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THE DAY IN CONGRESS

A Thirty Hour Continuous Session.

FALKNER'S TWELVE HOURS.

Republicans Will Caucus on Monday. The Silver Pool Investigation Progressing.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—In the senate, the hours between 2 and 5:30 a. m. were spent in waiting for a quorum, which did not come until 5:30 a. m. The roll call completed the quorum on roll-call, and Faulkner made another start in his speech against the bill, although there were not twenty senators within the hearing of his voice.

At 6 o'clock Gorman made another effort to close the day's session, but was defeated on an aye and nay vote.

The vote showed no quorum present, and the senate found itself again in the same endless round in which it had been revolving for the last six hours.

At 7:30, when there were five democrats on the floor and one republican (Casey), Daniel rose and moved an adjournment. The move did not succeed, however, for Casey rushed for and obtained allies from the cloak-room, and the motion was declared lost.

After that there was another lull until 8:30 when a quorum having appeared, Faulkner proceeded with his remarks.

Faulkner concluded at 10:30 a. m., having held the floor for almost twelve hours. Senator Stewart has given notice of a motion to recommit the election bill with instructions to the committee to report it back with a provision for the election of members of congress on days when no other elections are held in the several states.

The republican senators are making an effort to have a caucus Monday night to determine the further order of procedure. The purpose of the caucus will be to make another effort to reconcile the republican senators who have been in opposition to the election bill.

IN THE HOUSE.

The silver pool investigation committee began an inquiry this morning. W. K. Stevens, the principal Washington correspondent of St. Louis Democrat, which paper first printed the charges of a congressional silver combination was the first witness.

STRIKE OF TELEGRAPHERS.

Both Sides Claiming That Everything Is in Their Favor.

MILWAUKEE, Jan. 17.—Superintendent Collins says this morning there are no new developments in the strike, except that about a dozen telegraphers employed on the Prairie du Chien, LaCrosse and Northern divisions of the St. Paul road quit work last night. He says that Grand Chief Thurston, of the Order of Railway Telegraphers, is deceiving the strikers in regard to the number of men who have quit work, and that the trouble is not so extensive as he represents.

CHICAGO, Jan. 17.—Striking telegraphers on the St. Paul road claim to be gaining ground, and that fifty men left work at noon to-day. Chief Thurston says the road is running passenger trains on comparatively good time, but that freights are greatly impeded. General Manager Garling says there are only seventy-two men out and that their actions are all filled. As the strikers show letters and telegrams from 350 men who have gone out, it is evident that the general manager is not well posted.

A Heavy Landslide.

TACOMA, Jan. 17.—A heavy landslide occurred on the Northern Pacific last night, at Palmer, 43 miles from here. A mass of rock and earth now covers the track a distance of 300 feet. Passengers were transferred to-day and by to-morrow it is expected the road will be clear.

Jacksals Destroying Flocks.

MADRID, Jan. 17.—A violent snow storm prevails and the weather throughout is extremely cold. In the Malaga district, jacksals are playing sad havoc with the flocks and appearing in such numbers that they are terrifying to the peasants.

Drowned While Coasting.

OSHKOSH, Wis., Jan. 17.—While a party of nine young people were coasting this evening, the sled ran into the river and Jay Briggs, Emma Asid and May Carly were drowned. They are children of prominent people.

UNDER THE SNOW.

A District Snowed In and Starving.

ALBANY, Jan. 17.—The inhabitants of Sebron, a small town in Tlomon, province of Oran, are snowed up beyond escape and slowly starving to death. Horses, mules and cattle are being killed for food. A quantity of provisions under escort of a detachment of

troops from the garrison of Tlomon started to their relief. Unhappily the convoy a day or so later was snowed up in Tlomon pass and an additional force of troops sent out. On January 15 it was announced that the convoy had been extricated. To-day, however, word is received here that the attempt to provision Sebron had failed. The district is hopelessly snowed up.

Landlordism News.

DUBLIN, Jan. 17.—News from New Tipperary is far from encouraging. Those who entered into the fight against the abuses of landlordism were unmercifully beaten. The tenements of the city were again closed by the fact that all stores and all stalls in O'Brien's arcade except three, were either permanently closed, or are in the hands of the bailiffs for debt.

Death of a Representative.

ELENSBURG, Wash., Jan. 17.—John Davis, representative from this county, who was excused at the opening of the legislature on account of illness, died here at 4 o'clock this afternoon of combination heart and kidney trouble.

WORLD'S FAIR.

REPORT OF THE INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE.

Sitting Down on the Big Salaries—Cutting Down Expenses and Limiting Meetings.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—Representative Chandler of Massachusetts, chairman of the select committee of the world's fair, to-day presented to the house the report of the sub-committee that went to Chicago to examine into the condition of matters there in relation to the world's fair. The report says in the expenditure of the public money, the powers assumed by the World's Columbian commission prove that confusion as well as caused unnecessary expenditure of the public money, which had been intended by congress to pay the expenses of the government exhibit and not to pay excessive salaries to the officers of the commission. Provisions, the report says, has been made to pay the president, secretary and director-general annual salaries of \$12,000, \$10,000 and \$15,000 respectively, and also \$8,000 to the vice-chairman of the executive committee.

These salaries, in the opinion of the committee, are excessive, and should not be continued. Excessive expenses also have been incurred in the appointment of as large a number as 115 women on the board of lady managers, and calling together the board when the duties which would devolve upon it were not ready for its attention. The report says: "Your committee are of a decided opinion that the fair cannot be conducted to a successful termination under the dual management which is now in operation, in consequence of the construction placed upon the law by the World's Columbian commission. The commission has exceeded its power by the appointment of officers and committees to conduct the management of the fair in its executive details, which, in our interpretation of the law, belongs solely to the World's Columbian Exposition and its officers." The commission has given a quasi veto power and not that of taking charge of the execution of plans for the fair.

In order to carry out the suggestions of the report to place the whole enterprise on a more solid footing and carry out the evident intention of congress, the committee submits a joint resolution directing the secretary of the treasury not to approve any expense attendant on the meeting of the national commission of the board of lady managers except such meetings as may be called at the time of the dedication and the opening of the fair, nor approve any payment attendant on the meeting of the executive committee of the commission of lady managers, except such meetings as may be held not often than once in six months; providing for a reduction in the salary of the president of the national commission to not exceed \$5000; vice-chairman of the executive committee, \$4,000, and secretary \$3,000; president of the board of lady managers not to exceed \$5,000, secretary \$3,000. Also that the secretary of the treasury shall not approve the payment of any expenses of the national commission or lady managers other than those before mentioned, which shall amount to not more than \$10,000 per annum in the aggregate. The resolution appropriates \$300,000 for the fiscal year ending Jan. 30, 1892, for the selection, preparation and arrangement, etc., and the employment of the proper persons for the various governments. The committee renews the opinion that the director general and his employees should be paid from the exposition funds and not from the government appropriations.

If you want anything choice in the grocery line go to Mueller & Garrett's, the only place in the city where you can get everything you want.

SAMOAN AFFAIRS.

The Long Expected Chief Justice Arrives.

THE TONGA ISLANDERS.

They Object to a Carpet Bag Prince Minier—Kill His Wife and Kill Him—An Active Volcano.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 17.—By the steamer Zealandia, which arrived from Sydney and Honolulu today, it is learned that there has been severe weather throughout the Hawaiian island, and shipping has suffered considerably. One schooner lost a boat crew of five men.

The volcano of Kilauer is very active.

Among the passengers on the Zealandia was Rev. Shirley Baker, who went to Tonga island as a missionary and afterwards became the king's prime minister, practically ruling over the place. The natives resented Baker's assumption to power, and trouble followed, in which Baker's wife was killed and other members of his family were injured. The English government sent a commissioner to investigate the matter and a decision was rendered which Baker was exiled from the British man-of-war and taken to Auckland. Baker is on his way to England, where he will try to have the commissioner's decision quashed.

The long expected chief justice of Samoa, Mr. Cedeckrantz, has arrived. The steamer Alameda, anchored off the island on the night of December 30. The chief justice landed, through a misunderstanding, at another wharf than the one at which he was expected, and passed the night at the house of Mr. Metzler, a countryman of his. On the following day Chief Semmann's boat, with a crew of twelve, went to Matafele and brought the chief justice to Apia. He was met by three consuls and a guard of honor of Samoans. The chief justice, with his secretary, Lieutenant Ulisparré, proceeded to the king's house, accompanied by the consuls. Nearly the whole white population of Apia turned out and greeted the chief justice with a hearty cheer. King Malietoa met the party and conducted them inside his house, where he welcomed Justice Cedeckrantz and expressed the pleasure of the Samoans on his arrival. The chief justice in reply said he was gratified at his reception and that his desire was for peace and good order in all Samoa.

GEORGE ROSE'S ESCAPE.

Sheriff Turner Reverts After a Unsuccessful Hunt.

The Astoria Columbian says: Sheriff J. H. Turner, of Oysterville arrived in this city yesterday afternoon after a hunt of a couple of weeks for George Rose, the Fredrickson murderer, who escaped from Montesano prison a few weeks ago. The sheriff stated that he had heard of the escaped murderer but could find no trace of his whereabouts. Mr. Turner had a picture of Rose taken from one of the Astoria Columbian some time ago for the purpose of having copies distributed among the different sheriffs and chiefs of police throughout the country, to assist, if possible, in the identification and capture of the escapee. The picture was shown to the settlers around Kluckitau prairie, and several of them thought they had seen the original, and claimed he had passed through that country, but the sheriff places no reliance on the assertions, and is of the opinion that George has made good his escape.

Assault on Feelings.

A poor horse was left hitched in the street one cold night last week. There stood the mute, shivering, noble animal, occasionally looking around in the hope of seeing the man that was galivanting around billiards, in a warm, comfortable room. The noble creature sighed occasionally to think that the law providing against cruelty to animals was such a dead letter. In the morning a rood man came. He looked into the animal's sad eyes. "Perhaps," he said, as he unbuckled him, "your owner may think it's none of my business how much you suffer. And yet it is my concern. Cruelty to the poor dumb creatures that do so much good for us and depend upon us for protection, is an assault upon the feelings of the whole neighborhood, it is my business to take you into a comfortable stable and feed you, and by the God of pity, I'm going to do it!" And he did do it. We don't want much more of this criminality. It is our duty to expose it, and we can be mighty cruel to cruel folks when we start in.—Klamath Star.

The Legislature.

The scenes about the senate chamber and the hall of the house are now not very animated. A few of the members are at their desks writing letters, preparing bills or looking over bills, but most of them have gone home, or at least out of the city. Many mem-

bers are in Portland, and most of the valley members are at home. There is some speculation as to the composition of the joint standing committees, which no doubt Speaker Geer will appoint Monday, but no one except that gentleman himself can offer anything definite—and he will reserve this until the proper time. Many of the various funds are now exhausted, and the secretary of state is not drawing a large amount of warrants, nor will he until some appropriation bills get through the legislature. The bill for \$10,000 for the expenses of the present session has passed the house, and will no doubt soon become a law. It is not likely that the expenses will come within the appropriation by five or six thousand dollars. Some of the committees have examined the various state institutions are at work.

A New Use for Canines.

John Ingram, who lives on Spencer Creek, about 7 miles southwest of Eugene, has hit on an ingenious scheme to make a dog his own of some use to him. He has rigged a treadmill, which the dog turns, and which is geared to a churn, and thus makes many pounds of butter. That canine is of some service in the world.

LARCENY BY BAILEE.

HE KEPT THE NOTES THAT BELONGED TO ANOTHER.

Working Without Pay Until He Was Tired of It, and Litigates For the Lawyers Benefit.

PORTLAND, Jan. 17.—In Justice Wood's court this afternoon E. E. Cooper, a civil engineer in the employ of the Astoria & South Coast railway company, and at one time president of the Pacific construction company, had an examination on a charge of larceny by bailee. Cooper was arrested at Corvallis and brought to Portland at the instance of J. H. Brock, one of the men who have been working either for William Reid, the Pacific Construction Co., or the Astoria & South Coast Railway Co., without receiving any compensation. Brock alleges that Cooper holds two notes for \$428 executed to him by William Reid as security for work done on the Astoria & South Coast railway. Cooper claims he holds the notes subject to William Reid's orders.

INDIAN WAR NEWS.

The Conflict About Cress and the Troops Leaving.

PINE RIDGE, Jan. 17.—A council between the friendly and hostile Indians has tended to quiet the anxiety of many white people, and assure the Indians that their fear of being massacred by soldiers is without foundation. Everybody to-day seems to feel that the trouble has been brought to a close. Up to noon to-day 71 guns has been turned in by the hostiles. More weapons are expected to-day. To-day an order was issued directing the Seventh infantry, Colonel Merriam, which has been serving on Cherry Creek and Lower Cheyenne river, near the Standing Rock agency, to return to its post at Fort Logan, Denver. Rolney's battery has been ordered back to Fort Riley, Colorado. Summers' command, comprising the Eighth cavalry and Third infantry, has been ordered to return to Fort Meade. It has also been decided that the Sixth cavalry, comprising nine troops of about 500 men, will hereafter be located in the department of the Platte, with headquarters at Fort Niobrara. The cavalry force at Fort Robinson will also be increased, and it is expected the new order of affairs will tend to the rehabilitation of Fort McKinney, at which there are now only two troops of the Ninth cavalry, under Colonel Henry. This strengthening of the force of cavalry along the reservation is intended as a safeguard and to revive the confidence of the people who have long been in danger of an outbreak. The question is now being discussed of allowing members of the First infantry under Colonel Shafter who feel so disposed to remain in this department.

The Indian camp is quiet to-day and another council will be held this afternoon to consider the separation of the tribes.

At noon to-day General Miles sent a message to the hostile camp, asking for a conference with the principal chiefs. There was an immediate response, the council lasted half hour. The chiefs were Brites and when the subject of returning to Roseland was broached, they said they were in favor of return if military men should be placed over them as agent, and hoped Captain Lee, of the Ninth infantry, be appointed as Captain Pierce was here. After a little more parleying Big Road solemnly and dramatically proclaimed himself as in favor of peace, at the same time he asked those who wished to join him in restoring peace and working for the prosperity of their people to raise their right hand toward Heaven. Immediately every right hand in the gathering was raised and with general handshaking the conference came to a close. There are no lights in the hostile camp to-night. Everything is quiet.

TERRIFIC EXPLOSION

The Man Hole of a Sewer Explodes with Many Casualties.

WASHINGTON LEGISLATURE.

Death of Historian Bancroft in Washington—Will Not Allow Hypnotic Exhibitions—Optim Seizure.

CHICAGO, Jan. 17.—With a crash heard for a mile, and the smashing of plate glass windows for a radius of three blocks, a sewer man-hole blew up this evening at the intersection of Jackson, Cass and Wabash avenues, when both thoroughfares were crowded with shoppers and work people. Dozens of persons were thrown to the ground by the terrific force of the explosion and a wild panic ensued. Several passers-by were injured by falling glass. One woman, Mrs. C. C. Ross, colored, was killed outright. It is supposed illuminating gas leaked into the man-hole and was ignited in some manner by the electric light wires.

WASHINGTON LEGISLATURE.

Light Work and an Adjournment Taken.

OLYMPIA, Jan. 17.—Both houses held very short sessions to-day, and the members generally took the afternoon boats and trains for Tacoma and Seattle. Several bills were presented to the house, among which were the following: To complete the school for defective youth at Vancouver; to prevent gambling; to prevent betting or wagering by members of the legislature; and to fix the salaries of justices and constables in towns of over 5000 inhabitants. Senator Squire received a message from the sergeant-at-arms of the United Senate to return to his duties, but he will stay until after the senatorial election.

THE INDIAN MESS.

The governor to-day received the following dispatch regarding the Indian situation in Okanogan county: COLEBY CITY, Jan. 17.—The situation is not so alarming at present. The settlers on the Okanogan river are organized and are more confident. Towns have organized side companies. An Indian army named Thomas has had rumors bringing in the Indians for a general council at Jsmack Chetrel, from which good results are expected. The renegades may possibly act independently of the council and cause some trouble. A consignment of arms and ammunition is expected to-morrow.

HYPNOTISM.

A Physician Causes the Refusal of a License.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 17.—Dr. J. W. Prendergast, health officer of the city, has influenced the authorities to refuse a license to a lecturer on hypnotism and his entertainments has been stopped. Prendergast takes the ground that hypnotism, when applied indiscriminately, is injurious, as it affects the mental health of the subjects. Upon his recommendation the council passed an ordinance to make it a misdemeanor to give hypnotic exhibitions.

A Call on the Militia.

TACOMA, Jan. 17.—This afternoon a dispatch was received from Col. Haine at Seattle ordering two infantry companies and troop "B" to hold themselves in readiness to proceed to the scene of Indian trouble. The companies assembled in their armory, but up to 10 o'clock nothing further had been heard from Col. Haine. A telegram from Olympia says there is no warrant for calling out the troops.

The Markets.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 17.—Wheat \$1.35 per cental for No. 1 shipping quality; milling, \$1.40 per cental. New York, Jan. 17.—Money on call, easy; loans at 3; prime mercantile paper, 6@8; sterling exchange, active, steady; 60 day bills, \$4.84; demand, \$4.87. LIVERPOOL, Jan. 17.—Wheat, unchanged.

Optim Seizure.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 17.—Between four and five hundred pounds of opium valued at about \$17,000 was seized at the Broadway wharf, Oakland, to-day while being taken aboard the ferry boat for San Francisco in an express wagon.

Escaping Prisoners.

TACOMA, Jan. 17.—C. J. Kelly, H. McCarty and Henry Martin, prisoners confined in the United States penitentiary at McNeill's Island, escaped last night. United States Marshal Brown offers a reward of \$25 each for their capture.

David Hill Will Be Senator.

TROY, Jan. 17.—Chairman Murphy of the democratic state committee, said to-night that Governor Hill will be nominated for United States senator Monday and that he will accept.

Death of the Great Historian.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—George Bancroft, the historian is dead.