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THE WORLD OVER.

LATEST INTELLIGENCE FROM EVERY PART OF THE GLOBE.

The History of a Week Gathered from the Wires, Embracing Political Doings, Personal Movements, Accidents, Criminal Affairs, Labor Notes, Etc.

SAMOA IN CONGRESS.

The House Promptly Votes \$100,000 for a Coaling Station at Pago-Pago.

The House passed the naval appropriation bill on the 24th inst., with an amendment appropriating \$100,000 for the establishment of a coaling station at Pago-Pago, Samoa. There was considerable debate, in which several Congressmen expressed their views on the Samoan question and the necessity of the United States having a first-class navy to protect the interests of its citizens in foreign lands, after which the House adjourned.

THE NEW BRITISH MINISTER.

Sir Julian Pauncefote to Succeed Sackville West at Washington.

It is stated in London, Eng., that Sir Julian Pauncefote, permanent Under Secretary of State for the Foreign Office, has been appointed British Minister to the United States. Although the report is not officially confirmed it is credited to the Foreign Office. The appointment created intense irritation in British diplomatic circles as a departure from the rule of succession in appointments according to rank in the service. Sir Julian Pauncefote is a lawyer, not a diplomat, and was never attached to any embassy. He was appointed to his present post on account of his extensive knowledge of the legal bearings of treaties. As his present salary is only £2,000 yearly, the new appointment is a desirable one, the salary of the Minister at Washington being £6,000. Sir Julian Pauncefote married Miss Selina Cubitt, daughter of the late Major Cubitt, and has a family. Among officials he has a reputation for shrewdness. He has quiet, amiable manners, allied with much acuteness.

MRS. FRELINGHUYSEN DEAD.

The Ex-Secretary of State's Widow Passes Away at Her Home.

Mrs. Frederick T. Frelinghuysen, widow of ex-Secretary of State Frelinghuysen, died at her residence in Newark, N. J., after a lingering illness, aged 72 years. Mrs. Frelinghuysen was ill while her husband was in President Arthur's Cabinet, and after he died, four years ago, her health declined rapidly. She was a daughter of George Griswold, a wealthy New York merchant who was engaged in the China trade in the palmist days of sailing vessels. She had six children, all of whom survive her. They are Miss Lucy and Miss Tillie Frelinghuysen, Mrs. John Davis, Frederick, George Griswold and Theodore Frelinghuysen. At the time of President Arthur's death it was reported that Miss Tillie Frelinghuysen was engaged to him.

WANT THE VESUVIUS.

A European Government Offers to Buy the New Man-of-War.

The Philadelphia Record says: "An offer has been made for the dynamite cruiser Vesuvius by a European Government, and if the United States Government or the contractors shall not take the vessel, Messrs. Wm. Cramp & Sons will dispose of her at a price far in excess of the sum named in the contract entered into with the United States Government. The Cramps are not in a position to accept the offer, as the cruiser has been partially accepted by the Navy Department. The members of the firm refuse to disclose the name of the nation which made the offer, but the Italian Government is supposed to be the one, inasmuch as the Cramps are now constructing a pneumatic dynamite gunboat for that country."

SEVEN VICTIMS OF A WRECK.

Three Men Killed and Four Fatally Injured in a Missouri Accident.

By an accident on the St. Louis and San Francisco Railroad, near Springfield, Mo., three men were instantly killed and live injured, four of them fatally. A switch engine moving live-stock cars jumped the track and went down an embankment, carrying ten men with it. The killed are: William Miller, yardman; George Lowery, brakeman; Charles Mason, switchman. The injured are: C. A. Browning, both legs cut off; Ed McLane, engineer, terribly scalded and both legs broken; Frank Crawford, yard-master, both legs broken and mangled; John King, switchman, head cut and both legs broken; John Reynolds, slightly injured.

Big Fire at St. Louis.

Fire destroyed elevator B at the Anheuser-Busch Brewing Company's works in St. Louis, Mo. The building was of brick, with an inner wall of wood, and was 100 feet high and 80 feet in depth. It contained about 200,000 bushels of malt and barley, valued at about \$190,000, which is a total loss. The loss on building and contents will reach at least \$200,000.

President Cleveland's Future.

A late dispatch from Washington says: "It is authoritatively announced that President Cleveland will return to the State of New York to reside on the expiration of his term of office, and will, on March 5, resume the practice of his profession in New York City, having associated himself as counsel with the law firm of Bangs, Stetson, Tracy & MacVeagh."

Serious Wreck at Denver.

A serious accident occurred at North Denver, Colo., on the Berkley motor line. A car became unmanageable, and dashed down a high grade at the rate of forty miles an hour. Just before reaching the foot of the hill it jumped the track and was smashed to pieces.

MAKING UP THE CABINET.

Baine, Allison, Alger and Wanamaker to Have Portfolios.

It is learned in Washington, D. C., from a man whose information is direct, that four places in Gen. Harrison's Cabinet have been definitely settled, and, while not all of them have formally accepted, there is no doubt about their ultimately doing so. In the first place, Mr. Baine wrote to Gen.



JAMES G. BLAINE.

Harrison some time ago accepting the Secretaryship of State. Senator Allison will be the next Secretary of the Treasury. This has unquestionably been decided on, and Mr. Allison's letter accepting the honor will be written soon. Gen. Alger will be a member of the Cabinet, taking the position of Secretary of War, and, as announced some time ago, Mr. Wanamaker will be Postmaster General.

THE NATION'S FINANCES.

The Public Debt Decreased by Several Millions During January.

Following is the public debt statement for January:

INTEREST-BEARING DEBT.	
Bonds at 4 1/2 per cent.	173,238,101
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Refunding certificates at 4 per cent.	126,789
Navy pension fund at 3 per cent.	14,000,000
Pacific railroad bonds at 6 per cent.	64,623,512
Principal	933,127,842
Interest	6,484,493
Total	939,612,335
DEBT ON WHICH INTEREST HAS CEASED SINCE MATURITY.	
Principal	2,67,095
Interest	15,646
Total	2,82,741

DEBT BEARING NO INTEREST.	
Old demand and legal-tender notes.	340,737,923
Certificates of deposit.	13,355,000
Gold certificates.	13,986,392
Silver certificates.	245,337,458
Fractional currency (less \$8,375,934, estimated as lost or destroyed).	6,918,120
Principal	713,049,882
Interest	\$1,679,088,920
Total	2,392,138

Less cash items available for reduction of debt.	\$393,527,114
Less reserve held for redemption of United States notes.	100,000,000
Total	419,525,144

Total debt less available cash items.	\$1,981,782,915
Net cash in the Treasury.	61,933,943
Debt less cash in Treasury Feb. 1, 1889.	\$1,919,848,972
Debt less cash in Treasury Jan. 1, 1889.	1,134,062,357
Increase of debt during the month.	12,216,235
Decrease of debt since June 30, 1888.	43,738,683

CASH IN THE TREASURY.	
Available for reduction of the public debt.	
Gold held for gold certificates actually outstanding.	\$130,986,592
Silver held for silver certificates actually outstanding.	245,337,458
U. S. notes held for certificates of deposit actually outstanding.	13,915,000
Cash held for matured debt and interest unpaid.	8,285,235
Fractional currency.	679
Total available for reduction of debt.	\$393,525,114

RESERVE FUND.	
Held for redemption of U. S. notes.	100,000,000
Unavailable for reduction of debt.	24,440,597
Fractional silver coin.	143,67
Minor coin.	
Total.	24,584,264
Certificates held for gold.	24,584,264
Net cash balance on hand.	64,396,443
Total cash in Treasury as shown by Treasurer's general account.	\$1,617,040,482

DISSATISFACTION IN TRADE.

General Complaint Made by Business Men in Regard to Collections.

The review of trade for last week by R. G. Dunn & Co. is as follows:

Dissatisfaction with the state of trade is increasing, and there is general complaint as to collections. But increased confidence in the new arrangement of railroad Presidents tends to support better prices for securities. Swelled by speculation in stocks and in products, the clearing through the banks show a much larger volume of business in January than for the same month last year, and for the last week a gain of 17.7 per cent. at all cities and 1.7 per cent. outside of New York. Wheat has declined a cent and a half for the week, with sales in New York of 24,000,000 bu. Corn and oats have stiffened a fraction. Oil has risen 3/4¢, with sales in New York of 5,500,000 barrels. The cotton market has not changed as to prices. Coffee is only an eighth stronger and sugar is unchanged, with tea firm and in good demand at auction. Prices for butter, cheese, and eggs have been depressed, and leather is said to be lower than at any other time for thirty-five years. The market for iron does not improve. Coal is dull, and the mines working short time. Copper declined sharply. Reports from other cities are remarkably uniform in tenor; trade quiet or only fairly active, money in abundant supply and easy, with but moderate demand. Exceptions are St. Paul, where a slight stringency is observed, and Omaha, where the demand is active; Nashville, where trade is now active, and Milwaukee, where higher rail rates threaten to close some factories. The business failures numbered 332, as against 312 the previous week and 330 the week before. For the corresponding week of last year the figures were 270.

BASE-BALL TOURISTS.

Preparations Being Made in New York City to Welcome Them.

A big reception is being arranged in New York City for the American base-ball players who went to Australia when they came home. The reception will be the most elaborate ever devised in honor of the exponents of the popular game. The steamer will be met down the bay by steamers and tugs chartered by the base-ball magnates. Base-ball players and base-ball lovers will join in giving the boys a greeting at quarantine. The evening following the arrival of the teams they will be

tendered a banquet at Delmonico's. Fervor will be laid for a large number of guests, and the members of the returning teams will be given the post of honor. Invitations will be issued to members of the League and Association and friends of the players. The managers and Presidents of the League and Association will be present, as well as most of the prominent base-ball players. A special invitation will be extended to Gov. Hill. Mayor Grant will also be asked to join in the festivities. Chauncey M. Depew will be there. District Attorney Fellows, Capt. William E. Connor, and Robert Ingersoll will be invited. A contingent will also be present from Wall street, and the theatrical profession will have its base-ball enthusiasts on hand.

PRINCE RUDOLF DEAD.

The Crown Prince of Austro-Hungary Killed by a Stroke of Apoplexy.

Archduke Rudolf, the Austrian Crown Prince and heir apparent to the throne, died suddenly at Mierling Castle, near Baden, twelve miles from Vienna, where he had gone on a shooting excursion with Prince Philip of Coburg, Count Hoyos, and other guests. Rumors were rife that he had been accidentally shot, and that he had been murdered by a peasant, but the official gazette says that death was caused by a stroke of apoplexy. The body was taken to Vienna.

Prince Rudolf was an only son. Barely 31 years old, too young to have taken part in the war with Prussia, he had nevertheless developed military abilities of a high order. Tall, stalwart, handsome, after the fashion of the Hapsburgs, he was the pride of his parents. His marriage with the fair Princess Stephanie of Belgium attracted the attention of the world. The consequences of his death may be no less far-reaching than those which followed the death of Frederick the Noble in Germany. Prince Rudolf, as stated, was the only son of the Emperor Francis Joseph, so that the heir-apparent is now the Archduke Karl Ludwig, eldest brother of the Emperor. Karl Ludwig was born July 31, 1859, and is now Field Marshal Lieutenant in the imperial family. He has had rather a diversified martial experience, having been married three times.

HEPPEY WAS MURDERED.

Startling Evidence Developed by the New York Police.

About fifteen years ago Philip Heppert, 65 years of age, who resided at Yonkers, N. Y., disappeared under very strange circumstances. He was last seen alive while returning from a festival in Hoboken, N. J., where he had been with some friends. Heppert was a heavy drinker, and his friends concluded that he had fallen overboard and was drowned while intoxicated. A startling report is now circulated that the New York police have possession of evidence to show that he was murdered, and that a number of persons supposed to be connected with his death are now residents of Yonkers. It was learned that a man named Andrew Peterson, who died some time ago, confessed that Heppert had been murdered in a saloon at Yonkers, and that the body was buried at the bottom of a well.

CRUSHED TO DEATH IN THE RUIN.

A Dutch Book-Dealer Killed in the Collapse of His Store.

One of the brick walls of the burned Opera House, at Duluth, Minn., fell upon a small wooden building occupied by Albertson & Chamberlain as a book store and completely crushed it. Mr. Chamberlain had gone into the store to do some business, and was still inside when the building was crushed. When the roof caved the stove was broken and set fire to the wreck. A hundred men worked for an hour and a half to save Mr. Chamberlain, but when they at length found him he was dead. His body was crushed and burned almost beyond recognition. The loss by fire is about \$20,000.

A WELL-KNOWN PAINTER DEAD.

James R. Lambdin, the Artist, Dies Suddenly at Philadelphia.

James R. Lambdin, the celebrated portrait and landscape painter, died suddenly at Philadelphia while on a train of the Reading Railroad bound for his home in Germantown, Pa. Mr. Lambdin was in his usual good health in the morning. In the afternoon he went to Philadelphia and to the exhibition of the Academy of Fine Arts. When the train got to Cheltenham avenue, Germantown, Mr. Lambdin did not get up to go out, and then it was found that he was dead. He was born in Pittsburgh, May 10, 1807.

A VICTIM OF THE COCAINE HABIT.

Dr. J. W. Underhill of Cincinnati Contracted It Four Years Ago.

Dr. J. W. UNDERHILL, at one time one of the most prominent physicians of Cincinnati, Ohio, is dead. He was a victim of the cocaine habit, and, although the immediate cause of his death was lockjaw, it was caused by his enfeebled condition. The doctor had all sorts of hallucinations, and his wife and children were compelled to leave him. On several occasions he became violent and had to be confined. He contracted the habit about four years ago and could never shake it off.

Political Doings.

Senator Berry, of Arkansas, has been re-elected by the Arkansas Legislature.

Posey (Rep.) has been elected to Congress in the First Indiana District over Parrett (Dem.) by a majority ranging from 520 to 1,000, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Gen. Hovey, now Governor.

The Hon. James K. Berry has been re-elected by the Arkansas Legislature to succeed himself in the United States Senate.

A recount of the votes cast in the Fifth California District for Congressman shows that Clunie, Democrat, has a majority of nine votes.

Members of the Wisconsin Legislature are signing a petition for the appointment of ex-Gov. Rusk as Secretary of War. It is alleged that Gen. Harrison has suggested that Gen. Rusk receive such endorsement.

It is now reported that Senator Allison has decided not to accept the position of Secretary of the Treasury offered him by President-elect Harrison.

The joint resolution for submitting a pro-

hibitory amendment to the people of Pennsylvania has been signed by Gov. Beaver. The Nebraska Legislature has voted to submit the question of prohibition or high license to the people of the State.

Dakota Law-Makers.

The Dakota legislators now propose to repeal the laws creating the offices of Auditor, Treasurer, Attorney General, and Railroad Commissioners. This would leave Governor Church no appointments to make, and would make Secretary McCormick the disbursing officer of the Territory. A compromise is now considered probable. The Governor's last veto was of what is called the "salaries bill," and it was promptly passed over the veto.

Western Cattle Interests.

A number of cattle men, representing the larger cattle interests of the West, met at Kansas City, Mo., for the purpose of combining, with a view to handling their own stock and doing away with the existing commission system. Capital stock to the extent of \$150,000 will be issued, and headquarters will be located at Kansas City.

Mrs. Rawson Free.

The notorious trial, at Chicago, of Meekie L. Rawson, who was charged with shooting Henry C. Whitney, the attorney of Banker Rawson in the notorious divorce trial, has come to an end, the jury finding the defendant guilty of the act, but irresponsible for it on account of insanity. A verdict of "not guilty" was returned. Mrs. Rawson will most likely go on the stage.

Street Car Strike.

A general tie-up of street cars occurred in New York City, and exciting events followed. One man, taking the place of a striker, was murdered. The attempt to run cars resulted in riots and fierce fights, and blood flowed freely. The militia will be called out if the strike continues. Intense excitement prevails.

Served Him Right.

An Indianapolis, Ind., wife-beater named Patrick O'Neal was taken from his house by a crowd, led either by a woman or a man in woman's clothes, and after being given twenty-five lashes was rolled in the snow. He was warned that if he abused his family again the visit would be repeated and he would get a double dose.

Tough on a Barber.

A year ago, at Lincoln, Neb., a colored man named Warwick had a barber of that city arrested under the civil rights bill for refusing to shave him. The case was appealed to the Supreme Court, which handed down a decision in Warwick's favor.

An Editor Assassinated.

At Mount Horeb, Wis., G. G. Mandt, editor of the Sun, a prohibition paper, was summoned to his kitchen door by loud rapping, and upon opening it was shot and mortally wounded by some person unknown.

Will Go on the Stage.

Mrs. James G. Blaine, Jr., has signed a contract at New York with Manager Daniel Frohman, engaging herself to play as an actress for three years.

Told in a Few Words.

The Judiciary Committee of the Pennsylvania House will report against the passage of the granger bill prohibiting the importation of dressed beef into the State.

J. W. Gale & Co., wholesale dry goods merchants at Toronto, Ont., have assigned, with estimated liabilities of a quarter of a million dollars and small assets.

A. C. Bird, for six years General Freight Agent of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad, with headquarters at Milwaukee, has been appointed Freight Traffic Manager of the road. Mr. Dwight W. Keyes, Assistant General Freight Agent, has been tendered the office vacated by Mr. Bird.

The Graniteville (S. C.) Manufacturing Company's warehouse, containing 2,346 bales of cotton, has been destroyed by fire. The loss is \$100,000 and the insurance \$90,000.

A sensation has been caused in Georgia by the resignation of R. H. Jackson, President of the Farmers' Alliance, who was looked upon as a candidate for Governor.

THE MARKETS.

CHICAGO.	
CATTLE—Prime	4.50 @ 5.75
Medium	3.50 @ 4.75
Common	2.50 @ 3.25
HOGS—Shipping Grades	4.50 @ 5.25
SHEEP	4.00 @ 4.75
WHEAT—No. 2 Red	.94 @ .95
CORN—No. 2	.35 @ .35 1/2
OATS—No. 2	.24 1/2 @ .25 1/2
RYE—No. 2	.46 1/2 @ .47 1/2
BUTTER—Choice Creamery	.23 @ .26
CHEESE—Full Cream, flat	.11 @ .11 1/2
EGGS—Fresh	.15 1/2 @ .14 1/2
POTATOES—Car-loads, per bu.	.25 @ .30
PORK—Mess	11.50 @ 12.00
MILWAUKEE.	
WHEAT—Cash	.88 @ .88 1/2
CORN—No. 2	.31 @ .31 1/2
OATS—No. 2 White	.28 @ .28 1/2
RYE—No. 1	.47 @ .48
BARLEY—No. 2	.62 @ .64
PORK—Mess	11.50 @ 12.00
DETROIT.	
CATTLE	3.50 @ 5.00
HOGS	4.50 @ 5.25
SHEEP	3.50 @ 4.25
WHEAT—No. 2	.94 1/2 @ .95 1/2
CORN—No. 2 Yellow	.34 1/2 @ .35
OATS—No. 2 White	.29 @ .29 1/2
TOLEDO.	
WHEAT—No. 2 Red	.98 @ .99
CORN—Cash	.31 1/2 @ .32
OATS—May	.23 @ .30
NEW YORK.	
CATTLE	4.00 @ 5.25
HOGS	3.25 @ 6.00
SHEEP	4.00 @ 6.01
WHEAT—No. 2 Red	.96 @ .97
CORN—No. 2	.44 @ .46
OATS—White	.33 @ .35
PORK—New Mess	13.00 @ 13.10
ST. LOUIS.	
CATTLE	3.75 @ 4.50
HOGS	4.50 @ 5.01
WHEAT—No. 2	.91 @ .92
CORN—No. 2	.33 @ .33 1/2
OATS—No. 2	.25 @ .27
BARLEY—Iowa	.44 @ .46
INDIANAPOLIS.	
CATTLE	3.00 @ 4.50
HOGS	4.75 @ 5.25
SHEEP	3.00 @ 4.00
LAMBS	4.00 @ 5.50
CINCINNATI.	
HOGS	4.50 @ 5.25
WHEAT—No. 2 Red	.97 @ .98
CORN—No. 2	.35 @ .35 1/2
OATS—No. 2 Mixed	.28 1/2 @ .29 1/2
RYE—No. 2	.53 @ .55
PORK—Mess	12.75 @ 13.25
KANSAS CITY.	
CATTLE—Good	3.75 @ 4.25
Common	3.00 @ 3.75
Stockers	2.50 @ 3.25
HOGS—Choice	4.25 @ 4.75
Medium	4.00 @ 4.50
SHEEP	3.50 @ 4.25

THE NATIONAL SOLONS.

WORK OF THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Our National Law-Makers and What They Are Doing for the Good of the Country—Various Measures Proposed, Discussed and Acted On.

The Senate proceeded to the consideration of the diplomatic and consular appropriation bill on the 28th ult. The following amendments were agreed to: Inserting an item of \$4,000 for a Consul General at Apia, Samoa Islands. Transferring the consulate at Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, from class 5 (\$2,000) to class 4 (\$2,500), and providing for a consulate of the same class at Paso del Norte. The army nurses' pension bill was amended and passed. It allows a pension of \$20 a month to all women nurses during the late war (prior to August, 1865), who were appointed by Miss Dix, Superintendent of Women Nurses, or her authorized agent, or who were specially appointed by the Surgeon General or other proper United States authority who performed six months' service, or who were disabled and honorably discharged. Those who are now receiving a less pension under special acts are to be entitled to the benefits of this act. The Senate bill was passed by the House increasing the pension of soldiers or sailors who have lost both hands to \$100 per month. A bill was passed granting the Mount Carmel (Ill.) Development Company the privilege of drawing water from the Washburn River. The Senate's concurrent resolution was agreed to, providing for the joint meeting of the two houses of Congress on Wednesday, Feb. 13, for the purpose of counting the electoral vote. The House went into committee of the whole on the sundry civil appropriation bill. An amendment appropriating \$50,000 for the education of children of school age in Alaska, without reference to race, was agreed to. The appropriation for the Rock Island Arsenal was increased \$15,500. Representative Springer introduced his omnibus bill, providing for an enabling act for the admission of the Territories of Arizona, Idaho, and Wyoming as States of the Union. Delegate Gorman of Dakota introduced a bill providing for opening for settlement all that portion of the Fort Randall military reservation in Dakota lying east of the Missouri River.

The Senate, after adopting Mr. Gibson's amendment to the diplomatic appropriation bill on the 29th ult., providing that United States Ministers to Great Britain, Germany, Great Britain, and Russia shall be called "Ambassadors," went into secret session on the Samoan amendments. On motion of Mr. Sherman it was voted—yeas, 30; nays, 21—to consider the amendments in committee of the whole. The doors were opened, Mr. Sherman then proceeded to address the Senate at length, giving a clear statement of the whole question, after which that body adjourned. The following resolution was introduced in committee of the whole: "Resolved, That the present condition of affairs at Samoa requires that this Government should aid the people of those islands in securing an independent native government, free from the claims of territorial jurisdiction of any European power, and to the end that this purpose may be speedily and effectually accomplished the President of the United States is hereby requested to insist on the restoration of affairs at Samoa to the same existed at the time of the convention between the representatives of the Governments of Great Britain, Germany, and the United States, held in the city of Washington in June and July, 1887. That he further aid in conducting a settlement of the pending difficulties at Samoa on a satisfactory and solid foundation, and in the restoration of peace and good order under a responsible native independent government, with its court of competent jurisdiction to determine land titles and such other claims and controversies of foreign residents as may be properly cognizable by such court, and that he take such further steps as may be necessary to protect the rights of this Government and its citizens in said islands. In the House of Representatives, Mr. Burrows of Michigan, presented a petition of 13,000 citizens of Utah against the admission of that Territory as a State. The House went into committee of the whole on the sundry civil appropriation bill. Mr. Enloe, of Tennessee, offered an amendment authorizing the secret service force of the Treasury Department to be used in detecting pretended dealers in counterfeit money. Agreed to. The committee rose and the bill was passed. Mr. Dunn, of Arkansas, from the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries, reported a bill to provide for the better protection of the fur seal, and salmon fishery in said islands. In the House of Representatives, Mr. Burrows of Michigan, presented a petition of 13,000 citizens of Utah against the admission of that Territory as a State. The House went into committee of the whole on the sundry civil appropriation bill. Mr. Enloe, of Tennessee, offered an amendment authorizing the secret service force of the Treasury Department to be used in detecting pretended dealers in counterfeit money. Agreed to. The committee rose and the bill was passed. Mr. Dunn, of Arkansas, from the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries, reported a bill to provide for the better protection of the fur seal, and salmon fishery in said islands. In the House of Representatives, Mr. Burrows of Michigan, presented a petition of 13,000 citizens of Utah against the admission of that Territory as a State. The House went into committee of the whole on the sundry civil appropriation bill. Mr. Enloe, of Tennessee, offered an amendment authorizing the secret service force of the Treasury Department to be used in detecting pretended dealers in counterfeit money. Agreed to. The committee rose and the bill was passed. Mr. Dunn, of Arkansas, from the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries, reported a bill to provide for the better protection of the fur seal, and salmon fishery in said islands.

Among the nominations of postmasters confirmed by the Senate on the 30th ult. were the following: Charles H. Manning, Grand Crossing, Ill.; Celestine Gibbons, Keokuk, Iowa; Mollie G. Moffitt, Tipton, Iowa; Frank McMahon, Au Sable, Mich.; John M. Hibbard, Stoughton, Wis.; George W. Horton, Kansas. A resolution was adopted by the Senate calling on the Secretary of the Treasury for a statement of the amounts in the sinking fund to the credit of the Union and Central Pacific under the 'Hurler' act. After the discussion occurred on the Samoan amendments to the consular bill, Mr. Springer managed to get the Oklahoma bill before the House, and its consideration was completed in committee of the whole. Among the amendments adopted were those of Mr. Payson of Illinois to protect the homestead rights of honorably discharged Union soldiers and sailors, and providing that no homestead entries shall be allowed except to actual settlers, and a statement of the town-site section. The latter authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to reserve town sites of not exceeding 640 acres on any public lands in the Territory and until the legal municipal incorporation to sell the lots for the benefit of the school fund of said town, less the amounts paid to Indians. After the town is incorporated the title to unsold lots shall vest in the municipality. Other amendments relating to taxation to tax the lots for the benefit of the school fund of said town, less the amounts paid to Indians. After the town is incorporated the title