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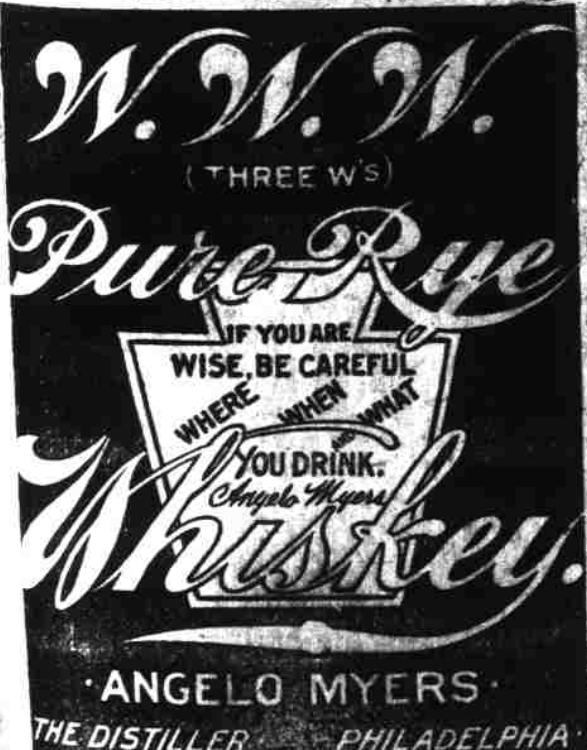
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## PEARSON WINS IN THE HOUSE

Sworn in Yesterday as a Member of the Fifty-Sixth Congress.

Notwithstanding Absence of Many Republicans.

The Vote That Decided the Contest Gave Him Two Majority.

Large Crowd Listened to Closing Arguments—Verdict Applauded.

GOVERNOR RUSSELL'S ATTACK ON MR. PEARSON PROVED A BOOMERANG AND BROUGHT SOME SHARP WORDS DOWN ON THE GOVERNOR.

Special to the Gazette.

Washington, May 10.—Southern republicanism was handsomely vindicated today when the house of representatives declared Richmond Pearson entitled to the seat from the Ninth North Carolina district, although it was an instance of the righteous being barely saved. Pearson's majority was but two, owing to the fact that many republicans were out of the city attending the Iowa and Illinois conventions.

The first vote on the substitute resolution resulted in a tie, owing to a clerical error in the count, which was not discovered for several minutes by official stenographers, and the excitement was intense. Many members rose from their seats and others went forward near the speaker's desk. The galleries were crowded. The result was warmly applauded when the final vote was announced.

Mr. Pearson made a convincing and eloquent speech, which doubtless had much effect on wavering members, if there were such. The eleventh hour contest proclamation of Governor Russell proved a boomerang under the treatment of Lianey and Grosvenor. The former said, among other things, that Russell was sore because the state convention did not, in endorsing the state administration, use Russell's name, while it did endorse Pearson. Grosvenor said, in effect, that Russell was trying to curry favor with the democrats who threatened to impeach him.

It was a splendid victory for Mr. Pearson and relieved an awkward and adverse situation. A number of Mr. Pearson's warmest supporters were unavoidably out of the city while the democratic attendance was large.

W. A. H.

Washington, May 10.—Before consideration of the Pearson-Crawford contested election case was resumed today the house adopted the following resolution, presented by the foreign affairs committee in lieu of the resolution introduced by Mr. Kahn, of California:

"Resolved, That the secretary of the treasury be requested to furnish the house, if not incompatible with public interest, the information in possession of the treasury in relation to the immigration of Japanese laborers during the last two years; what the probabilities are for such immigration for the ensuing year; what methods are taken to enforce the laws excluding contract laborers by the return of Japanese laborers, and the punishment of those

unlawfully making contracts for Japanese laborers."

The debate on the election contest was resumed and Pearson, the contestant, was given fifty minutes in which to address the house in his own behalf. A delegation from Charleston, S. C., appeared before the house committee on military affairs on behalf of the project to establish a branch soldiers' home in Charleston harbor, at or near Castle Pinckney and within sight of Fort Sumter, Fort Mifflin and other historic monuments.

The house today decided the contested election case of Pearson vs. Crawford by seating Pearson by a vote of 129 yeas to 127 nays. The vote was strictly on party lines, except that Jack (republican) voted in favor of Crawford.

The session of the senate today was devoted to a number of topics but most of the matters considered were not acted on. Among the most important of these was the Clark election case and the Philippines bill. The last named was set aside. The Clark case was postponed till Tuesday next.

## COTTON SPINNERS ASSOCIATION MEETS

President Says Should Favor Open Door Policy and Expansion.

Special to the Gazette.  
Charlotte, May 10.—The cotton spinners' convention was called to order by President J. H. McAdam at 10 o'clock this morning. Fully 500 men are in attendance. In his annual address the president said: "More than two and a half million spindles have been placed in the mills last year, and the export trade with China will exceed \$25,000,000. We should favor a vigorous policy on the part of the government in favor of an open door policy. We should hold the Philippines. We must exert ourselves to extend our trade with other countries."

Theodore C. Search, president of the National Manufacturing association of Philadelphia, then made an address on foreign markets for American cotton goods and how to develop them. He said this was an era of expansion and no progressive manufacturer would argue that no more mills should be built, but rather they should rear lest the market be too small to receive the output.

Arthur H. Lowe, former president of the New England Manufacturers' association, spoke on the production of finer cotton goods by American manufacturers. He said American designers are making as fine patterns as are found anywhere, but the cheap labor in foreign countries has made competition almost useless unless the manufacturer has a tariff to protect him. The meeting at night was of a general nature with an illustrated lecture.

D. H. L.

## THE HAVANA POSTAL FRAUDS.

Postmaster General Smith Orders an Investigation.

Washington, May 10.—Postmaster General Smith said today that it was the intention to have a most thorough and searching examination made of the conditions existing in the Cuban postal service. This investigation will be conducted independently of others working to the same end.

A deputy auditor of the postoffice department, with an expert bookkeeper and several other expert officials, will leave for Havana tomorrow.

It was stated by Chief Inspector Cochran today that the report that \$6,200 had been found on Neely's person was correct. Much interest was manifested in the news and there was considerable speculation as to the identity of those alleged to be implicated in postal frauds.

## CHARLOTTE SCHOOL PICNIC.

Special to the Gazette.  
Charlotte, N. C., May 10.—The graduating class of the graded school spent today out in the country on a big picnic. Prof. J. A. Bivins, the teacher, is in charge. The class has completed a ten years' course in the graded school and will receive diplomas next Friday week.

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## BRITISH OVER ZAND RIVER

The Crossing Effected Sooner Than the Most Sanguine Expected.

The Boers in Full Retreat From River Bank.

Pursued by the English Cavalry and Horse Artillery.

Will Stand be Made at Kroonstad Entrance to Transvaal?

EVIDENT UNTRUSTWORTHINESS

OF THE REPORTS REGARDING BOER MOVEMENTS AND INTENTIONS—BIG BATTLE PREDICTED AT THEBA N'CHU.

London, May 10.—The war office today received several despatches from Roberts. From Weigesele, May 9, he sent the following:

"Pole-Carew and divisions of Hamilton's column, heavy naval and royal garrison and Tucker's column are still advancing. Four brigades of cavalry are marching here today. The enemy is on the opposite bank of the Zand river. Their position will be ascertained tomorrow, when I hope to be able to force the passage of the river."

Roberts reports today as follows: "Cable cart headquarters at front. We are now across the Zand river. The enemy are still holding a strong position but we are gradually pushing them back."

The crossing of the Zand by the British appears to have been effected sooner than the most sanguine expected. The opposition the federals are offering shows that yesterday's report of the abandonment of their position was ill-founded. Roberts' advance force, consisting of 10,000 to 12,000 men, besides the infantry, artillery and naval contingent, appears sufficiently powerful to overwhelm any opposition the burghers can offer.

The war office also received the following from Roberts: "The enemy is in full retreat. They occupied a position twenty miles in length. Ours is necessarily longer. With the widely scattered force it will take some time to learn the casualties, but I am hopeful we have not suffered much. The cavalry and horse artillery are pursuing the Boers by three roads."

## COURSE OF THE BOER RETREAT.

London, May 11.—Nothing has been received amplifying Roberts' despatches, and it is therefore impossible to estimate the nature of the Boer defeat or the severity of the preceding action. Correspondents' despatches to May 9 all state that the burghers were maintaining a regular fighting covering the withdrawal of their convoys and that there was no indication of their rout or anything like a collapse of their resistance. Reports concerning the probability of the Boers making a stand at Kroonstad conflict, but it seems to be the consensus of opinion in the British camp that whatever happens the Kroonstad passage to the Transvaal frontier will be strongly contested.

Telegrams sent from Weigesele Wednesday night say it is estimated that the Boers are in force north of the Zand river. They are reported to have forty-six guns and are being reinforced from the eastward. Botha is in command, but it is said he is at loggerheads with Dewey.

The sources of news regarding the Boer movements and intentions are evidently very untrustworthy and the repeated assertions that the Free State Boers are inclined to abandon the war and submit to the British need strong confirmation.

Correspondents at Thaba N'Chu predict a big battle in that neighborhood. They say the Boers are in great force to the east of that town.

## FIGHTING ON THE VAAL.

Pretoria, May 9.—A despatch from Christianan, dated Tuesday, states there was fighting on the Vaal river Monday. General Van Aswegen, who was in command of the Griqualand Boers, was killed.

According to a despatch the British were repulsed and compelled to retire to Warrenton.

## ADMIRAL AND MRS. DEWEY ENTERTAINED AT NASHVILLE

A Gorgeous Flower Parade—Cheers for the Hero of Manila.

Nashville, Tenn., May 10.—Admiral Dewey and Mrs. Dewey were entertained in a most hospitable manner by the citizens of this city today. The weather was delightful and thousands of visitors were here. Mrs. Dewey was entertained at breakfast by Mrs. McMillin, wife of Governor McMillin, and the members of the committee in charge of the flower parade, given during the afternoon.

Admiral Dewey, escorted by a committee representing the civic and commercial organizations, visited various points of interest in and about the city, arriving at noon at the state cap-

itol, where he spent some time. The admiral was greeted with cheers all along the route, and gracefully acknowledged the compliment.

The flower parade, which was one of the handsomest ever given in the south, was viewed by many thousands of the people as it proceeded through the principal streets of the city. Hundreds of vehicles, beautifully decorated, were in line, and the different divisions were greeted with enthusiastic applause as they passed. After the procession had completed the line of march in the city it continued on to Centennial park, where the review took place. Day fireworks and a concert were among the features of the program at the park. A reception to Admiral and Mrs. Dewey, given by those who took part in the flower parade, was much enjoyed by the distinguished visitors. Tonight there was a fairland illumination at Centennial park, followed by a concert and fireworks and a carnival ball at the Theater Vendome.

## THE RACE CONFERENCE AT MONTGOMERY

Yesterday's Discussions on the Subject of the Negro and Religion

Montgomery, Ala., May 10.—The attendance in the race conference here today was large. Among those who attracted attention by their presence was W. Bourke Cockran of New York, who escaped causing a demonstration by leaving the hall before he was fully recognized.

The discussion before the convention today was upon the subject of the negro and religion. It was opened by John Roach Straton of Macon, Ga., who was not on the program, but was substituted. He declared separation as a solution of the race problem. He was followed by Rev. D. Clay Lilly of Tuscaloosa, Ala., secretary of the Southern Presbyterian board of negro evangelization. He spoke on the wiser form of negro religious work.

The same question was discussed by W. A. Guerry, chaplain of the University of the South at Sewanee, Tenn. He took the position that the negro teachers could best deal with the negro race. The religious conference of the negro today as compared with those of slavery days were discussed by Rev. C. C. Brown of Clinton, S. C., and the Very Rev. J. R. Slattery of Baltimore spoke for the advisability of raising the standard of ordination.

## VICTORIA AGAIN IN LONDON.

Returns From Her Trip to Ireland in Excellent Health.

London, May 10.—The queen arrived in London at noon today. She will spend three days here and attend to-morrow's drawing room. Her majesty appeared to be in excellent health and evinced keen pleasure at the warmth of the popular greeting which she received along the whole route to Buckingham Palace. Prior to leaving Paddington station, the queen's railway dog which collects money in behalf of the widows and orphans, was brought to the royal saloon carriage and her majesty contributed to the collection box.

## MEMORIAL DAY AT CHARLOTTE.

Special to the Gazette.  
Charlotte, N. C., May 10.—This afternoon a very large procession formed at 5 o'clock and marched to the cemetery where the graves of the Confederate dead were decorated. Rev. Frank Siler was orator of the occasion. The Confederate veterans attended in a body, bearing the battle flags.

## IOWA REPUBLICANS

Des Moines, May 10.—At the Iowa republican convention here today the following were elected delegates-at-large to the national convention: Governor L. M. Shaw, Col. George H. French, Dr. E. H. Smith, Lafayette Young, Des Moines.

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## POPULISTS NOMINATE

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Bryan's Friends Opposed Nominating a Vice-President.

Barker and Donnelly the Ticket Named at Cincinnati.

THE MIDDLE-OF-THE-ROADERS

HAD A TUSSELE OVER THE SELECTION OF THE HEAD OF THE TICKET—HOWARD WITHDREW FOR HARMONY'S SAKE

Cincinnati, May 10.—The middle-of-the-road populists' national convention today nominated Wharton Barker of Philadelphia for president and Ignatius Donnelly of Minnesota for vice-president. There was a lively fight over the ticket, due to the efforts of some delegates to nominate ex-Congressman Howard of Alabama. Barker won on the second ballot.

The convention's second session was called to order by Chairman W. L. Peck. The report of the committee on party organization was unanimously adopted.

Delegate Jackson of Missouri apologized for his statement last night that there are no genuine populists in Kansas and Nebraska. A motion was carried accepting the apology.

The report of the platform committee was called for. The reading of the platform brought out some debate. J. B. Osborne, of Nebraska, moved to strike out the plank on currency on the ground that it was on the line of special privileges. The amendment was voted down, 530 to 82. The platform was then adopted as read by Chairman Felton.

The roll call for nominations for president was then made. J. A. Boyce, of Nebraska City, presented the name of Former Congressman M. W. Howard of Alabama. He said Howard was the superior of Bryan in oratory, of Debs in magnetism, and the logical candidate at this time who could "shake up the dry bones of fusion."

General Phillips, of Georgia, presented the name of Wharton Barker, of Pennsylvania.

Judge W. S. Williams, of Vincennes, presented the name of Ignatius Donnelly. A. W. Ricker, of Iowa, spoke in the interest of those delegates instructed for Debs, and favored Barker and Donnelly since Debs declined.

As the speechmaking proceeded it was currently reported about the hall that the Barker delegations threatened to bolt if Howard should be placed at the head of the ticket. To check such action, Howard, in a secret conference with his friends, decided not to accept the nomination, which was apparently his to a certainty.

Howard in a vigorous speech stated that the party had reached a crisis in the interest of harmony and withdrew his name. Notwithstanding his withdrawal most of Howard's friends insisted on voting for him, and he led on the first roll call, which resulted as follows: Howard, 331; Barker, 302; Donnelly, 70; Norton, 1; necessary to a choice, 488.

Sioux Falls, May 10.—The populist convention today nominated Bryan for president with a whoop, and the band played the doxology while the

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