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TO DEPOSE ALL CITY MONARCHS

The Conference of Municipal Reformers Takes Action Against Bossism.

PERMANENT ORGANIZATION URGED

It is Designed to Form a General Association, with Local Branches in Each City Afflicted with Corrupt Rulers or Malodorous Municipal Politics--Speakers and Themes at the Final Day of the Philadelphia Gathering of Reformers.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 26.

TODAY'S session of the national conference for good city government was called to order by Chairman Carter. After an address by Rev. Washington Gladden, of Columbus, O., on "The Influence of Officials in Office," the following resolutions and resolutions were adopted unanimously.

Whereas--The elements brought together in this conference should not be allowed to separate without providing some permanent agency for continuing its work and promoting the comparison of views, the exchange of experience, the discussion of methods, and that mutual confidence and sympathy which adds so much to the strength and enthusiasm of fellow workers in a great cause, it is therefore:

Resolved: That the president of this conference is requested to appoint a representative committee of seven to prepare a plan for the organization of a National Municipal League, which shall be composed of associations formed in American cities and having as an object the improvement of municipal government. Upon the completion of the plan and its approval by such associations, or as many of them as the said committee may deem necessary, the committee shall declare the proposed league to be fully organized and prepared to enter upon its work.

Resolved: That the president request the committee to consider the advisability of calling a future conference at some time and place to be determined by them.

OTHER THEMES AND SPEECHES.

Edwin D. Mead, of Boston, then spoke upon "The promotion of municipal reform by education." He was followed by Henry M. Waite, of New York, and Rev. J. H. Egan, of Albany, in the interest of reform. At the afternoon session Alfred Bishop Mason, of New York, read a paper on "How to bring public sentiment to bear upon the choice of good public officials through the primaries." The address of Samuel B. Capan, of Boston, "How to bring public sentiment to bear upon the choice of good public officials by means of selection from the candidates of the regular parties, and by means of the occasional nomination of independent candidates" was read by Rev. Frederick Balton, of Boston. Charles Richardson, of Philadelphia, closed the session with a paper on "Permanent Municipal Parties." The conference before adjourning adopted the following:

Resolved: That in the opinion of this conference it is vital to the attainment of good municipal government that national politics should be divorced from city elections and the administration of city affairs.

The conference also provided for the appointment of a sub-committee to prepare plans for the formation of a national municipal league. The conference then adjourned sine die. A public meeting was held in the evening at which addresses were delivered by Theodore Roosevelt, of the national civil service commission and others.

CROKER'S PEACE MISSION.

He Carried an Olive Branch to Cleveland an Lament.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26--Mr. Croker is still here, but has completed his work with relation to the income tax and is apparently engaged in some other move, probably looking to the establishment of a little more cordial relations with the administration. He called on Mr. Cleveland last evening and had quite a long talk with the president and Colonel Lambert together, and today had a conference with Leonard. There is considerable speculation about the possible hearing of his visit on the confirmation of Mr. Peckham. Whatever there may be in that, it is quite evident that Croker carries an olive branch in his hand to tender the administration.

BROKE UP IN A ROW.

The Duval Athletic Club Comes Out Even and Disbands.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Jan. 26--The Duval club no longer exists. It broke up in a row today. The club took in about \$31,000 from admissions. They will come out about even, unless they are put to heavy expense in defending the prosecutions which have been brought.

RATHER WARM CRITICISM.

It Took the Form of Burning Baldwin in Effigy.

DULUTH, Minn., Jan. 26--An attempt was made tonight by Democrats who are dissatisfied with the stand which Congressman Baldwin has taken regarding the tariff on ore to burn him in effigy. It nearly resulted in a serious riot.

IS A BASE FABRICATION.

Archbishop Corrigan Denies Report of His Summons to Rome.

NEW YORK, Jan. 26--Archbishop Corrigan was shown a dispatch from Rome today, saying that it was reported that the pope had summoned him to that city. He considered the dispatch a fabrication unworthy of the least consideration.

STILL FAVORS DIVISION.

Representative Harter Doesn't Believe Income Tax Will Win.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26--Representative Harter, of Ohio, one of those who are opposed to making the income tax

DEMOCRATS ARE IN A QUANDARY

Trying to Save Wilson Bill with Its Income Tax Rider.

ANXIOUS CONFERENCES ARE HELD

The Income Tax Is to Be Discussed as an Amendment--Cockran Stops Filibustering--The Decision of the Caucus Has Put a Difficult Task Upon The Tariff Bill Managers and They Are Obviously Very Greatly Worried as to the Bill's Ultimate Fate.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26--The sessions of the state sanitary convention proved exceedingly interesting. Dr. Lee, secretary of the state board of health, made the statement that there are now organized about 400 local boards in Pennsylvania, with the number steadily increasing.

One of the omissions of the law creating these boards was the failure to provide for township boards and a committee was appointed to report on this subject. This committee will also take into consideration the proposition to hold these conventions annually.

It was developed during the discussions this afternoon that the borough councils do not co-operate with the borough health boards, and some legislation on this subject will probably be recommended. From 9 to 10 tonight the delegates were entertained at a reception at the executive mansion.

TO RECALL HAWAIIAN MINISTER.

One Way of Restoring Amicable Relations with Hawaii.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26--The senate Mr. Dolph, Oregon, gave notice of an amendment to the pending Hawaiian resolution. The amendment is to add these words: "and with a view of restoring amicable relations between the United States and Hawaii, the president minister of the United States to Hawaii should be immediately recalled."

PRINCE BISMARCK IN BERLIN.

Journey of Reconciliation Begun and Ended Amid the Cheers of Thousands of People.

BERLIN, Jan. 26--When Prince Bismarck left Friedrichshagen on his mission of reconciliation with emperor, Karl at the emperor's invitation, an extraordinary ovation was tendered him. The prince seemed greatly pleased with the hearty welcome which was extended to him and shook hands with many of those who had assembled at the railroad station. He showed manifestly a pleasant surprise at the reconciliation.

All along the line to Berlin through greeted him with tumultuous tokens of affection. His reception here was on a scale of exceptional magnificence. In the palace Emperor William received the prince Bismarck surrounded by a brilliant staff. The welcome was extremely cordial and it was evident that the prince was much touched by the heartiness of the emperor's manner. The three eldest sons of the emperor were present at the reception.

Nine covers were laid at the dinner in Bismarck's rooms. Those present were Emperor William, King Albert of Saxony, Prince Henry, four officers of the Sviditz Carassiers and two Bismarcks. At the hour of the dinner the emperor watched Prince Bismarck with noticeable solicitude, supporting him by the arm as they went down the steps to the platform. As the prince entered the station the crowd outside sang national songs and shouted "Stay with us," "Come again soon" and so on.

At 3 o'clock Chancellor Von Caprivi had an interview with the prince. At 4 o'clock the prince visited the mother of the emperor, who presented him to stay longer in Berlin. At 6:15 o'clock dinner was served in one of the rooms set apart for Prince Bismarck's use. The emperor took dinner with the prince. As previously arranged Prince Bismarck's stay in the city was short. At 6:30 o'clock the prince started for the palace on his return to Friedrichshagen. Throughout the entire time of his visit he was treated with the most distinguished consideration and nothing was left undone that would add to the pleasure of his visit.

The train for Friedrichshagen left the station at 7:30 o'clock. When the emperor and the prince entered the royal waiting room, his majesty threw his arms about the prince and embraced him repeatedly.

ROBBED BY A BUTTON.

Policeman Robbed Unintentionally Carried Off a Stranger's Watch.

NEW YORK, Jan. 26--A watch is at Police Headquarters to-day awaiting a claimant. It is a curious case of robbery by a policeman who mistook a robbery. Policeman Redner was standing on the platform of the Third Avenue "L" station at Seventy-sixth street last night when a stranger shouted excitedly: "I've been robbed; some one has stolen my watch." The man refused to give name and the policeman entered the train.

The policeman left the train at Eighty-fourth street, when he found hanging to a button on his overcoat a bit of brass chain and an open-faced watch. It is supposed that it caught there when the man passed him on the crowded platform.

CHILL IS AT PEACE NOW.

She Finally Agrees With Argentina as to the Frontier.

SANTIAGO, Jan. 26--The senate has approved the protocol signed by Chill and Argentina in May last to determine the interpretation of the terms of the frontier treaty of 1881, which will be finally ratified on the arrival of the Argentine minister. The settlement is expected to end all differences.

IN OUR OWN COMMONWEALTH.

Brakeman Luther P. Fells lost both feet at a railroad accident at Altoona.

The Lancaster Caramel company, capital, \$600,000, has applied for a charter.

George Allen, aged 10, was drowned in Eshelman's dam, Perry county, while skating.

A vicious horse bit John Lutz, of Denver, in the arm, and amputation may be necessary.

Pittsburg's assessed valuation did not increase any during the past year, and is \$250,000,000.

An original widow's pension was yesterday granted to Mary Howell, Scott Center, Wayne county.

By turning twenty-five feet down an elevator shaft in Reading Charles E. Bodey was seriously hurt.

The Altoona convention of city school superintendents adjourned to meet next January at Harrisburg.

The man killed on the railroad near Lancaster on Wednesday has been identified as Adam Peter, of Philadelphia.

Up to date \$65,500 in liquor license fees has been paid to the Schuylkill county treasurer for the current year.

Jacob B. Niehammer, who died recently in Reading, aged 81 years, invented a beer faucet for which he refused \$5,000.

The city of Reading will locate large sewage beds along the Schuylkill river, a threat to the purity of Philadelphia's water supply.

HEALTH DELEGATES ASSEMBLE.

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CARLISLE GETS A SQUARE BLOW.

House Judiciary Committee Passes a Resolution Virtually Condemning Proposed Bond Sale.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26--The house committee on the judiciary today took action to still further embarrass Secretary Carlisle in his efforts to disentangle the treasury department from its present subordination. By a vote of 9 to 4 they reported the Bailey resolution without amendment, declaring that it was the sense of the house that the secretary of the treasury could not use money derived from the sale of bonds for any purpose other than that of the redemption of greenbacks.

Representative Bailey will call up the resolution as soon as possible after the tariff bill is acted upon and the two days promised by the speaker for the Hawaiian resolution have been consumed. This resolution and the Bland bill for coming the silver emergency will go in hand as the policy of the silver men for applying the present deficiency in the treasury.

BEARS MITCHELL NO MALICE.

Corbett Journeys Gotham-ward in a Special Train, and Talks.

NEW YORK, Jan. 26--The Corbett special train is rapidly nearing the north. Corbett is in a jovial mood. To a reporter he said: "Mitchell was a much better and gamer man than I expected to find him. In the first round I was drawing him out to get a line on his style of fighting. When I saw that he was playing his right for the stomach and swinging his left for my head, I knew that all I had to look out for was a sudden change in his tactics."

"I only landed one blow in the first round that hurt him, but in the second, when I planted my right into the pit of his stomach, I took a large amount of fight out of him. It was the hardest blow I struck during the fight, unless possibly the knock out blow, when I met him with my right fall on the corner of his mouth with all the force I could put in the blow."

"I am sorry I gave way to my bitter feelings toward him, as it made me look as though I fought without the slightest judgment, but it's all over now and I bear Mitchell no malice."

BILL PROVIDING POPULAR LOAN.

Drafted on the Lines Proposed by the New York Herald.

NEW YORK, Jan. 26--Representative Amos J. Cummings, of New York, introduced in the house of representatives in Washington today a bill providing for a popular loan on the lines suggested by the New York Herald in its editorial columns which have been approved by bankers, merchants, editors and tradesmen all over the country.

In its editorial tomorrow morning the New York Herald agrees to subscribe for \$10,000 of the bonds as soon as the law is passed and the bonds issued, and suggests that all journals throughout the Union subscribe in proportion to their means.

SMALL-POX AT WILLIAMSPORT.

Board of Trade Takes Steps to Prevent an Epidemic.

WILLIAMSPORT, Jan. 26--This city has a small-pox scare resulting from the discovery of a case on Park avenue, in western portion of the city. Charles W. Haroy is the sufferer, and as his family and neighbors have been exposed for several days, there is some fear that the disease may spread.

A meeting of the board of health was held tonight and orders issued for the quarantining of the premises. Vaccination will also be pushed and other precautions taken. The case is genuine, but the physicians believe the man will recover.

CAN NOT MORTGAGE PROPERTY.

Judge Barrett Denies Application of Catholic University Trustees.

NEW YORK, Jan. 26--Judge Barrett, of the supreme court, this afternoon denied an application made by the trustees of the Catholic University of America, located at Washington, for leave to mortgage its property in this city for \$40,000 to J. B. Kissam.

PLOTTED AGAINST FRYE'S LIFE.

Disaffected Mine Workers Said to Have Contemplated a Crime.

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 26--A plot to kill President Frye, of the Pittsburgh district of the United Mine Worker's union, was frustrated today. The non-English speaking coal miners in the vicinity of Mansfield are in a violent state of excitement because the violent

DISHONESTY AT ELECTION WINS

The Senate Refuses to Postpone Action on the Re-pal Bill.

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An amendment was offered to the lumber schedule by Mr. Boutelle (Rep., W. V.) substituting the provisions of the McKinley bill for the pending measure. The session came to a close before a vote was reached on this proposition and it went over until tomorrow.

TARIFF DISCUSSION IN HOUSE

Proposition to Place Tin Plate on the Free List Is Voted Down, and So Is One to Give it the Protection Accorded in the McKinley Bill--Resolution in the Senate for Immediate Recall of Minister Willis Is Not Acted Upon.

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TWO SKATERS DROWNED.

Bodies of William Thomas and Miss Minor Found in Canal.

UTICA, Jan. 26--William Thomas and Nellie Minor, two attendants in the Utica state hospital, were drowned in the Erie canal at Oriskany on Wednesday night.

The left the institution on Wednesday afternoon to skate to Bond. Their bodies were found this morning imbedded in the ice.

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FOUND DEAD IN HIS BERTH.

Wealthy McKeesport Stock Dealer Dies in Sleeping Car.

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 26--Louis Gerson, a wealthy stock dealer of McKeesport, who was a passenger on the limited express last night, enroute from Chicago to Pittsburgh, was found dead in his berth this morning. Mr. Gerson was apparently in good health when he retired at 11 o'clock.

The cause of death is a mystery and is being investigated by the Allegheny county coroner.

MANSFIELD MINERS TO STRIKE.

Meeting Held at Which Plans for Strike Were Considered.

MANSFIELD, Pa., Jan. 26--The Mansfield valley miners held a mass meeting at this place this afternoon to consider plans for inaugurating a strike. Many families of the several thousand men affected are already dependent upon charity for support.

MR. CHILDS' CONDITION SERIOUS.

His Physicians Issue a Bulletin That Has an Ominous Sound.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 26--Mr. Child's physicians tonight issued the following bulletin: "Mr. Childs has not improved. His condition is serious."

NOTABLE GROUP OF DEATHS.

At Andover, Mass., Prof. John P. Gulliver, of Andover Theological Seminary.

Gen. Guillaume Bremond d'Arx, a veteran of the Franco-Prussian war, at Paris, aged 83.

At London, Sir Gerald H. Portal, Consul General at Zanibar and a noted diplomat, aged 36.

Dr. Benjamin S. Anderson, 71 years old, for nearly fifty years a practicing physician in Marple and Haverford, Delaware county, Pa.

Capt. Edward Blunt, Jr., head of the Blunt Manufacturing Company of New York, maker of railroad supplies and nautical instruments.

WEATHER FORECAST.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26--Forecast for Saturday: For eastern Pennsylvania, snow, probably clearer during the day, north winds becoming variable, slightly warmer in the evening.

FINLEY'S