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THE TELEPHONE BUSINESS.

We publish an article this morning headed "Telephone Tyranny," which will be interesting reading to all those who are interested in the subject.

It shows how enormous have been the profits of the original telephone company, which have been brought into prominence by the discussion of the Pan-Atlantic exposures in the newspapers.

In this connection we publish the decision of Mr. Lamar in the matter of the application made to the Department of Justice to have a suit brought to annul the Bell telephone patent, which application was referred to the Interior Department for preliminary inquiry.

Mr. Lamar, the Secretary of the Interior, promulgated the result of his deliberations, which he summarizes as follows:

"The grounds of invalidity alleged against the Bell telephone patent may be substantially summarized thus:

"First.—The patent was secured by the fraud of the patentee through the collusion or mistake of the officers of the Patent Office, and in violation of the rights of a caveator named Eli Shagra.

ASHEVILLE.

Col. Connally Goes to Spain to Attend a Sick Wife—An Assignment.

ASHEVILLE, February, 11.—Col. John K. Connally, of this city, late of the 55th Regiment, North Carolina Troops in the late war, left here yesterday for New York, from which point he will sail immediately for Madrid, Spain, having been summoned by a cablegram announcing the illness of his wife, who accompanied her sister, the wife of Minister J. L. M. Curry, some weeks since.

J. J. Desmond, a leading confectioner and candy manufacturer, made an assignment here today. Liabilities unknown.

ENGLAND.

Police Recruits Engaged in London.

LONDON, Feb. 11.—Six hundred police recruits have been engaged by the government for service in London. The new men will go on duty at once, and while waiting for their uniforms, will wear plain clothes, with distinguishing badge on the left arm.

Socialist Murray, who carried the flag in Monday's procession, has been arrested. He will be tried on charge of inciting the mob at Hyde Park. The crown lawyers have advised the government that the conviction can probably be obtained of the Socialist leaders who took part in the mob proceedings of Monday. Conviction would entail a sentence of 2 years penal servitude. The mass meeting of the unemployed of the Southeastern part of London called to assemble in department ford tonight has been postponed until Saturday.

BIRMINGHAM, February 11.—The police profess to entertain fears that the socialists' meeting, is to be held here on Monday next, will be attended with rioting. They are taking all needful precautions. It is stated that Burns and Hyndman, London socialists, who managed the Trafalgar Square meeting on Monday last, will speak here Monday next. A number of unemployed workmen paraded here today.

MISSOURI.

Big Fire in St. Louis.

ST LOUIS, Feb. 12.—J. P. Mullaly's livery and sale stables was burned at an early hour this morning. The fire originated in the hay loft from some unknown cause and spread so rapidly that it was well under way before the fire department arrived. The employees of the establishment who were on the scene at the time turned their attention first to saving the horses, 65 in number, and had taken seven of them from the burning building when two policemen arrived and thinking that the employees were thieves clubbed them into insensibility and thus destroyed the only chance of saving the stock and the remaining 58 were burned to death.

Fourth of July Claims Bill Passed.

WASHINGTON, D. C., February 11.—The Senate yesterday passed without amendment, the House bill for payment of certain claims against the government for property taken and used by the army during the late war. The bill is known as the fourth of July claims bill.

Flags at Half Mast.

RALEIGH, N. C., February 11.—By order of Governor Seales, State and National flags are at half mast, in the capitol to remain until after the funeral of General Hancock. The National flag is displayed at half mast on the city hall and court house.

CONGRESS YESTERDAY.

MORGAN MAKES A SPEECH IN THE SENATE.

On the Education Bill—Promotion of West Point Cadets to be Regulated—Hancock Resolutions of the House—F. J. P. Under Discussion.

WASHINGTON, D. C., February 11.—SENATE.—In the Senate today after the disposal of the routine morning business Edmunds said as one of the important committees of the Senate had to go to New York today, and other important committees had considerable work to do, he believed the public business would be best served by the adjournment of the Senate from this afternoon till Monday. He therefore moved when the Senate adjourned today that it be until Monday. Agreed to.

Teller submitted an amendment to the Eustis resolution of inquiry regarding the refusal of the Assistant Treasurer at New Orleans to issue silver certificates in exchange for silver dollars. The amendment directs the committee on finance to inquire also into the loss of money alleged to have occurred in the New Orleans sub-treasury, and whether such loss occurred in connection with the exchange of silver certificates for silver coin. The amendment was ordered printed.

The Senate took up and passed, after some discussion, but without amendment, the bill to regulate the promotion of West Point cadets. The effect of the bill is that the graduates become a part of the army upon graduation. Even though no vacancies in the service may exist.

At two o'clock the education bill was laid before the Senate, and Morgan took the floor on it. The bill, Morgan said, was a bill to create offices and elaborate machinery of the Government. It was a bill to tax honest hard working men in order to educate the children of a drunken, loafing vagabond who would not work for his family. If from 60 million people in the United States, were to be deducted all the deadheads, dead-beats and non-producers, there would be about twenty million people left who would have to pay taxes to carry out the provisions of this bill.

The bill itself would be equivalent to a tax of \$3 per capita on those tax payers and by the time all the officers were appointed for the administration of this scheme of benevolence and all clerks appointed that would be necessary to investigate the accounts of 38 States and 10 Territories affected by the bill, it would be found that the tax per capita would be \$10 instead of \$3. If the United States Senators were men who plowed fields or worked smithies and paid taxes out of the sweat of their brow, Morgan would have more respect for them when voting away the money of one man to educate the children of another. The constitutional ground for the bill, Morgan continued, was said to be found in the general welfare clause of the preamble to the constitution. Such an application of that clause simply meant that you could pull down a man that got up by his own exertions, in order to put up a drunken loafer that would not exert himself. The best people in the United States, today, were those in the backwoods, in fear of God, and having respect for good order, and the morals of society, had brought up around their own foot stools and hearthstones, honest, sincere, diligent and faithful sons and daughters. Following this line of argument, Morgan spoke until 4:40 p. m., occasionally interrupted by Blair, Call and George. At that hour the Senate went into executive session and when the doors re-opened, adjourned till Monday.

House.—Blanchard, of Louisiana, offered the following series of resolutions:

Resolved, That this House has learned with profound sorrow of the great and irreparable loss which the country has sustained in the death of that great and good man, Major-General Winfield S. Hancock.

Resolved, That this House in common with all his countrymen mourn the death of him who was a stainless soldier for the union in war, and an undaunted defender of the Constitution and of civil liberty in peace, and at all times a stainless man and incorruptible patriot.

Resolved, That as a mark of respect and affection for the exalted virtues of this hero and patriot, this House do now adjourn.

Resolved, That the Speaker of the House be directed to transmit to the widow of the honored dead a copy of these resolutions and an assurance of the heartfelt sympathy of the House in the sorrowful bereavement which is alike her's and the country's.

The resolutions were adopted and accordingly at 12:10 the House adjourned.

Reed, of Maine, offered a resolution modifying the order making the Fitz John Porter bill the special order from to-day until next Thursday so as to provide that the bill shall not be considered until after the second morning hour on each day.

Randall endeavored to have the order further amended so that the previous question should be ordered on Tuesday instead of Thursday. But he was unsuccessful, and Reid's resolution was adopted.

Bingham, of Pennsylvania, asked leave to introduce a bill granting a pension, say \$2,000 per annum to the widow of General W.S. Hancock, but Black of New York objected.

case new. No bill could be introduced, who would not be recognized as an old acquaintance. He could, therefore, only lay down a few general propositions in support of his views. He contended that the commanding officer at a distance from his superior, must have some discretion in obeying the orders of that superior. The commander of an isolated corps, who could not have his command in destruction in obedience to the orders of his distant superior, would be properly branded as incompetent and unworthy. In his opinion Porter had fulfilled the military requirements of the situation, whatever the condition of the road at night had been. The condition of the road at night had been such that no experienced officer would have placed his force of 9,000 soldiers upon that road.

Street of Indiana, opposed the bill beginning with the question: "What is the thunder are we here for? Why are we discussing Fitz John Porter?" He said that it was admitted that Porter had not been disloyal to the country he had at last been disloyal to his country, and hence his conviction was deserved.

Bragg of Wisconsin defended Porter and supported the bill. The speeches of these three gentlemen consumed the day's session. At 4:45 p. in its committee arose and the House adjourned.

In the second morning hour, Adams, of Illinois, on behalf of the committee on banking and currency, called up the bill to enable the National Bank Association to increase their capital stocks and to change their names or locations. The bill was criticized by Beach, of New York, because of the excessive verbiage and by Anderson, of Kansas, Reagan, of Tex., and Weaver, of Ia., upon the general ground that it conferred increased power upon national banks. The bill was passed; yeas, 129; nays, 120.

Adams entered a motion to reconsider and to lay that motion on the table, but the morning hour having expired, final action was not taken. The House then at two o'clock went into the committee of the whole on the Fitz John Porter bill.

PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATIONS.

The President sent to the Senate the nominations of Stephen A. Walker United States Attorney for the southern district of New York, vice Dorschheimer; Berthold Greenbaum, consul at Apia, Samoa.

ASHEVILLE HOTELS.

Correction.—Everything Lovely for the Coming Summer.

ASHEVILLE, Feb. 10.—In the special to THE OBSERVER, sent from this place on the 8th, the printer or the telegraph made your correspondent speak of Warm Springs when he did not mean to do so. The fact is, the Warm Springs syndicate—made up of wealthy capitalists from the North—has purchased a tract of 140 acres of land near the depot in this city. On this location it is the purpose of the syndicate to erect immediately a large and modern style hotel.

As to the Warm Springs property it is being rapidly rebuilt. A large force of hands is at work there and has been since the first of last month. A winter resort for invalids is being built on the site of the old hotel, although the summer guests of the approaching season will be accommodated there. Its capacity will be some six hundred. The Warm Springs hotel for the summer visitors is to be located further back from the river and is to be an immense structure.

Col. Frank Cox, of your city, will have his elegant house open for the first days of the season. It will be one of the most beautifully located hotels in the South. The views which the verandas command are the most magnificent found in this section noted for its beauty of scenery.

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From John Kuhn, Lafayette, Ind., who announces that he is now in "perfect health," we have the following: "One year ago I was, to all appearance, in the last stages of Consumption. Our best physicians gave me up. I finally got so low that my doctor said I could not live twenty-four hours. My friends then purchased a bottle of Dr. W. HALL'S BALSAM FOR THE LUNGS, which benefited me. I continued until I took nine bottles. I am now in perfect health, having used no other medicine."

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One lot and a half lot, unimproved, on the corner of 5th and 11th streets. Price, \$600. One story frame store house 20x60 feet, lot at Sanford, Moore county, N. C. Price \$400.

Two story frame dwelling, four rooms, barn, stable, smoke house, good well, some fruit trees, about 1/2 acre of land, in Sanford, Moore Co., N. C. Price \$1,300.

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