



FINANCE IN CONGRESS

Mr. Van Voorhis Asked to See the Bond Contract.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE

Senator Vilas' Bill "To Save the People of the United States \$16,170,770. Free Silver Substitute by Senator Sherman.

By Southern Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, February 13.—**HOUSE**—The House was principally occupied to-day in considering business relating to the District of Columbia, but room was found in that discussion for the introduction of a resolution by Mr. Van Voorhis (Rep.), of New York, bearing on financial matters, the main tenor of which was to request a report from the Committee on Ways and Means of the testimony, evidence and statements made by Secretary Carlisle before that committee yesterday morning regarding the recent gold contract.

Mr. Wilson assured Mr. Van Voorhis that he had a copy of the contract in his pocket and would at the proper time present it. This was done later in the shape of a report from the Ways and Means Committee on the President's message relating to the \$62,000,000 bond contract, and which report contained copy of the contract. It was so evident that there was a disposition to know what the minority of the committee thought of the matter and the House adopted a motion which will allow them to present their views of the subject to-morrow. The report was ordered printed and referred to the union calendar.

The House at 5:35 p. m. adjourned until to-morrow at 11 a. m.

SENATE—During the morning hour proceedings in the Senate, and when the Vice-President called for "bills and joint resolutions," Mr. Vilas rose and introduced a bill entitled "To save the people of the United States \$16,170,770," and he asked that it be read in full and lay on the table for the present.

The bill recites that the President of the United States has advised Congress, in his communication of February 8th, that he had completed an arrangement with parties able to fulfill their undertaking for the purchase of \$65,000,000 in gold coin, in return for 4 per cent. thirty year bonds, "payable in coin," but that he had reserved the privilege of substituting 3 per cent. "gold bonds" for them, at an annual saving in interest of \$53,159, and for the whole thirty years of \$16,170,770. It, therefore, authorizes the issue of 3 per cent. bonds not exceeding in the aggregate \$65,000,000, running for thirty years, principal and interest payable in gold coin.

As a subsequent part of the proceedings, Mr. Hill expressed the opinion instead of being laid on the table it should be placed on the calendar, from which it could be taken by motion without reference to any committee. Acquiescence in this view was made by Mr. Vilas, but positive objection was interposed by Mr. Teller. The rules were applied to and it turned out that under or them an objection to the request to let a bill lie on the table caused its reference to the calendar. Such objection was promptly made by Mr. Lodge and therefore the Vice President announced that the bill had gone to the calendar.

Mr. Sherman introduced a substitute for the bill reported yesterday from the Finance Committee for the free coinage of silver, and at his request it was read in full and laid on the table.

The first section provides, that to provide for and maintain the redemption of the United States notes, according to the provisions of the act of January 14, 1875, the Secretary of the Treasury may issue, sell and dispose of, at not less than par in gold coin, either of the description of bonds authorized in that act, bearing not to exceed 8 per cent. interest, payable semi-annually and redeemable at the pleasure of the United States in gold coin after the five years from date.

The second section authorizes the issue of 3 per cent. certificates of indebtedness, payable in lawful money to provide for a temporary deficit in the revenue.

The Senate spent most of the day in further discussion of the amendment to the Postoffice Appropriation bill, looking to the reduction of the rates now paid to railroad companies for the transportation of the mails of the United States. A modification pending to the amendment, reported from the Committee on Appropriations, requires a reduction of at least 10 per cent., and another proposition is pending, offered by Mr. Vilas, looking to the purchase, ownership and management of the railway postal cars by the Government. In view of Mr. Vilas' experience as Postmaster-General in

President Cleveland's first administration, his statements and arguments were of much interest and importance. The question, however, went over without any action, except that an agreement that a vote will be taken on it at 3 p. m. to-morrow. The Senate, at 6 p. m., adjourned.

THE COURTS.

Proceedings of the Tribunals of Justice Yesterday.

The courts were in session yesterday, but very little business was transacted, but what was accomplished is of importance.

CORPORATION COURT.

Judge Hancock's attention was consumed during the greater part of yesterday with the hearing of the case of Frank Peace, colored, who is charged with breaking the peace in assaulting Mr. R. B. Fontess. The verdict was six months in jail with a recommendation for mercy and the verdict will be certified to the Governor, who has the pardoning power.

CITY CIRCUIT COURT.

Judge Prentiss heard argument in some chancery cases at the morning term of this court and in the afternoon his attention was claimed by an appeal from Judge Hancock's decision in transferring the liquor license of M. Hartz, No. 128 Water street, to A. L. Jones at the corner of Church and Water streets. The merchants in that locality protest against the establishment of this bar, as there are already some seventeen bars within two blocks. Counsel were: For the appellant, Judge Heath and Mr. Wood; for the defence, Mr. A. P. Thom. The Judge reserved his decision.

United States Circuit Court of Appeals.

By Southern Associated Press.

RICHMOND, Va., February 13.—The following were the proceedings in the United States Circuit Court of Appeals here to-day:

Boston Safe Deposit Company, appellants, vs. Daniel H. Chamberlain, receiver, etc., two cases; appeals from the Circuit Court of South Carolina, reversed and remanded with directions to modify the decree in one case to \$6,000 and in the other to \$1,750.

Bensack Machine Company vs. S. F. Hess & Co.; error to the Circuit Court for the Western District of Virginia at Lynchburg; argued by A. H. Burroughs and T. J. Kirkpatrick for the plaintiff, in error, and Judge W. W. Crump for the defendant, in error, and submitted. Court adjourned for the term.

AMUSEMENTS.

SOL SMITH RUSSELL TO-NIGHT.—Sol Smith Russell is, and has been for several years, for that matter, one of the very prominent figures on the dramatic stage, and his constant application to one particular line for upwards of twenty years has given to his personation an artistic finish and freshness of characterization which places him in the van of the country's best known exponents of the simple mannered but strong-hearted and self-reliant American.

Mr. Russell will present his best creation Noah Vale in "A Poor Relation," at the Academy of Music to-night, and it is safe to say that one of the largest and most fashionable audiences of the season will witness the performance. The first floor is \$1 and \$1.50; balcony 50c. and \$1; gallery 25c.

"A BUNCH OF KEYS."—An evening of fun and amusement is in store for those who attend the performance of "A Bunch of Keys" to-morrow night at the Academy of Music. The Milwaukee Journal in a recent notice of the company, states that the play is one that will afford an evening of good amusement, and the company that presents it are all capable artists.

To the Public.

The Third Ward Permanent Democratic Club has not authorized any one to solicit contributions for their food distribution, and the public are requested to bear this in mind. The charity is strictly a club one although we are giving regardless of politics or color. To-day, from 10 to 12 o'clock, Griffin's store, James and New streets, the committee will distribute flour and beans to such persons, residents of the ward, white and black, whom the committee may deem worthy. Respectfully,
THE COMMITTEE.

In First Brigade.

Special Dispatch to the Virginian.
RICHMOND, Va., February 13.—Gov. O'Ferrall, after looking fully into the matter, has decided to assign the two Portsmouth companies forming the Third Battalion of Infantry to the First Brigade. This will put all the white troops in Virginia under Gen. Phillips.

An Old Lady's Story.

Yesterday afternoon Mrs. Speight of Berkeley, the mother of Dr. Speight, of this city, slipped on the ice on Holt street, sustaining severe injuries. She was taken to her son's residence, No. 147 Chapel street, where she attended her.

PLATT MEN GET NOTHING

Mayor Strong Makes Important Appointments.

THE POWER OF REMOVAL.

F. M. Scott Gets Corporation Counselship and Wm. Brookfield the Charge of Public Works. Opponents of Platt Honored.

By Southern Associated Press.

New York, February 13.—Mayor Strong, acting under the power of removal bill which was passed by the Legislature at Albany last week, made his first important appointments to-day. They are as follows:

Counsel to the Corporation, Francis M. Scott, to succeed W. H. Clark; salary \$12,000 a year.

Commissioner of Public Works, Wm. Brookfield, to succeed Michael E. Dailey, removed; salary \$8,000 a year.

Deputy Commissioner of Public Works—Gen. C. H. T. Collis, to succeed Maurice F. Holahan, secretary, \$6,000 a year.

Members of the Supervisory Board of the New York Civil Service Board—Everett P. Wheeler, Edwin Lawrence Godkin, Charles W. Watson and E. Randolph Robinson, no salary.

Secretary and Executive Officer of the City Civil Service Board—Lee Phillips, reappointed, salary \$5,000 a year.

The appointments caused something of a sensation in political circles. Wm. Brookfield and Gen. Collis, two of the appointees led the recent fight against Thomas C. Platt, and none of the other men selected by Mr. Strong belong to the Platt wing of the Republican party. To-day appointments seem to indicate that at the followers of the leader from Toga are not to obtain a very large share of the patronage at the disposal of the reform administration.

CONDENSED TELEGRAMS.

Items Ticked From All Parts of the World.

Pilots report all buoys on Beaufort, N. C., bar out of position. Vessels coming in will have to take pilots, as the buoys are from fifty to seventy-five yards out of place.

The New York, Philadelphia and Norfolk road reports for the year 1894 gross earnings, \$304,631; increase, \$17,963; expenses, \$705,846; increase, \$15,366; and net, \$118,815; increase, \$4,598.

Hampton Roads is covered with floating ice which is coming out of the James river from six to eight inches thick, and which extends outside the capes. The telephone cable to Norfolk is broken.

A notice was posted on Chicago Change yesterday that the directors had passed a resolution making purchases or sales by any members during trading hours, originating in "puts or calls," a dishonorable act, and punished accordingly.

In the Supreme Court of Appeals at Richmond yesterday, Davis, etc., against Poland, case removed to Stanton, Shipman vs. Fletcher, tally argued by Hon. John W. Daniel for appellant and Hon. Walter R. Staples for appellee and submitted.

Mr. Wilson, the Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, yesterday afternoon reported to the House the joint resolution agreed upon in committee in the morning, authorizing the issuance of a thirty-year three per cent interest bearing gold bond.

Rev. W. T. D. Clemm, one of the most picturesque and best known figures in the Methodist ministry, died last night at Govans-town, Md., of heart trouble. He was 80 years old and had been in the ministry fifty-five years. He was born in Franklin county, Tenn., and had the distinction of performing the burial service over the poet, Edgar Allan Poe, whose cousin he was.

Fatal Gas Explosion.
By Southern Associated Press.

MEADVILLE, Va., February 13.—A gas explosion, followed by fire, completely wrecked the residence of G. H. Cutter, the lumber owner building of Cutter & Brother, and caused the death of George Cutter and serious injuries to his wife, son and house maid.

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MARINE MATTERS.

Schooners Ashore in the Lower Harbor.

A three masted schooner, light, is reported ashore on Hampton bar, and a loaded three masted schooner is on shore at Newport News, and a four masted is ashore at Seawell's Point.

The Baltimore pilot steamer is in port.

The schooner S. Warren Hall, ashore on the North Carolina coast, is still in good condition. No work can be done on her on account of the weather.

The British steamer Francisco, which arrived at New York Monday, reported that on February 10th, in latitude 40.18, longitude 69.15, she sighted the schooner George McFadden, of Bath, Me., from Norfolk for Boston, with coal, with signals of distress flying, and took off her crew of nine men.

The steamer Algonquin, which arrived at New York Monday from Charleston, S. C., reported that February 9, off Five Fathom Bank Lightship, saw two large three masted schooners sunk, with sails set.

The schooner Hattie V. Kelsie, Capt. Warwick, has been towed up from Hampton Roads, having been twice dragged ashore, and as often floated, by the ice. The anchor stock of one anchor has been broken. She was also in collision with another vessel, but sustained no serious damage.

The Lighthouse Board gives notice that the spindle of South Brother Island Ledge post light, East river, New York, has been carried away by heavy floating ice. The fixed red light thereon will not be displayed until further notice. Repairs will be made as soon as practicable.

Notice is given by the Lighthouse Board that a fixed white lantern light has been established, and will be maintained until further notice, on the wreck of the schooner John C. Haynes, recently sunk in Hampton Roads about three fourths nautical mile southwesterly from Old Point Comfort Lighthouse.

Bush Bluff lightship discontinued during running ice.

All iron buoys in the Elizabeth river and Hampton Roads out of position.

Smith Point lighthouse abandoned by keepers.

B'nai B'rith.

By Southern Associated Press.
ATLANTA, February 13.—The second days' session of the B'nai B'rith for this district began at 10 o'clock and the morning session was devoted to the transaction of routine business. The officers reports for the past year showed the finances of the order to be in splendid condition.

The B'nai B'rith Convention consumed most of the day in secret session. Moultrie Mordecai, the retiring president, gave a resume of his administration and stated that the order had grown during the past two years despite the financial depression. He suggested that more attention be paid to the fraternal and social features of the order, and that the question of endowment should be a secondary consideration. He also suggested the establishment of Rebecca lodges for the Hebrew women of the convention.

To-night the delegates were tendered a public reception at Concordia Hall. The convention will adjourn to-morrow.

APPOMATTOX PARK.

Grand Camp Confederate Veterans Passes Resolutions.

By Southern Associated Press.
RICHMOND, Va., February 13.—At a meeting of the officers and advisory counsel of the Grand Camp of Confederate Veterans of Virginia held here to-night the following was adopted:

"Resolved, That the Grand Camp endorses the movements in favor of converting the Appomattox battlefield into a national park and urges its subordinate camps to pass resolutions on the subject, and communicate the resolutions to their representatives and Senators in Congress. The Adjutant General was instructed to communicate the action of the Grand Camp to the Virginia Senators and Representatives in Congress and the Commander was authorized to appoint delegates to the convention of United Confederate Veterans which meets in Houston, Texas, May 22.

Quarol will cure any case of eczema quicker than any preparation on the market. All druggists keep it; 50 cents.

Sensation on Main Street, caused by the display of 150 fine English gloria umbrellas, fast black, Paragon frame, cloth cover and silk tassel and olive wood handles, in the east window of Levy Bros., 174 Main street. Will be sold at special sale Monday morning, beginning at 9 o'clock, at the amazingly low price of 75 cents each. These goods usually sell for \$1.50. Only one sold to each customer. Levy Bros., 174 Main street.

French drip coffee at Mac's.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY WAGES

The Result of the Expected Conference.

AN HARMONIOUS MEETING

The General Industrial Situation Does Not Allow a Return to the Wages of 1891. Salaries Must First be Equalized.

By Southern Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, February 13.—The expected conference between the officers of the Southern Railway Company, and their employes in an endeavor to finally arrange their difficulties, took place here to-day. Mr. Baldwin, third vice president met the committee at 4:30 p. m. The meeting was entirely harmonious.

In its answer to the request of the men for a restoration of the wages paid in 1891, the Southern Railway Company has adopted a method of treatment of this subject different, it is believed, from any heretofore used, in a thorough and exhaustive analysis of the commercial and industrial conditions affecting the question of wages, and the relative position of railroad employes as compared with those engaged in other industries, publishing the result in a pamphlet addressed to the engineers, firemen, and conductors and trainmen, which contains the reasons why the company is unable to make general increases at present.

This pamphlet was delivered to the employes' committee to-day. The communication is signed by President Spencer and Vice President Baldwin and explains that inequalities of pay and service exist in consequence of the previous separate control and management of the several component parts of the system and these are to be equalized.

The changes made on this account are increased in every case, and apply chiefly to the employes receiving the small pay of \$65 a month, those receiving less than that amount on the East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia lines having had their wages reduced more than those on the Richmond and Danville. This inequality is corrected by the new schedule.

Until October 1893, the rules and schedules of wages on the system had been those adopted in 1890 and 1891. In order to partially meet the loss of revenue after the road went into the hands of receivers, reductions of from 5 to 20 percent. was made in October and November 1893 and in February 1894, on all salaries, and when the Southern Railway Company took possession a further reduction of from 10 to 25 percent. was made in the salaries of the general officers. No further reduction was made, however, in the wages of the trainmen.

The gross revenues for the year ending June 30, 1891, in which the old rates were established, were greater than for the year ending June 30, 1894, by nearly \$3,700,000, or 21 per cent. After the showing in detail the loss of revenue to the railroads, owing to various causes, the pamphlet takes up the subject of diminished profits from all industries.

All labor, skilled and unskilled, has had its earning powers materially reduced. New conditions, such as those, have resulted in a severe loss of revenue to all railroads in the South and in the bankruptcy of many. The owners of the properties now comprising the Southern railway have accepted their losses as permanent, having written off nearly 30 per cent. of their investments, represented by liens, and in addition contributed some \$12,000,000 in new money on which they are not receiving one cent of income.

Attention is called to the fact that amid shrinkage, which is almost universal, railroad employes have borne a smaller proportionate reduction than any other class engaged in industrial pursuits.

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Tanner's Creek Tax-Payers,

I will have the tax books for Tanner's Creek at J. A. Wilson & Co.'s Shoe Store, No. 22 Bank street, Norfolk, Va., EACH SATURDAY from 9 o'clock to 5 p. m., beginning the 16th inst., and continuing all the books are returned to create the tax of 1894. I shall be compelled to enforce collection, and all persons are requested to call and settle what taxes they still owe, and thereby save the costs of levy and other expense.

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