



MONDAY EVENING, JAN. 5, 1903.

WHEN Mr. Cleveland was President and was turning his back upon the leaders of the democratic party, which had made him, Mr. Hill, on the floor of the Senate, gave this advice to his friends: "Let him alone; do as I do; stay away from the White House." Such would now be timely advice to the white people of the South and if they had ordinary self respect they would follow it. Mr. Roosevelt has repeatedly stated that he has no sympathy with the "sentiments" of the southern people and has repeatedly treated them with contempt by appointing negroes to the most prominent positions in southern cities, and his little-ness was exemplified last week when he closed the postoffice at Indiana, Mississippi, and ordered the mail for that city to be sent to an office twenty-five miles away, though there were numbers of offices much nearer; and all of this because the white people of that city found the colored postmaster objectionable and made her position so uncomfortable that she resigned. But notwithstanding all this, delegations of southern men will continue to go to the White House and invite Mr. Roosevelt to "honor" their respective cities or towns by visiting them and he will keep right along appointing negroes over these men because it will win him negro votes in northern and western States where they hold the balance of power. But still we say, "Let him alone; keep away from the White House."

THE UNITED STATES would profit by following the example of Mexico in the latter's treatment of monopolies. The recent advance in the price of wheat caused bakers in Mexico to diminish the size of their loaves while still charging the same price, and this worked a hardship on the poorer classes. The Mexican government is determined that the wheat ring which has been monopolizing the grain shall be dealt a severe blow. For this purpose the recent decree, taking off the duties on wheat, was issued and the railroads have reduced rates from the border. The policy of the government is to break up all monopolies that raise the price of living to the masses. This is the common sense policy to pursue and beats all hollow the Hoar anti-trust publicity bill and such other humbugs. Had Congress repealed the tariff on cattle and on coal last year there would have been neither meat nor coal famine in the United States.

A NUMBER of sad stories have been told during the past few weeks of sufferings, outrages and murders as the outcome of the miners' strike in Pennsylvania. The latest is from Torrington, Conn., where Mrs. John Carnay went into the woods in the rear of her home Thursday and began to fell a tree. She had wielded her axe for the last time, and was endeavoring to escape the falling tree when she was struck in the back of the head and instantly killed. The unfortunate woman was attempting to secure fuel to prevent her crippled husband and four small children from suffering from freezing to death. Coal was a luxury the family could not afford at the present time.

THIRTEEN deaths and three victims, who may die, is the record to date of the toy pistol that has been sold in the Norfolk neighborhood, and which the Norfolk and Portsmouth police have been instructed to confiscate. The cases of lockjaw that have resulted from the use of the little weapons that fire blank cartridges have been appalling. Other cases are reported from all quarters where the sale of the toy pistol was permitted. If there is not a law against the sale of such "toys," one should be enacted at once—and then rigidly enforced.

SHOT ON THE ROAD.—In Mercer county, W. Va., Friday, Russell Lilly, a well-known citizen, shot and killed Newton Lydie, of Piney, Raleigh county, on the public highway. It seems that Lydie had been posting as a detective, and had been making many arrests of boys in the neighborhood of Lilly's home. Yesterday Lydie arrested a young son of Lilly, and taking him to a lonely spot, tried to extort information implicating other boys in some pranks. After the boy had given the information he was released, and, going home, told his father. Accompanied by his son Lilly set him in search of Lydie. They met him in the public road with another boy under arrest. Lilly demanded that the detective release the boy. This Lydie declined to do, and attempted to draw a revolver, but Lilly, who was armed with a shotgun, leveled it at Lydie's head and fired. The entire load took effect in the neck, and Lydie died in a few minutes. Lilly surrendered to the officers and gave bond.

A big sugar war is in prospect. It is no mere fight between rival companies that threatens, but a Titanic struggle in which all of the leading nations of Europe and the United States will be engaged. The first gun in the battle has already been fired by France. This government has just been notified that France has agreed to carry out the terms of the Brussels sugar convention. That convention decided that all bounties on the production or export of sugar should be abolished. This it is believed, will mean the destruction of the sugar industry in Austria. The point that is of particular interest to the United States sugar producers, from cane or beet, is that soon as the new order of things goes into effect, and no more bounties are paid on sugar by the European countries, that sections of the Dingley tariff law which authorizes the imposition of countervailing duties on bounty-fed sugars imported into this country, will become obsolete. Without additional legislation to keep it out, the doors of this country will be opened to a flood of European sugar estimated at 1,500,000 tons annually. To the sugar trust, so long as the differential duty on refined sugars is retained, this would mean increased profits to the extent of 12 and a half cents on every hundred pounds of raw sugar admitted. But to the cane sugar producers of the west it would mean ruin, because it would knock the bottom out of prices.

In a supplementary report to his annual report Governor Taft, of the Philippines, opposes the recent establishment of the Filipino Independent Catholic Church, organized in opposition to the Roman Catholic Church by Padre Gregorio Aglipay, who now styles himself Archbishop. Governor Taft regards the movement as one which is likely to cause the civil government considerable embarrassment, inasmuch as Aglipay's followers are endeavoring to dispossess the Roman clergy.

Congressman Rixey, of the Eighth Virginia district, has nominated John Rose, son of Mr. J. F. Rose, of Bethel Academy, Fauquier county, Virginia, to be a naval cadet at Annapolis.

Senator Daniel was not in his seat when the Senate met today, being delayed at his home in Lynchburg by the illness of his son who has typhoid fever. A surprise was caused in the Senate today by Senator Lodge introducing a bill to repeal for a time the duty on coal.

A few weeks since Mr. Rixey offered a bill in the House to allow country people to sell their produce in Washington without a license, but the committee to whom the bill was referred reported against it. Today Mr. Rixey received a letter from Mr. West, one of the District of Columbia Commissioners, saying that after a conference the commission would have approved an order which will allow persons raising their own produce to sell the same to regular customers, but not from house to house or along the streets.

The Russian sugar bounty case from the port of Baltimore of Robert E. Downs vs. the United States was today decided in the Supreme Court of the United States in favor of the countervailing duty exacted by the United States customs. The cargo of sugar consigned to Downs had paid a bounty upon export from Russia and he therefore claimed exemption upon it being landed in the United States.

Sir Liang Cheng, the Chinese Minister designated to the United States, will marry the daughter of the Chinese Minister at Paris, Yu Keng, before leaving for Washington. The wedding will probably take place at Canton.

The body of a two-months' old male girl baby was found today to the end of the rear of a Baltimore and Ohio train which arrived at Columbus, Ohio, from Cincinnati this morning. The discovery was made at Derby. The baby was dead when found, but there are indications that it was alive when it was tied to the train.

U. S. Consul Kaiser, of Mazatlan, Mex., reports to the State Department that experts employed by the Mexican government have pronounced the disease prevailing there to be bubonic plague. He adds that the government has taken all possible precautions to prevent its spread.

A surprise was contained in the nomination of the Senate by the President today. Assistant Secretary of State D. J. Hill, of New York, is made minister to Switzerland, succeeding Charles Page Bryan, of Illinois, who goes to Portugal as minister, succeeding Francis B. Loomis, of Ohio, who comes to Washington as Assistant Secretary of State in place of Mr. Hill.

Among the nominations sent to the Senate by the President today are the following: To be United States Marshal, J. Duncan Adams, of the District of South Carolina. To be surveyor of customs (William D. Crum, colored, Charleston, S. C.). To be consul general, Hugh Pittman, of Pennsylvania, at Hamburg, Germany. To be Judge Advocate U. S. Army, with rank of lieutenant colonel, Harvey C. Carbaugh.

Opposition has developed to the proposed appointment of Robert B. Armstrong, of Illinois, private secretary to Secretary Shaw, to be assistant secretary of the treasury to succeed Mr. O. J. Squabbling. Senator Aldrich, chairman of the finance committee, to which the nomination will be referred is understood to be leading the opposition. The senator gives the position that a man only 29 years old has neither experience nor judgment required for the position. Mr. Aldrich has several senators with him who will fight the nomination.

No attempt was made at this morning's meeting of the Senate judiciary committee to take up Chairman Hoar's anti-trust bill for consideration. The members say, however, that it will be taken up at the next meeting, next Monday.

SHOT ON THE ROAD.—In Mercer county, W. Va., Friday, Russell Lilly, a well-known citizen, shot and killed Newton Lydie, of Piney, Raleigh county, on the public highway. It seems that Lydie had been posting as a detective, and had been making many arrests of boys in the neighborhood of Lilly's home. Yesterday Lydie arrested a young son of Lilly, and taking him to a lonely spot, tried to extort information implicating other boys in some pranks. After the boy had given the information he was released, and, going home, told his father. Accompanied by his son Lilly set him in search of Lydie. They met him in the public road with another boy under arrest. Lilly demanded that the detective release the boy. This Lydie declined to do, and attempted to draw a revolver, but Lilly, who was armed with a shotgun, leveled it at Lydie's head and fired. The entire load took effect in the neck, and Lydie died in a few minutes. Lilly surrendered to the officers and gave bond.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

The assessment on property in New York city has been increased about \$1,800,000,000 under the policy of assessing it at full value.

In the report of the Philippines Commission and that of Governor Taft, just made public, the Governor takes a rather gloomy view of the present conditions in the islands.

A passenger train on the Southern Railway was derailed and rolled down an embankment near Birmingham, Ala., Saturday evening, causing the death of one man—the engineer.

Chairman Jenkins, of the House committee on the judiciary, says there are provisions in Senator Hoar's anti-trust bill that are in conflict with the federal and the various State constitutions.

The town of Indianola, Miss., now has a private postoffice. A small rider, paid by the residents, goes to Heathman for the mail and it is distributed on arrival by a man selected for that purpose.

Former Governor David R. Francis, of Missouri, the head of the St. Louis Exposition, was on Saturday robbed on an electric car in Chicago of his pocket-book containing \$30 and valuable papers and railroad passes.

Father Charles McNeils, of Titusville, N. Y., who was arrested at Rochester for vagrancy on complaint of Father Thomas Hendrick, of St. Bridget's Church, is going to renounce his calling and marry Mrs. May Fleming, of Titusville, as soon as she can get a divorce.

It is reported from Vienna that there is a possibility of a reconciliation between the Crown Princess of Saxony and her husband, based upon the future of the Princess's unborn child. King George, however, insists that his son's faithless wife be cast adrift.

The landing of German marines at Puerto Cabello, Venezuela, and the seizure of the customhouse and the wharves, for the purpose, it was declared, of clearing the port and rendering the blockade more effective, caused intense excitement among the residents of the town.

Topsy, the man killing elephant, was executed by electricity yesterday afternoon at Luna Park, West Brighton, Coney Island, after a long and vain attempt to persuade her to cross a frail bridge leading to a scaffolding, from which it was intended that she should be hanged.

Admiral Lord Charles Beresford sails for New York today from Southampton, but he denies the report that he is to take a position with the International Mercantile Marine Company. He says he hopes to gain information concerning the administration element in American business, as it is in this respect he contends England is lacking.

In a dispatch from Delhi the correspondent of the London Daily Mail says: "A body of Pathans made a bold attempt in broad daylight Friday to attack the guard and rob the jewel room of the arts exhibition, where gems valued at \$1,250,000 were in keeping. Members of the police force and the jewelers present, after a scuffle, succeeded in foiling the attempt."

The foreign powers that signed the Chinese peace protocol have decided to notify China that her failure to pay indemnity in gold will entail grave consequences. The United States, in this connection, may do as it has done in the Venezuelan difficulty—point the way to the Hague tribunal and arbitration.

The last of the German troops that belonged to the garrison at Shanghai left Saturday. The evacuation of that port thus is completed.

FOREIGN NEWS

A sergeant of the Cuban artillery stationed at Cabanas fortress was murdered by a private last night. The private later committed suicide.

The engagement of Emma Calve, the opera prima donna, to a French journalist named Jules Bois is announced. Bois, it is said, will accompany her on her American tour, and will write a book on America.

The German consul at Geneva has received the necessary permission to serve a writ on the Crown Princess Louise in connection with the suit for divorce brought against her by the Crown Prince of Saxony.

The reconciliation of the Sultan of Morocco and his brother Mulai Mohamed, has caused a belief that the trouble in Morocco will be settled at an early date by the withdrawal of the forces of the pretender from the field.

Tod Sloan's valet, Carlrose, who was arrested last week on a charge of stealing a valuable diamond set, cuff link and a dress suit case from the jockey, today pleaded guilty to the charge and was committed for trial in London.

It is learned officially that Prince Henry of Prussia will surely visit the St. Louis exhibition, unless some totally unexpected obstacle arises. Prince Henry has expressed a desire to make a lengthy stay in America and become better acquainted with the people.

The result of the French senatorial elections are now complete, except the four seats from Guadeloupe. These results show again thirteen seats for the ministerialists, which make the division of the power in the Senate sixty-three ministerialists and thirty-three anti-ministerialists.

The legal adviser to the Saxony Court says that means must be found to separate the Crown Princess from Prof. Giron. Plans are being considered for having her isolated in some well guarded house where her children could visit her. King George who is ill and thought to be near death, refuses to consent to pardon in any form, but the Crown Prince will put no obstacle in his wife's way if she takes the first step toward reconciliation.

A hot lunch to the homeless, given by the Countess Karolyi at Budapest today ended in a small panic. Three thousand persons sought admission to the place where the lunch was given, and when they could not get in quickly enough a number of them began to fight their way through the crowd to the door. The police were compelled to use their sabres. One old man in the crowd was killed, and several others were seriously injured.

VIRGINIA NEWS.

William Norton, superintendent of the Norton Iron Works, at Ashland, sneezed on Saturday and broke several ribs.

The building of a \$100,000 factory for the manufacture of high-grade glassware will be commenced in Richmond within the next six weeks.

Dr. John B. Amis died suddenly at Harrisonburg yesterday of heart disease. He had been well until a short time before his death.

J. Clements Shafer, a Richmond man, has been awarded the big government contract for dredging James river, under the \$300,000 appropriation made by Congress for that purpose.

The boiler of a locomotive attached to a passenger train on the Norfolk and Western railroad while running at a high rate of speed exploded near Bedford City on Saturday killing the fireman and the engineer.

Judge R. H. L. Chichester, of King George County Court, has appointed Henry B. Coghill as treasurer of that county, to succeed Dr. F. F. Ninde, who resigned owing to his removal from the county to Colonial Beach.

Quarantined and forbidden the comforting presence of family and friends, Miss Robbie Yeager, the trained nurse who had been suffering from smallpox at the Richmond City Hospital, died on Saturday afternoon after several weeks of the most intense agony.

Dr. George W. Lecato, member of the State Senate from Accomac, on the Eastern Shore, is in a very precarious condition of health. After, so he believed, recovering from an attack of paralysis he went to Richmond several weeks ago to attend to his senatorial duties. He, however, grew worse and was forced to return home before the holiday recess. His friends re now a very uneasy about him.

THE CONSTITUTION SUITS.

United States Marshal Morgan Treat has made his return to Judge Waddill in the matter of summoning witnesses in the cases of the negroes who have instituted suits for \$5,000 each against State officers and members of the Constitutional Convention, which suits include the validity of the new Constitution. No important move of interest will be made in the cases further than that the counsel on behalf of both sides will answer before the clerk on rules to today to make up the issues and perfect the status of the case.

Judge Waddill is holding court in Alexandria and all the work done will be before Clerk Brady in Richmond. Major Anderson is in Washington, and F. W. Christian, associate counsel, will likely be present on behalf of the defendants. These matters being purely formal, it is doubtful whether, Captain Wise will be in Richmond, and James Hayes, his negro assistant, will likely look after the interests of the plaintiffs.

The cases will probably be set for hearing at the April term of the United States Circuit Court.

Captain Wise was in Richmond Saturday on his way to his home, near Capron, and spent an hour in the United States Clerk's Office looking after the cases against the Constitution. He announced that when his appeal to the United States Supreme Court was completed John G. Carlisle would argue it before that tribunal.

A BRILLIANT AFFAIR.

The chapter of Indian orders held at Delhi Saturday night was one of the most brilliant functions following the durbar. It was attended by Lord Curzon, viceroy of India, and Lady Curzon, the Duke of Connaught, representative of King Edward, and the Duchess of Connaught, and scores of native princes. Among the brilliant assemblage were nearly 500 members of the Order of Star of India and many maharajahs. About forty Americans were present at the chapter. The hall was aglow with hundreds of electric lights. The silken garments and the uniforms of the Orientals, blazing with jewels, made the scene a most brilliant one. Lady Curzon and the Duchess of Connaught walked up the hall together, both attired in dresses of white and silver and wearing diamond coronets. They took their seats behind the golden thrones occupied by the viceroy and the duke. During the ceremony of investiture the bands rendered music from the balcony. When the herald and trumpeters announced the beginning of the function, a red silk curtain at the foot of the hall was drawn aside and the grand procession through the building began. The sight was an impressive one. Yesterday morning Lord and Lady Curzon, the Duke and Duchess of Connaught, and all the distinguished visitors attended the state divine service, conducted by the Bishop of Lahore. Thousands of troops were formed in line and the responses were rendered by flag signals. A notable feature of the service was singing through megaphones by the bandsmen.

KILLED RIVAL IN DUEL.—Wesley Spires and Charles Hutto fought a duel to the death in a piece of pine woods near Spires' home, in Lexington county, S. C., Saturday. Spires is a man of mild manner, good standing and quiet, but he objected to the attentions paid by Hutto to Mrs. Spires. Hutto refused to cease attempting to see the woman, so they agreed to fight it out. The two men approached each other in the woods. Hutto was armed with a rifle. Spires had a double-barreled shotgun. To make sure of their shots, both reserved their fire until quite near. Then Hutto threw his rifle up and pulled the trigger. His aim was too quick and the bullet whistled by the other man's head. Before Hutto could fire again Spires sent a load of buckshot into his body, discharging the other barrel with similar effect before the dead man could fall to the ground. There were no seconds, as neither man wished witnesses, but neighbors seem to have expected a tragedy. It was an old-time frontier duel, where the coolest man seems to have won. Spires went home, told his wife of the affair, and then rode to Lexington, where he surrendered to the sheriff.

A Scientific Discovery.

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TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

From Richmond.

Richmond, Va., Jan. 5.—The Legislature reconvened today after the Christmas recess. No quorum was present in either branch.

Bills were offered in the House by Messrs. Bland and Edwards to prevent the sale of fire-arms and ammunition to minors.

The general good roads measure was reoffered by Mr. Lassiter, of Petersburg. Bills were introduced by Mr. Green, of Fauquier, against maiming or killing stock, and against the firing of jails by prisoners with view to escape.

The Coal Strike Commission.

Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 5.—With the prospect of at least a month more of daily hearings the anthracite strike commission, the coal operators and their attorneys and John Mitchell and his counsel are assembling here today for conferences, preparatory to the beginning of actual work tomorrow. Chief interest this morning centered in the answer of George B. Markle, the biggest of the independent operators to the allegations of the strikers.

The reply of the Markle company will be one of the first things to come before the commission after it opens its sessions tomorrow. While technically the question of the recognition of the union is not before the commission it is becoming more and more evident that the commission must in some way maintain the United Mine Workers in the award. A statement, no less interesting than Markle's, that the coal roads will not longer attempt to restrain the independents, who assert they propose to get what price they can for coal, is being commented on.

A Philadelphia and Reading official is credited with saying that inasmuch as the coal roads are forced to transport the products of the independents there is no way to make a uniform price for coal. Whether the coal roads will meet the advance of the independents is still a question.

It was today learned from an official source that President Baer will not appear before the arbitration commission unless he shall alter his present frame of mind. He still holds to his publicly expressed view that there is "nothing to arbitrate."

The Pennsylvania Legislature.

Harrisburg, Pa., Jan. 5.—In accordance with the wish of Senator Quay, brevity and business will be the slogan of the legislature which will meet in biennial session at noon tomorrow and may adjourn on the day chosen by the Senate, April 16. Quay will urge his friends to carry out ballot law pledges and it is likely that the ballot law in course of preparation by republicans will be passed. Senator Scott, of Philadelphia, will be elected president pro tem of the Senate and there seems no doubt of the election of Henry F. Walton, of Philadelphia, as speaker of the House. After the organization of both Houses tomorrow an adjournment will be taken until Wednesday.

Tomorrow night the republican senatorial caucus will be held in the House, when United States Senator Penrose will be chosen to succeed himself and will be balloted for on Jan. 20, inauguration day, on which day Gov. Pennypacker will send to the Senate for confirmation the names of the members of his cabinet.

A Protest.

New York, Jan. 5.—The firm of Boulton Bliss and Co., agents of the Red D. Line announced today that they had forwarded a protest to Secretary Hay because their steamer Caracas was not allowed to land all of her cargo at La Guayra recently. The firm also demands indemnity from England, Germany and Italy, whose warships held up their steamer, for damages sustained. The protest and demand for indemnity were forwarded today soon after the arrival of the Caracas in this port and after Capt. Woodrick's report had been made. It is understood that the contention of the firm is that as the Caracas had cleared from this port before the blockade had been declared, she should have been allowed to land her cargo at La Guayra. She was only allowed to dock for 24 hours and had to take the greater part of her cargo to Caracas and other places.

Changes in International Politics.

Vienna, Jan. 5.—The leading Austrian weekly, Sonnund Montags Zeitung, today says "Count Lambsdorff, the Russian foreign minister, did not come to Austria to discuss the situation in Macedonia but rather to negotiate for the destruction of the triple alliance. Germany having estranged both her allies by her new tariff bill, now seeks to become a third party in the Anglo-Japanese alliance. Russia and France are therefore compelled to secure other support to restore the balance of power necessary. This support will come from Austria and Italy. The international situation in the near future will be Germany isolated in Europe, but with England and Japan in the background. Russia, France, Austria and Italy will form a quadruple alliance. These changes will result in American preponderance—the United States will hold the balance of power between these two combinations."

A Brilliant Wedding.

London, Jan. 5.—One of the most brilliant weddings London has witnessed in a decade took place at St. George's, Hanover Square, today, when the Hon. William St. John Brodric, Secretary of State for War, was married to Madeleine Stanley, daughter of Advocate General Lord Jenck. The Bishop of Winchester officiated, and the best man was Premier Balfour. The wedding was attended by all of the high society of London, including most of the government officials. The happy couple were the recipients of six hundred gifts in all, King Edward heading the list with a silver inkstand.

Sultan's Ruse Succeeds.

Tangier, Jan. 5.—The Sultan's brother, who by his Majesty's order was released from prison a few days ago and had all the honors due his rank restored to him, has been appointed Governor of the Province of Fez. When this fact became known to the tribes in the Fez district they rallied to the Sultan, swearing to support him against the pretender. This, it is stated, has removed the danger of an attack by the rebels upon Fez.

The Market.

Georgetown, Jan. 5.—Wheat 70 1/2.

Insane Religionists.

Weberstein, O., Jan. 5.—"I am Jesus Christ. The wires are flashing my name all over the world and the people have accepted me as their Saviour." Thus shouted John Teeters, one of the insane members of the Holy Band yesterday. At his Ellisherry home, Teeters became violent and attempted to burn his wife and child. Officers defeated his plans but not until after the crazy man had thrown himself into the fire and sustained burns. He is at present confined. Several other members of the band are violent, among them the wife of Teeters. She walked the streets of Ellisherry all last night in the snow, preaching and praying. Several members of the band who were at one time considered strong-minded and highly educated have become victims of the queer religion and are mental and physical wrecks.

Railroad Men in Conference.

St. Paul, Minn., Jan. 5.—The conference of railway managers and employees of northwestern roads here today promises to become a protracted affair. The Northern Pacific, Great Northern, Great Western and the Omaha will figure most prominently in the negotiations. Some eighty committees representing different unions of these systems are gathered here now to discuss matters with their managers. The latter are opposed to granting the 20 per cent. increase demanded by them. The committee here representing the railway unions declare that they are entitled to 20 per cent and will take nothing less.

Fifty-Seventh Congress.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 5. SENATE.

The Senate lost no time in getting down to business this morning upon the reassembling after the holiday recess.

There was a large representation upon the floor. The galleries were well filled. Senator Hoar gave notice that immediately after the routine business tomorrow he would speak upon his anti-trust bill.

Mr. Lodge in introducing a bill providing for the suspension for ninety days of the duty on coal entering the United States, said he thought such suspension might encourage importation of coal and tend to relieve the distress, and in some quarters suffering, especially in the New England States.

Mr. Culberson offered a resolution providing for the immediate removal of the duty on anthracite coal. Mr. Platt, of Connecticut, in objecting to immediate consideration, declared that there was no duty on anthracite coal. The resolution went over.

Mr. Vest said that the appraisers at the port of New York had held that a duty did exist on anthracite coal.

Mr. Stewart offered an amendment he will offer to the army appropriation bill, authorizing the secretary of war to construct, equip and operate 300 miles of railway lines in the Philippines each year for the next ten years.

Mr. Stewart then offered a resolution which was agreed to. It requested the secretary of war to inform the Senate what effect an adequate system of railways in the Philippines would have upon the cost of maintaining law and order and protecting life and properties, &c.

There was called up the resolution of Mr. Jones (Ark.) directing the attorney general to send to the Senate the papers filed with the Department of Justice by W. R. Hearst, of New York, charging a conspiracy on the part of coal carrying railroad companies.

Mr. McComas, Mr. Lodge, and Mr. Spooner opposed the adoption of the resolution on the ground that such publicity might interfere with the work of the attorney general.

Final action was prevented by the end of the morning hour.

The omnibus statehood bill was taken up. Mr. Foraker, announced that in the absence of senator in charge of the bill, Mr. Quay, he would look after its interests.

Mr. Nelson, took the floor in opposition to the bill.

HOUSE.

Public interest in the reassembling of Congress did not seem to be intense.

The House galleries were but scantily patronized and scarcely a quorum of members were present when Speaker Henderson called the House to order.

The first business transacted was the swearing in of Dewitt C. Laneagan, member elect from New Jersey, who succeeds the late Representative Salmon.

Representative Hull of Iowa, chairman of the committee on military affairs, asked unanimous consent for the present consideration of the bill to locate a general staff for the United States army. Mr. Richardson of Tennessee, objected.

Mr. Hull then asked for a suspension of the rules and the passing of the bill. Mr. Richardson demanded a second, which was ordered and the House proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. Hull said that the bill had the unanimous endorsement of the entire committee on military affairs. Its purpose was to concentrate the several staff departments of the army under one general head.

Mr. Bartlett asked whether the purpose of the bill was not solely to displace General Miles, the commander of the army.

Mr. Hull said that the term "commander of the army" is a myth and General Miles has no authority to issue orders unless under direction of the president or the secretary of war. There is only one commander-in-chief, he said, and that is the president.

The bill, Mr. Hull continued, does not increase the number of officers, and provides that the head of the general staff must act under the direction of the secretary of war.

Mr. Hay, of Virginia, a minority member of the committee on military affairs supported the bill.

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napping, for he has offered a rule, to be considered tomorrow, to make the bill the regular order immediately after the adoption of the rule. The renewal of the fight will therefore probably come tomorrow.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES

The factory of Janeway and Carpenter, wall paper manufacturers of New Brunswick, N. J., employed 300 hands, was forced to shut down today on account of the shortage of coal. The company has been unable to obtain soft coal in sufficient quantity to steadily run the plant.

Thomas J. Conrad, manager of the Macon Baggage Transfer company at Macon, Ga., was shot this morning at the Union Depot by a negro wagon driver named Arthur Shiver. The ball struck Conrad in the head killing him instantly. The trouble rose over a dispute about some baggage. The negro is still at large.

A man supposed to be Henry D. Williams of Pittston, Pa., was found dead in a room today at the Lion Hotel, New York, asphyxiated by gas. His death is supposed to have been accidental. The dead man was about 35 years of age, five feet six inches tall, weight 140 pounds with light hair and mustache. The left hand was gone.

Conrad Vincent, aged 21, a cloak salesman, is dying at the Sacred Heart Hospital, in Manchester, N. H. He was to have been married to a Miss Rivard at 8 o'clock last night. He was dressing and was told to hurry as the carriage was waiting. In his wish to obey he fell down stairs, dislocating his neck and receiving concussion of the brain.

J. Rogers, a Hammondville druggist and with interests in an oyster business in Port Norris, N. J., has disappeared, leaving behind, it is alleged, indorsed paper to the amount of \$35,000. Warrants are out for his arrest.

MR. HUGH GORDON MILLER.—A dispatch from Norfolk says President Roosevelt has tendered to Hugh Gordon Miller the collectorship of the port of Norfolk and Portsmouth at a salary of \$3,500. Mr. Miller goes to Alexandria to attend United States court, which meets there Monday, and will next week talk with President Roosevelt over the Norfolk collectorship. If he can continue his law business and act as collector, he will accept the President's offer. If not he will continue as assistant United States district attorney, and his salary will be advanced as such to an amount