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NATIONAL SOLONS.

Conjectures as to Committees, and Brief Mention of Some Leading Topics for Debate.

Stewart of Texas—The Blair Educational Bill—Female Suffrage—Beck to the Rescue.

Commissioner of the Senate Develops Policy to the President's Appointments.

Surmises About Committees, Special to the Gazette.

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MATERIAL FOR DISCUSSION.

The bills and resolutions introduced in the senate afford material for a great deal of interesting debate. The replies to the call for the Kelly correspondence, and the correspondence relating to the effort to secure the international adoption of a metallic ratio, are about ready to be transmitted to the senate.

SOME PROMINENT BILLS.

There is said to be a desire to precipitate an animated agitation of the woman's suffrage question.

Senator Blair is confident that his educational bill will pass promptly.

Senator Beck is preparing for a vigorous reply to the president's attack upon the standard dollar.

Members of congress are sending requests to the departments for lists of appointments in their states made since March 4. It is the impression that they are securing this information to guide them in a measure, when the appointments come before the senate for confirmation.

THE TELEPHONE CASES.

The closing of the telephone cases has again been postponed, as the secretary has granted counsel for the several companies additional time to file their briefs. The briefs, evidence and other matter connected with the case, already fill nine volumes. The department will probably possess a small library on the subject of telephones by the time the case is ready to be submitted.

TO IMPROVE NAVIGATION.

Capt. John Cowdon, whose name has been so prominent before the public with plans for the improvement of the Mississippi river, is here urging upon congress the passage of his bill to construct the lake Borgne outlet, to improve the navigation of the Mississippi, and reclaim from overflow the cotton lands of that valley. This Capt. Cowdon proposed to do at his expense, and will not ask any pay of the government until the work is pronounced successful.

POSTOFFICE CHANGES.

Office established at Lambert, Parker county.

Mail message service established between Camargo, Mexico, and Rio Grande City, Starr county, Tex., for six trips to Camargo.

Republican Caucus.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The Republican senators met in caucus at 11 o'clock to-day. Senator Sherman resigned his position as chairman of the caucus, and Senator Edmunds was elected to the place. This action was due to the fact that no senator has ever been chairman of the caucus and presiding officer of the senate at the same time, and Senator Sherman felt it incumbent upon him not to depart from the line of precedent.

The action of the caucus committee in the arrangement of the chairmanships of the senate committees, viz: in deciding to tender Senator Sewell that of the joint committee on library, and to give Senator Logan his old place on the military affairs, was ratified. Nearly all the time was devoted to the discussion of the presidential appointments. No additional action was taken, nor is proposed.

The senators expressed their views freely and were found to be practically unanimous against the adoption of any general policy of opposition, but were agreed upon the advisability of treating each nomination on its merits. Opinions were expressed and generally assented to that good men appointed to office, because they were Democrats, should be confirmed, except in cases where their predecessors were removed upon unfounded charges brought for the purpose of making pretenses for the creation of a vacancy. In such cases it was urged that the nominations should be held up to give the removed officials an opportunity for vindication. The senators who were present expressed the opinion that this plan for the present will govern the course of the Republicans. The caucus adjourned without a day.

Important Decision in Utah.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Delegate Caine of Utah this afternoon received a dispatch from Salt Lake stating that Chief Justice Zane, in the case of Deputy United States Marshal Vandercook, who was arrested on the 5th inst., charged under the territorial law with lawlessness, has sustained the territorial law, which makes the offense named a misdemeanor. This decision, says Delegate Caine, has bearing on a large number of cases of a similar kind.

No Action on the House Rules.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The house committee on rules held a session about two hours and a half this evening, during which various propositions, which were submitted to the house by Messrs. Morrison, Springer and others, were considered at length. No final conclusion was reached, however, and consideration of the subject will be resumed to-morrow.

Agent of the General Land Office.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Webb Cannon of Arkansas has been appointed a special agent of the general land office for timber depletions.

Mares.

Fifty brood mares for sale at Polk's stock-yard.

proceedings and deprecates it on account of the odium cast upon the working classes and the injury to their interests. The report was adopted. A resolution recommending to the workmen and their friends to smoke no cigars except those bearing the label of the "Clear-makers' Union" was adopted. A resolution was adopted urging that some measure should be introduced into congress prohibiting any combination from acting as spies for corporate monopolies for the purpose of overawing and intimidating workmen who are peaceably engaged in protecting their own interests and rights. Resolutions were also adopted calling upon the president to suspend Judge Snell of this city because of his hostility to trades' unions. Resolutions in tracing the legislative committee to induce the president of the United States to enforce by proclamation on or before May 1 the eight-hour law, was adopted. Rescess.

FROM FOREIGN FIELDS.

The Strength of the Arab Rebels Forces England to Dispatch a New Expedition to Egypt.

The Irish Pronounce Themselves Masters of the Political Situation in England.

Details of the Progress of the Work on the Panama Canal—Twelve Thousand Men Kept Busy.

England Sees Her Mistake.

LONDON, Dec. 11.—It has for some time been pointed out by military critics that the abandonment of Dongola was a mistake which would have to be repaired. The daily increasing strength of the rebel forces has at length attracted the attention of the government to the serious state of affairs in Egypt and to the fact that the present British force in Egypt is totally inadequate to cope with the formidable army of the new mahdi. Hence it is announced to-day that the government has decided to send a new expedition to the Sudan, and it is being prepared for immediate departure for Egypt. The frontier force in Egypt consists of about 1500 men under the command of Brig. Gen. Grenfell, one half of the force being British and the remainder Egyptian. The force is thus divided: To the extreme south at Ashakap and other small outposts there are about 200 English troops and 1500 Egyptians. In the event of any rebel advance they would have to fall back on Wady Halfa, where there are some 1500 British and 700 Egyptians under Brig. Gen. Butler, thus making a force of 1500 British and 2000 Egyptians to defend the Egyptian frontier. These might be reinforced by 1700 British and 1200 Egyptians at present at Korosko, Suddi and Assuan. But the entire force thus constituted is not sufficient for the upholding of the existing frontier with the possibility of trouble in their rear. That this has been admitted is evident from the fact that 1200 English and 800 Egyptians have been sent to the front to reinforce Gen. Grenfell. The force in Egypt proper, which, with the above field force constitutes the command of Lieut. Gen. Stephenson, consists of about 8000 British and 3000 Egyptians. Some 2000 of the former are stationed at Alexandria, the remainder being in Cairo, with small detachments at Assuan, Suez and Port Said. Under Gen. Hudson, at Suakin, there are about 2000 British and Indian troops.

House and Senate Joint Code.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The senate committee on rules had its first meeting this morning and instructed Senator Fry, chairman, to report back to the senate a code of joint rules for the government of official intercourse between the two houses. The code is identical with the joint code which the senate acted upon two years ago, except in regard to rule thirteen, which the committee has stricken out. This rule prohibits the sale of intoxicating liquors in the capitol building. The senate has a rule of this kind in its code, and the committee thought it unnecessary to insert it in the journal rules, believing the matter one which should be left to the control of each house within its own domain.

Charges Against Naval Officers.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The treasury department is in receipt of a letter from C. L. Whitlock, in which he says he has reliable information that twenty officers attached to the United States steamship Junata, which has just returned to New York from a cruise in Chinese waters, have concealed on the vessel a large quantity of valuable goods, including silks, rugs, furs, vases, porcelain, ivory-ware and curiosities, with the intention of smuggling them into the United States. The collector has been instructed to send the inspector and assistants to the vessel and request permission from the commanding officer to institute thorough search.

American Public Health Association.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The closing session of the American health association was held to-day. The subject of sewer disposal was referred to the committee on disinfectants, which was continued for another year. The resolution of Dr. Hunt urging practical teaching of hygiene in the schools and enlarging the committee on the subject was adopted. The advisory committee recommended that congress be urged to appropriate funds to enable the war and navy departments, through their medical corps, to investigate the cause of infectious diseases. They reported that Toronto, Ont., has been selected for the place of the next annual meeting, the time for which will be fixed by the executive committee. After the election of officers, the association adjourned sine die.

Richelieu Won't Get It.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—During the visit of Richelieu Robinson to the president this morning the question of the appointment to the pension agency at New York, for which Richelieu's friends have pressed him, was referred to, and the president intimated that the appointment would not be decided upon for a couple of months. It is understood that the president considers that pension agents should be ex-soldiers and will make no exception in this instance.

Red Skins in Distress.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Secretary Lamar has requested the president to ask congress to authorize the use of \$12,500 out of the \$50,000 appropriated by congress last year to supply food and other necessities of life in case of distress among the Indians not having treaty funds, for the temporary relief of the Northern Cheyennes on the Tongue and Rosebud rivers in Montana. The department has information that these Indians are in great distress for want of food and sufficient clothes.

How They Will Double Up.

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Gladstone's Views on the Elections.

LONDON, Dec. 11.—Mr. Gladstone has written a letter in which he says: "This has been a wonderful election, and will prove that we have gained on the Tories since 1880, if allowance is granted for the fifteen seats lost through the doubtful Liberal candidates and the fifteen seats Mr. Parnell gave the Tories."

Parnell's Home-Rule Defined.

LONDON, Dec. 11.—Thos. P. O'Connor, Parnell's trusted lieutenant, in an interview to-day defined the Nationalists' view of home-rule for Ireland as like that of the government of Canada. The Irish members not to sit in the imperial parliament and the Irish people not to share in the payment of the national debt. Regarding funds to carry out the Nationalists' measures O'Connor said the Nationalists could raise £100,000 in America.

Summoned to London.

DUBLIN, Dec. 11.—Earl Carnarvon, lord-lieutenant of Ireland, has proceeded to London. It is presumed that he goes to attend the cabinet council to discuss the political situation.

From an Irish Standpoint.

LINCOLN, NEB., Dec. 11.—Patrick Egan received this afternoon the following important cable on the result of the general elections in England and Ireland: "DUBLIN, Dec. 11.—To Patrick Egan, Ex-President of the Irish National League of America: The elections have been concluded. The results are beyond our most sanguine calculations. We were thirty-nine at dissolution, we return eighty-six, united as one man. Of the thirty-four nominal Home-Rulers, not a man survives. Of the Irish Whigs, not a solitary survivor remains. Leinster, Munster and Connaught are ours to a man. In Ulster we have a clear majority of seats and a large majority of two to one in counties. The Irish voting in England has changed the Whig coalition majority of 120 to a minority of 4. The Irish party is absolute master of the situation. "TIMOTHY HARRINGTON, "Secretary of the Irish National League."

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