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FOUL PLAY SUSPECTED

A NEGRO RUN OVER BY A TRAIN ON THE ROARING RIVER TRESTLE.

THE BODY WAS COLD AND STIFF

It is believed that he was murdered and placed on the track where the body was horribly mangled—A mob still pursuing Bob Seales—His victim cannot recover—A shocking affair in Stokes County—A man and two boys fatally burned.

WINSTON, N. C., Nov. 22.—(Special.)—The passenger train on the Wilkesboro road ran over the body of Frank Parks, colored, aged 25, last evening, near Roaring river. His head was almost severed, one arm cut off and the body horribly mangled. He was lying on the trestle and the train men say his body was cold when they pulled it out from under the engine. They believe he had been foully dealt with and placed on the track by unknown parties. The father and brother of Parks say he was drinking but do not believe he lay down on the track of his own accord.

Thomas Belton, father of the girl who was shot by the negro, Bob Seales, in Rockingham county, is still with the officers hunting the fiend. The girl is not expected to live. Physicians are afraid to probe for the ball.

A New York sport, named F. T. Morehead, chartered a special train at Greensboro this week and went to Mt. Airy to kill birds. He paid \$125 for the train.

A shocking affair occurred a few nights ago in the mountain section of Stokes. Thomas Mabe was running a brandy distillery and when he went to "double" he filled his large still with "singlings" and "backings," causing it to boil over and run down. The liquid took fire as quick as powder and caught in the still. The cap was blown off and the building was soon filled with flames. The owner was standing near the still, while his two boys lay asleep on the floor. The burning liquid ran over the boys. Father and sons made a rush for the door, but it was fastened. When they got it open all three were burned so badly that all are expected to die. The house and contents were destroyed.

THE CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE.

Annual Session of the North Carolina and Virginia Conference.

HAW RIVER, N. C., Nov. 22.—(Special.)—The Annual Conference of North Carolina and Virginia of the Christian Church convened at Long's Chapel, four miles north of this place, last Tuesday morning and closed to-day.

The territory embraced in this conference is Southern Virginia and Central North Carolina, in which there are twenty-seven churches.

Rev. P. T. Clapp, of Elon College, was elected president, and Messrs. J. W. Holt, of Burlington, and W. J. Graham, of Union Ridge, were chosen secretaries.

The attendance on the conference is large, and the good people of this section are dispensing that hospitality, for which they are famed, in taking care of the preachers, lay delegates and visitors who are here from the various churches.

Among the visiting ministers of other conferences are Rev. N. G. Newman, Suffolk, Va., of the Eastern Virginia Conference; Rev. B. F. Black, Rockingham, Va., of the Valley of Virginia Conference; and Rev. C. C. Peel, of the Deep River Conference.

Tuesday's and Wednesday's sessions were devoted to reports from the various churches, which showed gains in nearly every instance, and gratifying increase in the collections for various causes.

Thursday's session was devoted to reports of the committees on Religious Literature and Education.

Stirring addresses were made by Messrs. E. L. Moffitt, M. L. Hurler, Dr. W. T. Herndon, Prof. J. O. Atkinson and others.

The conference pledged its support to the Christian Sun, published at Raleigh, and to Elon College.

The report of the Committee on Home Missions is being discussed to-day.

Several new churches have been organized during the year, and quite a number of weak churches have been helped by the Home Mission Board. Steps will probably be taken at an early day to organize churches at Asheville and other points in western North Carolina.

BEFORE U. S. SUPREME COURT.

Two Raleigh Attorneys Argue an Important Case.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 22.—(Special.)—Judge Jos. E. Shepherd and Mr. C. M. Busbee, of Raleigh, were in Washington yesterday to argue the case of Baltzer and Taaks before the Supreme Court. Judge Shepherd was presented to the court by Assistant Attorney-General Dickinson.

Col. Paul Faison left to-night for Indian Territory via Raleigh. He was accompanied by Mrs. Faison.

Mr. W. S. Davenport, of the Treasury Department, leaves to-night for Atlanta Exposition.

Mr. A. C. Shaw, Chief of Division of the Interior Department, who has been on a month's leave to his home in Rockingham, returned last night to Washington. Mr. Shaw says he is more hopeful of Democracy in North Carolina than since the election of '94.

Hon. Harry Skinner returned to-day to Greenville. He has secured rooms at the Ebbitt House for the coming session of Congress.

SITUATION GROWING SERIOUS.

Turkey Demands that the Armenians Surrender Their Arms.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Nov. 22.—The general situation in this country continues to inspire the gravest fears. Telegrams received from Marash yesterday, apparently considerably delayed by the Turkish officials, say that the American and other missionaries there are again in the greatest danger in view of the repeated assurances which the United States minister, Mr. Alexander W. Terrell, has received from the Porte on his insisting that they be safely guarded, this has caused much anxiety.

Advices received here from Sivas assert that as soon as the reinforcements of the Turkish troops arrive there, the Turkish officials will notify the Armenians that they must surrender all the arms and ammunition in their possession. The Armenians object to this, as it places them entirely at the mercy of the Turks. To this the Turks reply that no harm will be done them so long as they do not resist the authorities, and that if they refuse to give up their arms they will be forced to do so. It is asserted that the Turkish officials added that if all the arms and ammunition have been surrendered the troops will be ordered to attack the Armenians.

Rumors of fresh troubles at Samson, a seaport in Asia Minor, on the Black Sea, have reached here. The population of Samson is almost entirely composed of Turks, and the few Armenians there are certain to fare badly if an uprising has occurred.

Twenty Villages Burned

PARIS, Nov. 22.—A dispatch to the *Martin* from Constantinople published to-day, says that twenty villages have been burned in the northwestern portion of the district of Alepho, and that the inhabitants have been massacred.

The dispatch adds that the Kurds are gathering on the borders of the Euphrates, preparing to march into Syria for the purpose of massacring the Christians.

BROOKLYN DAY IN ATLANTA.

Many of Its Distinguished Citizens Visit the Exposition.

ATLANTA, Ga., Nov. 22.—The Brooklyn delegation to the Cotton States and International Exposition, including Mayor Schieren, Mayor-elect Wurster, St. Clair McKelway, Murat Halstead and several score of other distinguished citizens from the City of Churches, reached the city at 8 o'clock this morning by special train.

The party is one of the most notable that has yet visited the Exposition, and its members were the recipients of unusual official and social attentions. To-morrow is Brooklyn Day at the Exposition.

Mayor Strong on His Way.

NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—Mayor Strong, City Chamberlain McCook, Job E. Hedges and Seth Low, of Columbia College, left for Atlanta this afternoon. The party will reach Atlanta Saturday evening. Manhattan Day will be celebrated at the Exposition on Monday, when five hundred New Yorkers are expected to be present.

St. Louis Commercial Club.

ATLANTA, Ga., Nov. 22.—The Interstate Commercial Club, of St. Louis, arrived here this morning, and after a brief rest were escorted to the Exposition grounds. They assembled at the auditorium at half-past eleven and were welcomed by Mayor Clegg. Governor E. O. Starnard and Mayor Cyrus P. Walbridge responded in behalf of the club. The party then went on a tour of sight-seeing through the grounds.

CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION.

Number of Supreme Court Judges Increased to Four.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Nov. 22.—The Constitutional Convention to-day took up the judiciary article. It was decided to increase the judges of the Supreme Court to four instead of three, and their terms of office are changed to eight years instead of six as at present. An effort was made to have all judges elected by the people instead of the Legislature, but this was defeated by a vote of 69 to 66. In cases of a tie in the Supreme Court, all the Circuit Court judges are to be called in to decide the issue, except the one making the original decision.

The only changes of importance besides making the Supreme Court consist of four judges instead of three, to serve eight years instead of six, was granting the power to the legislature to establish county courts.

Notwithstanding the positive refusal of the convention about a month ago to recognize divorce in any manner, shape or form, it took action to-night, which validates in this State divorces granted in other States to a certain extent.

Senator Tillman introduced an ordinance providing that courts should recognize divorces granted heretofore or hereafter in other States, of the Union, provided that the marriage actually took place outside of the State and one of the parties was neither a native of the State nor at the time of the ceremony was a citizen of it. Its passage legitimizes hundreds of children of the State.

The Pollard Murderers.

RICHMOND, Va., Nov. 22.—Judge Wellford to-day dissolved the writ of habeas corpus in the Lunenburg case and directed the City Sergeant to deliver the prisoners to the Sheriff of Lunenburg. As soon as he did this, the Court of Appeals enlarged its writ of error and superceded and assumed jurisdiction over the convicts. They will be kept in Richmond jail until the matter of a new trial is settled.

A SEASON OF HALTING

THE CHECK TO GENERAL TRADE STILL CONTINUES ALMOST EVERYWHERE.

BUT THERE IS NO SIGN OF PANIC

The Unseasonably Mild Weather Has Prevented Any Reaction in Business, Especially in the South—Products Are Lower, Though Short Receipts Have Sustained the Price of Cotton—Demand for Staples Increases, but Many Factories Are Still Idle.

NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—R. G. Dun & Co's. Weekly Review of Trade, which issues to-morrow, will say:

Reaction in business there is none. Efforts to explain it, or to attribute it to this or that temporary influence, are all wasted. In every business, men now perceive the fact that the purchases in advance of current distribution, which were made when prices were booming, involved of necessity a season of halting, when the rise stopped, and until the actual demand for consumption has been measured.

Products are lower, without disturbance or sign of panic. The cotton market has been assisted all the week by small receipts and remarkable stiff statements of scarcity, and has gained a sixteenth, though some think short receipts were deliberately organized by planters. It begins to be a decisive fact that the exports are small, partly because stocks abroad are heavy and partly because the manufacturer abroad does not find a market for the usual quantity of goods. The Britishers are especially embarrassed.

In this country the cotton men have fared better than most others, escaping an excessive rise and resulting decline. While some prices were marked too high when cotton was above nine cents and are lower, most goods are held at quoted prices and the mills generally have orders to cover work into next year, but it becoming a question whether retail distribution has kept pace with manufacturers' orders or with sales to retailers.

Iron and steel products are lower, averaging 1 per cent. for the week and 7 per cent. for the highest.

The demand for cheap boots and shoes is a shade better, but many shops are idle or working part time, and buyers generally hold off. Although considerable reductions are now offered by manufacturers on men's special shoes and grain, oil grain, glove and buff polish and polka shoes. Shipments for the month are 22.7 per cent. less than last year. Leather is weaker, though only one class is quoted lower, but prices at Chicago have again declined about 2 per cent., an average relatively lower than last year.

Failures for the week have been 320 in the United States against 322 last year, and 42 in Canada against 31 last year.

Bradstreet's Weekly Review.

NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—Bradstreet's to-morrow will say:

The check to general trade which has been conspicuous for the past week still continues. Unseasonably mild weather and rains have intensified this feature, which is more conspicuous South, where the decline in the price of cotton and consequent check to shipments are held to be partly responsible.

But the demand for staples increases on the appearance of seasonably cold weather, the result being larger orders for woollens, shoes, rubbers and holiday specialties.

Exports of wheat from both coasts of the United States and from Montreal this week (wheat flour included as wheat) amount to 2,916,000 bushels against 3,325,000 bushels last week, 3,312,000 bushels in the week a year ago, 2,764,000 bushels in the week two years ago, and 3,465,000 bushels three years ago, and as compared with 4,082,000 in the like week in 1891.

GOLDEN STREAM FLOWS ON.

But Another Issue of Bonds is Not Yet Contemplated.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—The news that approximately \$5,000,000 in gold would be shipped abroad to-morrow created something of a stir among Treasury officials, although heavy withdrawals had been expected. The near approach of the re-assembling of Congress seemed materially to lessen the alarm, which otherwise would have been felt. There is little expectation, however, among Treasury officials that the coming Congress will enact any financial legislation in conformity with Mr. Cleveland's views or those of Mr. Carlisle, especially as to the retirement of the greenbacks, but it is expected that Congress, by some means, will afford at least temporary relief.

At the Treasury Department no preparations are making for another bond issue, and it can be stated on authority that none is at present in contemplation. The true amount of the gold reserve at noon to-day was \$82,360,251.

The Builders' Union Strike.

NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—All efforts to effect a settlement between the House-smiths and Bridgemen's Union and Iron League have been abandoned. Chairman Purcell, of the State Board of Mediation and Arbitration, left the city to-day for his home in Rochester. At the strikers' headquarters it was announced that the firms involved in the strike had not been able to secure men to take the place of those who went out on strike on Monday and that there was no indication that they would be able to do so.

A FIRE'S FATAL WORK

FIVE LIVES LOST YESTERDAY IN A BURNING CHICAGO SKY-SCRAPER.

EIGHT PERSONS WERE INJURED

All the Dead are Firemen Who Were Crushed by Falling Debris—Two of the Injured Will Die—Some Thrilling Hairbreadth Escapes—Working Girls in a Panic—The Seven-story Exchange Building Was Completely Gutted—Loss About \$375,000

CHICAGO, Nov. 22.—The interior of the exchange building, a seven-story structure at the corner of Van Buren and Franklin streets, was destroyed by fire to-day, entailing a loss of \$375,000 upon the owners and tenants of the building and causing the loss of five lives, the fatal injury of two others and the injury of six other people, all of whom are expected to recover.

The dead are: Patrick J. O'Donnell, Lieutenant of Engine Company No. 2; Martin Sherrick, pipeman; John Downes, pipeman; John Prendergast, pipeman.

The firemen were crushed by falling debris. Kittie Landgraf, who jumped from a fourth-story window, was injured internally, and died at the county hospital.

The injured: Harry Neil, jumped from fourth-story window, internally injured and left arm broken, will die; Nellie Turner, jumped from third-story window, internally injured, will die; Aggie McClain, Olga Kellar, Hattie Brennan, Edna Ritterel and Mary Pink were overcome by smoke, all of whom will recover; Dan McAlley, driver for Engine Company No. 2, buried beneath debris, will recover.

The fire was first discovered in the apartments occupied by Stern & Biers. Thirty girls were at work there, and a panic ensued.

Although every effort was made to control the frightened girls, several opened the windows and climbed out on the ledges. One of the first to do this was Nellie Turner. She screamed for help, and some one on the ground shouted to her to jump. She, however, went to another window near a fire-escape and climbed out. Those on the street watched her movements with great anxiety. She grasped the escape and swung herself off from the stone ledge on which she had stood, and hundreds on the street below cheered. She commenced to descend. Officer Flaherty was also on the fire-escape between the first and second story and when he saw the girl above him he started up to aid her. He was too late. She suddenly lost her balance and fell. Officer Flaherty tried to catch her, but could not reach her. She was picked up unconscious.

The escape of Olga Kellar is regarded as marvelous by those who saw her when she appeared at a fourth-story window. When the rooms where she was working began to fill with smoke, she ran to one of the windows overlooking Van Buren street. She threw up the sash and climbed out on the ledge, clinging with one hand to the narrow strip of wood on the outside of the sash. She saw a few feet below the ladder on which two firemen stood and she prepared to jump.

"Wait, don't jump," shouted Captain Hermanson, who had almost reached the window. Great volumes of smoke poured out of the window where the girl stood, and at times her form was entirely obscured.

To the hundreds of persons who were watching her from the streets the seconds seemed like hours. Cheer after cheer went up after Captain Hermanson as he climbed up. He had almost reached the woman when he suddenly stopped. None on the street knew the cause. He had heard the girl scream and as he looked up he saw her reel and release her hold on the window sashing. She had been overcome by the smoke and had fallen.

Captain Hermanson braced himself, and as the unconscious form dropped, he seized it with his right arm. The effort nearly cost him his own life, for he narrowly escaped falling. From hundreds of throats cheers were heard as the brave captain descended the ladder with his woman burden.

By noon the firemen thought the worst of the day's battle was past. They were mistaken. Shortly before 1 o'clock a large safe on the fifth floor fell to the fourth, carrying it and the third, second and first with it. Five men, members of engine company No. 2, were working on the ground floor and were buried beneath the mass of brick, stone and timber. All were killed but Daniel McNally.

After nearly an hour's work, the rescuers had opened a passage way through the pile of debris and succeeded in getting close enough to where the firemen were buried to assure themselves that Lieutenant O'Donnell was alive. He was just able to talk and it was with great difficulty that his words could be heard. Men who knew him well, recognized his voice.

"Is any one near you?" one of the rescuers shouted.

"Yes," came back, the answer faintly from O'Donnell.

"How many?"

"Two."

"Alive or dead?"

"Dead, I think."

Gradually the Lieutenant's voice became weaker and his reply to the question was scarcely audible. The rescuers called to him and asked him how he was injured. No reply.

The fire soon broke out again and the rescuers were compelled to abandon their work. O'Donnell's dead body was recovered at 7 o'clock to-night.

There were 41 tenants in the build-

ing, but many of them were agents of eastern Manufacturers and their loss will be small. The heaviest losers are: Kuh, Nathan and Fisher, owners of the building, \$100,000; D. H. Arnold Company, clothier supplies \$20,000; S. Rosenberg and Company, tailors supplies \$20,000; Stern and Biers, wholesale clothing \$80,000.

AN OVATION TO DEBS.

Thousands Greet Him on his Release From Jail.

CHICAGO, Nov. 22.—Eugene Debs spoke in Central Music Hall to-night to an audience that taxed the seating and standing capacity of the hall. Most of the leading labor organizations were represented, and the reception accorded to the leader of the American Railway Union was enthusiastic in the storm. Eight carloads of Debs' friends went down to Woodstock to greet him on his release from jail, and several thousand were at the station when the train bearing Debs and his friends arrived at 7 o'clock.

The reception given Debs as he stepped from the train bordered on the frantic. Hundreds of men pushed and struggled to get a grasp of his hand, many of them hugged him, and some went to the length of kissing him. Finally he was tossed upon the shoulders of four men and followed by a dense throng that never for an instant stopped its shouts. He was escorted to the hall, about one mile distant.

The warmth at the depot was repeated when he entered the hall, with the exception that the men were unable to get close to him, and contented themselves with cheering and waving their hats.

The speech delivered by Debs was received with great applause by his audience.

SHERMAN TALKS BACK.

Says He Only Wrote the Naked Truth About Alger.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—"I wrote only the naked truth in my book, and they cannot weaken it, though they come by the hundreds," said Senator Sherman to-day when his attention was called to Gen. Alger's letter, taking exception to the Senator's reflections upon his conduct in the National Republican convention of 1888.

"I wrote only the facts of history in that record," he was, he continued, "as disgraceful to me to write them as it can possibly be to others to have them published, but the facts cannot be altered by objections on the part of those who feel hurt. I do not, however, want to add to what I have already said. Gen. Alger wants to keep the matter stirred up he can do so; I have nothing to add to what I have already said."

With this Senator Sherman dismissed the interviewers, declining to consider Gen. Alger's assertions serious.

Heavy Assignment in Baltimore.

BALTIMORE, Md., Nov. 22.—Peter J. Henry C. and David E. Winebrenner, trading as Winebrenner Brothers, oyster packers, at 817 South Wolf street, made an assignment to-day for the benefit of their creditors to Chas. J. Hughes, as trustee.

Mr. Hughes is bonded for \$160,000, which represents assets amounting to \$80,000. The liabilities are not yet known. They will be heavy, but it is doubtful whether they will exceed the assets.

The firm is one of the largest packing houses of oysters and canned goods in the country and has a business which extends to all sections of the United States. Failure to make collections and an unusual depression in their particular line of business caused the failure.

The Friday Cabinet Meeting.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—The regular Friday Cabinet meeting to-day was attended by all of the members except Secretary Morton who has gone west. The President was driven into town from Woodley by Mrs. Cleveland. He has been engrossed by his annual message to Congress for some time and it is believed the matters to be included in the reports of the cabinet officers and the State of the finances formed the topics discussed at the meeting.

Bank Clearings for the Week.

NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—Total clearings for the week ending Friday, November 22nd, showing increase or decrease as compared with the corresponding week of last year: \$1,262,226,638; increase, 10.1. Exclusive of New York, \$508,345,458; increase, 6.1. Dominion of Canada, \$15,113,121; increase, 8.5.

No Recount will be Allowed.

BROOKLYN, Nov. 22.—Judge Cullen, of the Supreme Court, handed down his decision to-day denying the application for a writ of mandamus made by counsel for Edwards M. Groat, the Democratic candidate for mayor of Brooklyn, to compel Mayor Schieren and the board of aldermen and supervisors to recount the majority vote cast at the late election.

Disastrous Prairie Fire.

GUTHRIE, O. T., Nov. 22.—A disastrous prairie fire has been raging in the Seminole reservation for three days, sweeping away scores of farms. A terrific blizzard from the north fanned the flames into a fierce torrent, sweeping everything before it. Horses and cattle are being caught and burned to death, and if the wind continues, many lives will be lost.

SESSION TO BE LONG

DEMOCRATS THINK CONGRESS WILL LAST FAR INTO THE SUMMER.

ORGANIZATION OF THE SENATE

The Steering Committee, in a Three Hours Session Yesterday, Discussed a Resolution and Decided to Wait Until It Could Be Seen What the Republicans and Populists Would Do—The General Question of Party Policy Was Also Considered.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—The fact transpired to-day that the Democratic steering committee of the Senate held a meeting in this city of three hours' duration on Wednesday last. The members who were present are very reticent as to what occurred but it is known that a thorough canvass was made of the Democratic situation with a view to deciding upon a line of policy in the next session.

The question of the organization of the Senate was discussed at length. The committee did not reach a final conclusion on this matter, but when it adjourned there was a general understanding that unless future events should make a change desirable, the committee will recommend to the Democrats in the Senate to make no move whatever until the Republicans and the Populists shall develop their plans.

It appeared from the discussion that the Democratic Senators are divided as to the policy to pursue, some advocating an active effort to retain Democratic control of the Senate, which others advise a surrender to the Republicans without a struggle.

The steering committee finally concluded that it would be wise to wait until it was made plain whether the Republicans would be a unit in their desire to take control and whether the Populists would hold together or some of them would agree to assist the Republicans. This the committee felt the Democrats could afford to do, in view of the fact that the Senate is a continuing body and the present organization holds unimpaired by another at the will of the Senate. In case of the absence of the Vice-President it would grow necessary to elect a President pro tem, but it is believed by the Democratic managers that Vice-President Stevenson's presence can be counted upon.

Some of the Democratic Senators consider it very doubtful whether the Republicans can get together upon a plan of organization. At any rate they don't expect the Republicans to take aggressive steps until after the Utah Senators shall come in and, it has been determined what disposition shall be made of Mr. Dupont's claims to the vacant seat from Delaware.

There are indications that the committee also considered the general question of party policy with reference to legislation which shall be proposed by the Republican party in the Senate and House and there are reasons for believing that the steering committee will recommend a determined effort all along the line to restore Democratic prestige in the country. One plan which probably will be adopted to this end is that of insisting upon a thorough discussion of all instructions which may be presented. Members of the steering committee therefore scouted the idea of a short session.

THE SCRAMBLE FOR OFFICE.

There Are From Two to Seven Candidates for Every Place.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—The canvass for the principal offices at the disposal of the House of Representatives which opened in a slow and quiet fashion this week is becoming more animated, as the time approaches for the Republican caucus which is announced for Saturday of next week.

The elective offices of the House are those of a clerk with a salary of \$5,000; sergeant at arms \$4,500; door-keeper \$3,500; postmaster \$2,500; chaplain \$900. There are from two to seven candidates for each of these places, the highest number being in the race for chaplain.

There are only two candidates for the House clerkship. They are ex-Congressman Thomas J. Henderson, of Illinois and ex-Congressman Alexander McDowell, of Pennsylvania, it is claimed Mr. McDowell has the solid support of the New York and Pennsylvania delegations.

Capt. T. H. McKee, of Indiana, secretary of the Republican Congressional Campaign Committee, and Mr. D. Russell, of Missouri, are so far the only announced candidates for the office of sergeant-at-arms.

The principal candidates for door-keeper are Mr. Glenn, of New York, and W. L. Tipton, of Tennessee. Glenn has been identified with New York State politics for some years, and the editor of a newspaper at Cleveland, Tenn. Henry Sherwood, so far, is the only pronounced candidate for the House postmastership. He hails from Michigan.

Of the seven candidates for chaplain six are Methodist preachers. The one outside in the list is Rev. Mr. Fisher, of Kansas. The patronage of the House consists, outside of clerks of committees and clerks of members, of 195 places, the average of the salaries paid being \$1,125. All the places except those named are filled by appointment.

KNIGHTS OF LABOR—The Knights of Labor general assembly, now in session in Washington, has selected Rochester, N. Y., as the place for holding its next annual meeting.