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THE PORK PACKERS PROTEST

They Say the St. Louis Men Testified Falsely.

A GREAT INDUSTRY SLANDERED.

Paddock's Fort Sedgwick Bill Favorably Reported—A Nebraska Land Case—The River and Harbor Bill—Washington Gossip.

WASHINGTON BUREAU THE OMAHA BEE, 513 FOURTEENTH STREET, WASHINGTON, D. C., March 26.

A favorable report, with a few amendments, was made to-day by the senate committee on public lands on Mr. Paddock's bill providing for the opening of the Fort Sedgwick military reservation in Colorado and Nebraska to actual settlers. One of the amendments strikes out the provision for the sale of the lands, and it is left for settlement only by homestead. The land is to be surveyed, sectioned, and subdivided as other lands, and offered to actual settlers under the homestead laws only. It is provided that if any person who has made permanent improvement on the land prior to the first of January, 1888—being an actual settler thereon and having exhausted his right to make homestead entry—such person or his heirs, may enter a quarter section of this land under the provisions of the homestead laws notwithstanding such prior entry. The bill appropriates \$1,500 to carry out the provisions of the act. Julesburg, Col., is located on the land in question.

GREELY AND HIS MEN.

Representative Laird introduced in the house to-day a joint resolution tendering the thanks of congress to General A. W. Greely and the members of the Arctic sea scientific expedition. Congress has not recognized the brave men who explored the northern zone and Mr. Laird thinks that this is as little as it could do for them. There is quite a general sentiment in favor of the proposition and the Nebraska delegation are especially working for it.

THE DE GERING FARM LAND CASE.

The secretary of the interior to-day took up the land case of Henry S. De Gering vs. William H. Farr, involving the priority of settlers on the southeast quarter of the northeast quarter and the south half of the northeast quarter of section 6, township 12, range 24 west, Bloomingland district, Nebraska. The local and officers rendered a joint decision in favor of Contestant De Gering, from which Farr appealed, and the commissioner of the general land office reversed the decision of the local officers and held the claimants of power, the temptation to retain public place once gained, and, more than all, the availability a party finds in an incumbent when a horde of officeholders, with a zeal born of benefits received and fostered ready to aid with money and trained political services, we recognize in the eligibility of the president for re-election a most serious danger to that calm, deliberate and intelligent political action which must characterize a government by the people.

PERSONAL.

Representative Dorsey was doing the gallant at the capitol this afternoon with a bevy of pretty Vassar girls. He was very frisky and seemed to be in high glee. Miss Knobell, of Omaha, was chattering away, Miss Kline, of New York, just returned, where she went some time ago to get a breath of fresh air. She got caught in the New England blizzard and was seven days away in a house unable to communicate with the outside world. She says that she wants a fresh breath hereafter she will go to her home in Nebraska, where there are no blizzards.

The wife of Auditor Babcock and Mrs. Mortensen, of Ford, are in the city.

PERRY S. HEATH.

NEBRASKA AND IOWA PENSIONS.

WASHINGTON, March 26.—[Special Telegram to the Bee].—Pensions were granted to the following Nebraskans to-day: Original invalid—Thomas W. Ritchie, insane. Papillion. Increase—Robert H. Miller. Broken Bow; James W. Kinkead, Omaha. Pensions for Iowans: Original invalid—Solomon Walker, Centerville; James W. Huntington, Jefferson, Restoration and reorganization—John Miller, Strawberry Point. Increase—John Fifield, Rockwell Pier, Brooklyn; George M. Custer, Marion, Dubuque; Francis Fornerod, Knoxville, Reisner—Charles B. Thompson, Knoxville; Richard H. Morgan, Newmarket; Edward Nendeck, Red Oak. Original widows, etc.—Moses W. Beard, Elkhorn, (one son in Kansas). Mexican survivors—Robert Harper, Fairfield; Henry Goebesbeck, Afton.

THE LATE CHIEF JUSTICE.

WASHINGTON, March 26.—About forty members of the bar of the supreme court assembled in the court room this morning pursuant to a call, and adopted a resolution to postpone the trial of the Chief Justice Waite, next Wednesday, in a body. A committee of seven was appointed to prepare resolutions in reference to the death and life, character and services of the chief justice, to be presented at a future meeting, as follows: Attorney-General Garfield; Edmund G. Ross, of the bar; and Sherubarber and Ashton, of the district bar. The meeting then adjourned.

LELAND'S LAST APPEAL.

WASHINGTON, March 26.—Senator Stanford to-day submitted a long address to the senate special committee in charge of the Pacific railway commissioners' report. In conclusion Senator Stanford said he desired the committee to call, and adopt a resolution to the effect that the chief justice, to whom he had frequently done so himself, that he had frequently done so himself. That smothered hogs, pigs sows, boars and stags were also slaughtered and sold as wholesale food. He was sweeping charges of this kind and some in some cases giving them to the hard refiners who are guilty of this horrid crime. The dispatches this afternoon published here announce that numerous damage suits have been and will be filed against Hartlett and prominence, and that a Kansas City firm would prosecute him for perjury. Procedure for perjury cannot be taken against Hartlett, as his statements were not under oath, but there is no doubt that he will have much trouble with civil suits if he does not substantiate his charges, which he declares can do.

AS I ANTICIPATED SOME TIME AGO, THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN FIGHTING TO HAVE A LAW TO TAX HARD LARD AND STAGS, IF IT WERE THE MINUTE TO DESTROY THEM, ARE FORCING THE HARD LARD REFINERS WHO ARE FIGHTING THE BILL TO BRING TESTIMONY WHICH WILL NOT ONLY RUIN THE PORK EXPORT TRADE, BUT BREAK DOWN THE PRIME STEAM LARD MANUFACTURE FOR DOMESTIC AS WELL AS EXPORT PURPOSES.

A lot of telegrams were to-day received by the committee of the house committee on agriculture from the packers throughout the country denouncing the statements of Hartlett as false and highly damaging to their trade. It is to be noted that the committee in question is one William G. Bartlett of St. Louis, who has been a pork packer for forty years and who, until recently, was a member of one of the prominent pork packing firms of the metropolis of Missouri. On Feb. 1st Mr. Bartlett, who is over sixty years of age, gave some very strong and definite testimony that it was a common thing, not only with the pork packers at Kansas City and St. Louis, but all cities in the country to slaughter cholera and other diseased hogs as well as whole hogs, and that he did not believe that it was universal, and that he had frequently done so himself. That smothered hogs, pigs sows, boars and stags were also slaughtered and sold as wholesale food. He was sweeping charges of this kind and some in some cases giving them to the hard refiners who are guilty of this horrid crime. The dispatches this afternoon published here announce that numerous damage suits have been and will be filed against Hartlett and prominence, and that a Kansas City firm would prosecute him for perjury. Procedure for perjury cannot be taken against Hartlett, as his statements were not under oath, but there is no doubt that he will have much trouble with civil suits if he does not substantiate his charges, which he declares can do.

NATIONAL CAPITAL NOTES.

WASHINGTON, March 26.—Indian Agent Gregory continued his testimony to-day. His principal reason for trying to remove the Callican brothers from the reservation was that they charged too much for supplies and offered him \$1,500 for the privilege. Gregory said he was in no way connected with the Superior Lumber company.

Mr. E. C. St. John, who presented a bill in the house to amend the inter-state commerce law so as to prevent railroads from bringing into the state articles which roads within the same state are not permitted to transport.

SENATE CONFIRMATIONS.

WASHINGTON, March 26.—The senate to-day made the following confirmations: S. M. Stockslager, commissioner of the general land office; Thomas J. Anderson, assistant commissioner of the general land offices.

REFINED LARD.

WASHINGTON, March 26.—Carl Dreier, of Chicago, was cross-examined to-morrow in regard to the manufacture of refined lard, but nothing of importance was elicited.

THE ELGIN BUTTER MARKET.

ELGIN, Ill., March 26.—Butter opened at 28c and rose to 30c, though most of the sales were made at 30c. The market is firm,

GOSCHEN AND THE BUDGET.

The English Chancellor Introduces the Measure.

FOREIGN STOCKS TO BE TAXED.

Bonds and Other Securities Not Having a British Mark Upon Them Will Be Dropped Upon Heavily.

ENGLAND'S FINANCES.

LONDON, March 26.—Goschen, chancellor of the exchequer, introduced the budget in the commons to-night. He spoke for four hours, explaining the details and the proposal. In summing up he said the excess of revenues over the estimate added to the saving in expenditures, gave a total realized surplus of £2,165,000, the greatest since 1874. He had begun the year with a balance on hand of £5,950,000 and ended it with a balance of £7,483,000.

Coming to the financial side, he said they had been a question between him and Representative Grosvenor, who is one of Mr. Sherman's most ardent supporters. General Foraker might affect this convention as Garfield did and carry it for himself while speaking for "his friend." Mr. Sherman and all his friends earnestly disclaim any such apprehension, but at the same time it is practical to assume that he would be.

The government proposed to meet expenditures for fortification posts and coaling stations by raising a yearly loan of £3,300,000 on the revenue derived from Suez canal shares, thus avoiding placing the slightest burden on taxpayers to meet the imperial measure. Goschen said he had used £1,000,000 at once reducing the income tax and increasing the duty on wine.

In reply to criticism Goschen admitted that the budget didn't rival the great budget of Gladstone, but said it was at present impossible to further reduce the tax or reduce duties on imports. A reduction increasing the duty on wine was then adopted.

A PARLIAMENTARY REVIEW.

LONDON, March 26.—[New York Herald Cable—Special to the Bee].—The state budget will be the last parliamentary event of any importance before Easter. The house is quite ready to rest, and it was very significantly intimated to all concerned by the count out on Friday evening. Gladstonian and tory whips laid their heads together, and agreed that after the perpetual pensions discussions and a little general business the main forces on both sides should be withdrawn from the house. The Irish members were quite agreeable, for they were not interested in pressing on any bill. There had been a great stampede at dinner time. Quite enough members were about to keep the house going. Suddenly the electric bell went off, and we who were at dinner or otherwise employed, thought it was just as well not to answer its summons, for in a few minutes it sounded again, and that was a sign that the house had adjourned for want of forty members being present. Such a stroke of luck before 8 o'clock has not happened to the speaker and officials for two years past. The meaning of this was that our nerves were rather tired up and the tories especially need rest. They have been dragged along lately at a rate which has left some of them half dazed. They began in their hearts to dread their own leaders more than Mr. Gladstone. The old man indeed is making himself so very charming all round that if he would only drop home rule there are many tones who would be inclined to vote for him as a safer conservative than any. This firebrand ministry now in office, power, place and high salaries, may have attractions for those who enjoy them, but the bulk of either party only stand by and look on. They got nothing by their leaders being in office, unless their principles are defended. To most radicals it looks as if Lord Salisbury were allowed to remain prime minister solely on condition of carrying radical measures. Every relic post is being swept away. The local government is the bitterest mortal enemy offered by a tory leader to his followers. They will bolt it down somehow, but there are few who make any pretense at taking it. They can eat boiled crow, but they don't hanker after it yet. It is the only tory dish offered them now. Let any one old conservative gentleman whose last privileges were being swept from him, who loses every local political advantage that properly can confer, and he is glad to give up the necessities of life. Dared not to be a tory leader to his followers. He is the bitterest mortal enemy offered by a tory leader to his followers. They will bolt it down somehow, but there are few who make any pretense at taking it. They can eat boiled crow, but they don't hanker after it yet. It is the only tory dish offered them now. 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