

RIGHTS OF THE SENATE. REPUBLICAN CAUCUS TO CONSIDER THE QUESTION.

The National Women's Suffrage Association—Another Bold Call—Educational Bill.

WASHINGTON, February 17.—It is generally believed that Secretary Manning will issue a call for \$10,000,000 3 per cent bonds about the end of the month, to mature April 1st.

WOMEN SUFFRAGISTS. The meeting of the Women Suffragist's Convention to-day, in eighteenth annual session, was the largest ever held by the association. Much interest was manifested in the proceedings.

ANOTHER EDUCATIONAL BILL. Among the bills introduced in the Senate to-day was one by Senator Morrill, which provides for the establishment of an educational fund by setting apart each year the receipts from the sale of public lands over and above the expenses of the Land Office, together with one-half the amount received from railroad companies under the provisions of the Thurman act, such fund to be apportioned by the several States and Territories.

REPUBLICAN CAUCUS.

The Relations Between the President and the Senate.

WASHINGTON, February 17.—About twenty Republican Senators met in caucus this morning. Senator Edmunds submitted a resolution from the Judiciary Committee embodying the views of the Republican members respecting the rights of the Senate to information from the heads of executive departments.

The resolution was approved and it was decided that it shall be offered in open session of the Senate.

The resolutions are three in number. The first declares that the action of the Attorney-General in refusing to furnish information which was called for by the Senate is unjust and reprehensible.

The second declares that the heads of departments for information regarding removals from office and the information is not furnished as requested.

The third condemns the disregard of the law which requires that in selection for office, preference be given to honorably discharged Union soldiers and sailors.

It is understood that the resolutions will be formally laid before the Judiciary Committee at its next meeting, with a view to having them reported to the Senate immediately thereafter.

THE WOMEN SUFFRAGISTS.

First Day of the Eighteenth Annual Convention.

WASHINGTON, February 17.—The eighteenth annual Washington Convention of the National Women's Suffrage Association began this morning. Seventy States and territories were represented. There was a large attendance, and much interest was manifested.

Today's sessions were presided over by Susan B. Anthony, who, on taking the chair, announced that President Elizabeth Cady Stanton was ill at her home and would not be able to attend the convention.

Elizabeth Cady Stanton was re-elected president at the next meeting, by Matilda Joselyn Gage and Phoebe W. Coussins, vice-presidents at large for the ensuing year.

It was announced that the Judiciary Committee of the House will give representatives of the convention a hearing on the 21st instant, and also that resolutions from the National Association and many local and State organizations have been sent to members of Congress praying for the passage of a sixteenth amendment to the constitution.

No effort toward general petition work has been made. At the evening session a paper on "Woman Suffrage and the Labor Question," was read by Clara B. Colby of Nebraska.

The Rev. Rush B. Shippen read a paper on "The Advance of Women," and was followed by Ada C. Sweet of Chicago in an address on "Woman's Work."

Adjourned until to-morrow.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN.

The Conflict Between the Police Authorities and the City Council.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., February 17.—The conflict of authority between the Police Commission and City Council reached a crisis to-day by the appointment of the clerk and master as receiver to take charge of the police funds of the city and pay the police on the warrant of the commission.

The trouble between the two bodies has been in progress three months. The Police Commission is a Democratic body appointed by the Governor. The City Council is Republican. The City Council is Republican. The City Council is Republican.

Yonit Dudley Cured.

YONIT, Tenn., February 17.—Counsel for Mrs. Yonit Dudley, who shot O'Donovan Rossa a year ago, is authorized by the statement that she is cured, that a certificate to that effect will be sent to the State Superintendent of Lunacy, who will take her before a Supreme Court Judge and obtain an order for her release from the insane asylum.

John E. Gough Very Low.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., February 17.—John E. Gough's condition at midnight is reported by his physician as very low.

Pork Packing in the West.

CINCINNATI, February 17.—The Cincinnati Price Current will say to-day that the number of hogs packed in the West last week is 210,000, against the 205,000 for the preceding week. The total to date since November 1st,

MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE.

SERVICES IN HONOR OF THE LATE SENATOR VERTNER.

Report on the Ship Island Railroad Penitentiary Lease—Bills and Resolutions.

JACKSON, Miss., February 17.—Special.—Bills introduced and referred. By Mr. Seal: To prevent trespass on lands.

By Mr. Reynolds: Empowering supervisors of Monroe to pay the chief clerk for services as county auditor.

By Mr. Binford: For the relief of tax assessors.

By Mr. Dodds: In relation to the limitation of actions.

By Mr. Whitney: For the relief of Nathan Brinkley, ex-Franklin.

By Mr. Dean: To amend the law in relation to corporations and other associations.

By Mr. Buchanan: To prohibit the sale of pistols and pistol cartridges.

By Mr. Yergor: For the payment of a deputy clerk in Washington during terms of court, and for compensation of the Circuit Clerk of Washington for services in certain criminal cases.

BILLS PASSED. A bill introduced by Mr. Sykes, to relieve the widow of the Hon. J. D. Vertner, late Senator, to draw his salary and mileage as a member for 1886.

A bill by Mr. Yergor to more effectively secure the collection of the ad valorem tax levied and assessed by the Board of Mississippi Levee Commissioners.

MEMORIAL SERVICES. This being the day set apart for memorial services in honor of the Hon. J. D. Vertner, late Senator from Claiborne county, the committee heretofore appointed to arrange for the same reported a series of resolutions respecting the deceased.

Touching and feeling eulogies of the life, character and virtues of the dead Senator were spoken in eloquent terms by Senators Sykes, Yergor, Whitney, Luse, Austin, Guyton, Gayles, Morris, Burkitt, Booth, Boyd, Harvey, Hamilton, Holmes, Walker, Reynolds, Simonton, Ross and Gage.

Among the resolutions adopted was one setting apart a memorial page in the Senate journal with suitable inscription to the memory of the deceased.

The resolutions were unanimously adopted by a rising vote. Thereupon the Senate adjourned in respect to the memory of the deceased.

HOUSE. Bills passed: Senate bills, providing for the appointment of a stenographer for the Seventh Judicial District; authorizing the widow of the late Senator Vertner to draw his salary and mileage; to incorporate Como, in Patoka county.

THE SHIP ISLAND RAILROAD.

A majority report of a special committee, recommending a substitute for the bill providing for the lease of the penitentiary to the Gulf and Ship Island Railroad Company, was submitted.

There was also minority report thereon. The majority report was adopted, and the bill made the special order for to-morrow night. Said bill provides that in consideration of the leased company shall pay to the State \$75,000 of its first mortgage bonds; that they shall have all the expense accruing in the support of the prisoners and the general conduct of the penitentiary; that one-half of all able-bodied convicts shall be kept at work on the road until its completion, and the balance may be sub-leased on public works.

Work is to begin at both ends of the road within sixty days after the passage of the act, and to continue until completed, the lease not to continue longer than January 1, 1892.

THE MEMORIAL SERVICES.

provided for in the House this day were postponed until Wednesday next. Adjourned.

Married.

JACKSON, Miss., February 17.—Mr. D. M. Reed and Miss Ella Wiggins, both of this city, were united in matrimony this afternoon by the Rev. C. G. Andrews.

ON 'CHANGE.

At Liverpool yesterday American wheat was steady with fair demand, holders offering moderately. Corn firm, fair demand.

Mr. SAYBON, the scholarly and eloquent revivalist, was a visitor on 'Change yesterday, and appeared much interested in the "boards."

CLOSING prices of May options at Chicago yesterday: Pork, \$11 1/2; lard, 6 1/2; clear rib sides, 5.60; corn, 41c bid; wheat, 84c; oats, 32c bid.

The exports of cotton this week to Great Britain and the continent are 65,961 bales, against 33,070 bales same time last year, and 70,169 bales same week in 1884.

REMOVAL of Grain Elevator yesterday: Wheat received, none; withdrawn, 508 bushels; in store, 2057 bushels. Corn received, none; withdrawn, 120 bushels; in store, 38,022 bushels. Oats received, 1396 bushels; withdrawn, 4240 bushels; in store, 47,287 bushels.

In the cargo of the steamer Chickasaw yesterday were 250 packages of canned goods shipped by the Seary Fruit Packing Company of Seary, Ark., for sale in this city. This is said to be the first consignment from the same source ever received here.

THE New York Post in its review says: Future deliveries, after exhibiting hardly any change at the first call, and subsequently a partial decline of 1-100, were carried by an improved demand 4-100 beyond yesterday's closing quotations. A fraction of the advance was lost, and at the third call June brought 9.28c and July 9.35c. Futures closed steadily at 3-100 to 4-100 higher than yesterday.

THE feeling at the Cotton Exchange was unsettled yesterday, neither bulls nor bears seeming to have faith in the strength of their respective positions. The bears, however, are somewhat in the majority, and talk boldly of a further decline in the value of the staple. In the meantime, both sides are acting with great caution, and eagerly awaiting developments.

VISITORS on 'Change yesterday: J. H. Prouditt, Colvilleville, Tenn.; I. B. Phillips, Brownsville; J. B. O'Brien, J. N. O'Neale, Natchez, Miss.; Gus Strauss, Lenoire; S. M. Sawyer, Newton, Mass.; E. S. Chipley, Little Rock;

THE CONVERSE ON TRIAL.

THE CASE BEFORE THE LOUISVILLE PRESBYTERY.

Charges and Specifications Presented by the Memphis Ministers—A Bitter Fight.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., February 17.—The trial of the Rev. Messrs. Converse, editors of the Christian Observer, began in earnest before the Louisville Presbytery this morning. Twenty-five different specifications are made by the Rev. Messrs. Daniel, Boggs and Martin of Memphis. These specifications were printed and a copy given to each member present. The paper opens thus:

"In the name of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, it is hereby charged that F. B. Converse and T. E. Converse, editors of the Christian Observer and members of the Presbytery of Louisville, deliberately, willfully and knowingly in many particulars, and at sundry times, violated the ninth commandment as it is authoritatively expounded in the larger and shorter Catechism of our church."

THE CHARGES.

The first specification says that "said Converse & Converse did wickedly, deceitfully and slanderously publish in the Christian Observer, September 30, 1885, that there had been made, by certain friends of the Rev. Dr. James Woodrow, 'a threat of schism,' and that these existed among them a 'plan of disruption,' a 'scheme,' in which sundry of the aforesaid friends of Dr. Woodrow were 'participants,' at the same time intimating that such 'threat,' 'plan' or 'scheme' had been devised or was favorably entertained by certain persons in South Carolina."

The second charge is that "said Converse & Converse, with fully and deceitfully denying in the Memphis Appeal of October 29th that their paper has for years borne a bad reputation for veracity."

The other charges are similar to these. The fight promises to be long and bitter. Both sides will contest every point.

ADDITIONAL CHARGES.

In the afternoon additional charges were made by Dr. Daniel, one of which was that the Converse had obtained money from the Presbyterian Mutual Assurance fund in violation of the rules of the company, by concealing the physical condition of the applicant for benefits from the same; also, of slandering members of the church.

A heated discussion arose over the question of admitting these additional charges. Finally a special committee to decide was appointed, and it was wrestling with the question at 9 o'clock to-night.

DIED.

MCCARTHY—Wednesday, February 17, 1886, Mary McCarthy, daughter of Florence P. and Elizabeth McCarthy, aged three years. Funeral will take place this (THURSDAY) afternoon at 2 o'clock from the residence, No. 66 Second street. Friends and acquaintances of the family invited to attend.

FUNERAL NOTICE.

GUION—The friends of LUCY VANCE GUION, and of the family, are invited to attend her funeral from her late residence, 229 Lauderdale street, this (THURSDAY) morning at 11 o'clock. Carriages at residence.

TO LOT OWNERS IN Elmwood Cemetery.

OPENING OF ELMWOOD CEMETERY. A RECEPTION will be held at the office of the Treasurer of said Company, 30 Union street, on

First Monday in March (1st), 1886, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., for THREE THUS-DAYS to serve six days. Any owner of lot situated in Elmwood Cemetery, who has a square foot of ground is eligible for the office and is a qualified voter. There are Nine Trustees to be elected, and the same shall be held biennially, viz: On first Monday in March, 1886, and 1888, and so on. Lot owners are requested to read pages 20, 21 and 22 Elmwood Book for full information. J. S. KINGWOOD, President.

Notice of Dissolution.

THE firm of R. E. LEE & CO., composed of R. E. Lee and John Reid, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. Mr. John Reid retiring from the business. The business of said firm will be continued under the same name by Mr. R. E. Lee, who succeeds to the name, and assumes all liabilities of the firm. All persons indebted to said firm are invited to collect all debts due said firm. JOHN REID, R. E. LEE.

CALL.

THREE will be a meeting of the Builders, Manufacturers and Dealers in Building Materials, at 258 Second street, FRIDAY AFTERNOON, February 19th, at 3 o'clock, for the purpose of establishing a Builders' and Traders' Exchange. All engaged in this line of business are invited to be present. Temporary Secretary and Treasurer.

CHANCERY SALE.

REAL ESTATE. No. 3291, R. D.—Chancery Court of Shelby County—State of Tennessee vs. W. A. Collier.

BY virtue of an interlocutory decree for sale, entered in the above cause on the 12th day of January, 1886, M. R. St. John, I will sell, at public auction, to the highest bidder, in front of the Clerk and Masters' office, Court-house of Shelby county, Memphis, Tenn., on

Saturday, March 13, 1886, with the following described property, situated in Shelby county, Tenn., to-wit:

A west part of lot 249, fronting 21 feet 4 1/2 inches on the north side of Madison street, northeast corner of alley east of Main street, and running back 74 1/2 feet. Sold as property of H. Brinkley and others.

Lot 563 and part of 564, in lot 47, fronting 20 feet on the north side of Madison street, and running back 168 1/2 feet in depth. Sold in property of same parties.

Terms of Sale—On a credit of six months, note bearing interest, with security, required; lien retained; redemption barred. This February 17, 1886.

S. I. McDOWELL, Clerk and Master. J. M. Bradley, Deputy C. and M. F. H. & C. W. Beakell, Sols.

THE VIRGINIA DEBT.

Bill Introduced in the Legislature to Facilitate a Settlement.

RICHMOND, Va., February 17.—In the Senate to-day the bill prepared by Lieut.-Gov. Massey was introduced by Senator Wingfield, to facilitate the settlement of the public debt of the State. A lengthy preamble gives the history of the debt, the apportionment of one-third to West Virginia, the reasons that impelled the General Assembly to pass the Riddleberger bill, and the equities of the whole case. The bill authorizes the Governor to appoint three citizens of Virginia as a board of commissioners to confer with the bondholders and to acquit them with the material and financial condition of Virginia, and explain the facts which make the settlement under the Riddleberger act, just and equitable, and its acceptance by them necessary for the protection of their interests. The commissioners are empowered to take steps to adjust with West Virginia a just proportion of the State debt as it existed prior to January 1, 1861, to be borne by West Virginia and not by Virginia. The bill further provides that the amounts secured to be paid by West Virginia shall be divided pro rata among the holders of West Virginia certificates which have been issued under the different acts of the General Assembly of Virginia, or which may be issued before January 1, 1887.

MASON, TENN.

A Negro Desperado Shot and Killed by Officers.

MASON, Tenn., February 17.—Prince Waddy, colored, traveling under different names, was killed by the sheriff of Rippon county, T. J. Taylor, and two deputies, three miles above this place. The negro was wanted in Davidson county for burglary, and in Tipton for grand larceny. The officers chased him all last night, and caught him this morning at the point mentioned. He made a desperate resistance with a razor, compelling the officers to shoot him. The coroner's jury rendered a verdict of justifiable homicide.

BROWNVILLE, TENN.

Fire Residence Burned—Severe Loss.

BROWNVILLE, Tenn., February 17.—Yesterday afternoon, while Bill Potter, colored, was lopping trees for Mr. Henry Robinson, a large limb fell on him, killing him instantly. Mr. Richard Mann's residence, near Rudolph, was burned last night. Loss about \$5000; not insured.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Newark, N. J., February 17.—The Jersey City water-works at Belleville are burning.

New York, February 17.—The fund for the widow of Gen. Hancock amounts to \$25,565.

Toledo, O., February 17.—The Polish Catholic church burned this evening. It is supposed that the cause of incendiary origin, as this was the church where the riots of a year ago occurred.

Charleston, S. C., February 17.—The National Lancers of Boston arrived here at 2 o'clock to-day. The train was boarded at a station fifteen miles outside of the city by a delegation from Charleston, who extended them a warm welcome.

Chicago, February 17.—The National Committee of the Postmasters' Association, at a meeting to-day, decided to hold the next national convention of the third and fourth class postmasters in this city on the second Wednesday in June, 1887.

New Orleans, La., February 17.—The brakemen's strike on the Morgan railroad has caused a complete cessation of work in every part of the Morgan possessions in Algiers. No freight trains go out, and the laborers will neither discharge nor load steamships at the wharf.

New Orleans, La., February 17.—The coal wheelers of the Grand Lake Coal Company, which supplies the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe railroad with coal, which is transported to Galveston in barges, and also furnishes coal to the Morgan steamers, struck work to-day.

Richmond, Va., February 17.—At a conference of business men of Richmond, the Knights of Labor and Typographical Union No. 90, held last night, after some discussion a resolution was adopted to endeavor to have an act passed by the General Assembly to require all differences between employes and employers to be submitted to arbitration.

The Eight-Hour Law at St. Louis. St. Louis, Mo., February 17.—The Bricklayers' Union held a meeting to-night and decided to put the eight-hour system into effect May 1st.

"Men should be what they seem," and if they are suffering tortures with toothache they should not try to smile and look cool and handsome. How much wiser to ease the pain with a bottle of Salvation Oil, which can be bought for 25 cents.

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