

HOUSE COMMITTEES.

List in Full as Announced by Speaker Crisp Yesterday.

CHAIRMANSHIPS

Appointed as Equally as Possible among the Various Sections—Mr. Crisp Takes to His Bed a Sick Man.

December 23.—In his first committee the Speaker has been careful to appoint the members as nearly equally as may be possible among the various sections of the country, and, however, to the legislative ability of the members chosen to superintend and to report determine the business before the House of Representatives.

While the South seems a majority in the committee, the majority can be easily by the larger service rendered by members of the committee. Representative members of the committee of the House of Representatives are distributed as follows:

- Alabama: 2; Arkansas: 2; California: 2; Connecticut: 2; Delaware: 1; Florida: 2; Georgia: 2; Illinois: 2; Indiana: 2; Iowa: 2; Kansas: 2; Kentucky: 2; Louisiana: 2; Maine: 2; Massachusetts: 2; Michigan: 2; Minnesota: 2; Missouri: 2; Nebraska: 2; New Jersey: 2; New York: 2; North Carolina: 2; Ohio: 2; Pennsylvania: 2; Rhode Island: 2; South Carolina: 2; Tennessee: 2; Texas: 2; Virginia: 2; West Virginia: 2; Wisconsin: 2; Wyoming: 2.

COMMITTEES WITHOUT COMMITTEE BODIES

Committee on War Claims is one of the committees which have no members, owing to the fact that Mr. Halliwell, of Pennsylvania, was named after the committee was organized for the reason that Pennsylvania had no member on the committee. Mr. Halliwell, however, was named, and to other names was substituted. It is intended should be organized through an act of Congress. The same name, enjoys the privilege of being without committee. The name of the committee is the name of the Speaker's committee. It is intended should be organized through an act of Congress. The same name, enjoys the privilege of being without committee. The name of the committee is the name of the Speaker's committee.

COINAGE, WEIGHTS, AND MEASURES.

Members of the New Composing the New Committee—Silverites Pleaded.

December 23.—An inquiry into the progress of the committee on Coinage, Weights, and Measures shows that by its past activity, in or out of Congress, eight free-coinage bills have been introduced. The members have been outspoken in their opposition to the free-coinage bill, and it is not likely that it will be introduced in the next Congress.

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ADJOURNMENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY.

Important Measures Yet to Be Considered—The Road Law—The Reapportionment Bill Signed by the Governor.

The General Assembly, after going through the form of a session yesterday, adjourned for the Christmas holidays. In fact, there was not a quorum in either house, most of the members having departed for home Tuesday night.

In the Senate there was some opposition, led by Mr. Echols, to taking so long a holiday as that provided for in the House resolution, but the argument was advanced that this Legislature had done more work than any other in the history of the State.

The House passed a resolution to adjourn for the Christmas holidays, and the Governor signed the bill. The bill provides for a holiday of ten days, from December 25 to January 4.

The bill also provides for the adjournment of the courts during the holiday. The bill is now in the hands of the Governor.

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FOR ABUSE OF ALCOHOL.

Dr. W. E. Crase, Mitchell, Pa., says: "It has proven almost a specific for this disorder; it checks the vomiting, restores the appetite, and, at the same time, allays the fever of impending delirium, that is so common to heavy drinkers."

The candle will burn to-night. The big candle at Julius Meyer & Sons will be lit this evening at 6 o'clock and will continue to burn until consumed.

The time of lighting and burning will be carefully noted, and the person witnessing nearest the time taken will receive a handsome set of furniture. The guesses are folded up and placed in a box, which will be opened some time next week.

There are a large number of speculations as to the number of hours the giant tallow will require before it becomes consumed. Representatives of the city papers have been invited to act as a committee to superintend the inspection of the guesses and the decision as to who is the winner.

To the Public. A new catalogue of telephone subscribers will be issued January 1, 1892.

All persons wanting phones should hand in their names before the 1st, that they may appear in this catalogue.

Richmond Telephone Exchange. R. B. Root, Manager.

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Beautifully Illustrated, Gilt-Edged, Writing-Books, Work-Books, Toilet-Cases, Juvenile Books suitable for the holidays. Also Oxford Bibles, Hymn-Books, and Fancy Calendars, and a large line of goods suitable for presents at J. W. RAYMOND & CO.'S, 1304 east Main street.

Remember. My Slaughter Sale still continues. Watches, Jewellery, Silver-Plated Ware, Clocks and other articles at below cost to reduce stock. J. A. JAMES, 912 Main street.

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Trustees for Goddard & Moses. The grandest display of Flowers, Palms, Gold Fish Globes, and Aquaria, at Hill Brothers', 215 west Broad street.

Call and examine Rieckes's Goods for Christmas Presents. T. A. MILLER'S, All-Night Drugstore, Fifth and Broad.

Some very great bargains in watches at Goddard & Moses' sale, 920 Main.

My stock of Pipes, Tobacco, Cigars, and all Smokers' Articles is very complete for Christmas. T. A. MILLER'S, All-Night Drugstore, 431 and 433 east Broad street.