

JAMES G. BLAINE DIES

Peaceful End of a Great Statesman.

Blaine an Unfulfilled Ambition

Biographical Sketch.

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A DOOMED MAN.

Blaine was a sick man when he returned to Washington for the winter, and death and its bereavements added more and more to his ailment. He was doomed from the start and to all intents he has been a dead man for many days. His mind has been almost a blank for weeks. Lucid moments have been few and far between. Notice of his death was sent to President Harrison, who, accompanied by Private Secretary Halford and Dr. Parker, at once walked over to the Blaine mansion. He was followed quickly by Postmaster-General Wanamaker. The president showed marked signs of grief. Dr. Hyatt said Blaine's death was due to sheer exhaustion. He was unwilling to make a statement regarding the exact disease, until receiving the family's consent.

IN HONOR OF BLAINE.

President Harrison has issued a proclamation reviewing the career of Blaine and directing that on the day of his funeral, all the executive departments at Washington will be closed, and on all public buildings throughout the United States the national flag will be displayed at half staff, and for a period of thirty days the state department will be draped in mourning. Secretary Foster issued an order, closing the state department. The funeral arrangements are, so far decided: Services will be held Monday forenoon. The remains are to be interred here, at least temporarily. It is not yet decided whether the funeral is to be public or private.

The senate and house have adjourned, as a mark of respect to Blaine.

CAUSE OF DEATH.

The physicians have issued following preliminary announcement as to cause of Blaine's death: Chronic interstitial nephritis, (a form of Bright's disease,) due to general changes in arteries and with dilatation of the heart. This condition was complicated with disease of the lungs of a tubercular nature. The immediate cause of his death was connected with the heart.

BIOGRAPHICAL.

James Gillespie Blaine was born in West Brownsville, Washington, county, Pa., Jan. 31, 1830. On his father's side he was of Scotch-Irish blood. His mother was devout Catholic; but her son adhered to the Presbyterian conviction communion of his paternal ancestry. He received a college education, graduating from Washington College in 1847. He taught school in a military institution at Blue Lick Springs, Ky., where he formed the acquaintance of Miss Stanhope who became his wife. He studied law in Pennsylvania and became a teacher in an institute for the blind. In 1854 he moved to Augusta, Me., becoming editor of the Kennebec Journal, and in three years he was the master spirit of the politics of that state. He helped organize the Republican party and was a delegate to its first national convention in 1856. In 1855 he was elected to the legislature and became chairman of the Republican State Committee, a position which he held for twenty years.

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THE LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE—2 P. M., JAN. 26.

House continued consideration of committee report and put to 3d reading. No. 121, by Ormsby, to establish the Oregon Soldier's Home. No. 44, by Northup, for relief of indigent Soldiers. No. 100, by Cooper, for election of road supervisors. No. 62, by Brown, of Douglas, providing rebate on taxes of two days for use of wagons with wide tires. No. 96, by Geer of Clackamas, requiring erection of guide boards at all cross roads. Senate Bill 25, by Cross, relating to fees of assessors. Salaries. No. 59, by Baughman, to create county of Mineral. That it do not pass. No. 5, by Belknap, for bounties on Wild Animals. No. 129, by Daly, to create Southern Oregon Fair. No. 82, by Cooper, relating to legal rate of interest. No report. No. 69, by Committee priority of right to waters. No. 64, by Northup, to prevent production and sale of unwholesome food. No. 92, by Geer of Clackamas, running at large of stock. No. 98, by Gullikson, to define and punish crime of breaking into railroad car, that it pass. No. 93, by Houck, to define and punish placing of obstructions to railroad tracks, that it pass. No. 120, by Hobbs, to protect common carriers, that it pass. No. 95, by Geer of Marion, to elect railroad commissioners by vote of the people, that it pass. No. 123, by Lawson, assessment of property and collection of taxes. No. 133, by Gill, to prohibit sale of tobacco, cigarettes or cigars to minors under age of 18, and to punish such minors if found using same. Senate bill 87, by Maxwell, to fix salaries of County Treasurers, Marion county at \$1200. No. 10, by Brown of Douglas, to amend law to protect salmon and other food fishes. No. 120, by Ormsby, to encourage stocking of mountain streams with fish. No. 80, by Nickell, relating to killing deer and game out of season. No. 24, by Belts, to provide a herders lien upon animals herded. No. 72, by Belts, to create a lien for labor on logs cut.

FREE SILVER.

House joint memorial No. 4, by McEwan, urging congress to enact free silver coinage bill. Reported back without recommendation. McEwan moved its adoption and addressed the house. Northup moved to strike out the words free silver and insert "The Sherman silver Act." Geer suggested that the resolution recited that the products of labor were cheap. If this referred to the products of labor employed in manufactures it was true and that was desirable. He asked that they specify what products of labor were referred to. McEwan said it was farm labor. Upton objected to Northup's amendment as not germane to the resolution. Bishop spoke in favor of the resolution and said the younger members of the house would see the time when silver would be a base metal. Miller said there was an actual scarcity of silver coin in every town and city in the country. The people of this state were in favor of free coinage. Northup said the legislature should not send out word to the people of this nation that they favored free coinage. He spoke for the man who labored for his daily bread. Upton replied to Northup and upon taking his seat Brown of Morrow moved to table the amendment which was carried amid great laughter as it carried the McEwan resolution with it. None enjoyed the joke more heartily than Upton who laughed heartily at the way he had been trapped.

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RAILROAD COLLISION.

MARYSVILLE, Cal., Jan. 27.—This morning at 1 o'clock the north bound Oregon express ran into three freight cars on the main track at Reed station seven miles south of this city. The freight cars were badly demolished and the engine was materially injured. Both the engineer and fireman miraculously escaped. The engineer saw a man wildly waving a lantern, but did not stop, saying he believed he was attempting to hold up the train. A mysterious and thus far unexplained portion of the affair is how the freight cars got from the siding to the main track. Important Shipping News. PORT TOWNSEND, Jan. 27.—Captain Graves of wrecked steamer Michigan arrived here this morning on the revenue cutter Wolcott. He reports that one passenger became insane through exposure and fear. Although the steamer is a total loss, a large portion of cargo can be saved if winds remain from the north. SEALERS SAILING. VICTORIA, B. C., Jan. 27.—Sealers are commencing to put to sea for winter work. A good run of seals is reported. The schooners C. H. Tupper and Penelope started for Peddar bay together. They fouled and the Tupper was carried on the rocks. She is half full of water and listed badly. It is thought she will pond to pieces.

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SPECIAL ORDER.

No. 46, by Daly, to exempt homesteads from attachment and judicial sale. It exempts \$1500 in value of every home in Oregon. It was the law of 38 states. As it was, the home of anyone could be attached for a small debt. This law was needed to protect unfortunate people. Debts accumulate in time of sickness and death that robbed many a family of its home and cast widows and orphans upon the cold charity of the world in their time of greatest need. Mr. Daly made an eloquent plea for his bill. Ayes 47, nays 11. Passed. No. 69, by Duncan, to establish a state Mining Bureau and State Geologist. Upton moved to make salary \$500 a year instead of \$2000 a year. He made a plea to create no more officials and commissions. His points were well made though his motion was lost. No. 74, by Wright of Marion, for commission to arrange display of Oregon products at World's Fair. Appropriates \$60,000, and creates a commission of six to be appointed by the Governor. No. 78, by Nickell, to amend law for publication in county newspapers that it pass. To third reading. HOUSE MEMORIALS. By Upton, for ownership of telegraph and telephone in connection with the postal service. To committee on Labor. By Ormsby, report on House Memorial asking that congress favor

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