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Why the Mayor is Unwilling to Protect the Laborers on the World's Fair Grounds.

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THE WORLD'S FAIR.

The Mayor of Chicago Will Not Keep a Lynx or Police on the Grounds.

CHICAGO, Feb. 16.—President Gage of the World's Fair directors said in reply to Mayor Cooper today calling attention to the intimidation of workmen by the unemployed at Jackson Park the danger of serious labor riots and the necessity of police protection. The mayor directed the corporation counsel to draw up an injunction, and the matter was touched that the city would not undertake to keep a force of police on the ground in anticipation of trouble, but in case of a riot police would be sent to suppress it. The report, however, for such a force must come from the park commissioners, not from the contractors or the World's Fair officials, although the commissioners are not on the grounds and seldom in sight.

The main points made in the correspondence are that the parks are under the direct control of the commissioners and provided with their own police force and therefore the city has no right to interfere except by request of the park commissioners. Second, if the report is true that the Italians employed are those they are not entitled to police protection, as under an act passed by the State Legislature in 1889, it is made criminal for any board of commissioners, officer or contractor, acting for or under any municipality, to employ aliens. The point is made that this is applicable because the city has asked for millions on bonds in support of the fair.

The force of park police in Jackson Park at present does not exceed half a dozen, and, of course, it is wholly inadequate to cope with a mob which might number anywhere from 500 to 1,000.

IN CONGRESS.

Amendment to the Consular Appropriation Bill.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—In the Senate today the credentials of Senators-elect of Nevada and Mitchell of Oregon were presented and the former sworn in. Two bills were introduced and appropriately disposed of, and Mr. Hoar gave notice of a bill to provide for the judicial hearing of all contested election cases of members of Congress. The bill to amend the Revised Statutes so as to authorize the Secretary of the Treasury to use the services of officers of the revenue marine service in the enforcement of the laws against the importation of opium, was taken up and passed. Several other bills were disposed of, and the Senate then went into executive session and soon after adjourned.

In the House a bill was introduced by Mr. Hitt, chairman of the committee on foreign affairs, directing the Secretary of State to cause to be published in the newspapers of the United States and Canada the tariff laws of the United States and Canada, and the regulations of the Treasury Department thereunder, and the laws of the United States and Canada relating to the importation of merchandise from Canada into the United States, and the regulations of the Treasury Department thereunder, and the laws of the United States and Canada relating to the importation of merchandise from the United States into Canada