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THE TACOMA BOODLERS

Councilman Cavender Accused of Corrupt Practices.

BROKEN BANK HELD HIS NOTES.

President Oliver, of Columbia National Bank, in Custody Again.

The State Capitol Commission to Meet Today and Consider the Bids—The Northern Pacific to Give a Special Rate to Immigrants.

Tacoma, Dec. 2.—Charges against Councilman Cavender, and praying for his expulsion from the council, were filed this evening with the city clerk. He is accused of borrowing money from the Bank of Tacoma while contracting with the bank on behalf of the city, and as a member and chairman of the finance committee, to give it a year in which to prepare to pay a large amount of city money it had on deposit. The contract made was a secret one, and the public was allowed to know but little about it until the bank failed, owing the city more than $228,000. The complaint is signed by six citizens, including Councilman Bulger, who charged Cavender with obtaining $4,000 from the bank in 1894 on unsecured notes. With previous loans he is said to owe the bank about $7,000. The charges will be taken up by the council Saturday. Some think that Cavender will resign.

Maj. Henry Oliver, president of the Columbia National bank, is again in the custody of a deputy marshal. Miss Eva Junett withdrew today from his bond in the sum of $3,000, stating that he had promised to furnish her indemnity, but did not. Oliver's friends say they have secured a new bondsman who will be presented to the court for approval in the morning.

AN A. P. A. LEADER ARRESTED

For Assaulting a Boy Whose Father Wouldn't Join the A. P. A.

Olympia, Dec. 2.—Special.—Nelson Smith, one of the leaders of the A. P. A. movement here, and an ex-police officer, was arrested today upon complaint of George C. Blakeslee for a brutal assault upon the latter's son, a boy of 15, who is a cripple from paralysis. The case came up for a hearing before Justice Hardin, who is not a member of the A. P. A., but a change of venue was secured, and the case taken to Justice Anderson's court, where Smith pleaded guilty and was fined $1 and costs. He has aroused considerable feeling.

The assault was committed just after young Blakeslee came out from Sunday school, yesterday, and seems to have been the culmination of numerous controversies of Smith with the boy about getting his father, who is head carpenter at the Blue Canyon mine, to join the A. P. A.

THE CAPITOL COMMISSION.

Will Meet Today—Arrival of the State Auditor.

Olympia, Dec. 2.—Special.—A meeting of the state capitol commission has been called for 2 o'clock tomorrow. The new member of the commission, State Auditor Frost, arrived and took formal charge of his office today. He has appointed George D. Evans, of Ellensburg, deputy auditor. Mr. Evans was deputy under the late L. R. Grimes, and is in every way an efficient officer.

TO ENCOURAGE IMMIGRATION.

The Northern Pacific May Give a $20 Rate From St. Paul.

Tacoma, Dec. 2.—The Northern Pacific railroad, acting with the counties of this state, has taken up the matter of inducing immigration to the Northwest. Officials of the road announced at a meeting this evening that they believed a $20 one-way rate would be made from St. Paul to the Coast for actual settlers. It will be the lowest regular rate ever made.

A. P. A. to Win at Whatcom.

Whatcom, Dec. 2.—Special.—It seems probable now that what is known as the A. P. A. ticket will carry by a good majority in the municipal election tomorrow, for its candidates will be supported by a considerable number of voters who are neither members of nor sympathizers with the A. P. A. as an organization. They will do this because the A. P. A. candidates are pledged to reduce water rates, which bear most heavily upon the poorer people, and raise by taxation the full amount necessary to pay the interest on the water bonds. The present levy is inadequate for that purpose, the difference being made up from the profit on the water system at the present rates, to the material benefit of the large property owners and especially the Bellingham Bay Improvement Company, which owns a very large amount of property and is in default for a large part of its taxes. The company formerly owned the water system, and sold it to the city, taking in payment bonds to the amount of $173,000, of which the company agreed to and did negotiate $30,000 and return the cash to the city for certain extensions. The amount of water bonds voted was $350,000, but the $173,000 above referred to are the only ones which have been signed. Mayor Slade, in whose administration they were voted, went out of office without signing the balance of them, and his successor, Mayor Black, has refused to do so. Another matter that will give the A. P. A. candidates strength is that they are pledged to increase the pay for street labor from 15 to 20 cents an hour and enact a new ordinance providing a reasonable compensation for city attorney.

Port Townsend News.

Port Townsend, Dec. 2.—Special.—The public school has closed down here for this week in order to allow the work to be transferred from the central to the new brick building. The change was made necessary by the fact that the heating apparatus burned out at the central building, and it was considered an unnecessary expense to put in new heaters. One or two teachers will be left in the old building, as the site was donated for school purposes, and the grant provides that the property shall revert to the heirs of the donor, E. S. Fowler, deceased, in case it is abandoned as school property. It is in the center of town, and one of the most valuable blocks in Port Townsend.

It now seems certain that the Townsend Electric Light Company will sue the city for failure to comply with the terms of a contract entered into three years ago for lighting the city. The contract was made to extend five years, and the minimum number of lights to be used was twenty-five. Less than half the sum required for this number was voted at the recent special election, however, and the city council notified the company to cut off twelve lights on November 1. No action has been taken by the company, however, nor will the officials say what they intend to do. The city attorney has advised the council that the contract between the city and electric light company is not legally binding.

The New Revenue Launches.

Port Townsend, Dec. 2.—Special.—The two government steam launches now under course of construction here are nearing completion. The engine and machinery were hoisted into one of them yesterday afternoon, and bids have been forwarded to Washington City for the work of building the upper houses, not included in the original contract. The machinery is especially constructed for smooth and noiseless operation, which, together with the fact that the launches will be painted as nearly the color of the water as possible, will make their work very effective. They will have a speed of not less than fourteen knots, and Contractor Heffernan says he expects to show a maximum speed of seventeen knots for them. Revenue officers here anticipate that the success of these two speedy launches will bring about the construction of at least three more of similar design, but more expensive, and that before another year one will be stationed at each of the principal ports on the Sound, with one or two to cruise among the islands and along the border.

The Clearing of Muir Tunnel.

Tacoma, Dec. 2.—Special.—Principal Assistant Engineer Biehler, of the Northern Pacific, who returned last week from Montana, says the work of clearing away the debris in Muir tunnel is progressing rapidly. The tunnel was not damaged by the recent fire, except in the destruction of the roof. Some rock has scaled off, and fallen down. The tunnel will be lined with brick and concrete the entire length and put in first-class shape. Buildings for hoisting cement will be erected at once, and the work will be pushed to completion. Trains will be running through the tunnel again by early spring.

The excavation for the new coal bunkers here will be completed in a few days. Some of the heavy timbers for the structure are on the ground, and the machinery is all here. Timber work will be begun as soon as the excavation is completed. The bunkers will have a capacity of 12,000 tons.

Snow at Monte Cristo.

Everett, Nov. 30.—Special.—Ten inches of snow fell at Monte Cristo yesterday, the heaviest snowfall of the season, which, thus far, has been more than ordinarily favorable for mining operations. Speaking of the winter, John H. Hilton, more familiarly known as "Port Gardner Jack," predicts a very cold winter. He expects to see the Snohomish river frozen over from Everett to Snohomish and good skating. In an experience of thirty years he has only seen this two or three times. Mr. Hilton bases his prediction on the fact that horses have taken on an unusually thick coat of hair this fall. Other horsemen say that they have observed the same thing.

A telephone line will be extended from Granite Falls to Robes, on the Everett & Monte Cristo railroad, to keep in closer touch with the section men, as there is a long stretch of railroad there without an agent or telegraph station.

Suicide of a Mill Employe.

Kualt, B. C., Dec. 2.—Special.—On Thursday night one of the employes of the mill company named D. J. Adams, committed suicide by shooting himself in the head. He borrowed a rifle and then wandered away in the woods, and sat down on a log, made a string fast to the trigger and passed it around a stump, then placed the muzzle to his forehead and pulled the string. He must have died instantly. Nothing is known of him here, and he left nothing that would give any clew to his friends.

Clallam County Warrants.

Port Townsend, Dec. 2.—Special.—Auditor John W. Troy, of Port Angeles, told the Post-Intelligencer correspondent that he has decided to issue no more general fund warrants for Clallam county. He says he is backed by the county officials generally, as well as by all others interested, and that the commissioners will this week take steps to put the county on a cash basis, paying current expenses out of current revenues for each year.

The Gray's Harbor Bar.

Hoquiam, Dec. 2.—Special.—Senator John L. Wilson sent a telegram to Hon. George H. Emerson yesterday that the Gray's harbor bar and inside harbor will both be included in the appropriations for a goodly amount. These two improvements here next summer mean the spending of $200,000 on our harbor, and the citizens are naturally feeling elated.

A Debs Meeting.

Everett, Dec. 1.—Special.—A largely attended meeting of the Federated Labor Union was held at Labor hall last evening to rejoice over the release of Eugene Debs from prison. Several short speeches were made, but all reference to the municipal election on Tuesday of this week is said to have been avoided.

Snow in Eastern Washington.

Portland, Dec. 2.—Reports to the Oregon Railway & Navigation Company tonight show that snow is falling over a large part of Eastern Oregon and Washington.

THE EVANDALE OVERDUE.

May Have Gone Down in the Storm That Sank the Strathnevis.

San Francisco, Dec. 2.—There is a little anxiety in the office of the Occidental and Oriental Steamship Company concerning the steamer Evandale, which left here November 6 for Yokohama and Hongkong. The Evandale is a tramp, and was chartered at Hongkong to take the place of the Belgic, which went on the rocks on the Japan coast. The steamer arrived here November 1, after a voyage of twenty-two days from Yokohama. On November 6 she left on her return voyage, loaded with nearly 6,000 tons of freight and a number of Chinese. Taking into consideration that the steamer is a slow one, her arrival at Yokohama was due three days ago. There has been heavy weather off the Japanese coast of late. The steamer Tacoma, which arrived at Tacoma a few days ago, reported encountering a gale when out a few days from Japan, that threatened for a time to send her to the bottom.

The Bark Iron Duke Lost.

San Francisco, Dec. 2.—Capt. Lewis, of the British ship Senator, now in port, brings word of the almost certain destruction of the German bark Iron Duke, about which there has been so much anxious inquiry. On September 4 the Senator spoke the Iron Duke in latitude 53 degrees south, longitude 65 degrees west. On September 16 the Senator encountered a hurricane which swept away her rigging and almost disabled her. Then the Iron Duke was seen again, badly disabled, her hull so low in the sea that the great waves broke over her. The captain of the Senator believes that the Iron Duke undoubtedly went to the bottom in the gale.

The Atchison Directors.

New York, Dec. 2.—Following is a list of the directors selected by the joint executive reorganization committee of the Atchison railroad at a meeting today: Aldace F. Walker, chairman; Edward P. Ripley, Chicago; Edward J. Berwand, New York; Benjamin P. Cheney, Boston; H. Rieman Duval, Thomas P. Fowler, Edward N. Gibbs, New York; Charles S. Gleed, Topeka, Kan; George G. Havens, R. Somers Hays, New York; Cyrus R. Hilliday, Topeka; Victor Mora Wetz, New York; George A. Nickerson, Boston; Thomas C. Osborne, Topeka, Kan.; and William Rotch, Boston.

A Woman Confesses Perjury.

New York, Dec. 2.—Walter S. Langerman, convicted of assault in the first degree on charges preferred by Barbara Aub, was discharged by Recorder Goff, before whom he came for sentence. Miss Aub has made a full confession, admitting that she has done Langerman a great wrong. The recorder set aside the verdict, and granted a new trial. Langerman was committed to the house of detention as witness in the proceedings that may follow. Barbara Aub was taken to prison on a charge of perjury.

As an emergency medicine, Ayer's Cherry Pectoral takes the lead of all other remedies. For the relief and cure of croup, whooping cough, sore throat, and the dangerous pulmonary troubles to which the young are so liable, it is invaluable, being prompt to act, sure to cure.

THE SULTAN'S TERROR.

Courtiers Tell Him the Powers Would Depose Him.

GERMANY SENDS ANOTHER SHIP.

Russia Said to Have Withdrawn Her Guardship Demand.

The Turks Think the Sultan Has Won a Victory Over England—The Movement of the Driad May Have Been Done by Engtand for Effect on Other Powers.

London, Dec. 2.—The Standard's Vienna correspondent telegraphs that he learns from a trustworthy source in Constantinople that the sultan is hourly in fear of deposition. His courtiers warn him that the powers have decided upon this action and that they want the second guardship admitted to the Dardanelles in order to provide the necessary force to carry it out.

The Berlin correspondent of the Daily News says the German ironclad Hagen has been ordered to Turkish waters.

The Chronicle says the British consul at Moush reports to the foreign office that the relief work at Sassoun is at a standstill, and that the country is in so disturbed a condition that caravans are not able to leave Moush for Sassoun.

The Times tomorrow will print a dispatch from Berlin which reports that the Frankfurter Zeitung's Constantinople correspondent says that in response to the sultan's personal appeal the czar has waived Russia's claim for the passage of a second guardship through the Dardanelles.

Constantinople, Dec. 2.—While being desirous of not doing anything which would in any way tend to induce disturbances or hinder the work of restoring order, the powers again appear unanimously resolved to insist upon the demand for extra guardships. In consequence, the ambassadors have arranged for a meeting to consider what action is necessary, in view of the sultan's continued objection to granting the firmans.

In the meanwhile, the impression is being conveyed to the public that the sultan has won a great victory. This tends to make the matter more delicate to handle, as to demonstrate that such is the case is certain to lead to even more serious outbreaks than the one which gave the pretext for the demand for extra guardships. Turkish officials, discussing the withdrawal of the Driad, intimated that the powers objected to any power taking the lead in any action in Turkey. In other words, if action is to be taken, it should be combined action upon the part of the powers. Thus it is intimated that if passage of the Dardanelles is to be forced, it should be done by the warships of all the powers interested. This was the original understanding, but Great Britain, it appears, was disposed to delay matters beyond a certain point.

Another diplomat said it looked as if Great Britain had attained the object she had in view, namely, to show the sultan and the powers as well that, while being desirous of acting in accord with the other powers, her majesty's government was prepared to act alone if the necessity should arise, and that if the powers desire concerted action they must act promptly, or Great Britain will take the initiative.

A great deal of excitement was caused here today by a report that ex-Sultan Mohammed Murad, who was deposed on the ground of idiocy, on August 31, 1876, had escaped from Yildiz kiosk, where he is kept a close prisoner. The report, it appears, grew out of the flight of Murad Bey, imperial commissioner of the council of the public debt, who was suspected of having relations with the Young Turk party. Murad, it seems, has been watched by the police, and was suddenly summoned to the palace to explain his conduct. He gave the sultan what appeared a satisfactory explanation of the charges against him, but the matter being pressed further, Murad fled on board a Russian ship.

Vienna, Dec. 2.—The ambassador of a great power said last night: "The first thing to be done is to strengthen the position of the sultan, as the question of additional guardships has lessened his authority with his subjects, and may cause an outburst of fanaticism. Austria has changed the direction of her policy, and is now marching hand in hand with England." The sultan has complained to the English ambassador of the false reports that have appeared in the English press. There is no truth in the report that Austria is massing troops in Bosnia.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 2.—The czar, who takes a keen personal interest in Turkey, as in all other important questions, said while speaking very earnestly on the subject: "The sultan should be given time to carry out the promised reforms, which under the circumstances are not easy of accomplishment." These few words throw more light upon the question than the reams of "haute politique" which are being daily published. Notwithstanding contradictions, the news sent from here that there was an "entente" by Russia, Germany and France to prevent the disintegration of the Turkish empire remains perfectly true.

Columbus, Ind., Dec. 2.—About a year ago Rev. Z. T. Sweeney, of this city, formerly consul-general to Constantinople under President Harrison, was asked to carry a petition to Washington City, representing the Christian Women's Board of Foreign Missions of the United States for the pardon of Sahag Madissian, an Armenian school teacher who translated a sentence of scripture for a friend, who circulated it in the marketplace of an interior Turkish town. For this offense both were arrested and sent into exile to Mourzook, in the oasis of Fezzan, in the desert of Sahara. The friend died, but Sahag lived through great abuse and suffering. Rev. Mr. Sweeney, while in office, opened communication with Sahag and sent him money through Sir Henry Drummond Hay, English consul general at Tripoli. These missionary societies took up his case, and Sweeney, in company with ex-Congressman George W. Cooper, presented a petition signed by 400,000 Christian women to the state department at Washington City, which forwarded it to the sultan. News has just reached here that Sahag had been pardoned and had reached Tripoli on his way home.

Washington City, Dec. 2.—Admiral Selfridge has not yet notified the navy department of the refusal of the porte to permit one of the United States cruisers to enter the Bosphorus. Such permits have been issued in rae instances in the past when affairs in Turkey were quiet, but the powers party to the Berlin treaty alone enjoy the right of entrance to these waters.

German Generals Resign.

London, Dec. 3.—A dispatch from Berlin which the Daily News will publish today says that Gen. Schlichting, commander of the Fourteenth army corps of Baden, and one of the foremost strategists, has resigned. It is reported that the Grand Duke of Baden will also resign the inspector generaiship of the Fifth army corps. Both these resignations are due to difficulties with the Berlin authorities.

Suicide of an Embezzler.

Cincinnati, Dec. 2.—Charles Willier, bookkeeper of the Cincinnati Abattoir Company, committed suicide tonight to prevent arrest for the embezzlement of several thousand dollars from his employers. He absconded with $2,000 from the safe six weeks ago, and took a woman with him to Chicago, leaving a wife and five children. Becoming reconciled with his family, he had quietly come back to take them with him to Chicago. The woman with whom he had eloped, in a fit of jealousy, gave the tip to the officers. When the officers surrounded his house, he retreated to the garret and killed himself.

GERMAN CABINET CRISIS.

Baron Koeller, Persecutor of the Socialists, Will Have to Go.

Berlin, Dec. 2.—The newspapers assert that Baron von Koeller, Prussian minister of the interior, has been granted an indefinite leave of absence, and will undoubtedly be dismissed. Herr Zuoulis, councillor of state and framer of last year's anti-revolutionary bill, which failed to pass the reichstag in spite of strenuous efforts in its behalf by the government, is designed as his successor.

Dissatisfaction with the cabinet has seemed to center for some time past on Baron von Koeller, and Emperor William is said to have been displeased with his recent maladroit prosecution of Socialists for lese majeste. This action toward Baron von Koeller gives confirmation to rumors of a cabinet crisis, which have been current for some time past.

A Formidable Rebellion in Morocco.

Gibraltar, Dec. 2.—Advices from Morocco say serious fighting has occurred at Saffi, a fortified seaport. Insurgents are said to have surrounded the town and to have been attacked by the sultan's forces on November 7. Eleven hours' fighting followed, being stopped by nightfall. The battle was renewed next morning, and continued all day. On November 10 the insurgents reopened the engagement by bombarding the town, which has a population of about 12,000 people, killing eighty Moors. When the advices left there, November 11, the town was still surrounded by insurgent Arabs.

A FOOTPAD'S FACE SMASHED.

He Held Up the Son of the Author of the Queensberry Rules.

San Francisco, Dec. 2.—Lord Sholto Douglas, who has looked through prison bars, faced an irate mother-in-law and "jollied" theatrical managers, has encountered a real footpad. He met the highwayman Saturday night, refused to be held up, had to fight for it, and won. He landed all the uppercuts and cross-counters known to the Queensberry cult on the face of his assailant, compelling the hold-up to take to his heels in defeat.

After the performance at the Alcazar theater Saturday night Lord Sholto walked to O'Farrell and Mason streets with Leonard Grover, jr. There they parted, Douglas proceeding down Mason toward Ellis, on the west side of the street. Half-way in the block is a small alley, and as he reached it a man jumped out in front of him. "Say, young fellow, how much money have you?" asked the hold-up, as Lord Sholto stopped. "What do you want to know for?" returned Lord Douglas. "Oh, I just wanted a little." "Well, I have none for you." "Come, now, don't tempt me, but just hand out and say nothing." Before the last word had passed the man's lips Lord Douglas raised his right clenched fist and landed on his assailant's jaw. He followed this up with several stiff punches, laid him out on the pavement, and, as the footpad rose, planted him a sturdy British kick that would have won the admiration of a citizen of Seven Dials. Surprised, pained and stunned, the hold-up still had sense enough to turn tail and flee as fast as his legs would carry him. Lord Sholto followed him for some distance, but finally lost sight of him in the crowd.

Washington Land Decisions.

Washington City, Dec. 2.—Special.—Secretary Smith has rendered decisions in land cases in Washington as follows:

Northern Pacific Railroad Company vs. Robert S. Stone, Walla Walla district—The commissioner's decision is affirmed; the railroad company's selection of the tract in controversy is held for rejection, as Stone was a settler prior to the filing of the list by the company.

Northern Pacific Railroad Company vs. Edwin L. Rice, Walla Walla district—Decision affirmed; land awarded to Rice as a settler prior to the filing of selections by the company.

Northern Pacific Railroad Company vs. Ridgeway B. Hogan and Josiah S. Beard, Walla Walla district—Decision affirmed; railroad company's selection is rejected; Blunt's entry is held intact as the prior settler, and Hogan's entry is held for cancellation.

Northern Pacific Railroad Company vs. Edward R. Kilborn, Vancouver district—Decision affirmed and land awarded to defendant.

Northern Pacific Railroad Company vs. Enoch R. Chapman, Vancouver district—Decision affirmed and land awarded to Chapman.

R. C. Gessner vs. William M. Richardson, Seattle district—Decision affirmed; Gessner's contest is dismissed and Richardson's entry is to stand intact.

Effie Hood vs. William R. Lindsay, North Yakima district—Decision affirmed; Lindsay's desert entry is held for cancellation, for the reason that he failed to take steps to reclaim the land within the time allowed by law.

Howard C. Cook vs. Amos Underwood—Motion for review filed by plaintiff is denied; Underwood's entry is held intact.

Washington Pensions.

Washington City, Dec. 2.—Special.—Through the intercession of Congressman Hyde, Mr. Chauncey Haviland, of Spokane, has been retained on the pension rolls at $6 a month. Mr. Haviland was notified some time ago to show cause why his name should not be dropped, and, appealing to Mr. Hyde, the latter obtained affidavits of two responsible citizens to the effect that Mr. Haviland was justly entitled to his pension.

Samuel McConkey, of Blaine, who draws a pension at the rate of $12 a month, recently set up a claim that the date of beginning of payment should have been in March, 1891, instead of September 12, 1894. Commissioner Lochren states that Mr. McConkey filed a claim in March, 1891, but that it was rejected in 1892, on the ground that no sufficient disability was shown by the claimant's testimony. Mr. McConkey took no further action until September 12, 1894, when he again filed a claim, upon which, in due time, his present pension was granted. The commissioner states that, the first claim having been rejected, Mr. McConkey's pension cannot begin prior to the date of the filing of the second claim.

Colorado's New Mining Camp.

Denver, Dec. 2.—Miners familiar with all that is being done in the development of the goldfields of Colorado predict that the mining sensation of 1896 will center in Summit county. It is estimated that that county has yielded in the past $30,000,000 in gold, and not 1 per cent. of the placer ground has been worked over. Syndicates have secured thousands of acres of rich placer ground in the neighborhood of Breckinridge, and next spring exploration will be begun on a gigantic scale.

Over 100 brokers from Colorado Springs, Cripple Creek and Victor came to Denver today to attend the opening of the mining department of the Denver real estate and stock exchange. The first call of mining stocks on the exchange was a very noisy demonstration, and an unqualified success in every way.

Washington Postoffices.

Washington City, Dec. 2.—Special.—The star service from Ruby to Loop Loop, Okanogan county, was discontinued November 30. The following change is made in the star schedule from Ozette to Swan: Leave Ozette Tuesday and Saturday fifteen minutes after arrival of mail from Clallam, but not later than 5 p. m.; leave Swan on the same days at 12 m.

Cut Rates to Victoria.

Commencing today, and until further notice, the fare on the Rosalie to Port Townsend will be 50 cents, and to Victoria $1.00. D. B. JACKSON, Manager.

The Northern Pacific is now running two trains daily between Seattle and Portland. Leave Seattle 12:20 and 10 p. m.

CONGRESS IN SESSION.

Thomas B. Reed Elected Speaker of the House.

HE RECEIVES A GREAT OVATION,

As He Ascends the Rostrum the Roar of Voices Is Deafening.

The Reed Rules Adopted—New Senators Sworn In—The President's Message Not Ready—Probable Chairmen of House Committees.

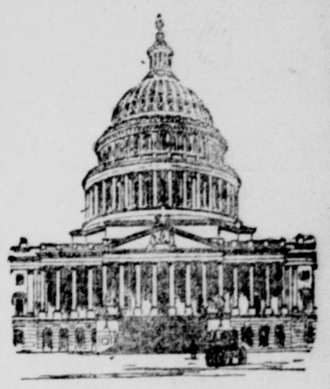
Washington City, Dec. 2.—The house of representatives passed today into the control of the Republicans, and Thomas Brackett Reed, of Maine, again triumphantly assumed the speaker's gavel. The opening session was, as is usual, an animated and brilliant occasion, set off with crowded galleries in holiday attire, intoxicating with the perfume of hundreds of floral tributes to popular members, and pervaded with a spirit of jubilation and good nature. Old familiar faces were absent, but there were plenty of new ones to take their places. Still, the proceedings themselves, usual with opening sessions, were of a routine character, and devoid of sensational features. The house simply organized, adopted the usual resolutions to notify the president and the senate that the house was ready for business, and wound up by indulging in the biennial lottery or seat-drawing contest.

THOMAS B. REED.
[Speaker of the house.]

Speaker Reed was beyond question the star of the occasion. His appearance was the signal for a most flattering and enthusiastic demonstration. His inaugural was modest and full of good feeling, but noncommittal as to politics. However, it was not expected that the speaker would touch upon questions to be dealt with by the house. Ex-Speaker Crisp assumed the leadership of the minority, and it was significant that Mr. Payne, of New York, made the motion which usually devolves upon the leader of the majority. This is taken to mean that he is to be chairman of the ways and means committee and the recognized leader of the Republicans on the floor.

By 10 o'clock the marble corridors of the hall of representatives were thronged with sightseers and place-hunters, and before 11 o'clock the galleries, public and private, were packed to the doors. From the galleries the visitors looked down upon an animated but confused scene. New members, old members, ex-members and place-seekers chatted in groups and filled the hall with a roar of voices. On the speaker's desk were great bunches of American Beauty roses, tied with streamers of red, white and blue, and other floral pieces. Flowers were conspicuous on the desks of the various members. As the hands of the clock opposite the speaker's desk pointed to 12 Clerk Kerr called the Fifty-fourth house of representatives to order. Rev. Bagley, of this city, the chaplain of the house, offered the invocation. Under the direction of Mr. Kerr the roll of members elected to the Fifty-fourth house was called. Reed, for whom every one was inquiring, had not made his appearance. Mr. Kerr announced that 341 of the 356 members of the house were present, and also that no credentials had been received from the Tenth New York and the First Nevada districts.

Mr. Kerr then called for nominations for speaker. No nominating speeches were made. Grosvenor, chairman of the Republican caucus, placed in nomination Thomas B. Reed, of Maine; Sayres the name of Charles S. Crisp, of Georgia, and Kem, Populist, of Nebraska, John C. Bell, of Colorado. The result of the vote was: Reed 234, Crisp 95, Bell 6, Culberson 1. Messrs. Crisp, Grosvenor and Bell were appointed a committee to conduct the speaker to the chair, and soon appeared



THE CAPITOL, EAST FRONT.

at the main entrance, Mr. Reed leaning on the arm of ex-Speaker Crisp, and Messrs. Grosvenor and Bell arm in arm.

As Mr. Reed ascended the rostrum the roar swelled until it was deafening. Above this volume of sound came like pistol shots cries of "Reed, Reed." They cheered, many of the people, wildly, and ladies in the galleries waved handkerchiefs. For over a minute the demonstration continued. Mr. Reed, arrayed in a long frock coat, and wearing a dark four-in-hand tie, stood calmly and serenely, with his hands clasped in a characteristic fashion behind his back until the house was quieted. Mr. Harmer, Republican, of Pennsylvania, the oldest man in continuous service present, came forward and administered the oath of office to the speaker. The latter then turned to the house. Looking into the sea of upturned faces, he delivered his inaugural. Slowly and distinctly the words fell from his lips. At many places his brief speech was punctuated with applause. He said:

"It will not be unbecoming in me, I hope, if I acknowledge to this assembly that it is very agreeable to me to stand once more in the place I left four years ago. Of the past, however, I shall not speak, for the past speaks for itself in terms more fitting and appropriate than any words which could come from my lips. Nor shall I speak of the future, for we are not putting off the harness, but putting it on. Yet I think I may venture to say of the future, in the light of the past, that if we do something which for the