

THE NATIONAL CAPITAL.

The Pension Bill Up for Discussion in the House.

Edmunds' Anti-Polygamy Bill Will Undoubtedly Pass the House.

It Being Favorably Considered by the Judiciary Committee of That Body.

Alaska the Subject of Consideration by the Committee on Territories.

Miscellaneous Notes of a National Character.

CONGRESS.

THE SENATE NOT IN SESSION.

WASHINGTON, D. C., February 18.—The senate was not in session, having adjourned till Monday.

PROCEEDINGS IN THE HOUSE.

A memorial from the Utah legislature was received by telegraph by Speaker Keifer this morning, and read.

It asks congress to appoint a commission of men and women citizens to visit Utah and investigate the Mormon question before any action is taken by congress affecting the habits and customs of the people.

The memorial is signed by Speaker Lyman, of the Utah Legislature, and Joseph Smith, President of the committee. The memorial was referred.

A petition was also presented from the American Baptist home missionary society representing a million persons, asking for the abolition of polygamy.

The substitute reported from the judiciary committee for the funding bill to send to the court of claims private bills which annually come before the house was ordered printed and recommitment.

Mr. Alexander Stephens made a strong argument in favor of the issue of gold and silver coin certificates for general circulation instead of coin when desired, during a financial discussion which arose from the consideration of an item in the deficiency bill providing for the deficiency in the fund for the expenses of the mint.

The house spent the entire afternoon on the deficiency appropriation bill, appropriating about \$1,800,000 for sundry deficiencies for the present and passed it, adjourning at 5:20 p. m.

The bill appropriates \$400,000 for public printing and binding; \$10,000 for freights of bullion between assay offices and mints; \$1,000 for aid of civilization and agriculture among the Indians; \$75,000 for payment of clerical force in the pension office; \$22,000 for expenses at the White House.

THE NEW BOOK OF MORMON

ANTI-POLYGAMY POINTS.

WASHINGTON, February 19. Mr. Campbell, the anti-polygamy delegate, says that anti-polygamy is satisfactory as far as it goes.

Judge McBride, Campbell's counsel on the contest case, stated emphatically yesterday it was not what we want but it is a decided step in advance and will undoubtedly be followed by further legislation.

It is understood that Senator Edmunds has asked Messrs. Campbell and McBride to indicate such of the existing Mormon laws of Utah as they deem should be repealed by congress and to suggest what further legislation is needed in order to put the government of the territory on a civilized, American basis.

Senator Edmunds is particularly anxious for some action which will take the public spoils out of Mormon control.

As an illustration of the far-reaching character of the senate bill, the following list of officers of San Pete county, one of the most populous and wealthy counties, under its existing Mormon local government: Probate Judge James A. Aller, three wives; Prosecuting Attorney David Cannall, three wives; Sheriff Geo. P. Billings, three wives; County Clerk and Recorder William T. Reed, two wives. Schoolman—Ron Hardy, two wives, and Henry Beall, two wives.

Every officer in this county will be disarmed and disfranchised if Mr. Edmunds' bill becomes a law by the approval of the house judiciary committee. It is following faithfully in the wake of the like committee of the senate on the Utah question, and is given the matter earnest attention.

They yesterday gave an extended hearing to Messrs. Z. H. Gourtee and E. L. Kelley, representatives of the Josephite or anti-polygamy Mormons; they strongly contended that polygamy was a crime and not a religion, and that it was condemned by the board of Mormons itself. They concluded their arguments in the words: "In dealing with the question of the passage of laws by which polygamy shall be extirpated and priestly dominances and power be subjected to the laws of the land, we see no right of religious worship interfered with, but the simple prohibition of corrupt, and evil practices and we in conclusion submit that there can be no true homes, there can be no true government."

By invitation of the committee Judge McBride followed with a statement of the evils of existing laws in Utah and in argument in favor of the adoption of the bill to create a legislative council as the only thorough remedy.

ANTI-POLYGAMY MASS MEETING.

An anti-polygamy mass meeting was held in Dr. Butler's Memorial church this afternoon, under the auspices of the pastors union. Hon. Hiram Price presided. An interesting address was made by Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D. D., who has been for eleven years in charge of Presbyterian

THE BAD ONES.

Record of Crimes Committed of Late.

The Russian Vice Consul at New York Has His Father-in-Law Arrested.

New York Dry Goods Dealers Arrested for Making Their Girls Stand.

Kansas City Still in a Swindle Over the Collectors' Ship.

Miscellaneous News of Crimes and Criminals.

GENERAL CRIME.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATED PRESS.

HAD HIS FATHER-IN-LAW ARRESTED. NEW YORK, February 18.—Edward Stern, Russian vice consul at New York, had his father-in-law, Jules Drulheit, arrested and arraigned at Jefferson Market police court and placed under \$300 bail for good behavior for attacking him in the street in front of the Hoffman house and breaking a cane over his head.

Stern is suing for a divorce from his wife on the ground of adultery. She has the custody of the children and lives with her father and mother at 79 Madison avenue. Stern alleges his wife is allowed by her mother to keep company with improper women and don't want her to do so, so long as she has his name, and that he upbraided Drulheit for allowing her to do so. So the latter committed the assault. Both men are 55 years of age.

TRIED TO BLOW UP A STEAMER.

Edward Craig and Sebastian Rudolph, the latter an employe of the ship, were arrested to-day and committed in default of \$3,000 bail for examination before United States Commissioner Shields for attempting to place twenty pounds of loose powder aboard the steamer Niagara of the New York and Cuba mail line. Craig was caught sneaking around on board the ship with the powder under his coat, looking for Rudolph.

ARRESTED FOR MAKING THE GIRLS STAND.

NEW YORK, February 18.—Mrs. Emma Yates Conkling and her husband and Mrs. Carrie Williams, all philanthropists, made complaints to-day against R. H. Macy & Co., Daniels & Son, and Simpson, Crawford & Co., large dry goods dealers, for violating Catlin's law, passed last year in the New York assembly, requiring store keepers who employ saleswomen to provide them with seats so that they shall not be compelled to stand all the time while in the stores. Summonses were issued in each case. The complainants declare that they will compel all the store keepers in the city to obey the law.

ARREST OF A POLICEMAN FOR STEALING.

Policeman Richard Leary, of the steamboat squad, was placed on trial before the board to-day, charged by Jas. Carriston, a front street fish dealer, with stealing four eels while buying ten cents worth of herring. The witness testified that Leary, being suspected of being in the habit of stealing eels, they watched him, saw him take the four, and saw them taken from his pocket when accused. Judgment was deferred.

ARRESTING THE BUILDERS.

Samuel Weiser, builder of the old World building, recently burned, gave bail in \$5,000 to await the action of the grand jury, and Charles A. Barton, the mason who built the defective flue, was held in \$2,000.

KILLED HIS SISTER'S LOVER.

BROWNVILLE, Tex., February 18.—Near Vera Cruz, Mexico, yesterday, Gaitana Glosati mortally wounded his sister and stabbed Pietro Postano, the Italian girl's lover. Gaitana was arrested.

MURDER IN THE FIRST DEGREE.

LEXINGTON, Ky., February 19.—Joe Lawson, who killed John Stevenson Christmas, was convicted of murder in the first degree. The punishment is death.

ASCENDING TICKET AGENT ARRESTED.

PEORIA, Ill., February 18.—Frank N. Keene, ascending ticket agent of the Hooking Valley railroad, has been arrested here and taken back to Pomeroy, Ohio, in charge of an officer who has followed him since last October.

A LIAR OR A LUNATIC.

CHICAGO, February 19.—A young man named Jno. Deal, claiming to live in New York City, has been arrested on the strength of his assertion that he knows more about the mysterious death of Lake Ransom at Hillside recently than any one else. The police cannot determine whether he is a liar or a lunatic.

ANOTHER MEXICAN DUEL.

LAREDO, Tex., February 19.—Two young aristocrats fought a duel at Dolares Cemetery, City of Mexico, on Tuesday, about a lady. Both were wounded, neither fatally.

SENTENCED TO HANG.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., February 18.—Robert McKenley was to-day sentenced to hang March 31st, for the murder of J. P. McMillan. Both were convicts in the penitentiary.

THE KANSAS CITY COLLECTOR.

KANSAS CITY, February 18.—Ex-Collector Greene, over whose head hang one hundred and fifty-eight indictments, was admitted to bail to-day and released from jail. The bond given was for \$45,000. The grand jury report submitted to-day shows that the ex-collector raised the assessment in four hundred cases in Kansas City and fraudulently collected taxes on these increased assessments. C. A. Chase, lately appointed successor to Joseph Greene, the dishonest coun-

WORK OF DESTRUCTION.

Haverhill, Mass., Visited by a Large Fire.

Burning Out Six Acres in the Business Part of the City.

Digging the Debris of the Chester Fire Reveals More Bodies.

Stampede in a New York Variety Show, and Other Work of the Flames.

With the Usual Number of Casualties of All Kinds.

FIRES.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATED PRESS.

DAMAGE BY THE HAVERHILL FIRE. HAVERHILL, Mass., February 18.—The fire last night threw 2,000 people of employment, and has destroyed \$2,000,000 of property. Twenty-eight large firms were burned out, besides a number of small business establishments. Among the buildings destroyed were that of the First National bank and the Five Cent Savings bank. Six acres of business blocks in the heart of the town were burned, taking in the best structures in town. The burned district lies on both sides of Washington street from the station on the Boston & Maine road to Washington square, a distance of 900 feet, and back on one hand to the Merrimac river, and on the other to Wincate street. Nearly all these buildings had been constructed within the last ten years, but in their rear was a nest of wooden buildings on which the fire fed, causing a heat which melted even granite and laid in ruins edifices that ordinarily would be considered fire proof. When the flames were finally quenched, it was simply because they had nothing left to feed on. Everything between Railroad square and Washington square from the south side of Wincate street down to the Merrimac was swept away. The number of buildings burned, most of these brick blocks, will reach about sixty, occupied by eighty-six firms.

THE CHESTER FIRE.

CHESTER, Pa., February 18.—Another body was discovered in the ruins this morning and more are believed to be beneath the debris. The latest number of deaths as far as is known is 20, and this number will be doubly increased before night. The coroner closed his examination of witnesses this morning and the jury returned a verdict not expected until late, probably not before Monday. Several large overcoats have been picked up at the scene of the disaster. Capt. Carter, of the Pennsylvania military academy, says that none of that kind were used at the academy and Mr. Jackson asserts that none of them were in his works. The natural inquiry is "Where they came from?"

CHESTER, Pa., February 19.—The funerals of ten victims of Thursday's explosion took place to-day. The town was crowded with visitors from all parts of the country, and from Delaware. Crape was displayed at nearly every residence and the manifestation of grief which were apparent on every hand tended to make the occasion never to be forgotten in the town. Vast throngs accompanied the cartage to the cemetery and delegation from fire companies of Philadelphia and Wilmington acted as a guard of honor to the hearses containing the remains of dead firemen.

STAMPED IN A THEATER.

NEW YORK, February 18.—At Harry Miner's theater this evening, while a song and dance act was on, the cry of fire was raised. The smoke came from the pool room through a transom light. The audience stampeded. Those in the balcony broke chairs and windows, and several women fainted in the crush. The stage manager yelled from the stage, "No cause for alarm." There was great terror in the gallery, which has only one exit, and 150 people sought escape by the stage. It was found that the smoke came from a stove in the pool room, where a cigar box thrown into the stove stopped the flue and threw out smoke and gas. No person was injured.

NEW YORK, February 18.—Fire this evening in the fifth story iron front building, 35 and 36 Hague street, caused a loss of about \$80,000. The principal losers are A. B. Green, the owner of the building; K. Newman Sons' meat splitting establishment; A. B. Taylor printing press company; J. Carlton & Co.; A. Warton and Haynes & Ketcham, label printers, all occupants of the building.

FIRE IN AN EXPRESS CAR.

GLOUCESTER, Mass., February 18.—The schooner Carrie M. Bishop, Captain Parson, overdue, arrived from the Banks to-day, her flag at half mast for the loss of six of her crew. They were out in dories attending their prowls and were unable to reach the vessel.

ROASTED TO DEATH.

ATHENS, Ga., February 18.—At Grogginsville a colored family last night locked two children in a house and went visiting. The house was burned and the children roasted to death.

DROWNED IN A GUTTER.

NEW ALBANY, Ind., February 17.—

THE TENNESSEE BOND TROUBLE.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., February 19.—The decree of the supreme court in the case of Lynn et al. vs. Polk et al. (the 100.3 funding act) was entered in accordance with the majority opinion delivered on last Saturday without any modification whatever. The motion to modify and allow the board to fund the bonds under the act without coupons was disallowed; the act, therefore, is null and void.

DIED FROM AN OVERDOSE OF OPIUM.

ROCHESTER, February 19.—L. Adams Lee, son of Richard Lee, signer of the declaration of independence, died from an overdose of opium to-day. For sometime he has been an inmate of the Monroe county insane asylum, where he was treated for eating opium. The old craving coming on, he took one of his old time doses and it killed him. He was a personal friend of Leigh Hunt and Loring, the historian, and correspondent of many American and English poets.

HONOR TO THE NEW CHEMISTS CONSUL.

CHICAGO, February 19.—At a meeting of the Chicago press club this afternoon the following was adopted in reference to the appointment of John J. Flinn, of the Daily News, as United States consul to Chemnitz:

Resolved, That as it has come to the knowledge of this club that John J. Flinn, an honored member, is about to leave the ranks of Chicago journalists and take up his residence abroad, we hereby express our regret at his departure from among us, and our earnest wish for his happiness and prosperity in whatever calling or profession he may enter upon.

SMALL POX.

NEW YORK, February 18.—There were forty-nine cases of small pox in this city this week.

PITTSBURG, February 19.—Fourteen new cases of small pox were reported for this city and Allegheny to-day.

ONE-HORSE PRIZE FIGHT.

ST. LOUIS, February 19.—This afternoon a prize fight occurred near St. Louis between Larry O'Brien, an Irishman, and Ed. Denton, an Englishman, for the championship of the

RECORD OF CRIMES COMMITTED OF LATE.

PHILADELPHIA, February 18.—The citizens' reform committee issued a proclamation to-day, in which it offers rewards aggregating \$10,000 for the arrest and conviction of election officers guilty of frauds, of persons who intimidated voters, or of bribes or personators at the municipal election on Tuesday next.

DIAMOND ROBBERY.

ALBANY, N. Y., February 18.—The pawnshop of Solomon Davis, South Pearl street, was robbed of \$9,000 in diamonds and jewelry by a sneak thiefves this evening.

A young man giving the name of Wm. Griffin, of Utica, was arrested at 11 o'clock to-night and identified as one of the thieves.

TAKEN AN APPEAL.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., February 18.—Robert McKinley, sentenced to be hanged in the jail yard March 31st, has appealed to the supreme court. He was a convict in the penitentiary and murdered a fellow convict named James B. McMillan last September.

MURDERED HIS WIFE.

YAZOO CITY, Miss., February 18.—Dan Stewart, who lives ten miles up the river, was lodged in jail for the murder of his wife last Thursday night.

METHODIST MINISTER HELD FOR RAPE.

CHICAGO, February 18.—Rev. M. Finerty, pastor of the Methodist church at Mokena, was arrested here to-day for attempted rape of Miss Mary Sheridan, a member of the Washburn Avenue M. E. church choir. Finerty is still in jail awaiting examination.

ARREST OF OYSTER THIEVES.

RICHMOND, Va., February 18.—The senate to-day continued to debate a point of order until 1 o'clock, making the longest sitting of this body held this session. Filibustering, points of order, roll calls, etc., occupied the time up to the hour named, without definite action of any sort.

NORFOLK, Va., February 18.—Gov. Cameron, with his military, returned this evening from the expedition to the Rappahannock river. The affair was made any the vessels captured, bearing 61 men. The vessels were turned over to the sheriff of Mathews county, who also took charge of the prisoners and carried them to the county jail, where they will be retained for trial before the March term of the county court. The expedition reached the mouth of the Rappahannock river yesterday, and found the marauders engaged in dredging. Chase was made and the vessels captured. Several boats were fired during the chase, but there was no effort at determined resistance.

SUSPECTED OF WIFE MURDER.

PITTSBURG, February 19.—Theodore Nelson was arrested to-night at 17 Webster avenue charged with murdering his wife, who died under mysterious circumstances this afternoon. The neighbors allege her death was caused by her husband's ill treatment.

STARTING AFTER HER SEDUCER.

INDIANAPOLIS, February 19.—A young woman was arrested at the depot Saturday night upon her arrival from Philadelphia upon telegraphic advices from the chief of police of that city on the charge of robbing Mrs. White, of that city. The fair prisoner had on her person several articles of valuable jewelry and confessed to the robbery, giving as her excuse that she took the jewelry to obtain means to reach Indianapolis in search of her seducer. Being about to become a mother, the prisoner was provided with accommodations at a boarding house to await the interesting event.

REWARD FOR THE ADRIAN MAYOR.

ADRIAN, Mich., February 19.—At a meeting of the city council a resolution was introduced by Ald. Ald offering \$2,000 reward for the arrest and return of Thomas J. Navin, the absconding mayor. The resolution was lost, but it is believed the motion will be reconsidered at the meeting on Monday evening.

ATTEMPT TO WRECK A TRAIN.

WABASH, Indiana, February 19.—A disastrous attempt to wreck the east bound passenger train on the Wabash, St. Louis & Pacific railway was made this morning at Lago, this county. A large pile of ties was placed on the track and the only reason the entire train was not thrown from the rails was that the timbers were rotten and the wheels of the locomotive cut them in two. There is not the slightest clue to the scoundrels who did the work.

COLLISION OF FREIGHTS.

ATLANTA, Ga., February 19.—A southward bound freight train on the Air Line railroad, running off time, collided this morning at 1 o'clock with a northward bound train on a trestle, between Buford and Suwanee. The engineer, Mr. West, received slight injuries from jumping from his engine. The firemen of both engines jumped to the ground, a distance of thirty-five feet, sustaining injuries. West's fireman will probably die. The damage to the trains, engines and track was great. Four cars fell into a heap and were burned.

DRAFT MUTE SHOT BY MISTAKE.

ST. JOSEPH, February 19.—Last night a colored man, deaf and dumb, was sent by young Sam Kelley to convey a note to his mother at Savannah, Andrew county, and in trying to wake the family by ringing the bell and fooling with the door knob, and being unable to reply to the frequent calls, "Who are you?" the man was shot with a load of buckshot from a shotgun in the hands of Byron Kelley, who thought it was a burglar. The shot entered the poor fellow's groin and he fell groaning. When the rash young man as well as the family, had found what he had done their grief was deep. The victim was highly esteemed. He is not dead, but no hopes are entertained of his recovery.

SERIOUS INJURIES TO CHICAGO FIREMEN.

CHICAGO, February 19.—Fire broke out in the rag shop at 162 West Lake street this morning. The loss sustained was not great but a serious accident occurred to the firemen summoned to the scene. The hose cart of engine No. 1 and hook and ladder truck No. 2 collided at the corner of Adams and Clinton streets with terrific force. The following men were injured:

Patrick Murphy, leg broken.

James Horan, serious bruises on the leg and hip.

Captain Anderson, injured at the fire by falling from the roof.

James B. Quirk, leg crushed.

William Valausdale, injured in the leg and he was taken up insensible.

John Clingen, badly hurt in the shoulder.

John Ryan, badly bruised about the body and one of his legs broken.

RAILWAY MATTERS.

MILWAUKEE, February 18.—The Grand Trunk road has been sued by the Northern Transportation company for \$500,000, on account of alleged breach of contract in failing to furnish sufficient cars.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., February 18.—An application was filed here to-day for a charter for the Memphis & Bristol Air Line company which will run from the western to the eastern limits of the state as indicated from its name.

CRY OF MEXICO, February 18.—The government has authorized the opening of the Mexican Central railway to Queretaro, 190 kilometers from this city. The government subsidizes on this road is \$9,500 per kilometre on the route from Mexico to El Paso, and \$7,000 per kilometre on the Sonora line.

SENIOR LORENZO, secretary of war, Senator Gattorno, secretary of the interior, and other ministers, will inspect the Mexican National railway, accompanied by Jas. Sullivan to San Francisco. The road has been favorably reported on by the government engineers.

PHILADELPHIA, February 19.—The Pennsylvania railroad company is preparing to open a line of its own from Chicago to Cincinnati by way of the Columbus, Chicago & Indiana Central railroad to Richmond, Ind., and then to build a line from that point to the Little Miami at Point Dennis, and then over the Little Miami to Cincinnati. This route is shorter than the present one over the Pennsylvania and Cincinnati, Toledo, Hamilton & Dayton railroads.

VANNOR'S PREDICTIONS.

MONTREAL, February 19.—Vannor predicts that from Kingston westward more snow will fall than at any time up to the present this winter; also that there will be heavy snow falls the first and last weeks in April.

INDICATIONS.

WASHINGTON, February 20.—For the lower Mississippi valley: Variable winds, stationary, or higher temperature, generally lower pressure, partly cloudy weather, with local rain on snow.

THE SOCIALISTS.

NEW YORK, February 19.—The socialists are renewing their efforts, it is said, to get control of the laboring classes of this city as a preparatory step in the execution of their talked of plan to become the strongest political power in the United States. The printed and oral reports which come from Europe concerning the proposed movement of the socialist party there, the intimate and growing relations between the socialists of New York and those of Europe, and the fact that last summer the persons connected with the Volkzeitung made desperate efforts to affiliate with the trades' unions of this city by taking charge of and attempting to adjust the labor troubles, go to show the purpose of the men in this city, who call themselves socialists. The more intelligent members of the trades' unions in New York, who are not socialists, are apprehensive that the efforts these men are making to increase their strength by coalescing with the trades' unions, will prove detrimental to the interests of the workmen in their struggle to secure what they regard as a fair return for their labor.

"ROUGH ON RATS."

The thing desired found at last. Ask drugist for "Rough on Rats." It clears out rats, mice, roaches, flies, bed bugs, 15c boxes.