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NEWS FROM THE CAPITAL.

COMMITTEES HARD AT WORK UPON APPROPRIATION BILLS.

Preparing Their Reports So as to Submit Them to the Present Session--Anxious for Adjournment--Bills Passed--The President Signs the Oleomargarine Bill. WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.--The consistency committee on the sundry civil appropriation bill, after an almost continuous session of twenty hours, has finally reached an agreement, and will submit its report at once.

Ninety thousand dollars is appropriated for the protection of the public lands from illegal and fraudulent entry; \$20,000 to determine whether alleged fraudulent entries have been made, to be expended in hearings before the United States land registers and collectors; \$20,000 for salaries and expenses of agents employed in adjusting claims for swamp lands and for indemnity for swamp lands; \$5,000 for furnishing transcripts of records and plats, and \$10,000 for surveying public lands; \$50,000 are appropriated for the punishment for violations of internal revenue laws; \$30,000 are appropriated for repairing the pension office building in this city, but it is provided that no outside offices shall occupy any of the rooms until all of them are completed.

Public Debt Reduction. WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.--The reduction on the public debt during July amounted to \$9,040,163. The net cash balance in the treasury on August 1 was \$80,306,335, an increase of \$5,000,000 during the month. Customs receipts for July amounted to \$17,893,497, against \$16,219,263 in July a year ago. Internal revenue receipts were \$9,489,947, against \$8,591,174 in July, 1885. Government receipts from all sources for the past month amounted to \$32,606,971, or fully \$3,000,000 more than in July a year ago, while expenditures were \$23,403,911, or \$4,000,000 less than in July, 1885.

The Deficiency Appropriation. WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.--The general deficiency appropriation bill as finally agreed upon by the conference committee, appropriates \$6,850,000. The senate added nearly \$2,000,000 to the house bill, \$930,000 of which was stricken out in conference. The senate clause providing for the readjustment of certain accounts, disallowed by the first comptroller, was stricken out. The senate provision for the payment of government transportation of public railroads, and the house provision limiting to \$500 the fees of United States commissioners, was also stricken out.

Comparative Statements. WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.--An advance comparative statement of the work done by the second auditor's office, treasury department for the fiscal year 1885-86, shows that as compared with 1885, with an average of ten clerks and a decreased expenditure of \$20,000, there was an increase in the amount of work performed. In one branch especially, claims for arrears of pay and bounty, second auditor, calls attention to the following figures: 6,170 claims, amounting to \$189,713, were allowed and audited in 1886 against 3,852, amounting to \$540,064.

Fast Foreign Mail. WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.--Second Assistant Postmaster General Scott has established a fast mail to Havana, Cuba, which will shorten the time between New York and Cuba two days. The mails will be carried by steamer from Tampa, Fla., to Havana, touching at Key West, twice a week from May to November and three times a week from November to May.

No Further Conference. WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.--The conferees on the Northern Pacific land forfeiture, and the repeal of the pre-emption and timber culture bills met again, and agreed to report a disagreement upon all the points at issue. It is conceded that there will be no further conference and that the bills will go over to the next session.

The Oleomargarine Bill Signed. WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.--President Cleveland has approved the oleomargarine bill and sent a message to the house notifying that body of his action, but suggesting some amendments to the measure.

The Surplus Resolution. WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.--The conferees on the surplus resolution have agreed upon their resolution, virtually as passed by the senate, with the trade dollar redemption clause stricken out.

Col. Lamont Returns. WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.--Col. Lamont, the president's private secretary, returned to Washington this morning from his home in Cortland, N. Y., where he has been for the past week.

The River and Harbor Bill. WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.--The house has passed the river and harbor bill by a vote of 122 to 95.

Arrest for Burglary. LOVELAND, O., August 4.--Officers Martin and Hill arrested Charles Bray at Banchester, and brought him here on a charge of burglary. On his person were found a suit of boys' clothes, several miscellaneous articles of jewelry, etc., and a discharge from the Ohio penitentiary, dated July 4, 1884. He will have a preliminary examination.

Drowned While Swimming. St. Joseph, Mich., Aug. 4.--Herman Gust was drowned in the river here while swimming. The life saving crew found his body. He was twenty-one years of age.

A Noted Electrician Dead. WINDSOR, Ont., Aug. 4.--John W. Tringham, who operated the first electric railway in Canada, and a noted electrician, is dead, aged forty-two.

ATTORNEY GENERAL GARLAND.

He is interviewed on the Mexican and Canadian Fishery Troubles. PITTSBURG, Pa., Aug. 4.--Hon. A. H. Garland, attorney general of the United States, passed through this city early this morning. Mr. Garland was looking well, and while partaking of a hearty breakfast in the Union depot, conversed with your correspondent as follows:

"Are you aversive to explaining your position on the Pan-electric scandal?" "I think there has been a good deal of nonsense published on this subject. The eastern newspapers represent me as being full of anxiety and about the resignation of my place in the cabinet. You may state that such is not the case. I am not disturbed in the least and take no cognizance of what newspapers may say to the contrary. The Pan-electric matter is now in the courts. As far as I am concerned it does not cost me a thought. I am going home now on a vacation and shall return to Washington between the 1st and 3d of October."

"What do you suppose will be the outcome of the Mexican difficulty?" "That will be speedily adjusted. Both countries are equally anxious to settle the matter without further discussion. The papers in the matter here, I believe, sent yesterday to congress by Secretary Bayard, Congress, you know, has asked to be kept regularly acquainted with all steps taken." "Then you think there is no chance for war?" "None whatever." "What are the prospects of settling the fishing dispute?" "That also will be settled in a short time, and the interests of Americans concerned will, you may rest assured, be fully protected."

"Are you free to express an opinion as to the passage of the new treaty between Great Britain and the United States?" "No, on that subject I must be silent. The matter is pending before the senate, and I cannot presume to discuss it at present."

New Telegraph Lines. OTTAWA, Ont., Aug. 4.--Joseph Atchinson, of New York, was in town yesterday, on route for British Columbia. He will superintend the construction of a telegraph line from Port Moody, the Pacific terminus of the Canadian Pacific, to San Francisco. Operations will be commenced in a few weeks. Most of the distance of 1,100 miles intervening between the terminal points will be traversed by land, except where the line crosses Puget Sound. The promoters are James Gordon Bennett and John W. Mackey, who, by arrangement with the Canadian Pacific telegraph system, will compete with the Western Union for California business. The line will be completed before the end of November.

Jailed to Prevent Lynching. BLOOMINGTON, Ind., Aug. 4.--Charles Lease, of Spencer, was placed in jail at this place for safe keeping, charged with murder though his victim is still alive. The deed was committed, and the feeling was so strong against Lease that he was removed here to avert a threatened mob. According to the sheriff's story Lease, with a number of other including William Dickson, began fussing when Dickson and Lease came together, and in an instant Lease cut a terrible gash in Dickson, just below the heart. At last reports Dickson had but little chance of recovery. Lease is a railroad. He states that he committed the deed in self-defense; that Dickson struck at him first.

Wouldn't Play and Was Shot. NEW YORK, Aug. 4.--Vincenzo Engodorno, of No. 53 Mulberry street, and Michael Guandolfo, of No. 24 Mott street, Italian laborers, sat down last evening in a basement restaurant at No. 53 Mulberry street to play at cards. Vincenzo won \$5 and then stopped playing. When Vincenzo refused to play any longer Michael shot him in the thigh, near the groin. The injured man was taken to Chambers street hospital and his assailant was arrested by Patrolman Wimmer.

Swimming Races. PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 4.--The first of a series of swimming races of one, three and five miles, for the championship of the world, between Dennis T. Butler and William B. Johnson, champion of England, took place on the Delaware, opposite this city, at 5:45 o'clock this afternoon. Butler took the lead from the start, and won by 100 yards, in fifteen minutes and forty-five and a one-half seconds. The next race, three miles, takes place on Thursday afternoon.

A Strange Coincidence. NEW YORK, Aug. 4.--The ill-fated yacht Sarah Craig, lost in the storm of Friday night, was named in honor of Mrs. Sarah Craig Auchincloss, wife of Vice President Hugh Auchincloss, of the Merchants' bank, No. 42 Wall street, and by a sad and strange coincidence it happened that within a few hours of the disaster that sent the boat's crew into the depths Mrs. Auchincloss died, too, never hearing of the accident. She had been a long time in the grasp of consumption, but her death was very sudden.

A Destructive Fire. LAFAYETTE, Ind., Aug. 4.--A destructive fire broke out at Ellettsville, Ind., 100 miles south of here, at 10 o'clock and a number of business houses, private residences and workshops were burned to the ground. Assistance was telegraphed for to Bloomington, and an engine from that place was sent over immediately but to late to be of much service, as the fire was under control when it arrived. The loss was heavy.

Jay Gould in Maine. BAR HARBOR, Me., Aug. 4.--Jay Gould strolled along the streets yesterday, dressed in a faded blue suit and a straw hat that looked like last summer's. He stopped frequently to look into the store windows. He called on Mr. Blaine and was cordially received. Mr. Blaine left for Fryeburg last night, where he will make his first speech in the gubernatorial canvass.

Murdered and Robbed. ENTERPRISE, Fla., Aug. 4.--John Boule, the postmaster at St. Sebastian, Indian river, was found dead in his office last Wednesday. A cut on his head showed that he had been murdered. The office was robbed but the amount taken is unknown. Nathan McDonald and Ed. Benham, colored, were arrested on suspicion, and lodged in Tusculum jail.

AMERICANS AWAKENING.

THE COMPLICATIONS WITH MEXICO GROWING SERIOUS.

Governor Ireland Orders Troops to the Front--Our Minister Wants to Resign and Come Home--Guns Shipped to the Mexicans--Cutting Awaiting Sentence.

EL PASO, Tex., Aug. 4.--The Mexican government a few days ago said that Cutting would receive his sentence last Saturday, but the promise has not been kept. It is now said that to-morrow the sentence will be pronounced. The populace of Paso Del Norte has become very incoherent toward all Americans. They seemed to think that the United States has backed completely down. Well informed Mexicans say that the feeling is that if Texas was left out Mexico could whip the remainder of the United States very easily.

A meeting of the citizens of El Paso was held, the call for which was signed by the best citizens of the place. The call reads: "A grand mass meeting will be held to-night at half past 7 in front of the Grand Central hotel to endorse the action of Governor Ireland in demanding the Federal protection for the Texas frontier and protection against Mexican outrages on American citizenship! American citizens must not be shot down in cold blood by Mexican authorities."

Taking Action at Washington. WASHINGTON, Aug. 4.--There was a special meeting of the house committee on foreign affairs for the purpose of considering resolutions introduced by Messrs. Lanham, of Texas, Belmont, of New York, and Craine, of Texas, in relation to the imprisonment of A. K. Cutting in Mexico. After some discussion, the following prepared by Mr. Craine was unanimously adopted, and sent to the house for immediate action:

"WHEREAS, A. K. Cutting, an American citizen, is wrongfully deprived of his liberty by Mexican officials at Paso Del Norte in the republic of Mexico; and

"WHEREAS, the Mexican government refuses to release said Cutting upon the demand of the president of the United States; and

"WHEREAS, the government of Mexico alleges as a reason for its refusal to comply with such demand that said Cutting violated a Mexican law upon American soil; and

"WHEREAS, the house of representatives while appreciating the disposition shown by the government of Mexico to carry out international obligations, can never assent to the doctrine that citizens of the United States may be prosecuted in a foreign country for acts done wholly upon American soil; therefore be it

"RESOLVED, First, that the house of representatives approve of the action of the president of the United States in demanding the release of said A. K. Cutting.

"RESOLVED, Second, that the president of the United States be, and he is hereby requested to renew the demand for the release of the said A. K. Cutting."

Guns for the Mexicans. NOGALES, Ariz., Aug. 4.--Over 100 guns of the Remington pattern went through by express, consigned to Governor Torres, of Sonora. There is much comment here over international affairs and the feeling between American and Mexican citizens. A good many Mexicans are coming to the American side of the line. They take occasion to express violent opinions but the citizens are trying to keep down ill feeling. Only a narrow street divides the American part of the city from Mexico.

Soldiers Ordered to the Front. AUSTIN, Tex., Aug. 4.--Governor Ireland, notwithstanding he has no late information from the border, has directed the adjutant general to order Capt. Jones' company of rangers, now in Uvalde county to proceed at once to Eagle Pass. The governor continues to receive applications, both by wire and mail, to raise troops. Gen. Henry E. McCulloch, an old Indian fighter and general in the Confederate army, has offered his services. Col. Smith, of Cleburne, offers a brigade of ten regiments.

Resignation of Our Mexican Minister. DALLAS, Tex., Aug. 4.--News was received here purporting to confirm the rumors at the City of Mexico of Minister Jackson's resignation, he giving as a reason that the office is shorn of its dignity and under existing circumstances is disagreeable to him. The report says that Gen. Jackson's letter of resignation should have reached the state department at Washington by this time, and that if his resignation is accepted he will soon depart for home.

Probable Fatal Stabbing. ANN ARBOR, Mich., Aug. 4.--A stabbing affray resulted in probable fatal injury to H. A. Farmer by Alexander Williams. Both men were drunk and had a row. Williams claimed that Farmer was trying to get his job away from him. Williams used a knife, cutting deep wounds in Farmer's groin and arm, which will result fatally if inflammation sets in.

Unidentified Dead Man. OMAHA, Neb., Aug. 4.--The Burlington train brought in the remains of a well dressed man with three bullet holes in his body, any one of which would be fatal. The body was that of a man apparently in thrifty circumstances, thirty-five years old, and of foreign birth. There is nothing whatever to reveal his identity, and the cause and circumstances of his death.

Mrs. Judith Harrison Dead. WARREN, Ind., Aug. 4.--Mrs. Judith Harrison, widow of Judge Reuben Harrison, of Miami county, died here after a long illness, aged eighty-two. Mrs. Harrison was born in Henry county, and came to this section in 1840.

The Dead Consul Brought Home. RICHMOND, Ind., Aug. 4.--The remains of Madison Allen Lybrook, late consul to Algiers, arrived from that country this morning. The funeral will occur in this city to-morrow.

SAVED FROM DROWNING.

Five Persons Rescued From a Watery Grave By the Bradford Brothers.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Aug. 4.--Five persons were saved from drowning here by the famous life guards, the Bradford brothers, aided by George Fiersal, son of an ex-city treasurer of Philadelphia. The saviors were Miss Clara Randall, the "Paquita" in "Gerofo-Gerofo," now playing in Howard's pier by the Adelaide Randall Bijou Opera company; D. A. Flint, the "Mourzouk," betrothed to the "Gerofo" of the same company; Alex. Richey, a Philadelphia lawyer, and Julien Weber, also of the latter city. C. J. Campbell, of the Bijou Opera company, though also in danger, managed to save himself.

The time was about 11:30 a. m. The place close by the pier. The tide was running out with a tremendous undercurrent. Michael Bradford was in his surf boat with a lady. There were hundreds in the water further out, when suddenly there was a cry for help. Clara Randall was drifting out. A moment more and there was a lusty cry from one of the men. There was a rush of those on the pier to the rail. Mike Bradford heard the first call and saw the waving hats signaling the danger. He bent to his oars, the lady in front of him, cool and collected, urging him on. A man who had gone to rescue the lady was in danger. Then came a ringing cheer; the man was saved and the boat came pulling for the shore. Clara Randall was saved by Ned Bradford, who had run out with his life-lines.

Time flew so fast that the full extent of the danger had not been realized. Julien Weber had started forward in the breakers at the first alarm, resolving to do his best for those he saw drifting away. But he, too, though a good swimmer, became exhausted and called for aid. Mike Bradford had reached the board walk unconscious that anyone else was in peril. With the signal, however, he sprang over the rail and was off to the gallant fellow who had risked his life to save others, and struggled back with him in an exhausted condition. His brother had also been busy again. Mr. Richey was surely sinking. Ned Bradford and Fiersal, however, did not despair. The life-lines reached the man, and the record of four more saved was made. Such a scene has rarely attended bathing at Atlantic City.

INTER-DENOMINATIONAL MEETING.

Largest Gathering of the Kind Ever Held in This Country.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Aug. 4.--The Inter-Denominational convention, the greatest gathering of the kind held in this country, opened in Valley Camp, a beautiful grove seventeen miles from this city, on the bank of the Allegheny river, promptly at 10 o'clock this morning and will continue for three days. The weather is propitious and the attendance good, over 1,000 persons being present at the opening session. Rev. Dr. C. W. Smith, editor of the Christian Advocate, presided, and conducted the devotional exercises. Dr. L. A. Guttwald, of the Springfield, O., Lutheran church, was too ill to attend, and Rev. Dr. J. W. Spruill, of Allegheny City, made the opening address. His subject was "Union without absorption, the glory of Christianity."

At 11:30 a. m. Rev. J. T. McCrory, of Pittsburg, delivered an address on "Our nation a Christian nation and the outgrowth of Christian Principles." This afternoon Rev. H. H. George discussed the question "How can we best conserve the interests of the American Sabbath?" Ex-Chief Justice Agnew spoke at length on the subject "How should we meet the demands made by the liquor men and infidel clubs that the laws protecting the Sabbath and restricting the liquor traffic should be repealed?" This evening Rev. David Jones will speak on the subject "This World for Christ."

Typographical.

CLEVELAND, Aug. 4.--The Cleveland Typographical union have advanced prices from thirty-three and one-half and thirty-five cents for evening and morning newspaper work, respectively, to thirty-five and forty cents; stipulating that news room foremen on morning papers shall not receive less than \$23 per week and those on evening papers not less than \$18; job printers working by the week not less than \$15, and fine book work forty cents per thousand ems. The executive of the union began laying the matter before the publishers. One evening paper met the required raise. The Leader, half of whose compositors are non-union men, has heretofore refused to meet the demands of the union in some cases, and union men have been waiting for an opportunity to lead or force the office into their folds.

Accidental Killing.

GALLIPOLIS, O., Aug. 4.--News was received here of the killing of George Lovegrove by Clay Mays, seven miles below here on the West Virginia side. The parties were relatives, and had had a previous difficulty. Lovegrove was sweeping in the yard, while Mays was seated on the doorstep of the house cleaning a revolver. Lovegrove sweeping up to where Mays was, ordered him to get up, at the same time giving him a punch with the broom. On Mays getting up Lovegrove gave him another punch, pushing Mays backward, and as he fell the revolver was discharged, entering Lovegrove's brains, he dying from the effects of it in about four hours, and being inessible up to the moment of death. Mays was arrested, giving the above statement and declaring the shot to have been entirely accidental.

Crushed to Death.

MT. VERNON, O., Aug. 4.--Aaron Kerns, a young man twenty-four years old, was instantly killed at the John Cooper foundry. He was operating a steam planer and was engaged in planing a heavy engine bed-plate, and stuck his head into the machine to watch the work, when he was caught between the bed-plate and an upright post of the planer, crushing the skull and producing instant death. Deceased came here from Mauch Chunk, Pa., last April. He leaves a wife.

Gave Himself Up. OMAHA, Neb., Aug. 4.--A dispatch from Bennett states that two brothers-in-law, Dumah and Abbott, got into an altercation over farm affairs; that words quickly followed, when Dumah, with a pitchfork, rushed on Abbott, who ward off the blow, and in retaliation pushed a pocket-knife into Dumah's heart, killing him instantly. Abbott came into town, reported the killing and gave himself up.