

HOUSE NONCONCURS

Postoffice Appropriation Bill to Be Referred to a Conference.

MR. MANTLE DISCUSSES SILVER.

Leaders of Labor Organizations Protest Against the Treatment of Machinists in Navvards—New Mexico Statehood Bill Will Be Favorably Reported—Bill to Admit Arizona Postponed.

WASHINGTON, April 10.—The house yesterday, after debating the bill to abolish compulsory pilotage on sailing vessels engaged in the coastwise trade, defeated the measure by a large majority, 57 to 117. The District of Columbia appropriation bill, which was referred early in March after a protracted fight against appropriations for private and sectarian charitable institutions, was brought into the house with the specific appropriations stricken out and containing in lieu thereof an appropriation of a lump sum for charities to be expended under the direction of the district commissioners, with the proviso that no part of the appropriation should go to institutions in ecclesiastical or sectarian control. The feature of the debate was a vigorous attack on the A. P. A. by Mr. Fitzgerald (Dem., Mass.).

The house nonconcurred in the Senate amendments to the postoffice appropriation bill and agreed to a conference. Messrs. Ladd (Rep., Cal.), Smith (Rep., Ills.) and Kyle (Dem., Miss.) were appointed conferees.

A resolution was adopted calling on Secretary Olney for information relative to any efforts made by the government to secure the liberation of Mrs. Maybrick, now confined in an English prison under life sentence for poisoning her husband.

TARIFF SILVER BILL

Mr. Mantle Says the Dingley Bill Is Not a Patriotic Measure.

WASHINGTON, April 10.—After being in retirement for some weeks the tariff silver bill was brought forward in the Senate yesterday as a text for a speech by Mr. Mantle of Montana, one of the



SENATOR MANTLE.

Five Republican senators who voted against considering the tariff. Mr. Mantle defended the course of the silver Republican senators, declaring that the Dingley bill was not framed as a patriotic measure. He urged that international protection should be linked with bimetallism. A sharp tariff colloquy followed between Senators Mills, Hoar, Hawley and Mitchell, as to the effect of the Wilson bill on wool. Some progress was made on the Indian appropriation bill, but the sectarian school question went over until today.

The calendar was cleared of all private pension bills after an hour specially devoted to pensions.

WILL BE REPORTED FAVORABLY.

New Mexico's Statehood Bill to Be Voted on Soon—Arizona Bill Postponed.

WASHINGTON, April 10.—The house committee on territories has voted to report favorably the New Mexico statehood bill to the house and also decided to defer action on the Arizona bill. So evenly divided was the committee that the fate of the bill rested on a single vote. This vote decided to place the question of New Mexico's admission before the house for settlement and also sidetracked for the time the decision of Arizona's fate. There were six votes to report the New Mexico bill and four against a favorable report, while the vote on the question of tabling the Arizona bill was tie, with five members on each side of the question. Those who voted to report the New Mexico bill were: Republicans, Scranton of Pennsylvania, Perkins of Iowa, LeFevre of New York, Avery of Michigan, Hadley of Illinois, Democrat, Cooper of Texas. Opposed—Republicans, Knox of Massachusetts, Taft of Ohio, Low of New York, Democrat, Owens of Kentucky.

TO AID ORGANIZED LABOR.

Protest Against Illtreatment of Union Men in the Brooklyn Navyard.

WASHINGTON, April 10.—James O'Connell of Chicago, grand master of the International Order of Machinists, and Samuel Gompers of the American Federation of Labor, yesterday urged the committee on naval affairs to make an investigation of the treatment of machinists in navvards. A resolution has been introduced by Representative O'ney charging that members of labor organizations are discriminated against by the management of navvards, and particularly in the Brooklyn yard. The two speakers represented that Mr. O'ney's charges are true and that the management of the yards is tyrannical and the system of appointment manipulated so that labor organizations are ill-treated.

River and Harbor Consideration.

WASHINGTON, April 10.—The senate committee on commerce has decided to take up the river and harbor bill today and to sit daily until its consideration is concluded. The committee will devote today, tomorrow and Monday to

hearing senators who have amendments to offer and after that time will press the bill to final consideration as soon as practicable.

To Arm Naval Militia.

WASHINGTON, April 10.—In the Senate Senator McMillan gave notice that he would make an effort to have the naval appropriation bill amended so as to provide \$50,000 for arming and equipping the naval militia of the various states.

VESSEL CAPSIZES.

Struck by a Squall in Mission Bay and Rapidly Sinks.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 10.—No stranger disaster ever happened to a vessel than the accident which has befallen the British ship *Blairmore* yesterday morning. While riding at anchor in Mission Bay the vessel was struck by a violent squall which, together with the swift wind tide, threw the craft on her starboard side, capsizing her completely and sinking her in less than 15 minutes.

Fourteen seamen struggled in the water. Six were confined in the hold and were probably drowned down by the falling damage used to hold the ship's ballast in place. The imprisoned sextette never reached the deck, and the bodies of the six are imprisoned in the steel hull. The *Blairmore*'s masts lie level with the bay bottom under seven fathoms of water, and not a sign of the sailors' sunken tomb is visible above the waves. The unfortunates who lost their lives were:

T. LUDWIG, first mate.
HENRY CLARK, seaman.
ROLAND SIESEL, apprentice.
G. REINHOLD, seaman.
H. SINSTEAD, watchman.
SAM KERRY, steward.

The squall that caused the disaster was the most severe experienced on the south arm of the bay for many years.

MONTANA MINE HORROR.

Seven Imprisoned Miners Are Given Up For Dead.

BUTTE, Mont., April 10.—Dispatches from Basin are to the effect that the fire in the Hope mine has been extinguished, but that seven imprisoned miners are without doubt dead as nothing can be heard from them. They are:

JOHN BUCKLEY, shaft boss.
PAT BUCKLEY.
MARTIN SULLIVAN.
HUGH McKEOWN.
BARNEY WALL.
WILL BELDEN.
E. D. MCARTHUR.

The shaft was filled with burned timbers, but that would not prevent the voices of the men being heard if they were alive, and therefore it is positive that they are dead. It will be several days before the bodies can be reached. The cause of the fire is still unknown.

BACK FROM CHINA AND JAPAN.

Steamship Officials Bring Little News of the Epidemic There.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 10.—The Pacific mailship *Rio de Janeiro* arrived yesterday from China and Japan. The ship presented a dilapidated appearance, nearly all of her cabins and the woodwork on the upper deck having been consumed during the period on her last trip from this port when she ran short of coal.

The ship's officers bring but little news of the epidemic in the Orient. Hong Kong had been declared an infected port, and the steamship line from there to Vladivostok had suspended operations.

At Kobe a general quarantine station has been established and systematic efforts are made to combat the dread disease. Other than the black plague, cholera and smallpox in a virulent form have made their appearance.

In Japan more modern methods are employed than in China, and as a result the death rate is lower in the kingdom of the mikado than in the latter country.

BATTLE IN LOUISIANA.

Two White Men and Twenty-Five Negroes Reported to Have Been Killed.

LAFAETTE, La., April 10.—Information received here from St. Landry parish says that Dr. F. G. Martin, in command of some 500 men at Mallet, has been shot and wounded. No particulars can be obtained as to who shot Colonel Martin or the nature of his wounds. Dr. G. A. Martin, a resident of Lafayette and brother of Colonel Martin, was much concerned on receipt of the information and endeavored to ascertain definite news by telephone from his brother at Mallet, but could get no reply except that the colonel was not at home. Further information is that two white men and 25 negroes have been killed in the affray.

SHORT WIRINGS.

The treasury yesterday lost \$14,200 in gold, leaving the true amount of the reserve \$127,505,910.

Battleship Indiana floated out of the drydock yesterday and will be immediately attached to the north Atlantic squadron. The latest political button to appear in Washington reads as follows: "I have trouble of my own. William E. Chandler."

The report that Germany has joined the protest against the king of Corea's presence in the Russian legation at Seoul is denied.

The sentence of J. C. Yetzer, convicted of fraudulent banking, has been affirmed by the supreme court. He will go to the penitentiary for five years.

Morris E. Jessup of New York has accepted the presidency of the American Sabbath school union, to succeed the late Justice Strong of Washington.

Judge N. L. Bennett of Campbell county, Ky., reduced his own salary from \$1,700 to \$1,400. He said he thought the county was paying more than it could afford.

Deputy Sheriff John W. Haney was assassinated in his yard at Milligan, Fla., by unknown parties who fired upon him three times, killing him instantly.

At Milligan, Tex., John Brooks shot and killed his daughter, Miss Mollie Brooks, seriously wounded her sweetheart, A. C. Worrell, and then committed suicide.

Pope Leo has congratulated Cardinal Gibbons, Vaughan and Logue for having signed the appeal for Anglo-American arbitration and offers them encouragement to persevere in their noble aim.

COMPETITION LIKELY

Bids May Be Accepted For the Publication of the Patent Office Gazette.

CAPTAIN LUDLOW'S REPORT.

He Tells of the Collision of the Wan-of-War Monterey—The George Bill to Establish a Uniform System of Bankruptcy Amended—Reciprocity Asked For Flour.

WASHINGTON, April 10.—In the instance of Mr. German the Senate determined to open the publication of the patent office Gazette to general competition. Reference was made during the discussion to the investigation some months ago into the circumstances by which a friend of the then assistant secretary of the state, Mr. Josiah Quincy, was awarded the contract. Mr. Gorman carried his amendment for an open competition, although Mr. Platt, chairman of the committee on patents, was in opposition. The rest of the day was given to the Dupont case. Senator Burrows, Michigan, and Brown, Utah, supporting Mr. Dupont's claim,

AS AMENDED.

The George Bill to Establish a Uniform System of Bankruptcy Considered.

WASHINGTON, April 10.—The George bill to establish a uniform system of bankruptcy was reported to the Senate yesterday from the judiciary committee. The most important amendment made was that providing that where any debtor who being a banker, broker, merchant, trader, or manufacturer, owing \$500 makes an assignment or conveyance of his property, or gives any lien or encumbrance thereon contrived or devised with the actual intent on his part to defraud his creditors, such act shall be deemed bankruptcy. The measures provide for voluntary bankruptcy. At the same time Mr. Mitchell of Oregon submitted the views of the minority of the committee in the shape of the measure agreed on by the house committee on the judiciary with some modifications. The latter provides for voluntary bankruptcy.

CAPTAIN LUDLOW'S REPORT.

He Tells of the Collision of the Monterey and the Swedish Steamer.

WASHINGTON, April 14.—Captain Ludlow of the Monterey has reported to the navy department by telegraph the collision between his vessel and a 3,000-ton Swedish merchantman. The Monterey was lying at anchor at the time in Puget sound. The Swedish steamer struck the warship on the starboard quarter dead astern, denting in or a plate below the water line and knocking off three rivet heads. The Swedish steamer was reported to be in danger of sinking at the time of sending the dispatch. The Monterey was ordered to Seattle to go into the new dry dock.

TO AMEND the Sundry Civil Bill.

WASHINGTON, April 14.—In the Senate yesterday Mr. Cullom gave notice of an amendment to the sundry civil bill providing that out of the appropriation made for the bureau of engraving and printing the bureau shall provide the full amount of internal revenue stamps required by law and that the printing of postage stamps shall be done by contract to the lowest bidder. Senator Gordon of Georgia gave notice of a proposed amendment to the naval bill appropriation \$50,000 for grums and accoutrements for the naval militia of the various states.

RECIPROCITY FOR FLOUR.

WASHINGTON, April 14.—Messrs. John Crosby and Charles C. Bovy, representatives of the Washburn-Cosby company of Minneapolis, appeared before the subcommittee on reciprocity of the ways and means committee of the house yesterday to urge the readoption of the reciprocal features of the tariff act. They claimed the laws of European countries discriminate against American flour.

NOT SOON ENOUGH.

He Was Rescued From the Hands of His Wife and Stepson, but May Die.

ST. LOUIS, April 14.—Joe Hadcezak, a Pole, whose screams for mercy drew a crowd to his home, 1426 O'Fallon street, yesterday, was rescued from the hands of his wife and stepson, who were trying to kill him with a hatchet. Blood covered the man's head and was spattered over the woman and her son, who desisted when the neighbors came in. The badly wounded man pointed to the hatchet and a trunk and said "they wanted to get rid of me." When taken to the city hospital an examination revealed the fact that his skull had been crushed and the doctors said he could not live. Mrs. Hadcezak was arrested, but her son escaped by jumping from a second story window.

EX-SENATOR TRUMBULL ILL.

Suddenly Stricken White Entomizing ex-Governor Koerner.

BELLEVILLE, Ills., April 15.—While delivering the oration at the funeral of ex-Governor Koerner, ex-Senator Lyman Trumbull was taken ill. Considering his great age, a consultation of four physicians was held. They finally decided that it would be safe to take the senator home, under the care of Dr. L. J. Bechtold. The illness of Mr. Trumbull has taken a serious turn, and the doctors express great fears as to his recovery.

IN HONOR OF JEFFERSON.

Many Democrats Celebrate the Birthday of the Distinguished Virginian.

MONTICELLO, Va., April 14.—Yesterday the 153d anniversary of Thomas Jefferson's birthday was fittingly observed here, where he lived and died, by a gathering of a large number of prominent Democrats from all sections of the country. The distinguished guests included Vice President Stevenson, Secretary Herbert, Postmaster General Harmon, ex-Governor Russell of Massachusetts, Chauncy F. Black and Lawrence Gardner, president and secretary respectively of the National Association of Democratic clubs, and nearly two score of senators and representatives, besides a number of national committee men.

He was born in the 153d anniversary of Greece was appropriately observed in that country yesterday.

By the death of Mrs. Anna W. Dickinson of Boston, \$300 will be distributed among various asylums and hospitals.

The Massachusetts legislature is considering an appropriation of \$10,000 for a monument to Benjamin Butler.

The United Mine Workers of America are in session at Columbus, O. The treasurer's report was read and accepted.

The Democratic convention at Ebensburg, Pa., elected James A. Gray as delegate, decided against the unit rule and endorsed Patterson for president.

Schaefer defeated Garnett in a billiard contest last night \$300 to 222.

Josiah Steele and Gustav Krueger were fatally burned at Cambria, Pa., yesterday by an explosion of firedamp.

GERMS OF DISEASE KILLED.

Epidemics, It Is Said, Are No More to Be Dreaded Than Earache.

CHICAGO, April 14.—Professor W. P. Pratt and Hugh Wightman, the electrotherapist and the bacteriologist of Bennett Medical college of this city, claim to have practically proved that epidemics will be impossible in the future. They claim that Asiatic cholera is no more to be feared than earache, and that diphtheria, glanders and typhoid must all yield to the new remedy the Roentgen ray.

The germs in these diseases were grown in tubes in proper media. Magnetic lines in force from the Crookes tube were passed through them. The application lasted two hours. The cholera germs were the easiest and appear to have been wiped out entirely. Diphtheria germs have been treated very tenderly and favorably, and after eight days failed to show the slightest sign of life. There has been no activity in the bacteria, and with certain modifications the doctors are now ready to announce that the ray, properly applied, will destroy any form of infectious or contagious germ. This is indorsed by the college faculty and the entire electrical equipment, the best in the west, will be turned over for future proof of the discovery which is now maintained to be a fact.

TESTING A NEW GUN.

Results of Experiments Before the United States Officers.

NEW YORK, April 14.—A test of the new Dudley pneumatic gun, for firing projectiles containing high explosive gelatine, was made yesterday at East Island, Long Island Sound, before Major General Nelson A. Miles and the board of the ordnance of the United States army and navy. The gun was operated by Designer Howell B. Ellsworth.

In the first test five projectiles were fired in rapid succession, the projectiles weighing 33 pounds and containing 13 pounds of the explosive, being thrown a distance of from three quarters of a mile to a mile and a quarter. The second test, however, did not result so favorably, for during a target trial with projectiles the gun exploded at the third shot, the officers who were standing in a semicircle behind it escaping only by a miracle. One man, a spectator, was badly cut by a piece of the metal. Another test will be made.

EXPLOSION OF FIREDAMP.

Five Men Probably Fatal Injured in a Pennsylvania Mine.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., April 14.—Five men were probably fatally injured by an explosion of firedamp during a fire in the red ash vein of the Woodward mine last night. They are:

William Powell, fire boss.
John Evans, mine foreman.
James Lewis, miner.
William D. Morgan, miner.
Arthur Golightly, laborer.

There is very little chance of recovery of the men, all of whom inhaled gas. The fire is still burning, but the superintendent said there was no danger of its spreading to any extent. The mine is one of the largest in the Wyoming valley and is operated by the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad company.

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