

AFFAIRS OF STATE.

Wellborn Introduces a Resolution Providing for a Public Building at Fort Worth.

Troubles Throughout the Country Occupy the Attention of Many Congressmen.

Introduced in the House by Throckmorton, Hargan and Sayers—Postmaster General Confirmed.

Labor Troubles.

WASHINGTON, March 22.—As soon as the committee of agriculture is reached by the daily call of committees in the second day of the bill, the bill authorizing the establishment of labor and agriculture will be called up for passage. There is a combination of the labor and agricultural representatives for this bill, and it is expected that there will be but little delay in passing it through the house.

Public Building at Fort Worth. Mr. Wellborn's bill providing for a public building at Fort Worth authorizes the purchase of a site for a building to contain the postoffice and other government offices in the city, and carries with it an appropriation of \$75,000. The building is to be placed forty feet from any adjacent structures.

Throckmorton's Bill. Throckmorton introduced a bill to establish a commission to try and depredation claims and other matters arising out of Indian treaties. The commission is to have power to sit in Washington, in the Indian Territory, or wherever it may be necessary, and its judgments are to be final.

Hargan's Bill. Mr. Hargan introduced a bill to-day amending the postmaster-general to certain claims of Texas postmasters for loss by burglary, fire or other causes.

Sayers' Bill. Mr. Sayers introduced to-day a bill providing for the purchase of a tract of land near San Antonio for military purposes. The bill is for the relief of George Keppel and Benjamin Hendricks of that city.

Walsh, Mayor of Hot Springs, appeared before the senate committee on public lands this morning and made a protest against the passage of a measure requiring the removal of the houses from the government reservation.

Postmasters Confirmed. A. McMeans, San Marcos; Charles Chambers, Luling; Wiley V. Collins, Dallas; F. Y. Goldsborough, Eunice.

Text of Delivery at Fort Worth. WASHINGTON, March 22.—The following is the text of the bill introduced in the house by Mr. Maxey to establish a text of delivery at Fort Worth, in the state of Texas.

Supreme Court Decision. WASHINGTON, March 22.—The supreme court of the United States to-day rendered its decision on the questions submitted to the circuit court in the Mackinac-Galbreath conspiracy case.

Uncle Daniel. Major D. L. McGary, state and county officer at Houston.

Two Were Shot. Four burglars break into a store and receive a warm reception.

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Pan Electric Investigation.

WASHINGTON, March 22.—Casey Young continued his testimony before the telephone investigating committee to-day. He said Gen. Atkins was not a member of congress at the time the Pan-Electric contract was drawn. The witness went out on the 4th of March, 1888, while the contract was being drawn. Mr. Duon of Arkansas talked with the witness about the stock. He asked what he thought about exchanging a house for it, to which the witness replied by advising him to keep his house and let the stock go. There was never a bill introduced by him or any of his associates that related in the remotest degree to the enterprise. Van Benthuyzen wrote to the witness and said he was going to have the government suit brought, if he could, on the law, whether Garland belonged to the company or not. He was going to make Garland bring the suit, and if Garland would not do it, he would go to the president about it. Subsequently the witness took Benthuyzen and his counsel over to introduce them to the attorney-general. One of the counsel stated what he came for, and Garland said he was interested in the telephone company and could not talk to them about it. The counsel insisted, and Garland said: "Gentlemen, I am the attorney of a telephone company and cannot talk to you." Van Benthuyzen said: "I have a right to have the suit brought. If the law requires you to bring the suit I will see that it is brought." Garland said: "I can not talk to you," and the gentlemen retired. The interview lasted about five minutes. Van Benthuyzen said that he would go to the White House about it. He did write to the president. He said he was not going to have his rights imperiled by Garland or anybody else. The witness never wrote a letter to or spoke a word to Garland about the government bringing suit. The company, he said, could never get Garland to do anything.

Disposition of Our Major-Generals.

WASHINGTON, March 22.—It is understood that Maj. Gen. Schofield will be transferred to the division of the Atlantic, with headquarters at New York; that Maj. Gen. Terry will be assigned to the command of the division of Missouri, with headquarters at Chicago, and that Gen. Howard will be given command of the division of the Pacific, with headquarters at San Francisco. The proposed transfer of Gen. Schofield is said to be in strict accordance with his expressed desire.

An Addition to the White House.

WASHINGTON, March 22.—The senate committee on public buildings and grounds has authorized a favorable report to be made on Morrill's bill, appropriating \$500,000 for the erection of an extension to the White House.

Manning Returns the Senate.

WASHINGTON, March 22.—Two letters from Secretary Manning were read in executive session to-night, declining to furnish papers in the cases of Collector Wells of Vermont and Surveyor Morton of San Francisco, both suspended.

The Report Not Authenticated.

WASHINGTON, March 22.—No information has been received at the war department in regard to the reported surrender of Gerónimo and his followers to Lieut. Maus, near San Bernardino.

Another Hood Call.

WASHINGTON, March 22.—The secretary of the treasury this afternoon issued the 135th call for the redemption of bonds. The call is for \$10,000,000, the loan of 1882.

SHERMAN.

Arraigned for Trial—A Boy Cuts a Man for Slapping Him.

SHERMAN, TEX., March 22.—Sheriff McLean and several deputies from Montague county were arraigned for examination trial to-day before Commissioner Ricketts on a charge of forcible seizure of goods and homicide in the Territory. They are accused of robbing the store of Bill Watkins, at Spanish Fort, and taking the goods into Texas, where they were levied on under an attachment sued out by Crow, Hargadine & Co. of St. Louis, from whom Watkins purchased the stock. Two men who defended the property are charged to have been killed at the time. G. W. Pasco appears for the United States, Judge Montague, to defend. It will take several days to try. Charles Clarke, a youth of fourteen, and B. Lloyd had a difficulty to-day that ended in the cutting of the latter across the arm with a pocket-knife. The wound was dressed by Dr. Garby and is not dangerous. Report says that Lloyd slapped Clarke in the face for dunning him for 50 cents. Both were arrested, but the court discharged the boy.

UNCLE DANIEL.

Major D. L. McGary, State and County Officer at Houston.

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Houston, Tex., March 22.—This afternoon Maj. D. L. McGary of the Evening Age and T. A. Waring, deputy county clerk, engaged in a difficulty in a coffee saloon on Preston street. Bova were passed, and McGary drew a pocket knife and stabbed Waring several times in the face and hand. The wounds are not considered dangerous.

Broke an Arm.

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SOUTH CANADIAN, I. T., March 22.—Yesterday evening about 6 o'clock, while walking beside a wagon, a ten-year-old boy named Alfred Shaslin struck his foot against a rock, throwing him under the wagon. The wagon ran over one of his arms, breaking it and bruising one of his legs slightly. Dr. Cutler dressed his wounds and says he will be all right in a few days.

WACO.

The Proceedings Against J. W. Speight for Holding Too Many Offices—The Grand Jury.

Summary of Proceedings of Executive Committee of Central Texas Live Stock Association.

Special to the Gazette. WACO, TEX., March 22.—The meeting of the executive committee of the Central Texas Live Stock Association in this city last Saturday evening was held with closed doors. Members were reticent, but it was intimated that the meeting was held to investigate the alleged stealing and killing of cattle on a large scale in the territory of the association. To-day your correspondent was able to obtain the following summary of the proceedings: The meeting was called to order at 7:30 by the president, W. W. Selce, Messrs. A. Wheeler, W. W. Selce, C. W. White, John H. Onstott, W. A. Poague and P. H. Burney answered to roll call. The president stated that the object of the meeting was to take into consideration the delinquencies committed on the stock of members in the country around Hubbard City. The secretary read a letter from Messrs. Onstott, Allen, Bryant and others stating that about two hundred head of cattle had been stolen in the neighborhood of the head of Big creek, and asking the committee to take some action in the case.

The Strike.

A man is standing by and seeing his friend going in the wrong way. He is a cold, indifferent friend, and he lets him go along, and this man is standing by and sees his friend going in the wrong direction. He is a warm friend, and he is willing to risk something to save his friend, and he grasps his hand upon both shoulders of his friend and says hold on, and tries to hold him. This is our relation to the Knights of Labor. Stop the strike, we say, you are badly organized. You cannot control your own men.

Choctaw Uxoricide.

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FOUR SMITH, ARK., March 22.—Intelligence reached here to-day that at Red Oak, Choctaw nation, on Thursday evening last, Basil Winlock, an old and highly respected citizen of that place, shot and killed his wife. It seems they were alone at their residence, when he shot her with a pistol through the head, after which he fired off his Winchester rifle and whooped, which attracted some neighbors in a field near by, who went to the house and found Basil with a gun against his breast trying to pull the trigger. They took it from him and he appeared to be out of his mind, but soon afterwards became docile and decided that his wife, who lay dead in the room wetting in her own blood, should be buried respectfully, and sent parties to the nearest store to obtain the necessary clothes. Winlock has always stood high in the community where he lived, and has lots of stock. His neighbors think he was crazy when he committed the deed. He has not been arrested but remains at home. He is a well-to-do citizen. The affair created quite a sensation in the neighborhood. Winlock is about fifty years of age and his wife about forty-five.

San Angelo.

A Railroad Committee Appointed—Testing New Hoses.

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