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THE PRUSSIAN DELEGATION AND THE TREASURYSHIP.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—Morning.—The resignation of Gen. Dix has been accepted.

The Senate considers the tenure of office bill after the morning hour.

House bills were introduced providing for levees in Mississippi and Louisiana, amending the act providing for provisional government for Virginia, Texas and Mississippi.

No development regarding the secretary of the treasury. Weather bad.

March 10.—Evening.—In the Supreme Court Ely was introduced his successor, Judge How, who qualified as attorney general.

Mr. Stewart and family depart for New York to-morrow.

Gen. Hatch, colonel Ninth cavalry, will succeed Gen. Howard in the freedmen's bureau.

The new secretaries are at work in all departments except the treasury.

The two Republican wings commenced from Mississippi have had several meetings without compromising their difficulties.

Senate.—The tenure of office bill was resumed. The friends of repeal struggled to put it on its passage, but it was referred to the judiciary committee by a vote of 25 to 15.

The bill strengthening the public credit was taken up.

Ferry introduced a joint resolution that the act removing ineligible civil officers in Virginia, Texas and Mississippi be amended so that it shall apply to thirty days after the passage of this resolution. Referred to judiciary committee.

A bill was introduced to pay loyal claimants in the late rebellion. It contemplates the creation of three commissioners to be appointed by the president.

A very full caucus of Republican senators was held today. Anthony was unanimously elected president pro tem of the Senate. They determined to take up only the following questions this session: Repeal of the tenure of office bill, the act to strengthen the public credit, redistribution of banking currency, reorganization of the judiciary, removal of political disabilities, reorganization of the navy and the Georgia question. The motion not to consider the Georgia question this session received only seven affirmative votes. They then adjourned until Monday and Sumner urged its immediate consideration.

During the caucus pending the proposition to restrict the business of the session, it was resisted on the part of the Southern members on the ground that legislation was required for the settlement of the claims of loyal citizens; also that Sumner's bill preventing intimidation of voters, etc., should be passed. In addition they insisted that there should be some general friendly legislation for the reconstruction of States. In order to create a better feeling and that they might understand that they were not neglected by the other sections. Gen. Abbott's bill creating a commission for the settlement of the claims of loyal citizens is substantially the same as that introduced by him last session.

Misapprehension having arisen from recent dispatches regarding the Busted case, the following from the official record is telegraphed:

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These arrangements complete the great overland tri-weekly mail by stages from San Antonio and Fort Smith, Ark., to California, at a speed of 100 miles per day.

The ship James G. Taylor left Liverpool December 19th, and arrived at New York on Monday last. Four of the passengers and twelve of the crew died of ship fever during the passage. Nineteen of the passengers are sick with the fever. The disease is attributed to the long voyage and short rations. The crew are investigating the matter.

Powers' statue of Washington was shipped today to Gov. Warmoth, to be replaced at Baton Rouge.

The Prussian delegation, owing to the immense quantity of bonds in Germany, take great interest in the secretaryship of the treasury. They say to-night that Schiener is the man.

FROM PETERSBURG, VA.

Republican State Convention—Stormy Session.

PETERSBURG, March 9.—The Republican State Convention met at noon. An attempt was made to declare Tucker an anti-Wells man, temporary chairman. The Wells men resisted, and a general fight ensued around the chairman's stand. A strong police force interfered and separated the combatants.

Mayor Burgess appeared and made a speech in behalf of peace. The rival candidates for temporary chairman, both advocating force, continued their contest until the mayor ordered the police to clear the hall, which was done, and the delegates were scattered about the streets.

After the stormy session of the morning the mayor announced that the convention would reassemble at the African Church.

In a short time the delegates were assembled, and the disorderly scenes were renewed, but the mayor gave personal supervision, with a police force, to the organization, which was effected after much excitement.

Jenkins, a Wells man, being chosen temporary chairman, the convention adjourned till 10 o'clock to-night.

During the session to-day a telegram was received from Gov. Bullock, of Georgia, desiring a harmonious convention and the renomination of Wells.

FROM RICHMOND.

Masonic.

RICHMOND, March 9.—The Supreme Lodge of Knights of Pythias assembled in annual session at Convention Hall this morning. Representatives were present from Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, District of Columbia and Virginia.

Reports were received from all the above named States, also California, Nebraska and Iowa, and the supreme scribe, C. M. Barton, of the District of Columbia, were read, showing a membership of over 50,000, with 250 lodges and eight grand lodges. \$727,885, as a widow and orphan fund, is now in the treasury, as shown by the report of the supreme banker, Wm. A. Porter.

During the past eight months \$431,64 have been expended for relief. Subordinate lodges have on hand the sum of \$64,739.81. The session will continue four days.

FROM HAVANA.

The Insurrection—Talk About Grant's Intentions.

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The Spanish Cortes, Etc.

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The minister of finance favored free trade and advocated immediate but gradual customs reforms.

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