chandler against the friends of McKinley that a levy of money was being made on protected industries in behalf of McKinley's candidacy for the presidency. As a further evidence of the prevalence of the charges, Hill spoke of the sugar investigation, where, he said, one senator, referring to Quay, had frankly admitted that he had bought sugar stock and had a right to buy it, and today that senator was the favorite son of the leading republican state as a candidate for the presidency.

Washington, April 20.—To avoid a struggle for precedence, the senate, on motion of Cannon, took up the resolution directing the secretary of the interior to open the Uncompahgre reservation without further delay, the understanding being that the bond investigation resolution should come up at 3 o'clock as unfinished business. After Brown had spoken for the resolution, he sought to secure a vote. Gorman asked that action be deferred owing to the absence of Vilas, who desired to be heard. Aldrich said it must be clear that there was "something behind" these efforts at delay, and this persistence in putting off a vote. Gorman responded that it was the first intimation coming from the distinguished senator on the other side of the chamber that delays in public business were occurring.

Washington, April 22.—With the thermometer standing at 80 degrees, less than 20 senators were on the floor when the president pro tem, Frye called the upper house to order. During the morning hour the joint resolution for the appointment of General Franklin, Representative Steele, General Bale and General Henderson as members of the board of managers of the National Soldiers' Home, was adopted without debate. Cannon introduced a bill for the construction, near Washington, of a ground map of the United States on the scale of one inch to a mile. Mitchell, of Oregon, gave notice that on Friday next he would ask to take up the bill pensioning veterans of the Indian wars. Allison followed with a report of the sundry civil appropriation bill and said he would seek to take it up at the earliest day.

House.

Washington, April 18.—In the house, Blue asked if Hull would allow the vote on the resolution to be dropped for ten days. This Hull declined to do. The speaker decided also that a motion to recommit would not be in order, the vote having been ordered at three o'clock. Mahon's amendment to investigate Governor Smith's conduct was ruled out, and the vote was taken on the Blue amendment to substitute the name of General Howard for that of General Franklin. On demand of Blue, the vote was taken by ayes and nays, and was rejected by 61 to 149. The resolution was then adopted without division.

Washington, April 20.—The net result of five hours' work on the private calendar in the house today was the passing of four pension bills, one to pension the widow of Rear Admiral Foote, at \$50 per month; the rejection of a bill to retire a hospital steward as a second lieutenant of cavalry, and the passing of a war claim of less than \$800. The latter was the first war claim brought before the house for consideration, and naturally provoked a general debate on the policy of paying war claims. It drew from Mahon, chairman of the war claims committee; Walker, McCall and Evans, eloquent pleas for the payment of the findings of the court of claims. Mahon argued that these claims should be paid or abolished. Dockery evangelized Speaker Crisp, and Sayers, the chairman of the appropriations committee in the last congress, paid a high tribute to Speaker Reed.