

[SPECIAL TO THE DESERET NEWS.]

By Telegraph.

HOUSE.

Maynard offered a resolution, instructing the committee on education to inquire into the method of investing funds arising out of the sale of land scrip for school purposes, in Tennessee, and whether they are applied in accordance with the law.

Starkweather introduced a bill to regulate the rank of staff officers in the navy; referred.

Judd introduced a bill to construe section four of the Act exempting certain manufacturers from the internal tax, so as not to treat as manufacturers hog packers, lard renderers or persons engaged in curing hams or canning meats, or in the provision trade etc., and to refund all such taxes already collected; referred.

Garfield, of Washington Territory, introduced a bill to grant lands to aid the construction of a railroad from the Columbia river to Puget Sound.

Breck offered a resolution, directing the Secretary of the Treasury to state the amount of unexpended balances for the various departments, at the end of the fiscal year; adopted.

The House went into a committee of the whole on the legislative appropriation for the reporters of the *Congressional Globe*. The proposition was rejected, only three members voting for it.

Finksberg moved a reduction of the appropriation for public printing, from a half million to fifty thousand.

Lafin, chairman of the committee on printing, suggested that this would not be desirable, as it was not too much for the absolute necessity of the public printing; he promised that his committee would report a bill on the subject, which would meet the most economical desires of the House.

Dawes, chairman of the committee on appropriations, complimented the chairman of the committee on printing on his well earned reputation for economy in the public printing and said he did not know any one to whom the country was more indebted for an industrious, faithful and constant attention to cutting down expenses in that department. The discussion was continued by Ely, Sargent, Maynard, Lafin and Butler, of Mass. The latter suggested that if the heads of departments or bureaus were not fit to be trusted with ordering the amount of printing which they required, they were not fit to be trusted with their positions and he thought that was a matter which might safely be left to those officers without interference on the part of the House.

Dawes commented upon the lecture read to the House by his gentle colleague, whose conversion seemed to be as sudden and as remarkable as that of him who traveled to Damascus; but he apprehended it to be his duty, whenever such a question was before the House, to faithfully, calmly, justly and impartially, but without fear, favor or affection, make diligent inquiry where every dollar of the public money had gone or might go, and as long as he had the confidence of the House and country, he should continue to pursue that course without regard to such lectures.

Butler disclaimed all intention of lecturing the House, and desired once for all to put a bar against the analogy between Saul of Tarsus and himself.

The amendment was rejected. Some discussion occurred with regard to the appropriation for the library, Wood charging that the librarian allowed improper and scurrilous books on the shelves. This charge provoked the usual criticism, but it was passed without amendments, when the House adjourned.

GENERAL.

RICHMOND, 12.—Dr. Chas. R. Bricken, a well known physician, theatrical lessee and dramatic author, was killed yesterday by the discharge of a pistol.

Alexander Gardner, colored, was hanged in Keat county, yesterday, for the rape and murder of Mrs. Stewart, and the murder of John Baker, her colored farm manager.

SAVANNAH.—The steamer *Two Boys* exploded her steam drum, off the Naples Bar and drifted to sea in a gale. The crew and passengers, except eight of the crew who swam ashore, were carried to sea in the vessel. The U. S. steamer *Norsemond* has gone in search.

MEMPHIS.—The steamer *Commercial* has arrived with the survivors of the ill-fated steamer *Maggie Hayes*. They are twenty in number. The passengers lost everything. The pilots, after the

explosion, succeeded in getting the boat made fast to the shore, but the fire got such headway, that it soon wrapped the entire boat in flames. A lady sitting near the clerk's office was blown through the bulkhead into the cabin, but was not hurt. The pilots say that the boilers were patched at Natchez; at Picksburg, at the mouth of the Chute the boilers were tied up again to patch the larboard boiler, and they had just gotten fully under headway when the explosion occurred.

St. Louis, 12.—The Anti-Protection League held a fine meeting at the Mansion Hall last night; able speeches were made by two prominent citizens. The protectionists hold forth to-night. These meetings are creating a good deal of interest on the tariff question among people of all classes.

CHICAGO.—Washington specials say that Julian, chairman of the House committee on public lands, has prepared a bill prohibiting further grants of public lands to railroad or other corporations under any circumstances whatever. The bill, it is believed, will encounter serious opposition in the House.

It is understood that the French government lately submitted another draft for a postal treaty, which our Government rejected on account of its illiberality. The Postmaster General has notified the French authorities that it will afford him pleasure to reopen negotiations whenever they submit proposals for moderate charges and equal benefits, and that any agent they send will be cordially received.

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.—The ruling of the Secretary of the Interior, that all land grants to railroads must be located on an air line, unless a natural barrier intervene, has changed the Northern Pacific programme materially, and orders have gone forward to stop the survey until further orders.

ST. PAUL.—The *Winnipeg New Nation*, of January the 28th, says the Red River Convention met at Winnipeg, on the 25th, and after three days' session decided to draw up the list of rights demanded by the people and to submit it to the Canadian government through Donald Smith, the Canadian commissioner, as the basis of their becoming part of the Dominion of Canada.

NEW YORK.—The subtreasury officials have discovered that counterfeit five cent nickels are circulating in large quantities. About twenty per cent of those in circulation are spurious. It is difficult to distinguish the counterfeits, even experts disputing about them. All those in circulation will probably be called in and new issue made.

A Havana correspondent gives news of the brutal murder of another American citizen, named Vincent Downy, of Florida. He went from Key West on the same steamer that conveyed the remains of Castenon, editor of *Voz de Cuba*; and for relating a somewhat modified account of the assassination, he was set upon in San Jose street, in the evening, by a band of volunteers and put to death. No arrests have been made. After the Castenon obsequies were over, nine Cubans were massacred.

Another free love tragedy has occurred at Brooklyn. John Goulding, a well known politician, was discovered on intimate relations with the wife of Joseph Sinnett, or Seamer, residing at number 62, Wagstaff street. He fled from the wrath of Sinnett in the evening. The wife at once cut her throat with her husband's razor.

NEW YORK, 12.—Advices from Washington state that the whole force of the Administration is to be thrown against Sherman's Cuba resolution, and its ultimate passage is doubtful.

A late telegram announces a theft, in London, of ten thousand pounds in bank of England notes, and the failure of Halstead, Stiles & Co., importers of woolen goods; their liabilities are reported at three hundred and fifty thousand pounds; their assets are two hundred and eighty thousand. It is said that the members of the firm own sufficient real estate to make an amicable settlement.

Petrie & Co., importers of dry goods, are also reported to have failed. The reported failure of Fredlander, Stick & Co., is entirely incorrect.

A petition, signed by several hundred residents and property owners of 129th Street, protesting against the Fish concrete pavement now going down that street, was sent to the Board of Health yesterday. The petitioners ask the Board to interfere and stop the work, as many of the residents of the neighborhood are now dangerously ill from exhaling the composite matter. The Board took prompt action on the subject.

Specials state that the principle fea-

tures of the new naturalization bill, now before the House judiciary committee, will take the matter from the State courts and put it in the hands of United States officers. It requires four years' continuous residence before application for naturalization, which must be proved by the intending citizens.

The people of Long Island are greatly exercised over the subject of "Mormonism." The enemies and friends of the faith meet frequently in the villages to listen to anti-"Mormon" and pro-"Mormon" discourses.

Superintendent Kennedy is still engaged in collecting the evidence in the case of the Prince Arthur assassination hoax. It is understood that he acquires the representatives of the press from any intention to misrepresent the case. He has evidence that the story originated with the police.

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