

THE DEMOCRAT.

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The News Condensed.

Important Intelligence From All Parts.

CONGRESSIONAL.

Regular Session.

On the 28th resolutions were introduced in the senate asking the secretary of war whether subordinate employees and laborers engaged by engineer officers have been employed or discharged for political reasons; directing the finance committee to prepare a bill for the repeal of all laws authorizing the secretary of the treasury to issue bonds or other interest-bearing obligations without specific authority, and one calling for information regarding changes made in the weight or fineness of silver coins of standard countries. A bill to provide for the free and unlimited coining of silver was introduced by Mr. Stewart, of Nevada.... in the house an attempt to discuss the two election cases of O'Neill vs. Joy and English vs. Hubbard showed the lack of organization.

In the senate the pension appropriation bill was reported on the 29th and the house voted a resolution appropriating \$10,000 additional to carry out the provisions of the Chinese exclusion act and the McGarragh land claim bill were passed.... in the house the president's message vetoing the Bland silver seigniorage bill was received. No business was transacted.

The senate was not in session on the 30th ult.... in the house Mr. Blane gave notice that on April 3 he would move to pass the seigniorage bill over the veto. No business was transacted.

On the 31st ult. the senate was not in session.... in the house bills were introduced for the free and unlimited coining of silver dollars of \$1/4 grains and for an additional district judge for the Northern district of Illinois. The river and harbor bill was reported, and the remainder of the day was devoted to eulogies upon the life, character and public services of the late Representative O'Neill, of Pennsylvania.

In the senate on the 2d Senator Voorhees (Dem., Ind.) opened the tariff debate and in his speech denounced the protective system of tariff taxation. The nominations of Thomas E. Benedict, of New York, to be public printer, and James D. Yoemans, of Iowa, to be interstate commerce commissioner, were received from the president.... in the house a fruitless attempt was made to secure a quorum in order to bring the O'Neill-Joy contested election case to a close.

DOMESTIC.

The town of Sutherland, Neb., was totally destroyed by fire.

The Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton railway and the Cincinnati, New Orleans & Texas Pacific railway have been consolidated.

A REVIVAL reached such a stage in Bloomington, Ill., that business houses and saloons closed during the day appointed for general prayer.

KENTUCKY women were signing a petition asking congress to impeach Col. Breckinridge.

THREE families, comprising fourteen persons, were buried in a snowslide at Canyon Creek, Wash.

MISS SARAH BILLINGS and her sister Linda, aged 35 and 40 years respectively, took their own lives with poison at Winchester, O., because they were about to be separated by marriage.

JIM GODSEY, sentenced to five years at Terre Haute, Ind., for forgery, said his father had trained him in crime from childhood.

AT Antigo, Wis., William Nonnenmacher pleaded guilty to murdering his wife and three children and was given a life sentence.

At Indianapolis seven members of a family were poisoned by eating sausage containing trichinae.

COL. BRECKINRIDGE took the stand in his own defense in Washington and told of his intrigue with Madeline Polk.

THOMAS HOLLOWAY, a populist farmer, while watching Coxey's army in Columbian, O., dropped dead from apoplexy.

HOWARD S. LONG, an installment goods agent at Springfield, O., met Miss Lydia Brown, of Urbana, for the first time, and in half an hour they were married.

RECEIVER FAUROT, of the Lima (O.) National bank, which closed two years ago, claims a shortage of \$90,000 for which he can get no explanation.

CHEROKEE, Ia., has been selected as the location for a new insane asylum to accommodate 1,000 patients and cost \$1,000,000.

JOHN WITT's residence at McKendree, W. Va., was burned and his eight little children and Miss Mollie Hettrick perished in the flames.

A COLD northward millions of dollars of damage in Mississippi, Louisiana and Texas, killing almost everything green.

OLIVER JACKSON (colored), one of the Grant murderers, while en route to Montgomery, Ala., was taken by masked men from two deputies and shot to death.

A GENERAL strike of the 10,000 coke workers and miners of the Connellsville (Pa.) region was ordered.

GOV. TILLMAN called on the militia to assist in enforcing the dispensary law in South Carolina.

THE California supreme court holds that the act of the last legislature in removing the capital from Sacramento to San Jose was illegal.

B. McMANUS, of Livingston, Mont., shot and killed his wife and then cut his own throat. Domestic trouble was the cause.

PROF. JOHN M. ELLIS, of Oberlin college at Oberlin, O., died on a Santa Fe train as it entered Chicago from California.

THEATERS, cards and dancing have been tabooed as vices by the Epworth League of Michigan.

SENATOR VOORHEES declined to allow the factory girls of New England to appear before the senate finance committee in opposition to the tariff bill.

THE EXCHANGES at the leading clearing houses in the United States during the week ended on the 30th ult. aggregated \$741,401,756, against \$85,001,934 the previous week. The decrease, compared with the corresponding week in 1893, was 29.2.

EXECUTIONS took place as follows: Israel Johnson (colored) at Union Springs, Ala., for the murder of Wash Roberts (colored) January 15 last; at Paris, Tex., E. R. Gonsales, for the murder of John Daniels, May 16, 1893; Manning Davis for the murder of John Roden December 26, 1891, and Jim Upkins for the murder September 6, 1893, of his 6-year-old step-daughter.

JUDGE DALLAS filed an opinion in the United States court at Philadelphia holding that Chinamen cannot be naturalized.

In discussing the right of the south to secede the debating society at Maple Creek, Neb., broke all the furniture and several members were badly injured.

ONE person was killed, fifteen injured, four of them probably fatally, and property worth \$40,000 destroyed by the collapse of a water tower at Peoria, Ill.

The Maryland legislature passed a bill making it obligatory on the courts of Maryland, under certain conditions, to send inebriates to gold cure institutes for treatment.

JUDGE LOUIS S. LOVELL died at Stanton, Mich., aged 78. He was on the circuit bench in the eighth district for twenty-four years.

FRITZ KLOETZLER, a shoemaker and a socialist, murdered his wife and four children and then committed suicide at Dolgreville, N. Y.

The acting secretary of war has formally decided that a deserter's release is in no sense a discharge from the army nor does it in any way remove the charge of desertion.

EXCITEMENT was aroused by the find of a pronounced vein of silver near Virginian City, Wis.

FIVE blocks in the central portion of Barry, Ill., were destroyed by fire, the loss being \$200,000.

FOUR persons were killed and three badly wounded in a fight near Darlington, S. C., over the enforcement of the dispensary law. Gov. Tillman ordered troops to quell the disturbance.

WILLIAM R. LAIDLAW was awarded damages in New York of \$25,000 in his suit against Russell Sage, who died in protection against a dynamiter.

NUGGETS of pure gold were washed from sand dug out of a well at La Veta, Col.

SOUTH CAROLINA was almost in a state of anarchy, nearly all the troops having refused to obey Gov. Tillman in the dispensary war. He had placed the counties of Florence and Darlington under martial law.

PATRICK WALSH, editor of the Augusta (Ga.) Chronicle, was appointed by Gov. Northen to fill the vacancy in the United States senate caused by the death of Senator Colquitt.

WALTER BERDAN started to ride or bicycle from Denver, Col., to Paterson, N. J. The distance is 2,500 miles and he will strive to make a long distance record.

NOTICE of a cut in the wages of trainmen has been issued by the Wabash road, to take effect May 1.

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL.

CHARLES C. BAER, grand commander of the Knights Templars of Pennsylvania, died of spinal meningitis at Pittsburgh, aged 58 years.

GEORGE TICKNOR CURTIS, the lawyer and writer on political economy and constitutional history, died in New York, aged 53 years.

LEADING women of Atlanta, Ga., met and organized a Woman's Suffrage association.

CHARLES F. CRISP, speaker of the house, was appointed United States senator by Gov. Northen, of Georgia, to fill the vacancy caused by Senator Colquitt's death.

MRS. JANE G. AUSTIN, the novelist, died in Boston, aged 55, after a lingering illness.

SPEAKER CRISP has declined the seat in the senate made vacant by Senator Colquitt's death.

E. G. RATHBONE, of Hamilton, O., was nominated for congress by the Third district republicans to fill the vacancy caused by the death of George W. Houk.

EX-CONGRESSMAN GEORGE E. HALSEY died in Newark, N. J., of pneumonia after a brief illness. He was 67 years of age and a millionaire.

IN the Kansas municipal elections the issue was the fight of women against the saloons and in many instances the former were beaten.

IN the municipal elections in Ohio and Michigan the republicans were solidly divided in their choice of candidates for mayor. The strong and aggressive support that each side gave to its candidate during one of the hottest campaigns ever known in this city engendered a strong sentiment of bigotry. It was, therefore, in no amiable mood that the workers of the respective factions came together at the different polling places throughout the city, and that these workers came expecting trouble to occur before the day was over was apparent from the number of deadly weapons that were drawn when the first pistol shot was fired.

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