

SIX YEARS IN PRISON.

SENTENCE PRONOUNCED ON JOHN Y. M'KANE.

Judge Bartlett's Ruling and Decision—Motion for a New Trial Overruled—End of Gravesend's Political Boss—Retained His Wonderful Nerve.

BROOKLYN, Feb. 20.—John Y. McKane was sentenced to six years in state's prison. "How long will he go?" was the question which one heard everywhere in Brooklyn this morning.

At the courthouse, crowds of anxious men besieged the doors of the courtroom and the policemen had a herculean task in keeping them from breaking down the doors in their anxiety to get in to secure a good position, at which they could hear and see everything which took place.

Finally, one by one, the spectators were let in, and just at 9:55 the door



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opened wide and John Y. McKane, accompanied by Sheriff Butting, entered. He was apparently the most unconcerned man in the courtroom, and walked about, talking to his friends, who one and all shook him warmly by the hand.

When Judge Bartlett took his seat on the bench Mr. James arose and moved for a new trial. It was denied. Mr. James then asked for a stay of execution of judgment for 20 days to enable the defendant to move on a notice for certificate of reasonable doubt.

McKane, when asked what he had to say, said: "I do not know that I can say anything, but what I said on the stand during the trial, I have never done anything wrong to any one as far as I know. I never did anything directly or indirectly wrong with regard to the election, nor did I ever counsel any one else to do anything wrong. I again say that I am not guilty of any offense against the law."

EVANS AND MORRELL IN CUSTODY. The California Desperadoes Surrender to Sheriff Kay.

VISALIA, Cal., Feb. 21.—Chris Evans, the train robber and outlaw who escaped from the Fresno jail a month ago, is again in custody. It was discovered that he had come into Visalia from the mountains with his partner Edward Morrell, who assisted him to escape from jail, and that the two men were hiding in Evans' house here.

BERLIN, Feb. 20.—The warship Brandenburg, which was seriously injured by the explosion of her steam pipe, an accident which resulted in the death of over 40 men, has been towed into the harbor. The chief engineer, who has been missing since the explosion, was found dead, and in addition three more of the injured artificers have succumbed to their injuries, bringing the total of dead up to 43.

Four Men Crushed in a Collision. DES MOINES, Feb. 20.—A freight train and a passenger engine collided near Valley Junction. As a result four men are seriously injured, as follows: George Laird, engineer, injured knee and face, head and arms seriously bruised. James Wolfe, engineer, serious injuries of the head. John Myers, fireman, head and arms seriously injured; may die. A. P. Alcott, injuries of the head.

Sixty Deaths Daily. RIO DE JANEIRO, Feb. 21.—The deaths from yellow fever now average 60 daily. The government cruiser Nietheroy, which was reported outside, has sailed south. The Charleston and New York are circling outside the harbor.

ATLANTIC LINER DISABLED.

Steamship Paris at Anchor Off the Coast of Ireland With a Broken Rudder. QUEENSTOWN, Feb. 17.—The steamship Adriatic of the White Star line which left New York on Feb. 7 for Liverpool, arrived here yesterday passing the steamer Paris of the American line off Daunt's Rock, south of Ireland. The steamer was at anchor and did not seem to be in need of assistance.

So soon as the news of the reported accident reached here, the agent of the American line, on board a tug, left this port for the spot where the Paris was reported to have anchored.

The disaster to the Paris, it is now announced, was caused by the breaking of the rudder in what is known as the trunk. The Paris is expected here shortly, and it is said that her passengers will be embarked upon a Cunard steamship and forwarded to their destination, New York, as soon as possible.

The steamship Paris is now safe at anchor here and not one of the passengers has requested to go ashore.

WRECKED AND DYNAMITED.

An Overland Passenger Train Ditched and Looted by Bandits. LOS ANGELES, Cal., Feb. 18.—Southern Pacific overland train No. 2 was held up and wrecked at Roscoe, 12 miles west of Los Angeles.

The switch had been thrown, and the train ran on a short spur, throwing the engine and two cars off the track. Engineer Dave Thomas is badly injured. Arthur Masters, the fireman, and an unknown tramp were shot and killed.

The robbers blew the express car open with bombs and robbed it. There were three men in the gang and they started north on horseback after the robbery.

It is now known that the robbers escaped with several sacks of gold. The body of a tramp who was killed and that of the fireman were brought here several hours after the robbery.

WINTER WHEAT PROSPECTS.

Reports From Western States Are Very Encouraging.

CHICAGO, Feb. 22.—The Farmers' Review says of winter wheat: Wheat in Illinois is quite generally under a blanket of snow. The prospects of the crop are reported good and the recent snow will do much to lessen the danger of disaster.

Wheat in Missouri is in good condition and will be improved much by the recent heavy snow. In Kansas the grain has been rather dry but is now covered with snow and the attendant moisture will help the crop.

The reports from Nebraska indicate the condition somewhat less favorable than Kansas. The crop conditions in Iowa are various. The general condition is fair.

Women Elect Officers.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—Reports of committees occupied most of the attention of the sessions of the fourth day of the woman's suffrage convention. Mrs. Carrie Lane Chapman strongly represented the necessity for vigorous and active work in collecting funds for the movement in Kansas. Then followed the report of Kansas constitutional committee read by Mrs. Laura Johns. Contributions from several state delegations to assist in the work in Kansas were solicited and \$2,300 was pledged.

Miles City Stage Help Up.

DEADWOOD, Feb. 21.—A Mexican and a negro held up the Miles City stage at the fair grounds, two miles below Spearfish lake, Saturday night. The Mexican held his gun on the driver while the negro secured the mail sack. City Marshal Diltz of Deadwood arrested a man who gave his name as Isadore in a bagnio here. He told the marshal that White, the negro, stopped at a colored settlement three miles this side of Spearfish and officers are now on his track. Isadore was held in \$3,000 bonds.

THE MARKETS.

Chicago Grain and Provisions. CHICAGO, Feb. 20.—Wheat shot skyward today and closed 2c higher, good demand and advancing prices for cash wheat in the north-west was the main cause of the bulge, while better exports, good local demand and the week's shipments being less than the estimated weekly requirements aided in the advance. May scored a gain of 2 1/2c from the top.

CLOSING PRICES. WHEAT—Strong. Cash, 57 1/2c; May, 60 1/2c; July, 62 1/2c. CORN—Firm. Cash, 34 1/2c; May, 37 1/2c; July, 38 1/2c. OATS—Steady. Cash, 28 1/2c; May, 29 1/2c; July, 29 1/2c. LARD—Firm. May, \$12.27 1/2; July, \$12.25. RIBS—Firm. May, \$6.35; July, \$6.30.

Chicago Live Stock. CHICAGO, Feb. 20.—CATTLE—There was extreme quiet in today's cattle market. The quality of the receipts did not average any better than Monday and prices below \$4.00 took almost the entire supply.

HOGS—The trend of the hog market was downward. It showed a loss of 10c at the very outset and the later market was not a whit better. The choicest of the offerings went at \$5.15, and \$5.00 to 15c lower.

SHEEP—This market has declined 2 1/2c to 3c, of which loss 10c to 15c came off today. Buyers filled their orders at \$1.50 to 25c for poor to choice sheep and at \$1.00 to 1.25 for lambs.

South Omaha Live Stock. SOUTH OMAHA, Feb. 20.—CATTLE—Receipts, 8,600 head; 1,800 to 1,900 lbs., \$3.80 to 4.25; 1,100 to 1,200 lbs., \$3.25 to 3.70; 900 to 1,100 lbs., \$2.75 to 3.20; choice cows, \$2.40 to 2.90; common cows, \$1.25 to 2.25; good feeders, \$1.00 to 1.50; common feeders, \$0.75 to 1.00. Market 10c to 15c lower.

NEWS OF NEBRASKA.

BRIEF BUT PITHY MENTION OF THE HAPPENINGS OF A WEEK.

News Which Tell the Story of Seven Days' Crimes and Casualties and Other Important Matters Arranged Attractively and Given In a Few Words.

Fire in a Lincoln Opera House. LINCOLN, Feb. 22.—Fire in the Funk opera house building caused between \$10,000 and \$50,000 damage.

Frank Hathaway. LINCOLN, Feb. 18.—Frank L. Hathaway, business manager of the Lincoln State Journal, died at Denver of quick consumption, aged 28 years.

Brought Back to Testify. NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., Feb. 18.—The officers arrived from Rockport, Mo., with the Delaney woman, wanted here as a witness in the Toliver case.

Dale at Fairfield. FAIRFIELD, Neb., Feb. 20.—Senator Dale, president of the State Farmers' alliance, addressed the people of this vicinity at the Columbian opera house.

Given a Year in the Pen. NEBRASKA CITY, Feb. 21.—In the district court, Alfred Pugh pleaded guilty to seducing his half sister and was sentenced to one year in the penitentiary.

Smeltzer's Slayer Arraigned. AUBURN, Feb. 21.—J. W. Argabright, the slayer of William Smeltzer, was arraigned and pleaded not guilty. The preliminary hearing has been postponed indefinitely at the request of Argabright's attorney.

District Court at Fairbury. FAIRBURY, Neb., Feb. 16.—District court is in session, Judge J. E. Bush presiding. The case of J. W. Edmonds against the Burlington and Missouri River railroad for \$20,000 for the loss of an arm while in the employ of the company has been on trial.

Insane Man Killed Near Oxford. OXFORD, Neb., Feb. 20.—An incurably insane man named Hopkins stepped from a moving train two miles east of Oxford and was killed. Hopkins was about 50 years of age and had been insane for about 12 years. He was returning from a visit in Denver to the Hastings asylum.

Hung Morton in Jail. NEBRASKA CITY, Feb. 19.—Friday morning effigies were found hanging at a prominent place in this city, bearing the name of J. Sterling Morton and Carl Morton, with the inscription "Compliments of the Democratic Marching Club." It is not known who did the work, but two men are suspected. Citizens denounce the act.

Worked a Charity Swindle. OMAHA, Feb. 17.—W. F. Harman, J. D. Howard and N. D. Coleman are in jail, accused of being implicated in a big fraud on the charitably inclined people of Omaha. They sold hundreds of dollars worth of tickets for an alleged charity ball. Every business house in Omaha was swindled for from \$2 to \$20. All the banks gave \$15 to the cause.

Omaha Tailors Strike. OMAHA, Feb. 21.—The union tailors employed by Frank Range and McDonald quit work this morning. The men claim they are locked out, but the bosses call it a strike. Both Range and McDonald notified the men that they would no longer pay the union scale, but offered to give their men the wages in force in 1889. The men refused to accept the reduction. About 100 men are affected.

Burglars Use Dynamite. RULO, Neb., Feb. 20.—Burglars broke into the postoffice at this place and got away with \$600 in cash and valuables. They blew open the safe with dynamite and took everything it contained—\$300 in cash, \$200 in stamps and \$100 worth of cigars and tobacco. The force of the explosion was so great that it carried part of the safe door clean through one side of the building. Notwithstanding the noise the robbers escaped. A posse is in pursuit.

Delighted With Caldwell's Order. OMAHA, Feb. 17.—The employes of the Union Pacific are jubilant over what they term the victory gained in St. Louis by Judge Caldwell ordering General Solicitor Thurston to revoke the new wage schedule order. They have been confident all along that Judge Caldwell would not sustain the order of Judge Dundy. The Caldwell order is declared to be the greatest victory in recent years for organized labor.

FOR A GREATER WYOMING.

Proposition to Attach Nebraska's "Panhandle" to That State. GERBER, Neb., Feb. 20.—A special to The Bee says: A startling proposition, which has been quietly discussed in the western section of the state, found its first public expression at the irrigation convention of Scott's Bluff and Cheyenne counties, held in this city. It is no less a scheme than the annexation of the territory lying west of the east line of Colorado, now what is termed the "panhandle" of Nebraska, to the state of Wyoming.

The reasons assigned for advocating such a novel plan are almost entirely confined to the irrigation phase in its bearing upon the future prosperity of the large area involved. The claim is made that the greater portion of the state of Nebraska is oblivious of the great necessities of the semi-arid portion of the state, that as a whole there is no sympathy with the irrigation idea in the populous sections of the state, and that the western end of the state is left entirely to its own resources to work out its salvation as best it can.

There are many protective features to the Wyoming statutes, and the advocates of this plan urge it on the ground that the interests of this section of Nebraska are identical with those of Wyoming. They claim that from the situation of western Nebraska with relation to the great mineral fields of Wyoming, there will be found the future markets for irrigated produce, and that it will be simply a step toward getting into touch as between producer and consumer.

TOLD IN A FEW WORDS.

EVENTS OCCURRING IN ALL SECTIONS SUMMARIZED.

The Many Happenings of Seven Days Reduced From Columns to Lines—Everything but Facts Eliminated For Our Readers' Convenience.

Thursday, Feb. 15. It is said the Midwinter fair at San Francisco may be continued until Oct. 1. Bloomington, Ill., Grand Army men favor holding the annual convention in Atlanta, Ga.

Harvard college observatory will start an expedition to Arizona to establish a new observatory. Young Democrats of Wisconsin have started a boom for Adjutant General Otto H. Falk for governor.

At Canton, Ill., C. E. Snively, of The Register, is made defendant in a \$5,000 damage suit by Mayor Walker. Seven freshmen at Rutgers college were suspended for two weeks and ordered to leave town for hazing a student.

Dr. William A. P. Andrews of Buffalo, N. Y., was granted a divorce from Anna O. Andrews at Sioux Falls, S. D. Mrs. Nancy Callahan died at Urbana, O. She was 103 years old and a native of Ireland.

Peter Maloney has sued the Elgin, Joliet and Eastern Railroad company for \$30,000. He was an engineer on the road and was injured in a collision. Funeral directors of Iowa have just closed their fourth annual convention at Oskaloosa with a banquet. They were in session two days.

While chopping wood near Charleston, Ind., George and William Lutz, 10 and 14 years of age, were pinioned to the earth by a falling tree and received fatal injuries. Horticulturists say that the recent severe cold weather has ruined the peach crop in central Illinois, and some varieties of grapes and apples have been seriously damaged.

A mad dog caused great excitement at Naperville, Ill., but did not bite anybody to draw blood. Fifteen dogs that were bitten and others that were running loose were ordered shot.

The American Cereal company has declared a dividend of 3 per cent and \$110,000 was turned over to the surplus fund. Friday, Feb. 16. The council of Schuyler, Neb., is investigating alleged crooked work by officials.

Robert Purdy and his little sister ate wild parsnip root at Gallipolis, O., and died in great agony. Senator Vilas will defend Judge Jenkins if the injunction matter comes before the senate in any shape.

It is reported that thousands of cattle are perishing in the Texas Panhandle as a result of the recent storm. An Ottumwa, Ia., paper charges Patrick Brady, for nine years overseer of the poor, with malfeasance in office.

The Massachusetts house of representatives by a vote of 109 to 59 passed a bill abolishing fast days in that state. Owing to the competition of a Rockford firm, the price of bread at Marengo, Ill., has been reduced to 2 cents a loaf.

Judge Pardee of the United States appellate bench declared \$40,000 worth of school bonds of Terrell, Tex., invalid. C. C. Heacock, editor of the Brighton Enterprise, was arrested at Keokuk, Ia., for sending objectionable matter through the mails.

Because a juror was drunk during the first trial of the case of Cyrus Brown, wife murderer, was appealed to the Indiana supreme court. I. N. Stevens, ex-chairman of the Republican county committee, Denver, Colo., denies that he has deserted the Republican party for the Populists.

The annual meeting of the Poland Inoculation company began at Cedar Rapids, Ia. J. B. Wolfe of Nebraska was elected president and W. M. McFadden of Iowa secretary.

Four boys, members of a London bell ringer company, injured in the Wabaah wreck at Kingsbury, settled their claims against the railroad at Peru, Ind., for \$500. Miss Elizabeth Marter Dalzell, daughter of Representative Dalzell of Pennsylvania, was married at Washington, D. C., to George Dunn.

The Santa Fe railroad tendered its check for \$5,588.74 to Lyons county, Kansas, in full of the first half year's taxes now due. The county claims \$6,840.95 with 5 per cent penalty. The legality of the tax will be tested in the courts.

Private letters from Yokohama bring news that General Paymaster H. R. Smith of the United States ship Concord was to be tried by a court martial Jan. 23 for absence without leave and conduct unbecoming an officer and gentleman.

Saturday, Feb. 17. Albert Seaver killed Miner Winlock during a brawl at Gallatin, Tex. Fred Lehman was fatally injured in a boiler explosion on James Snyder's farm near Benton, O.

Hanson Hoover of Huttonville, W. Va., is in jail at Beverly on a charge of killing his brother Lansford. Ida Powell, aged 30, of Bandana, Ky., shot and killed her sister, Patty, aged 28, whom she took to be a burglar.

William Dryden, a convict in the Walla Walla, Wash., penitentiary for burglary, while attempting escape was shot dead. William Alford, better known as "Oyster Bill," a desperado, was shot and killed by Andy Kaufman, his 19-year-old son at Louisville, Ky.

Stark county, Ohio, has decided to issue \$18,000 bonds to aid the poor and complete the hospital. Governor McKinley of Ohio has agreed to address the Minnesota League of Republican clubs at Minneapolis March 28.

The State Fish hatchery car left 6,000 young trout in charge of the Sporting and Gun club at Holland, Mich., to be placed in the neighboring streams. The National Berkshire Hog association organized last year at Piqua, O., closed its second annual meeting at Indianapolis. Seven states were represented.

A. C. Dickson, once prominent in Illinois state affairs, is dead at Springfield. About 100 farmers of Morgan county, Ill., have been swindled by map agents. William Olford assaulted his wife at Louisville and was shot and killed by her son.

The New York board of health has taken steps to prevent the spread of pulmonary tuberculosis. A large number of vessels are overdue

at the port of New York, as a result of the recent heavy gales at sea.

Sam Small has published a card at Fort Worth explaining how saloon advertisements found their way into his Oklahoma paper.

Monday, Feb. 19. Some important Illinois militia orders have been issued. Manuelli, chief of all the Navajos, died five days ago at Farmingdale, Colo., and his wife a day later.

John B. Pike's large wine cellar at St. Helena, Cal., burned, and 300,000 gallons of wine were destroyed. Loss, \$30,000. Over 2,000 people participated in a parade of the Washington mill strikers at Lawrence, Mass.

Congressmen Wilson and Tarsney have arrived at El Paso on their way to the City of Mexico for a month's rest. Mr. Wilson is greatly improved. At Bentonville, Ark., the father of Congressman Dinsmore died at the home of his daughter after an illness of over two weeks. He was 75 years old.

Governor McKinley of Ohio addressed the Ohio society of New York on the occasion of its annual dinner. At St. Louis Mrs. Albertina Ducrest, the victim of her husband's drunken rage, died from the wounds received last Thursday when he shot her and killed their 8-year-old son.

Father Corbett of Lincoln, Neb., declines to consider himself suspended by the recent Stollitt letter. It is announced on what appears to be good authority that Mrs. Lease will abandon politics and enter the lecture field.

The Kansas Populists propose to organize a theatrical troupe to travel through the state depicting the ways of the people in a play. Miss Ollie Newman of Swan, Ia., has sued Rev. D. C. Gates, a Christian minister, and others for \$20,000 damages for seduction and criminal malpractice.

The promoters of the proposed North and South railway have prepared to lay 50 miles of track at once. Mrs. Lease claims to be a Mason and says she will organize lodges of women throughout this country.

The Union Pacific receivers have called a meeting at New York to discuss the recent ruling of Judge Caldwell on the new wage scale. A. J. Dovel, ex-mayor of Manistowick, Mich., and ex-representative, has been sued by Jacob Hanelman for \$30,000 for alienating the affections of his wife.

Tuesday, Feb. 20. Indianapolis residents are mystified by a strange woman, who attends all the funerals. School officials of Concordia, Kan., have resolved to withhold the pay of any woman teacher who marries during the term.

Sugar works at Rockford, Ill., which have been closed for more than two years, will be started in May. From present indications the production of the Lake Superior iron mines will be far less than in preceding years.

By the opening of spring another rush is expected to the Cherokee Strip. The new towns are booming. The union printers' statute of Horace Greeley is to be unveiled at New York on Memorial day.

Republicans have sprung a sensation in Alabama by charging Kolbitzes with having received bribes. Horace Seelye, first assistant general passenger agent of the Des Moines North-western Railroad company, has resigned.

An electric railway is projected down the Rock river from Rockford, Ill., to Dixon, to handle passenger and freight business. A. C. Vantine, state lecturer of the Farmers' Mutual Benefit association, is booked for a number of lectures throughout northern Illinois to revive the interest in the order.

The first annual show of the Western Iowa Poultry association closed at Council Bluffs. Three hundred birds were exhibited. The next show will be in December. Andy Wentworth, a foreman of the fire department of Columbus, Ind., has brought suit against the city for \$5,000 for injuries received by being thrown from a hose reel that had upset in a ditch.

The miners of Coal City, Ill., have passed resolutions urging the operators in Pennsylvania, Ohio, West Virginia, Indiana and Illinois to raise the price of coal 10 cents a ton and give the miners 5 cents of the advance.

Wednesday, Feb. 21. Three more bombs were found in Paris. One of them exploded, seriously injuring several persons. The international council is in session at Chocoma, I. T.

Governor J. S. Hogg of Texas is to be prosecuted for killing a deer out of season. The boom day million dollar hotel at Middleboro, Ky., will be sold by the sheriff March 12.

A grand jury is investigating the proposed duel between the editors of the Lexington, Ky., Transcript and Press. Hackett, the Maine bond thief, has compromised with his prosecutors at Winthrop, Man. The amount involved was \$21,000.

Miss Anna Conklin of Beloit, Wis., has been stricken with smallpox. James Lombard, collector of the port at St. Joseph, Mo., was removed from office. E. E. Hancock, a prominent politician at Barry, Ill., shot and killed himself owing to despondency.

It was decided at a special election at Salem, Ill., to change the incorporation of the city from under a special charter to a general one. Joseph Brown of Dubuque, Ia., has compromised his \$15,000 damage suit against the Illinois Central railroad for \$4,500.

Governor Matthews pardoned Frank Cripe of Ekhart, Ind., serving a life sentence for killing a night watchman in a fight 12 years ago. Charles F. Anderson, a contractor of Lebanon, Ind., has sued Augustus Wells of Mason, Mich., for \$5,000 damages for alienating his wife's affections.

Attachment suits aggregating \$20,000 were filed against C. A. Hobin, dry goods dealer at Cedar Rapids, Ia. Assets, \$25,000; liabilities, \$45,000. Dr. M. B. Davis, whose death occurred at Roseau, Morgan county, Ohio, Thursday last, left a letter showing he had forged notes and committed suicide to escape the penitentiary.

The receivers of the Louisville, Evansville and St. Louisville Consolidated railway have given notice that the interest due bondholders of the Evansville, Rockport and eastern railroad Jan. 1 will be paid on and after Feb. 28.

Denver Gets It. LOUISVILLE, Feb. 21.—Denver has been selected as the next annual meet of the League of American Wheelmen.

CONGRESSIONAL PROCEEDINGS.

Senator White of Louisiana Confirmed as Associate Justice of the Supreme Court.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—The entire time of the senate Wednesday was consumed in the discussion of the house bill compelling the Rock Island railway to stop at the new towns of Enid and Round Pond, in the Indian Territory. The measure is especially championed by Senator Berry (Ala.) and is proving a subject of great attention, as some Democratic senators see in the proposed exercise of congressional power, usurpation of rights. No action was reached on the bill.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 14.—All efforts to agree upon a time for closing the debate on the Bland bill have so far failed, and debate is proceeding without limit.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—Vice President Stevenson came to the rescue of the Oklahoma townsite bill Thursday and by his vote broke the tie and the bill compelling the Rock Island railroad to stop its trains at the new towns of Enid and Round Pond was passed. This measure has been under discussion in the senate nearly a week and has been one of the most hotly contested bills of the session.

The railroad company, according to the advocates of the bill, secured from the control of the Indians in advance of the two townsites, it is championing in opposition to those of Enid and Round Pond, regularly established by the interior department. The trains of the Rock Island have refused to stop at Enid and Round Pond and compelled settlers to come two or three miles down the line in order to receive their freight or transact any business involving railroad transportation.

As Enid and Round Pond are alleged to each have a population of 2,000 inhabitants or more, the remonstrance against the railroad company's actions have been so strong it has found its way in congress. The measure on the final vote stood 27 to 27 and the vice president promptly exercised his prerogative by casting the deciding vote in favor of the bill. The senate amended the measure, however, and it must go back to the house for the concurrence of that body.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—The debate on the Bland seigniorage bill in the house Thursday was characterized by several strong Democratic speeches against the measure. Mr. Bland has given up hope of reaching an agreement to close debate by consent and he will move to close debate. He is confident that on Saturday or Monday, at the farthest, a quorum will be present to pass the bill.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—The senate adjourned a few minutes after 4 o'clock Friday afternoon, after spending the better part of two days considering the nomination of W. H. Peckham of New York to be associate justice of the supreme court. The motion to confirm the nomination was rejected by a vote of 23 to 41.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—Mr. Bland Friday began his coercive tactics to compel a vote on the silver seigniorage bill. The bulk of the Republicans and the Democratic opponents of the measure inaugurated a filibuster with the intention of forcing him to produce a quorum of the advocates of the bill to pass it and the entire day was consumed in roll calls. The highest number of votes Mr. Bland was able to poll was 163 in favor of his demand for the previous question on the motion to close debate.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—At the opening of the session this morning Mr. Wheeler moved that the senate amendment to the bill to require railroad companies operating in the territories over a right of way granted by the government to establish stations and depots at all town sites on the lines of said road and established by the interior department be non-concurrent in.

Mr. Hopkins (Ill.) moved to concur and a spirited debate followed. The house was without a quorum on the Bland seigniorage bill and the tactics of yesterday were resumed.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—Monday afternoon the president sent to the senate the nomination of Senator Edward D. White to be associate justice of the supreme court, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Justice Blackford. The senate had hardly time to recover from its surprise when Senator White's confirmation was announced. The nomination was not referred to the committee at all, and less than an hour after the nomination had been received the senate had placed its seal upon the selection. The nomination was received through Private Secretary Prudden about 3:40 and an executive session immediately moved. The senate had been sitting behind closed doors less than an hour when it became known that the motion to confirm without reference had carried without opposition. The vote was unanimously and heartily in favor of confirmation.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—The struggle to secure a quorum to order the previous question on Mr. Bland's motion to close debate on the silver seigniorage bill was resumed today. Immediately after the reading of the journal, Mr. De Armond (Dem., Mo.) came forward with a new device for preventing filibustering in the shape of an amendment to the rules, which he asked to have referred to the committee on rules. The proposed amendment was referred.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—The session of the senate Tuesday was devoid of special interest. Senator Daniel concluded his speech on the Hawaiian question and while supporting warmly the course that has been followed by the administration, he declared that now there was nothing but to recognize the new government and wish it God speed. After Senator Daniel's speech, the bill for additional printing office facilities was discussed in a desultory manner the remainder of the day.

House Deadlock Was Not Broken. WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—The deadlock on the Bland seigniorage bill was not broken in the house Tuesday. Roll call followed roll call until 4 o'clock, when, it being apparent Mr. Bland could not muster a quorum on his proposition, he moved an adjournment.