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## The Work of the Fifty-Ninth Congress.

The Washington correspondent for the New York Tribune presents the following summary of the things accomplished by the Fifty-ninth congress:

"Railway rates to be fixed by enlarged interstate commerce commission; rebates and other discriminations penalized.

"Panama canal to have 85-foot level, with locks; Panama canal bonds to enjoy same privileges as all other United States bonds; Panama canal supplies to be domestic products.

"Pure food: Label must tell the truth, especially on popular remedies.

"Meat inspection, 'from hoof to can,' at government expense.

"Free alcohol, denatured, for use in the arts.

Oklahoma (including Indian Territory) admitted to the union, and Arizona (with New Mexico) if they agree to union.

"Consular service reorganized on merit basis.

"Quarantine against yellow fever nationalized.

"Alaska allowed a delegate in the house, Alaska liquor revenue devoted to schools and road building. Prohibition of aliens fishing in Alaska waters.

"Naturalization safeguarded and made more difficult.

"Steamboat inspection made more rigid, due to General Slocum loss. Motor boats operated for profit required to have federal licenses.

"The Philippines: Application of coastwise law postponed until April 11, 1909. Minor tariff modifications made, and ratio of gold and silver in insular coinage changed. Batan coal mines to belong to government. Tariff duties collected before 1902 legalized. Naval vessel for Philippine naval militia.

"Gold bullion reserve in excess of \$50,000,000 to be coined. National bank liabilities limited to 30 per cent of capital.

"Employers' liability statute: Negligent common carriers within United States jurisdiction liable for damages to employes.

"Federal donations to state agricultural experiment stations increased, so that within ten years they shall each receive \$30,000 annually.

"President's traveling expenses defrayed to the extent of \$25,000 annually.

"American representative at Constantinople made ambassador, and \$150,000 appropriated to purchase legation property.

"Niagara Falls to be preserved.

"Production of pure domestic sweet wines encouraged by reduced taxation.

"Immunity of witnesses in criminal cases limited (anti-immunity bath).

"United States district judge and court officers for China, and additional judge for New York, southern district provided.

"Destruction of antiquities on United States lands forbidden and the president authorized to acquire lands which have historic value. Mariposa big tree grove accepted from California. National park established in Oklahoma and named Orville Hitchcock Platt. Battle mountain sanatorium reserve in South Dakota established for disabled soldiers.

"Trademark law amended.

"Militia efficiency to be promoted by aid of \$2,000,000.

"Final disposition of affairs of the five civilized tribes of Indians.

"Secretary of interior authorized to establish town sites of not more than 160 acres each in irrigated areas.

"Unlawful wearing of insignia of G. A. R. and other soldier organizations forbidden.

"Secretary of the navy given greater discretion in suppressing hazing at Annapolis.

"Falsely marked articles of gold and silver, or their alloys, not to be imported, exported or carried.

"Sponge growing in American waters protected.

"San Francisco sufferers aided; \$2,500,000 appropriated.

"Extending period for continuous shipment of cattle to thirty-six hours.

"To destroy derelicts, \$250,000 steam vessel authorized.

"Numerous lighthouses and beacons authorized.

"Census office directed to collect and publish vital, social and other statistics.

"For District of Columbia: A juvenile court, compulsory education sale of poisons restricted.

"Grave of Andrew Jackson, with fifteen acres of land, made a national cemetery. Marking graves of confederate soldiers ordered.

"Jamestown exposition, 1907, given aid.

"Monuments authorized: King's Mountain battleground, South Carolina, \$30,000; landing of the Pilgrims, at Provincetown, Mass., \$40,000; Princeton battleground, New Jersey, \$30,000; John Paul Jones, in Washington, \$50,000; Commodore John Barry, in Washington, \$50,000; H. W. Longfellow, in Washington, \$4,000 for pedestal.

"Incorporations: Carnegie foundation for the advancement of learning; Archaeological Institute of America, and Ohio and Lake Erie Canal company.

"Thanks of congress extended to General Horace Porter for recovering the body of John Paul Jones.

"Restrictions on cabinet officers to prevent deficiencies of appropriation.

"Sixty-nine laws enacted authorizing bridges or dams across navigable rivers.

"Forty-three acts for the government of the District of Columbia.

"Three hundred and twenty public acts altogether.

"Three thousand six hundred and ninety Civil war pension acts; 696 private pension acts.

"Bills introduced: House, 20,475; senate 6,551.

## Presbyterian Church Locked up at McKenzie

Huntingdon, Tenn., July 9.—The strained relations between the Cumberland Presbyterian Church of the United States of America at McKenzie continue to exist and the contest over the possession of the church building grows more exciting as the weeks pass. As a sequel to the clash of Sunday, July 1, when the "Unionists" gained admittance to the church, which had been locked and barred, and held services therein, a few nights ago unknown parties, alleged to have been anti-unionists, entered the building and removed the locks from the doors, substituting new locks, and once more fastened up the church, so that the Unionists could not worship therein. Last week the Unionists decided to hold services in Bethel College. The anti's seem to be in control of the situation, as far as possession of the house of worship is concerned, and the matter will not be settled until the lawsuit that is pending is decided. The sexton of the church, who holds the key to the house, is said to be an anti-Unionist. The anti's, or "rebels," as they are termed by the Unionists will not budge an inch, and will fight to a finish the efforts of the Unionists to oust them. The outcome of the trouble is awaited with interest.

Men wanted to clear land. \$6.00 per acre, land easily cleared. One man cleared two acres in four days. See J. H. Royer or B. F. Shaw.



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## Some Notes about the Walker-Edwards Case.

The Walker-Edwards damage suit now on in Union City, will be of some interest to our readers. Below will be found a few comments on the situation as told by the Troy News Banner:

Probably the greatest and most interesting law suit ever tried in Obion county is on before Judge Maiden in Union City.

This suit is interesting for several reasons. A woman, and especially if that woman is young and pretty, who claims to have been injured and badly treated is always an object of profound interest—that is to men. Men are so constructed, even the best of 'em, that their minds will dwell on beauty and youth in distress, regardless of the fact whether she's right or wrong and the minutest fragment of news about her, her size, habits, conformation, look, expression, pose, dress, appearance, words, character, friends and so is devoured like a famished person hiding food. It cannot be denied that Miss Walker is both young and pretty.

The wealth and high social standing of the gentleman she sues, and the huge amount she sues for adds no small amount of interest to the case. She sues for \$50,000. We do not pretend to know what Mr. Edwards is worth (nor is it any of our business) but "current report" that lying, blatant, gossiping, false, old dame, generally accredits Dick with being worth from \$100,000 to \$150,000.

It is fair, just and proper to state that Dick Edwards has, omitting any reference to his life before marriage, and without passing any judgement upon it, since his marriage (about two years ago) been a model domestic man of irreproachable and unexceptionable habits. It is doubtful in our mind if Mr. Edwards can get a perfectly fair trial here. There are a great many people prejudiced against Edwards, partly because he is rich, partly because he owns and runs an automobile. It is generally believed that a judgment, and a pretty heavy one at that, will be secured against him.

Miss Walker went on the witness stand Tuesday morning. The substance of her charge against Edwards is that he courted her, proposed marriage to her, and taking her to New York for the pretended purpose, as she alleges, of there marrying her, took advantage of her love for and confidence in him, betrayed her, accomplished her ruin and then deserted her and left her a stranded wreck and stranger in a great unknown city.

We are reliably informed that Miss Walker who was on the witness stand all day Wednesday made a splendid witness, cool, self-possessed, tactful, intelligent, resourceful and well-balanced, she made a fine impression, both on judge, jury and audience, the house being packed to its utmost capacity. Miss Walker's training as an actress was doubtless of great assistance to her in this trying ordeal.

## Burglars Still Busy in Fulton and Elsewhere.

Reports from all over the county say that burglaries are becoming general. It is almost impossible to pick up a local paper without seeing accounts of numerous burglaries. The Fulton Leader says:

Burglars are still successfully operating in this community. Two country homes were robbed Thursday. While the family of Mr. Nugent was at church at Palestine thieves entered their home and stole a large quantity of silverware, clothing, etc. One of the thieves was a small boy, as he left his old clothes and put on a new suit that belonged to one of Mr. Nugent's boys.

Another burglary was committed Thursday near Roach's Crossing, south of town. This robbery was committed by a young man and a barefooted boy. They were seen and pursued by a number of farmers but managed to escape.

There seems to be but one way to capture these bold thieves. That way is to get bloodhounds and place them on the trail. At each house visited the thieves have secured enough booty to pay for the service of bloodhounds. The surest and quickest way of capturing the robbers is to get bloodhounds.

Hughey Newman went to Hickman today. He will be accompanied home by his wife, who is there visiting her parents.—Fulton Leader.

Three prisoners escaped from jail at Irvine by digging through wall.

## William J. Bryan Expresses His Willingness.

Former United States Senator J. K. Jones, of Arkansas, who was Chairman of the Democratic National Committee when William J. Bryan made his campaigns for the Presidency in 1896 and 1900, has received a letter from Mr. Bryan, in which he announces he will accept the nomination for the third time if it is tendered to him. The letter is dated June 18, at Stockholm, and is as follows:

"I have been watching political developments and have noted with gratification the vindication of Democratic principles. You have correctly stated my position. As I wrote to Col. Wetmore, I shall do nothing to secure another nomination and do not want another one unless the conditions seem to demand it. I may add that I enjoy the freedom of private life and feel that I can do some good without holding any office.

"There are, however, certain reforms which I would very much like to see accomplished and to assist in the accomplishment of these reforms I am willing to become the party candidate again if, when the time for nomination arrives, the advocate of reform are in control of the party and think that my candidacy will give the best assurance of victory. If some one else seems more available I shall be even better pleased.

"I need not assure you that I am more interested in seeing our principles triumphant than I am in the personnel of the ticket. The country needs to have Jeffersonian Democracy applied to all departments of the Government, State and National, and I am content to help make this application.

Yours Truly  
W. J. Bryan

## Important Ruling by Post-office Department.

Postmaster General Cortelyou has issued an order, to go into effect August 1, rescinding the regulation under which patrons of rural mail routes are compelled to purchase boxes from one of the 200 listed manufacturers, who have put on the market 300 different styles of boxes, approved by the department, costing from fifty cents to \$4 each. Patrons of rural routes will be permitted to construct their own boxes, provided that in doing so they conform to the requirements of the department as to size, durability, safety and protection from the inclemencies of the weather.

## Eloped in a Skiff to Paducah Married in Fulton.

Miss Lora Fry and Isaac Laird, a well-known young couple from Metropolis, Ill., eloped to Fulton Wednesday and were married by Esquire Futrell. They stole away from their relatives in a skiff and took a train from Paducah there.

We look into a cradle and behold a crying male babe. At the age of 10 he is a noisy kid with half the buttons off his pants and an eye for meanness; at 15 he is the devil in the print shop, at 20 he is the publisher of a county newspaper, at the head of every enterprise calculated to improve or enrich the business men thereof; at 35 he's an emaciated worn out man with a bald head and holes in his pockets, and at 50 years old he's a corpse in a cheap coffin, and his only resources left behind are two cases of long primer, a Washington hand press and a subscription book with 679 delinquent subscribers, who line up and march past his coffin saying: "He was a public-spirited fellow, but he could never save anything."

Biggest bargains in Hickman will be found at Kelley's store Saturday.