

A GOOD APPOINTMENT.

President Selects Clifton Breckinridge to Succeed Minister White

AT THE WHITE CZAR'S COURT.

The New Minister Was the Bosom Friend of Chairman W. L. Wilson, of the Ways and Means Committee, and During His Serious Illness Took Charge of the Bill for Him—A Faithful Friend, an Honorable Citizen, a Polished Gentleman and Scholar, He is Fitly Rewarded by His Party.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 19.—Mr. Andrew D. White, United States minister to Russia, has tendered his resignation on account of ill health, it is said, and Representative Clifton R. Breckinridge, of Arkansas, one of the leading members of the ways and means committee, it is stated on high authority, has been selected as his successor. It is understood that his nomination will be sent to the senate very shortly.

The report that Representative Clifton R. Breckinridge, of Arkansas, had been tendered the place of United States minister to Russia, had accepted it, and that President Cleveland would send the nomination to the senate, was the initial feature of a day of unusual activity in Congress. The report first gained circulation at the capitol at 10 o'clock, and was fully verified by Chairman Wilson, of the ways and means committee, who was cognizant of the facts that had led up to the President's action. Much significance was attached by members of Congress to the appointment, and it was the main topic of conversation to the exclusion of the impending tariff conflict.

The appointment was finally decided on yesterday afternoon. It had been in contemplation for two weeks, and Mr. Breckinridge has been a frequent visitor at the white house during that time. He was with the President again at 2 o'clock yesterday, and remained for some time, the acceptance of the honor being concluded before he left. Mr. Wilson, who is a close personal friend of Mr. Breckinridge, was one of the few who knew it outside of executive circles.

The causes leading up to the appointment are well known among Mr. Breckinridge's friends. He was one of the foremost advocates of President Cleveland's policy of repealing the silver purchasing clause of the Sherman act. This action proved to be unpopular in Mr. Breckinridge's district, and he was defeated for the re-nomination in the congressional convention held a few weeks ago.

Mr. Breckinridge has been conspicuously identified with the house tariff bill of late, and throughout Chairman Wilson's severe illness and absence in Mexico, Mr. Breckinridge was looked upon as his personal representative. While the bill has been in conference Mr. Breckinridge has taken much of the arduous work of Mr. Wilson's shoulders.

Mr. Breckinridge is a native Kentuckian, but went to Arkansas in 1870, and engaged in the cotton planting and the commission business. He has served continuously in Congress for twelve years except when unseated on a contest in the Fifty-first Congress. He has taken high rank in Congress, and is regarded as a man of fine scholarship, polish and literary attainments. No time has been set for Mr. Breckinridge to take his new post, but an arrangement has been made by which Mr. White will continue in the office until such time as Mr. Breckinridge can relinquish his congressional duties.

DEMAND AN INVESTIGATION

Of an United States Judge—Charges of a Labor Organization.

CLEVELAND, O., July 19.—Resolutions demanding a congressional investigation of Hon. Augustus J. Ricks, judge of the United States circuit court, were adopted by the Central Labor Union at its meeting last night. It was asserted that in 1888, while acting as clerk of the United States circuit court in this district that Judge Ricks entered in the records a number of law suits known as the Birdsell cases, which were begun by farmers to test a statute. The cases were continued for several years, costs accumulating to a large amount. While the cases were pending Clerk Ricks became Judge Ricks. It is alleged that of these costs \$3,500 was not properly accounted for.

Robert Bandlow, who introduced the resolutions, stated that the attention of Attorney General Olney had been directed to the matter.

Four Men Burned.

PITTSBURGH, PA., July 19.—The bottom of the converter at the Homestead steel works, of Carnegie & Co., at Homestead, blew out at 10:30 o'clock to-day scattering 3,300 pounds of molten metal in every direction. Four workmen who were in the pit were terribly burned, two of them fatally. Their names are, Peter Nelson, burned all over the body, will die. Timothy Diamond, terribly burned about head and breast, will die. And Michael Holloran, dangerously burned, and Will Davis, head and face burned, will recover.

Mexican Revolutionist Dying.

GUERRERO, TAMAUCAPIPAS, MEX., July 19.—A private dispatch from the City of Mexico announces that Colonel Neives Hernandez, the officer sentenced to life imprisonment, for alleged complicity in the Garza revolution, is lying in prison critically ill and there is but little chance of his recovery unless immediately released from confinement. Colonel Hernandez was in command of the military forces here at the time of his arrest and his friends are preparing a petition for his pardon, which will be presented to President Diaz.

Seven Men Killed.

PORTSMOUTH, ENG., July 19.—An accident resulting in the death of seven men occurred here to-day. A Trinity house boat having a crew of seven trained wreckers on board was engaged in brooking up the wreck of the yacht Azalia in the Solent, as it was dangerous to navigation. In some manner, which will never be known, a dynamite cartridge exploded, killed the seven men and shattered the boat.

The Lady Was Guilty.

EDENBERG, July 19.—In the court of session, where Lord Kyllachy has been hearing evidence in the action for divorce on the ground of infidelity brought by Mr. Claud Alexander, of Ballochmyle, Ayrshire, against his wife, formerly Lady Diana Montgomery, youngest daughter of the late Earl of Arlington, judgment was rendered for the petitioner.

DERVISHES DEFEATED

By the Italian Troops After a Determined Resistance.

MASOWAH, EGYPT, July 19.—A fierce battle has taken place between a force of native and Italian soldiers, commanded by the governor general and a large force of dervishes that had sought refuge at Kassala. The Italian troops were victorious and Kassala was captured. A large body of dervishes recently raided Carabat, an Italian village, killing many of the inhabitants and captured and sent into the interior as slaves all those who were not massacred. After leaving Carabat the dervishes marched towards Agordat with the intention of capturing that place. News of the raid reached the governor general, who was at Keren, on the Barca river, an Italian post, somewhat less than half way between this place and Kassala. The governor general had at his disposal 2,400 troops, natives and Italians, commanded by fifty-four officers.

With this force he started in pursuit of the dervishes and after three days' toilsome marching, during which the troops suffered considerably, arrived in the vicinity of Kassala. The dervishes, at the approach of the Italian column, sought refuge in Kassala, and prepared for a desperate resistance. The governor general encamped for awhile on the Mareb river and made preparations to carry Kassala by assault. On the morning of Tuesday last, July 17, the Italian troops being thoroughly rested, an advance was made upon Kassala. The dervishes defended themselves with a desperate bravery, but the town was finally carried by assault after a fierce battle had been fought. The loss of the dervishes was very heavy and the Italians captured many flags and a large number of cannon.

DEBS' EDICT

Has no Fear for the Workmen Who Want to Work for their Bread.

CHICAGO, July 19.—The Debs manifesto resulting in the Overton edict, calling on railroad men at the stock yards to desert from work or be "branded as scabs" seemed to have little effect today on the men to whom it was addressed, or upon the situation at the stock yards generally. Railroad employees returned to work as usual, switching was continued and the matters seemed inclined to treat the matter as a joke. The receipts of different packing houses showed that business was improving. There came in 13,000 head of cattle, 28,000 hogs and 5,000 sheep.

The stock yards company will endeavor to solve the problem of securing protection for its men outside of working hours by lodging and boarding them in its own buildings. Coils were placed in some of the houses to-day. The rough treatment of workmen by the strikers still goes on, and coupling pins are being used on heads nearly as often as on trains. Considerable alarm is felt, lest the fire of last night should prove to be only the first of a number of outrages.

MERCER REPUBLICANS

Are in the Field to Win This Time—County Convention.

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE TO THE INTELLIGENCER.

CONCORD, MERCER COUNTY, W. VA., July 19.—The Republicans of Mercer county assembled in mass meeting at Oakvale on Saturday July 14th, 1894. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Ash M. Prince, chairman of the Republican party of the county, who briefly stated the object of the meeting as being for the purpose of selecting delegates to the Congressional convention to be held in Charleston on the 15th day of August next, and called Mr. C. W. Smith to the stand as temporary chairman. Mr. Smith on taking the chair, made a neat and appropriate speech, thanking the convention for the honor conferred upon him, and admonishing harmony in the ranks of the Republican party of Mercer county.

Mr. W. C. Hedrick, of the Watchman, was made temporary secretary.

On motion Hon. R. G. Meador was made permanent chairman, and the temporary secretary was made permanent. Enthusiastic resolutions were adopted and ringing speeches were made by Messrs. J. H. Gains, Lewis Ballard, H. W. Straly, jr., E. P. Buckner and Granville Houchins. These gentlemen were all "cheered to the echo." Their speeches were well-received and did much to arouse the Republicans of the county to action.

Harrison County Republicans.

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE TO THE INTELLIGENCER.

CLARKSBURG, W. VA., July 18.—The primaries for Coal and Clark districts of Harrison county met in town to-day for the purpose of electing delegates to the senatorial convention at West Union July 28, and to the congressional convention at New Martinsville. For Clark district Judge Edwin Maxwell was made chairman and Virgil E. Highland secretary, with the delegates as follows: Senatorial—W. R. Alexander, C. W. Lynch, H. W. Harmer, Z. E. Dawson, S. R. Harrison.

Congressional—M. G. Holmes, J. S. Jackson, C. W. Lynch, S. C. Denham, Dr. D. P. Morgan.

Coal district—R. S. Northcott, chairman. Congressional—Leo Haymond, D. W. Boughner, C. J. Goff, Oakley Randall, John Flynn.

Senatorial—Henry Wickenshoof, Leonard Peck, Sam Gordon, Dr. E. N. Flowers, H. D. Boughner.

Delegates from Coal district to the congressional convention were instructed for Major A. C. Moore. The county is solid for Stuart F. Reed for senate.

A Duel to the Death.

SAN ANTONIO, TEX., July 19.—The remains of two unknown Mexicans have been found on the ranch of Pedro Garcia in Presidio county. In the right hand of one of the men was clamped a knife, while lying beside the other body was a cauldron, these two instruments showing by what means the bloody work had been accomplished. It is supposed that the two settled difficulties with a duel to the death, with no seconds on hand as witnesses.

San Antonio, Tex., July 19.

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Special Correspondence of the Intelligencer.

CHAUTAUQUA, N. Y., July 16.—As copies of your late issues reach me and I read reports from the Moundville camp and from Mountain Lake Park, West Virginia's Chautauqua, it occurs to me that some notes of the happenings from the original Chautauqua might be of interest to your readers, many of whom are lovers of this spot and all its various interests.

As one registers, and the ticket agent at the docks looking on says, "We get a great many people from Wheeling," the remark reminds one of the fact that Wheeling people are to be found in every direction, so generally do they travel.

Those representing our substantial city at present are Rev. Martin and wife, Mrs. Ella Dillon Martin, Miss Annie Reeves, Miss Irene Meyers and Robert Erskine, son of Mr. E. Erskine, Esq.

The above named are here for the season, working in the various departments. Inquiries have been made of the writer concerning Dr. and Mrs. Cunningham, whose coming many friends await. Their presence upon the grounds seems to be the signal of a rallying at the fine headquarters now owned by the Presbyterians.

The strike, very noticeably, has affected the number of visitors to Chautauqua, but as Uncle Sam is now known to be at the helm, people are coming in more rapidly, feeling that there is no danger of a blockade being suddenly erected between them and their homes. As far as the attractions of this season are concerned, the highest compliment to be given them is to say that they are equal to those any former summer.

Helen Keller—the phenomenon, as I prefer to call her, was given a reception at the Hotel Atheneum last Monday evening. She makes one in the possession of five senses feel as though he had made poor use of his extra number. She neither sees nor hears, as nearly every one knows, yet her attainments are marvelous.

Dr. Bell, of telephone fame, Dr. Gillet, and Miss Sullivan, her teacher, exhibited in a most interesting manner her extreme sensibility of touch, and quickness, through the same medium of comprehending ideas. She laughed heartily when her teacher asked her how long it took her to make the journey to Chautauqua. Very emphatically she said "three days," and upon further question accounted for the delay by the strike.

One of the spectators asked Miss Sullivan what Helen thought of Chautauqua. There was an impressive silence as she said: "It is very beautiful." Then came the question as to how she knew that. She said: "I feel its great beauty." Dr. Bell said that the new feature in the development of her case was her ready understanding of anything said to her, simply by the placing of her hand in such a way as to feel the movements of the vocal organs. Carefully watching her hand at such a time, I noticed her forefinger placed upon the front upper tooth of Miss Sullivan; on the lower jaw, and under the same, the remaining fingers of her right hand. As each word was spoken by Miss Sullivan Helen promptly pronounced it and at the end of each sentence it was very interesting to see how her face would light up, with the comprehension of the thought. She recited the Psalm of Life, Queen Mary's Prayer—the latter in Latin—and, upon being asked to read, turned to the index of her book in raised letter, and made a selection from Tennyson, who is her favorite author. When asked if she had ever seen a poet, she replied, "dear Dr. Holmes."

As the guests fled by, each anxious to shake hands with Helen, she suddenly drew an old friend nearer her, and kissed him, thus showing her keenness of touch with her gloved hand. The friend had placed himself in line with the purpose of testing her power to recognize him.

This afternoon at the Hall of Philosophy Bishop E. R. Hendricks of the Methodist church South, delivered a fine lecture on "Arnold of Rugby." Bishop Thoburn, so well known in Wheeling, will soon be here.

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