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## FLORENCE MAYBRICK IS NOT PARDONED

British Home Office Makes This Announcement—Ambassador Choate Has Been Energetic—Prospects Belter.

London, Feb. 11.—The officials of the home office say there is no foundation for the report that Mrs. Florence Maybrick has been pardoned. The official of the United States embassy said to a representative of the press: "I did not need the home office's aid to prove the absolute baselessness of the Maybrick story. We would have the first to be notified of any such proposed action by the British government. Not a single fact has been given to give the slightest justification for the story or to make the release of Mrs. Maybrick more probable than her execution."

partment has not been advised of the reported intention of the British government to pardon Mrs. Florence Maybrick, the American woman imprisoned in England on a charge of poisoning her husband. It is said, however, that Mr. Choate has an opportunity at all proper times to work toward that end, and it is understood that his efforts have been particularly energetic of late. Of course, these must be unofficial, for it would not be permissible for the case to be made the subject of formal exchanges. Secretary Hay, while ambassador to London, did all that he could in Mrs. Maybrick's behalf, and what Mr. Choate is now doing is simply in continuation of that movement. It is hoped, however, that he is working under much more favorable auspices and that success is near at hand.

## TAX ON THE CAPITAL OF BANKS.

Washington, Feb. 11.—Senator Aldrich today sent the following dispatch: "Washington, Feb. 11.—Mr. A. B. Sperry, Chairman American Association of Banks, Chase National Bank, New York City: "We are receiving a large number of letters from banks and bankers throughout the country, sent in response to request issued by your secretary, demanding that the tax on bank capital shall be entirely removed. The House retained the entire tax and the Senate has reduced it one half. No action is possible in conference except to agree to either the House or the Senate provision or adopt some compromise between the two. I hope this statement will save the members of your association and the members of the finance committee much unnecessary correspondence. (Signed.) "NELSON W. ALDRICH, "Chairman."

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## ELLISON-BARNES CONTEST LAGS.

The Senate committee on elections, composed of Senators Murdock, Tanner, Alder, Benton and Johnson, met this morning to make preliminary arrangements for the investigation of the Ellison-Silken contest.

Barnes, explained that the committee was not obliged to go behind the returns, and that the reference of the matter of the contest to it did not carry with it the obligation stated, but that it was merely a matter of form.

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## REVENUE BILL DISCUSSION.

Power of the Senate to Originate Revenue Legislation.

### CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTION.

Mr. Tawney Raises It in the House—Price of Armor Plate Comes Up in Senate.

Washington, Feb. 11.—The desk of Representative Albert D. Shaw, of New York, late commander-in-chief of the G. A. R., who died suddenly Sunday morning of apoplexy, was draped in black and covered with aialis and roses when the House met today. The chaplain in his invocation referred feelingly to Gen. Shaw's death. Owing to the extreme pressure of the public business it was decided by the House leaders that it would be inexpedient to adjourn immediately out of respect to his memory.

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### INDIAN TRIBES NOT LIABLE.

Supreme Court Holds They Cannot be Held for Depredations of Bands.

Washington, Feb. 11.—The United States Supreme Court today decided two cases involving the question of the responsibility of an entire tribe of Indians for depredations committed by organized bands composed of members of the tribe, holding that in such cases there is no liability. One of these cases was that of Montoya and involved responsibility for the operations of the band of Apaches and other that of Conner's involving the depredation of Don Kniff's band of Cheyennes, both occurring fifteen or twenty years ago, the first in New Mexico, and others in Kansas and Nebraska. The decision was handed down by Justice Brown, and held that as the bands in both cases were strong enough to break away from their respective tribes and to defy the United States government, as they did, the tribes as a whole could in equity be held responsible for their deeds.

### BELLEVUE NURSES GUILTY.

Jury Finds that They Caused Louis R. Hilliard's Death.

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### CHICAGO AND ERIC ERIC DERAILED.

Decatur, Ind., Feb. 11.—By the breaking of a journal on the engine drawing the westbound Chicago and Erie passenger train, due here at 2:25 this morning, the engine left the track, and the baggage car and three coaches plunged down an embankment near Wren, Ohio. Fireman W. Finney jumped, sustaining injuries from which he died. There were 103 emigrants on the train and five other passengers. Beyond cuts and bruises all escaped serious injury.

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The announcement that Arthur J. Van Kuran, local treasurer of the Oregon Short Line, had been removed suddenly from his position owing to discrepancies in his books, spread like wildfire this morning among his numerous friends, and on the street, the story came as a bomb out of the clear sky and at first was discredited. Inquiry at the Short Line general offices, however, elicited the reply that it was only too true.

The books of the late local treasurer are now undergoing a thorough overhauling with the result that Auditor Hills and Traveling Auditor Craig have gone over the last six months' accounts to discover that there is a deficiency of close upon \$9,000. Just how far back these discrepancies date is not known, but it is stated that as the books are being overhauled that fresh errors crop up with each month. Such in substance was the information given to the "News" by Auditor Hills this morning.

This is emphatically denied by Mr. Van Kuran who when seen stated that the story of his alleged defalcations had been spread solely with the idea of injuring him, and that when his accounts were investigated that it would be found that an injustice had been done him.

The railroad officials are very loath to discuss the matter in any shape or form, but they admit that there is something seriously wrong with Mr. Van Kuran's books. The discovery that something was amiss with the accounts of the local treasurer was made by Traveling Auditor Craig, who in the regular line of his duty, overhauled the books of the office on Friday afternoon. Mr. Craig found several discrepancies, and as Mr. Van Kuran was absent from the office, he reported them to Auditor Hills at once without waiting until the treasurer returned to make an explanation. Auditor Hills has been making a thorough investigation with the result that Mr. Van Kuran was given an opportunity to explain before Vice President Bancroft, Auditor Hills and General Auditor Parley L. Williams.

Mr. Van Kuran stated that he was not aware of the cloud that hung over the homestead for they informed the reporter that "Papa has not got home from work yet."

## SENATORS THANK THE RAILROAD.

Two resolutions were introduced in the Senate today, both bearing on the same subject. One was by President Evans, the other by Senator Alder, expressing the thanks of the Senate for the handsome treatment they have just received at the hands of the Oregon Short Line Railway company and the Pullman company. The resolutions would have been passed at once under a suspension of the rules but for a few corrections that had to be made, and they were therefore referred to the committee on railroads.

## HOUSE PROCEEDINGS.

Open Session With Resolution of Thanks to Idaho Legislators.

Several members of the House were absent today, probably being at their homes resting after the Boise trip. In the absence of Chaplain Stewart prayer was offered by Representative Fry of Morgan county.

## HOUSE PROCEEDINGS.

Mr. Elmer B. Jones, counsel for the Utah Home Telephone company, was seen in his office by a "News" reporter today, and in answer to an inquiry concerning the telephone situation said: "I am not 'as cross as a bear' over the latest telephone arrivals, Messrs. Waterbury and Webster, as President Wallace seems to be. On the contrary, I am quite undisturbed. Our company has come to stay as will be demonstrated to the entire satisfaction of the people, and there is nothing to be alarmed over."

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"What have you to say of the latest telephone arrivals?" "When I've seen the gentlemen, and know nothing of their intentions beyond what has been reported in the press, it does seem rather strange, however, that they should have dropped down here at this particular time, if it is their bona fide intention to put in an exchange as it is not a very promising field for three companies. Indeed, I know of no cities of our class with three telephone exchanges, and it doesn't seem to me that any business man would want such an investment."

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"Would you reduce the rates you have already established for telephone?" "No, sir; we have given as low a rate as can be made and leave a margin for the company, and unless we can invest our money where it will bring a fair return we will not go into the business, as we are in the telephone business on a business basis."

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