

A WAITING POLICY

The Friends of the Hawaiian Annexation Treaty

ARE IN NO GREAT HURRY

They Hope to Gain Necessary Strength by Delay

At the Very Best they are Two Votes Short of a Ratification—The Week Will Therefore Likely be Occupied by Appropriation Bills.

Washington, Jan. 30.—The senate proceedings for the week will open with a speech by Senator Pettigrew, dealing with the Hawaiian question, which will be delivered on Monday. Beyond this speech it is very difficult to forecast the outlook for the week. The diversion occasioned by taking up the Teller bond resolution has left the senate in a somewhat disorganized and unsettled condition and with no prearranged programme.

Senator Pettigrew's speech will be made during the morning hours and the probabilities are now that at its conclusion, or at least at 2 o'clock, one of the general appropriation bills will be called up. The army and legislative appropriation bills are already on the calendar and the consideration of the agricultural bill has been completed by the committee so that it will be the first of these measures to receive consideration, though there is some disposition to displace it with the legislative bill.

Senator Allison, chairman of the committee on appropriations, said today that it was his purpose to have the appropriation bills considered in advance of the other measures and if he adheres to this determination the week may be largely taken up with them. So far as can be seen now there are few features in the bills already reported calculated to arouse discussion. There is a feeling in certain quarters that the army bill should be amended by a provision for the increase of administration and if such a change should be attempted it would give rise to a very spirited debate. The census bill also will be pressed for consideration during the week.

In view of all the possibilities for debate and delay involved in these arrangements it seems quite improbable that the Hawaiian treaty will receive much attention, at least in executive session, during the week. Still, Senator Davis, chairman of the committee on foreign relations, announces it to be his purpose to move an executive session for the consideration of the treaty on Monday, but it is possible that he may be influenced by a pressure from senators who have other measures requiring immediate attention, to postpone this motion for a few days. He does not, however, admit such a probability. There is a growing impression that the friends of the treaty feel that their best course is in delay, and this is the explanation of the tactics so far observed with reference to it.

There is an excellent foundation for this surmise. They have made a very thorough canvass of the senate and have not been able to discover where they can get more than fifty-eight votes, whereas to ratify the treaty they will have to have sixty. They feel that even some of those fifty-eight are not entirely reliable. In view of these circumstances they realize that nothing is to be lost by an informal postponement, especially when it comes naturally through the pressure of other business, and some of them believe that everything is to be gained by that course.

SEEKS TO DIE IN STYLE

Norwegian Farm Hand Attempts Suicide at the Palmer House

Chicago, Jan. 30.—Hans Fossum, a Norwegian farm hand, who registered from St. Paul, engaged a room at the Palmer house last evening and after locking the door attempted to commit suicide by turning on the gas. Guests who detected the odor of the escaping fumes notified the clerk, and the door to Fossum's room was broken open. He was found sitting on the floor in a dazed condition and taken to the Harrison street police station. Today an examination will be made as to his sanity.

Fossum attracted much attention when he entered the hotel. He was roughly clad and carried an old-fashioned carpet sack. He asked to be given one of the best rooms in the house and was assigned to the second floor. Half an hour later his attempt at suicide was discovered.

When resuscitated Fossum told the hotel employes he did not want to live. "What is the use in living," he said, "when I am constantly followed by a strange man who has often

threatened my life and is only waiting for a chance to kill me."

Fossum became more rational at the police station and said he came from St. Paul four days ago and was on his way back to Norway.

EXPLAINING AN OMISSION.

Secretary Gage Replies to an Inquiry of the Senate.

Washington, Jan. 30.—Replying to a resolution of inquiry, the secretary of the treasury yesterday sent to the senate a statement explaining the omission of the item concerning the accrued interest on the Pacific railroad debts in the annual reports since 1880. He says the change made was due to a decision of the United States supreme court holding that there was no debt on account of interest until the maturity of the bonds. He adds that the monthly statement of the public debt includes a table in regard to the Pacific railroad indebtedness which shows the principal of bonds outstanding, interest accrued and not yet paid, interest paid by the United States and other information bearing upon this indebtedness.

COLD IN IDAHO.

Snow Deep and the Thermometer Away Below Zero.

Pocatello, Ida., Jan. 30.—The past two days have been the coldest in this section for many years. The thermometer last night registered 19 below. At Bancroft it was 44 below and at Market Lake 4 below. It has been intensely cold for seven weeks and the snow all over southeastern Idaho is from six to fifteen inches deep. All stockmen have been compelled to feed for several weeks past and are becoming alarmed at the threatened shortage of hay. The sheep men have had to drive their flocks from the great burns of central Idaho and begin to feed.

SLICING UP OHINA.

Russia Demanding an Equivalent to Kao Chau.

London, Jan. 30.—A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Shanghai says a secret dispatch has been sent by Tsung Li Yamen to certain high officials informing them that Russia has warned China that if Kao Chau were granted to Germany, Russia would demand either Talien Wan or Port Arthur.

According to the same dispatch it is asserted at Shanghai on good authority that China consents to have the Russians at the head of her customs and railways.

HE STANDS ALONE.

Fitzsimmons in a Class All by Himself.

Detroit Mich., Jan. 30.—Fitzsimmons and Julian declined to consider Corbett's challenge today. Consideration of this city, who had undertaken to have the fight pulled off for a purse of \$25,000, had an interview with Julian and Fitzsimmons with representatives of the press as witnesses. The latter declared that Corbett was no longer in Fitzsimmons' class and would not be until he had whipped Maher.

ALL FAVOR PEACE.

Havana, Jan. 30.—General Blanco, according to his version of his trip received from Spanish sources, was welcomed enthusiastically at Santiago de Cuba. The provincial deputies tendered him a banquet at which, in the course of a reply to a toast to his health, General Blanco urged that all elements of the population should endeavor to contribute to the establishment of peace.

THE LATIMER STRIKE.

The Case of the Slaughtering Sheriff Set for Trial.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Jan. 30.—The case of Sheriff James Martin and his eighty deputies, charged with the murder and felonious wounding of a score of striking miners at Latimer, this county, on September 10 last, will be called for trial in the criminal court next Tuesday, February 1.

It is expected that the trial will last a week and it may be longer before a verdict is reached.

OPEN TO KLONDYKE.

Tacoma, Wash., Jan. 30.—Hugh Wallace, president of the Chilkoot Railroad and Transportation company, has advised of the completion of the company's aerial tramway over Chilkoot pass in the Alaska company's system on the railroad from Dyea to Canon City, thence by a system of aerial tramways over Chilkoot pass to Lake Linderman. This marks a new era for Klondyke travel.

MR. GLADSTONE BETTER.

Cannes, Jan. 30.—Mr. Gladstone has kept his bed the entire day. He passed a restless night and there was a return of his neuralgia. His physician called during the night and again this morning. When this dispatch is sent tonight, Mr. Gladstone is reported as feeling much relieved.

WILL KILL IT QUICK

No Earthly Hope for the Teller Silver Resolution

A REBUKE TO THE SENATE

To be Given by the Promptness of the House' Action

Everything to be Sacrificed to Haste in Showing that the Vote Last Friday Night Was by No Means the Sense of Congress.

Washington, Jan. 30.—It is the intention of the house leaders to offset as far as possible the action of the senate in passing the Teller resolution by killing that declaration of the sense of congress, regarding the payment of the government's coin bonds in silver, on an eye and may vote in the house this week. This will be the feature of the proceedings.

While the full republican strength in the house cannot be combined against the resolution, no doubt is expressed by those who have made it their business to canvass the situation that the majority against it will be decisive. As soon as the resolution is reported back from the ways and means committee, which may be tomorrow, the rules committee will bring in a special order for its consideration.

The time allowed for debate is likely to be brief, as the leaders do not believe there is any necessity for a protracted debate, and moreover, a long discussion would measurably decrease the very purpose they have in view; namely, the prompt and decisive negative reply to the senate's declaration. The remainder of the week will be devoted to the appropriation bills.

THE USUAL ENGLISH VIEW.

London, Jan. 30.—The Times, commenting editorially this morning upon "The disquieting vote on Senator Teller's resolution," says the disaster is accentuated by the fact that at length President McKinley has "descended from the fence on the right side." Discussing the possible disruption of the republican party and the return of a silver majority at the next election, the Times says: "Mr. Cleveland was a stronger man than his successor and fought the battle bravely, but he saw his party broken into pieces."

DISMISSAL OF MRS. ROBERTS.

It Will Be Considered by the Senate Civil Service Committee.

Washington, Jan. 30.—The senate committee on civil service and re-employment will hold a meeting tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock, when Mr. Allen's resolution providing that the secretary of the interior be called on for all charges against Mrs. M. A. Roberts, who was removed from the pension office last May, be sent to the senate, will be considered.

There is apt to be more disappointment in regard to this matter on the part of Mrs. Roberts' friends. When the resolution was referred to the committee, Mr. Allen was given to understand on the floor of the senate that the case would be investigated, and on that statement he consented to let the resolution be referred to the committee instead of having it adopted by the senate, as he at first insisted upon.

Under the resolution the committee is not given authority to carry on any investigation of the Roberts case. At the meeting of the committee tomorrow morning the matter will be fully considered and some course of action will be decided on.

At 11 o'clock the committee will continue the examination of witnesses in connection with its investigation into the methods of the civil service. Mr. Procter president of the civil service commission, will go on the stand and will probably conclude his testimony.

AFFAIRS IN ALASKA.

Collector Ivey in Consultation With Secretary Gage.

Washington, Jan. 30.—Mr. J. W. Ivey, the collector of customs of this country for Alaska, was at the treasury department yesterday talking with Secretary Gage of the condition of affairs in Alaska. Mr. Ivey has come here especially to confer with the treasury officials about customs and other matters.

Mr. Ivey says he expects to see the greatest rush to the gold fields this spring and summer the world has ever seen. He does not believe the rush to California in the old days will be a circumstance. Mr. Ivey believes that the result of the rush will be the building up of Alaska into a great territory, and then a state. Placer mining will be followed by quartz

mining and the establishment of gold mills throughout the territory. Alaska, he says, is rich in other minerals. These will be developed, and mining towns will be established in all sections of the state.

COTTON MILL'S STRIKE.

New Bedford, Mass., Jan. 30.—The third week of the strike will begin tomorrow, with a no nearer prospect of settlement than was apparent three weeks ago. The union weavers will receive strike pay tomorrow.

BIVALVES AND BIVALVES.

Tremendous Consumption of Oysters in Arizona's Metropolis.

It will surprise the reader to know that the toothsome oyster has a strong hold on the palate of the lover of shell fish in Phoenix. The bulk of the receipts come from Berwick bay, on the Louisiana coast, and as many as 5,000 have been delivered by Wells, Fargo & Co. in a day. The average since January first has been a daily delivery of 4,000. These are generally culled and are classed select and mixed.

The tempting cocktail, usually had at saloons as an appetizer, is the blue point, a small oyster, but pleasing to the taste. On the coast of California, Oregon and Washington there is a smaller oyster than the blue point and it is over there that the cocktail originated. The ingredients that assist in this concoction are Worcester sauce, tomato catsup and a dash of pepper and salt. It is told of a lady from the coast, who had become accustomed to eating the little fellows in quantities of 100 at a sitting, that when she ordered a lunch to be sent to her in an eastern hotel that she ordered a hundred oysters, which nearly paralyzed the waiter. He brought the eastern product and did not wait to see how the lady disposed of them. After eating heartily the lady dumped the residue, fully three-fourths, down a convenient ash chute.

Speaking of the local supply, there are some half dozen dealers who handle oysters, restaurants and hotel keepers receiving theirs direct. One restaurant reports having dished up as high as 1,500 in one day. The oysters brought here are sold as low as 20 cents per dozen, raw, at stores and cost perhaps 12 cents a dozen laid down. The Berwick bay oyster is taking precedence over the eastern bivalve in Arizona on account of the shorter haul.

A MISSOURIAN OF NOTE.

A Man Who Raises Cattle and Endows Colleges.

Mr. D. Rankin of Tarkio, Mo., arrived in the city yesterday morning. Mr. Rankin is one of the very wealthy men of the state and is, perhaps, the most extensive stock raiser and shipper in the state. His shipments from his own farms amount to about 10,000 head of cattle yearly. These go out during the shipping season in three trainloads a week. The three years preceding last year, said Mr. Rankin, made up a trying period for the Missouri farmer as it was for the farmer, ranchman and cattlemen everywhere else in the United States. Another face has been put on both farming and the cattle business, so that those who stayed with it are likely now to reap the reward of their faith that it would come out all right in the end.

Mr. Rankin expected to make purchases of cattle on his western trip, but the prices are not satisfactory. By "satisfactory" is not necessarily meant "high." They may be still higher after awhile and still be quite satisfactory. A satisfactory price is one which a buyer can afford to pay, knowing that he can sell again at a still higher one. The future of the cattle business, that is, the near future, cannot be absolutely foretold. That it will be as it is now, prosperous, is certain; but what heavy northern buyers are waiting for is some indication of the exact extent of the prosperity.

Beside being a wealthy man and a very busy business man, Mr. Rankin is the foremost philanthropist of his part of the state. He wholly endowed and perhaps continues now to assist in the support of Tarkio college, the chief educational institution in northwestern Missouri. It should be stated here that no part of this information was received from Mr. Rankin. The writer happened to know about the college, its founding and its maintenance.

Mr. Rankin is accompanied by relatives, W. A. Rankin and wife of Onaga, Ill. They are stopping at the Hotel Adams. They have just come from the national stockgrowers' convention at Denver and will leave tonight for California.

SECRETARY ALGER BETTER.

Washington, Jan. 30.—Secretary Alger's condition tonight is reported better.

A DEAD SURGEON.

Paris, Jan. 30.—Julius Emile Pean, the eminent surgeon, is dead.

A TELL TALE NECKTIE

It May be the Predecessor of a Hemp Tie

LIGHT THROWN ON A MURDER

A Clue Found in the Hand of One of the Victims

It is Connected by a Boy's Story With a Gang Suspected by the Police to be Implicated in the Late Burlington Butchery.

Burlington, Ia., Jan. 30.—Six members of what is known as the Storms gang are now under arrest, charged with complicity in the murder of Mrs. Rathburn and her daughter. Blood-stains were found on the clothing of Storms, the leader. A lad named Peterson today told the police that he called at the home of the Rathburns several weeks ago and found two men there. One of them, he said, asked Mary Rathburn to fix his tie, and the boy afterward identified the tie found on the body of Mary Rathburn as the one that had been called to his attention on that night.

The supposition is that the girl tore the tie from her assailant in the struggle for her life. Young Peterson also picked out the man Storms from a number of prisoners and declared he was the man who wore the tie on the night he called at the Rathburn home. The police also say they have information that threats were made by members of the Storms gang against the Rathburns.

A SABBATH DISCUSSION

Regarding the Unpaid Balance of a Horse Doctor Bill.

As people were returning from church yesterday morning many of them were attracted by a quarrel between two men on the east side of the court house plaza. One of the men seated on a horse, was tall, blustering and wore huge goggles. The other was standing on the sidewalk. He was smaller, had a red mustache and a queer manner. Between them was a deep ditch. They were engaged in the discussion of a financial question. One of them owed the other a dollar for doctoring a horse. At last the man on the horse cried: "You'd better not get me to jump onto you. If I do, I'll climb all over you and there won't be enough left of you to make a gun-wad."

"I don't know whether you can or not," replied the other man; "I wouldn't mind going round in the alley just to find out. You're bigger'n me, but that don't spell nothin'." "You're a liar," retorted the first; "I ain't no bigger'n you."

At this point the combatants resolved themselves into a committee on weights and measures. They discussed their comparative sizes for awhile in an apparently friendly manner. But at last it furnished a new oasis-bell and the man in the big goggles had recourse again to the use of improper language. The discussion soon reverted to the original question, the unpaid horse doctor bill. The crowd seeing the hopelessness of a fight withdrew, so that how the affair terminated is not known. But there was no coroner's inquest in this precinct yesterday.

PRIEST AND PULPIT.

Synopsis of Sermons in Phoenix Churches Yesterday.

BAPTIST CHURCH.—At the Baptist church on Sunday morning Rev. Dr. Halsey gave a sermon on prayer—"What is it? Why is it? How May We Prepare for it? How May We Acceptably Offer it?"

Prayer is the soul's community with God. It is coming to him by that new and living way cast up for the redeemed to walk in it. It is coming to God in the name of Him without whom no man cometh unto the Father. "Prayer is the Christian's vital breath, the Christian's native air, his watchword at the gates of death. He enters heaven with prayer." Prayer is the outpouring of the heart of one who feels the need of his heavenly Father and knows where to find Him. We need to pray in order to enjoy the presence of God. He draws nigh to those who draw nigh to Him. He takes no pleasure in the proud, but smiles upon the humble. To know Him is life, and to know Him we need to come near to Him—so associate with Him. He is not far from every one of us, but He is especially near to the lowly and contrite of heart who feel their need of Him and petition for His presence and benediction.

The Master teaches us how to pray. It is by coming in faith, believing, to Him who has all power and who is all love, committing our way unto Him, casting our care upon Him and pray-

ing that His kingdom may come, and His will, not ours, be done. Some public prayers are sacrilegious, offered to the ear of men rather than before the throne of God. An account of a religious gathering stated that the prayer was "one of the most eloquent ever heard in Boston." Before we pray we should examine our hearts to learn our needs and to cast out all unholly desires and aspirations, that our chief desire may be to be holy as He is holy. We may prepare to offer prayer by such self examination, by study of the prayers and precepts of the bible, and especially of the prayer taught by the Master to His disciples. In order to pray aright we must have the spirit of the Master, the spirit of forgiveness. The prayers of the bible are all short. Prayer should include ascription, praise and petition. The prayer of Daniel is a profitable one for study. Place and posture and phrases are nothing; the spirit of charity is everything.

"THE lecture at Good Templars' hall yesterday on 'The Coming Christ,' by Dr. A. L. Asor, was listened to with rapt attention. The subject was handled in an original way, and in some word painting of the Christ spirit brooding over the world leading it upward and onward toward perfection, the doctor showed she was a great orator. All present were delighted and pleased, as grace, purity of language and perfect manners distinguished Dr. Asor's address from first to last. Dr. Asor will lecture in Moss hall, corner Washington and Fourth avenue, next Sunday at 3 p. m. on 'If a Man Die, Shall He Live Again?'"

"THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH—Notwithstanding the muddy condition of the streets, good audiences listened to two very interesting discourses by Pastor Ogburn yesterday. At 11 o'clock he spoke on 'Potential Energy and Active Force,' using many useful and convincing illustrations in making his applications to the lives of men. The snow on the mountains represents potential energy. It is of no value or consequence until acted on by the sun's heat, when it is transformed into water and becomes an active force as it flows on its course to the sea. A man may have natural ability which is potential energy, but it is of no effect until put into use, and becomes an active force.

The subject of the evening discourse was 'The Christian's Battleships,' the train of thought being along the line of the responsibility of each individual for his carelessness or negligence. It is our business, said the speaker, to make it easy for men to do right; and to take away the temptations that surround us on all sides, for our safety depends on the integrity and morality of our fellow men. He spoke of the influence of the home on the children, comparing these influences to battlements thrown around them for their protection. When we cease to respect our homes, our nation is doomed. The home is our only national safeguard. We must build battlements of character. Character, like a chain, is only as strong as its weakest link. A man may be perfect in every way, except that he has a mania for gambling, which may wreck him own life and destroy his family. An appetite for drink has wrecked many a man who was perfect in every other way.

DEFOLIATION OF MR. M'GINN.

Bender, the Trespasser, to be Tried This Afternoon.

Unless something unforeseen happens, the most eventful thing billed for this town today is the trial of the said John Bender. It will occur in Justice Johnson's court at 2 o'clock. Bender is charged, as most of the readers of The Republican know, with having trespassed upon the countenance of Michael McGinn and with having destroyed the foliage and uprooted the shrubbery growing thereon. Bender seems to be utterly without any defense, for many persons witnessed the act of vandalism and some of the shrubbery is now on exhibition, having been made to amplify the coat of arms of the Palace saloon, a cherub couchant.

But that was only the beginning of the outrage. Bender was drunk on that night and was drunk the next morning in jail. The first thing he demanded after breakfast was a warrant for the arrest of Mr. McGinn. It was issued and Mr. McGinn was brought into court, where he entered a plea of not guilty to a charge of assault, and indicated that he would set up in his pleadings today, self defense. All right thinking people hope the court will see a way clear to discharging Mr. McGinn forthwith, even before he gets into court. If one may not act in self defense when his whiskers are being pulled out by the roots there is certainly no occasion justifying resistance to unlawful force. The phrases "self defense" and "driven to the wall" may as well be erased from the statute books and the violent and lawless ought to be given a free run.

As for Bender, the court cannot deal too harshly with that sacrilegious person. He should be taught once for all that he is not the tornado that he thinks he is; nor is he even a violent wind, nor yet a gentle zephyr, to toy with other people's whiskers.