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WORK OF CONGRESS.

The Civil Service Debate Closes Tamely.
MR. SIMPSON HEARD FROM
 He Says the Speaker "Is the Whole Thing and Runs the House."

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—The civil service debate which was inaugurated in the House a week ago, ended today. It opened with a row, but ended very tamely. There was not even a vote on the appropriation in the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill for the commission, upon which the debate was predicted. The Republicans are seeking to repeal the law which the law decided to let the debate close to a close today, but it required the casting vote of the Speaker to do this.

There are conflicting statements as to the situation. Mr. Galling, chairman of the committee on the civil service law, said that the fight is to be kept up, and it is positively stated by Mr. Patterson, chairman of the committee on the civil service law, that assurances have been received from those in authority in the House that an opportunity will be given in the future for the consideration of a bill to modify the law. From other sources the statement cannot be confirmed.

The debate was today quite full until the closing hour, when Mr. Simpson, Kansas Populist, withdrew it with some reference to the Ohio special election. Mr. Bailey, the Democratic leader, made a statement of the minority position, which was followed by a minority vote to repeal but not to modify the law. The principal speech of the day was made by Mr. Brosius, chairman of the civil service committee, who defended the law in a two hours' speech. He opened today's debate with an elaborate defense of the merit system and an argument for sustaining the law.

Mr. Pomeroy (Rep.) of North Carolina, asked how the statement that the civil service law was economical would be reconciled with the fact that the government had almost doubled since 1880. Mr. Brosius denied that this was the case. The advocates of the spoils system, he said, had repeated this statement until they were hoarse. He produced figures from the report of the commission to show that a number of departments in this city had decreased 3 per cent, while the number in the unclassified service had increased 6 per cent.

Mr. Maguire (Dem.) of California, defended the last administration for the character of its appointments, and commended the efficiency of the service, especially in the public printing office, which had been an especial point of assault from the other side.

Mr. White (Rep.) of North Carolina, the only colored member of the House, spoke in favor of the modification of the law, but if it could not be modified, he said he would join the Democrats in an effort to repeal it.

After some remarks by Messrs. Bell (Pop.) of California, and Eddy, (Rep.) of Minnesota, Mr. Simpson, of Kansas, withdrew the closing hour of the debate by a reference to the senatorial contest in Ohio. He said the debate had been prolonged while the Republicans in Ohio were making promises to the boys in the trenches in the interest of Senator Hanna.

"It was all a bluff," said Mr. Simpson. Nothing was to be done, and now that Senator Hanna's speech was made, the mask was thrown off and a vote was to be taken tonight on the bill. Whether the House would have an opportunity later to consider a bill for the modification or repeal of the law would depend on the Speaker," said Mr. Simpson.

"He is the whole thing," exclaimed Mr. Simpson, "and runs the House." (Laughter.)

"Have you consulted the Speaker?" asked Mr. Quinn.

"No," replied Mr. Simpson, "he never consults me and I never consult him."

Mr. Allen (Dem.) of Mississippi, entertained the House with one of his short humorous speeches. He was not a brute, he said, and he had not the heart to jump on the Republican party in its present straits and at this critical juncture. With mock solemnity he offered to mediate between the divided factions. He pictured the divisions on the floor in Maryland and Ohio. He said he felt especially sorry for Mr. Grosvenor, who was very busy leading a bolt on the floor of this House and covering a bolt in Ohio.

"The Ohio matter is adjusted," shouted a member.

Mr. Allen said he so understood. They had learned the lesson in Ohio which a negro in Mississippi said was the secret of success in the struggle with the negro, a colored man was represented as saying in Mr. Allen's story, "is that they didn't know how to transfer. The white man does. I give my vote to the negro. He buys produce with it from the commission man, he buys it from others, and so it goes. Everybody gets out of it but me and no one pays but me."

Mr. Allen smiled the story by saying it explained the secret of Senator Hanna's success. Several gentlemen had learned how to "transfer."

Mr. Bailey (Dem.) of Texas, the leader of the minority, closed the debate with some remarks defining the attitude of the Democrats. It was difficult, he said, to believe the sincerity of the other side when in one breath the Republicans moved their adherence to the law and in the next demanded its practical destruction. If the law was good, he said, it ought to be extended; if bad it should be repealed. The Democrats, he said, were ready to wipe it off the statute books. They did not believe in life tenure. While the repeal of the law might turn some of their friends off of office, he stated by their party platform. With the conclusion of Mr. Bailey's remarks, the time expired and the bill was reported to the House. It was then discovered that those who desired to vote to repeal on the appropriation for the civil service commission had neglected to make the motion in committee of the whole. No vote, therefore, could be taken, and the bill was referred without discussion. The cultural and urgent deficiency appropriation bills were reported to the House and at 5:20 P. M. the House adjourned.

SENATE.
 WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—After the transaction of some routine business in the Senate today, Mr. Galling, chairman of the committee on pensions, reported adversely from the committee a bill to grant a pension of \$100 a month to Margaret Butler Meade, and Henrietta Meade, daughters of the late Major General George Gordon Meade, and asked that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Allen, of Nebraska, asked what reason the committee had for requesting the indefinite postponement of the bill.

Mr. Galling explained the terms of the bill and said that the committee had taken adverse action on the bill because it did not believe it proper for the country to enter upon the experiment of pensioning the daughters of soldiers.

Mr. Allen said that he had a distant recollection of several instances of pensions being granted to daughters of soldiers, and expressed the opinion that this bill ought at least to go to the calendar for discussion. He thought he could not be accused of too great liberality, but in this case the soldier, General Meade, had performed remarkable service.

In his (Allen's) opinion, it was a serious question whether, if General Meade had not been at the battle of Gettysburg, we should have had a government today.

In reply Mr. Galling said that he had not the slightest objection to the consideration of the bill, but he desired to see to it that the money was not to be taken from the pockets of the government to throw the government's money into mill ponds and unknown creeks throughout the country.

"That is a matter," said Mr. Galling, "bringing the colloquy to an end, with which the committee on pensions has nothing to do."

Mr. Walcott, of Colorado, gave notice that he would on next Monday address the Senate upon the work of the monetary commission.

The bill restricting immigration was then called up, and Mr. Fairbanks, of Indiana, addressed the Senate in support of the measure.

At the conclusion of Mr. Fairbanks' speech, Mr. Caffery, of Louisiana, announced that on Thursday next he would address the Senate upon the immigration bill.

On motion of Mr. Davis, the Senate then, at 1:35 P. M., went into executive session, and at 3:35 P. M., adjourned.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—Except for a few minutes given to a controversy over some minor postoffice confirmations, the entire time of the executive session of the Senate today was consumed by Senator Davis, of Minnesota, in a speech in support of Hawaiian annexation. Mr. Davis is chairman of the Senate committee of foreign relations, and his speech was generally accepted as the semi-official position of the majority of the committee. He spoke for about two hours, and when the Senate adjourned had not finished. The speech was the first upon the merits of the treaty, and on this account and because of the known fact that Senator Davis had made a very careful investigation of the subject, he received the undivided attention of the members of the Senate, regardless of individual views. As the speech was delivered behind closed doors a verbatim report could not be obtained.

The portion of the speech delivered today consisted of a review of the relations between this country and Hawaii during the history of these islands and a general plea for annexation. The United States had exercised a fostering and protecting care over them from the beginning, with many evidences of the intention of ultimately making them a permanent portion of the American domain.

The question, he contended, is one of importance so vast that one must of necessity approach it with a certain degree of care. It is a subject which is difficult to present all the points involved as they should properly be presented, however much care and attention one might give to the subject. The Senator then referred to the speech he had launched into the presentation of the subject before the Senate. He consumed considerable time in a general presentation of the subject, and then, saying that these were both commercial and strategic. Referring to the commercial reasons for controlling the island in the interest of this country, he said that any one with half an eye to the importance of the trade of the Orient could discern the fact that they must have a very large fleet of ships controlling that trade for the future.

"As for their military importance," he said, "it has already become evident from the opening of the country, which is now so near the must mark the opening of a new condition of affairs in the far East."

He referred then briefly to the operations of the European powers in China, predicting that the time was not far distant when the great nations of Europe would, if they were not checked, control the entire Asiatic seaboard.

One strong point which Mr. Davis dwelt upon at considerable length was the desirability of these islands, not only to this country, but to all the leading powers of the world.

"We," he said, "should take the islands while we have the opportunity, and if we do not want them it will be a very easy matter for us to get rid of them on our own terms."

Mr. Davis concluded his speech with the general understanding that he would continue tomorrow, but as he has an abundance of material it is doubtful whether he will be able to conclude with one more effort. When he ceased speaking he was generally congratulated by his fellow Senators upon the comprehensive presentation of the subject.

UPRISING OF INDIANS.

Burn Devils on the Rampage in Oklahoma.
TWENTY-FIVE MASSACRED
 Hand of One Hundred and Fifty Seminoles Leaving a Trail of Blood Behind Them. Report of Terror.

(By Telegraph.)
 DALLAS, TEX., Jan. 11.—A special to the News from Oklahoma City, O. T., says: "There is an uprising in the Seminole nation and one hundred armed Indians have killed twenty-five citizens of Pottawatomie county, this territory. The Indians are seeking to avenge the recent burning of Lawson, McGeisey and Palmer Simpson, two Indians of the Seminole tribe, who were accused of murdering and outraging Mrs. Leard, of Maud postoffice. A special train load of armed citizens has gone to Earlburo, ten miles from Maud, and excitement is higher than ever before known in the Indian territory."

SOUTH McALLISTER, I. T., Jan. 11.—A telegram received here at 6:40 this evening by the train dispatcher of the Choctaw, Oklahoma & Gulf railroad, states that a band of one hundred and fifty Seminoles had already massacred twenty-five men, women and children. A train will be dispatched from here at midnight and for the scene of the reported massacre, under orders from Judge Springer and having on board all the available deputy marshals under command of Captain Brady, while the secretary of war will be wired to order troops from Fort Reno. The general of the Choctaw, Oklahoma & Gulf railroad has ordered out a special train from Shawnee bearing volunteers armed with Winchester to intercept the Indians at Earlburo.

WICHITA, KAN., Jan. 11.—A special from Shawnee, I. T., says that a fight took place between a band of Seminoles and whites near Earlburo this afternoon, resulting in several white families being massacred.

GUTHRIE, O. T., Jan. 11.—Deputy marshals arriving here from Maud report a reign of terror in that section following the recent lynching of two Seminoles Indians, which has provoked the Seminoles to threaten vengeance. A dozen families are reported to have left their farms in the vicinity of Maud. One Deputy brings a report that two white men were captured by Seminoles yesterday and put to the thumb screw.

United States Marshal Thompson received instructions today to send a force of deputies to the line marking the border of Oklahoma and the Indian Territory, co-operating with the Indian Territory officials in quelling the threatened outbreak.

STILL IN THE RING

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 was lobbying in the interest of that bill. He offered me a bribe of \$1,000 if I would vote for that measure.

"At my conference with Mr. Hanna last Saturday I told him that this reason would prevent me from supporting him because I believed he knew the street railway of which he was president was behind the men who offered the bribe and that he himself was on the ground lobbying in the interest of the bill."

(Signed) HARRY C. MASON.
 The Democratic steering committee of the fusionists tonight issued the following manifesto:
 "To the Public: Marcus A. Hanna will not be elected by this legislature."
 (Signed) ALLEN O. MYERS, JAMES ROSS, R. M. DITTY.

John Spratley Arrested.
 John Spratley (colored) was arrested yesterday by Officer Gray on a warrant charging him with stealing a quantity of paint from a painter by the name of Davis.

Davis claims to know that Spratley is the man who robbed him and will appear against the negro in the Police Court tomorrow morning, when the case will be heard by Justice Brown.

ALONG THE WATER FRONT

ITEMS OF INTEREST GATHERED ABOUT THE PIERS.
 Entrances and Clearances at the Custom House. List of Vessels Now in Port. Other Marine Items.

Weather Forecast
 (By Telegraph.)
 WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—Forecast for Wednesday: For Virginia, rain; warmer; easterly winds.

CALENDAR FOR THIS DAY
 Sun rises—7:13. Sets—5:11. Light water—11:41 A. M., and—P. M. Low water—5:40 A. M., and 6:08 P. M.

Marine Miscellany.

ROTTERDAM, Jan. 9.—Arrived: Benedick, Newport News.
ANTWERP, Jan. 11.—Arrived: Fitzpatrick, Newport News.

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES.
Vessels Arrived Yesterday.
 Schooner Governor Ames, Providence.
 Schooner George Bailey, Providence.
 Schooner L. M. Deering, Boston.

Vessels Sailed Yesterday.
 Schooner Frank A. Palmer, Portsmouth.
 Schooner B. F. Pool, Providence.
 Schooner E. M. Golder, Boston.

Norfolk's Port List.

(By Telegraph.)
NORFOLK, VA., Jan. 11.—Arrived: Schooners, Warren Hull, Hull, Atlantic City, N. J., for Newbern, N. C.; Chesapeake, New York, for Tampa, Fla.
 Cleared: Schooner Miller R. Bohannon, Bohannon, Havana; steamer Indian Prince, (Br.), Jones, Antwerp.

AURORA'S BOATS LOST.
 (By Telegraph.)
OWES, ISLE OF WIGHT, Jan. 11.—The British steamship Aurora, Captain Green from Newport News for Hamburg, signalled when passing today that several of her boats had been washed overboard by heavy seas.

MISS LONG HONORED.

(By Telegraph.)
 WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—Miss Helen Long, daughter of the secretary of the navy, will christen the first Japanese warship to be built in the United States. The ceremony will take place at Cramp's shipyards on the 20th inst., and will be interesting in several respects because of its novelty. Minister Toru-Hojo was notified a day or two ago by Mr. Cramp that the ship was ready for launching and invited to name a sponsor. The minister thereupon requested Miss Long to perform the ceremony of naming the ship, and with her father's assent the young lady accepted the invitation.

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 Men's Enamel Russet Hand Sewed Lace Shoe, latest styles, worth \$5.00, our price \$3.00.
 Ladies' Genuine Vici Kid, patent tip, latest styles, lace or button, worth \$2.25, our price \$1.25.
 Ladies' Hand Turned Imported Kid, button or lace shoes, worth \$3.00, our price \$1.95.
 Misses Grain Solar Tip, solid leather, spring heel button shoes, worth \$1.00, our price 60 cents.
 Children's Genuine Dongola Patent Tip, spring heel, button or lace, worth \$5 cents, our price 49 cents.
 Boys' Satin Calf, solid leather, worth \$1.50, our price 83 cents.

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