

SENATE TAKES IT UP

Committee Will Investigate the Cuban Scandals.

MAY PAY A VISIT TO THE ISLAND

House Nearly Completes the Alaska Civil Government Bill—Other Congressional News.

WASHINGTON, May 26.—The Senate today agreed to the resolution for an investigation into the Cuban postal and other irregularities, authorizing the committee to visit Cuba, if necessary, to pursue the inquiry.

The House today partly completed the consideration of the Alaska civil government bill. A few paragraphs passed over during the recess of the bill will be considered Monday.

THE DAY IN DETAIL. Considerable Routine Business Transacted in the Senate.

WASHINGTON, May 26.—Secretary Root sent to the Senate today in response to an inquiry a report from General Davis, Governor of Porto Rico, relating to the expenses of the army in Porto Rico.

The Senate agreed to Pettigrew's resolution calling upon the Secretary of War for a statement of the number of Filipinos who have been killed by United States troops in the present insurrection.

Under a special order, District of Columbia bills and bills pertaining thereto were taken up.

Kyle (Ind. S. D.), chairman of the Industrial Commission, presented the resignation of ex-Senator Lee Shante, of Montana, as a member of the commission, and President pro tem. Fry appointed Senator Bard, of California, as his successor.

The bill admitting certain publications of state agricultural, geological and mining associations to the second-class mail rate was passed.

Consideration of the sundry civil appropriation bill then resumed. The paragraph as to Chinese exclusion was passed over temporarily. With few changes, the bill was perfected through the river and harbor bill.

At the opening of the session of the House, Cooper (Rep. Wis.), chairman of the committee on Insular Affairs, presented a favorably reported resolution calling upon the Postmaster-General for certain information regarding the reports of E. G. Rathbone, Director of Posts in Cuba, and the resolution was adopted without division.

Fitzgerald (Dem. Mass.) thought information should be furnished Congress before final adjournment, but Payne (Rep. N. Y.) explained the procedure intended to place a time limit upon such a resolution.

Another resolution from the Senate committee, introduced by Jones (Dem. Va.) calling upon the Secretary of War to report in detail payments made and to whom from the revenues of Cuba and Porto Rico was also adopted.

A bill to facilitate the movement of steamships engaged in the coastwise trade between ports in Hawaii and ports in the United States was adopted.

A bill to relieve United States Marshals and District Clerks from further emolument returns in civil cases prior to the admission of Utah as a state. The House then resumed consideration of the Alaska civil government bill.

After completing the reading of the bill, save for a few paragraphs passed over, the House adjourned at 3:30 P. M.

THE CUBAN INVESTIGATION. Full Text of the Resolution as It Passed the Senate.

WASHINGTON, May 26.—Following is the text of the resolution ordering an investigation into the administration of Cuban affairs which passed the Senate today.

Resolved, That the committee on relations with Cuba is hereby directed to investigate and report to the Senate as early as practicable regarding the moneys received and expended on the island of Cuba by, through and under the officials and representatives of the United States, both civil and military, from the date of the occupation of Cuba by the military forces of the United States until and including the 30th of April, 1900.

Said committee shall investigate and report as to the receipts as follows: From customs, from postal service, from internal revenue, from all other sources, specifying the details as far as practicable, and particularly the places where and dates within which such amounts were collected or received by the officials and officers collecting and receiving the same, also the law under which such amounts in each instance were so collected or received.

BAVARIA AND PRUSSIA

RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COURTS SERIOUSLY DISTURBED.

Gossipers Started the Trouble—German Respect for the Boers Diminishing—The Meat Bill.

BERLIN, May 26.—Interest this week has centered on the doings of the Reichstag and Diet and Prince Ludwig's speech. It has long been murmured in court circles at Berlin and Munich that the relations between the two courts were seriously disturbed.

The President sent in the following nominations: E. R. Stackable, to be Collector of Customs for the district of Hawaii. Sergeant Major Smith, Thirtieth United States Volunteers, to be First Lieutenant.

Will Meet the Neely Case. WASHINGTON, May 26.—Senator Morgan has introduced a bill giving the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia jurisdiction in the cases of persons "who shall commit a crime against the United States or a violation of the criminal law of the United States, not within a state."

DAVID H. MOORE.



ONE OF THE NEW METHODIST BISHOPS.

The bill is intended to apply to crimes committed against the United States in Cuba.

OVER THE VAAL.

Roberts' Army is Crossing at Parys.

LONDON, May 26.—The War Office received the following dispatch from Roberts: "Wolvoek, Orange Free State, May 25.—An advanced portion of this force has only about 45 miles to the Queen's birthday, near Parys. Hamilton's column is at Boschbank. Our scouts are now at Viljoen's Drift on the frontier north of Wolvoek. The local mines are unmined and work going on as usual. There is no enemy this side of the river, Hunter reached Vryburg May 24."

As anticipated, the first news from Roberts' army since his departure was the announcement that the British had crossed the Vaal River. This is probably General Hutton's column, and it may be expected to make dash at the railroad in the neighborhood of Potchefstroom, whence there is direct communication with Johannesburg.

Roberts' headquarters may be expected also to cross the Vaal River and create a diversion on the flank of the federal force in the neighborhood of Vrelinging. As the only direct line of travel, a speedy announcement may be expected that the British Commander-in-Chief himself has gained a foothold in the Transvaal, and that he will remove the federal position at Johannesburg in the middle of the coming week.

General Buller ought to be close to Johannesburg now, and it is expected to meet the Boers at the Tugela river, which part of Buller's force will co-operate in the direction of Van Reenen's Pass. Should the Pretoria bulletin announcing the reconquest of Helibron turn out to be true, it will be a totally unexpected development, as General Jan Hamilton occupied Helibron Tuesday, and nothing has been heard from there since.

Selected Cargo Paid for. WASHINGTON, May 26.—Consul-General Stone at Capetown has reported to the State Department that the seizures of four and provisions on the three vessels, Mashona, Beatrice and Maria, have been finally and satisfactorily settled. It has been found that the goods were the property of the consignees in South Africa, that the American shippers are not, and cannot be, losers and that the seizures will not affect the American trade.

In the cases where the consignees refused the bills drawn upon them by the American shippers, though the latter had already secured payment, through the colonial courts, the British Government has preferred to settle outright by the payment of the invoice price of the provisions seized with 15 per cent added as profit.

Murder Charge Dismissed. PHOENIX, May 26.—The prosecution has withdrawn the charges of murder in connection with the explosion at the Bagley factory, at Johannesburg, against Messrs. Longville and Perrett, Belgians; William Begbie, and Thomas Richards, colored Americans. All the accused were acquitted. An application was made that the men be rearrested and put over the border, but this was refused.

A Free Sinter Surrenders. NEWCASTLE, Friday, May 25.—Louis Koch, a magistrate of the Free State, has surrendered. He says that all the construction in the Hartswater-Vredde district have returned to their farms and refuse to continue fighting. It is reported, President Steyn is in Vrede, he will probably go northward towards Laing's Nek, if he finds any followers.

San Pedro Breakwater Contract. WASHINGTON, May 26.—The Secretary of War has awarded the contract for the construction of a breakwater at San Pedro, Cal., to the California Construction Company, at its bid of \$1,750,000.

THE ASSEMBLY DISSOLVED

PRESBYTERIANS CONCLUDE THEIR WORK AT ST. LOUIS.

Division of Church Territory Into Districts—Harlem Amendment Withdrawn—Reports Read.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., May 26.—The Presbyterian General Assembly, which has been holding its 112th annual meeting at the Compton-Avenue Presbyterian Church during the past 10 days, adjourned sine die at noon, to meet next year in Philadelphia. The session just concluded has been one of the most important ever held by the assembly.

The report of the committee appointed to divide the church territory into districts under the provisions of the Peoria overture, reported the following, with the number of commissioners to which each is entitled:

- 1-New York..... 20
2-New York..... 20
3-New Jersey, Ohio, Eastern Pennsylvania..... 24
4-New Jersey, North Carolina and Illinois..... 24
5-Baltimore, Atlanta and Catawba..... 24
6-Pennsylvania..... 22
7-Pennsylvania..... 22
8-Pennsylvania..... 22

AT THE EXPOSITION. Suffering Among Young Americans Not Provided With Means.

PARIS, May 26.—Now that all the National exhibitions in Russia and France have been opened to the public, a comparison of the artistic effect of our building with that of its neighbors is undoubtedly unfavorable to the United States. The general external appearance, as a matter of architectural taste, the nudity of its interior elicits the harshest criticism.

A number of unfortunate cases of suffering are coming under the notice of the American physicians in Paris. Many bright, energetic young Americans, having just means enough to transport them here, and being anxious to see the exposition, came with the idea of finding some small occupation, and were unable to do so.

Instead of the freedom of labor which obtains in America, and which insures success to the willing, intelligent worker, they find every outlet hedged about with red tape regulations or prejudice against the employment of foreigners. Newspaper stands are accorded to Americans, and a license for bootblacking is practically unobtainable, owing to the interminable period occupied by the preliminaries to the application.

The Chamber of Deputies, by its vote at Tuesday's session, has refused to take such measures as would cast the Dreyfus nightmare once for all into oblivion. Only 19 irreconcilables opposed the resolution, which directed the cabinet to take this course.

The Imperial Government still rejoices at the passage of the meat-inspection bill, particularly because of its demonstrating that the extreme Agrarians have no power to dominate the Reichstag, and are only looking for a decent pretext to make peace.

The latest news from South Africa is generally interpreted as showing that the Boers are tired of war, and are only looking for a decent pretext to make peace. The Kreuz Zeitung says: "Drawing a parallel between the Boers and the ancient Germans, there will not be such a fight of desperation as that of the Goths at Naludus." The paper adds: "The Boers do not possess the species of personal bravery which in European armies is self-understood. If this knowledge had obtained sooner the Boers would not have enjoyed such popularity."

Quick justice is being meted out to the car-strike rioters. The first batch was sentenced Monday to terms varying from six weeks in jail to a few days' imprisonment, and another batch was sentenced today. A third batch will be tried before a higher court for revolt against the state, on which hang long terms at hard labor.

Herr Bebel publishes in the Vorwarts an article on the book of the French Captain Koch, recommending the substitution of a militia for a regular army. Herr Bebel approves of this, and says socialism will draw powerful weapons from the book to fight militarism.

The regatta of the Imperial Yachting Club at Kiel this week was a miserable failure, mostly because of the unpropitious weather. The Emperor took no interest in the race.

Five officers of the Twelfth Regiment of Illinois, after being without sleep from Insterburg to Strasburg, have just returned here from Strasburg. They made 45 kilometers each day, in spite of the most unfavorable weather. The guard of Illinois here are today feting the five officers.

The Foreign Office has pointed out to the correspondent of the Associated Press that the recent speech of Andrew D. White, the United States Ambassador here, has made an excellent impression in Berlin, many of the papers, including the North German Gazette, reprinting it.

EFFECT ON AMERICAN MARKETS. Reichstag Legislation Not Seriously Feared. CHICAGO, May 26.—Concerning Germany's antagonistic legislation against the American livestock and meat, M. F. Birnie, stationer for the Chicago stockyards, said today: "The Chicago stockyards are not at all alarmed by the legislation of the Reichstag. So far as the general livestock mar-

THE PLAGUE SITUATION

SUSPICIOUS DEATH OF A CHINESE IN SAN FRANCISCO.

His Countrymen Assert It Was Caused by Pneumonia-Injection Sait Not Yet Decided.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 26.—Contrary to general expectation, United States Circuit Judge Morrow did not render a decision today in the bubonic plague injunction suit. When court convened, Assistant United States Attorney Weiler filed a number of additional documents on behalf of the health officials. The decision of Judge Morrow will probably be rendered Monday.

At the headquarters of the Chinese Six Companies, Secretary Wong said the Chinese merchants will not resume business until they are assured of protection from the health authorities. An attempt was made today to bring the matter in the courts on habeas corpus proceedings. The Chinese tried to have one of their number arrested for attempting to leave the city in defiance of the inoculation order, but they found the health officials would afford no opportunity for such a proceeding.

The Six Companies maintain a dispensary, where their sick countrymen are taken for examination. It is stated that at this dispensary were examined the Chinese who were subsequently pronounced bubonic plague victims by the City Board of Health physicians, yet not one of them said there was a plague victim by the dispensary doctors. One Chinese died under treatment for pneumonia, and 44 hours after his demise, when decomposition of the remains had considerably advanced, the Board of Health doctors inspected the body and declared that bubonic plague was the cause of death.

"It was not even beri beri, with which I am familiar," said Dr. Fitch, one of the Six Companies' doctors. "There have been numerous beri beri cases here, but the disease is caused by indigestion, and is not contagious. People who die of bubonic plague have their muscles contracted and the limbs are distorted, and the man who died of pneumonia had none of these symptoms."

The Board of Health is continuing the house-to-house inspection in Chinatown with a small force of inspectors. A meeting of the State Board of Health has been called for today, when it is expected that Dr. Blunt, state officer of Texas, will be present to discuss the advisability of removing the quarantine against this city.

Dr. A. P. O'Brien, of the local Board of Health, tonight said, in reference to the telegram sent by Surgeon Kenyon to Surgeon-General Wyman that a case was reported today which was probably plague, that Dr. Blunt, state officer of Texas, will be present to discuss the advisability of removing the quarantine against this city.

"We reported the case to Surgeon Kenyon as suspicious, but on further examination it was found that death did not result from plague. The remains had considerably advanced. The Board of Health doctors inspected the body and declared that bubonic plague was the cause of death."

Dr. Kenyon's Report. WASHINGTON, May 26.—Surgeon-General Wyman, of the Marine Hospital Service, has received the following dispatch from Surgeon Kenyon, at San Francisco: "San Francisco, May 25.—Application for a restraining order argued today before Judge Morrow. The matter was taken under advisement. I believe the publicity of the situation now reaching the people through the courts will do good. Train and street inspectors are working smoothly. The Board of Health is making a house-to-house inspection, with a few inspectors. A case reported dead today. Chinese diagnosed it as beri beri. There is a probability that the case was the same diagnosis was made in the last case."

Will Not Appoint Letchemans. WASHINGTON, May 26.—It is understood the President has declined to appoint as a member of the Industrial Commission to succeed M. D. Batchelor, resigned, Charles Letchemans, of Massachusetts, formerly general secretary of the Knights of Labor.

President Will View the Eclipse. WASHINGTON, May 26.—The President and party left Washington this afternoon on the Dolphin for a trip down the Potomac and to view the eclipse Monday. The party will return to Washington next Tuesday.

The steamer Seward was given a trial run at San Francisco today. She has met all the contract requirements. She was thereupon accepted by the Quartermaster-General in charge of the Army transport service, and will be sent to Alaska for use as a dispatch-boat by General Randall, commanding the military department of Alaska.

Court-Martial of McGowan. WASHINGTON, May 26.—In accordance with the recommendation of the Court of Inquiry, the Secretary of the Navy has appointed a court-martial to try Captain John McGowan on charges connected with the killing of a Filipino. The detail for the court is: Rear-Admiral Casper, president; Rear-Admiral Higginson, Rear-Admiral Barker, Captain Read, Captain Wilde, Captain Cook, Captain Lamberton, Captain Theodore Jewell and Captain DeWitt. The court is to be held at the residence of the Secretary of the Navy, at the navy-yard Tuesday morning next.

Police Go to the Primaries and the Street-Cars Are Withdrawn. ST. LOUIS, May 26.—The St. Louis Transit Company stopped running cars after 10 o'clock today, the police having been assigned for duty at the Democratic primaries.

One fatality has resulted from the fusillade of shots fired in the riot yesterday afternoon, when three men were wounded. Harry Fort is a striking workman in the victim. This is the sixth fatality since the strike began.

Executive officers of the labor unions of St. Louis have resolved to call on all National and international unions in the country to send representatives here to assist in carrying on the struggle. It was also decided to ask officers of the American Federation of Labor to send out an appeal to all union workers in America for financial aid.

To Replant Forest Reserves. WASHINGTON, May 26.—Commissioner Hermann of the General Land Office, has issued an order instructing Supervisors of Forest Reserves throughout the West to plant suitable saplings and trees where portions of the forests have been destroyed by fire. He is also making arrangements for the establishment of a telephone system, which is to connect all the forest stations in certain districts so that in the future in case of a fire help may be summoned immediately.

THE PROPHETIC CARTOON OF PUNCH.

COLONEL BADEN-POWELL (to Mafeking)—"All right! Cheer up! 'Bobs' is a man of his word!"—From the London Punch, May 3, 1900.



THE ELEVENTH HOUR.

aim, though he has a passion for building and a love of solitude. The histories of these gentlemen and the Bradley Martins, James R. Keene, Joseph Pulitzer, Marshall Field, Lord Strathmore and Lord Roslyn, and other South African millionaires are carefully detailed, with estimates about their fortunes, but the writer makes several curious mistakes, among them being the statement that Marshall Field, who is dubbed "the Lion of Chicago," and a "relentless monopolist," is well known in hunting circles in Warwickshire, whereas Mr. Field does not hunt at all, the Mail writer mistakes the son for the father. In a small paragraph at the end of the article the following notice is given those apparently non-millionaires:

There are political bosses and patrons of sport such as Richard Croker, and American bankers, like Mr. Drexel, of yachting and motoring fame, and social fame, such as Mrs. Ronalds and Mrs. Mackay."

QUESTION OF SECRET SOCIETIES. Discussed by the United Presbyterian General Assembly. CHICAGO, May 26.—The question of admission of members of secret societies to membership in the United Presbyterian Church precipitated the warmest discussion which has marked the present assembly. The question came up in the report of the committee to which was referred at the last assembly the revision of the 15th article of testimony, which relates to secret societies. While the report recommended that the article which declares the opposition of the church to secret societies should stand, it recommended that the report should be referred to the presbyteries of the church asking their opinion as to whether the covenant of membership should be so changed as to allow members of secret societies to become church members if they should consent to receive from their pastors instruction as to the attitude of the church toward their societies. This proposal caused heated discussion for and against. The discussion was ended for the time by Dr. John McNaughton, president of the Theological Seminary, who moved that the report should be referred to a special committee of three, who should revise it and prepare a suitable preamble and report back to the assembly before its adjournment. The motion was carried unanimously.

AMUSEMENT QUESTION DECIDED. After a Bitter Debate, General Conference Voted to Make No Change. CHICAGO, May 26.—By a close vote, and after a debate which exceeded in bitterness and feeling displayed anything yet heard during the session, the Methodist General Conference practically decided today to make no change in the attitude of the church in regard to card-playing, dancing, theater-going and other forms of amusement which, since 1874, have been under the ban of the church. Preceding the vote to accept the minority report, which recommends that no action be taken, the conference at times was in a state of wild disorder, due mainly to attempts to amend the section of the book of discipline under discussion, and some exceedingly sharp language was indulged in by the angry delegates before the vote was taken.

A long list of standing committees of the church, and a committee to select delegates to attend the Ecumenical Congress in London in 1901, were agreed upon by the conference.

Son of Edwin Arnold in Disgrace. SAN FRANCISCO, May 26.—The Examiner says that Julian T. Edgill, Arnold, a member of the firm of Kreighley, Arnold & Krighley, who is under arrest here for embezzlement, is the second son of Sir Edwin Arnold, the famous poet. Young Arnold is also an author, having written a book entitled "Palms and Temples," descriptive of a trip up the Nile. The extradition papers in his case have been taken, the conference at times was in a state of wild disorder, due mainly to attempts to amend the section of the book of discipline under discussion, and some exceedingly sharp language was indulged in by the angry delegates before the vote was taken.

Internal Revenue in Hawaii. SAN FRANCISCO, May 26.—Collector of Internal Revenue Lynch is making preparations to establish an office in Honolulu, the Hawaiian Islands being under the jurisdiction of the District of California. The internal revenue laws go into effect in Hawaii on June 1. All deputies at the Honolulu office will be selected from citizens of Hawaii, of the rank of being vice liquor, optum, cigars and tobacco now in the islands will be inspected and inventoried. After June 14 goods from the United States must be stamped before being sent to the islands.

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