CONGRESSIONAL NEWS.

Secretary Carlisle Goes to the Capitol and Prevails a Compromise on Repeal.

SENATOR VOORHEES TO FORCE A VOTE.

Resolution Providing for a Commission on the Nicaragua Canal—The Gold Reserve Steadily on the Decrease.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 9.—Secretary Carlisle made a visit to the senate wing of the capitol Saturday afternoon. Coming at this juncture, when every one of the senators was expecting the unusual to happen, the visit created a sensation. He had just come from a close conference with the president, and it was naturally supposed that he had some important message for individual senators or for the body at large. If such was the case he did not take the pains to furnish the public with the same information. He spent about two hours in conference with various Democratic senators in the marble room and the room of the finance committee, but did not enter the chamber. Among others with whom he conversed were Mr. Voorhees and Mr. Harris. The report was soon set in circulation that he had been sent as the president's personal official representative to arrange the terms of an agreement with the opposing forces of the Democratic ranks in the senate. Inquiry, however, developed the fact that the visit was just the opposite, hence no compromise.

To Fight It Out.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 9.—Senator Voorhees gave definite notice in the senate Saturday morning that commencing on Wednesday next he would ask the senate to sit continuously until a vote has been reached on the repeal bill, and that he would expect the senators to maintain a quorum until the end of the present discussion was reached. "I might say more, but more is not necessary." He gave this notice that the senators might govern themselves accordingly in the performance of the duty they owe the public.

Palmetto Trade Mark Case.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 5.—While the final settlement of the celebrated Palmetto trade mark case has not been reached, a decision favorable to the petitioner, who is really Gov. Tillman, was given in the district supreme court yesterday. The demurrer of Commissioner Seymour was overruled and the order of the court was in effect that [illegible] file for the Palmetto trade mark or appear before the court and show why he had not done so.

Caucus Called.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 6.—A Democratic caucus of the house has been called for next Monday to consider the question of the form in which the election bill shall be passed, it being the desire of the northern Democrats to pass the Fitch substitute introduced Wednesday. The question of the advisability of sending the bill to the senate before the silver bill is disposed of will also be passed upon by the caucus.

Executive Day.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 6.—The senate spent yesterday, except a few minutes in the morning, behind closed doors in consideration of executive business. The greater part of the day was devoted to discussing the alleged violation of the home rule principle in appointment of men to position in one state who live in another. The first vote taken was upon the confirmation of Allen and he was confirmed by a vote of 24 to 21.

Nicaragua Canal Resolution.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 9.—Mr. Doolittle of Washington introduced a joint resolution Saturday providing for a commission of three senators and six representatives to go over the entire route of the nicaragua canal and make a thorough examination with a view of submitting to congress a comprehensive report and furnishing information upon which future legislation may be had.

The Census.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 3.—In the senate yesterday the house bill to extend the time for completing the eleventh census was passed and Mr. Dolph of Oregon took the floor to give his views as to the real cause of the business and financial trouble, which he said was the fear of hostile tariff legislation.

The Gold Reserve.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 9.—There was a still further reduction of the net gold reserve in the treasury Saturday, the figures being $89,152,255, about $5,000,000 lower than in June last when it touched the lowest point in history to that time. The currency balance, however, showed an increase, being $10,331,147.

The New Tariff Bill.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 7.—The Democratic members of the ways and means committee have acknowledged that some difficulties are being reached. The iron and steel schedule is a perplexing knot to be solved. The frame work of the bill before the majority is understood to be a draft submitted by Secretary Carlisle. The members of the committee find many changes which they believe desirable. It is understood that it has been definitely settled that the sugar bounty will be repealed. A proposition has been made to place half a cent a pound on raw sugars or take off the same rate on refined sugars. It is said that Mr. Carlisle has been in consultation with the majority during a portion of their deliberations. It is generally believed by the Democratic members, not only of the committee, but of the house, that an increase of the internal revenue taxes is part of the administration plan. Another suggestion is that money for pensions should be a separate fund, issued in some special manner. An income tax and a direct tax have both been suggested. Members of the committee on invalid pensions have received intimation that they may have to act on suggestions of this kind.

Gold Reserve.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 7.—Several days ago the treasury department mailed interest checks aggregating in value about $5,000,000 to pay interest on the public debt due October 1. The effect of this payment is already being felt in the reduction of the gold reserve, which to-day stands at $89,923,693, compared with a reserve of $93,582,172 on the 2d instant. It has reached nearly the lowest point in its history, which occurred about the middle of last June, when it was several hundred thousand below what it is to-day. The net currency balance, however, has turned the other way and shows an increase of $2,847,260 since the 2d of the month. The department is accumulating currency at some interior points in anticipation of large pension payments to be made soon. No gold is going out of the country so far as the officials of the department are informed.

Another Amendment.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 7.—In the senate yesterday Mr. Blackburn of Kentucky submitted an amendment to the bill repealing the silver purchasing clause of the act of 1890. It strikes out the Voorhees substitute, leaving the bill as it passed the house; it then provides for the free coinage of silver of American production. The secretary of the treasury is authorized on the first day of each month to establish the seignorage to be charged for the following month which is to be the difference between the market price of silver bullion and the minted value after coinage. This seignorage will not be coined, but will be sold by the secretary for gold to be used for the purpose of maintaining the parity of gold and silver.

Compromise, Compromise.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 5.—In the senate yesterday the first open suggestion of a compromise on the repeal bill was made and attracted the closest attention on both sides of the chamber. Senator Butler of South Carolina, in an impassioned speech against the passage of the bill, made a compromise the salient feature. In reply to a question which he said had been asked over and over again as to when a vote would be had on the bill, Senator Butler said compromise, compromise, is the solution to the struggle here. When the senate met yesterday there were six Republicans and one Democrat present. After some delay a quorum was secured.

Blount's Report.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 6.—The nature of Mr. Blount's recommendation regarding the annexation question, says a morning paper, is to the effect that no action should be taken by the United States to annex the islands or to establish a protectorate over them without the full consent of all the natives. The report recommends that all questions involved in annexation and the establishment of a protectorate should be submitted to a vote of all the natives as well as foreigners, and on their decision should rest the future policy of the United States respecting the Hawaiian islands.

Wants Information.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 5.—In the house yesterday Mr. Martin of Indiana secured the adoption of a resolution calling upon the secretary of the interior for information as to the number of pensions allowed and rejected since March 4, 1893.

Peace in Argentina.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 6.—The department of state has a telegram from Secretary Fishback, in charge of the legation at Buenos Ayres, stating that the revolution is at an end and that peace prevails throughout the country.

Final Action.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 5.—The senate committee on foreign relations have taken final action on the nomination of J. J. Van Alen to be minister to Italy. It is understood that the action was favorable to Van Alen.

ENDS LIFE WITH A RAZOR

D. M. Cade, Confined in the Milford Jail, Cuts His Head Almost Off.

HE HAD BEEN DRINKING FOR SOME TIME.

He Leaves a Family—A Negro at Hillsboro Boasts of Having Murdered a Man at Dallas and is Arrested.

ABILENE, Tex., Oct. 5.—D. M. Cade of this place committed suicide in the county jail Saturday. Cade came here with his family from Ranger about three years ago. At that time he was reputed to be worth from $10,000 to $15,000, but most of what he had has been wasted, though he owned at the time of his death a farm near here and some other property. For the past six months he has not been in business, and during this time he has been drinking to excess. Several weeks ago he was tried in the justice court and was permitted to go out on his own recognizance to work out the fine. Instead of doing this he continued drinking and on Thursday was put in the county jail. It is customary on Saturday to pass a razor into the jail so that the prisoners may shave themselves. When the razor was sent in Saturday Cade waited his turn coolly and when it came he neatly shaved himself, then carefully wiping the razor, he cut his throat, not from ear to ear, but by a cut deeper and longer than that, and not satisfied with the first attempt, raised his head and made a second cut, to the horror of the other prisoners. The head was almost severed from the body. Not more than two inches of the back of the neck and the vetebra having been missed in his furious self-attack. He leaves a wife and several children.

A Murderer Boasts.

HILLSBORO, Tex., Oct. 9.—The sheriff arrested and jailed a negro who boasted to several colored people that he had killed a negro in Dallas some time since with a coupling pin in one of the railroad yards, and had secreted the body under or near the gallery of a house. He also stated to several that a negro now living in Longview had witnessed the killing and was threatening to peach on him and that he was going to put him out of the way. He now says he was only joking.

Robbed the Mail.

RANGER, Tex., Oct. 3.—A report reached here yesterday evening that the Breckinridge mail hack was robbed by two masked men four miles north of Breckinridge. The robbers secured nothing but the letter mail bag. The postmaster here says there was no registered matter in it. The driver had two express packages on his person amounting to $110 and a passenger had $150, which was not molested. The sheriff went in pursuit and tracked them ten miles when their trail was lost.

Failed to Give Bond.

DALLAS, Tex., Oct. 6.—Elmer E. Johnson was brought in yesterday from Fort Worth by Deputy United States Marshal McCampbell, charged with embezzling $2000 while receiver of the public moneys of the land office at Del Norte, Col. He was taken before United States Commissioner Ledbum, who set his bond at $2000, failing to furnish which he was remanded.

Sad Accident.

DALLAS, Tex., Oct. 5.—The 1-year-old baby girl of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Jefferson, living at 653 North Washington avenue, fell into a tub of water last night and was drowned. When taken from the water the baby gave signs of life. Efforts were made to resuscitate her and a messenger was dispatched for a physician, who on his arrival found the life of the little one to be extinct.

A Burglar Killed.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Oct. 7.—Police Officer N. B. Frink shot a colored man named Cecilio Washington through the heart at 4 a. m. yesterday, killing him instantly. He was caught in the act of burglarizing a saloon and when called on to surrender he started to run. Frink fired two shots, both of which took effect.

Shot Himself.

ROUND ROCK, Tex., Oct. 7.—Fritz Zimmerman, the man who attempted suicide three weeks ago by taking two ounces of laudanum, completed the job Thursday night by shooting himself through the heart with a shotgun. He said he was tired of living.

Skull Crushed.

EL PASO, Tex., Oct. 3.—George Gillooly, the 5-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. James Gillooly, was instantly killed yesterday evening by having his head crushed to a jelly while playing beside a big pile of lumber, which topped over on him.

Mamie Rucker's Bond.

SAN ANGELO, Tex., Oct. 7.—A habeas corpus trial was granted Mamie Rucker, charged with the murder of her infant on September 18, resulting in her release on a $600 bond. She testified that on September 18 they left San Angelo in a two-wheel cart for Knickerbocker on a visit to her parents, after several months absence; that they had agreed, as the child was illegitimate, to leave him near some good lady's house until she could return, thus leaving her parents ignorant of her disgrace. She says after they had driven some distance from San Angelo they turned and went down to the river, she supposed near to some residence, and stopped. Warren got out, taking the child with him, leaving her in the cart. He was gone, she thought, an hour, when he returned, saying the child was in good hands and that she could get him in a few days. Warren is in jail here awaiting trial in December.

A Robber Foiled.

LOTT, Tex., Oct. 5.—Tuesday night the seedhouse belonging to the Marlin Oil company, was fired. The entire male population of the town was soon gathered at the fire. The north-bound passenger train left the depot at 8:30. As soon as possible afterwards Dan Lines, the agent, and his assistant, J. A. Moore, locked the depot and started to the fire. Mr. Moore stopped to blow out the lights on the platform while Mr. Lines went on. As soon as the light was put out Mr. Moore was confronted by a masked man, who presented a six shooter and ordered him to open up the office and hand over what money there was on hand. Mr. Moore explained that he did not know the combination to the safe. It was of no avail, he was forced to unlock the office door, but when he was inside he tried to explain again his inability to get into the safe, but the would-be robber would listen to nothing, and threatened him with instant death if the money was not forthcoming. Mr. Moore, finding that explations were useless, grabbed the six-shooter and a lively tussle ensued. Moore began to call for help and the robber began to try to get away; finally disengaging his six-shooter he struck Mr. Moore three times on the head, stunning him, and then made his escape without the money.

Wreck Near Taylor.

TAYLOR, Tex., Oct 6.—A wreck occurred on the International and Great Northern railroad two miles south of Taylor at 11 a. m. yesterday. The north-bound passenger train with Engineer Tom Harris at the throttle, struck a cow, throwing the engine bottom up across the track and derailing the mail and baggage cars. The engineer and fireman escaped by jumping, but a negro working his way by the mail baggage sustained a broken leg, an eye gouged out and was otherwise horribly mutilated. He was brought to relatives at Taylor, but his chances for recovery are doubtful. None of the passengers were injured, save an unexpected shaking up. The passengers and mail were transferred and the wrecking train went to work clearing the track.

Stage Robbed.

BALLINGER, Tex., Oct. 7.—The Ballinger and Robert Lee daily stage, which left Robert Lee Thursday morning, was held up by two festive road agents when about fifteen miles out from Robert Lee. After relieving the driver of $1.65 they proceed to go through the United States mail, taking such registered letters as they found. Each robber wore a heavy mask. After getting what booty they could they told the driver he could move on, but that he must not look back; that he did he would not be turned into a pillar of salt, but they would turn a lot of cold lead into him. He obeyed instructions.

Baby Deserted.

CORSICANA, Tex., Oct. 6.—A woman claiming to be from Dallas, arrived here Tuesday evening, having with her a 3-weeks-old girl baby. She said her husband was dead. She left her baby at the hotel Wednesday morning, saying she was going to hunt work. She has not been heard from since. It is learned that she was traveling on a pass and had her baggage checked through from here to Houston. The child was cared for until yesterday by the proprietor of the hotel, when it was given to Mrs. Charles West and taken to Ennis.

Suicided With Poison.

NAVASOTA, Tex., Oct. 5.—Rachel Holmes, a negress, committed suicide Sunday by poison. Some years ago her husband, a prominent negro politician, was shot from ambush and killed. She and her paramour were tried for the crime. She came clear, but he was given a life sentence in the penitentiary. Either crime or the accusation is supposed to have prayed on her mind so that she committed suicide. Some few negroes believe she was poisoned for revenge.

Grimes County Killing.

NAVASOTA, Tex., Oct. 5.—Mack Tilford shot and killed Tobe Harris Saturday night at a festival near Courtney in this county. An examining trial had before Judge Cabeen and the prisoner was refused bail. Officers passed through here on their way to Anderson, where the prisoner will be jailed.

ST. LOUIS CARNIVAL.

BRILLIANT SUCCESS OF THE AUTUMNAL FESTIVITIES.

Enormous Crowds Enjoying the Hospitality of the Metropolis of the West and Southwest—Concluding Dates and Attractions.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Oct. 8.—The Columbian festivities in this city continue to attract visitors from all directions. The territory which looks upon St. Louis as its natural commercial metropolis is represented by tens of thousands of citizens, while from more distant points the attendance has been and continues very large. The foreign commissioners, who came down from Chicago to witness the Veiled Prophets parade and the other attractions, were a unit in pronouncing the street illuminations the most magnificent ever witnessed, and they were also delighted with the exposition, the fair, and the city generally. During their stay they were able to see the largest brewery in America, largest drug house in the world, the largest shoe factory in America, and several other manufacturing and retail establishments of mammoth proportions.

The tenth annual exposition will terminate one of its most successful seasons on Oct. 21, and as this practically includes the carnival, it is important that arrangements be made at

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once for a visit to St. Louis while in its holiday attire. The railroad companies have made such concessions in rates, and have enlarged the low rate area so materially, that the expense attached to attending the carnival has been reduced to something quite insignificant. Specially low rates can be obtained for the concluding illumination displays on Oct. 12 and 19. Oct. 12 is Spanish and Italian day and the event will be celebrated by parades of brilliantly uniformed cavalry. The 19th is Pythian night, when thousands of Knights of Pythias will be in line.

The illuminations are so gorgeous that no one can afford to miss seeing them. An illustration is given of the revolving electric star made up of nearly 1000 electric lights in constant motion and with rapid changes in color. The other electric set pieces and panorama, twelve in number, include a lovely floral arch in natural colors, brilliant pyrotechnic effects, an executive arch with portraits of all the Presidents of the Union and of the governors of Missouri, and some exceedingly appropriate Columbian panorama. There are in addition over 40,000 gas lights with colored globes lining the sidewalks of the principal streets. In all there are over 75,000 lights used in the illuminations, which rival the greatest triumphs of Paris and cast into insignificance the fabled grandeur of the orient.

About Monkeys.

The monkeys of Gibraltar rock are said to enjoy the rare distinction of being the only monkeys in Europe not kept in captivity. It is agreed that they found a footing in Europe long, long before Spain as Spain was ever heard of. Before the sea wore away the land and made what is called the strait of Gibraltar Europe and Africa were joined together and animals roamed from one spot to another as they pleased. When the time came, however, that the strip of land was at last swallowed up by the greedy ocean, the strong current prevented creatures that were not at home in the water from crossing to and fro as they were wont to do. Among the unfortunates whose wanderings were thus unexpectedly cut short were many African monkeys, and the rock monkeys of the present, whose numbers, it may be added, are growing less and less, are undoubtedly descendants of those prehistoric fellows. Of course it follows that the Barbary apes—the monkeys living on the African side of the strait—are the first cousins of the occupants of "Gib."

The ruins of Pompeii are said to be so vast that they cannot be excavated, at the ordinary rate of progress, before the middle of the next century. Many more interesting discoveries will undoubtedly be made there.