

THE NATIONAL CAPITAL.

Congress Struggling Over the Organization Preliminaries.

Several Members Not Properly Certified for Enrollment.

Mr. Carlisle is Elected Speaker and Addresses the House.

The House Adjourns Without Completing Organization—Serious and Accidents About the Capitol.

FOURTY-EIGHTH CONGRESS.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 3.—The senate was called to order by President pro tem. Edmunds. Prayer was offered and the president laid before the senate the credentials of Senator Beck to succeed himself, Palmer, Frye, and Pike to succeed Rollins. The roll was administered to Beck, Bowen, Cullom, Dolph and Ferry, whose credentials were submitted at the last session.

A recess of one hour was taken, and on reassembling the recess was extended to 3 p. m.

At 3 o'clock the senate was again called to order, but there being no prospect of a speedy completion of the house organization, it was adjourned.

In administering the oath to senators, the iron clad oath was taken by Senators Beck, Bowen, Cullom, Dolph, Frye, Hoar, McPherson, Manderson, Palmer, Pike, Plumb, Sabin, Salisbury and Wilson, the remainder taking the modified oath.

The new senators are: Pike, Kenna, Gibson, Colquhoun, Wilson, Riddleberger, Sabin, Palmer, Cullom, Manderson, Dolph and Bowen.

HOUSE.

At 12 o'clock Clerk McPherson rapped the house to order and proceeded to call the roll. Representatives of the state of Mississippi had been reached, and the clerk said he wished to make a statement as to his failure to put upon the name of any representative elected in the Second district. The reason was a paper which could be considered as a certificate of election in the sense of the law had been presented to him. Chalmers had filed four exhibits in support of this claim, but neither individually nor collectively did the exhibits afford the sufficient authority for the enrollment of Chalmers. If the governor of Mississippi has issued a certificate of election to any one, it has not been presented to the clerk. In regard to the first district of North Carolina the clerk had not received the certificate of the successor of Poole deceased.

The roll call disclosed 316 members. The nomination of a speaker being in order Mr. Carlisle said: "I nominate for speaker of this house of the forty-eighth congress Mr. Carlisle of Kentucky, a man acknowledged to be pre-eminently qualified for the place."

Mr. Cannon presented the name of Mr. Kiefer of Ohio, and Mr. Lyman the name of Mr. Kellogg of Massachusetts. Morrison, Tucker, Reed and Calkins were appointed tellers. The clerk proceeded to call the roll, and the result was as follows: Carlisle 191, Keifer 112, Secretary 2, (James and Lyman), J. S. Wise of Virginia 1, (York), Woodworth of New York 1, (Hill), Lacey of Michigan 1, (White) Kentucky 1.

The clerk declared Carlisle elected and Randall and Keifer escorted the gentleman to the chair. His entrance into the chamber was the signal for loud applause. The oath of office was administered.

Upon taking the chair, Carlisle said: Gentlemen of the house of representatives, I thank you sincerely for the high honor conferred by the vote just taken. To be chosen from the membership of a body like this to preside over its deliberations is a distinction upon which any citizen may properly congratulate himself, and I assure you your kindness is fully appreciated. At the same time I realize the fact that the position which you have assigned me is one of very great labor and responsibility, and while profoundly grateful for this manifestation of your confidence, I shall enter upon the discharge of its duties with serious distrust of my capacity to meet its requirements. I promise, however, to devote to my service all the ability and ability of which I am possessed. Gentlemen, the maintenance of order on the floor is essential; absolutely essential to the intelligent and systematic transaction of public business, and I earnestly invite your assistance in the enforcement of the rules adopted for the government of our proceedings.

The large additional membership of the house resulting from the apportionment of representatives makes this duty even more difficult than before, and without your cordial co-operation and support I cannot reasonably hope even to discharge the ordinary duties of this office. (What you will cheerfully cooperate with me in every proper effort to preserve order and facilitate the business of legislation, I have no doubt, but gentlemen I shall ask something more than mere co-operation in the discharge of my duty, assuming you of my earnest desire at all times to be just and impartial, still cannot expect to avoid mistakes, and shall be compelled therefore frequently to rely on the friendly forbearance of the gentlemen of both sides of the house.)

I am sure, gentlemen, all members of legislation presented to this congress will receive from you such careful consideration as the magnitude and character of the interests involved require, and your action upon them will be wise, conservative and patriotic. Sudden and radical changes in laws and regulations affecting commercial and industrial interest of the people ought never to be made unless demanded by some public emergency and in my opinion under existing circumstances such changes would not be favorably received by any considerable number of those who have given serious attention to the subject. [Applause.]

Many reforms are undoubtedly necessary, and it will be your duty, after careful examination of the whole subject in all its bearings, to decide how far they should extend and in what manner they should be made. [Applause.] If there be any who fear

that your action on this or any other subject will be injurious to any interest or even a reasonable cause of alarm, I am sure they will be agreeably disappointed. [Applause.]

The whole country has the right to expect a free economy in the administration of every department of the government, a just and equal taxation for public purposes, a faithful observance of the provisions of the constitution, scrupulous regard for the rights and interest of the great body of the people in order that they be protected, for congress has the power to protect them against encroachments from every direction. Whatever can be done, under the circumstances surrounding us, to meet this expectation, ought to be done in my judgment. But, gentlemen, without detaining you further, I am ready to take the oath of office, as prescribed by the constitution and laws and proceed to complete the organization of the house. [Applause.]

The iron clad oath was administered by Mr. Kelley, the oldest member in continuous service, and Speaker Carlisle called the house to order. As the states were called the representatives came forward and qualified.

When Kansas was reached, Peters, representative at large for that state, at the request of Springer was asked to step aside. Springer stated that the governor of Kansas had forwarded to him a petition signed by himself and other state officers and a large number of citizens, protesting against the admission of Peters on the ground that under the constitution and laws he was ineligible to hold office. He, however, had withdrawn his objection, and Peters took the oath.

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THE NATION'S FINANCES.

Secretary Folger's Annual Report of Revenue Receipts and Expenditures.

The Operations of the Redemption Bureau and Saving in Interest.

The National Banks and the Maintenance of Their Circulation.

Together With the Details of the Business of the Treasury Department During the Year.

WASHINGTON, December 3.—Secretary Folger, in his annual report on the condition of the finances of the United States, says: The ordinary revenues from all sources for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1883, were:

Table with 2 columns: Source of Revenue and Amount. Includes items like From customs, From sales of public lands, From tax on circulation, etc.

The ordinary expenditures for the same period were:

Table with 2 columns: Category of Expenditure and Amount. Includes items like For civil expenses, For foreign intercourse, For pensions, etc.

Two Men Killed in an Arizona Court.

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., December 3.—The Journal's Prescott, Arizona, special gives the following account of a tragical scene witnessed in a court room. Judge French, chief justice of the territory, was presiding in a case entitled Kelsey vs. McAtee, regarding a water right for irrigation purposes. In arguing the admissibility of certain evidence, Attorney General Churchill and District Attorney Ruch became very much excited, and finally came to blows. While the officers were endeavoring to restore order, McAtee, the defendant, drew a knife, rushed upon a man named Moore, 70 years old, and inflicted a mortal wound. Moore was a fatal wound, when turning on C. W. Beach, lead editor of the Prescott Miner and son-in-law of the plaintiff, Kelsey, stabbed him in the neck. He then made a rush for the court reporter and was about to plunge a knife into that individual when Mr. Beach reappeared, revolver in hand. Order was immediately restored. The old man Moore and McAtee will die. Beach will recover.

A Child Stolen by a Crank.

NEW YORK, December 3.—It is reported that Addie Brennan, the fourteen-year-old daughter of Patrick Brennan, of Astoria, L. I., has been abducted by Captain G. O. Gordon, a retired sea captain 45 years old, also living at Astoria. Gordon bears the reputation of being a crank. Addie went to school this morning and not returning at the usual hour the suspicions of the parents were aroused and it was learned that she was in the company of Gordon. They were traced to the home of a Baptist clergyman in the village, who refused to marry them. Then they were followed to Long Island City, where all traces were lost.

Extensive Swindling.

DALENS, Texas, December 3.—Joseph Lohstein, a cotton buyer, of Dallas, was brought to the city today from Sherman charged by the Texas Pacific Railway with forgery and swindling. It is claimed that his operations covered a period of \$225,000. Nine affidavits have been taken against the accused. Bail was fixed at \$1000 in each case. The county attorney says others are implicated. A shortage and startling developments are looked for. Lohstein stood well, and enjoyed the public confidence of Dallas for years.

An Abortive Lockout.

CHICAGO, December 3.—Last Friday members of the international union of cigar makers to the number of 1200 notified manufacturers in this city of their refusal to work alongside members of the progressive union, a rival organization. The manufacturers immediately signed an agreement to shut the doors this morning against the international, but only thirteen stood by the compact, and as a consequence only about 150 workmen are shut out.

The Clearing House Showing.

BOSTON, December 3.—Reports from 27 of the leading clearing houses of the United States for the week ended December 31st give total clearances of \$7,500,407,884 being a decrease of 45.4 per cent as compared with the corresponding week of last year.

Turn Wide Open.

KANSAS CITY, December 3.—Samuel Wilson, an employe of the Kansas City Milling Co., was caught in the machinery today and shockingly mangled. His left side was torn open, exposing the heart. He is in a dying condition this evening.

THE OLD WORLD.

A Wexford Mob Attack a Church and Seriously Injure the Immates.

Secret Irish Societies Vigorously Denounced by the Dublin Cardinal.

Another Plot in Spain—Europeans Fleeing Before the False Prophet.

LATEST FOREIGN NEWS.

RIOTING IN WEXFORD.

WEXFORD, December 3.—A mob last evening attacked the theater in which avenged services were being held, and attempted to burn the building. The mob took possession of the town, broke the windows of the Protestant church, and of nearly all houses occupied by Protestants. The dresses of ladies who attended the services were torn off, and several were injured severely. The mob paraded the streets several hours singing, "God Save Ireland."

Services at the theater were being conducted by Major Whittle, of Chicago. The mob made a bonfire of all the bibles and hymn books that could be found. One Protestant was attacked and carried down to the harbor, the intention of the assailants being to drown him. Some respectable Catholics interfered and saved him. Another Protestant was chased through the streets and finally sought refuge in the police barracks. He was told that the police were unable to protect him. He was seriously wounded. The police were confined to the barracks throughout the riot. The victims intend to seek compensation.

SECRET SOCIETIES DENOUNCED.

DUBLIN, December 3.—The pastoral of Cardinal McCabe strongly denounces secret societies, which it says "seem to possess a fatal charm for Irishmen, ending generally with the hangman's rope or the infamy of the informer." Father MacCartan was stoned yesterday while passing through the Orange quarters in New York.

RAUER TO EMULATE CAELEY.

A prominent invincible undergoing penal servitude offers to give important testimony against fourteen men whose trial begins to-day, for the murder of Mrs. Smythe, near Collinstown, in April, 1882.

AN INSURRECTIONARY PLOT.

BARCELONA, December 3.—An insurrectionary plot has been discovered in the garison here. Five officers have been sent to Madrid. The officers of L'Erida garison sleep in the barracks owing to rumors of a demonstration upon the French frontier.

FLEEING FROM KHARTOUM.

CAIRO, December 3.—The European population of Khartoum has taken refuge at Berber. The Egyptian government has ordered local chiefs to protect fugitives.

ALL ENDOUSE IT.

LONDON, December 3.—All the newspapers endorse the verdict in the case of O'Donnell.

Fire Record.