

A TROJAN HORSE.

A Case of "Timeo Danaos et Dona Ferentes."

Senator Teller's Opinion of the Windom Bill.

The Gold-Bugs' Eagerness for It Is Enough to Condemn It.

The Silver Debate in the Senate, Tariff in the House and Other Washington News.

Associated Press Dispatches.

WASHINGTON, May 14.—In the senate today, among the bills placed on the calendar, was the senate bill, subjecting imported liquors to the provisions of the law of the several states.

Hoar, member of the judiciary committee, explained that the bill was rendered necessary by the late decision of the supreme court. He fully concurred in the purport of the bill, but supposed that the principle of the court's opinion extended to other things than distilled spirits (to opium for instance), and he should have preferred that the bill should have applied to all articles of which the states might desire to prohibit the sale.

Edmunds (also a member of the judiciary committee) expressed the same idea. After further discussion, Plumb desired to know what question was before the senate, and was informed by the vice-president that there was no question pending. He then demanded the regular order, and when Hoar desired to make some further remarks, Plumb objected and insisted on the regular order.

This was resented by Hoar, who remarked that he had never seen such an exhibition of boorishness before. "Then you never looked into a glass," was the retort of Plumb.

Edmunds introduced a bill to establish the university of the United States, and had it referred to a select committee.

The silver bill was taken up and Teller addressed the senate. He spoke of the bill as relating, perhaps, to the most important question that had been represented in the senate since the demonetization of silver in 1873, if it could be truthfully said that the question had ever been presented to the senate. He disclaimed any anxiety or any special interest in promoting the price of silver, save and except that silver was an American product, and therefore every American ought to have an interest in advancing its price.

The people of Colorado had comparatively little interest in the advancement of the price of silver, because, although they produced one-sixth of the silver produced in the world, they did not depend upon the silver product, and very shortly other interests of the state would outweigh the interest of mere silver production. The silver production of the United States (50,000,000 ounces last year) was insignificant in comparison with the great interests of the country that were involved in the rehabilitation of silver as a money metal.

It would not do to say that the silver barons of the west were demanding it, or that its demand was in the interest of cheap money. It was demanded in the interest of humanity; in the interest of civilization; in the interest of progress; in the interest of the whole human race.

He criticized Windom's bill and said he could not see what the purpose and object that scheme was. That scheme met the approval of the gold mono-metalists everywhere, and that was reason enough to warrant the supposition that it was a Trojan horse.

Of the bill reported from the finance committee he said it was founded on some system of financial policy, and there was some philosophy in it, but it did not propose to use silver as money; its fundamental idea was, as in the other bill, that silver was a metal and nothing else.

Teller went on to speak of the silver plank in the national republican platform as promising the full recognition of silver as money, and said the plank was inserted in recognition of the universal demand of the country for the use of silver as money, and he would insist upon its observation, whether it parted him from the administration or not. Did the pending bill, he asked, recognize silver in accordance with the platform? He thought not.

Without concluding his speech, Teller yielded to a motion to go into executive session. When the doors were reopened the silver bill was laid aside informally till tomorrow, and the senate proceeded to business on the calendar, and after passing several bills adjourned.

TARIFF TINKERING.

Three More Pages of the McKinley Bill Disposed of.

WASHINGTON, May 14.—On motion of Mervill, of Kansas, this morning, the house insisted on its amendment to the senate dependent pension bill, and a conference was ordered. The house then went into committee of the whole on the tariff bill.

Various amendments looking to the reduction of the duty on earthen, China and glassware, were made on the democratic side, but met with no success. In the course of the discussion of one of these amendments, McMillin said Campbell, of Pittsburgh, a glass manufacturer, asked for protection from foreign labor, while he was charged with importing foreign labor in violation of the contract labor law.

Bynum said Campbell had come before the ways and means committee and held a consultation with the gentlemen from West Virginia, (Wilson) and himself, and then gone away and made an affidavit which was false from beginning to end.

Bayne said he would take Campbell's word as soon as he would that of the gentleman from Indiana, and he knew them both.

Wilson, of West Virginia, confirmed what the gentleman from Indiana had said.

In the course of some further remarks, Bynum said the committee on ways and means in the formation of its bill, had closed the doors of the capitol against the labor of the country, but admitted manufacturers. Every entrance to the capitol was closed in keeping any body from coming in but those the majority would allow. It admitted manufacturers, but if honest labor came and knocked at the door it was not admitted. McKinley said the imputation of the gentleman from Indiana that the ways and means committee had closed

up the passage to the house in order that the majority might have a private consultation room was false. He did not permit any man to impute to the committee any bad motives or lack of courtesy to the minority. The minority of the committee knew that any imputation of that kind was absolutely false. Having considered sixteen of the 156 pages of the bill, the committee rose and the house adjourned.

Confirmations.

WASHINGTON, May 14.—In executive session this afternoon the session confirmed the following nominations:

Oklahoma Officials—George W. Stoke, of Indiana, governor; Robert Martin, Oklahoma, secretary; Edward B. Green, Illinois, chief justice of the supreme court; A. J. Seat, Missouri, and J. G. Clark, Wisconsin, associate justices; W. S. Surty, marshal; Horace Speed, Oklahoma, attorney.

Albert H. Jones, United States marshal for Colorado.

Postmasters—California: S. W. Brooks, San Francisco; I. S. Miller, Ontario; C. H. Weatherax, Placerville, Washington; Mrs. Clara D. Darcy, Puyallup.

The nomination of William D. Sorsbury, of Mississippi, to be consul-general to Ecuador, was confirmed by a party vote. A vigorous fight had been made on him by the southern senators.

Paymaster Looker Resigns. —Paymaster-General Looker has resigned the office of chief of the bureau of provisions and clothing on account of ill health, and the secretary of the navy has accepted his resignation, to take effect upon the appointment and qualification of his successor. He will be granted leave of absence, and in case his health does not improve, will be placed on the retired list. Pay-Inspector Stewart, now at New York, has been appointed as his successor.

SLIPPERY JOHN.

IT IS HARD TO KEEP HIM OUT OF THE COUNTRY.

The Exclusion Act Practically a Failure. Special Treaty Relations With Mexico and Great Britain Necessary.

WASHINGTON, May 14.—The secretary of the treasury today transmitted to the senate a report from Datus E. Coon, Chinese inspector at San Diego, Cal., dated April 21st, with respect to the evasions of the Chinese exclusion act. Coon says it is true that Chinese are coming into the United States in spite of the efforts of the customs department to keep them out. The opportunities for crossing the Mexican borders into California are many, and with the force at the command of the department it will be impossible to prevent them from coming into this country. When they have once reached San Diego unobserved, it is practically impossible to prove when or how they came.

Commenting upon the charges that the Scott exclusion act is a failure, Coon says that this is practically true as to its execution, for the reason that when a Chinaman is arrested he is enabled while in confinement to make arrangements with friendly countrymen to be returned the second time, and be conducted to some other town. He is also able to so disguise himself as to make his identification, if caught, extremely difficult.

The order of the secretary of the treasury prohibiting the transfer of Chinamen in transit in the harbor of San Francisco was a most fortunate one, and will check the traffic for a time; but some other method, Coon is confident, will be found by which they will come into the United States.

Coon suggests treaty negotiations with the British government and Mexico, looking to the exclusion of Chinese, and says Chinese exclusion legislation would then be very simple. The Morrow and other bills, Coon declares, are defective in that they provide for the return of Chinamen to the country whence they came. Even children laugh when told of this law, for they know that a Chinaman returned to Mexico will be eating his breakfast in the United States next day.

CROP WAREHOUSES.

The Farmers' Alliance Pushing the Pickler Bill for All It Is Worth.

WASHINGTON, May 14.—Macune, representing the Farmers' Alliance, this morning continued argument before the ways and means committee, in favor of the Pickler bill to establish sub-treasuries for the receipt of agricultural products. To his mind no fixed volume of currency, no matter how great, would meet the needs of agriculture. He wanted an elastic medium. The farmer sold his crop in the fall when prices were lowest, and bought his supplies before harvest, when prices were highest. His crops were marketed in two or three months. This annually caused a great stringency in money.

Macune feared that the plan would lead to banking on live stock, iron, lead and silver ore. They were getting along now in the latter direction at the other end of the capital. The true remedy was the farmers' plan. They should regulate production. The producers should raise only enough produce to meet the people's wants, and thereby get fair prices.

Macune proceeded to explain the process proposed to regulate the issue of produce certificates. He said the necessity for exclusive imports of agricultural products was obvious, if the quality of the certificates was to be preserved. The certificates would constitute the soundest and best currency in the world. Probably not half of the \$50,000,000 appropriation asked for to put the new machinery in action would be required, but the sum should not be absolutely fixed at a minimum, as in time it would be necessary to extend the system to include all the products of labor not covered by patents. The hearing will be continued tomorrow.

Nominations.

WASHINGTON, May 14.—The president has sent to the senate the following nominations:

Pay-Inspector Edwin Stewart, United States navy, chief of the bureau of provisions and clothing and paymaster-general of the navy, with the rank of commodore.

Pension Agent—John C. Carrier, San Francisco.

Registers of Land Office—John F. Sheehan, San Francisco; Joseph F. Casey, Humboldt, Cal.; John H. McKee, Hugo, Colo.

Receivers of Public Moneys—Thomas H. Lang, The Dalles, Oregon; Lou E. Foote, Hugo, Colo.; Alfred Campbell, Miles City, Mont.

Peter Ronan, Indian agent at Flat-head agency, Montana.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

A SENATOR WEDS.

Wolcott, of Colorado, Marries a Widow.

Mrs. Frances Metcalfe Bass is the Bride.

The Event Takes Place at Buffalo, New York.

The Bride Was Arrayed in One of Worth's Most Gorgeous Creations—The Groom's Distinguished Pedigree.

Associated Press Dispatches.

BUFFALO, May 14.—At high noon today St. Paul's cathedral was the scene of a beautiful wedding, when the Right Rev. Arthur Cleveland Cox, bishop of the diocese of Western New York, united in marriage Hon. Edward Oliver Wolcott, United States senator from Colorado, and Mrs. Frances Metcalfe Bass, daughter of the late James H. Metcalfe.

As the choir boys' chanting procession turned into the center of the aisle, they were followed by the ushers, George Porter, Thomas Care, Carleton Smith and George Carey, the bride coming last with her son Lyman Metcalfe Bass. The best man was Henry R. Wolcott, and among the group of friends who stood near were Hon. Sherman S. Rogers, Robert Cameron Rogers and Mr. and Mrs. Edwin T. Evans. The bridal robe, Worth's creation, was of white satin, brocaded in roses, forming a train which opened over a petticoat of plain white satin, banded with fringes of crystal and silver; a slightly pointed bodice with Medi collar of point lace and full front of silk mull, finished with a cincture of white and silver, below which fell a small sash softly turned into a true-love knot; a toque of mull with a wreath of white ostrich tips, fastened by a knot of diamonds; while at her throat sparkled the groom's gift, a superb pendant of diamonds, formed of an immense stone, surrounded by smaller ones. The flowers carried were a cluster of La France roses.

After the ceremony breakfast was served at the residence of Mrs. Jas. H. Metcalfe, on North street. At 4 o'clock Senator and Mrs. Wolcott left for New York in a special car, the interior of which was filled with flowers.

The groom is a descendant of Oliver Wolcott, who was in Washington's cabinet, and for over a quarter of a century his ancestors were governors of Connecticut. He has the honor of being the youngest United States senator. The after-wedding cards announced that Mr. and Mrs. Wolcott will be at home Thursday, June 5th and 12th, from 4 until 6 o'clock, at 1221 Connecticut avenue, the beautiful house built in Washington by Senator Cameron for his daughter.

A BLACKMAILING CASE.

"The Statement" of It is the Cause of a Union Leaguer's Arrest.

New York, Pa., May 14.—Thomas B. Musgrave was arrested this morning at the Union League Club, of which he is a member, on a warrant issued to Augustus D. Iasigi, of Rhinebeck, N. Y.

Musgrave is charged with sending an indecent pamphlet to complainant through the mails libelling relatives of W. W. Astor.

Iasigi did not appear in court when the case was called, and an adjournment was had until Monday.

The libelous article is in the shape of a typewritten pamphlet, and is entitled, "The Statement of a Blackmailing Case." The story is remarkably sensational, and very lengthy. It relates to the misfortunes of a Wall-street broker in mining stocks, who is said to have been blackmailed by a man and woman through a scheme of an extraordinary nature. The male schemer is named in the pamphlet as James S. Armstrong, a near relative of Mrs. William Astor. The names of other prominent people are mentioned in the pamphlet, among them Elyven Granville, the actress, who is said to have been mixed up in the case, with Armstrong, whoever that person may be.

The accused was paroled in custody of his counsel, to appear Monday for examination. He claims that the case is a conspiracy to blackmail him.

SOUTHERN METHODISTS.

The Temperance Committee Takes Advanced Ground.

St. Louis, May 14.—In the general conference of the Methodist Church South, the committee on revivals today recommended various changes in the discipline for the benefit of the Methodists of Mexico.

The publishing committee recommended offering a premium for a series of catechisms. A lively debate followed.

The committee on temperance reported in favor of unfermented wine for the sacrament whenever practicable, and approved the resolutions introduced last week opposing all laws licensing or permitting the manufacture or sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage, because such laws provide for the continuance of the traffic and furnish no protection against its ravages, and holding that the proper attitude of Christians toward the drink traffic should be uncompromising opposition, and that voluntary and total abstinence is the sole and true ground of personal temperance, and that complete legal prohibition of the traffic is the duty of the government. The report went to the calendar, and will, no doubt, cause much debate when it comes up for consideration.

TRIPLE MURDER.

A Wealthy Farmer, His Wife and Son, Terribly Butchered.

WASHINGTON, Pa., May 14.—News reached here today of a triple murder committed at Bentleyville, near here, last night. John Crouch, an aged and wealthy farmer, his wife and a grown-up son, were found this morning with their throats cut from ear to ear. The door of the house was standing open, and the bed-clothing, furniture and walls bespattered with blood. The scene was horrible, and the news spread rapidly about the village. The murdered persons were the wealthiest in that section of the country, and the theory is that the murder was committed to get the money generally supposed to be kept about the house. Searching parties started out in all directions, but no clue was found of the perpetrators. There being no telegraph or telephone facilities, nothing more can be learned tonight.

A Problem for Railroad Men.

WASHINGTON, May 14.—A number of prominent railroad men were before the

senate committee on commerce today to express their views upon the several bills intended to compel the railroads to equip freight cars with a power brake and automatic coupler. The general opinion was that no such legislation should be passed; that the railroads should be left to work the matter out.

TERRIBLE STORM.

Much Damage Done by Cloudbursts in Southern New York.

UTICA, N. Y., May 14.—A severe storm which prevailed in this section during the last twenty-four hours, caused many streams to overflow their banks, and the Mohawk valley meadow land is generally under water. A terrible storm passed over the southern portion of this country early this morning, and in some places rain fell in such torrents that it resembled a cloudburst. Much damage has been done at many points.

Successfully Launched.

PHILADELPHIA, May 14.—The new iron steamship City of Seattle, built for the Puget Sound and Alaska Steamship Company, was successfully launched today. She will be fully completed by August 1st, when she takes her departure on her 17,000-mile voyage to Seattle.

A Work Train Run Into.

CLEARFIELD, Pa., May 14.—A work train on the Beach Creek road was run into by a local freight today, twenty-five miles from here. Two Hungarians were killed, and several seriously hurt.

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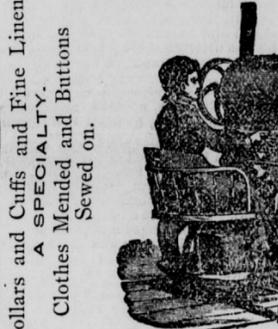
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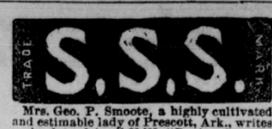
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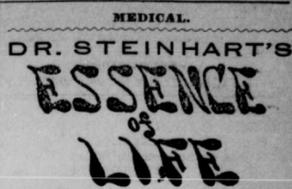
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