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FORTY-SIXTH CONGRESS

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, 17. — Maxey said the post route bill would be reported on Monday.

Voorhees' resolution was adopted instructing the judiciary committee to report the best method for protecting innocent purchasers from impositions of venders of patents and patent rights.

The Senate resumed the funding bill.

Platt favored a 3½ rate, and Pugh 3 per cent.

At this point the debate was temporarily suspended and conference reports on consular, diplomatic and naval appropriation bills were presented and adopted.

Wallace from the conference committee on the Indian appropriation bill reported an agreement on all items except that of the Indian Commissioner, and in reply to Allison, explained the effect of the adoption of the report would not be to pass the bill but to settle differences between the Houses on all items except the single one stated in regard to which the new conference could be ordered. The funding bill was again taken up.

The committee on appropriations to-day report for Adjutant General's office, twenty-five additional clerks at $1,000 each. The Surveyor General's office twenty-five at $1,000 each. The committee also provided for additional deputy commissioners of pensions at a salary of $4,000 and another at $2,500 also for an increase in the Commissioner's salary to $5,000.

Cockrell recalled the fact that Secretary Sherman had objected to the silver bill, as it would cripple his efforts to float the 4 per cents., yet the latter was now 112 after the bill passed. Then he said 3½ or 3.65 bonds could not float if they ran less than 50 years, and yet now he thought it could. He believed 3 per cents. would float easily, and soon be at a premium.

At 4.45 a vote being called for, Ferry moved an amendment fixing at 3½ the rate for the long bond, by inserting the words "not exceeding," thus applying the sliding scale provided for treasury notes to the long loan.

Bayard intimated his willingness to accept the amendment on condition it would strengthen the 3½ rate.

At this point (5.30) an ineffectual effort was made to adjourn.

Davis, of Illinois, insisted it was a duty the Senate owed the country to pass a funding bill of some kind before adjourning. He thought the subject had been talked to death, and that as every member had made up his mind upon it, they should come to a vote.

Ferry advocated his amendment and Allison opposed. It was rejected 12 to 45.

A vote was then taken on the amendment fixing interest at the rate of 3½ instead of 3 per cent. as fixed by the House; rejected, ayes 22, noes 33.

The next amendment, making bonds payable semi-annually, was agreed to without objection. The next amendment was to create a 5.20 instead of a 5.10 loan.

McPherson moved an amendment so as to make it a 5.30 loan; lost—ayes 14, noes 43.

The pending amendment then prevailed without objection.

The amendment substituting the term "treasury notes" for "certificates," as applied to a short loan, inserting the words "not exceeding" before the amount of $300,000,000, in such notes, and providing for their issue in denominations of $10, or some multiple of that sum, not exceeding $1,000, was agreed to without a formal vote.

The next amendment was to fix the interest rate of the 110 loan at not exceeding 3½ instead of 3 per cent.—the rate passed by the House; lost; ayes 21, noes 34. The vote was identical with that upon the interest for long bonds, except that Logan, who then voted in the affirmative, did not respond, and Cooke in the latter instance added his vote in the negative. The amendments providing the notes shall be payable semi-annually, and those of less denomination than $100 shall be registered, was agreed to.

The amendment increasing the expense of preparing, advertising and placing the loans to ½ per cent. was discussed.

The amendment was adopted by allowing the Secretary of the Treasury to purchase and pay on maturing bonds from the treasury fund, but not so as to permanently impair the resumption fund.

The river and harbor bill, received from the House was temporarily tabled on the objection of Morrill to present consideration.

At 11.20 Bayard asked that the bill be reported from the committee and be taken up immediately after the morning hour, a vote to be had at 2 o'clock.

Agreed to and the Senate adjourned.

HOUSE.

WASHINGTON, 17.—Gunter reported a bill for the relief of Wm McGarrahan. Calendar.

The conference report on the consular appropriation bill was agreed to.

On motion of Cox, the House proceeded to consider the apportionment bill, by a vote of 143 to 93.

Cox gave notice that he would call the previous question on Saturday, at 12 o'clock.

Finley and Rothwell favored the bill of the majority of the committee on census, and after a short discussion the matter went over for the present.

Hubbell reported back the pension appropriation bill with the Senate amendments, recommending concurrence in some and concurrence in others. Report agreed to.

The Speaker laid before the House a message from the President transmitting the report of the Secretary of State in relation to the resolution addressed to him by the House on the 31st of January, on the subject of international action for the restoration of silver to full use as money. The President finds the prospect of an international conference on that project would bring valuable results to the interests of this country, inasmuch that he recommends to the immediate attention of Congress the propriety of an appropriation providing for a proper representation of this government at such conference. The message was received.

The House then, recesses, the coming days, adjourned.

AMERICAN.

WASHINGTON.

Appropriations Suggested.

WASHINGTON, 17.—For the lighthouse on Standard Island, Lake Michigan, $7,000; salaries and expenses incident to light-house establishments, $1,899,000; to be expended under direction of Commissioner Fish, $121,000; for the construction of a steamer for the prosecution of and the investigation of the Commissioner of Fisheries, $103,000; Rock Island arsenal, $221,000; care and repairs of the Executive Mansion, and lighting the same, $42,500; to continue the construction of a new building for the War, Navy and State Departments, $450,000; signal service, $370,000; National cemeteries, $100,000; military telegraph lines, $75,000; purchase of the private papers of Confederate Generals Bragg and Polk, relating to the late war, $20,000; expenses of the Mississippi river commission and continuation of surveys of the river, $150,000; naval stations, $350,000; carrying out the various acts creating a National Board of Health, $75,000, provided $25,000 of the appropriation made by the act of June 2, 1879, should be applied to the same purpose, and no money shall be expended for the above purpose on account of any appropriations heretofore made, or by virtue of any previous laws. For aid to local quarantine stations and for aid to local and State boards of health, $100,000, provided $50,000 of the appropriation made by the act of June 2, 1879, shall be applied to the same purpose; and no money shall be expended for the above service for the year 1881 other than that specifically appropriated by the act approved June 16, 1880. Total amount appropriated, $19,991,205.

As a result of Secretary Evarts' interview with the appropriation committee the following paragraph was inserted in the sundry civil bill: For commissioners not exceeding three in number, to represent the United States at a conference to be called to adopt common rates between gold and silver for the purpose of establishing internationally the use of bi-metallic money, and securing a fixity of the relative value between those metals, of $5,000 each with reasonable expenses, to be approved by the Secretary of State, and for the Secretary to give each Commissioner $3,000, the amount necessary to pay such compensation and expenses to be immediately available out of any money in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated.

Capital Notes.

The President, to-day, withdrew the nomination of Forster, for United States District attorney, of New York City. It is said E. P. Shepherd, Conkling's man, will be nominated. This, it is said, will weaken the opposition to Stanley Matthews, and improve his chances of confirmation. It is said the administration will discontinue its attacks on Conkling.

The sundry civil bill, sent to the printer by the committee, provides for the participation of the United States in the International Monetary Conference, and $950,000 for the completion of the national census; $2,357,000 for the United States courts, salaries, fees, prisoners, etc.; $1,700,000 for public printing.

The Senate committee on appropriations decided to report an amendment to legislation upon the bill for the purpose of simplifying and clearing up as soon as possible the vast accumulation of unsettled pension cases.

Senator Eaton, chairman of the foreign relations committee, to-day, emphatically denied the published statement that he had concluded not to call up the Chinese treaties for action by the Senate this session. He says, on the contrary, that he is confident it will be ratified within the next ten days.

Commissioner John F. Swift arrived here this afternoon. The main object of his visit is to promote the ratification of the treaties, and with this object in view he spent some time on the floor of the Senate during to-night's session conversing with various Senators.

General Miller visited the Capitol to-day. He was warmly greeted by many old friends in both Houses, and afterwards was introduced to others of his future associates in Congress by various members of the California delegation. Representative Page went with him to the Senate Chamber and showed him the seat selected for his occupancy on the 4th of March. It is at the extreme left of the back row, on the republican side, next to the one now occupied by Senator Blaine.

IMMACULATE BROOKLYN.

Much Agitated Over Utah Polygamy.

NEW YORK, 17.—The Ladies' Anti-Polygamy Society, of Brooklyn, had a meeting this afternoon. Mrs. Imogene Fales presided. Many prominent ladies of Brooklyn were present. The message of the Governor of Idaho, on the subject of polygamy, was read by the secretary, Mrs. Bradshaw, and favorably commented on. The Society will place itself in communication with the principal cities, with a view to forming auxiliary societies. A committee was appointed to confer with Congressmen elect Bliss and Smith, and interest them in the work which the Society proposes to do. Printed petitions against polygamy will be sent to the temperance and women's prayer meetings for signatures. The clergymen of Brooklyn will be requested to read notices relative to the next meeting of the Society from their pulpits on Sunday. A letter from the Rev. Dr. Ingersoll, of Brooklyn, was read, in which he states he will give the movement his hearty co-operation. Letters were also read from New York ladies expressing sympathy with the work.

A Second John Law.

The *Post* says: It is reported that the chief organizer of the Oregon navigation system recently gave notices to his followers, who, under his lead, have in the last two years made fortunes, that he wanted a fund of $8,000,000 to be used for a purpose which he would disclose later. That in response to this notice he received offers of $16,000,000, but all he wanted was only $8,000,000. Moreover that his receipts on certificates of acceptance of subscriptions have since sold at 40 per cent. premium.

We say that this is reported; it was told us by a reputable banker, and parts of the tale read like a chapter from a leaf of John Law. We now hear, but not on the same authority, that the purpose for which the funds were wanted is to secure control of the Northern Pacific railroad. The scheme beginning to pan out, and the Oregon navigation company practically bring about a union of interests with that company and the Oregon Navigation Company. We have been unable to confirm this, but if it is true it affords explanation for the large rise in Northern Pacific common stock and the advance to-day in shares.

The Telegraph Suit.

In the matter of the suit of Wm. S. Williams to prevent the Western Union consolidation, his attorneys, this morning, made argument on the motion for a perpetual injunction. The Telegraph Company's counsel argued the only grounds alleged for the injunction were a conspiracy between the directors and somebody whom the plaintiffs do not know and that the Western Union proposed to pay what they considered an exorbitant price for the Atlantic & Pacific and American Union stock.

Counsel defined the allegations and submitted the affidavit of August Schell, D. Morgan, Jos. A. Barker, Wilson G. Hunt, John Van Hornes, J. Pierrepont Morgan, E. S. Sanford, Cornelius Vanderbilt, Wm. H. Vanderbilt and others denying that there has been any unlawful combination.

Chinese Going Home.

On the steamer from Havana which arrived to-day, were 21 Chinamen. These coolies are on the way back to China, and left for San Francisco this evening *via* the Erie Railway. They had completed eight years of service contracting. They are paid $8 a month, and out of this they saved $700 to take home with them. Many of them after going back to China return to Cuba and become merchants. The fare for Chinamen either way between New York and Havana is $20.

Another Gould Purchase.

The *Times* says: The New Jersey Central change noticed to-day, is for the purpose of providing an Eastern outlet for Gould's Wabash Pacific system. This connection will give Gould the control of the coal business and furnish him a trans-Atlantic system of roads having two termini in this city, independent of the New York Central and Erie.

Stock Suit.

The *Evening Post* learns that early this week a membership of the New York Stock Exchange was sold for $31,000, and the buyer had to pay in addition $1,000 to the Stock Exchange. There are 1,100 memberships at $31,000 each. The present value of its total membership is $34,100,000. Five years ago it was difficult to sell a membership for $5,000.

Mongolian Citizenship.

CHICAGO, 17.—A movement is on foot to naturalize the Chinamen now in Chicago, and two of the Celestials put in an appearance at the County Court this afternoon for that purpose. About half a dozen have signified their intention to become citizens, and it is probable that many more will follow their example.

Three Celestials desirous of becoming bona fide American citizens, yesterday applied to John Stephens, clerk of the Criminal Court, for naturalization papers. Wong Ching Foo, a naturalized Chinaman, acted as interpreter and explained the case fully. Moy Hong Kee, one of the trio, had only been in the country a few months and made application for and was granted his first papers. He placed upon the docket a pen and ink sky rocket as his signature, and said a man well versed in the Chinese language would call it Moy Hong Kee, Moy Gee and Moy Sam. The other two have been in the country for 10 years, having come here when but 16 years old, and if ever entitled to full naturalization papers they should be now. But Judge Moran, after examination of the applicants, took the matter under advisement. A Judge of the Circuit Court of San Francisco and a Judge in New York have both decided Chinamen cannot become full citizens of the United States. The question has never came before the Supreme Court, and it is one of the unsettled questions in the great Chinese question. Judge Moran did not care to express an opinion upon what other judges had disagreed upon without a careful consideration of the whole subject. He was not sure, moreover, but that the provisions of the new Chinese treaty would prevent Mongolian citizenship.

More Snow.

Since early this evening nearly five inches of snow has fallen and is still coming at the rate of an inch or two an hour. It is compact and lies where it falls, and will prove great hindrance to railroad and foot travel, coming as it does upon other heavy snows which have covered the ground almost without interruption since the middle of November. This heavy fall is quite remarkable. The air is cool and crisp with no signs of a thaw.

A Rich Man's Money.

NORTHAMPTON, Mass., 17.—Judge Charles E. Fobes, just dead, in his will, after leaving his half brother and sister each $1,000 annuities, gives in trust to the town of Northampton $220,000 and as much as the estate warrants for a public library; $50,000 for building income, $20,000 for maintenance and income, $50,000 for books. No minister of religion is to have anything to do with the management of the institution. In case they fail to accept the conditions, the $220,000 goes to the Harvard College to establish a professorship of advanced scientific research.

Sangerfest.

DES MOINES, 17.—Manager W. W. Moore, of the Opera House, is making arrangements for a grand State musical festival here in September or October, to be conducted by P. S. Gilmore, with his orchestra of 100 pieces. The Kellogg-Cary company, Josiffy, Wilhelmj and Levy will be among the solo talent. A chorus of 1,000 or 1,500 will be provided from the different choral organizations of the State. A building capable of seating 10,000 people, and a stage for 1,500 or 2,000 singers is to be erected.

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

Gen. Hancock will be at the inauguration.

The French press bill passed the Chamber of Deputies, 428 to 6.

The Spanish treasury is said to show a deficit of 300,000,000 pesetas.

Parnell, O'Kelly, Brennan and Sexton arrived in London last night.

The Albanian League has offered the Porte 25,000 men in the event of war.

The Orange Free State Boers have formed a league to oppose the British.

The telegraph wire has been cut between Newcastle and Ladysmith, South Africa.

The Worlds' Fair Commissioners have agreed to subscribe $1,000,000, if necessary.

The Boston, Lancaster and Charlestown cadets left for New Orleans yesterday.

A fire at Wheatly, Ark., destroyed the post office and several other buildings; loss $25,000.

The snow blockade on the Kansas Pacific and Santa Fe roads has ended. Delayed trains are all through.

The prohibition amendment to the Iowa constitution lacked one vote in the Senate of a two-third majority.

Jay Gould and Sidney Dillon were elected directors of the New Jersey Central, vice Knight and Clark resigned.

Chief Douglass passed through Pueblo, Sunday night, strongly guarded, *en route* to the Los Pinos Agency.

The Reichstag elected Von Gossler, conservative, president, vice Count Von Arnim Bortzenburg, who declined.

Italy will participate in the International monetary convention, and Premier Coratcos entertains a belief in its success.

The Treasury Department purchased 112,000 ounces of fine silver for delivery at the San Francisco mint yesterday.

Fred. Sunther, an old citizen in the wholesale hat and fur trade, Milwaukee, has failed. Liabilities $75,000; assets $58,000.

The proposed constitutional amendment to prohibit the sale of intoxicants was defeated in the West Virginia Senate yesterday.

The caboose of a freight train on the Wabash, jumped the track in Mo., took fire and four passengers were killed and 20 others slightly hurt.

Gen. Sherman, grand marshal of the inaugural ceremony, has issued a circular detailing a programme to be observed by the military escort.

The New York *Post* says: Howell retires from the *Atlantic Monthly* and gets the appointment as United States minister at the Swiss confederation.

A gentleman from Transvaal says the reason of the success of the Boers is that they are the best marksmen in the world, from long practice.

The regular republican caucus at Harrisburg, accepted the provision for a joint committee of 12 to select a candidate for Senator, subject to the approval of each body.

The Valley bank of Kansas City closed this morning. The institution has been unsafe a long time, consequently there is no excitement. Liabilities $275,000; assets $20,000.

Two negroes turned States evidence at Springfield, Tenn., against the other five, in the Laprade murder case. They state there were 10 in the party, and the murder was for money.

Superintendent Walling, of New York, says he would take action so far as warranted by law, to break up gambling houses, provided the Society for the prevention of crime furnishes the money.

In the House of Commons, Gladstone gave notice that unless the committee on the protective bill closed to-night, he would move to-morrow that the chairman shall report the bill before midnight.

In the House of Commons the Postmaster General simply replied no to the question whether warrants authorizing him to open letters in transit would be presented to the House. His answer was greeted with prolonged cheers.

Correspondence.

Lodi,
Montgomery County,
Mississippi,
Feb. 8, 1881.

Editor Deseret News:

There is quite an extensive field for missionaries in this State, as the greatest portion has not been visited by any of our elders for many years, and a Mormon elder seems to cause a feeling of curiosity to enter into the minds of the people, who have never seen nor heard the principles of our doctrines explained. A great many seem to be disappointed when they have heard the articles of our faith and doctrine explained; they seem to teach something else than Bible doctrines.

The minds of the people generally are so prejudiced against us by the untruthful stories that are set afloat by our enemies, that they are almost afraid to investigate for themselves, into the principles of the gospel of Christ.

And as their reverend divines have got such a hold on the minds of the people, it seems hard to break loose from their grasp. But still one, once in a while, will break the bands of prejudice, and investigate for themselves, the truth of God's work, and when they begin to search the Scriptures for themselves they will generally come forward and obey the gospel.

We have had some true friends to us in this State, who do all in their power to accommodate us, and those interested in the spreading of the truth. We have got good fields opened up to us in Springport, Panola County, and Lodi, Montgomery County, and Brothers Price and Hanks, are trying all they can to open up a place in Corona, Union County, and Dallas, Pontotoc County. They have held four meetings in Corona, and are beginning to have opposition. We claim as a good omen that some are investigating principles of the gospel, for when some begin to hunt after truth, the devil begins to exert his power against them.

Brother E. W. McBride, who arrived in this State from Utah on Jan. 30th, 1881, commenced with a will and a determination to combat error. He and I are laboring together. We held a meeting at Mounds Vista, Sumner County, last Sunday, Feb. 6th, the first held there, and gave out an appointment for another meeting on Sunday, Feb. 20th, at the same place. The brethren in this State are all well.

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