

IN EXTRA SESSION.

HOUSE AND SENATE QUIETLY ORGANIZED.

MR. CRISP RE-ELECTED SPEAKER.

Jerry Simpson Gets the Seven Popular Votes—The Senate Adjourns Out of Respect to the Memory of the Late Senator Stanford—The President's Message Is Delayed Thereby.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8.—The first Democratic congress under a Democratic administration since ante bellum days met in extra session at the national capitol at high noon to-day.

The occasion was an impressive one, recalling as it did a political situation that has not existed for over a third of a century.



SPEAKER CHARLES F. CRISP.

In their former days of service. One of the first to walk down the aisle and take his seat on the Republican side was the dignified Mr. Belden of New York.

Mr. Funston of Kansas, who survived the Populist fury in the last congressional election in Kansas, entered early and grasped the hand of Mr. Livingston of Georgia as warmly as though no impassable chasm separated him from the free silver agitator of the South.

SIMPSON MINES THE MUSTACHE.

A man who looked like Sol Smith Russell walked down the Republican side and jostled another man who looked as Phil Sheridan did before he began to accumulate avoirdupois.

A conspicuous figure on the Democratic side was Congressman William M. Springer of Illinois. As he grasped the hand of Bryan of Nebraska he assured the young lieutenant of Chairman Bland of free coinage fame that there was nothing in the rumor that he (Springer) was to lose the chairmanship of the ways and means committee and congratulations followed.

A robust individual with a broad breast and a stentorian voice shouted across the house to O'Neil of Massachusetts the inquiry of whether the tariff was still the paramount issue, and bowed profoundly when the Massachusetts man responded that "Truth crushed to earth will rise again."

ENTHUSIASM FOR BLAND.

There was a slight manifestation of enthusiasm as a man of sturdy stature and some of the features of Ulysses S. Grant entered from the rear and took his seat on the Democratic side. It was Richard P. Bland, for many years chairman of the committee on coinage, destined in any event to be one of the most conspicuous figures in the financial contest that is now opening.

The clerk first read the proclamation of the president of the United States calling congress together in special session and the roll of representatives-elect was ordered to be called.

Three hundred and thirty-six members responded to roll call and a quorum was declared to be present.

The clerk is now prepared to receive motions looking to the election of a speaker, as no other business is in order until a speaker is elected.

The Fifty-third congress the name of the Hon. Charles F. Crisp of the state of Georgia. [Applause.]

Mr. Henderson of Illinois next claimed recognition "I have the honor," said he, "to place in nomination for the same office the Hon. Thomas B. Reed, representative-elect from the state of Maine. [Applause on the Republican side.]

Mr. Kem of Nebraska, a People's party man, next arose. "I have the honor," said he, "to place in nomination for the same position, the name of the honorable Jeremiah Simpson of Kansas. [Laughter on Democratic and Republican sides.]

Messrs. Caruth of Kentucky, O'Neil of Massachusetts, Bingham of Pennsylvania and Hopkins of Illinois were appointed tellers.

The roll call was a very perfunctory affair, but the occupants of the gallery took as lively an interest in it as though the result were enshrouded in clouds of doubt.

Nearly forty minutes was consumed in this formal roll call, with the result as follows: Charles F. Crisp, 214 votes; Thomas B. Reed, 123 votes, and Jeremiah Simpson, 7 votes.

"Charles F. Crisp, a representative from the state of Georgia," said the clerk, "has received a majority of all the votes given and he is duly elected speaker of the house of representatives of the Fifty-third congress. [Great applause.]

The clerk appoints Mr. Holman of Indiana, Mr. Reed of Maine and Mr. Simpson of Kansas to escort the speaker-elect to the chair.

There was a burst of applause as Speaker-elect Crisp appeared a few minutes later under the escort of the committee. As he took the chair, he said: "Representatives: Profoundly grateful for this mark of your confidence, I shall strive to prove in every way worthy of it by an honest discharge of the duties of the office upon which I am about to enter, with fidelity, with courtesy and the strictest impartiality. [Applause.]

I am now ready to take the oath of office." Representative O'Neil of Pennsylvania, the "father of the house," administered the oath of office in impressive tones.

Before administering the oath of office to the members, prayer was offered by the blind chaplain of the last house, the Rev. Mr. Milburn, now chaplain of the senate.

HOUSE ORGANIZATION COMPLETED.

At the conclusion of the prayer the oath of office was administered by the speaker to the members, the roll of states being called for this purpose.

When the state of Michigan was reached Mr. Burrows of the Republican side arose and objected to the oath being administered to Mr. Richardson, whose name appears. The member named was ordered to stand aside.

After the administration of the oath to the members had been completed, Mr. O'Ferrall of Virginia offered a resolution that George F. Richardson be sworn in and Mr. Burrows of Michigan offered a substitute declaring that Charles E. Bland was entitled to be sworn in on his prima facie case.

After some wrangling the two resolutions were postponed until to-morrow. Mr. Holman presented a resolution providing for the election of officers of the house nominated by the Democratic caucus Saturday.

A substitute proposed by Mr. Henderson substituting the Republican caucus nominees was rejected and the Democratic resolution adopted. The oath of office was then administered by the speaker to the following: Clerk, James Kerr of Pennsylvania; sergeant-at-arms, Herman Snow of Illinois; doorkeeper, A. B. Hurt of Tennessee; postmaster, Lycurgus Dalton of Indiana; chaplain, S. W. Ludaway of Maryland.

On resolutions offered by Messrs. McMillin and Outhwaite, the clerk was ordered to inform the president and senate that Mr. Crisp had been elected speaker and James Kerr, clerk, and on motion of Mr. Springer, a committee was appointed to wait upon the president and inform him that the house was organized and ready to receive any communication which he might see fit to transmit.

Then the house proceeded to the drawing for seats, and when this was over adjourned till to-morrow.

THE SENATE.

After Organization It Adjourns Out of Respect to Ex-Senator Stanford.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8.—The senate was called to order at noon. After the president's proclamation convening congress in extra session was read, the oath of office was administered to Messrs. Quay of Pennsylvania and Pasco of Florida, and a communication was read from Mr. Beckwith of Wyoming announcing that owing to a combination of circumstances he had placed his resignation as senator in the hands of the governor. The communication was placed on file.

The usual resolution to notify the house and the president were adopted and then the death of the late Senator Stanford of California was announced by Mr. White of that state and as a mark of respect the senate adjourned until to-morrow.

This prevented the reception of the president's message to-day.

PEOPLE OF THE PERIOD.

Lasker, the great chess player, is but 25 years of age.

The dean of Westminster has consented that a medallion of Jenny Lind shall be placed in the abbey near Handel's monument.

Mrs. Frothingham—Do you know, I think the Rev. Mr. Smallpay delivered rather a striking sermon this morning. Frothingham—Yes, it seemed to me that he hinted several times in it if he wasn't given a bigger salary he'd quit.

Ingersoll says: "All the courts and legislatures in the world cannot prevent men from organizing or striking if they want to. Too large masses of men are affected to be dealt with legally. The more these people are oppressed the closer they will organize, in spite of all the decisions of all the courts in the world."

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A MARKED SENSE OF RELIEF IN MONEY MATTERS.

THE SITUATION LOOKS BRIGHTER.

The Demoralization in Speculative Markets Has Been Followed by a More Healthy Tone—Closing of Many Shops and Works—The Week's Failures—Bank Clearings.

NEW YORK, Aug. 7.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says: "Demoralization in speculative markets has been followed by a more healthy tone. In money markets there has come a singular sense of relief, notwithstanding an actual increase in present embarrassments, almost amounting to paralysis of exchange between the chief commercial cities, and of many industrial works, because even twenty-six per cent premium for currency fails to secure what is needed for payment of wages. Hopes are nevertheless fixed on the ships bringing over \$11,000,000 gold across the sea and on the extra session of congress which will begin on Monday."

"Several of the largest and boldest operators at Chicago have been crushed under pork barrels, but the instant increase of foreign purchases convinces the markets that the disaster has brought a certain measure of relief."

"Stocks at the lowest point this week averaged little more than \$41 per share, but it is yet a long way down to the prices of 1877, averaging at the lowest \$23 per share, and the contrast between the conditions and the earnings of railroads now and then is greater than the difference in prices."

"Closing of shops and works for lack of orders is the overshadowing fact. Sales of wool are not a third of last year's, and since the new clip the decrease has been 49,797,240 pounds, or about forty-six per cent. Prices are weak and yet so low that a decline seems unlikely. The failures of the week numbered 436 against 190 last year."

Bank Clearings. NEW YORK, Aug. 7.—The following table, compiled by Bradstreet's, shows the bank clearings of the week ending August 4, 1893, with the percentage of increase and decrease as compared with the corresponding week of 1892:

Table with columns: Cities, Clearings, Inc. Dec.

BLAND WILL LEAD. The Missouri Silver Champion Ready For the Fray.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 7.—As soon after congress meets as it becomes practicable Mr. Bland, the leader of the silver forces in the house, will introduce a bill embodying the views of the silver men. It will provide for the repeal of the Sherman purchasing act and substitute therefor the free coinage of silver at the present ratio of sixteen to one.

"That," said Mr. Bland, "will be the ground upon which we will make the fight, although there has been no definite plan agreed upon."

He recognized that men could honestly differ as to the ratio, but that was a matter that should be settled in the party itself. Upon the use of both gold and silver as money at a parity, the Democratic party could not differ. If a compromise measure increasing the ratio was reached, he said, he saw no reason why the present dollar should not be kept in circulation as it was now. He proposed, however, with all his power to resist any increase in the ratio.

The champion of silver declared that there would be a bitter fight against any attempt to change the ratio so that a cloture provision might be incorporated.

FATAL PRIZE FIGHT. The Sailor Kid Dies From the Effects of a Pugilistic Encounter.

DENVER, Col., Aug. 7.—"The Sailor Kid," whose correct name is differently given as Bobby Taylor and Lon Turner, who fought a draw last night in a pugilistic encounter at the Ramblers' club room, River front park, died this afternoon.

By orders of District Attorney Steele warrants were promptly sworn out for all those concerned in the mill.

County Officers Indicted. MEMPHIS, Tenn., Aug. 7.—As a result of an investigation into the recent lynching, indictments were returned by the grand jury yesterday as follows: Sheriff A. J. McLendon, failure to do his duty in allowing a prisoner to be lynched; Deputy Sheriff J. A. Perkins and Police Captain George T. O'Haver, failure and refusal to do their duty; Police Captain Pat Hackett, failure to do his duty; Sailer Bob Harold, failure to do his duty.

Condition of Missouri Banks. WASHINGTON, Aug. 7.—The comptroller of the currency has received the completed statement of the condition of the banks of Missouri, including the cities of Kansas City, St. Louis and St. Joseph at the close of business on the 12th of July. It shows total assets of \$14,637,000; individual deposits, \$7,256,354; average reserve held, 23.28 per cent.

St. Louis shoe factory shuts down. St. Louis, Mo., Aug. 7.—The Hamilton Brown shoe factory, located at Twentieth and Locust streets, suspended operations yesterday morning temporarily owing to the depression of business, throwing 500 men and boys and 400 women and girls out of employment.

FOR OCEAN TRAVEL.

What Kind and How Many Dresses Are Needed for a Trip to Europe.

We have received a letter from "Country Girl," says the Philadelphia Times, asking what to wear on a steamer in going across the ocean, and also to give any other details that may be of service to her.

To begin with she should have at least two traveling dresses—one somewhat heavier than the other. One of these she will wear on going on board the steamer, and after the first meal it is advisable to hang up that one and don another, which she will only wear during the actual voyage, as clothing becomes very wrinkled and unpleasantly suggestive of tar, which effectively spoils it for wear on land.

As a trip on the water, even in summer, is generally cool, an ulster is an actual necessity, and in such a wrap as this it will matter if her gown underneath it is not quite as modish as the one which she will wear when going off the steamer.

Besides these dresses, which pertain more especially to the voyage, she should have a pretty silk to wear at dinners, in hotels in England and on the continent, and several simple costumes to alternate with those which she wears for travel and shopping, as one gets very dusty and feels the need of such a change.

Two hats will be sufficient. On the steamer she wears a yachting cap and veil. There is no place where good shoes are appreciated more than on shipboard, for with the rolling of the vessel, the climbing in and out of steamer chairs and the sundry diversions that are so different from those on land, the feet become very much enervated and pretty shoes and stockings should be worn if possible.

A steamer wrapper is generally included in a voyager's outfit, and a rug and chair fitted with cushions are comforts that cannot be dispensed with. The plainer the gown and wrap to be worn on deck the better, as a trim and neat little figure is far more attractive than one with countless ribbons flying to the breeze and ruffles and trimmings that catch on every projecting hook.

Making Scissors. Though no complexities are involved in the making of scissors, yet the process is very interesting. They are forged from good bar steel heated to redness, each blade being cut off with sufficient metal to form the shank, or that destined to become the cutting part and bow, or that which later on is fashioned into the holding portion. For the bow a small hole is punched, and this is afterward expanded to the proper size by hammering it on a conical anvil, after which both shank and bow are filed into a more perfect shape and the hole bored in the middle for the rivet. The blades are next ground and the handles filed smooth and burnished with oil and emery, after which the pairs are fitted together and tested as to their easy working. They are not finished, however. They have to undergo hardening and tempering, and be again adjusted, after which they are finally put together again and polished for the third time. In comparing the edges of knives and scissors it will be noticed, of course, that the latter are not in any way so sharply ground as the former, and in cutting scissors crush and bruise more than knives.

A Berkshire Christening. The late Dean Burgeon, when a curate in Berkshire, writes James Payn in the Independent, was requested by a village couple to christen their boy Venus, or as they called it, "Vanus. "Are you aware," he said, "that you are asking something ridiculous as well as exceedingly wicked? Do you suppose I am going to give a Christian child—a male child—the name of an infamous and abandoned woman?" "Please, sir," said the newly made father, "we wanted him to be called after his grandfather."

"And do you mean to say that his grandfather was named Venus?" "Yes, sir, there he is, sir." A poor old man, looking exceedingly unlike Venus, hobbled out of the crowd.

"Do you dare say that you were christened Venus?" exclaimed the irate clergyman. "Well, no, sir, I was christened Sylvanus, but they always calls me Vanus."

A Difference of Opinion. The nice young man who had applied to the city editor for a place on the reportorial staff was more or less independent, because his folks had money.

"I don't have to work, don't you know," he said rather patronizingly to the city editor.

The city editor looked him over carefully.

"You bet your life you will, if you expect to keep your job on this paper," he said sharply, and gave the youth an assignment that was kept on hand for the purpose.

Birthplace of St. Patrick. The most recent investigators hold that St. Patrick was born in Scotland at what is now Kilpatrick, in Kirkcubrightshire. The story of his capture by pirates goes better with the history of Western Scotland in the sixth century than with that of Boulogne in France, at the same time.

A Chinese Passport. In China a traveler wishing for a passport is compelled to have the palm of his hand brushed over with blue oil paint; he then presses his hand on this damp paper, which remains an impression of the hand. This is used to prevent transference of the passport, as the lines of no two hands are alike.

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