

TWO BILLS IN THE HOUSE

ARGUMENTS FOR AND AGAINST STRICT CHINESE EXCLUSION.

Congressman Kahn, of California, Speaks for the Minority Substitute—Pacific Coast Views.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—The House today began consideration of the Chinese exclusion bill. No opponents of the general principle of exclusion appeared, but members were divided in their support of the two bills presented. Hitt (Rep. Ill.), Perkins (Rep. N. C.), and Mann (Rep. Pa.) supported the majority bill, and Clark (Dem. Mo.), Kahn (Rep. Cal.) and Naphean (Dem. Mass.) spoke for the minority substitute.

The proceedings. At the opening of the session the Speaker laid before the House an invitation from the Army of the Cumberland for the participation by a committee of the House in the services at Arlington cemetery upon the occasion of the reinterment of the remains of the late Major-General William S. Rosecrans, which are to be removed from Los Angeles, Cal., to Arlington about the 15th of May. Upon motion of Grosvener (Rep. O.), a joint resolution was adopted for the acceptance of the invitation, and the appointment of a joint committee to attend the ceremonies at Arlington.

Some routine business was transacted. A small urgent deficiency bill, carrying \$16,000, was passed. Mahon (Rep. Pa.) asked unanimous consent that the committee on war claims, yielded, with the understanding that a week from Tuesday be devoted to war claims, and the House thereupon went into committee of the whole, and took up the Chinese exclusion bill.

The Speaker called upon Moody (Rep. Mass.), who is to succeed Secretary Long May 1, to present the committee report on the whole. As the future Secretary of the Navy assumed the gavel, the members on both sides of the House gave him an ovation.

Hitt (Rep. Ill.), chairman of the committee on foreign affairs, which had personal charge of the Chinese exclusion bill, said the committee was in possession of the opinion that the admission of Chinese laborers into this country would be a serious evil. One of the main problems which the committee had to solve, he said, was in connection with the admission of the privileged classes, merchants, teachers and students, so as to prevent fraud and at the same time to avoid harassing and tormenting honest Chinese merchants.

Perkins (Rep. N. Y.), who drew the report upon the bill, explained the measure in detail.

Clark (Dem. Mo.), a member of the committee who made a minority report in favor of the Senate bill, which is more drastic than the House measure, followed Perkins. He protested that the Supreme Court would decide that the citizens and subjects of Spain in the Philippine Islands became American citizens by annexation, thus allowing the free entry of Chinese labor into the islands. He said that the Philippines, the islands would be unloaded, Clark maintained that the people of the Pacific Coast understood the Chinese restriction better than any other section of the South were more competent to deal with the negro question than those of the North. For that reason he favored the bill which the representatives of the Pacific Coast had prepared. If the substitute bill failed, Clark said he would offer a resolution to prohibit Chinese crews on American ships, and to amend the majority bill. He characterized the threat of the Pacific Mail Company to sail under English register if the provision went into the bill as a "bluff, pure and simple."

After some remarks by Adams (Rep. N. C.) in favor of the majority bill, Kahn (Rep. Cal.) made an appeal for the support of the minority bill. He reviewed the whole history of Chinese exclusion, and concluded as follows:

"We of the Pacific coast are perhaps more deeply concerned in this question than any other people. We feel their presence among us more than any other section of the country. Under the census of 1890 there were 480,249 Chinese in the Rocky Mountains. Included in this population are 67,733 Chinese, while but 23,147 Chinese are distributed among the 14,447 inhabitants of the States of the Union. We have probably learned to know the Chinaman better than our fellow-citizens elsewhere. He is a recent, living, and we feel that our cause is also the cause of the laborer and the wage-worker in the Eastern States. It is only the sort and the selfishness which prefer a low standard of wages and a low grade of morality—men who want cheap labor because it will increase their individual wealth who are an open sophism in the barriers we have erected after many years of hard, bitter, practical experience.

"I had hoped that the committee would have seen fit to allow the section giving to American seamen the same grade of protection against Chinese competition that we accord the shoemaker, the tailor and all other skilled and unskilled mechanics. Where the bill comes up for consideration under the five-minute rule I shall have something to say in favor of such a provision. In conclusion, let me say that our exclusion laws have been a great boon to the laborer of this country. They now ask us to continue extending our sheltering nets over them, and I feel that there is not a patriotic heart in the cry-loving American who does not desire to see the workmen of this country, its 'hewers of wood and drawers of water,' protected against this unequal competition. The American laborer and mechanic, in his new and comfortable home, seated at his fire-side, surrounded by his wife and little ones, is the peer of any wage-worker in any part of the world. Let us keep him so."

Naphean (Dem. Mass.), the last speaker of the bill, also supported the minority bill. At 5:15 the House adjourned.

ALASKA BOUNDARY.

Congressman Cochran Asks For an Investigation.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—Representative Cochran, of Missouri, today introduced the following resolution:

"That the Secretary of State be and he is hereby requested to inform the House of Representatives whether the State Department has received from official or other sources information as to the reliability of reports which have recently appeared in the public prints to the effect that in American territory, near the border of Alaska, British and Canadian officials (exercising authority by agreement of the Government of the United States and the British Government) are making surveys and encroachments upon the territory not included in said agreement, and are removing and destroying ancient landmarks and monuments long ago erected by the Russian Government to mark the Alaskan boundary. And that the Secretary of State be also requested to inform the House what steps, if any, the State Department has taken to ascertain the facts as to alleged fresh encroachments upon American territory and the alleged removal and destruction of landmarks and monuments, and to present the same."

No Violation of Transport Rules.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—Secretary Root has prepared a report in answer to a resolution of the Senate calling for all the information collected in the reports of Colonel Chamberlain and of the Inspector-General's Department, in regard to the transportation of transports of freight for private firms or individuals. The Secretary

MINNESOTA MERGER SUIT

BILL OF COMPLAINT FILED AT ST. PAUL.

Asks for an Order Restraining the Interchange of Stock as Contrary to Law.

ST. PAUL, April 4.—The State of Minnesota today began its merger suit at home. The bill of complaint, in the suit of the state against the Great Northern and Northern Pacific Companies, the Northern Securities Company, and J. J. Hill, as president of the Northern Securities Company and individually, was served this afternoon on the defendant, Hill, in his various capacities. The prayers attending the recital of facts are those which have been heretofore published. The court was asked to make orders restraining the merger, as contrary to law.

Old Mortgages Recorded.

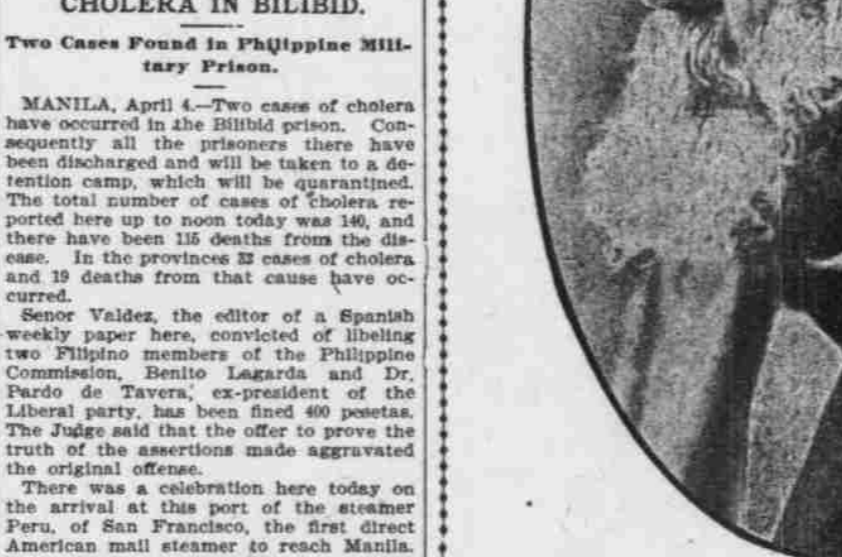
MINNEAPOLIS, April 4.—The two railroad mortgages or trust deeds recorded in the Register of Deeds' office in Hennepin County yesterday were recorded in the office of the Secretary of State six years ago. Duplicates of these instruments are to be filed in every county in the state through which the roads pass. One instrument is known as the "prior lien mortgage," and is dated November 10, 1896, and runs from the Northern Pacific Railway Company to the Mercantile Trust Company to secure prior liens on the rail-

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Celebrated His Eightieth Birthday.



EDWARD EVERETT HALE.

Edward Everett Hale, one of the foremost figures in American literary life, celebrated his eightieth birthday Thursday. He has been connected editorially with many of the American literary journals, and since 1866 has been minister of the South Congregational (Unitarian) Church, of Boston. His most famous story is "The Man Without a Country," which has run through many editions, and which was reprinted during the Spanish-American War in response to a great demand. In all literary and intellectual movements Dr. Hale has exerted a wide and beneficent influence.

It Was Issued by the Late General Luna.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—A little over a year ago the Senate adopted a resolution calling on the Secretary of War for information tending to show the authenticity and genuineness of the alleged order for the massacre of the foreign residents of Manila on the morning of August 13, 1898.

The Secretary of War has just made response to this resolution, all of the time since the adoption of the resolution being required to complete the search for the necessary papers here and in the islands. The Secretary transmits, in answer to the resolutions, a photographic reproduction of the alleged massacre order, bearing date February 17, 1898, and with it a photograph are a number of papers intended to demonstrate that it is an absolute copy of an original that actually existed and was issued by the late General Luna, Commander in Chief of the Philippine Islands, and that the order is a statement by Aguinaldo, affirming the genuineness of Luna's signature to the order.

The Secretary's report states that Luna was at that time director or Assistant Secretary of War of the Malolos Government, and commanding General of the Philippine army operating in the northern part of Luzon. Luna, who was a Colonel of militia, and whom Army officers in 1899 generally believed to have been the author of this order, was a member of General Luna's staff, and probably the medium through which the order was given by Luna to the chiefs of militia stationed in Manila. The Secretary says that additional corroborative evidence as to the authenticity of the order in question is the fact, as set forth in the accompanying papers, that this Luna order was discovered in the personal effects of Lieutenant-Colonel Jose Leyba, an intimate friend of General Luna, a member of his staff and one of the most active officers who took part in the defense of the Philippine possessions from Calocan on the outskirts of Manila, to Manila, February 17, 1898. It is stated, on February 23, 1898, a little over two weeks after the date of the order, a daring attack was made by the Insurrectos on the American forces in Manila.

Report on Philippine Railroads.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—Responding to a resolution of inquiry, the Secretary of War today sent to the Senate a communication giving information concerning steam railroads in the Philippines. He says that there is only one line of importance, the Manila-Cebu line, owned by the Insurrectos, but there is a steam tramway from Manila to Malabon, via Calocan, and also two short private lines connecting coal mines in the island of Cebu with the coast. He also mentions that before their surrender of the sovereignty of the Philippines, the Spaniards had begun the construction of a military line from Iligan to Lake Lanao in the island of Mindanao, but that they had sold the military route.

Amen Corner Dinner.

NEW YORK, April 4.—A notable gathering of newspaper editors, journalists, clergymen and financiers met Senator Thomas C. Platt tonight at the dinner given in his honor by the "Brethren of the Amen Corner" at the Fifth Avenue Hotel. The great dining-room of the hotel was filled with about 600 guests of the brotherhood, an association consisting of the Albany correspondents and the principal political writers on the newspapers of New York. President Roosevelt was among the guests invited, but sent a letter regretting that he was unable to attend.

Troops From Porto Rico.

SAN JUAN, Porto Rico, April 4.—Companies E, F, G and H, of the Eleventh Infantry, sailed yesterday from Mayaguez for Newport News, on the Red D Line steamer Maracabo.

Prohibition Vote in Manitoba.

WINNIPEG, April 4.—The latest figures on the prohibition vote are: For, 13,823; against, 18,386. It is not expected that belated returns will alter the majority materially.

To Cure Grip in Two Days.

Laxative Bromo-Quinine removes cause. E. W. Grove's signature on every box.

THE CHALMETTE CAMP

REPRESENTATIVE SULZER CALLS FOR HEARD'S REPORT.

Question of the Louisiana Protest Considered at the Meeting Yesterday of the Cabinet.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—Representative Sulzer, of New York, today introduced the following resolution: "Whereas, the Governor of Louisiana has reported to the State Department the existence and operation in the State of Louisiana of a British base of supplies, conducted and controlled by British military officers, whereby horses and mules and other supplies, contraband of war, are shipped on British military and naval transports to the seat of war in South Africa for the augmentation of the British military forces in South Africa operating against the Orange Free State and Transvaal; and

"Whereas, the Governor of Louisiana, further reports, and sustains his report by affidavits of American citizens, that the said British base of supplies has been and is being used to procure by solicitation, fraudulent representation and unlawful means the enlistment of said American citizens in the British Army operating in South Africa; therefore be it

"Resolved, That the Secretary of State be, and he is hereby respectfully requested, if not incompatible with the interests to transmit to the House of Representatives the said report and communication of the Governor of Louisiana, together with all accompanying affidavits, documents and communications."

Cabinet Takes It Up.

WASHINGTON, April 4.—The time of the Cabinet today was taken up almost entirely with a communication which the President has received from the Governor of Louisiana, protesting against the camp alleged to be maintained in Louisiana, and the agents of the British Government for the purpose of supplying mules and teams to the British Army in South Africa. The President has directed an investigation into the facts and the law bearing upon the question.

THE BUTTE STRIKE.

New Men Taking the Places of Engineers Who Walked Out.

BUTTE, Mont., April 4.—New men are rapidly being found to fill the places of the striking engineers of the Amalgamated Copper Mining Company, who three days ago walked out and tied up nine of the biggest producers of the company. The Brotherhood of Engineers is doing all in its power to assist the company in securing crews. By Sunday it is thought that the mines will be fully equipped, though it may be a few days later before the properties will be running full blast.

The converters at the lower works of the Washoe smelters of Anaconda were closed today, as a result of the strike. Several hundred men were added to the list of the idle. Unless activities are resumed in the mines within two days all smelting operations will be suspended.

Settle Down for Long Fight.

PUNTSUTAWNEY, Pa., April 4.—The miners' strike in this district now looks as though it would affect the business interests of the town to a very great extent, as the merchants depend largely on the miners' trade. That some agreement between the miners and company is going to be long and bitter one is shown by the fact that the Rochester & Pittsburg Coal & Iron Company is dismissing the scalesmen, a large number of bookkeepers and the majority of the clerical force. Many single miners already have left for the West and other fields in search of work. Unless some deal can be secured, the blast furnaces will be closed, throwing 300 men out of employment.

McKisley Fund Contributions.

CLEVELAND, O., April 4.—Judge William R. Day, president of the McKinley National Memorial Association, has made a request that all contributions to the fund be forwarded to Myron T. Herrick, treasurer, at Cleveland. Many thousands of dollars have been subscribed by schools and school children throughout the country. Judge Day announces his desire to have all these collections in the hands of the National treasurer at an early date.

Barbed-Wire Boundary.

GREAT FALLS, Mont., April 4.—Word has reached this city to the effect that the Canadian Government has appropriated \$10,000 to build a barbed-wire fence along the boundary between Montana and the Dominion, extending from St. Mary's Lake to the Sweet Grass Hills.

Warren Goes to Rock Island.

NEW YORK, April 4.—Charles H. Warren, formerly vice-president of the New Jersey Central Railroad Company, is reported to have accepted the position of assistant to President Leeds, of the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railroad Company. It is expected he will assume the position of first vice-president. Mr. Warren entered the Jersey-Central as assistant to the president, and subsequently became vice-president.

Carters Is Somewhat Better.

LEAVENWORTH, Kan., April 4.—Warren McClaughry, of the Federal Prison, said tonight he believes Oberlin M. Carter's condition is somewhat improved. His temperature is 102. H. G. Stone, Carter's attorney, arrived this morning from Chicago and spent the entire day at his client's bedside preparing the papers for the pending suit about which Carter is so anxious.

Disfranchisement in Virginia.

RICHMOND, Va., April 4.—The Virginia constitutional convention, after consideration today, adopted a suffrage clause to the constitution. It provides for a temporary understanding clause for two years and a poll tax and educational qualifications. The effect of the plan will be to admit every white man to the registration lists and keep out a large part of the colored vote.

Upholds the Title.

ST. PAUL, April 4.—A decision of the Supreme Court filed by Justice Collins today upholds the title of those who purchased Minneapolis, St. Paul and Manitoba grant lands from Archbishop Ireland.

PAIN IN THE BACK?

CLOUDY URINE?

Indicates That Your Kidneys Are Diseased. Warner's Safe Cure Absolutely and Permanently Cures All Diseases of the Kidneys, Liver, Bladder, Blood, Urinary Organs, and Rheumatism and Diabetes.

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THERE IS ONE CURE THAT CURES.

There is no time to waste, if you would be cured. It is dangerous to neglect your kidneys for even a day, and Warner's Safe Cure has been prescribed by leading doctors for the past thirty years, and used in all prominent hospitals exclusively as the only absolute cure for the kidneys. By its use, all kidney troubles, pains in the back, rheumatism, uric acid poison, dropsy, eczema, scrofula, blood diseases, stones in the bladder, and, if a woman, so-called "female weakness."

CURES WEAK KIDNEYS.

Charles H. Corcoran, of Fitchburg, Mass., says: "For ten years I suffered with kidney and liver trouble, and after trying the best doctors here and in other places, I found no relief. I was so bad that I had to have injections of opium to relieve me of my pain. I could not sleep nights or work of any kind. I lost twenty-five pounds. I took Warner's Safe Cure, and six bottles cured me. I have regained my twenty-five pounds, and feel as well as I ever did. I cannot say too much in praise of Warner's Safe Cure for liver and kidney troubles. It is a cure, because it does not constipate; it is a valuable and effective tonic; stimulates digestion and arouses the torpid liver, putting the patient into the very best receptive state for the work of the restorer of the kidneys. It prepares the tissues, soothes irritation, allays inflammation, kills the disease germs, stimulating and healing the enfeebled organs at the same time. Warner's Safe Pills taken with Warner's Safe Cure move the bowels gently and hold a special cure."

There is no substitute. Nothing else is "just as good" as Warner's Safe Cure. Accept nothing else if you would be cured. It is now put up in two sizes and sold by every druggist or direct, at 50 cents and \$1.00 a bottle.

TRIAL BOTTLE FREE.

An experience of thirty years, in which WARNER'S SAFE CURE was never known to fail, gives confidence, and as an expression of that confidence a trial bottle and medical booklet containing symptoms and treatment of each disease and many convincing testimonials, will be sent absolutely free, postpaid, to any sufferer from diseases of the liver, kidneys, bladder and blood who will write to the WARNER SAFE CURE CO., Rochester, N. Y., mentioning having seen this offer in The Oregonian. This offer is fully guaranteed.

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Orders Received Now.

Heralds of Empire. By A. C. LAUT. Author of "Lords of the North," "The Book of the North," "The Book of the East," "The Book of the South," "The Book of the West," "The Book of the North," "The Book of the South," "The Book of the East," "The Book of the West."

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Is marked by loss of appetite, by weak, tired and languid feelings, and if the blood is very impure, by pimples, eczema, and other eruptions.

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