

CENTENNIAL OF THE COURT.

Hundredth Anniversary of America's Tribunal of Last Resort.

Programme of its Celebration by the Bar Association of New York.

The celebration of the centennial of the organization of the Supreme Court of the United States will be one of the most notable and the most dignified of all the centennial commemorations.

It was looked upon as such by the Federal Convention of 1787, which debated and deliberated over the formation of this court of last appeal longer and with more vigor than over any other provision of the Constitution.

There had been under the Colonial or Confederation a "Court of Appeals," with jurisdiction particularly of maritime cases. Its judges were George Wythe, of Virginia; Titus Hosmer, of Connecticut; and William Caxton, of Maryland, who were appointed by the Continental Congress.

An act of Congress to establish the Judicial Court of the United States was approved by President Washington Sept. 24, 1789. The Supreme Court of the United States was constituted of four of whom were appointed by the President.

John Jay, of New York, was appointed Chief Justice of the new Court Sept. 26, and John Rutledge, of South Carolina; William Cushing, of Massachusetts; Robert H. Harrison, of Maryland; James Wilson, of Pennsylvania; and John Blair, of Virginia, were appointed by the President Washington during the next four days.

The Court organized in New York Monday, Feb. 1, 1790, and adjourned sine die Feb. 10. On that day James Iredell, of North Carolina, was appointed an Associate Justice in place of Mr. Harrison, who had declined.

Afterwards, by various enactments, the number of Justices was increased till now Chief Justice Fuller had nine associates.

The seat of government being in New York, the Court met at the City Hall, having their place of meeting in the "Royal Exchange," a building erected about 1764 for the convenience of the rapidly increasing number of merchants. It stood on arches of masonry and visiting traders hitched their horses there.

It is the centennial of this event which is to be celebrated next Tuesday, the auspices of the New York Bar Association.

President Harrison, Vice-President Morton, Chief Justice Fuller and his nine associate Justices, the Secretaries of War, the Navy and the Interior, and the Attorney-General, will be present.

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O'BRIEN CHIEF AT REVENUE.

Gen. T. F. Rodenbough Succeeds Him as Chief of the Elections Bureau.

Police Commissioner Deadlock Broken by an Honored Soldier's Appointment.

As announced in yesterday's Sporting Edition of THE FRANKLIN WORLD JOHN J. O'BRIEN'S official had fallen into the basket.

The notorious Republican partisan politician, who has been at the head of the Election Bureau in the Police Department since 1878, has been ousted from his \$4,000 sinecure and Gen. T. F. Rodenbough has been appointed to the vacancy.

The new chief is a native of Pennsylvania and fifty-two years of age. He served with honor in a Pennsylvania cavalry regiment throughout the civil war.

He was a member of the 11th New York Cavalry, and was promoted to the rank of Major-General for gallant conduct at Cold Harbor.

Mustered out of the volunteer service in 1865, he was commissioned major in the regular army, and in 1870 was retired, with the rank of colonel of cavalry.

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More Thriftily Immigrants Refused Permission to Land.

Immigrant woman and her children. If they are without money, cannot land in this country, says Emigration Commissioner Stephenson, unless her husband will furnish \$200 bonds that she and her children will not become public charges.

The fact that her husband and older son, who have been here two years, have fitted up a comfortable home for her, and are not only able to provide for her, but to be considered.

The victims of Carl Stephenson's latest whim is Mrs. Basche Gershoenfeldt and her four children, ranging in age from two to eleven years, who arrived at Castle Garden on the steamship Edam late Wednesday night.

Mrs. Gershoenfeldt is forty years old, intelligent, neat and careful as to the appearance of herself and children. She is the wife of Moses Gershoenfeldt, a butcher, who came here two years ago with his son Joseph.

He earns \$12 a week and Joseph \$15 by economy. Father and son have furnished a comfortable home, and saved up and sent to the family across the sea over \$300.

They sent to Russia for their loved ones, and when notified that they had arrived father and son hastened to Castle Garden to welcome them.

But while they were exchanging cordial greetings and were making ready to depart for their humble but comfortable lodgings, with the family circle reunited once more, the Commissioner made his appearance and said:

"Do you think that you can provide for this woman?" "I can," replied the delighted father, somewhat indignantly, as he proceeded to tell the Commissioner about the home he had fitted up for his family.

"I don't see that we have any way of making sure that she will not become a public charge if I release her," replied the Commissioner, who had to detain her for the action of the Board next Thursday.

In view of the disappointed husband and father, protested. The Commissioner could not be moved further than to say that unless Gershoenfeldt furnished \$200 bonds to guarantee that the children would be sent to Ward's Island.

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