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### INDIA.

#### Horrors of the Great Famine.

Terrible State of Affairs Existing in Kaipur District.

KAIPUR, Feb. 3.—The special correspondent of the Associated Press, who is inquiring into the famine ravages in this, the largest district of the Central province, having a population of 1,500,000, finds the situation very grave. This is the center of the rice-growing industry, which is the only crop grown. It has failed, and there is a total lack of food stuff in this locality, and famine exists. About 1300 villages are affected. The relief works have given employment and means of subsistence to 50,000 persons. The worst part of the district is Dharna Para, 30 miles from here, where lamentable conditions prevail. Many people have already died of hunger, and many others are dying. The staff employed in the work of relieving the sufferers is inadequate to cope with the enormous area. If the relief work had been properly arranged earlier the mortality would have been less.

The poorhouses are a fair criterion of the condition of the people. Besides the professional beggars, they are crowded with laborers reduced to the last stage of skeletons. Their bodies are emaciated, and the skin is hanging in large folds. Others have swollen stomachs, the sign of acute privation. It is found that the cattle-men and field-workers, usually lusty men, are unable to do anything and the women are in the same condition. One woman, who was lately confined, has been attacked by rheumatism, caused by exposure, and is paralyzed. Her babe is horrible to look at. Its limbs are about the size of pipestems, and its sunken eyes have a most piteous look. No provision has been made for these cases. The minimum dose of food is only enough to keep body and soul together, and it does not suffice to build up the system again. This is where private charity is wanted.

It is useless to attempt to send the natives to the hospitals. They prefer to die.

#### A Degenerate Greeley.

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 3.—A degenerate relative of Horace Greeley, the great editor, is now confined in the county jail, a confessed horse thief. Behind his capture is a story of wild, reckless riding by the robber over snow-capped mountains, and the dogged persistence of Frank Griffith, a deputy constable of Hanford, Kings county, who pluckily trailed the gang incessantly for five weeks, and arrested young Greeley this morning. Still another member of the crowd, Fred Rood, is in jail, and the third will soon be apprehended. They are accused of having stolen 13 head of horses a little over five weeks ago, about 15 miles south of Hanford and some distance east of Tulare, close to the Tulare county line. Griffith, accompanied by Deputy Sheriff White, arrested Greeley, while the latter was eating breakfast at his father's house here.

Greeley, who is about 25 years old, confessed the crime, but refused to divulge the identity of his partners. His father who claims to be a cousin of the editor, said his son had only recently given indications that he was on the wrong course.

It is hard to tell the facts about Schilling's Best because each has its own goodness. All money-back, though.

### BROWNELL

#### Makes a Terrible Break.

Gives Away the Scheme to Procure a Quorum.

"The chair is informed that the necessary number to constitute a quorum will arrive in a few minutes." These remarkable words were versed by President Brownell in the joint convention today when the roll disclosed the fact that there was no quorum present. And the joint convention waited. There seemed to be an understanding among the Mitchellites that somehow or in some way enough men would be brought in to make the quorum. Scores of messengers hurried back and forth and a burst of applause followed C. W. Fulton's appearance with one additional member. The convention waited an hour, but no more appeared. Brownell's language is considered very significant. It was either an admission of a scheme to bring men in with corrupt or improper means, or else it was a suicidally bad break for the Mitchell managers. Feeling is running very high, and the public is wondering what means will not be employed to get a quorum tonight at 7:30 o'clock.

The feeling among the people is growing strong that, rather than see a senator elected by such means, they would rather see the legislature adjourn without electing a senator or enacting a law.

#### Grain Market.

Talkington, Botger Cos. circular today says: A month ago Charles A. Pillsbury signed a letter, of which the following is an extract: "In regard to our ideas of the wheat market, would say we are firm believers in higher prices, and the situation is very strong the world over. In fact it is the strongest it has ever been. Receipts are rapidly falling off until they are now about down to milling demand. One Mr. Little is now on the other side, and cables that stocks are very low, and foreigners must soon be liberal buyers of American flour."

#### NOT SO BADLY INJURED

Walter Tasker, one of the JOURNAL'S route carriers, who met with such an unfortunate accident Monday afternoon, is slowly improving. A further examination of the right foot which was so seriously crushed by the car wheels, reveals the pleasant fact, that the injuries are not of such a serious nature as was at first feared. Dr. Richardson was seen today when it was learned that the boy will not lose his foot. Though badly crushed it is quite probable the entire foot may be saved which is certainly a pleasant consummation of what threatened to be a much more serious result of the accident.

Parson's Orchestra will furnish the music for the Jolly Lady Minstrels on Tuesday evening Feb. 9th. A double show for one price ticket on sale at Patton's 50 & 25 cents.

#### A POPULAR FIRM.

George Bros., the State street lunch counter men, is the most popular firm in the city judging from the hundreds who take their meals there. A pleased customer is the best advertisement they want and they find plenty of them too.

#### HEARTHUR CURED BY DAWSON'S BITTERS.

STILL ANOTHER CAUCUS.—Individual caucuses were held in every kitchen in Salem this morning when it was unanimously agreed that Branston & Co. is the leading grocery firm of the city.

### MITCHELLITES.

#### In the Joint Convention.

They Muster Only Thirty-Nine on Rollcall.

Senator Mitchell's managers have again disclosed their weakness. It was bruited about that 46 members would sit in the Benson house today, but only 39 appeared on rollcall. THE PROCEEDINGS. The house adjourned to 2 p. m. and Senator Patterson called the rump joint assembly to order and nominated Geo. C. Brownell as president of the same. C. W. Watts of Albany, on the part of the senate and Clerk Motler of the house were chosen secretaries of the rump. The rollcall showed ten senators and twenty-nine representatives present as follows: JOINT ROLL CALL. Benson, Bridges, Brown, Chapman, Conn, Crawford, David Driver, Dufur, Gowan, Gratke, Gurdane, Hogue, Hope, Hudson, Hughes, Jennings, Langell, Marsh, Merrill, Mitchell, Nosler, Palm, Patterson, of Marion, Price, Rigby, Reed, Smith, of Marion, Somers, Stanley, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Vaughan, Veness, Wagner, Johnson Huntington and Mr. President—39.

The proceedings in the senate and house leading up to this rump convention were read by the clerk. No vote was announced.

#### A BOMBHELL.

Reed of Douglas: Mr. President, what record of what house is that which you have had read, the Davis house or the Benson house. Brownell: The chair is advised that there will be a sufficient number to hold a constitutional joint convention in a few moments and that is why we are withholding the roll call.

Reed did not seem to consider this a reply. He took his hat and left. This made the assembly to consist of but 38 members, eight less than a constitutional quorum of 46. So the putative joint assembly proceeded to wait for members to come in. Lake of Lincoln-Benton, was not intentionally absent. He was present ten minutes before the joint convention, when a lady who seemed posted walked in and took his chair.

#### THEY ADJOURN.

At 1 p. m., the name of Senator Harmon was added to the roll call making 40. On motion of Senator Johnson the joint assembly took a recess until 7:30 this evening.

There was no announcement of the roll call from the desk. The crowds dispersed and it is not thought there will be any change in the situation this evening.

#### BENSON HOUSE—9:30 WEDNESDAY MORNING.

Called to order by Mr. Benson. Rollcall showed the following present: Bridges, Brown, Chapman, Crawford, David, Gratke, Gurdane, Hogue, Hope, Hudson, Huntington, Jennings, Lake, Langell, Marsh, Merrill, Mitchell, Nosler, Palm, Rigby, Smith, of Marion, Somers, Stanley, Thomas, Thompson, Vaughan, Veness, Wagner and Mr. Benson—29.

The journal was read and approved. FIRST READING BILLS. 68. Somers, to authorize county court, of Benton county, to license a free ferry across the Willamette. SENATE—TUESDAY A. M. Senate opened with prayer by Rev. J. Bowersox. THIRD READING. S. J. R. No. 1. Gesner, for constitutional amendment requiring every bill carrying appropriation to be presented six days before adjournment. Adopted. S. J. R. 4. Daly, to amend constitution providing 60 days residence in precinct by electors. Adopted. S. J. R. 5. Haseltine, providing 300 copies "Indian Wars" for Indian War Veterans' Association. Referred to special committee, Haseltine, Taylor and Smith, to ascertain cost if any. S. J. M. 1. McClung, memorial for Nicaragua canal. Adopted. By unanimous consent Senator Brownell offered a resolution resolving that the senate proceed to cast its vote for United States senator. President Simon ruled the resolution out of order, until the second Tuesday after both houses of the legislature shall have been legally organized. SENATE—WEDNESDAY A. M. The senate was called to order and after roll call opened with prayer by Rev. W. E. Copeland. Reading of the journal was omitted. Senators Dufur, Daly and Johnson offered protests against the decision of the president of the senate, and the

### LEGISLATION.

#### City Council Takes Action

For an Amended Charter From the Present Legislature.

At the regular meeting of the city council Tuesday evening Mayor Richardson and all members except Holman were present, the latter being ill. The ordinance committee reported upon the proposed charter amendments, recommending the same for approval by the council adopted. BILLS ORDERED PAID. J. E. McCoy.....\$92 00 Robert McKillop..... 16 00 J. P. Veatch..... 15 00 Emil Gobalet..... 7 87 H. Phole..... 2 00 J. G. Wright..... 1 50 R. Kolts..... 5 25 L. R. Murphy..... 5 25 D. S. Bentley..... 31 60 Capital Lumbering Co..... 62 60 George Bros..... 10 00 G. W. Gray..... 40 00 Applications from C. N. Lake and A. Dagny for liquor licenses were duly referred.

A communication from the Salem Water Company was read, setting forth the rates paid for water by other coast cities, which showed that Salem is paying less for water than any other city. City Treasurer-elect E. J. Swafford sent a communication stating that owing to his difficulty in securing bonds he declined to qualify as such treasurer. The office was declared vacant. The council unanimously elected A. A. Lee for city treasurer.

A petition signed by 191 people in the fourth ward asking that said ward be divided and two wards created from same. Mr. Simpson moved reference to committee on ordinances. Carried. The petition asks that a fifth ward be created consisting of all that portion of the fourth ward south of Oak street. It was set forth that the fourth ward has about 300 votes, and that same contains a larger area than all the balance of the city, which fact it is claimed should be sufficient reason for division. The mayor showed that the second ward casts more votes than the present fourth ward.

Mr. Parkhurst suggested that the charter be so amended as to permit bonding of the present floating indebtedness. Mr. Legg suggested that the issuance of such bonds would make a loop-hole for more warrants to be issued. Recorder Edes thought that simply bonding for expense of the city hall, which would reimburse the general fund, the present bad condition of which is entirely due to the city hall expense.

Mayor Richardson considered this matter very important and suggested that the subject be considered at an adjourned meeting of the council or at a meeting of tax payers. Notice was given that a meeting of the tax payers of the city would be held at the city council chamber Friday evening, February 5, for the consideration of this question. Upon request of Mrs. R. S. Wands in behalf of the McKinley Woman's club for the use of the council chamber once a week; the same was granted.

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