



WEDNESDAY EVENING, MAY 11, 1910

The approaching comet has already been the cause of suicides in different parts of the world, and its advent is causing anxiety to many people who will not admit it. Negroes in western Georgia have been thrown into panic as they believe it presages the end of the world. In more than a dozen counties they have quit work and are spending the time in singing and praying. They expect the end to come on the 18th, when the earth passes through the tail of the comet. To add to the general terror astronomers in France are making observations on the comet that are attracting the greatest interest. Maurice Hemy, of the Paris observatory, reports that the length of the tail has increased from five to ten degrees in three days. Prof. Deslandres, of the University of Dijon, finds a reappearance in the spectroscopy of cyanogen, the poisonous gas which was observed in January and February, but which disappeared in March. In his report he says that the hypothesis that the gas is liable to affect the terrestrial atmosphere would not be at all absurd. M. Marchand maintains that the comet shows important variations from its predicted orbit, which presages unexpected surprises. The Greenwick, English astronomer, E. C. D. Crommelin, has stated in a lecture that the sword which Josephus said hung over Jerusalem before its fall was probably the comet. "And great earthquakes shall be in divers places, and famines and pestilences; and fearful sights and great signs shall there be from heaven," is a prophecy being read with earnestness by many who regard the comet with alarm.

The railroad bill passed the House yesterday afternoon, as was stated in the Gazette of that day. The bill is called the administration bill, but it is further from being the same bill that was offered the two houses from the pen of the attorney general than the Senate bill would be if all pending amendments were adopted. The bill that passed the House contains many provisions that the Senate will not approve, but there are in the House bill many things that the public will endorse, and it is said by many that it is the best bill that ever passed either house of Congress. For this the insurgents are largely responsible. They had no hesitancy in attacking the bad features of the bill, and when they were told that the president wanted it passed in a certain way they were not changed from their position by any respect for his opinion or fear of his official power. They accepted the better things in the bill as it came from the attorney general, and secured the elimination of as many of possible of the bad features.

The story of the case of an editor who was literally made to eat his words comes from Quilman, Miss. R. L. Page, jr., who edits a weekly paper in that place, published several days ago an editorial on a dance of society folks. He called the dancing "virtuous eggling," and intimated that on a virtuous woman would indulge in such practices. After an absence of several days Page returned to Quilman Monday. He was met by prominent citizens and forced to eat a clipping of the editorial. Finally he got away and left town.

From Washington.

Washington, May 11—President Taft today appointed Theodore Roosevelt special ambassador of the United States to attend the funeral of King Edward. Col. Roosevelt accepted the commission in a cable message to the president.

Based upon field investigations just completed, and in aid of proposed legislation affecting the use and disposition of petroleum deposits on the public domain, Secretary Ballinger today temporarily withdrew from all forms of disposal 519,901 acres of land in New Mexico.

Orders to have the president's summer home ready at a minute's notice were received at Beverly, Mass., today. Mrs. Taft is expected before the rest of the family and will be joined by Helen, Robert and Charles as soon as the college season closes. She has planned to pass a quiet summer. It is said, without any exaggeration, that she formerly had the usual hospitality to relatives.

A part of the blame for the high prices for food can be charged to the farmer trust, according to J. B. Power, a farmer from Power, N. D., who testified before the Senate investigating committee today. Bidders that formerly cost \$95 each are now held by the trust at \$130, and the price of agricultural machinery has advanced all along the line. The farm laborer expects higher pay than formerly, Power said, because he has adopted a higher standard of living and there is a strong demand for his services.

The total tax assessed to date upon corporations, according to a statement issued today by the commissioner of internal revenue, is \$25,709,045. Penalties are fixed for failure to make returns within the prescribed time amount to \$101,570 making the total tax to be collected \$25,810,615 for the month of February and March, to which is added

\$158,370 for the month of January, making a grand total of \$25,968,985. The tax returns from the states according to districts are set forth, which shows Virginia, Richmond, \$236,691; Abingdon, \$109,746. The returns from the internal revenue districts of Virginia, second district, \$236,691; 6th, \$109,846.

In aid of proposed legislation affecting the disposal of water-power sites on the public domain, Secretary Ballinger has temporarily withdrawn from all forms of disposition 3,223 acres of land along the Missouri river, Montana, and 1,847 acres along the Tuolumne river, California.

Senators proceeded serenely today with the job of fixing up their railroad bill despite the fact that the House with much contention and heavy labor passed a measure on the same subject yesterday. Senators, well aware of the fact that the shooting up of the bill in the House has been from an entirely different point of view than the Senate, will indulge themselves in mere grim smiles when they hear officially that the House asks their "concurrence." The House version of the bill will be referred to the Senate committee of interstate commerce. The committee most likely will let it rest in a pigeon hole until the Senate bill has been adopted. Then the committee will, in all probability, recommend that the Senate bill be adopted as a substitute; the Senate will follow the recommendation and the Senate bill will be sent to the House for concurrence. The House will refuse to concur and will ask for a conference, which will take place without further delay. A conference committee usually consists of committees consisting of two republicans and one democrat from each branch of Congress.

An echo of the Ballinger-Pinchot controversy will be heard in the House Friday when Representative Harrison, of New York, will call up for consideration his resolution calling on the attorney general for the documents which have been withheld by the investigating committee. The democrats will support the resolution but it now seems doubtful whether the insurgents will join them in sufficient numbers to pass the resolution. The vote of the insurgents depends on the speech of Representative Madison, of Kansas, insurgent member of the investigating committee. At present he is non-committal.

Representative Adams, of Georgia, ranking minority member of the interstate commerce committee, declared today that the democrats were well-versed with the railroad bill as passed by the House yesterday. "The only objectionable feature is that which relates to the sale of tickets and bonds but it is so clearly unobjectionable that it is practically eliminated before the bill passes. The commerce act feature is objectionable but our amendment accepted, render this provision less vicious."

It became apparent today that President Taft's \$250,000 appropriation for a scientific tariff investigation is not to have plain sailing through Congress, when Representatives Payne, Dalzell and Tawney conferred with the president on the proposition. The item is now in the sundry civil bill placed there by Chairman Tawney of the appropriation committee. The ultra-protectionists in the House opposed to the measure and they will make an effort to defeat it. Messrs. Dalzell and Payne, high priests of protection, intimated to the president today that they would favor the measure and they will make an effort to lead an attack upon it. The appropriation has now come to be looked upon as an attempt to justify the tariff attitude upon the tariff and the tariff attitude upon the tariff and the tariff attitude upon the tariff.

From all sections of the United States Polish Americans gathered today in this city to attend the ceremony of the unveiling of the two statues erected to the memory of those two great Polish patriots, Kosciuszko and Pulaski, who took so prominent a part in the American revolutionary war. The statues, of bronze on granite pedestals, have been presented to the American nation by the Polish National Alliance, and President Taft himself accepted the gifts in an address before an audience in which he dwelt upon the heroic qualities and the love of liberty which characterized the men thus commemorated. There was a parade of troops of the national guard, including a battery of artillery, and a battery of salutes, the national guard of the District, the High School Cadets and the members of the various Polish societies. The Secretary of War presided. The invocation was delivered by Bishop Paul P. Rhode, of Chicago, and there were addresses by several prominent Polish-Americans.

The unveiling of the statues stands in the triangle at Pennsylvania avenue and 13th street, while that to Kosciuszko is in Lafayette Square opposite the White House at the conclusion of the ceremonies at 13th street, the parade marched to Lafayette Square where similar ceremonies were held.

An agreement was reached by the conference committee on the District of Columbia appropriation bill today. A deadlock had been caused by the fact that the House insisted that the entire cost of maintaining playgrounds should be borne by the District, while the Senate held that half the expense should be paid by the government. The Senate conferees receded and the House prevailed.

Final plans for engineering the Taft railroad bill through the Senate were laid before the president by Senators Aldrich and Crane. The general manager of the United States and his lieutenant called at the White House and in a brief conference outlined to the president the situation in the Senate and the outlook for the passage of the bill as the administration wants it. Particularly the senators and President Taft discussed the probability of keeping in the bill a \$25 appropriation clause to give the conferees committee a grand work upon which to build a measure satisfactory to the administration. As they were leaving the White House Aldrich and Crane said that the railroad bill will not reach a final vote in the Senate before the end of next week.

Pending examination and classification, the Secretary of the Interior today withdrew from coal entry 179,561 acres of land in the state of Utah, believed to contain valuable deposits of coal.

The Department of Interior today issued an order opening to homestead entry on June 20, 20, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

Explosion on a Battleship. London, May 11.—A serious cylinder explosion aboard Admiral Keppel's battleship London, now in Norwegian waters, was reported to the admiralty today. No details were given.

The London is of 15,000 tons displacement and was commissioned in 1902. She cost \$18,997,500. She carries four 12-inch guns, twelve 6-inch, sixteen 12-pounders and eight 3-pounders.

Sixty-first Congress.

SENATE. The Senate today passed a House bill authorizing the use of military supplies for the relief of earthquake sufferers in Costa Rica. It was the first business transacted.

The administration railroad bill as passed by the House, after radical amendment, was laid before the Senate early today. It was referred to the committee on interstate commerce without comment.

The railroad bill was taken up in the Senate today immediately after the conclusion of routine business. Senator Simmons (dem., N. C.) spoke at length in favor of a long and short haul amendment.

Following Mr. Simmons on the railroad bill, Senator Borah (R. P. Id.) took up the subject of conservation and discussed it at length.

In an address sounding votes for the coming campaign for the "regulars," Representative Hamilton (rep. Mich.), spoke up for the tariff in the House today.

Believe Sentences Will Be Commuted. [Special dispatch to the Alexandria Gazette.] Richmond, May 11.—It is believed by newspaper men who report news from the governor's office that the four Alexandria negroes under sentence of death for the killing of artist Scholz, of Chicago, will not be electrocuted Friday, but their sentences will be commuted.

A newspaper man declared today after he left the governor's office that he was confident that the men would not be executed.

King George's First Row. London, May 11.—King George's first row in the opinion today of the informed churchmen and politicians of England, will result from his objections to the anti-Catholic character of the oath that he will be required to take when he opens his first parliament.

Already the anti-Catholics, who form an overwhelming part of the population, are opposing any change in the oath and are importing members of Parliament not to carry out the suggestion that a few of the "fending sects" be modified.

It is admitted that a majority of the members of Parliament favor a change in the oath, which question, in fact, has been under consideration since the Eucharist Congress in London. Owing to the tremendous popular sentiment against it however, Parliament has deferred action.

The Orangemen and Protestant extremists say they will fight any changes. Whatever the outcome of the discussion, it is believed that George has started a religious controversy that will grow in acrimony until it creates a war between Catholics and Protestants.

Roosevelt in Germany.

Berlin, May 11.—Disregarding the advice of Professor Frenkel, a noted throat specialist, former President Roosevelt left Berlin early today to attend the military maneuvers at Doberitz, where he was the guest of the Kaiser. The maneuvers at Doberitz were strictly private, not even the newspaper men being permitted to attend.

As a special mark of respect, Mrs. Roosevelt, Kermit and Miss Ethel were invited and attended. The maneuvers were waged up with a sham battle, during which Roosevelt got so excited that his voice failed him completely.

More Rioting in China.

London, May 11.—The London secretary of the China Inland Missions received telegrams today confirming the report that riots have broken out again in Yuen-Chow, about 200 miles from Chang-Sha, the scene of the recent anti-foreign demonstrations. Today's dispatches give no particulars. The secretary says the only missionaries in Yuen-Chow are five Germans, Meinrich Witt and wife, H. P. Witte and Misses Trujon and Leppin, all belonging to the Liebenzill mission, the headquarters of which are in Wu-erung. He believes they had before the riots started.

Knights of Columbus.

Shanokin, Penna., May 11.—Reports submitted at today's session of the thirteenth annual convention of Knights of Columbus show that the state organization has 5,675 insurance and 13,173 associate members. During the past year 511 insurance and 654 associate members were added. Five new councils were established. Treasurer Frank H. Kistly, of Williamsport, reported a balance of \$1,569.29.

Victims of Balloon Accident.

Glasgow, Ky., May 11.—A. Holland Forbes and Astronomer J. O. Yates, of New York, who were found unconscious near their wrecked balloon at Center, last night, after an attempted record breaking flight from Quincy, Ill., had recovered consciousness this morning, but were still too weak to detail their experiences. Both are believed to be badly injured and the most that has been learned is that their balloon went wrong and they were hurled to the ground before realizing what has happened. Physicians who attended the accident assert that Yates's injuries are uncertain. They fear he is lost internally. Forbes's injuries consist mainly of bruises. He is not in a serious condition.

Steamer's Rough Experience.

New York, May 11.—Battered by a terrific sea which carried away a portion of the forward deck over and bridge, the Conard liner Oceanic lost one seaman Monday night while several others were badly hurt. When the vessel made port today repairs had not been made to the bridge and huge splinters and broken jagged timbers indicated the force of the giant wave. Most of the passengers admitted they were badly scared by the storm which swept down from the north-west and prevailed until noon yesterday, but the officers declared the Oceanic was never in real danger.

Town Destroyed.

St. Paul, May 11.—A report from Duluth today says Grand Marais, Minn., a town of about 200 inhabitants on Lake Superior, has been destroyed by forest fires. The wireless telegraph station, the only means of communication, was abandoned by the operator late Tuesday afternoon with a final message saying the town seemed doomed.

City Council.

There was a comparatively brief meeting of the Alexandria City Council last night. Most of the business transacted was of a general nature. The law imposing taxes on persons, property, etc., for the coming fiscal year was passed. The law is the same as last year.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN. The Aldermen concurred in the action of the Common Council appropriating \$3,600 for improvements to Washington and Lee school buildings. The report of the committees had been received from the lower board at the last meeting and laid over.

A resolution appropriating \$300 for laying a new floor in the Reliance Steam Fire Engine Company's house was adopted.

The Aldermen concurred in the action of the Common Council on all the papers sent in.

COMMON COUNCIL.

Council was called to order at 8:10 o'clock with 12 members present. The finance committee reported favorably the tax law for the coming year. The tax vote is to remain at \$1.90 and the bill in its entirety is identical to the same as the bill now in force. The measure was passed, yeas, 12; nays, 0.

The street committee reported in favor of appropriating \$700 for the treating of Washington street between Queen and Wythe with coal tar or a heavy oil residuum in order to preserve the street and prevent dust.

Mr. Leadbeater made a statement in which he said it was the hope of the committees that at some time in the near future the entire tar output of the city gas works could be used for such work. The city engineer had taken him (Mr. Leadbeater) to the bureau of public roads in Washington, and the road expert there seemed to believe that this would be the best procedure. The expert had offered to aid the Alexandria authorities in such road experiments free of cost.

The petition for a terra cotta sewer on Duke street, east from Royal, recommended by the street committee, was passed with an appropriation of \$225. This by unanimous vote. It is provided that the appropriation will become available when \$100 shall have been paid into the city treasury, exclusive of taps.

The committee on light reported favorably on the petition for an arc light at the corner of Duke and Royal streets and the light was ordered unanimously. The committee on public property asked \$215 for the installing of two new sectional dials for the town clock. Mr. Marshall asked that this be referred to the committee on finance and public property and this was done.

Miss Hattie R. Hamersley asked permission to erect a frame addition to 206 south Patrick street and this was referred to the street committee. The sum of \$400 was appropriated for cleaning streets and alleys, this on request of the city engineer.

Mr. Burke asked if this was to supply some of the carts that did not appear on the general cleaning day. The chair suggested that the street committee might answer that question. Mr. Leadbeater explained that he presented the matter at the instance of the city engineer, the present appropriation being exhausted.

Mr. Leadbeater asked about the \$8,000 the newspapers spoke of spending on the jail. He said that if the city had this sum of money to spend and would spend it on the city's alleys, the city's health would be much improved.

The chair partially agreed with Mr. Leadbeater, but said the \$8,000 would be wisely expended on the jail, and would save the city the necessity of building a new jail at a cost of about \$30,000. He further said that when the matter of the jail improvements first came up he was opposed to spending any money at that time to make more comfortable the class of people who spend half their time in prison, but after attending the committee meetings and hearing the matter discussed he had decided to favor the expenditure of \$8,000.

Mr. Burke suggested that the proposed improvements provided for cold showers baths which would have the effect of keeping many from committing infractions of the law.

A petition from H. T. White asking permission to erect a six room frame dwelling at 1012 Pendleton street was, under the law, referred to the committee on streets.

Messrs. Hellmuth and Brill both thought this delay a hardship as some of the material for this house was now on the ground ready for the building. A resolution appropriating \$300 for a new floor in the Reliance engine house was, on recommendation of the joint committees on public property and finance, passed.

A resolution for the improvement of Franklin street, between Royal and Fairfax, was presented by Mr. Snowden and referred to the committee on street. A petition asking the improvement of the alley in the square bounded by Queen, Princess, Payne and West streets, was referred to the street committee.

Mr. Brill asked about the street fakirs' license. He had brought up the matter last year and by request had let it go over until this year. Messrs. Leadbeater and Smith agreed with Mr. Brill that something should be done to lessen the street fakir nuisance, and it was agreed that this license should be taken up on the next meeting night when the usual license law will probably come in.

Mr. Leadbeater stated the city did not have the right to license such persons, and that they should not be allowed to occupy the streets or sidewalks. Council then adjourned.

Demand for Mourning Goods.

Paris, May 11.—London merchants have raised Paris shops for mourning goods and black plumes until today there is an absolute dearth of these materials. The demand for mourning goods is so great that even the French mills have had their supplies bought up at fancy prices. Wholesale are now refusing all orders for such goods as they do not know when the orders can be filled.

Official.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

At a regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Alexandria, Va., held May 10, 1910, the following were present: J. R. N. Curtin, esq., President, and Messrs. Hill, Brill, Marbury, Ballenger, Field, Fitzgerald and Summers.

A report of the Finance Committee recommending an appropriation of \$3,600 for improvements to Washington and Lee school buildings, received from the Common Council April 26, 1910, and laid over, was adopted, yeas 12, nays 0.