

LAST OF THE LEGISLATURE. THE ADJOURNMENT EFFECTED WITHOUT ANY SCENES OF DISORDER.

House of Representatives. Gen. Husted tried to get the bill out of the floor. He had a roll call, which required a majority of 20. The roll call was taken, and the bill passed. The Assembly adjourned at 10 o'clock.

DEATH OF MINISTER RICE. HE WAS TO HAVE SAILED FOR RUSSIA ON THE DAY HE DIED.

Allen Thordike Rice, Minister to Russia and editor of the North American Review, died unexpectedly at the Fifth Avenue Hotel at 3:30 A. M. yesterday. He had been suffering from a long illness, and within the last week had suffered from troubles. He was run down because of the exertions required in settling his affairs in this country preparatory to going to St. Petersburg.

HE CHALLENGED HENRY VILLARD. A Young German Arrested for Proposing to Fight a Duel with the Railroad Man.

ALBANY, May 16.—Richard Boeckh, a young German, was arrested here this afternoon for challenging to a duel Henry Villard, the well-known New York financier. A New York lawyer came up with a detainer, and one of the police officers was sent to the court for the arrest. Boeckh, a slightly built young man, when arraigned before the magistrate, frankly admitted sending the challenge, and also said that he would have shot Villard if he had not got the chance. He smiled all through the proceedings, and conveyed the impression that he was deranged. The challenge which he sent to Villard is written in German in a fine, easily legible hand. A translation of it, as nearly literal as possible, is as follows:

WENT DOWN IN THE PACIFIC. THE BIG STEAMER ALASKAN FOUNDERS IN A HEAVY GALE.

Only Twelve of the Forty-eight Men on Board of the Alaskan Rescued—Fears that the Others Have Been Swoyered. PORTLAND, Ore., May 16.—The line steamer Alaskan, belonging to the Oregon Railway and Navigation Company, went to pieces in a heavy gale on Monday off Cape Blanco on the Oregon coast, and only twelve men out of the forty-eight on board have been heard from.

GREAT FIRE NEAR QUEBEC. 700 Houses in the City of St. Sauveur Burned and 1,800 Families Homeless.

QUEBEC, May 16.—A fire started early this morning in St. Sauveur, a suburb of this city, in the house of Mr. McConnally on Valley street, and spread with great rapidity through the wooden district which surrounds it. The people were in dismay at the rapidly withering flames, and many fled to the neighboring streets. The local arrangements for quenching the fire were defective, and the Quebec fire brigade was sent for and were quickly on the spot, but their efforts were crippled for want of water. A battery was called out and rendered valuable assistance in fighting the flames. As many of the houses were prepared to blow up some of the houses to clear the fire, a premature explosion took place in one of the houses, killing Major Short and Sergeant Walker of B. Battery. Both were buried in the ruins.

HE PROTESTS AGAINST HIS SUMMARY DISMISSAL BY CORPORAL TANNER. KINGSTON, N. Y., May 16.—The removal of Special Examiner Keam of the Pension Bureau by Corporal Tanner has created considerable excitement among the Hudson.

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