

ELEVENTH YEAR.

THE NATIONAL CAPITAL.

A Number of Confirmations by the Senate Yesterday.

Among Them Being Bill Chandler and a Few Nebraska Naabys.

The House Again Spends a Day Wrestling With the Tariff Commissions.

Miscellaneous Notes of a National Character.

CONGRESS.

National Associated Press.

PROCEEDINGS IN THE SENATE.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 12.—The chair laid before the senate a memorial from the Methodist Episcopal conference of New York approving the veto of the Chinese bill.

Mr. Sewell (N. J.) presented the petition of a large number of officers of the army favoring the passage of the bill making retirement compulsory at the age of 62. Referred to committee on military affairs.

Mr. Mitchell presented the resolution of the central branch of the Irish American land league relative to Irish affairs.

Mr. Williams reported from the committee on railroads favorably the bill for the settlement of the accounts of the Mobile & Ohio railroad. The bill to provide agricultural lands for the Southern States, in lieu of lands hitherto allotted to them, passed.

Consideration of the bill for the right of way through the Choctaw nation was resumed. Mr. Vest spoke strongly in favor of the measure.

Discussion on the tariff bill continued until executive session, when confirmations were made as follows: William A. Chandler, secretary of the navy; Wm. A. Hunt, of Louisiana, minister to Russia; J. R. Partridge, of Maryland, minister to Peru; John Y. Smythe, of North Carolina, minister to Liberia; Wm. Williams, of Indiana, charge d'affaires to Paraguay and Uruguay; John S. Knox, of Minnesota, comptroller of the currency. Postmasters—John Dailley, Waverly, Ohio; Jno. Dickman, Edina, Ohio; Alfred Shaw, Nevada, Ind.; J. W. Craig, Crete, Neb.; M. Hodges, North Creek, Neb.; Anthony Rice, North Platte, Neb.; Commodore E. Pierce Crosby, rear admiral, vice Spots, dead and consequent promotion.

PROCEEDINGS IN THE HOUSE.

To-day is Mr. Kelley's sixty-ninth birthday, and his desk is covered with flowers from Philadelphia and Pittsburgh.

Adverse reports were made on the bill taxing greenbacks, and the bill establishing experimental farms in certain states.

Mr. Cox offered an amendment to the rules, dividing the river and harbor appropriation bill into two parts, one relating to coast and river in two or more states, the other to small streams. Referred to committee on rules.

Bills were favorably reported appropriating \$500,000 for the purchase of torpedoes and for torpedo experiments; abolishing prize money in the navy; and giving persons who have made entries on lands granted to railroads transfer claims to other lands.

The anti-Chinese bill, with ten years limitation, was favorably reported to prevent national banks issuing notes in excess of 90 per cent of their face value of bonds deposited when bonds are at or above par, or 90 per cent of their market value when below.

The house went into committee of the whole on the tariff question bill, Mr. Hubbell (Mich.) speaking in favor of it. He was followed by Mr. Townsend (Ohio) in favor.

Mr. Upson (Texas) spoke favoring the bill, claiming that it was the quickest method of reaching a conclusion on the tariff question. He also quoted from speeches on both sides of the house and senate, showing that the parties agreed that revision was necessary. The speech attracted considerable attention, as it was the first on the democratic side in favor of the bill.

Mr. Updegraff (Ohio) followed, in support of the bill, claiming and arguing and replying to arguments that farmers were great sufferers from the tariff, holding it to be greatly to their advantage.

Without action the committee rose and the house adjourned at 5:15 p. m.

CAPITAL NOTES.

National Associated Press.

NOMINATIONS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 12.—The following nominations were sent to the senate to-day: Geo. Mooney to be consul general to Bolivia; Wm. L. Scruggs to be consul general to the United States of Columbia; C. C. Andrews, of Minnesota, to be consul general to Rio de Janeiro, and a number of other consuls. Smith D. Atkins, postmaster at Freeport, Ill.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Democratic members of the house commerce committee say they will present a minority report on the Chinese bill. They claim that the bill as reported by the committee does away with the passport system. The Republicans hold that it does not, but that it makes it stronger.

A Republican caucus is announced for Friday evening.

Among the bills favorably reported to the house was one from the commerce committee regulating Chinese immigration. It changes the bill as formerly passed as follows: From twenty years to twelve years; strikes out the section requiring Chinese to register at custom houses and present certificates of registration of their return, and directs collectors of customs to go on board of vessels by which they go out of the country and register them in a book kept at the

THE LAND LEAGUERS.

Proceedings of the National Convention in Washington.

The Resolutions Declare Minister Lowell Has Not Attended to Business.

And Request the President to Immediately Call Him Back to This Country.

Speeches by Hon. Sunset Cox and Other Notables.

National Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, April 11.—The Irish national land league convention assembled at 11 a. m., in Lincoln hall, and appointed a committee on credentials.

Resolutions were offered by John Boyle O'Reilly and unanimously adopted. The preamble sets forth that certain American citizens are imprisoned in England, and that Minister Lowell has treated their demands for protection with supreme indifference, and that this neglect of duty on the part of Lowell prevents Americans of Irish birth visiting Ireland on legitimate business; and resolving that as the first expression of the convention they request the president to recall Lowell and appoint an American who understands the rights of his countrymen abroad and has the will, courage and dignity to maintain them, and that the president be requested to again instruct the minister at London to demand the immediate trial or unconditional release of the prisoners.

Carran, of Alabama, for the Parrel branch land league of Mobile, offered a resolution declaring for not momentary liberty for Ireland, but for eternal liberty from despotic England.

S. S. Cox made a short address and the convention adjourned to 7 p. m. At the night session addresses were made by Gen. Rosecrans and W. E. Robinson. Various committees were also appointed. A ball at Odd Fellows hall reduced the number of delegates in the convention very materially.

United States Flagship Foundered.

LONDON, April 12.—It is reported here that the United States flagship Richmond, enroute from Panama to Yokohama, foundered and went down with all on board.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 12.—The officials at the navy department say that the report of the foundering of the flagship Richmond while enroute from Panama to Yokohama is probably without foundation. The department has advice of her safe arrival at Yokohama March 1st, after a long delay caused by adverse winds.

The United States steamer Portsmouth, reported missing, arrived at Hampton roads this morning.

Prisoners Convicted at Wilber.

Special to This Day.

WILBER, Neb., April 11.—Charles Barnett, convicted of burglary of Castor's store at Wilber, was sentenced to the penitentiary for six years.

Frank Boswell pleaded guilty to horse stealing and was sentenced for three years.

Charles M. Phykert pleaded guilty to obtaining money under false pretense and was sentenced to five years.

William Ogden, convicted of robbery, was sentenced for five years.

Saline county district court adjourned this evening. There was a large civil docket. Judge A. J. Weaver presided.

The Iowa Brewers.

National Associated Press.

DES MOINES, April 12.—The State Brewers' association assembled to-day. Fifty brewing establishments are represented by sixty brewers. In addition there were present brewers from Chicago, Milwaukee and other points. Ex-Mayor Merritt made an address of welcome. M. Wing, of Chicago, read an address on the constitutional amendment. An address to the voters of Iowa was read and a series of resolutions adopted, calling upon the people to protect them in their property, which will be virtually confiscated by the adoption of the amendment.

Heavy Rain in Texas.

National Associated Press.

DALLAS, Texas, April 12.—The severest rain storm that ever visited this city burst upon us this morning. The deluge of water was terrible, immense torrents flooding the streets, overflowing the gutters and washing away obstructions. A immense body of water flooded the cellars of the Herald and wrought destruction to the contents, and penetrated the cellar of Tillman & Co.'s wholesale liquor dealers. The damage to both parties is \$25,000. Steamers pumped out the cellars.

Schooner Sunk in Lake Huron.

National Associated Press.

DETROIT, Mich., April 12.—The schooner Clayton Belle was lost at 3 o'clock this morning on Lake Huron, ten miles north of Port Huron. She was bound from St. Ignace to Erie, with a cargo of pig iron for Davenport, Fairborn & Co., of Erie, Pa., and was standing off and on waiting for a tow, when the schooner Thomas Parsons, upward bound, struck her on the quarter. The Belle sank in seven minutes in seven fathoms of water. Three of the crew, named John Dillon, Thomas Kirwin and Wm. Sullivan escaped by leaping aboard the Parsons. The others, Captain Fred. Calvin, First Mate Nat. Broth-

THE STATE CAPITAL.

The Saloon Question Again Troubling Lincoln.

Meeting of the Nebraska State Committee of Fire Underwriters.

The Illustrated Supplement to the "State Journal" Not Yet Issued.

Special Correspondence of This Day.

LINCOLN, Neb., April 12.—The Lincoln saloon licenses were renewed last night by the city council, after a warm debate. All day yesterday the saloons were kept closed, and the thirsty inhabitants went about cursing Sloumb most heartily. The city clerk here has been advertising the applications for licenses separately, and not as has been done in your city, by clubbing them together. The saloons of the city will hereafter be closed at 10 o'clock every evening. A petition was presented to the council asking that the amount of the license might be raised to \$5,000, but no action was taken on it.

The Nebraska state committee of the Missouri, Kansas and Nebraska board of fire underwriters has been in session here for the last two days, and adjourned last evening to meet in Plattsmouth, May 16. The work done by the committee included the election of officers, the reviewing of the past year's works and making arrangements for the coming season. H. E. Palmer, of Plattsmouth, was chosen president and C. E. Babcock, of Lincoln, secretary. It is stated by prominent insurance men that Nebraska is better organized, as far as fire insurance interests go, than any other state in the union. The board of underwriters for the three states named will hold its annual convention at Omaha during next August, and it will be attended by about one hundred delegates.

The State Journal's illustrated supplement of Lincoln, which was promised so confidently by the middle of January, has not made its appearance, and probably never will. J. H. Pierce, the Omaha canvasser, who came to show Lincoln people a trick or two, seems to have disappeared from public gaze, and has very likely shaken the dust of Lincoln from off his feet. Considering the generous proposition made by the Bee to get up the same thing in a good deal better shape, the citizens here do not deserve very much sympathy for getting bitten.

A. G. Hastings, deputy marshal, is a candidate for lieutenant-governor on the Grand Army and Masonic tickets. Mr. Hastings is a pretty good man and about the only objection now apparent to making him what he wants is that it will necessitate getting a new chair for the senate chamber. Mr. H. weighs 500 pounds in his stocking feet.

Speaking of candidates, Lincoln can furnish a name for every position there is to be filled. E. E. Brown another gentleman of liberal gift is spoken of occasionally for governor, while C. C. Burr is an aspirant for the ermine which has graced the shoulders of George H. Roberts and C. J. Dilworth. Mr. Burr came to Lincoln fourteen years ago as a journeyman carpenter, and is now building him a \$15,000 stone mansion here. A yearling for public honors naturally follows such a thrift.

The Present Unreasonable Cold.

The present unreasonable cold snap culminated last night in a fall of snow to the depth of one inch. Farmers hereabouts bemoan the unredemptive blasting of all prospects for fruit this season and say that the supply of apples, peaches and cherries will be absolutely nil. This would seem rather portentous were it not a fact that the fruit crop is killed off this way every spring, and yet the harder it is killed the better the yield in the fall. It is a cold day when the farmer hasn't got something to grumble about.

A lamp explosion yesterday started a cry of fire in North Lincoln, and the alarm rang for the first time in many weeks, calling the noble fire department out for duty. Half an hour later, the department, consisting of one engine, put in appearance, the fire meanwhile having died a natural death. Some diving protection rooms to be accorded Lincoln in regard to fire, there is nothing here to over stop one after it gets started. As a general thing, however, they do not average more than two alarms a year, and one of them is false. ARGUS.

Seward Items.

Correspondence of The Bee.

SEWARD, April 12.—The rains of last week and the disagreeable weather of this week has given some of our best farmers the blues. It is feared the cold weather will seriously injure fruit. I was talking with Mr. S. W. Dunbaugh, who is a practical farmer and gardener, and it is his opinion that with the exception of apples the fruit crop in this vicinity will be poor.

The weather was too nice two weeks ago to last, and those who have lived in Nebraska for some time predicted about such a spell as we have skinned milk. The amount of small grain sown is much less than any previous year. Farmers begin to realize that stock will pay much better than wheat, and since the prospect is so good for a creamery it behooves the farmers to keep as many cows as possible. When cream brings as good a price as it does from creameries, most any ordinary cow will nearly pay for itself in one season, besides the value of the calf, which can be raised on the skimmed milk. The board of trade have taken the matter in hand and there is no doubt but the necessary capital stock will be subscribed. There

Acquittal of a Jewelry Thief.

National Associated Press.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., April 12.—Jno. Butler was arrested in Chicago some three months ago charged with having robbed a jewelry store in Kansas City, Kansas, just across the line from this city. In the express office in Chicago a satchel was found containing stolen jewelry amounting to \$1,800, and Butler's person was found a key fitting the satchel. The sheriff of Wyandotte obtained a requisition for Butler, but not until after a protracted legal struggle, which made the case quite famous.

The case was argued by Pinkerton's men in Butler's defense, and, moreover, the evidence seemed to be conclusive that he was guilty of the jewelry robbery, but, nevertheless, he was to-day acquitted in the district court of Wyandotte county.

Marine Intelligence.

National Associated Press.

NEW YORK, April 12.—Sailed—The Man from Wyandotte, the Washinton for Rotterdam, the Labrador for Havre, the Parthia for Liverpool.

Arrived—The Chieftain from Rotterdam, the Rhine from Bremen.

PHILADELPHIA, April 12.—Sailed—The Illinois from Liverpool.

GLASGOW, April 12.—Arrived—The State of Pennsylvania from New York.

QUEENSTOWN, April 12.—Sailed—The Celtic from New York.

LIVERPOOL, April 12.—Arrived—The City of Montreal from New York.

HAMBURG, April 12.—Arrived—The Wieland from New York.

A Youthful Forger.

National Associated Press.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., April 12.—Robert Finney, son of an ex-representative of Wyandotte county, was arrested at Wyandotte in a series of cunning forgeries amounting to \$240. He was a messenger boy at the Missouri Pacific freight office in Wyandotte, and had been forging checks of shippers who did business.

The forgeries are said to have been remarkably clever imitations of the genuine signatures.

Gen. Fisk's Case.

National Associated Press.

NEW YORK, April 12.—Gen. Clinton B. Fisk arrived in town to-day from St. Louis, having been notified that an order for his arrest had been issued. Gen. Fisk immediately visited the city, but had nothing to say about the matter, as he did not wish to argue the case through the papers. The general went to the sheriff's office this afternoon, accompanied by counsel, and furnished bail in the sum of \$75,000.

Ex-Gov. Moses.

National Associated Press.

NEW YORK, April 12.—Ex-Gov. Franklin J. Moses, of South Carolina, was indicted to-day by the Kings county grand jury for having obtained money from Freeborn G. Smith under false pretenses.

Shipyard.

National Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, April 12.—Because of gross inefficiencies in the official report, the stenographer saying he had been out of practice for three years, and asking to be excused from going further, the Shipyard investigation adjourned until to-morrow.

Militia Called Out.

National Associated Press.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., April 12.—The militia were called out to disperse a mob of 5,000 that attempted to lynch Simon Raten, a Siberian, who shot and killed James Lansing, a hotel keeper.

Fargo Flooded.

National Associated Press.

FARGO, Dak., April 12.—The Red river is still rising. Everything along the river is submerged. The rise up to the present has been at the rate of three inches per hour. The Argus office is flooded and the printers working with rubber boots. A rise of four feet would flood Front street, the principal business thoroughfare. A large number of houses moved goods to the high ground.

Line of Steamers Taken Off.

National Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, April 12.—The Morgan line of steamers has been taken off the mail between New Orleans and Havana. Mails for Cuba will be forwarded from New York.

Socialist Immigration Agents.

National Associated Press.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., April 12.—Two delegates of the workingmen socialist society of Bremen arrived by the British Crown last night to examine and report upon the adaptability of western farming.

The Lincoln Monument.

National Associated Press.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 12.—Workmen began to-day to put the artillery group of statuary in place in the Lincoln monument. The cavalry group will be put up during the year.

are two gentlemen from Iowa who propose to manage it.

One of the small pox patients died and one other is not expected to live. The district is close quarantined and there is not much danger of it getting in town.

Last Friday evening, as Mr. Steers was going home, he was stopped just outside the corporation. He did not get it to see what was wanted, but proceeded to demonstrate his ability to run in a manner which would surprise "Parole."

During the storm last week lightning struck the building of Henry Vanderdorf, but did no more serious damage than tear off a few boards and break the glass of one window.

Seward talent will give an Old Folks' concert Monday, April 17th. It promises to be of "ye ancient" style, and I dare say one of the best entertainments given by home talent.

Messrs. Woodward & Ireland have purchased the drug store of E. Hapgood and will fit it up in first class style.

Mexican Matters.

Associated Press Dispatches.

CITY OF MEXICO, April 12.—The government has approved forty more kilometers of the Gould-Degress railroad, from Laredo south, making a total of one hundred kilometers so far approved.

A dispatch received here announces that there was a heavy earthquake on Tehuantepec isthmus, lasting for three minutes, but no damage is reported.

Adverse to Mrs. Scoville.

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Fell from a Wall.

National Associated Press.

ATLANTA, Ga., April 12.—Daniel Hurley, superintendent of the reconstruction of a brick building here, fell this evening from the top of the ruined walls, fifty feet. He will die.

Concession Granted.

National Associated Press.

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., April 12.—The striking shipwrights have gone to work at the advanced wages asked for, after being idle a day and a half.

The General Sherman.

National Associated Press.

YANKTON, Dak., April 12.—The government steamer General Sherman, twenty-two days from St. Louis, to-day passed up the river for Bismarck.

Dead.

National Associated Press.

BALTIMORE, April 12.—B. Albert Vickers, president of the National Marine bank, is dead.

Foreign News.

National Associated Press.

LONDON, April 12.—The Newmarket handicap to-day was won by Springtide; Neriad second; Maskelyne third.

Electric Transmission of Power.

National Associated Press.

Sir W. Thomson showed in his inaugural address last year to the British Association, that if it were desired to transmit 26,250 horsepower by a copper wire half an inch in diameter, from Niagara to New York 21,000 miles—the electro-motive force between the two wires must be 80,000 volts. Now, what asks Professor Ayrton, is to be done with enormous electro-motive force at the New York end of the wires!

The solution of this problem, he says, was also given by Sir W. Thomson on the same occasion, and it consists in using large numbers of accumulators. All that is necessary to do in order to subdivide this enormous electro-motive force is to keep a Faure battery of 40,000 cells always charged direct from the main current, and to apply a methodical system of removing sets of 50 and placing them on the town supply circuits, while other sets of 50 are being regularly introduced into the main circuit that is being charged. Of course this removal does not mean bodily removal of the cells, but merely disconnecting the wires. It is probable that this employment of secondary batteries will be of greater importance since it overcomes the last difficulty in the economical electric transmission of power over long distances.

Just received a car load of Nursery Stock, consisting of Evergreens, Fruit Trees, Garden Shrubs, etc. For sale very cheap, at my residence, near 16th street bridge. E. C. ERLING. apr12-wed-est&mon

LAWN MOWERS, LAWN MOWERS!

THE BEST AND CHEAPEST, at Evans' apr12-wed-est&mon

CHOW-CHOW.

Made up of Spicy Items from the Various Official Reports.

Sad, Sensational, Exhilarating and Good Reading for All.

What it Costs to Run a Lively Little City.

Accompanying the mayor's message to the city council Tuesday were reports from the heads of the various departments, several of which contain items of interest. Of these the city engineer's report has already been published in full.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

The report of Chief Engineer Galligan shows that his department includes fourteen paid men. There are ten horses owned by the city and two by the "hooks"; four engines, three in first class order, one of which is recommended to be placed on the hill road, from Laredo south, making a total of one hundred kilometers so far approved.

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