

# Advance Display of New Satin Striped Senate Agrees to Ballot on Hay-Pauncefote Treaty on Thursday. SENATOR LODGE GAINS LONG SOUGHT END Money of Mississippi Declares that

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.-Representative

the rivers and harbors committee to give

reservoirs and the storage of waters in the

Lawshe Goes to Philippines.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 .- A. L. Lawshe

deputy auditor for the postoffice depart

Suspected of Lying to Uncle Sam.

land office in this city, from the general

have been made, which have kept the land

office very busy. Of late, some of the home-

stead owners have become more or less

dishonest in their representations of im-

provements. Special Agent Green has made

lent claims and he has indicted fourteen

men to appear before the next term of

Normal at Spearfish Has Needs.

SPEARFISH, S. D., Dec. 17,-(Special.)

The attendance at the Spearfish Normal

nished. It is the desire of the president of

the school to complete the furnishings and

put in an electric light plant for all of the

buildings. Near the Normal is a large

frame building, which will probable be

the desire of the school management to

start a dairy. President Cook gathers sev-

eral thousand dollars worth of small fruit

Powder, Dynamite, Gas and a Cave-In-

KEMMERER, Wyo., Dec. 17 .- (Special.)-

Andrew Macki and a companion were seri-

ously injured by the explosion of a keg of

Alfonso Jackson, who recently arrived

Mike Lonahan, an employe of the Utah

Construction company, while working on

seriously hurt by the explosion of a stick

of dynamite yesterday. Both hands were

A cave-in at the new Union Pacific mine

blown off and he was injured internally.

John Swanson and Peter Johnson, miners.

Has an Eye on the Big Horn.

GUERNSEY, Wyo., Dec. 17 .- (Special.)

around a bit left for the Big Horn basin. A

on a surveying trip and from remarks

dropped by others of the party it is be-

lieved the Union Pacific intends to survey

north and south line from the Big Horn

basin to its main line in southern Wyom-

ing. The Big Horn basin is being settled

up rapidly and in a few years will be one

of the wealthiest sections of the state, as

well as the most thickly populated and the

Union Pacific wishes to get in on the ground

Wyoming Miner's Find.

THERMOPOLIS, Wyo., Dec. 17 .- (Spe-

cial.)-J. W. Barr, owner of a mine in the

Kirwin district, recently sent samples of

the ore to a Denver assayer. The following

return has been received: Gold, \$3,050.98;

copper, \$102.01, and silver, \$4.17. Mr. Barr

will send samples of the ore to other as-

sayers. It has long been known that valu-

Third Party is Only One Hurt.

NEWCASTLE, Wyo., Dec. 17 .- (Special.)

-A shooting affray occurred at a tie camp

a shot at him. Shane struck Paxton a

was arrested and brought to Newcastle.

camp at once.

in bed at Frontier a few days ago. Jackson

each season from the school grounds

powder in mine No. 1 yesterday.

took an overdose of laudanum.

federal court in Deadwood.

careful inspection of some of the fraudu-

RAPID CITY, S. D., Dec. 17 .- (Special.)-

tion or reclamation of arid lands

Philippine islands.

the constitution, securing the right of trial fact as a basis for declining to pay at by jury, applies to judicial proceedings in present. the territories.

The other chief points advanced in be-

half of the appellant were: The treaty of Paris is not open to the construction that it provides for the governing of Porto Rico without regard to constitutional limitations and as a country foreign to the United States. If it were possi- public lands within reach of the stored ble to place that construction upon the treaty the provision would be void as contrary to the constitution, but this would not in any way prevent or affect the accomplishment of the usual results of an-

"If the tariff act imposes a duty or tax a hearing regarding the construction of upon goods brought from Porto Rico to a place elsewhere in the United States after arid region, but he has been informed by the annexation the imposition is void as the chairman that the committee will not being in conflict with an express provi- consider any legislation relating to irrigasion of the constitution

"When the treaty of Paris took effect Porto Rico ceased to be 'a foreign country' within the meaning of those words as used in the tariff act."

Mr. Perkins' argument was in progress when, at 4:30 p. m., the court adjourned until tomorrow, when Mr. Perkins will con tinue and the other counsel will be heard. The five hours on each side which the court has allowed will extend the hearing through tomorrow and part of next day if all the time is occupied.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 .- Chief Justice Fuller today advanced a number of cases involving the relation between the United States and Porto Rico, so as to be heard with the Dilema case in which this question is at issue. The Dilema case is set for January 7 and will be argued by former Secretary Carlisle. It was at his instance that three of the cases were today advanced. Two of the cases so advanced are in the name of Dooley, Smith & Co., and both come from the circuit court for the southern district of New York. In one case the action is brought to recover money exaced from them upon merchandise taken from New York to Porto Rico, between the date of the ratification of the Paris treaty and the enactment of the Porto Rican civil government act. In the other case the duties were collected after the Porto Rican law was enacted. A third case is that of Carles Armstrong, coming from the court of claims and also involving the same general question, and still another, that of Samuel B. Downs. In the last-named case Frederick Coudert, jr., appears as counsel.

#### TURK TO HAVE FRESH EXCUSE State Department Fears British Claims

Are to Be Pushed at Expense of Our Own. WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 .- Captain Chester

cabled the Navy department today from Smyrna notice of the departure of the Kentucky for Port Said on the way to Ma-

It is apprehended at the State department that the reported intention of Great Britain to press at this moment for a settlement of the claims of her citizens against Turkey will have a disastrous effect upon our own negotiations in the interests of the American missions. The State department never has been officially informed that the Turkish government has arranged to pay our claims, although the British action is said to be predicated upon a belief that our claims had been settled. The greatest obstacle that the State department has encountered in the effort to collect our own claims was the vast accumulation of European claims against Turkey, leading the government of the latter country to plead that it could not pay our claims without paying the others, which would be utterly impossible. The British claims are said to be many fold larger than our own, and if they are to be pressed now, before our own claims are collected, it is feared that the Turkish government will use the

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Senate Agrees to Ballot on Hay-Pauncefote

SENATOR LODGE GAINS LONG SOUGHT END all the natural rights of the nation.

the Conditions which Inspired Clayton-Bulwer Pact Do Not Now Obtain.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.-The senate was mainder of the legislative day being spent in executive session upon the Hay-Paunce

The Montana senatorial case was brought again to the attention of the senate by an committee on privileges and elections, as to whether the committee on contingent expenses was ready to report back the resolution authorizing the committee on privileges and elections to send for persons and papers in the investigation of the right of W. A. Clark and Martin Maginnis

to a seat in the senate. Mr. Gallinger of New Hampshire explained that no action had been taken by the committee because of the absence of the chairman Mr. Jones of Nevada, and also Mr. Jones of Arkansas.

Mr. Chandler said he thought the senate had a right to an early report from the committee and said he would be glad to know what had influenced members of the committee to delay action.

This aroused Mr. Jones of Arkansas, who questioned the right of any senator to demand the reasons which might influence the action of a member of any committee. He could not understand why Mr. Chandler should seek to punish him and intimated that Mr. Chandler must have some personal interest in the resolution.

Mr. Chandler said there was no use for the members of the committee on contingent expense to put on any disguises. was perfectly evident that no such treat ment had ever before been given a resolution of the character of that pending. The matter finally went over.

Mr. Money of Massachusetts, speaking to a question of personal privilege, directed Newlands today introduced a bill for the the senate's attention to a newspaper pubconstruction of reservoirs for the storage lication of today in which the statement of water on the Humbolt river in Nevada was made that a combination of senators and for the disposition and settlement of had been formed to press certain claims now pending before the senate. The publication asserted that the combination has Mr. Newlands expects to follow it up determined upon the passage of those by other bills similar in character and reclaims, even though an extra session of lating to the Truckee, Carson and Walker congress was forced in the effort. rivers. He has requested the chairman of

Mr. Money declared that, so far as knew, no such combination existed. never had heard of such a combination and was satisfied there was no desire on his side of the chamber to press claims beyond their merits. He disclaimed any intention to delay action upon any measure pending before the senate.

At 1:20 p. m., on motion of Mr. Lodge of Massachusetts the senate went into executive session to resume consideration of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty.

ment, has been appointed auditor for the Agree to Vote on Treaty. WYOMING AND SOUTH DAKOTA

Just before adjourning late this afternoon the senate gave its consent to the fixing of definite time to vote upon the Hay-Pauncefote treaty. Senators Money and Mason had occupied the time of the executive session in making speeches on the instructions have been received at the local treaty and when Mr Mason, who was the last speaker, concluded, Senator Lodge reland commissioner at Washington, to stop newed his request to take a vote next receiving homestead entries on the Black Hills' forest reserve after the ninety days limit. For some time past the government has allowed owners of homesteads in the voting shall be on the amendments at 3 and telephone lines and highways across forest reserve to turn them in, providing o'clock and that the senate shall continue a certain amount of improvements had been in session until the first vote on the treaty made, in return for which they received itself is reached. government script. A great many entries

Money Unalterably Opposed to Treaty. Senator Money's speech was a flat protest against the entire proceeding in con nection with the treaty. He talked for two hours, contending for the right of the United States to act in this matter independently of other nations. He said that conditions had changed greatly since 1850. when the Clayton-Bulwer treaty was made and added that while the interest of Great Britain in constructing a canal across the been diminished greatly because of the conthis winter is larger than it has been struction of the Suez canal, the interest has asked for an appropriation of \$17,000 had been varily enhanced because of growthe institution. Last year there was com- demanded the United States should not forpleted a ladies' dormitory at a cost of tify the proposed isthmian canal she herabout \$25,000, which was not entirely fur- self had fortifications, which practically tracts from speeches by Stephen A. Douglas, Secretary Freelinghuysen and Secretary Biaine, the last mentioned in his instruction to Minister Lowell, in support of his He called attention to the fact purchased for a boys' dormitory. It is also that the Hepburn bill provides explicitly for the defense of the canal and he asserted that the treaty should be defeated

and the canal bill passed in its stead. Mason Argues for Right to Defend. Senator Mason spoke in support of his suggested amendment authorizing the United States to defend the canal as it may deem proper in case it constructs the canal. He presented the arguments in support of our right to defend the waterway in conhere from Salt Lake City, was found dead cise and forcible terms, and received care ful attention. He corrected at the outse the impression that in his effort to have the treaty amended he is seeking to antagonize the administration. Nothing, he said, the grade of the Wyoming & Western, was was further from his thought, because he believed that in this, as in all other matters, the adminstration had been entirely patriotic. His difference of view was due, he said, to a different conception of the here vesterday resulted in the injury of way to reach a common end, that common

end being the welfare of the American people. He then proceeded to make his argument for the right to defend the canal in A large party of Union Pacific engineers case this country constructs it with its own was here yesterday and after looking money. He declared that the present insance furnishes the first precedent of a the Navy department that a serious loss defend a great public work, the construcmatter. At the same time he said he would have it understood that he was not ac- pense in time and money. tuated in his position by any hostile feeling toward Great Britain, for, while he considered that country in the "sere and yellow leaf." he thought that we should deal with it as we would with either the weakest nation or the strongest. In other words, he said, our dealings should be on

the plane of justice and the manly asserting of our own rights. Rights Under International Usage. Mr. Mason said there was and could be no contention over the question of right of a nation to defend itself and its

citizens and property and he argued that trict and if it runs as rich as the samples concession of the right to make precauwe the right as a nation to crect fortifica- | year. tions as a means of defense, but we have the right, according to international usage, to enter a neutral or friendly territory and there make assault if need be. This point near Merino Friday night. It is alleged he supported by the citation of authorities, that David Paxton had trouble with E. T. among others the case of the steamer Car-Shane. Paxton is said to have gone to the olina, apprehended by British forces

home of Shane and called him out to take American waters in 1838. If the United States should construct the blow in the face as the latter fired, and the canal at its own cost, he said, it would bullet hit a man named Ayers. Paxton have the neutral right to defend it, subject only to its treaties with Costs Rica and | 25 cents.

FIXES TIME TO TAKE A VOTE Significant of defense is more definitely fixed under international law than under the Clayton-Bulwer treaty and said that our rights would be much stronger if the canal were built by the nation as such than if constructed by private enterprise, even though the enterprise be American. In conclusion he urged the senate to protect

### FIND NO REASON FOR DELAY

State Department is at a Loss to Account for Tardiness of Great Britain's Action.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 .- Such reports as the State department has had from Mr. Conger up to the present time fail to develop a satisfactory reason for the insistence of the British government upon amending the Pekin agreement on the one hand or for the hesitation of the foreign ministers in accoding to the amendment on any sense material. As already stated, it appears on its face to be nothing more than the elimination of an explanatory phrase, which in no degree affects the action proposed in the section of the agreement to which the amendment applies; thus the action is left to stand by itself without a statement of reason which would not even qualify or limit the action, which in this case relates to the punishment of the Boxer leaders. Consequently it is believed here that this disagreement will be merely temporary and the most serious consquence that can ensue is an annoying delay at a moment when the worst phase of the negotiations seems to have safely

A long instruction was sent to Minister Conger this afternoon, informing him fully as to his course. He had already been authorized to sign the agreement and it is said that this fresh instruction will so clear the way of obstacles at Pekin as to make it probable that all of the signatures of the ministers can be affixed at once. This statement even includes the British minister. Sir Ernest Satow, who has been the last to come forward

## INDIAN APPROPRIATION BILL

Is Completed by House Committee and Chairman Sheeman Expects to Get It Through Soon.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 .- The Indian appropriation bill was completed today by the house committee on Indian affairs. It carries something over \$9,000,000, the exact aggregate not yet being determined. The number of Indian agencies is reduced from fifty-two to forty-four, those being omitted being the Lembi, Idaho; Neah Bay, Washington; Nevada, Nevada; Quapaw, Indian Territory; Sac and Fox, Iowa; Silitz, Oregon: Sisseton, South Dakota; Tulalip, Washington,

The estimates for various tribes are closely followed, but \$5,000 additional is given to the Kiobebs and Shebets of Utah. Provision is made that no police officer or other government official in the Indian Territory shall expel anyone from the territory for the collection of taxes except in connection with leases and royalties. The clerks of the United States court in the Indian Territory are allowed to retain all fees other than those in criminal, civil, probate and chancery cases, the clerks to pay their own clerk hire and necessary expenses. The estimates made no provision for contract Indian schools, but \$20,000 is allowed for the Hampton (Va.) school, as this is not considered a sectarian school. An additional \$11,000 for the Salem (Ore.) school for an electric light and steam heating plant is provided.

Two sections are added to the bill, one providing for the maintenance of telegraph Indian lands and reservations and another to allow the Silitz Indians of Oregon to sell or lease a portion of their reservation. Chairman Sherman expects to pass the bill before the holiday recess.

United States Refuses to Assist in the Collection of \$2,500,000 Claim Against Cuba.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.-The State department has rendered an opinion to the isthmus and maintaining its neutrality has effect that the United States government cannot decide in favor of Porto Rico in the matter of her claim against Cuba for \$2,since the school opened. President Cook of the United States in an isthmian canal 500,000. The Spanish government raised a loan to this amount from the Porto Ricans per year for the maintenance of the ing trade and our new acquired possessions to help prosecute military operations in school and \$12,000 for improvements about in the Orient. He said that while England Cuba, basing the loan upon the revenues of the latter island.

In substance the decision of the United Etates government is to the effect, that control the Suez canal. He read copious ex- leaving aside the question of equity in this case, to sanction the collection of this claim against Cuba now would be to open the door to numberless other larger claims, which would exhaust the financial resources of the island.

It is known to the authorities that mosof the claims sought to be included in the treaty of peace at Paris, but resolutely excluded by the United States commissioners, are not regarded by the claimants as dead by any means, but are simply held in abeyance to be presented and enforced by the full power of foreign governments if 51 to 105. they can be evoked by the claimants as soon as the United States control of the island ceases.

Captain Steedman Disciplined. WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Captain Richard R. Steedman, Eleventh infantry, was tried by a general court-martial, of which Lieutenant Colonel Charles L. Davis, Eleventh infantry, was president, at San Juan, Porto Rico, on a charge of "conduct unbecoming an officer and a gentleman."

The court found him guilty of conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline and sentenced him to be reprimanded in general orders and reduced in rank fifty numbers on the list of captains on infantry.

Navy's Loss Serious. WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.-It is said at

member of the party said they were going great nation's being asked to agree not to has been suffered by the navy in the fire at the Norfolk navy yard yesterday. The tion of which it is contemplating. He did money loss is of secondary importance, not consider that Great Britain should un- The fire destroyed valuable records that dertake to say what we should do in the canot be replaced and many necessary plans which can only be replaced at much ex-

President May Go to San Francisco. WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 .- President Scott of the Union Iron works, San Francisco, the builders of the new battleship Ohlo, saw the president today and received his assurance that if nothing occurred to prevent he would go to San Francisco some time next May to witness the launching of the big vessel. The exact date had not been statement, asserting that before the public decided upon.

Military Academy Appropriation WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 .- The West Point military academy appropriation bill was able ore is to be found in the Kirwin dis- the recognition of this right must enforce reported to the house today. It carries \$699,151, which is \$346,598 below the estisent to Deaver there will be a rush to the tionary defense. Not only, he argued, have mates, and slightly above the bill of last

Reorganization Bill Referred. WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 .- The senate committee on military affairs today referred the the United States navy. Mr. Littlefield army reorganization bill to a subcommittee consisting of Senators Hawley, Proctor, Sewell, Cockrell and Harr's.

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## VETERAN MUST TAKE CHANCE

House Refuses to Sanction Policy of Preferring Soldiers for Office.

BOUTELLE RETIRED AS NAVY CAPTAIN

Other Business Transacted Included Appointment of Committee to Take Up Boundary Dispute Between Texas and Oklahoma.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 .- Under suspension of the rules today the house passed bills to divide Kentucky and West Virginia into two judicial districts, to create another district judge in the northern district of Ohio and to refer to the secretary of the interior for investigation the claim of the state of Texas for moneys expended inquiry of Mr. Chandler, chairman of the the other. A close perusal of the British on public improvements in Greer county suggestion still fails to show that it is in before the decision of the supreme court placed it within the jurisdiction of Oklahoma. An attempt was made to pass a bill to give soldiers and sailors of the civil war, the Spanish war and the war in the Philippines preference in the matter of appointment to and retention in positions in the executive departments of the government, but it aroused opposition on the ground that it would practically shut out of the government employ for years to come all civilians and was overwhelmingly defeated. One hundred and two private pension bills were passed. Just before the house adjourned Mr. Littlefield of Maine asked upanimous consent for the consideration of a bill to place Representative Charles A. Boutelle of Maine on the retired list as a captain in the navy. Mr. Boutelle having been in the navy during the civil war. Mr. Littlefield said that Mr. Boutelle's condition was such that he undoubtedly would resign. The condition of the Maine representative was well known to the representatives and although some of them were inclined to protest against the proposed leg islation as establishing a dangerous prece dent, no objection was made and the bill was passed

Debate on Veteran Bill. Mr. Hepburn of Iowa asked if it would be in order to move an amendment to strike out that portion of the bill giving preference to war veterans, providing that "per sons thus preferred shall not be removed except for cause, upon charges and after a hearing."

The speaker replied that it would not Mr. Bromwell explained that the bill as originally introduced was the bill prepared by the Grand Army of the Republic. It simply extended the provisions of the ex isting law giving preference to honorably discharged soldiers and sailors of the civil war, maimed or suffering physical impairment, to all soldiers honorably discharged The committee had further extended it to the veterans of the war with Spain and of the war in the Philippines.

Mr. Richardson asked why the soldiers of the Mexican war were not included. In this era of good feeling why not include the soldiers and sailors of all wars?

Bromwell Protests Strongly. Mr. Bromwell replied that there was less reason for including the soldiers of the Mexican war now than when the original bill was passed. Mr. Gillett of Massachu-

setts, chairman of the civil service committee, protested vigorously against the bill. He said that it was vicious, although drawn, doubtless, with good intentions It would, he declared, practically shut out civilians from government service for years to come. It would place at the top of the preferential list all the soldiers and sailors of the war with Spain, regular and vol-The nteer alike amounting to 200,000 10,000 now in the service and the 35,000 who would soon be enlisted under the army reorganization bill. It, therefore, would give preference to 350,000 men and for several years would keep civilians off the rolls The regulars, he said, were not enlisted to be in a preferential class. The soldiers of the civil war enlisted as a sacred duty SETBACK FOR PORTO RICO The regulars did not enlist for the same reason. Many of them went into the army

> them with preference for appointment in the civil service? BIII Overwhelmingly Defeated. Mr. Hepburn of lowa also opposed the bill on the ground that it made an appoint

because they liked the service. Why should

they go to the top of the list? They were

rewarded with pensions; why also reward

ment a vested right. Mr. Grosvenor of Ohio took the same pe

Mr. Sulzer of New York supported the measure, which he said had been asked for

by every Grand Army of the Republic man in the country. Mr. McCail of Massachussetts opposed the in Omaha. bill because, he said, it would create a military caste. The soldiers fought to maintain a free government, the fundamental principle of which was equality before the law. He believed that the soldiers of the country were entitled to the most liberal treatment, but the government service

the intelligence of the soldiers to give them this preference. Mr. Fowler of New Jersey also opposed the bill

On a rising vote the bill was defeated-

An urgent defliciency bill carrying \$182, 500 for contingent expenses of the house of representatives, Indian affairs, District of Columbia and the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers was passed. Bills were passed to divide the states of

West Virginia and Kentucky, each into two judicial districts.

The senate bill to provide for an additional district judge for the northern district of Ohio was passed. It is dessigned to relive from duty Judge Ricks, who has been incorrectional for some linear selection of the course is made without cutting or pain. The cure is quick and complete.

incapacitated for some time. Texas Wants Boundary Fixed.

Mr. Lanham of Texas moved the passage under suspension of the rules of a bill to authorize the secretary of the interior to fix the boundary between Texas and Oklahoma and to inquire into the claim of the state of Texas for moneys expended while Greer county was a part of Texas. Mr. Payne of New York opposed the bill, claiming that Texas had reaped benefits from Greer county by the sale of public

valid claim for the public improvements made during that period. Mr. Ray of New York, chairman of the judiciary committee, denied that Texas ever had received a penny for the public lands of Greer county. The object of the bill was simply to have the secretary of the interior investigate the facts and report them

lands, etc., while Texas was exercising

jurisdiction over it and the state had no

to congress. Mr. Lacey of lowa controverted Mr. Ray's lands committee Judge Browne, representing the settlers in Greer county, had stated that they had agreed to pay the state of Texas \$2 per acre. The bill was passed,

Boutelle Retired as Navy Captain. The house then passed 103 private pension bills and then, on motion of Mr. Littlefield of Maine, passed a joint resolution to place Representative Charles A. Boutelle of Maine on the retired list as a captain in said there was no exact parallel to Mr.

Boutelle, but there were eight instances in which congress had placed officers on the retired list of the army and pays. Mr. Williams of Illinois asked If Mr. Boutelle had not been re-elected to the

Mr. Littlefield replied that he had, but

that his condition had taken an unfavorable turn and that it would be impossible for him to serve. He said Mr. Boutelle undoubt-

edly would resign. Mr. Underwood of Alabama said he was opposed to the principle involved in the bill, but he would not object. The house then at 5:15 p. m., adjourned.

ports Against Any Increase in Membership.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 .- The house com-

mittee on census, by a vote of 7 to 6, agreed

to report the Hopkins reapportionment bill,

leaving the total membership of the house at 357, as at present, and rearranging a numi ber of state delegations. The bill will not be taken up until after the holidays. The only change in the bill was an amendment requiring that the several congressional districts of the several states should be composed of "contiguous and compact territory. The purpose of the amendment to prevent gerrymandering. Under the till the following states will lose one rep resentative each; Indiana, Kansas, Ken tucky, Maine, Nebraska, Ohio, South Car-

olina and Virginia. The following will gain one each: Illi nois, Louisiana, Minnesota, New Jersey New York and West Virginia. Texas will gain two representatives.

Based upon present political divisions neither party will gain advantage from the new reapportionment proposed in the bill. The republicans will gain five and lese five and the democrats will gain three and lose three. The basis of representation will be one for each 208,868 inhabitants By the terms of the agreement made in the committee the bill will not be taken up until after the holidays. The vote upo reporting the bill was:

Ayes - Hopkins, Babcock, Brownlow, McDowell, Ryan and Kluttz. Nays-Russell, Heatwole, Crumpacker, Burleigh, Griffith and Wilson of South Car-

Nominates for Army and Navy. WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 .- The president today sent the following nominations to the

senate: Army-Lieutenant Colonel John J. Clague assistant commissary general, to be assistant commissary general, with rank of colonel; Major William Alexander, commissary, to be assistant commissary general with rank of lieutenant colonel; Captain George B. Davis, commissary, to be commissary, with rank of major; First Sergeant Ralph W. Jones, Company H. Fortyfourth United States volunteers, to be sec ond lieutenant.

Navy-Past Assistant Surgeon George H Barber, to be surgeon; Samuel Sayre Bodman of Kentucky, to be an assistant surgeon; John Mosley Brister of Pennsylvania, to be an assistant surgeon.

Litigants Must Give Full Names. WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 .- The chief juntice of the United States supreme court announced today that the court will take a recess from next Monday until Monday, January 7. The court also announced change in its rules so as to require that in all processes of that court and other United States courts, the Christian names as well as the surnames of persons shall be used. This order is intended to prevent the use of initials, which often causes cor fusion.

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