

CASH FOR PENSIONS

House Appropriates Nearly \$140,000,000.

ALL DONE IN TEN MINUTES

Many Bills Passed, Including One for Relief of Settlers on Wagon-Road Land Grants—Working on Trust Bills.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—The House today passed the pension appropriation bill carrying \$129,000,000 without a word of debate, and devoted the remainder of the day to the passage of bills on the calendar, quite a number of which were passed.

On the call of committees bills were passed to amend the law relating to the Western Judicial District of Texas; to confer jurisdiction upon the Circuit Court and District Courts of South Dakota in certain Indian cases; to create a new division of the Western Judicial District of Missouri; to incorporate the Society of Military Surgeons; to increase the maximum period in which livestock can be confined in pens without unloading, from 24 to 48 hours; to grant right of way for telegraph and telephone lines in Alaska; to increase the size of homesteads in Alaska from 80 to 250 acres; to set aside lands in South Dakota as a public park; to be known as "Wind Cave National Park"; for the relief of certain settlers upon the Wisconsin Central Railroad and The Dallas Military Road grants; to incorporate the general education board; defining what shall constitute and providing for assessments on oil mining claims, and fixing the punishment for the larceny of horses, cattle and other livestock in Indian Territory.

A resolution designed to prevent military and naval bands of the United States from competing with civilian bands precipitated much discussion, and when it was placed on its passage, W. A. Smith, of Michigan, made the point of no return. The vote stood 40 yeas, 29 nays. The House thereupon, at 3:15 P. M. adjourned.

NEW COMMERCE DEPARTMENT.

Officials Object to Transfer of Their Bureaus to It. WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—The House committee on commerce, which is considering the Department of Commerce bill today, heard Commissioner of Pensions Allen, who disapproves of the transfer of the Patent Office to the proposed Department of Commerce.

Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Allen informed the committee that the Treasury Department is willing to transfer to the proposed Department of Commerce the Bureau of Immigration, National Bureau of Standards, Lighthouse and Geodetic Survey, and the Bureau of Navigation, of the department. But the Treasury is not favorable to the transfer of the marine hospital service, lifesaving service, steamboat inspections, Bureau of Census, or Bureau of Statistics to the Treasury Department. These five last named bureaus are in charge of department of affairs which have charge of other matters also.

TO 'CONSIDER TRUST BILLS.

Subcommittee Will Hear Arguments of Their Authors. WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—Representative Littlefield, of the committee of the Judiciary committee of the House, which has been charged with the consideration of all proposed anti-trust legislation, held his first meeting today. There was a general discussion of the subject.

JUDGE HOLMES TO TAKE OATH.

Will Become Member of Supreme Bench on Monday. WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—Justice Holmes, the new member of the United States Supreme Court, arrived here today. He will take the oath of office at the convening of the court on Monday and will then take his seat with the other members. A number of cases are being given to the authors of the bill providing for the details of Army officers as chiefs and assistant chiefs of the Philippine constabulary, the officer serving as chief to have the rank and pay of Colonel, the difference in pay between these higher grades and the grades from which they are detailed to be paid out of the Philippine treasury.

OFFICERS FOR CONSTABULARY.

Regular Army to Furnish Commanders in the Philippines. WASHINGTON, Dec. 6.—General Luke E. Wright, Vice-Governor of the Philippines, appeared before the House committee on insular affairs today and supplemented his argument of yesterday in favor of the bill providing for the details of Army officers as chiefs and assistant chiefs of the Philippine constabulary, with the statement that Adjutant-General Corbin and General Young favored the bill.

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HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 6.—The violent storm which swept over the Nova Scotia coast last night caused many marine disasters and some loss of life. The wind blew nearly 50 miles an hour and was accompanied by a long time, and the temperature was below the freezing point.

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This telegram was in response to the following message from Senator Mitchell: "In the latter part of October the department called for bids for transporting soldiers and freight to Manila. The advertisements were published in Portland, San Francisco and Seattle, and all bids were opened November 13. San Francisco sent no bids. James Laidlaw & Co., of Portland, and Frank Waterhouse & Co., of Seattle, each submitted bids. Portland's bid was \$1,100,000, and Seattle's was \$1,200,000."

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