

THE NATIONAL CAPITAL.

Yesterday's Proceedings in the Senate and House.

Disposition of the Funding Bill in the Senate Expected To-Morrow.

The House Hammering Away on the Postoffice Appropriation Bill.

The Judiciary Committee Now Ready to Report Shallenberger's Mormon Bill.

Miscellaneous News From the National Capital.

CONGRESS.

PROCEEDINGS IN THE SENATE.

WASHINGTON, February 2.—In the senate this morning Senator Ferry presented the adverse report of the committee on postoffice and postroads, on the resolution respecting extension of the franking privilege; also, the report of the same committee on Mr. Voorhees' resolution regarding regulations of the Cincinnati and Boston offices, which excluded union soldiers from employment therein. After debates, the reports were accepted and ordered printed.

Debate on the funding bill was resumed by Senator Bayard. He regretted that the question of specie redemption should have been brought before the senate, as well as the amendment to the bill which was not germane. So grave a question should be the subject of separate, careful and full consideration, and not passed upon hastily by its engrossment on this bill which would commit the government to a policy against which he stood in opposition. He argued that there should be a clearly defined law regulating this subject, and that what he called the rule of the thumb of the secretary of the treasury should cease. It was not safe for people or just or right to the officers in charge of public funds that there should not be a rule of action controlling him and protecting them.

Mr. Davis (W. Va.) offered an amendment to Mr. Plumb's amendment, making the reserve \$120,000,000 instead of \$100,000,000. He strongly opposed the amendment of Senator Plumb as dangerous to the best interests of the nation.

Senator Sherman suggested that this question should be mostly considered by the finance committee before acted on by the senate. Senator Saunders said that the bill should not be trammelled with any. The amendment of Mr. Davis was lost.

Senator Bayard offered an amendment to Mr. Plumb's amendment, that after the word "dollars," referring to the amount of reserve, the words "of standard coin value" should be inserted. The amendment was carried—yeas, 37; nays, 14.

The president nominated George Fisher, surveyor of customs at Cairo, Ill., and George E. Bugnot, postmaster at Madison, Wis.

Plumb's amendment was rejected—yeas, 25; nays, 27. Messrs. Davis (Ill.), Ingalls, Plumb, and Teller voting aye, and Messrs. Bayard, Jones, Fish, and McPherson voting no.

Senator Hoar moved to amend Mr. Ingalls' amendment ratifying the acts of Secretary Windom in extending bonds at 3 per cent., by adding after the word "bonds" which are hereby declared legal.

Mr. Vest did not see any benefit to be derived from meddling with this matter.

Mr. Dawes defended the policy of the late secretary of the treasury. After prolonged debate Mr. Morgan's funding amendment with Mr. Hoar's addition was adopted.

At 4:15 p. m. a motion to go into executive session was voted down, Mr. Sherman arguing that a vote on the bill should be taken this evening.

competent witnesses against him. It is believed that the whole committee will authorize the report of the bill to the house, and that it will pass.

DAKOTA'S DELEGATION. The delegation of Dakotians here urging admission of south Dakota as a state called on the heads of departments this morning to pay their respects.

THE STAR NORTH CARES. WASHINGTON, February 2.—Colonel Bliss appeared in court this morning and said he had just been served with subpoenas to produce certain bids and contracts in court. He had all the clerks in the postoffice department that could be spared set to work to comply with the subpoenas but he would be unable to comply until to-morrow. Some of the bids could not be produced until next week.

Col. Totten—We may want other bids and contracts in a few days. Col. Cook—I would not be surprised if you would issue a subpoena to have the corner stone of the postoffice department produced in court.

"Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof," interjected the court. Adjourned till 1 p. m. to-morrow.

MISCELLANEOUS. The full committee on appropriations this morning considered the Indian appropriation bill; and expect to be able to report it to the house to-morrow.

Lanier, republican contestant of the seat from the Third Louisiana district, whose case was adversely decided in the committee, is preparing to present a memorial to the house, charging foul play, and asking special investigation of the case.

National bank notes received for redemption, \$330,000; internal revenue receipts, \$372,889; customs, \$565,250.

Mrs. Ada Gregg, of Eaton, Ill., was before the grand jury this afternoon, giving her knowledge of star route matters, in which Dorsey, Beck and others are alleged to be implicated.

Mr. Scoville denied that he has had any conference with Gen. E. F. Butler in reference to his entering in the Guiteau defense.

The house committee will take up the bill to establish a mint at Chicago, St. Louis, Omaha, Louisville and Cincinnati will be contestants for the honor.

W. H. Schenck, of the navy, who was appointed to-day to go to Siberia to aid in the search for the Jeannette party, is from Missouri.

The quarrel between ex-Secretary Blaine and the administration touching his foreign policy, is becoming very bitter. Thus far he seems to have the best of the fight. The course of Frelinghuysen regarding the letter to the South American republics is unfavorably commented on.

It is said that Secretary Kirkwood is packing up preparatory to removing to Iowa and that Sargent is to be nominated soon, as Kirkwood has given his decision in the Colorado land case.

THE JEANNETTE. NATIONAL ASSOCIATED PRESS. WASHINGTON, February 2.—Lieut. G. B. Harber and Master W. H. Schenck, of the navy, have been detailed to proceed to Irkutsk and the Lena and aid in the search for the missing members of the Jeannette party. They leave on Saturday next from New York for Liverpool, and thence by the quickest route to St. Petersburg, where they will purchase their outfit for their arctic journey. Harber is from Ohio, and Schenck from Missouri. They have each had about ten years sea experience. Lieut. Harber at present commands the torpedo ram Albatross. He was an intimate friend of the late President Garfield by whom he was appointed to the naval academy. He accompanied Mr. Garfield to Cleveland with the remains.

YOUNGSTOWN, February 2.—Lieut. Harber, of the United States navy, commander of the torpedo boat Alarm, just detailed by the secretary of the navy to assist in the search for De Long of the Jeannette, is a resident of this city, his parents residing here. Lieut. Harber's friends are pleased at this mark of recognition. He was a poor boy with plenty of brains, Garfield knew him and assisted him.

Famine Down in "Egypt." NATIONAL ASSOCIATED PRESS. CHICAGO, February 2.—Governor Cullom is continually receiving appeals for aid from the inhabitants of the southern part of the state, known as "Egypt." The prospects of famine in this winter in that part of the state were vividly portrayed last fall by Senator Tanner, of Clay county, but were branded at that time as sensational and overdrawn. They are now fully realized. The counties suffering most are Crawford, Gallatin, Hamilton, Jefferson, Lawrence, Marion, Perry, Saline, Union, Wabash and Wayne, all in the southwestern part of the state. The condition, as depicted by the petitions sent to the governor, is pitiable. They are almost entirely without food for themselves or stock, which is starving to death. The famine is caused by a total failure of the spring crop.

ANTI-POLYGAMY. NATIONAL ASSOCIATED PRESS. ROCHSTER, N. Y., February 2.—A large and enthusiastic anti-Mormon meeting was held here this evening. Strong speeches were made by Dr. Anderson, president of the Rochester university; Rev. K. J. Grocy, presiding elder of the Methodist Episcopal church, and others. A resolution was unanimously adopted asking congress to take all constitutional measures to suppress the evil.

formers' coal from Scranton to Strasburg, Pa. The New York, Susquehanna & Western Co. own about 6,000 acres of valuable coal land in the Lackawanna Valley, and also over the New Jersey Midland and extensions, giving a continuous line from Hoboken to Strasburg. By this arrangement the Lackawanna will secure perpetual tonnage from those great coal fields, and will also prevent the building of any competing lines to Scranton.

John Kelly Triumphs. NATIONAL ASSOCIATED PRESS. ALBANY, N. Y., February 2.—The dead-lock in the lower house of the legislature was broken on the second ballot for speaker to-day, the Tammany democrats withdrawing J. J. Costello, their candidate, and voting so illy for C. E. Patterson, the candidate of the regular democratic caucus, giving him 59 votes, the necessary number to elect. The result was accomplished by a conference committee yesterday from the regular democratic caucus agreeing to Tammany's demand that all the nominations except that for speaker made by the regular caucus be withdrawn and Tammany be guaranteed the asked for representation on the railroad and cities committees, and the clerkship in the field. John Kelly made those demands at the beginning of the session six weeks ago and has adhered to them ever since, having less than ten followers in the assembly, and has by the solidity of his following and the solidarity of the republican majority thus far prevented the Tilden democratic majority from organizing, and finally made his point.

Marine Intelligence. NATIONAL ASSOCIATED PRESS. NEW YORK, February 2.—Sailed—The Svevia for Hamburg, the City of Paris for Liverpool, the State of Nevada for Glasgow.

LONDON, February 2.—Sailed—The Denmark for New York.

SOUTHAMPTON, February 2.—Arrived—The Neckar from New York for Bremen.

LIVERPOOL, February 2.—Arrived—The Wisconsin and the Helvetia from New York.

Sailed—The England for New York. QUEENSTOWN, February 2.—Sailed—The Celtic for New York.

Guiteau. NATIONAL ASSOCIATED PRESS. WASHINGTON, D. C., February 2.—Guiteau will appear in court to-morrow while the motion for a new trial is being argued. It is expected Judge Cox will deny the motion at once, and that the prisoner will be sentenced on Saturday or early next week.

It is certain that neither the government nor the friends of the prisoner will permit the body to be exhibited after execution. Scoville now says he should not give his consent. The prisoner's cold is better, and he has regained his cheerfulness.

Small Pox. NATIONAL ASSOCIATED PRESS. CINCINNATI, February 2.—At Oakley, a village near here, an old colored woman died of small pox. The citizens burned her cabin, property and the dead woman's remains.

Henry E. Spencer, one of the oldest and most prominent business men, and several times mayor, died to-day.

WAKEGAN, Ill., February 2.—Notwithstanding every precaution has been taken by the city authorities to prevent the spread of small pox, the disease continues to increase. Ten cases have been reported to date and two deaths within twenty-four hours. The bodies were buried at midnight.

Price Communications Wanted. NATIONAL ASSOCIATED PRESS. WASHINGTON, February 2.—The treasury department has received a communication from the Royal society of New South Wales offering prizes for communications upon numerous scientific subjects, mostly relating to New South Wales and its production.

Cigar Makers' Strike. NATIONAL ASSOCIATED PRESS. MILWAUKEE, February 2.—The union cigar makers of this city are still out on a strike with no probability of a settlement of the difficulty. The strikers receive about \$2,500 per week from the International Union to pay off idle men.

Go Tell It Duddy. NATIONAL ASSOCIATED PRESS. BRIDGEPORT, February 2.—P. T. Barnum's elephant Queen gave birth here at 3 o'clock p. m. to a female elephant weighing 45 pounds. The other baby weighed 126 pounds at its birth. Mother and baby are doing well.

Benefit of the Sufferers. NATIONAL ASSOCIATED PRESS. NASHVILLE, Tenn., February 2.—The Lebanon Piniform company gave an entertainment last night for the benefit of the backwater sufferers. The house was packed and a good sum was realized. The river is slowly receding.

Run Over and Killed. NATIONAL ASSOCIATED PRESS. KANSAS CITY, February 2.—At the Lebanon depot of the Kansas City, St. Joe & Council Bluffs railroad, a train ran over an old German named Peter Frank, severing the legs and otherwise injuring him so he can't recover.

A Dakota Bank. NATIONAL ASSOCIATED PRESS. WASHINGTON, February 2.—Comptroller French to-day authorized the National bank of Waypoint, Dakota, to commence business with a capital of \$50,000.

He Will Not Die. NATIONAL ASSOCIATED PRESS. PHILADELPHIA, February 2.—John McDonough, the actor, was reported so weak at midnight that his local advisers doubted whether he can last until daybreak.

CORNELL KIDNAPPERS.

A Couple of Students Carried the Joke Too Far.

A Dubuque Man Acquitted Yesterday For Killing a Circus Employee.

The Kansas City Grand Jury Find the Tax Collector's Office Very Crooked.

Miscellaneous Criminal News of the Day.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATED PRESS. SYRACUSE, N. Y., February 2.—F. B. Ingalls and H. P. DeForest, of the sophomore class of Cornell university, at Ithaca, were arrested this afternoon for having kidnaped E. B. Blood and C. W. Belshere, of the freshman class of the same institution at 3 o'clock in the morning from their rooms. The whole sophomore class assisted in getting the two freshmen on the train bound for this city. The quartette are now at police headquarters awaiting the arrival of Ithaca officers. The freshmen class was to have a class supper to-morrow night and Blood and Belshere are officers of their class. There is considerable excitement of the affair in Ithaca.

NEW YORK, February 2.—The grand jury of the court of general sessions, who have had before them the Spytten Duyvil disaster, to-day returned indictments against Geo. F. Hanford, conductor, and Geo. F. Melius, brakeman of the wrecked train, charging them with manslaughter in the fourth degree. The jurors recommended that all cars should be provided with axes and other tools, and also that the granting of free passes to legislators and others holding offices is contrary to proper ideas of good policy.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., February 2.—January 27th was the coldest day of the season here. Daniel W. Griffith, fire boss of the Mantook mine, permitted the pipes to freeze so that fire from the blast could not be extinguished. An explosion of gas consequently occurred and three miners were killed. The coroner's jury has just found a verdict which makes the fire boss technically guilty of manslaughter. This is the first finding of the kind under the ventilation laws, and is of the greatest importance to miners.

CHICAGO, February 2.—District Attorney Leske presented an order to Judge Blodgett this morning from the president committing the sentence of Edward W. Gaskin from one year in the penitentiary to six months in the county jail. Gaskin was convicted of embezzling letters which a substitute letter carried.

NORTH ADAMS, Mass., February 2.—A large party of students from Williams college were so boisterous in Wilson Hall last night that the police had to be called upon to suppress them. The night before ten Williams students took front seats at an entertainment in Williamstown, and with fifty fog-horns and whistles they stopped the entertainment. The sheriff attempted to arrest some, but was prevented by others.

OTTAWA, Ill., February 2.—The testimony in the Miss Gavorly and Dr. Campbell scandal case closed this evening. A large number of prominent ladies and gentlemen have been witnesses, and the character for virtue, truth and veracity of more than one person has been badly damaged. The excitement has been intense, and during the nine days' trial the court room has been packed with people.

CHICAGO, February 2.—A dispatch from Philadelphia stated that detectives in that city were of the belief that the stolen body of Earl Crawford had been taken to Chicago by a couple of Neapolitans. The story is a gaudy one and the Chicago police ridicule the idea.

DES MOINES, February 2.—Postal Route Agent Van Horne, on the Chicago & Northwestern railroad, was arrested on an order of a judge holding contempt at Nevada, he being wanted as a witness. Van Horne protested, as there was no other postal clerk on the train and he had no knowledge of the case before the court. He was forced to go, however, being seized and taken off the car. The result was the closing of the postal car and all through mail from Chicago and all way mail and connecting routes being brought here last night in confused order. A special mail agent left here this morning to attend to that judge, who fined Van Horne \$50 for contempt of court.

KANSAS CITY, February 2.—The special grand jury, which has been investigating the raised assessments and excessive tax collections made by ex-Collector Greene, have found that his crookedness is confined entirely to Kansas City, the collections he made from people outside being uniformly correct. This shows his work of raising assessments and illegal collections have been deliberate and systematic, and there is no doubt, if he had not been so suddenly checked, he would have enriched himself by thousands of dollars during his term of office. The grand jury to-day demanded his cash book, when he declared it was lost, which, being reported to Judge White, of the criminal court, his arrest was at once ordered, and he was taken in custody. Subsequently he expressed the belief that he could find it to-morrow, and he was released on bond.

DEBUIQUE, Iowa, February 2.—The Clark murder trial came to a sudden close to-day, the jury rendering a verdict of not guilty, but leaving the prisoner to be indicted by the grand jury for shooting Hazelton, Forough's groom, last July, he expiring the following day. The evidence adduced was in the prisoner's favor, and viewed in the light of self defense; hence he was acquitted.

GLAYSON, Ky., February 2.—Dur-

ing a fight at a dance in Elliott county last night, W. T. Neckel, United States bailiff, assaulted Leo T. Oliver, aged 18, when Oliver shot him through the heart, killing him instantly.

CHICAGO, February 2.—Jacob Smith, in charge of spices, etc., at Sprague, Warner & Griswold, is a defaulter to the amount of several thousand dollars. His scheme was to make cash sales and report them as credit.

NEW ORLEANS, February 2.—A mob of colored men took Alph. Davenport (colored) from his home in Union parish, beat him with clubs and left his dead body in the road.

Mexican Affairs.

CITY OF MEXICO, January 29.—A dispatch from Guadalajara says that one of the results of the recent election in the state of Jalisco, in which mobs seized a number of ballot boxes at the capital and other towns throughout the state, killing several men during the fracas, will be the installation of two legislatures and the establishment of a dual government. The independent legislature when called on refused to recognize the authority of Senator Riestra, who was counted in as being elected governor, and whom the opposition legislature recognize as the duly elected governor. It claims that Senator Riestra and a majority of the opposition legislature were counted in by fraud, and that on the day of election, seeing that their party was likely to be defeated by a large majority at the polls, they were instrumental in bringing about mob violence on that day in order to destroy the proof of their defeat. Senator Riestra convoked a meeting of the merchants of this city to protest against the action of the independent legislature and a majority of them attended the meeting, but refused to participate in the proposition which Senator Riestra presented to the palace, the only escort being the federal forces. The people are unanimous in their expressions of opposition to Senator Riestra being allowed to assume the duties of the executive office. The independent legislature has appointed a provisional governor and the vote on the matter will be referred to the federal government for settlement. Meantime both governments will continue in force, neither being willing to give way until forced to do so by the decision of the federal government.

THE NEW YORK FIRE. NATIONAL ASSOCIATED PRESS. NEW YORK, February 2.—Search for the bodies of persons known to have perished by the destructive fire in the old World building has not been commenced up to nightfall from the fact that the debris is too hot to be removed. It is thought work will begin to-morrow. It is believed that but small portions of the bodies of those who perished will be discovered, owing to the intense heat, which melted an immense stone slab and twisted the girders as though they were made of wire. It is not definitely settled as to the number of lives lost, but it is believed the total will reach from ten to twenty. A gang of fifty men is engaged, and stand in readiness to enter the pit when ordered to do so.

The latest compilation shows that nine persons are dead and ten are missing. O. B. Potter, owner of the building, will commence search for the bodies of the unfortunate victims early to-morrow morning, under supervision of the fire department.

Railroad Matters.

BOSTON, February 2.—A bill was reported in the legislature to-day by the railroad committee to require railroad companies to equip each car of every passenger train, including mail and baggage cars, with two sets of tools, consisting of axe, sled hammer, crow bar, hand saw and pail, all such tools and appliances to be kept one upon the inside and one upon the outside of each car in some convenient place, and the manner in every car used on railroads in this commonwealth in which any heating apparatus may be placed shall be provided with such safe guards for protection against fire as may be approved by the board of commissioners who shall have power to require railroad corporations to equip their cars with such appliances as in their judgment shall be deemed necessary for the further protection of life in all passenger trains in this state.

Pennsylvania Pay Grabbers.

PHILADELPHIA, February 2.—Argument was heard in the superior court to-day in the appeal of Chas. I. Wolf on behalf of himself and a number of his fellow legislators from a decree of the Dauphin county court refusing to grant a peremptory writ of mandamus on the state treasurer compelling him to pay members of the state senate and representatives an extra \$500 for 58 days' service additional to the 100 days. Members were paid \$1,000, which they claim only compensated for 100 days, leaving the additional service of 58 days unpaid for, and they contended that for every day's service not exceeding 50 they were entitled to be paid \$10 per diem.

Swamped.

CHICAGO, February 2.—Abraham Netter was swamped in the barley deal. Liabilities, \$25,000. Recently Netter has been buying grain by the car load and shipping the same. The grain, it appears, was not paid for. Curtis loses \$40,000; P. B. Wease & Co., \$22,000; Gregg & Son, \$1,000, and other parties about \$20,000.

The Puddler's Strike.

PHOENIXVILLE, February 2.—The puddlers, formerly employed by the Pottor iron company, went out on a strike a few days ago and were paid off to-day. A committee waited upon A. H. Ravens, manager, and proposed to go to work and make six hours, when they could within three hours, but the provision was not altogether satisfactory and no definite

FOREIGN NEWS.

The Officers of the Union Generale Arrested.

Progress of the International Billiard Game Between Slosson and Vignaux.

A New Cabinet Being Formed in Egypt Hostile to England and France.

Miscellaneous News That Came Over the Cable.

PARIS, February 2.—M. Bentoux, president, and M. Feder, manager of the suspended Union Generale, were to-day arrested. They will be arraigned on a strong indictment, making many serious charges against them in the conduct of the Union Generale.

Gambetta has resumed the editorship of the Republique Francaise.

PARIS, February 2.—In the international billiard match to-night, fourth evening of the game, Slosson resumed from the point where he left off. As the play progressed, Vignaux brought his score up to 1,800 and added 284 to it, finishing with a total of 2,084. Slosson added 600 to his score of last night, leaving off with a total of 2,400. Slosson's average was 70; Vignaux's average, 45. Slosson's best run, 317; Vignaux's best run, 304.

ST. PETERSBURG, February 2.—It is reported that there has been a removal of the persecutions of the Jews in the Pullawa district, and that a number have been massacred.

PARIS, February 3.—In the chamber of deputies yesterday Mr. Andrieux proposed a bill in aid of the bureau settlements. M. Leon Say, minister of finance, in speaking against the proposed bill stated briefly what the government had done already to aid in settlements, and in conclusion said the government had already had all the powers it should have in such matters, and that any more concessions might result disastrously to the national treasury, as if measures of this kind were once begun there was no telling where they would stop.

Mr. Levozy Winet, jurist, was to-day elected president of the senate. M. Gambetta has gone to Nice for a two weeks holiday.

Bourse settlements are progressing very well, the money market closing easier, with operators meeting engagements promptly. The whole stock market closed with an advance over yesterday's prices and an upward tendency.

BERLIN, February 3.—Berthold Auerbach, the German writer and poet, is dying. He was born February 28, 1812.

LONDON, February 2.—A dispatch from Cairo says Sherif Pasha and the ministry have chosen and Anab Bey and Mahomet Barondi (nationalists) are forming a new ministry that will be hostile to Anglo-French control.

A dispatch from Teheran says Russia and Persia have signed a Central Asian frontier treaty. Russia is receiving the whole of Kohkote Oxia.

SOVIA, February 2.—Yesterday a fire destroyed the Bulgarian national assembly buildings. They were built of wood.

LONDON, February 3.—In the election at Preston yesterday, Mr. Raikes, conservative, was elected, receiving 6,045 votes; Mr. Simpson, radical, received 424 votes.

MILLER EXTRADITION CASE. NATIONAL ASSOCIATED PRESS. TORONTO, Ont., February 2.—Counsel in the Miller extradition case to-day delivered argument before Judge McKenzie, who reserved judgment till Tuesday night.

THE FORT STEELE COLLISION. NATIONAL ASSOCIATED PRESS. Further Particulars and Account of the Accident.

The fatal collision at Fort Steele between a freight train and the passenger train was reported in this Bee on Tuesday. The Cheyenne Leader gives the following more extended account of the disaster:

The pay car on its return trip from the west was run extra, hauled by Engineer Rose and Fireman Sealey. This extra preceded the regular passenger, No. 4, by about fifteen minutes, and was following the second section of the freight No. 8, Conductor Hubart, all going east. Just outside and west of Steele, the freight paused to sidetrack, and was partially in the siding when the extra came around the sharp curve which had hidden it from view, and, in spite of brakes and reversed engine, dashed into the caboose of the freight.

Brakeman Sealey, of the freight train, was fatally injured, dying within a few hours after the accident. Conductor Hubart was also severely injured, suffering bruises about the body, and having the flesh of his hands nearly scalded off. His wounds were attended to, and at last accounts he was doing as nicely as could be expected.

The engineer of the special escaped harm, but Fireman Connor was injured some. There was no damage done to the pay-car or its occupants, and the special would have been stopped within a short distance, its speed being so slow that those on board could, as some did, jump to the ground without losing their feet. The wreck was cleared as soon as possible to allow the passage of No. 4, which was close behind the pay-car, and of which the latter had been a part until Lawlins was reached and the special train was made up.

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The engineer of the special escaped harm, but Fireman Connor was injured some. There was no damage done to the pay-car or its occupants, and the special would have been stopped within a short distance, its speed being so slow that those on board could, as some did, jump to the ground without losing their feet. The wreck was cleared as soon as possible to allow the passage of No. 4, which was close behind the pay-car, and of which the latter had been a part until Lawlins was reached and the special train was made up.

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