

ANTIS WILL FIGHT.

The Contest on Silver Likely To Be Interesting.

TRACY'S PRELIMINARY SKIRMISH.

He Tries His Hand at Obstruction with Considerable Success—The Opposition Claiming a Majority in the House—Bland Push-Pools Any Antagonism Between the Silver Men and Tariff Reformers—Alliance Men and Grangers Have a Whack at Future Dealing—National Capital Cleanings.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—Until Catechings returns from Boston, probably tomorrow, the advocates of the Bland free coinage bill will not present their petition, asking the committee on rules, of which Catechings is a member, to bring in an order setting apart time for the consideration of the bill. The dozen copies of the petitions that are being circulated have appended to them nearly the desired number of names—a majority of Democratic members—and there will not be much trouble in securing the few more signatures needed. When the signatures desired before the committee will be laid before the committee on rules, which is expected to take speedy action on it. There has been some talk of calling a caucus of Democratic members on the silver bill, but there is a decided disposition against this, and it will probably not be had. A number of members have expressed a belief that the bill be taken up by the house next week.

Only To Be Filibustering.

But when it is taken up there is a great probability that "Gen. Filibuster" will be in command of the opposition forces, and if this is the case there are enough opponents of the bill to make matters exceedingly interesting. It is not clear, however, what events may be on the house yesterday, when Tracy of New York kept the clerks busy calling the roll, his object being to stave off any attempt to get up the silver bill as long as possible. Right after the morning hour the house got together for the first time, when the parliamentary discussion as to what business to take up for the rest of the day. Motions to proceed to unfinished business and counter motions prevailed—the unfinished business being a motion pending lay on the table. The motion was rejected, whereupon the resolution was indefinitely postponed authorizing the secretary of the navy to transport contributions for the relief of the suffering of Russia.

Where Tracy Got in His Work.

This little parliamentary tangle was Tracy's opportunity. He moved to take a recess for an hour; lost—4 to 167. He then demanded the yeas and nays on his motion; lost—0 to 195. The silver bill is now on the house calendar. There are only two measures on the calendar as unfinished business—motions to reconsider the reconsidering of the vote to indefinitely postpone the resolution regarding the transportation of contributions to Russia, and the motion for the third reading of the bill for the relief of Agulla Jones. These being disposed of the silver bill could be considered for two hours in two days, when it would become unfinished business. So Tracy's idea was to keep the house busy with dilatory motions as long as possible. As he succeeded alone yesterday in preventing any business after the morning hour, excepting the motions to reconsider, he considered the Russian relief postponement, it may be seen what can be done with a determined and sizable minority at his back.

Strength of the Opposition.

Anti-silver men had twenty-nine Democratic votes and seventy-seven Republican votes, making a total of 106, or a majority of six in the house, counting the speaker as voting with the minority. This majority will be swelled to twenty or thirty if conservative southern and western Democrats who are opposed to forcing the silver issue vote according to their convictions. If it is even forty or fifty votes short, the minority will be so large that, as stated above, "General Filibuster" can make things exceedingly interesting.

The Silver and Tariff Bills.

Speaking of the report that a conflict was imminent between the silver men and tariff reform advocates over the question of precedence for the consideration of measures upon these subjects by the house, Bland said yesterday that it was nonsense. "There is not a free coinage Democrat in the house," said he, "who is not an advocate of tariff reform. The best tariff reformers in the house are for free coinage. The only thing that has led some of us to think that perhaps the silver bill should be taken up first is that it should be got out of the way to clear the deck for tariff. No one wants to supplant tariff with silver as an issue. By the attention given to it, the time taken in consideration of the bills and in debate and in every way the tariff question will be kept to the front and be given supreme importance."

Dined the Supreme Court.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—President and Mrs. Harrison gave a dinner last night at the White House in honor of the supreme court. The following guests were present: The chief justice and Mrs. Fuller, Justice and Mrs. Field, Justice and Mrs. Harlan, Justice and Mrs. Gray, Justice Blatchford, Justice and Mrs. Brewer, Justice and Mrs. Brown, ex-Justice Strong, Attorney General and Mrs. Miller, several senators and their wives, including Teller and Vilas, Representative Burrows and wife, John W. Foster and wife, and others.

HEARD FROM THE ALLIANCE.

Dr. Macune Tells Hatch's Committee About "Futures."

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—Dr. C. W. Macune, national lecturer of the Farmer's Alliance, made argument yesterday before the house committee on agriculture in favor of the Hatch anti-option bill. Macune told the committee that by the system of dealing in futures the consumer was "horned off" the market, the legal capitalist was frightened off, and the producer was cheated. The bill, he said, would not interfere with the legitimate future dealer, but it would interfere with the future dealer who manipulated the market. He believed that the intention of the future system was to keep spot sales as low as possible. It was absurd, he said, to claim that the producer did not pay a tax on futures.

Producer to Regulate Price.

In answer to Moses of Georgia, Macune said, he did not know whether the price of cotton was regulated in Liverpool, or in New York. He believed, however, that when Liverpool wanted cotton the market

was contained to New York and when it did not want cotton New York was obliged to conform to Liverpool. Macune held that the producer should regulate the price of a commodity. He believed that the influence of the future business caused the low prices this year. J. H. Brigham, lecturer of the National Grange, favored the bill in the name of that organization. The farmer, he said, asked for no favors from the national congress. They simply believed that no man had any right to sell their productions before they were grown. Brigham condemned future dealing, holding that it was something that was not necessary.

The Fellow He Wants to Hamstring.

On account of the failure in crops in Europe this year, ever by thought, he said, that the American farmer would get a good price for his crops, but he did not because the speculator had already secured his crop.

"Plainly, gentlemen," said Brigham, "we want to hamstring the fellow who wants to sell what he has not got." Brigham said in conclusion that nineteen-twentieths of the people of the country were behind the measure.

Mr. Roan, of the National Grange, made a point of argument against the bill. He said that what the farmers objected to was the sale of products not owned by the seller, and which controlled the price of the farmers' products. The increase of population, he said, had been greater than that of wheat.

Congress in Brief.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—The senate yesterday indefinitely postponed the proposition to provide an income tax to pay pensions, etc. The ground of postponement was that it was a revenue bill, which must originate in the house. Sherman's credentials for a sixth term were filed. The treasury asked for \$385,000 for printing, the appropriation having been exhausted. A deficiency bill of \$308,000, partly for the census bureau was passed. The Ohio-Cincinnati contest was then debated until adjournment.

Protection for Miners.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—The president sent a message to congress yesterday calling attention to the fact that the last congress passed an act for the protection of the lives of miners in the coal fields of the territories, which was approved on the 31 day of March, 1891, and that no appropriation was made to enable him to carry the act into effect from the fact that it was passed so late in the session. The president urges that the necessary appropriation be made immediately, and calls attention to the recent frightful disaster at Krebs, in Indian Territory, in which sixty-seven miners met a horrible death.

Will Not Import the Mongoose.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—The agricultural department is overwhelmed with inquiries and protests in regard to the alleged proposed importation of the mongoose, a determined enemy of rats, gophers and other vermin. Secretary Rusk authorizes the statement that no such importation was ever contemplated. The mammalogist of the department declares that such an importation would be highly objectionable owing to the mongoose's predatory habits, which are by means confined to the field pests indicated.

Clover's National Bank Bill.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—Clover of Kansas introduced a bill in the house yesterday, the principal features of which are that the banks must apply for currency to the full amount of 90 per cent. of their bonds, and are prohibited from retiring any portion of their circulation, but may surrender their charters and retire their notes, and whenever a bank retires its circulation the secretary of the treasury is directed to issue a like amount of United States notes for the ones received.

Behring Sea Agents Cannot Agree.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—A treasury official is authority for the statement that the agents considering Behring sea seal matters have made but little progress, and from present indications their labors will not result in an agreement as to the facts to be submitted to arbitration. The disagreement is as to whether the scarcity of seals is due to the killing under contract at the rookeries, or to pelagic killing, the United States holding to the latter view.

Big Wool Clip for Argentina.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—The bureau of the American republics is informed that the general opinion in the Argentine Republic is that the wool clip this season will reach 400,000 bales, valued at \$40,000,000, which is beyond question the greatest wool clip ever known in that country.

Nominated to Foreign Posts.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—The president yesterday nominated Samuel H. Byers, of Iowa, to be consul general at St. Gall, and H. R. Newberry, of Michigan, to be secretary of the legation at Constantinople. The senate confirmed Byers.

Wants the Commerce Law Repealed.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—Congressman Morrell, of Massachusetts, yesterday introduced in the house a bill to repeal the interstate commerce law, and it was referred to the committee on commerce.

Pension Payments for February.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—Payments on account of pensions so far this month have amounted to \$8,011,000.

Found a Capsized Yacht.

NAPLES, Fla., Feb. 17.—The schooner New Venice, of Key West, towed to Naples dock the yacht Rose Scarborough, of Brunswick, Ga., which the schooner came across, capsized, five miles out from Matco Inlet Saturday morning. The yacht was schooner-rigged, and evidently was being overtaken by the gale Friday night. Five or six shallop and a lot of small baggage were found on board. But nothing has been heard of any of those on the yacht, either at Matco or between that point and here, and it is thought that all on board were lost.

Scrutinize Titles to Georgia Land.

ATLANTA, Feb. 17.—Inquiries coming to the secretary of State from New York, Pennsylvania, and the states of the north-west develop the fact that a large number of bogus titles to land in Montgomery county, Ga., are being offered for sale by sharpers.

POLITICAL NOTES.

City Elections in Pennsylvania and New York.

SENATOR PUGH DECLARES FOR HILL

His Ticket Is the New York Leader and Gov. Gray, of Indiana — Gov. Boyd Banqueted by Nebraska Democrats at Omaha—Still No Prospect for Peace in Louisiana—Holes Indorsed by the Modoc Club—Minnesota To Be Sold to Cleveland.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Feb. 17.—The Republicans and Democrats each elected three members of select council yesterday. Of nine members of common council elected five are Republican and four Democrats. The Republicans will have one majority in select and two majority in common council. The Democrats have a majority of one in the present select council and the Republicans have control of common council.

Republicans Carry Pittsburg.

PITTSBURG, Feb. 17.—The election of councilmen and ward officers yesterday passed off quietly. There were a few very sharp contests between the "Citizens" ticket, the regular Republican and Democratic tickets, but the result largely favors the candidates on the Republican ticket. Both branches of the city council remain largely Republican.

Resulted in Surprises.

YORK, Pa., Feb. 17.—Election in the city here yesterday resulted in some surprises in several wards. In the Fourth ward, which is strongly Democratic, Common Councilman James E. Gavin was defeated by Charles Alexander, Republican, 187 to 184. Select council will be one Democrat majority, and common council 12 to 9, with a tie in the Sixth ward.

Elected a Democrat Mayor.

CARLEISLE, Pa., Feb. 17.—E. J. Arney, Democrat, was yesterday elected mayor of this city by 300 majority. The entire Democratic city ticket was elected. The council will be a tie—six Republicans and six Democrats.

Two Democrats in the Field.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Feb. 17.—The city election held here yesterday resulted in the election of F. M. Nichols, Republican, as mayor. There were four candidates in the field, two of whom were Democrats.

Clean Sweep for Republicans.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Feb. 17.—The charter elections yesterday resulted in a clean sweep for the Republicans. Amos was elected mayor by over 1,000 plurality.

POLITICAL MISCELLANY.

Senator Pugh Says a Good Word for

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—Senator James D. Pugh has written a letter to the David B. Hill club, of Kansas county, Ala., on the presidential situation. He says that Senator Hill is a self-made man, who has been in full view of the people during his entire career, and has had uninterrupted success in all his aspirations. All elections in New York, a doubtful state, have been his contests, and Hill has never been defeated as a candidate. No man in history has been subjected to severer scrutiny and attack by a more powerful and marvelous adversary than David B. Hill. The senator closes by making the prediction that David B. Hill will be carried to the national Democratic convention by delegates for his nomination from New York, New Jersey, Connecticut and Indiana, and with this support he will be nominated, with Gray of Indiana, as vice president. He says this ticket will be invincible.

A Banquet to Gov. Boyd.

OMAHA, Feb. 17.—The Democracy of the state last night gave a banquet in honor of Governor Boyd's restoration to office. About 300 guests were present, the governor occupying the seat of honor. Speaking began at 10 p. m., and lasted until the "vee sma' hours." The governor, who spoke to "Citizenship," was loudly cheered when he rose, the speech was a review of his case and a condemnation of the supreme court, and Thayer, Governor Boies, of Iowa, was introduced as the "rising statesman of the west, and a future president." He spoke to "The Iowa Democracy and Its Future."

Indorsed Boies for President.

KEOKUK, Ia., Feb. 17.—At an enthusiastic meeting of the Modoc Democratic club here last night resolutions were passed indorsing Governor Boies for the presidency and heartily urging upon Iowa delegates in the national convention the presentation of his name. This is the original Modoc club, an offshoot of which a few days ago passed resolutions indorsing David B. Hill, of New York.

Will Probably Send Cleveland Men.

ST. PAUL, Feb. 17.—The Democratic state central committee met here yesterday and named St. Paul as the place and March 31 as the date for the convention to name delegates to Chicago. All the committee present except two announced themselves in favor of Cleveland, and the state will doubtless send a solid Cleveland delegation, with Boies as second choice.

The Trouble in Louisiana.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 17.—The Foster-Farmers' Alliance state central committee met last night and discussed the proposition made by the McEnery faction to withdraw both tickets and select a new ticket by white primaries. A conference committee was appointed to meet a McEnery conference committee, but it is believed that nothing will be accomplished.

Hill's Success in New York.

ALBANY, Feb. 17.—The record now stands: Hill, 141 delegates; Cleveland, 3. There were six conventions yesterday. Those in Washington, Ulster, Saratoga, Oswego, Niagara and Schoharie all elected delegations in favor of the senator.

Most Vacate Dirty Tenements.

BOSTON, Feb. 17.—The Boston board of health will serve notice to nearly 200 families to move from dirty and unhealthy tenements in various parts of the city. This move has been contemplated for weeks. The health inspectors have long been trying unsuccessfully to induce the owners of these houses to put them in order.

The Grip No Longer Epidemic.

LONDON, Feb. 17.—The return of the registrar general of vital statistics made public last night, furnishes reason for the belief that the influenza has ceased to be epidemic in England.

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New house and one lot on James street; a bargain; at only \$1,000.

Choice building lots, 125 feet frontage, on Chicago street. \$750, if sold soon.

New one story house 20x24, 5 rooms. one lot near Danish church \$1,000.

Two story house, 8 rooms on South st., near C. & A. R. R., \$3,000.

Fine business property on Franklin street, \$4,500.

One choice business or residence lot on Franklin st., near club house, only \$900.

One lot on West Mazon Ave., only \$900.

Large new dwelling and two lots 100x225 one block from depot. Possession given May 1st \$4,000.

Six lots on corner of North and Washington streets. A bargain. Call and investigate.

Two story house and one lot on corner South and Washington streets, only \$2,700.

Three lots on East Mazon Ave., southeast front; the finest location in the city, only \$2,000.

One story house and large barn, only one-half block from business center, lot 50x225 feet, only \$2,500.

25 feet on Mazon Ave.; good business property, \$2,500.

1-story cottage and two lots on Mazon Ave. A great bargain at \$1,000.

1-story house and lot on Mazon Ave., near business center. Cheap \$1,300.

1-story house and lot on Chippewa street near business center, only \$2,200.

Choice building lots in southeast part of city from \$175 to \$225 per lot 50x175 ft.

A good building location for a family residence or boarding house; 75x175 feet on South street, \$600.

Modern dwelling house and new improvements with fine shade trees, two blocks from water works on East Chippewa street, only \$3,500.

Two corner lots on East Chippewa, only \$500 each. Largest lots in city, 50x225 feet.

A new two story dwelling house with lot 60x150 on East Mazon Avenue. A great bargain, \$2,500.

A good 1 1/2 story house with two lots on corner of Waupese and Washington streets. Cheap, \$2,600.

A desirable corner dwelling house with three lots, must be sold immediately, \$3,000.

Good business lot on Mazon Avenue 50x150, \$800.

Good 1 1/2 story dwelling house with .70 lots; excellent location on Seminole street, \$3,500.

Sheldon tile factory and eight acres of fine clay ground. Good paying property; call and investigate.

Block of 14 lots in southeast part of city, only \$2,100.

One story house, one lot, on West Mazon avenue, only \$1,000.

Fine building lot 110x150 ft. on West Mazon only \$600.

4 lots 50x150 feet on William street, sold separately @ \$200 each.

Beautiful corner on West Mazon Ave., 110x150 feet, \$1,000.

Business location on Mazon Ave, 100 feet frontage or less, \$25 per front foot.

One story house, one lot on Chippewa street near business center, \$2,500.

Six beautiful lots, two houses, west part of town, \$3,500.

New house and lot near Franklin street, \$3,000.

Block of 18 lots in southwest part of city; only \$3,500. Good chance for speculation.

1 lot on West Seminole, fine location for building, only \$500.

Modern house and two lots, East Mazon avenue, \$4,500.

One and one-half story dwelling house with one lot conveniently located, with in one block of business center. Possession given in thirty days, \$2,500.

One and one-half story house, barn, good well and cistern, five lots northwest part of Dwight, \$1,500.

Two elegant residences for sale to someone wanting fine homes. Good for hotel or boarding house.

Two lot and dwelling house on corner of Clinton and Williams. Possession given in thirty days \$1,000.

FARM PROPERTY.

160 acres, tilled, good improvements, 7 miles south of Dwight. Cheap, \$9,600.

135 acres 2 1/2 miles west of Dwight, well watered and tilled, \$70 per acre.

240 acre farm 2 miles north of Gardner; good stock farm, living water and vein of coal. This is a great bargain at \$50 per acre.

One story building twenty by eighty, with barn and other outbuildings and fifty feet frontage, good well, in Campus, Ill., \$1,200.

Modern dwelling, two blocks from business center. One of the finest homes in the city, only \$5,500.

100 acres tilled farm 9 miles southeast of Dwight, only \$90 per acre.

One hundred and sixty acres four miles northeast of Campus, partly tilled, good well, well fenced, 2 story house and large barn, 11 foot vein of coal; cheap for sixty-seven dollars and fifty cents per acre.

One hundred and sixty acres, very fine farm, six hundred rods tile, new house, other good improvements, 3 miles north west of Campus, \$65 per acre; cheap.

One hundred and sixty acres, four miles north west of Campus, sixty-two dollars and fifty cents per acre. Drilled well, plenty of water.

155 acres within 5 miles southeast of Dwight, eleven thousand dollars. Well improved.

One hundred and sixty acres two miles southwest of Reddick, well improved. Cheap at \$55 per acre.

78 acres in Houghton township, thoroughly tilled, \$56 per acre.

Eighty acres near Essex, all in grass, \$42 per acre.

Eighty acres two miles from Reddick, well improved, \$75 per acre, tilled.

Eighty acres two miles west of Campus, well improved, sixty-two dollars and fifty cents per acre.

One hundred and sixty acres twelve miles south of Dwight, Sullivan township, fifty-seven dollars and fifty cents per acre. All new buildings.

Three hundred and twenty acres, a farm one mile north of Campus, \$53 per acre. Terms to suit.

A farm of 136 2/3 acres, six miles southeast of Dwight, four miles west of Campus, well improved, excellent land, well watered and tilled, eight thousand five hundred dollars.

Eighty acres four miles west of Campus, three thousand six hundred dollars.

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