

AT THE WHITE HOUSE

Arrangements Complete for Tonight's Reception.

CONFERENCE WITH NEW YORKERS

Indians Want an Advance From the Government.

SCHOOL TEACHERS RECEIVED

Arrangements are complete for the reception tonight. A special effort is to be made by White House officials tonight to prevent the admission of persons who have not received cards of invitation and who have no right, according to the officials, to be present.

The New York Judgeship.

Senator Platt and Representative Quigg had a somewhat long conference with the President this morning on New York affairs. One of the matters touched upon was the vacant federal judgeship, for which there has been a lively scramble for several months.

Representative McDonald of Maryland today asked the President to nominate Charles C. Markell of Frederick as secretary of the American legation in Chile or Peru.

Calvin Chase, the colored lawyer, was at the White House today to see the President, but did not succeed.

Indians Want an Advance.

Senator Kyle of South Dakota talked with the President about Indian matters. The Sisseton Indians, in Mr. Kyle's state, draw the interest annually on a principal of \$500,000 in the treasury.

Massachusetts School Teachers.

A delegation of about sixty Massachusetts school teachers who are in the city on a sight-seeing expedition were given a special reception by the President.

Will Also Go to Cuba.

The Cruiser Monterey Will Make a Friendly Call.

The Secretary of the Navy has selected another warship to make a "friendly visit" to Cuba. This is the cruiser Montgomery, now at Key West.

The Brooklyn's Cruise.

The details of the cruise of the armored cruiser Brooklyn, so far as arranged at the Navy Department, provide for visits by the ship to the following ports in the West Indies and the Caribbean sea, in the order named: St. Thomas, Santa Cruz, St. Lucia, La Guayra, Porto Cabello, Caracas, San Juan, Colon, and Panama.

FRENCH DIPLOMATIC CHANGES.

M. P. Lefavre Leaves This City for Bern, Switzerland.

M. H. A. Merou, French consul at Galveston, Tex., has been transferred to Chicago.

M. Dupas of the French chancery at New York has been appointed vice consul at Galveston.

EDUCATING INDIAN YOUTH

The Senate Anxious to Ascertain What It Actually Costs.

Information Desired About the Appointment of Marshal Cooper's Deputies in Executive Session.

In the Senate today Mr. Hawley (Conn.) secured the adoption of a resolution directing the Secretary of the Interior to furnish the Senate the total per capita cost of educating Indian children at certain Indian schools; the total cost of transporting pupils to and from the schools, including the number transported; approximately what proportion of the children educated in the schools return to the blanket and camp condition, and what can be done to prevent such retrogression and continue the children in the lines of progress on which they have entered.

Mr. Jones of Arkansas called attention to the reply of the Department of Justice to his inquiry for information as to the appointment of deputies by United States Marshal H. M. Cooper of Arkansas.

Mr. Hale thought this a matter with which Congress had nothing to do. The resolution was agreed to.

Mr. Hale (Me.) being satisfied the remarks of the senator from South Dakota would infringe upon a subject under discussion in executive session, said he would move the Senate, under rule 35, go into executive session.

Mr. Pettigrew remarked that he could as well offer his remarks in executive session as in open session, and about the Hawaiian treaty as so tender about the matter he was willing to go into executive session.

After the doors were closed upon Senator Hale's motion the South Dakota senator offered a motion for the consideration of the resolution in open session, and about the end of this time a vote was taken and the motion for open sessions was defeated by a large majority.

Additional Contributions.

Additional contributions, as follows, have been received by the Associated Charities: Woodward & Lothrop, \$100.00; Deeble & Co., 1.00; Previously received, 181.20; Total, \$382.20.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

At the opening of the session of the House today Mr. Grow (Pa.) asked unanimous consent for the consideration of a resolution directing the Secretary of War to issue medals to 530 Pennsylvania soldiers who belonged to the command which passed through the mob at Baltimore April 13, 1861, and who received the thanks of Congress July 22, 1861.

THE G. A. R. ENCAMPMENT.

President McKinley Will Probably Attend the Gobin Banquet.

The thirtieth annual encampment of the Department of the Potomac, G. A. R., will be called to order tomorrow evening at 6:30 o'clock in Grand Army Hall.

Present Conditions.

This led to the substitution of Mr. Doolittle and later to the formation of a combination between the supporters of Mr. Hinton and Mr. Doolittle, which agreed that little will be transacted at the meeting, because at 9 o'clock a banquet is to be given at the Ebbitt House in honor of Commander-in-Chief Gobin of Pennsylvania of the Grand Army of the Republic, which President McKinley will probably attend for a short time at least.

Want to Be Transferred.

A delegation representing the veterans who are advocates of the National Soldiers' Home at Hampton, Va., arrived in Washington this morning for the purpose of securing, if possible, a transfer of their Grand Army posts from the Department of Virginia to the Department of the Potomac.

HAD A STORMY SESSION.

Representative Johnson Stirs Up House Banking Committee.

The House committee on banking and currency held a turbulent session today over the pending propositions for currency revision. Early in the meeting Mr. Johnson (Ind.) had a heated colloquy with Chairman Walker, in the course of which Mr. Johnson charged that the chairman was pursuing a "run or ruin" policy as to the line of currency action which the committee should take.

ACCOMPLISHMENT OF FINANCIAL REFORM.

With much feeling and emphasis, Mr. Johnson expressed his regret that the President had not earnestly urged the full measure of currency reform.

Without objection, the committee determined to take up this and other subjects later in the day.

Violation of the provisions is made a misdemeanor, subject to fine or imprisonment.

WORK OF THE CHARITIES

Funds Source and Appeal Made for Additional Contributions.

Progressive Euchre Party Given as a Means of Raising Money.

Appeals to Police.

The poor are naturally suffering greatly from the effects of the cold, but the charitable associations are doing all in their power for their relief.

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BRIDGE PROJECT AGAIN DEBATED.

Mr. Grout also demanded a separate vote on the bridge project, bridge appropriation, which was defeated in committee of the whole yesterday.

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A PLUCKY YOUNG TEXAN

Came All the Way from Galveston to vindicate His Character.

Changed with Having Stolen Money

From the Mail-Order of Suspension Removed.

An interesting story has been brought to light in regard to the post office at Galveston, Tex. It is said that frequent complaints had been made of the loss of money letters and packages containing money.

The District appropriation bill was passed by the House at 3:15 o'clock.

Several Plans Are Proposed, but No Definite Action Has Been Reached by Those Interested.

As announced in The Star yesterday, the House District committee has decided to suspend consideration of the bill consolidating the Eckington, Belt and Washington and Maryland street railroad companies until some agreement could be reached to provide for the payment of the wages and deposits due the employees of the Belt road.

It is generally acknowledged that the claim of these men is a just one and that they should be given the preference over all claims against the Belt railroad.

Those interested in the railroad properties which the pending bill proposes to consolidate are naturally anxious that Congress on this matter, as they wish to begin at once the work of installing the underground system on the city roads and the extension of that of the roads beyond the urban bounds.

It is said on their behalf that the authority given by the bill to include the Belt road in the consolidation is merely permissive, and can be availed of or not as it may seem best.

It is in fact, however, certain whether such would be the case. On the other hand, it is thought that perhaps the remedy lies in the consolidation of the case by the Court of Appeals, which has an appeal pending in the case.

Some of the Problems.

The Court of Appeals, however, does not meet until next Tuesday, and whether it would be possible to have an earlier session of that body or whether in that event the action would be sufficiently prompt, is another question which is being considered.

It is also suggested by some that possibly an application could be made to the court for a writ of mandamus to issue receiver's certificates in satisfaction of these claims, which are said to amount to about \$5,000, but it is not definitely determined whether such a procedure would be practicable.

It is claimed that in the event that the bondholders, for example, became the purchasers of the road that while they would acquire its property and franchise they would not acquire the right of the road as a corporation, but they would merely be operating the road as individuals.

According to this view it would be necessary for any purchaser of the road except the Capital Traction company to secure from the government an act of incorporation, or to act as a corporation. It is by no means settled that in the event the road is sold, the bondholders would become the purchasers, but, of course, that is among the probabilities, and it is thought that it is very likely this will be the outcome of the present sale.

AWARDED TO THE PRESS & CO.

The Contract for Interior Finish of the City Post Office.

The Treasury Department today awarded the contract for the interior finish of the new post office to D. B. Hess & Co. of New York for \$319,400.

The bids for the work were opened about two months ago, but the contract could not be awarded then, because of a lack of funds to provide for it in the urgent deficiency bill.

A blank bond will be forwarded to Hess & Co. at once, and it is hoped they will turn out the work in a week or two.

The amount of the bond will be about 50 per cent of the contract price. It is not known how much time will be consumed in getting ready for work after the bond is signed and accepted, but Secretary Gage will do all he can to push the work.

The contractors agree to complete the contract in eight months from the time they begin work.

Practically all the work yet to be done on the building has been contracted for, although some changes to be made will necessitate a remodeling of one or two contracts. The elevators are also to be contracted for.

RESIGNATION TENDERED.

Dr. Williams Retires from the Freedmen's Hospital.

As was expected, Dr. Williams announced in The Star yesterday would be the case. Dr. Daniel H. Williams, the surgeon-in-chief of Freedmen's Hospital, today tendered to the Secretary of the Interior his resignation.

To all but a few of Dr. Williams' friends his resignation comes as a matter of great surprise. He has been in the hospital for some time that he would soon retire from the institution in order to resume the practice of his profession.

Turley Elected United States Senator.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., February 2.—The senate and house met today in joint convention to elect a United States senator.

Mr. Thomas B. Turley, democrat, was elected by a vote of 53 to 47. The republicans voted for Mr. J. W. Baker of Nashville.

Director Smith Better.

A report received here from the physician of Director Smith of the bureau of American republics, who is lying ill at Miami, Fla., states that he is much encouraged at the progress toward recovery made by his patient within the last few days.

FINANCE AND TRADE

Prices of Stocks Lower Under Realizing Pressure.

UNION PACIFIC ISSUES IN DEMAND

Granger Shares Were Subjects of a Sharp Bear Attack.

GENERAL MARKET REPORTS

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star.

NEW YORK, February 2.—Realizing sales were conspicuous feature of today's stock market, through the changes resulting in consequence, London buying moderately and some commission buying developed during the early afternoon, but the larger financial interests were inactive.

Professional selling of the granger shares was particularly marked this morning, but fractional declines only were recorded.

The buying of New York Central, resulting in a gain of 1/8 per cent, was superior to that of any other property.

Confidence in the comprehensive infusion of the rumored consolidation of Vanderbilt interests is unshaken, a broader market alone being necessary to more aggressive operations.

The most significant trading of the day was the various securities of Union Pacific.

The demand for the new preferred stock of this company and the 4 per cent bonds was unusually large, new high prices resulting, notwithstanding the fact that the selling had not been for the latter feature of the trading advances of very substantial proportions, which had been secured.

As it was, the market receded under continued offerings, but even at the decline there was a strength of all Union Pacific issues was apparent.

The reorganization of this company has cut out everything heretofore conflicting with the profitable and active management of its affairs, and should result in a favorable stock and bond issues to the favorite notice of investment interests. Consideration of the new 4 per cent bonds there is good reason for supposing that the prices will be recovered before all of the contemplated selling is exhausted.

The market for the new preferred stock continues to be a feature of some significance, the demand from investors showing no signs of exhaustion. The recently-developed market for the new preferred stock is attracting attention to the preferred stock of that company, the full effect of which is not seen because of the general weakness of the market.

Confidence in lower prices is practically limited to the shares of the American Sugar Company. The growing strength of the Hawaiian sugar market, which is in sympathy with the present desire to sell, which fears the result of accepting surface indications of this character.

Legislative interests never known to work in the market, and a closing of the corporation are openly favorable to the proposed treaty. To some this suggests the possibility that the American Company is at least in a position to accept the offer of other companies that the proposed legislation is already a matter of small concern.

Opposed to this view is another founded on the fact that the American Sugar Company has sold out and see nothing more serious in a decline than an opportunity to repurchase their former holdings to advantage.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

The following are the opening, the high, the low and the closing prices of the New York stock market today, reported by Corson & Macartney, members New York stock exchange, correspondents, Messrs. Moore & Schlegel, 100 Broadway.

Table with columns: American Spinnings, American Sugar, American Tobacco, etc. and rows: High, Low, Close.

Washington Stock Exchange.

Table with columns: 30-year fund, Metropolitan Railroad, etc. and rows: Bid, Asked.

Quotations reported by Corson & Macartney, bankers.

Government Bonds.

Grain, Provisions and Cotton Markets.

Furnished by W. B. Hibbs & Co. bankers and brokers, 427 F. St., members New York stock exchange, correspondents Messrs. Ladenburg, Thalmann & Co., New York.

Safe Deposit and Trust Companies.—National Safe Deposit and Trust, 114 bid, 115 asked. Washington Safe Deposit and Trust, 149 bid, 150 asked. Metropolitan Trust, 71 1/2 bid, 72 1/2 asked. Metropolitan, 121 1/2 bid, 122 1/2 asked. Columbia and Electric Light Stocks.—Washington Gas and Electric Light, 49 1/2 bid, 50 asked. Georgetown Gas, 49 bid, 50 asked. U. S. Electric Light, 104 1/2 bid, 105 asked. Insurance Stocks.—Fireman's, 30 bid, 31 asked. Metropolitan, 70 bid, 71 asked. Potomac, 64 bid, 65 asked. Columbia and Electric Light, 185 bid, 186 asked. Reg. 7 1/2 bid, 8 asked. People's, 5 bid, 6 asked. Lincoln, 8 1/2 bid, 9 asked. Commercial, 4 bid, 5 asked. The Insurance Stocks.—Real Estate Title, 50 bid, 51 asked. Columbia Title, 10 bid, 11 asked. Washington Title, 2 1/2 bid, 3 1/2 asked.