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THE WORLD AT LARGE.

Summary of the Daily News.

CONGRESS.

AFTER the disposition of routine business in the House on the 4th, the Lowry-White contest from the Twelfth Indiana district came up in the regular order, the pending question being upon the adoption of the report of the majority of the committee declaring the seat vacant because the sitting member (Mr. White) had not established his citizenship. A lengthy debate followed and without reaching a vote the House adjourned.

IN the Senate on the 6th Mr. Riddleberger succeeded in getting in some remarks upon the subject of considering in open session the pending extradition treaty with Great Britain, but was finally ruled out of order. The bill passed to amend the postal laws so as to permit newspapers to be sent by express through the post office in the country where papers are published and who reside in another country. Senator Platt then addressed the Senate on the President's Message. Pending his remarks the Senate went into executive session and then adjourned. In the House many bills and resolutions were introduced, among them a bill by Mr. Landers, of Illinois, to prohibit the sale of liquor to persons requiring wholesale dealers to pay a tax of \$50 and retailers one dollar, and to repeal the oleomargarine tax; by Mr. Milligan, directing an investigation of the sugar trust. At the conclusion of the call of States, the Lowry-White contest from Indiana was taken up and upon motion of Mr. Howell, of Illinois, the substitute of the minority confirming Mr. White in his seat was adopted by a vote of 157 to 102. Adjourned.

AT the expiration of the morning hour in the Senate on the 7th Mr. Platt resumed his remarks on the President's message, at the conclusion of which the House bill for the construction of a bridge over the Missouri river at Lexington, Mo., was taken up and passed. Adjourned. In the House after committees reported several bills passed, the bill of general interest, Mr. Dockery's bill to increase the number of division superintendents of the mail service from nine to eleven passed. The business of the day's session was mostly routine.

AFTER routine business in the Senate on the 8th the bill appropriating \$1,500,000 for a public building at Kansas City, Mo., passed. The bill remitting all duties upon animals imported for breeding purposes, whether for sale or the importer's own use, passed. After a tie between Senator Riddleberger and several other Senators the Educational bill was further considered and it was agreed to put the bill to a vote on the 15th. Adjourned. In the House the bill making bills of lading conclusive evidence in certain cases passed. Committees reported. Other business was of no general importance. The Speaker announced the appointment of the following special committee to investigate the existing labor troubles in Pennsylvania: Messrs. Tillman, of South Carolina; Stone, of Missouri; and Messrs. Michigan; Anderson, of Kansas, and Parker, of New York. Adjourned.

IN the Senate on the 9th after reports of committees and other routine business the Educational bill was reached by the Committee. The bill to authorize the sale of mineral lands to aliens was discussed at some length and finally recommitted. A bill to appropriate \$50,000 to complete the Government building at Kansas City, Mo., was the occasion of a long debate on public buildings in general and economy in particular. After an executive session the Senate adjourned. In the House the bill authorizing the relinquishing the interest of the United States in certain lands in Osage County, Kan., passed. The bill to discontinue the coinage of three-cent pieces passed. The bill to require standardized railroads to maintain and operate separate telegraph lines brought on a lengthy debate which had not been closed when the House adjourned.

WASHINGTON NOTES. The Senate Committee on Finance has reported favorably a bill for the relief of importers of live stock for breeding purposes. SPEAKER CHARLES has ordered all telegraph wires used for stock purposes to be taken out of the circuit of the House. It is positively stated that free trade will not be an article included in the proposed tariff reduction. The President has signed the act providing for printing the eulogies pronounced in Congress on the late John A. Logan.

THE American Atlantic and Pacific Ship Canal Company has entered protest in the Senate against the passage of the bill to incorporate the Maritime Canal Company, of Nicaragua, claiming to have the exclusive right. A STATEMENT of internal revenue receipts, prepared by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, shows that the total receipts for December, 1888, were \$10,395,246, while the collections for December, 1887, were \$10,583,351.

PETITIONS for the retention of Statistician Dodge, of the Agricultural Bureau, have been received by the Commissioner Coleman from members of the New York Cotton Exchange and others. The President and Mrs. Cleveland gave a reception to the army and navy on the 9th. It was the last reception of the season at the White House and was largely attended.

THE EAST. ONE man was fatally and four others badly hurt in Allegheny City, Pa., recently by the fall of timbers in an addition to a mill. RICHARD E. FOX, of the New York Police Gazette, has been arrested for aiding and abetting prize fighting. The New York House of Representatives on the 7th held its last session in the chamber arranged for it in the State Capitol, the room having been condemned as dangerous. The difficulties between the shoemakers and cutters of Rochester, N. Y., which caused 3,000 shoemakers to strike since last November, have been adjusted. C. C. FARWELL & Co., boots and shoes, Danvers, Mass., failed recently for \$200,000.

A TRUCK of a sleeper on the Pennsylvania Western express jumped the track near Lancaster, Pa., the other day, but no damage was done as the train was going slow. ALL the troubles in the South Pennsylvania railroad management have been settled and work will be pushed on the road, \$3,000,000 being raised by assessing the stockholders. The National Fishery Association held a meeting at Camden, N. J., on the 5th. The Knights of Labor general executive board has asked President Corbin, of the Reading railroad, to arbitrate. The sister of E. F. Hall, who committed suicide in New York, has obtained judgment for his insurance money. PROF. FRANCIS L. PATTON, D. D., LL. D., has been unanimously elected to succeed Dr. McCosh as president of Princeton (N. J.) College.

An engine and caboose on the Erie railway were wrecked and four trainmen seriously injured by collision with a local train near Newburg, N. Y., recently. The cotton spinners of New Bedford, Mass., have demanded a ten per cent. increase in wages.

The schedules of I. B. Rosenthal & Co., millinery goods at No. 632 Broadway, New York, and at St. Louis, show liabilities, \$513,491; nominal assets, \$23,932; actual assets, \$25,598. The joint convention of miners and mine owners in session in Pittsburgh, Pa., have referred the wages question to a committee of two miners and two operators from each State. The blast furnace owners of Western Pennsylvania and Southern Ohio propose to unite to secure better freight rates, lower coke and smaller wages. A BANQUET was given by the King's County Democratic Club, in honor of the birthday of the late Samuel J. Tilden, at Brooklyn, N. Y., on the evening of the 9th. STEPHEN J. MEANT, the well-known Irish American, died recently in Waterbury, Conn. Four frame dwellings were burned at Kutztown, near Reading, Pa., the other night. John Hopp, who was intoxicated, and two of his children perished in the flames. CONYFIELD, the bankrupt real estate agent of New York, had his real estate sold on the 9th, which netted \$307,751. The Home Market Club gave a banquet at Boston on the 9th. The principal speaker was Hon. John Sherman, who defended the policy of protection and attacked the recent speech of Russell Lowell on free trade. Hon. W. McKinley, of Ohio, also spoke.

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