

MAJOR MCKINLEY AND HIS ADDRESS

Soon to Commence Writing the Speech for the Inaugural.

After That He Will Consider the Proper Organization of the Administration.

Names of the Statesmen Who Will Most Likely Be Asked to Accept Portfolios.

CANTON, OHIO, Dec. 27.—Within a week the President-elect will probably commence work on his inaugural address and it will not take him many days to finish it, for he has well fixed in his own mind the lines of thought he wishes to develop and the suggestions he wishes to make. After Major McKinley has finished his address he will devote all of his time to the work of organizing his administration and he may go South for a few weeks in order to enjoy a short period of rest and comparative solitude before setting out for Washington.

Major McKinley has, according to the belief of those who have watched the matter closely, invited no one save Mr. Hanna to become a member of his Cabinet. It is understood, however, that Mr. Dingley of Maine will probably be made Secretary of the Treasury. Owing to the uncommon importance of our foreign relations at this time a great deal of interest centers about the position of Secretary of State, and there is much speculation here about the choice Major McKinley will make for this place. The conviction grows that a United States Senator who has had long experience in public life, and who is held in high esteem by his colleagues, is desired for this post by Major McKinley.

Mr. Dingley, who is very popular in the House and who has great influence there, will, as a Cabinet officer, be able to bring much important support to the administration. If a Senator of equal influence were to enter the Cabinet the administration would be equally strong with the upper branch of Congress. Senator Sherman or Senator Allison would meet this requirement, and the indications to-night are that one or the other of them will be asked within ten days if he can accept the portfolio of State if it is offered him. It is not the practice of a President-elect to make a direct tender of a Cabinet position. One of Senator Sherman's friends, who has his confidence, said to-day that it was the wish of the senior Senator of Ohio to continue his career in the Senate of the United States. It is Sherman's intention at present to be a candidate for re-election to the Senate next year, but, as his friends say, there may be a good deal of pressure brought to bear to induce him to become Secretary of State, if the position shall be offered him.

There is too grave doubt about the course which Mr. Allison would pursue if he is invited to become a member of the Cabinet, though his friends are pretty generally of the opinion that he could close his career more brilliantly as a successful Secretary of State than as a Senator from Iowa.

The Pacific Slope will be recognized in the formation of the Cabinet, and the choice is likely to fall on a California man if the Republicans of that State can unite on some one. The California member of the Cabinet will be Judge Joseph McKenna, Judge J. J. de Haven or Judge James Waymire. The two former have had Congressional experience, and Judge McKenna was appointed to the United States bench by President Harrison.

Major McKinley personally knows all of these men. It is the wish of the California and other Republicans from the Far West that the Secretaryship of the Interior be given to one of their number. Ex-Governor Merriam of Minnesota, General Alger of Michigan, Henry C. Payne of Wisconsin are all strong Cabinet possibilities, but geographical considerations, if nothing else, make it impossible that they should be selected. It is obvious that if Senator Sherman should be Secretary of State General Alger would not be in the Cabinet, nor is it likely that Mr. Merriam and Mr. Payne will be selected, particularly if Illinois should have a member in the person of Charles G. Dawes.

Cornelius N. Bliss of New York is reasonably certain of a Cabinet position, unless Andrew D. White should happen to be chosen for Secretary of State, which does not seem probable at present.

The chances are that Major McKinley's Cabinet will contain as many as seven of the names mentioned in this dispatch.

Notwithstanding the fact that the Cabinet has not yet been selected, candidates for less important places are sending in their applications in large numbers by mail or presenting them in person. Several thousand applications for office have been received by Major McKinley's secretaries, and 98 per cent of them will be referred in due time to the heads of the various departments or to the proper Congressmen. There is nothing to be gained by rushing to Canton with application for office. The appointments will not be made on the "first come first served" plan.

Major McKinley spent Sunday pleasantly. He went to church in the morning and in the evening his nieces and some of his intimate friends called. The only out-of-town visitor was Senator Mitchell of Oregon. He is much impressed with the desirability of having a Pacific Slope man in the Cabinet.

TO RETIRE FROM BUSINESS.

The Atlas National Bank of Chicago Will Pay All Depositors and Wind Up Affairs.

by its books, December 26, 1896, without waiting for a conversion of its assets into cash. The amount required to be advanced will not exceed \$600,000. The bank will not receive any deposits from date. Checks on it will be settled through the clearing-house as usual.

Isaac G. Lombard, Lyman J. Gage, Orson Smith, C. J. Blair, E. G. Keith, Clearing-house committee.

The officers of the Atlas National are: President, W. C. D. Grannis; vice-president, C. B. Farwell; cashier, S. W. Stone; assistant cashier, W. S. Tillotson. The bank was organized in 1857, many of its incorporators being officers of the Union National Bank. Its capital stock is \$700,000. Mr. Grannis has been president from the start.

It is given out to-night that during the past few years newer and more profitable institutions have been taking business away from the Atlas, and that as a result of these defections over \$2,500,000 in deposits have been withdrawn from the bank, most of it during the past six months. Mr. Grannis is an old man, and he decided some time ago to go out of business. The bank is believed to be perfectly solvent, as the action of the clearing-house committee indicates.

SIX LOST THEIR LIVES.

But One Man Remains Imprisoned in the Maule Mine, and Heroic Attempts Are Made to Rescue Him.

PRINCETON, IND., Dec. 27.—The number of dead as a result of yesterday's explosion at the Maule mine is now definitely ascertained to be six. One man, Robert Poneylight, is still underground, and all hope of his being rescued alive has been given up. The names of the dead are: Robert Maule, aged 29, treasurer and general superintendent of the Maule Coal Company; John Holmes, age 53, married, three children; Theodore Faber, age 33, married, one child; John Ernst, age 26, married, two children; James Kial, age 21, married; Carl Poneylight, age 24, single, residence Belleville, Ill. All of their bodies have been recovered.

Eight others were injured. Their names are as follows: James Turms, David Nolan, Arthur Colegate, James Cruce, William Grills, Frank Thurber, Thomas Pierce, William Booker.

State Mine Inspector Robert Fisher of Brazil and Assistant Inspector Epperson, together with three deep-vein miners from Linton and Shelburn, arrived in the city this morning. The mining inspector has taken charge of the mine, and will make a thorough investigation.

Several attempts were made to-day to get the body of Robert Poneylight, but the gas was too strong for the rescuers, and the work was given up. Another attempt will be made to-morrow morning.

IT IS WAR TO A FINISH.

In Order to Down the Arbucksles the Sugar Trust Will Invade Chicago Territory.

CHICAGO, ILL., Dec. 27.—A morning paper says: The war between the sugar trust and the Arbucksles has invaded Chicago territory. The trust, it is said, has approached the officers of one of the large coffee-roasting plants of the West with a proposition for the purchase of the same and the war between the two big concerns appears destined to spread indefinitely.

The first intimation received in Chicago outside of the immediate parties to the negotiations for a Chicago plant came yesterday in a circular issued by a New York sugar house, which is considered of the highest authority in sugar circles and which stands close to the trust. Coming from such a source the statement is considered reliable and as undoubtedly emanating from within trust circles. The statement was as follows:

There is very considerable talk about the American Sugar Refinery having bought the controlling interest in the Woolson Spice Company of Toledo, the second coffee-roasting plant in the United States. These purchases, if made, are no doubt caused by the action of Arbucksle Bros., who are reported to be pushing forward plans and contracts for the erection of a 2000 barrel capacity sugar refinery in Brooklyn.

The statement was shown W. F. McLaughlin yesterday. He would not deny that such negotiations had been broached by the sugar-trust people, but stated that he was not in a position to talk about it. He said, however, that his plant was not for sale, as he considered that he could make as much money out of it as any one could. He concluded the interview with the significant statement that of course figures altered cases, and that while his plant was not for sale he could imagine circumstances under which some color might be lent to such a statement as appeared in the circular of the New York sugar autho rity.

"Jerry" Green Surrenders.

LANGASTER, PA., Dec. 27.—"Jerry" Green, who shot and killed his half-brother, Abe Green, on the Welsh Mountain on Christmas night, surrendered himself late last night and was lodged in jail here to-day. He claims that Abe threatened to kill him and that he shot in self-defense. Both men, who were negroes, were very desperate characters and chronic law-breakers.

Fought Out in Feudal Fashion.

MOUNT VERNON, Ky., Dec. 27.—In a general fight six miles north of this place yesterday afternoon two men were killed and another fatally shot. The dead are Armp Rowland and Jack Riggsby; the wounded man is Greeley Lear. The fight began at a Christmas merry making, and was fought on the highway in true Kentucky feudal fashion between opposing factions.

Toughs Battle With Officers.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 27.—A raid was made by policemen to-night upon a low drinking resort in East St. Louis, near Kelly depot. The tough inmates showed fight and opened fire. Detective Officer John Paynton was fatally shot and two others slightly wounded. All but one of the men escaped and several are known to be wounded.

Death of a Millionaire Banker.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 27.—A special from San Luis Potosi, Mexico, says Ignacio Muriel, banker and business man of that city, is dead. He leaves an estate valued at \$1,000,000.



The Hugh McCulloch. The revenue cutter Hugh McCulloch, which was launched at the Cramps shipyard in Philadelphia recently, will be sent out to this coast to relieve the cutter Bear for duty in Alaskan waters. She is the largest vessel in the revenue service. Her dimensions are: Length, 219 feet; beam, 34 feet; draught, 14 feet, and she has a displacement of 1280 tons. Her engines are of 2000 horsepower, and she is expected to have a minimum speed of sixteen knots. She will be schooner rigged, three masts, with square sail forward. Captain J. W. Congdon of the Revenue Marine Service, who formerly commanded the cadet schooner Chase and who has superintended the construction of the vessel, will be her commander.

GENERAL READ DIES AT PARIS

As a Soldier, Statesman and Diplomat He Leaves a Gallant Record.

While United States Minister to Greece He Achieved Great Distinction.

For Noble Acts in the Cause of Humanity He Was Honored at Home and Abroad.

PARIS, FRANCE, Dec. 27.—General John Meredith Read died this morning from pneumonia.

John Meredith Read, the well-known American diplomatist, was born in Philadelphia February 27, 1837, he being a son of a former solicitor-general of the United States. He received his education at a military school and at Brown University, where he received the degree of A.M. in 1856. He was graduated at the Albany Law School in 1859, studied international law in Europe, was admitted to the bar in Philadelphia, and afterward removed to Albany, N. Y. He was Adjutant-General of New York in 1860-6, and was one of the originators of the "Wide-Awake" political clubs in 1860. He was chairman in April of the same year of the committee of three to draft a bill in behalf of New York State appropriating \$100,000 for the purchase of arms and equipments, and he subsequently received the thanks of the War Department for his ability and zeal in organizing, equipping and forwarding troops. He was United States Consul-General for France and Algeria in 1869-70, and 1870-74 Acting Consul-General for Germany during the Franco-German war.

After the war he was appointed by General de Cissey, French Minister of War, to form and preside over a commission to examine into the desirability of teaching the English language to the French troops.

In November, 1873, he was appointed United States Minister resident in Greece. One of his first acts was to secure the release of the American ship Armenia, and to obtain from the Greek Government a revocation of the order that prohibited the sale of the Bible in Greece. During the Russo-Turkish war he discovered that only one port in Russia was still open, and he pointed out to Secretary Evarts the advantages that would accrue to the commerce of the United States were a grain fleet dispatched from New York to that port. The event justified his judgment, since the exports of cereals from the United States showed an increase within a year of \$73,000,000.

While Minister to Greece he received the thanks of his Government for his effectual protection of American persons and interests in the dangerous crisis of 1881. Soon afterward Congress, from motives of economy, refused the appropriation for the legation at Athens, and General Read, believing that the time was too critical to withdraw the mission, carried it on at his own individual expense until his resignation, September 23, 1889.

In 1881, when, owing in part to his efforts after his resignation, the territory that had been adjudged to Greece had been finally transferred, King George created him a Knight Grand Cross of the Order of the Redeemer, the highest dignity in the gift of the Greek Government. General Read was president of the Social Science Congress at Albany, N. Y., in 1868 and vice-president of the one at Plymouth, England, in 1872. He was the author of "A Historical Inquiry Concerning Henry Hudson," which first threw light upon his origin and that sources of the ideas that guided the navigator and contributed to current literature.

MILITIA HELD IN READINESS.

Governor Bradley of Kentucky Will Prevent Mob Violence.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Dec. 27.—Several companies of the Second Regiment, Kentucky State Guards, have been in readiness to march for the past forty-eight hours. Governor Bradley is determined to prevent mob violence if it is in his power, and the report that a mob would attempt to lynch Johnson Howe, colored, who is in jail at Paris for the shooting of Policeman Charles Lacey at Cynthiana, caused him to order the militia to be in readiness to go to Howe's protection. Lacey died this morning. A telegram from Paris to-night says that Howe is not in danger.

Payment Will Be Resumed.

BRYAN, TEX., Dec. 27.—Bank Examiner J. D. McDonald yesterday took charge of the Merchants' and Planters' Bank, which failed to open Wednesday. Disinterested business men who have investigated the affairs of the bank since say that it is solvent and payment will be resumed.

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TAKEN A TUMBLE!

The last days of 1896, wherein the old year is trembling in the balance. So are Overcoats. We shall tumble the prices of Overcoats down to nothing in order to accomplish empty tables by the first of the year. The tiniest of prices ever quoted for high-class Overcoats for men. Fashionable garments for New Year calls; fashionable garments for any season of the year. To-day will witness one of the greatest Overcoat Sales ever held in this city or any other city in the United States. You know we're kingpins for Overcoats. We handle and sell more Overcoats than all the other stores in Frisco combined. We tell you prices have taken a tumble. Read on and you will learn how great a tumble they have taken. Our window display of these garments tells the rest.



Above our picture shows you two clever Overcoats, made without velvet collar, made from that celebrated fabric, the Aurora Melton; a stylishly tailored garment. We won't tell you what the former price was, because it would seem ridiculous the way we have tumbled it down. When we open our doors this Morning you can step in and get one of these fashionable Overcoats for

\$3.95



We picture above two very swell Overcoats—as fashionable as any tailor in America can turn out; gotten up in chaste, rich style, in black, with velvet collar. High-class coats, as good as you'll get in any other store in town for \$10. When we open the doors of the Big Kearny-street Store this Morning you can step in and get one of these very clever Overcoats for

\$5.50.
WE HAVE TREATED THE PRICES ON SUITS IN THE SAME MANNER.
RAPHAEL'S
INCORPORATED,
—THE FRISCO BOYS—
9, 11, 13 and 15 Kearny Street.



Above we show you a very swell Oxford Gray Overcoat, dark, genteel and dressy, made with velvet collar, fashionably tailored, as good as you'll get in any other store in this town for \$8. When we open our doors this Morning you can step in and get one of these clever Overcoats for

\$4.95



We have not earned the distinction of being King Pins for Overcoats by our mere saying so. Ask any one in town and they'll tell you that we are justly entitled to the name "King Pins for Overcoats." Above we show you a very swell Overcoat. We have some 2000 garments, \$15 goods; some \$12 goods, but the price you'll get 'em at will prove astonishing. They're the cleverest of garments, and were it not for the fact that we are anxious to reduce our stock before January 1 we would never dream of quoting such prices. These Overcoats are gotten up in very swell fashion, made from the highest grade of Patent Beaver, with velvet collar. When we open the doors of the Big Store this Morning you can step in and get your pick from these very clever Overcoats at

\$8.50.
The way we have knifed the prices on Suits you'll never recognize the former prices. We mean business with you to-morrow.
RAPHAEL'S
INCORPORATED,
THE HOUSE THAT NEVER DOES THINGS BY HALVES, EXCEPTING THE HALVING OF PRICES.