



THE CHANGE OF POWER.

STRONG GOES OUT AND VAN WYCK COMES IN.

A BIG CROWD OF TAMMANY MEN AT THE CITY HALL TO SEE THE INAUGURATION OF THE NEW MAYOR—THE TIGER TRIUMPHANT.

The new Tammany administration took hold of the reins of power at the City Hall yesterday with a grand flourish of trumpets and many manifestations of greed and satisfaction.

As the Tammany hosts were marching into the City Hall and admiring the decorations on the front of the building, one asked of another: "What do they mean by having that big anchor there?"

Richard Croker, the Tammany boss, did not go to the City Hall, but his followers entered his name more frequently than any other in the throng.

Mayor Strong went to the City Hall soon after 10 a. m. accompanied by his son and son-in-law, and was met in the Mayor's office by Secretary Burrows, Job E. Hedges and General Anson G. McCook.

After the conclusion of this ceremony all present attended the celebration of mass by the Bishop in the chapel of the palace.

When bidding goodbye to the Consul, Marshal Blanco took both of General Fitzhugh Lee's hands, and shook them warmly, saying in broken English: "Thank you for the distinction which the Captain-General did not bestow upon any of the other Consuls."

At the conclusion of these ceremonies, the Captain-General remitted the death penalty imposed upon persons who had been convicted of serious crimes.

Cable messages of congratulation were exchanged during the day between Señor Sagasta, the Premier of Spain, and Marshal Blanco.

President McMillan, of the Park Board, called and had the retiring Mayor goodbye.

Police Commissioner Andrews came to pay his respects to Mayor Strong, and George B. McClellan and Timothy D. Sullivan, to wait on the new Mayor.

A few minutes before noon Mayor Van Wyck entered the Mayor's office by the public entrance, arm in arm with his brother, Justice Van Wyck.

After one minute before 12 o'clock Mayor Strong turned to Mr. Van Wyck and said: "Mr. Van Wyck, the people of this new city, made up of five boroughs and three millions and a half of people, have decided that you should be the first Mayor, and descend from your position as Judge and assume the position of Magistrate."

"My impression that this old city in which you and I have lived just about the same number of years—this old city of New-York that is passing away—will contribute \$3,000,000,000 worth of property to the new city, of which you will be Mayor."

Ex-Mayor Strong shook the Mayor's hand, and the three, followed by a number of the former Commissioners, walked out into the private office. The friends of the new Mayor pressed forward to shake his hand, and a line was formed that crowded in and out down to the basement.

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CUBAN CABINET IN OFFICE.

FORMAL INAUGURATION OF THE PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT.

THE NEW SECRETARIES TAKE THE OATH OF OFFICE AND ARE ADDRESS BY GENERAL BLANCO—CONGRATULATIONS EXCHANGED BETWEEN MADRID AND HAVANA.

Havana, Jan. 1.—Many people assembled at the Palace at 9 a. m. today to witness the swearing in of the Secretaries of the Provisional Government.

Marshal Blanco, the Captain-General, escorted by a number of high Spanish officials, the Consular Corps, army and navy officers, politicians, etc., reached the throng on the hour mentioned. A nearly new Bible was open on a table, and upon it the Secretaries took the oath of fidelity to the Queen, the Monarchy and the Spanish Government, placing their right hands on the Bible and kneeling down as they repeated the words required.

Señor Galvez, the President of the Cabinet, was first sworn in, and then the oath was administered to the others. To Marshal Blanco's inquiry, "Do you swear fidelity to Spain, the Queen and Spanish institutions?" all replied "Yes."

Marshal Blanco then addressed the officials, saying: "Consecrated by the oath just taken, the autonomous Government of Cuba is now established in accordance with the royal decree of November 27, 1897. Your names and the places you occupy in the political parties to which you belong are ample guarantees of the liberal policy which the Government expects the new régime to adopt."

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RUMOR OF BISMARCK'S DEATH.

IT WAS CIRCULATED IN LONDON, BUT WAS PROMPTLY DENIED.

London, Jan. 1.—"The Evening News" says that Prince Bismarck is dead and that there is great excitement in Berlin.

The one remark on the lips of everybody is 'Bismarck is dead.' Although expected for months, the event has caused a great shock.

It is the sole topic of conversation in the hotels, clubs and streets. To-day being a public holiday, everybody is about the streets, asking of the sad event.

When the news was first received in Berlin it was generally disbelieved, and when confirmation was received from various sources there was the deepest grief everywhere.

Hamburg, Jan. 1.—The report that Prince Bismarck died to-day is unfounded. The Prince received no personal visits to-day. Callers left their cards.

Berlin, Jan. 1 (6:47 p. m.)—Owing to disquieting rumors, an official agency says: "Count Herbert and Count William Bismarck and Dr. Schweininger are at present on a visit to Prince Bismarck. There has been no change in the Prince's condition during the last few days. He appears regularly at meals."

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MEN WHO GET THE PLUMS.

LIST OF MAYOR VAN WYCK'S AP- POINTEES.

HEADS AND COMMISSIONERS OF DEPARTMENTS UNDER THE REGIME OF THE WIGWAM.

Mayor Robert A. Van Wyck yesterday appointed and administered the oath of office to the heads of departments of the new city government.

When their names were announced it was seen that, while the slates which had been published in the newspapers for several days were partly correct, Mr. Croker had managed to keep secret the names of several of the new appointees.

Police Commissioners, BERNARD J. YORK, For four years. THOMAS L. HAMILTON, For three years. JOHN B. SEXTON, For two years. WILLIAM E. PHILIPS, For one year. Salary of each, \$5,000.

Board of Public Improvements, MAURICE F. HOLAHAN, President. SALARY, \$5,000. WILLIAM DALTON, Commissioner of Water Supply. SALARY, \$5,000.

James P. Keating, Commissioner of Highways. SALARY, \$5,500. James McArtney, Commissioner of Street Cleaning. SALARY, \$5,500.

Department of Parks, GEORGE C. CLAUSSEN, President and Commissioner in Boroughs of Manhattan and Richmond, for four years. GEORGE V. BROWER, Commissioner in Boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens, for six years.

Department of Buildings, THOMAS J. BRADY, President and Commissioner in Boroughs of Manhattan and the Bronx, for six years. DANIEL RYAN, Commissioner in Boroughs of Brooklyn, for four years. SALARY, \$5,000.

Department of Public Charities, JOHN W. KELLER, President and Commissioner of Boroughs of Manhattan and the Bronx, for six years. ADOLPH SIMIS, Jr., Commissioner in Boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens, for four years. SALARY, \$5,500.

Commissioner of Correction, FRANCIS J. LANTRY, SALARY, \$5,500. Fire Commissioner, JOHN J. SCANNELL, SALARY, \$5,500.

Commissioners of Docks and Ferries, J. SEIGENT CRAM, For four years. SALARY, \$5,000. PETER F. MEYER, For six years. SALARY, \$5,000.

Department of Taxes and Assessments, THOMAS L. FEITNER, President, for six years. SALARY, \$8,000. EDWARD C. SHEEHY, Commissioner, for four years. SALARY, \$7,000.

Department of Health, NATHAN STRAUS, President and Commissioner, for two years. DR. WILLIAM T. JENKINS, Commissioner, for six years. SALARY, \$6,000.

Commissioner of Juries for Boroughs of Manhattan and the Bronx, JOHN PURCELL. Commissioners of Accounts, JOHN C. HERTEL, EDWARD OWEN. SALARY OF EACH, \$5,000.

Civil Service Commissioners, CHARLES H. KNOX, ROBERT E. DEYO, WILLIAM N. DYKMAN. No salary.

Bureau of Municipal Statistics, Dr. JOHN T. NAGLE, Chief. FREDERICK A. GRUBE, RICHARD T. WILSON, Jr., HENRY PAYNE WHITNEY, JULES C. KUGELMAN, THORNTON N. MOTLEY, Commissioners.

Chamberlain, PATRICK KEENAN, SALARY, \$12,000. WHO THEY ARE, JOHN WHALEN.

John Whalen, the newly appointed Corporation Counsel, has never been prominent in politics, although he has been an active worker in the Democratic organization. He studied law in the office of

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HANNA LACKS FOUR VOTES.

SITUATION INDICATED BY LAST NIGHT'S CAUCUSES.

THE SENATOR'S FRIENDS, HOWEVER, ARE CONFIDENT THAT HE WILL WIN—TEN REPUBLICANS ABSENT FROM THE HOUSE CAUCUS—SIX DEMOCRATS WHO TOOK NO PART.

Columbus, Ohio, Jan. 1.—The caucuses for the nomination of officers of the Legislature, which convenes next Monday, were held to-night. The results showed that the nominees of the Hanna faction are three short of election in the House and one vote short in the Senate, and the opinion prevails that the joint ballot on Wednesday, January 12, unless changes are made in the meantime.

At the joint Republican caucus next Wednesday night, Senator Hanna will have no opposition for the nomination, but it is stated now that there are enough Republicans who will not enter the caucus to prevent his election.

The Fusionists are Senator Veighte and Representatives Drost, Kemper, Lane and Otis, all of Cincinnati. Drost, Kemper and Lane participated in the House Republican caucus to-night and are pledged to support Alexander Boxwell for Speaker, John R. Malloy for Chief Clerk, Andrew Jackson for Sergeant-at-Arms, and other candidates on the Hanna ticket for minor places.

Including the Fusionists, there are 62 Republicans and 42 Democrats in the House, a total of 104 with 55 necessary to elect. There were only fifty-two present at the House Republican caucus to-night. The ten absentees were Bramley and Mason, of Cuyahoga County; Griffith, of Clinton; Griffith, of Union; Jones, of Stark; Joyce, of Guernsey; Manuel, of Montgomery; Otis, of Hamilton; Rutan, of Carroll, and Scott, of Fulton. The two Griffiths and Manuel are reported as sick, and the other seven are in the fusion with the Democratic members to beat what is called the Hanna slate in the caucus next Monday and one week from next Wednesday to defeat Senator Hanna for re-election.

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PRINCE HENRY'S MISSION.

FRANCE NOW REGARDS IT AS A LEGITIMATE MOVE OF EMPEROR WILLIAM.

NO PARTITION OF CHINA EXPECTED IN FRANCE—M. CAMBON'S COMING—ROSTAND'S "CYRANO" CAUSES A RESERVATION—AMBASSADOR PORTER'S RECEPTION.

Paris, Jan. 1.—Boulevard pleasure has compared the mission of Prince Henry with the memorable departure of Tartarin, but it is now regarded as a shrewd and legitimate move of Emperor William to secure a cooling station in England, and an adequate share of the trade monopolized by England.

The authorities ridicule the idea of any partition of China, and give the highest assurance that France has only two objects. The first is to maintain the independence of China. It is believed that the best safeguard of this is that not England alone, but Russia, Germany and others have ports, thereby keeping an equilibrium, besides conferring industrial and commercial benefit upon China herself.

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