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The Week at Washington.

Congress reconvened again after the holiday adjournment on January 5. One of the first proceedings in the senate on that date was a discussion regarding the coal situation, two bills and two resolutions bearing on this subject being introduced.

On January 5 it was announced that the United States supreme courspeaking through Chief Justice Fuller announced the substitution of the name of Admiral Henry C. Taylor for that of Admiral Sampson in the prize money case instituted by Admiral Sampson, in behalf of himself and other officers and sailors who participated in the naval battle of Santiago July 3, 1898. Explaining his selection, the chief justice said:

"Rear Admiral Evans, Rear Admiral Taylor, Captain F. E. Chadwick and others are represented in the litigation by counsel, but Admiral Schley and others are not. Of those so represented Admiral Evans is absent on a foreign station, while Rear Admiral Taylor is within the jurisdiction. It seems to us that the substitution of Rear Admiral Taylor will meet the exigency satisfactorily, and it will be ordered accordingly."

Another opinion handed down by the court on the same day relates to a case involving the rate paid by the Russian government on sugar exported. The court interprets this as being a bounty and justifies the action of the collector of customs at Baltimore in levying a countervailing duty on Russian sugar under the terms of the Dingley law.

Several diplomatic changes were recently announced. Dr. David Jayne Hill, first assistant secretary of state will relinquish that post this month to become United States minister to Switzerland. He will be succeeded as first assistant by Francis B. Loomis at present United States minister to Portugal. Mr. Loomis will be succeeded at Lisbon by Charles Page Bryan, who has been confirmed as minister to Switzerland, but will not take that post.

On January 6 Senator Hoar made a speech on his bill regulating trusts in the senate, also Senator Vest was heard on the subject of protected industries through the operation of the Dingley bill. Senator Hoar's speech was listened to with marked attention. He pointed out the chief evils of the trusts as they now exist in this way:

First—Destruction of competition. Second—The management of local industries by absentees in the interest of absentee capital.

Third—Destruction of local public spirit.

Fourth-Fraudulent capitalization.

Fifth—Secrecy.
Sixth—Management for the private benefit of the officials.

Seventh—The power to corrupt elections and in some cases to corrupt the courts.

Eighth—The want of personal responsibility to public sentiment.

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Ninth—The absence of personal liability for contracts.

Tenth—The holding of vast properties in mortmain—in the head hand—if we may use the ancient phrase of the English. But it has life enough for all purposes of power to serve the will that wields it. It is dead only

for all purposes of power to serve the will that wields it. It is dead only to the influence of any nerve which comes from the brain or heart of the people

On January 6 the house passed the bill for the creation of a general staff for the army by a vote of 153 to 52. By the terms of the bill it becomes the duty of the general staff to prepare

plans for the national defense and for the mobilization of the army in time of war, to investigate and report on all questions affecting the efficiency of the service and to render professional aid to the secretary of war and to general officers and other superior commanders. The general staff corps is to consist of one chief of staff and two general officers, all to be detailed by the president fron. officers in the army, at large, not below the grade of brigadier general; four colonels, six lieutenant colonels and twelve majors, twenty captains to be detailed from officers of the grade of captain or first lieutenant, who while serving shall have the rank, pay and allowances of captains, mounted. All officers in the general staff shall be (Continued on Page 16.)

Sale of Gilt Edge Brood Sows.

Henry Bros.' full blood brood sow sale will come on January 24, 1903, at our home at Le Mars, Ia., where we will sell 50 bred sows. This will be our ninth annual sale. Our sale last year made the highest average in the state, age and number considered, and we undoubtedly have a much finer lot this year. We have sows in this sale by the greatest boars on earth. The great "Corrector," the champion boar at the Illinois state fair, in 1901, and sold for \$2,500, and Proud Perfection, the sweepstakes boar at the Iowa and Illinois state fairs in 1900. Perfect I know, the greatest brood sow sire that ever lived; he sired Lady Louise, the noted champion show sow. Also our herd has Wilkes, One Price, Medium, and daughters of old Chief Tecumseh 2nd. Our boars in the herd are 2nd Chief Perfection, a first prize and sweepstakes boar, considered to be one of the best sons of Chief Perfection 2nd; also a son of old Blac. Wilkes, the boar that won second prize at the world's fair and weighed 1,000 pounds. This hog is very large and never sired a spotted pig, and measares 82 inches from root of tail to top of head. Farmers buy his pigs at as high as \$50. Other boars in service are Correct I Know, by Corrector, and Proudness, by Proud Perfection, and Acme Chief, a grand son of Chief Tecumseh 2nd; also Look Out, a son of Look Out. Our aim is size and quality Our demand is increasing each year We are not scalpers. Our stuff in our sale are all bred by us. We have 100 sows for this season's trade and sell 5.) of them in our January sale and 50 more later on. We sold 49 boars of spring farrow, the average being \$36. This is without culling or castrating one pig and this is the kind of stuff we are going to sell in our public sale. We sold pigs to head the herds of the most particular breeders in the state. We shipped pigs into five different states and in eight years we never had one dissatisfied customer, or, if so, we failed to hear of it. We sold a boar to head the Tally Ho herd of Mr. J. A. Benson, one of the expert judges and a breeder of years of experience and a field man for the American Swineherd. We also shipped a herd header to Mr. Whitney of Akron, Ia. We believe the Poland-China is the best and greatest hog on earth and will try and show to you in an article some time later that the Poland-China is king of the hog world.

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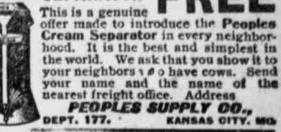
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