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Says He Will Accept the Nomination for the Presidency if it is Tendered to Him.

HE MAKES A FORMAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

"I Am Simply Like Other Citizens in That I Would Appreciate the Honor." Said He.

As to His Platform and With What Party He Will Stand is a Matter for Later Consideration.

Washington, April 5.—Admiral George Dewey Wednesday morning confirmed the interview published Wednesday morning in the New York World to the effect that he will accept the presidency of the United States should the American people desire him to fill that office. He refused to make any further statement.

Indianapolis, Ind., April 5.—A special from Washington Wednesday says: In an interview with a correspondent Admiral Dewey confirmed the report that he is willing to be a candidate for the presidency. He says he will accept the nomination if it is tendered him.

"It was after the most serious consideration that I decided to make a formal announcement of my position," said the admiral. "I have been strongly urged to do so by a great many friends. They were friends upon whose judgment I believed I could rely, and whose good intentions I would not doubt. They said they believed I owed it to the American people to make my position clear on this matter. My name has been used in this connection and there have been all kinds of reports. My friends thought I owe it to the people to set

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BURNED TO THE GROUND.

Convention Hall, at Kansas City, in Which the Democratic Convention Was to Be Held, Ruined.

Kansas City, April 5.—Convention hall, the mammoth and superb auditorium in which the democratic convention was to have been held on July, was burned to the ground in less than half an hour's time by fire that started in the building at 1:10 p. m. Wednesday.

Within a few minutes after the fire caught, the whole structure, taking in half a block each way on Thirteenth and Central streets, was a mass of flames, and twenty minutes after the first alarm was turned in the roof fell in with a crash, throwing showers of burning embers in every direction. The fire started over the entrance room in the rear end of the building. A still alarm was turned in, and before the first engine arrived the fire had gotten beyond control. Within twenty minutes every department in the city was at the scene, but the work of the firemen proved of no avail, and efforts were soon directed to saving the surrounding property.

At 1:30 the fire jumped two ways, attacking a half block of three-story residences in the rear of the hall on 12th street and across Central street where it first caught. The second Presbyterian church, one of the finest edifices in the city, and then the Lathrop public school, which was partially destroyed by a tornado in 1888.

The residences on 12th street, together with the church and school will undoubtedly be a total loss, and the indications were that the fire will spread further west into a densely populated residential district, and north of the hall, where some of the finest residences in the city are located.

At 2 o'clock the wind had driven the flames north and west from the hall, and the efforts of the firemen to save the fine residence property to the east on Wyandotte street had proved successful.

The Presbyterian church, which was a brick structure of old style, is a total loss. The building burned fiercely and was a ruin 20 minutes after it caught. The immense stone pile with crash, and scattered flames in all directions. The Lathrop school, a three-story, 13-room structure, situated just north of the church, was also quickly leveled, and is a total loss. The row of 12th street residences will be a complete loss.

All efforts were then directed toward preventing the flames from reaching west and north. One building block west of the hall caught fire repeatedly from flying brands, but was extinguished. It is now believed that fire will be confined to the structures named.

The loss is estimated at \$350,000, apportioned as follows: Convention hall, \$225,000; Second Presbyterian church, \$30,000; Lathrop school, \$25,000; row of residences on Twelfth street, \$70,000. The hall was well insured, and will be rebuilt immediately, in time for the national democratic convention.

Fifteen minutes after the hall was known to be doomed, members of the Commercial club, through whose efforts the structure was built, began soliciting funds to begin a new building, which, it is stated, will be started as soon as the ruins can be cleared away.

PRINCE OF WALES.

As the Train Was Leaving the Depot in Brussels an Individual Fired at Him but Missed.

London, April 5.—The Prince and Princess of Wales started for Copenhagen Wednesday morning for the purpose of attending the celebration of King Christian's birthday, which occurs April 8.

Brussels, April 5.—As the train was leaving the Northern station for the southern railroad station, an individual fired a revolver at the prince of Wales, but missed his royal highness. The attempt upon the life of the prince of Wales occurred at 3:45 p. m. The would-be assassin jumped upon the footboard of the prince's saloon car as the train was starting and fired into the car, aiming at the prince of Wales. The man was immediately arrested.

A Democratic Mayor.
Milwaukee, Wis., April 5.—Complete returns from the municipal election in this city give Mayor S. Ross, democrat, a plurality over H. J. Baumgartner, republican, of 2,374. Two years ago Ross's plurality was 7,767. The new board of aldermen is made up of 21 democrats, 19 republicans and 2 populists. The board of supervisors is largely republican.

Two Men Burned to Death.
Clayton, Ga., April 5.—Albert Garrett and Albert E. Enfield, both residents of Rabun county, were burned to death in the home of Garrett. The men were intoxicated.

A Dog Kicked Out.
Adrian, Mich., April 5.—In a prize fight a Jasper Tuesday night, between Isaac English and Albert Bay, colored, the latter was knocked out, and has remained in an unconscious condition since. His condition is said to be critical.

Augusta, Ga., April 5.—The stockholders of the Augusta Southern Railway met here Wednesday and elected James W. Jackson president and P. H. Langdon vice-president. A board of directors was chosen. The litigation by which it is sought to break the lease of the road now held by the Southern Carolina and Georgia railroad was discussed at the meeting.

AT BLOEMFONTEIN.

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Bloemfontein, Monday, April 2.—Gen. Colville's division and French's cavalry have returned here. Everything is quiet.

London, April 5.—Gen. Colville and Gen. French have given up the movement against the Boers east of Bloemfontein, and have rejoined the main army. It doubtless seemed to Lord Roberts a vain thing to send from ten to twelve thousand of his best troops into the wilderness, with a field transport, in the direction of a right angle with his chosen line of advance. The Boers have probably moved elsewhere, and it to the southwest, Gen. Colville could as easily strike them from Bloemfontein as by following them across the plains. These inferences still leave the situation bewildering for the time being. The enormously superior British forces appear inactive in every part of the war field, waiting yet, probably, for the accumulation of material for a swift advance on the Transvaal frontier.

The London military commentators and the public to some extent are irritated and confused by the situation. Details received of the scenes at Green Market square, Cape Town, announced the passage of the Porto Rican tariff bill "with sundry amendments in which the concurrence of the house is requested." There was no demonstration when the announcement was made. The bill was immediately referred, under the rule, to the committee on ways and means. Mr. McDowell, as one of the original opponents of the annexation of Hawaii, inveighed against the late conditions in the island and the influence of corporations there.

The course to be pursued on the Porto Rican tariff bill was the subject of much informal conference among house leaders Wednesday, but no exact line of action was announced.

Chairman Payne, of the ways and means committee, to which the bill had been referred, said it would be futile at this early stage to say what course the committee would adopt, but no statement was made as to any probable line of action. It is understood a plan which has received some consideration and support is for the substitution of the house plan of territorial government for the senate plan; a non-concurrence in the amendments on the tariff sections; a debate in the house probably under a rule; and the submission of the whole subject to a conference committee of the two houses under the conditions mentioned. If this plan were adopted the territorial question and the differences between the senate and the house on the tariff would be the chief matters to be adjusted in conference. As stated, however, this plan was only tentatively considered, and those in authority said no exact line of action was determined upon. The next regular meeting of the ways and means committee will be on next Wednesday, but in view of the importance of this measure, a special meeting of the committee will be held within a day or two, probably Thursday, to consider the bill.

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MAP SHOWING THE LOCATION OF THABASCHU.
(Where the Boers attacked Col. Broadwood's command.)

Tuesday, when Premier Schreiner encountered an English demonstration, show that the premier, fearing personal violence, sought refuge in a restaurant. He was looted and tried to reach Parliament house protected by the police. The people shouted, "Traitor!" but he succeeded in reaching the house. Finally, on the people again singing "God Save the Queen," he raised his hat and cheered and was heard to say, "Reserve your judgment."

Lord Roberts did not meet his wife at Cape Town. She will proceed to Bloemfontein. The permanent bridge at the Modder river station has been finished. The first train passed over it Tuesday.

The British garrison at Springfontein was roused at midnight Monday by the intimation that the Boers were about to make an attack, but not a burglar appeared.

New York, April 5.—A dispatch from London says: Further details of the British reserve near the Bloemfontein water works tend to show that greater cohesion exists among the burghers of the Free State than had been imagined. The Standard's correspondent illustrates the "solidness" of the Boers by mentioning that they concealed themselves in the long grass, and further devised Col. Broadwood's troops by depositing some of their number to appear unarmed, as merely uninterested spectators. The Boers were at first forced back by the fire of artillery, but were quickly reinforced and resumed the offensive, pursuing the British for some distance. On the arrival of the 9th and cavalry divisions an attempt was made to surround the federal troops, but they fell back to a strong position, and Gen. Colville, finding them protected with crescent guards, decided not to engage them, and returned to Ingulism's Kop.

St. Sidney Schmeck Dead.
St. Petersburg, April 5.—St. Sidney Schmeck, a prominent member of the American colony in this city, died suddenly at Frankfort recently. He had established a branch of the Equitable Life Insurance Co. in Russia and had managed it for a number of years. He formerly resided in Cincinnati, and was well known in the western part of the United States.

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DOINGS IN CONGRESS.

The Quay Case Up in the Senate—The Hawaiian and Porto Rico Bills in the House.

Washington, April 5.—There was a busy time in the senate Wednesday over the Quay case, it being a continuation of the contest inaugurated Tuesday evening. After an hour's debate the case went over until Thursday. The Alaskan bill was then taken up.

The chair held that the petition could not be received if objection were made. Mr. Seward urged that the petition did not come within the rule. The Cubans having no other alternative appealed to congress. The petition finally was received and ordered printed.

At the conclusion of morning business the chair laid before the senate the resolution that Hon. M. S. Quay was not entitled to a seat in the senate from Pennsylvania.

That question might be brought to a direct issue, Mr. Chandler, chairman of the committee on privileges and elections, moved to strike out the word "not" in the resolution.

Speaking to this motion, Mr. Burrows said he would be glad to proceed with the case Wednesday, but a very important matter involving the seat of a senator was under consideration by the committee on privileges and elections, and the attendance in the committee rooms of the members was necessary.

"I ask, therefore," said Mr. Burrows, "that the present order be continued until next Tuesday. We can proceed with it, I hope, without interruption."

Mr. Stewart protested that the case of Mr. Quay had already been too long delayed.

Without preliminary business, the house Wednesday resumed the consideration of the bill to establish a territorial government in Hawaii.

Mr. McDowell (Ohio), a member of the committee of territorial, was the first speaker.

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FIRE IN THE PENITENTIARY.

Boat Manufacturing Shop Destroyed, Causing a Loss of Over a Hundred Thousand Dollars.

Columbus, O., April 5.—The large three-story building within the walls of the Ohio penitentiary, occupied by boat manufacturing shops, was destroyed by fire, causing a loss of over \$100,000. The fire is supposed to have originated on the third floor from a spark.

The fire occurred after supper, and the 2,200 prisoners were locked in their cells.

The state's loss is estimated at \$40,000, with no insurance. The Columbus boat works, the principal stockholder of which is H. A. Lanman, estimate their loss at \$60,000 to \$100,000, with \$50,000 insurance.

Will Explore an Old Cave.
Dayton, O., April 5.—The residents near Alexanderville have determined that they will explore the old cave near Haldeman's dam at any cost.

The story is that the old place was at one time a rendezvous for Indians and that it contains a large amount of gold and other treasure. Last Friday an attempt was made to blast an opening to the now closed mouth, but the charge was too light and it was not successful. Now the citizens have purchased 100 pounds of dynamite and will use it all, but they will find their way inside the cavern and learn whether the stories are true or a myth.

An Insurance Bill Passed.
Columbus, O., April 5.—The Rankin insurance bill passed the senate and is now a law. By its provisions insurance companies must file with the state insurance commissioner notice of any intention to consolidate or re-insure with another company.

The commissioner is required to notify policy holders interested and to publish the proposal. Final decision rests with a commission consisting of the governor, attorney general and insurance commissioner.

Farmer Badly Used Up.
Oxford, O., April 5.—George Stout, a prominent farmer, was badly used up in a fight in the saloon of Martin McGary, at College Corner. He rushed out the back door with blood flowing from his wounds, and hurled a bowler through the window. McGary stepped to the door and emptied a revolver at Stout. One of the balls passed through a window in the room of the judges of election, and barely missed A. L. Foreman.

Bills Introduced in the Senate.
Columbus, O., April 5.—The following bills were introduced in the senate Wednesday morning: By Madison—That electricity and gas companies furnish meters without charge to consumers. By Cohen—Amending the law under which the teachers' pension fund in Cincinnati is conducted. By Silvers—Brown county trustees to pay over moneys for road purposes to the county treasurer.

A Big Deal.
Fronton, O., April 5.—Rogers Brown & Co., of Cincinnati, have closed negotiations for the purchase of the mines, Kyle & Co. furnaces, railroad and mineral lands at Hanging Rock at the price of \$496,750. The purchase is made on the basis of \$1,425 per share of stock. The property is to be operated independent of any combination.

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The Plumbers' Combination in Indianapolis So Declared by the Indiana Supreme Court.

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FAMOUS HAMILTON TREES.

Bill Passes the New York Legislature to Purchase a Portion of the Alex. Hamilton Estate.

New York, April 5.—Both houses of the legislature have passed a bill providing for the purchase of a portion of the Alexander Hamilton estate, on St. Nicholas Heights, in this city, in order to preserve the famous Hamilton trees. George Washington at Mount Vernon gave to Alexander Hamilton 13 tiny sweet gum trees, to be planted on Hamilton's farm on Manhattan Island in memory of the 13 colonies. The tree were brought to New York in Hamilton's carriage when he drove home from Virginia. They were planted and grew, but the space given was then too small, and the trees crowded one another. Within the past few years most of the trees have died, and those that survive are not healthy. Last year the land on which they stood, at Convent avenue and 142nd street, was sold, and the purchaser announced his intention of cutting down the trees to make room for a house. This roused a protest which influenced the legislature. The Grange, in which Hamilton died, after the duel with Burr, has been preserved, having been purchased by a church. The building will be removed to the ground near the trees.

Another Pioneer Passes Away.
Marysville, O., April 5.—Jos. Russell, a pioneer resident of New Dover, this county, died of influenza incident to old age. He was 92 years of age, and had lived on the farm where he died 59 years. Mr. Russell did not marry until he was 71 years of age and three children were born to this union. He was one of the most prominent farmers of the county.

An Old Veteran Suicides.
Dayton, O., April 5.—Gideon Hammond, an inmate of the soldiers' home, committed suicide by shooting himself in the right temple. His dead body was discovered near the slaughter-house of that institution. Hammond was a member of Gen. A. Powell's battalion, Missouri and Michigan volunteers.

Southard Renominated.
Toledo, O., April 5.—The Ninth Ohio district republicans Wednesday renominated Hon. James Southard for congress, his fourth nomination. The resolutions demand the retention of the Philippines and instruct the district delegates for McKinley.

A Lad's Terrible Fate.
Marion, O., April 5.—George, the 11-year-old son of William Clark, of LaRue, died, Sunday he fell from a beam in his grandfather's barn on a pitchfork, the handle of which penetrated his abdomen eight inches.

The three-story brick building in Chicago occupied by the sash, door and blind factory of the E. J. Davis Manufacturing Co. and two small concerns, was destroyed by fire. Total loss, \$50,000.

Carpenters at work on the pier at San Juan de Porto Rico were compelled to stop work by the natives, who are striking for an eight hour day.

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