

IT EXCITED THEM

Why Senators Got Warm Under Their Collars

THAT INVESTIGATION

Of Asylum for Blind Again— Attempt to Kill Out Special Committee Fails. — Our "Battle-flag"—The Senate

A couple of Senators were hot collared while yesterday. A lively little debate at the wind-up of yesterday's session of the State Senate from being the dulllest as well as the longest of the year. A few new bills had been introduced and the clamor about cleared, when the resolution of Senator Lindsay to investigate the management of the Institution for the Blind came up on its final reading.

The resolution provided for the appointment of a special joint committee of two Senators and three Representatives to make the examination, and the Senate Committee on Institutions for the Blind, Deaf and Dumb, had reported favorably.

But, on the final reading of the bill, Senator McIntyre arose and offered an amendment to strike out the special committee and substitute the regular committee on Asylums for the Blind and Deaf and Dumb, thereby placing the examination in charge of the Senate.

Senator McIntyre also offered an amendment to amend the resolution so as to provide that the members of the special committee shall be selected from the standing Committee on Deaf, Dumb and Blind Asylums.

This amendment was voted down. After Senator McIntyre had again spoken in behalf of his amendment to place the matter in charge of the full joint committee on Asylums for the Blind and Deaf and Dumb, the vote was taken on his amendment, and it also was lost. The resolution then passed its final reading, and was sent to the House for concurrence.

The State Guard flag is to be altered—if the House passes the bill to that effect, which went through the Senate yesterday.

The change will consist of the elimination of the "long star" and the letters "N. C." the coat-of-arms of the State of North Carolina to be substituted.

Senator Glenn, in explaining the object of the bill, stated that at national gatherings the present military flag became confused with the flag of the State of North Carolina, and that it was the desire of the militia officers and men of this State that the change be made.

ELECTION LAW

Subject of a Sensational Debate in House

REPUBLICAN SCHEME

Mr. Zachary So Referred to the Petitions for Modification of Election Laws— Divorce Bill

The House delved into politics yesterday and a interesting and general debate resulted. Republican members of the Legislature have introduced more than 100 petitions from different counties in the State urging certain modifications of the election law. Mr. Zachary of Transylvania took these facts as a text for exposing a political scheme on the part of the Republican leaders in the State, which he believed had for its object the unseating of Hon. F. M. Simmons, when he presents his credentials in the United States Senate, March 4th as Senator from North Carolina.

The text book bill, which has already been passed by the Senate was made the special order in the House to act at eleven o'clock. The bill has many friends and a number of opponents in the House and a hot fight is likely to result.

The divorce bill was discussed in the House yesterday until the hour of adjournment, and so many members expressed a desire to be heard on the measure that it was decided to make the bill the special order on Thursday afternoon. Two hundred copies of the bill with amendments were distributed.

THE GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE Urges the Legislature to Help the State University Governor Aycock transmitted to the Legislature yesterday the report of President Venable of the State University, in which the Governor dwelt on the necessity of increasing the equipment and efficiency of the University. The Governor said:

Upon the reading of this report before the Board of Trustees of the University the recommendations therein made were unanimously approved and I was requested to communicate the report and recommendations to the General Assembly. You will note that the University has about reached its limit in point of numbers unless further provision is made for the care of students. With the education awakening which is promised in the State more boys will seek higher education and our colleges and University will have larger demands made upon them.

LIVELY POLITICAL DEBATE Petitions Introduced Relating to Election Law the Cause Mr. Zachary of Transylvania arose to a question of personal privilege in the House yesterday touching upon the petitions introduced by Republican representatives asking for certain modifications of the present election law. This was made the occasion for a political debate participated in by both Democrats and Republicans. While the election law was primarily the subject under consideration party lines were closely drawn in the debate.

Mr. Zachary of Transylvania brought up the matter of the introduction of petitions by Republicans in a sensational speech that was delivered with much effectiveness. He said: Mr. Zachary of Transylvania, rising to a point of privilege, said: "Mr. Speaker—This is not more personal to myself than to every member of this Assembly. There have been introduced in this House 100 petitions purporting to have come from thirty-one different counties asking for a modification of the present State election law. Such notification, going out to the world through our daily papers, is calculated to create an unbiased public that there is something radically wrong with the election law of North Carolina.

"Now, sir, I have no criticism to offer against the members introducing these petitions, nor have I any to offer against the people who signed them, because the sacred right of petition guaranteed to every citizen by the organic law of the State should be carefully and respectfully considered by this body. But, sir, I submit that it becomes the duty of this body to ascertain, if it may, whether these numerous petitions are the result of an honest, sincere and voluntary conviction, emanating from the hearts of an honest people, or whether they are the result of a premeditated, deliberate and malicious political scheme, purposed to manufacture public sentiment intended to effect that the majority of this House, our State officers and a large majority of our county officers are

LONDON AWAKES

Pent Up Feeling Finds Vent at Last

HIGH DER KAISER

Enthusiasm for the German Emperor Expressed in Cheers as the Royal Party Drove Through the City

London, Feb. 5.—Voice, which had been pent up for a fortnight in the presence of the dead, resounded today with shouts of good-will for Emperor William during his progress through the city. Flags were run mast high and many stands which were covered with purple, Saturday were decked in red and gold today.

The hour of the kaiser's arrival at Paddington was such that business people of the West End were enabled to interrupt their lunch time and see the bright cavalcade. The king's wish that he people of the Capital should have opportunity to show their appreciation of Emperor William's devotion was only announced yesterday, yet over 100,000 people gathered between Paddington and Marlborough House.

The Grenadier Guards formed the guard of honor at Windsor and Scots Guards at Paddington station. A troop of the Royal Horse Guards, with saluting helmets and cuirass, and wearing their white breeches, preceded at an easy trot the open landau from which the Kaiser gravely saluted in response to the uninterupted cheering. The king wore the uniform of a colonel of the German Imperial Guard and the Kaiser that of a British field marshal. The Duke of Connaught wore the uniform of a German Hussar.

King Edward did not conceal his pride at the reception given to his nephew, who, flushed with pleasure as he and the officers of his suite started in the morning, which was also extended to the Russian cavalry delegation. The crowds round Marlborough House cheered lustily whenever they saw a German uniform. Another troop of the Horse Guards followed the carriages.

HIDE AND SEEK The king and his wife, the Kaiser and Kaiserin, were especially thronged with people despite the cold weather, and they gave the party a most exuberant welcome. There was continual cheering for the Kaiser. Flags were generally full-masted. Even clubland had recovered from Saturday's lull, members in the houses repeated hurrahing and occasionally attempting to cheer the Kaiser. King Edward repeatedly bowed his thanks to the party drove to Marlborough House. A huge emblem with the words "Good-bye, Kaiser; God Bless You" at the top of St. James station seemed to please Wilhelm, and he smiled broadly when he saw it.

At Paddington station an incident occurred that was sensed for a moment by the members of the royal party. The station having been closed, a number of foolishly boys had climbed on the glass roof immediately over the platform. A man fell through just as the guard presented arms while the king and Kaiser were alighting from the train. A quantity of broken glass sprinkled over the party, but no one was injured in any way.

The crowd remained about Marlborough House for an hour. There was a great cheer as the escort of the Horse Guards reappeared at 3 o'clock and the carriage soon re-umed the route to Charing Cross station, where the Kaiser took a train for St. Victoria.

Binghamton, N. Y., Feb. 5.—The worst hotel fire in the history of Binghamton broke out at 4:30 o'clock this morning, two fatally injured and one seriously.

FATAL HOTEL FIRE

Two Lives Lost and Two Persons Will Die

ENTRIES FOR TODAY

THE RACES AT NEW ORLEANS

New Orleans, Feb. 5.—Results at New Orleans races. First race, selling, 1/2 mile—Elsmore 2 to 1, Time, 1:28. Second race, selling, 1-1/2 miles—Joe Collins 5 to 2, Cogswell 5 to 1, Egyptian Prince 5 to 1, Time, 1:48. Third race, selling, 1 1/2 miles—Rushfields 4 to 1, Ferguson 5 to 1, Kgt Banner 1 to 1, Time, 1:55. Fourth race, handicap, 1 mile—Vario 2 to 1, Mohr 7 to 5, L. Callahan 4 to 1, Time, 1:38. Fifth race, 1 1/2 miles—Prince Real 6 to 5, Panquo II, 12 to 1, Island Prince 12 to 1, Time, 1:55. Sixth race, selling, 3/4 mile—Excelsior 4 to 1, Ecome 12 to 1, Uterpe 5 to 1, Time, 1:38. Entries for today: First race, 6 1/2 furlongs—Onoto 95, Brown Veil 98, Defender II, 100, John Digger 100, Mahajah 100, Corralis 100, Sr Blazo 100, Fourleaf Clover 104, B'wein 105, Innovator 107, Mover 108. Second race, selling, 3/4 furlongs—Yetta 92, Miss Charlie 92, Fuller 98, Blue Ridge 100, Ardita 103, Janice 97, Debutante 97, Lad Alsea 97, Lady Clark 97. Third race, steeplechase handicap, short course—Bristol 130, Parve B. 132, Free Advice 135, Sulliff 137, Tragedy 135, Don Clarence 142, Donation 145. Fourth race, handicap, 1 mile—Pleasant 96, Emp. of Beauty 95, Tea Gown 101, Azim 101, Cluster 111, Tonicum 112. Fifth race, selling, 1 mile—Novelty 94, Cape Jessamine 94, Maggie Young 94, Nellie B. 94, Claude Walton 90, Porter B. 101, Edna Riley 100, Jack Adee 116, Jim Conway 116, Colonel Cassidy 116, The Planet 119. Sixth race, selling, 6 1/2 furlongs—Sue Johnson 100, Pleading Moments 102, Paig Deceiver 103, Exaltie 103, Free Hand 102, Lauretta 104, Grey John 105, Lady Ezell 105, Weidemann 96, Eight Bells 107, Lotter 108, Ciales 108.

The fire was in the Exposition Hotel, on the corner of Prospect avenue and State street, a three-story wooden structure veneered with brick. Edward Downs, the proprietor, was awakened by the smell of smoke. He endeavored to reach the stairway, but found his escape cut off. Rushing along the hall, he attempted to arouse the sleeping inmates, but was driven back by a rush of flames and was obliged to jump from the second-story window. He sustained severe injuries in doing so. Employees of the power-house adjoining the building turned in an alarm, but when the fire department arrived the flames, fanned by the gale, were roaring through the building like a furnace. A white figure appeared at one of the upper windows. It was that of Dora Darrow, a domestic, who, frantic with her spine was fractured by the fall and she died at the city hospital at 10 o'clock this morning. A corps of doctors was quickly on the

scene, and as fast as rescued the injured were conveyed in ambulances to the city hospital. As Chief Engineer Hogg stepped through a window his feet alighted on the body of Sydney Holland, an Englishman, whose residence is unknown, and who had been suffocated in his room. Thomas Cook, a horseman, well known throughout this State and Canada, was found fearfully burned about the head and body, lying in his room, one foot being burned to a crisp. Surgeons say he cannot live. With his hair burned from the head, and his face scorched and scarred, John Regan, son of a prominent liverman, leaped from a rear window and was killed on a diving board.

The firemen fought their way through the building and in a rear room found the charred remains of Harry Severson, leader of Severson's Orchestra, a leading musical organization of the Southern States, and son of the overseer of the poor of this city. The remains were almost unrecognizable.

His nomination included with Many Others Washington, Feb. 5.—The President today sent to the Senate the following nominations: To be lieutenant general of the army—Major General Nelson A. Miles. To be major generals—Brigadier General Samuel B. Young, Colonel A. R. Chaffee, Eighth cavalry, Brigadier General MacArthur. To be brigadier generals—Colonel John C. Bacon, Second infantry; Colonel Lloyd Wheaton, Seventh infantry; Colonel George W. Davis, Twenty-third infantry; Colonel Theodore Schwan, assistant adjutant general; Colonel Samuel S. Sumner, Sixth cavalry; Captain Leonard Wood, assistant surgeon; Colonel Robert H. Hall, Fourth infantry; Colonel Robert P. Hiches, inspector general; Colonel George M. Randall, Eighth infantry; Major William A. Cobbe, Third artillery; Brigadier General Frederick D. Grant, United States Volunteers; Captain J. Franklin Bell, Seventh cavalry. Nelson A. Miles, who has been elevated to the position of lieutenant general of the new army, the highest post under the new law, was born in Massachusetts in 1839. He entered the army as a volunteer in 1861, soon rose to the rank of major general of volunteers, and at the age of 25 commanded an army corps. He entered the regular army at the close of the Civil War and rose by regular grades to the office of major general, succeeding to the command of the army on the retirement of General Schofield.

General Miles has seen active service in Indian wars and he also commanded United States troops at Chicago during the railroad strike in 1894. He represented this country at Queen Victoria's diamond jubilee in 1893. During the war with Spain he commanded the army but saw no active service. His friends have claimed that the administration purposely kept him from Cuba. When reorganization of the army was discussed it was reported that General Miles would not be promoted general, such reports were unfounded, however, as his nomination has gone to the Senate today. The army will be recruited as rapidly as possible to a strength of 100,000 men. It is now about that size, but the majority of soldiers are short-term volunteers. The work of securing 100,000 regulars will be pushed rapidly, however, and soon, it is thought, a permanent army of that strength will be a reality.

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LITTLE HATCHET

Mrs. Nation's Weapon Resumes Business Operations

FANCY JOINT SMASHED

"Come on Girls" She Cries as She Wades in to Do or Die—She Winds Up the Performance in Prison

Topeka, Kans., Feb. 5.—Mrs. Nation made a nearly morning raid today while most people were sleeping. With five men and three women backing her, she visited the Senate saloon in Kansas avenue and demolished it. Probably \$1,500 worth of property, mostly made up of a cherry bar and handsome fixtures, was destroyed in less than half an hour. About 5:30 o'clock this morning Mrs. Nation and her plucky followers assembled and went to 830 Kansas avenue. It was evidently their intention to begin operations at this place, but they found themselves in a printing office instead of a joint, so they went on down the avenue in quest of the real articles.

The little band turned east in Fifth street, where there are supposed to be joints galore. They went to the corner where the Fifth Avenue Hotel stands. Here they made a bee line for the under the electric light. They concluded to retrace their steps, and re started back to the avenue, followed by a crowd of about 300 persons, mostly newsmen and printers. It appeared to be the intention of the women to get away from the following crowd if possible, but this was out of the question.

Reaching the avenue between Third and Fourth streets, Mrs. Nation and her friends walked to the street car tracks in the middle of the avenue in front of the old Metropolitan building, No. 406. This building contains the Senate saloon, one of the handsomest and most complete in the equipment of any in the city. It was fitted up with a handsome cherry bar and the great mirror which hung on the north side was valued at fully \$500. The band of women, with their protectors, paused in the street in front of the building. A short consultation was held and they made a bee line for the Senate door. Just as they got in front of the entrance each woman drew her hatchet from under her cloak and flourished it aloft.

"Come on, girls," shouted Mrs. Nation to her followers, "and like a band of Comanche Indians, flourishing their tomahawks on the parapet, they entered the saloon. The front part of the place is used as a billiard hall. Here a man was sweeping. Mrs. Nation started for the back room, but the man interposed and at the same time shouted to some one in the back room to lock the door. Mrs. Nation grappled with the man. In the scuffle her uplifted hatchet was brought down, inflicting an ugly bruise on her forehead. The man then drew a revolver and two shots into the air. Then made for the back door as fast as he could.

"Follow, girls," said Mrs. Nation. "Don't you see what a coward he is." The smasher crowded into the back room, where the other men offered little resistance. Walking straight to the great mirror, Mrs. Nation drew up her hatchet and smashed it into the sand pieces. Calling al the time for the others to get to work, Mrs. Nation kept up her demolishing with vigor. The cherry bar was next attacked. All the women took a hand in this and the bar was badly injured when they got through. The big cash register came next, and it was broken into bits. Two slot machines of the latest pattern stood over against the wall, but they were missed. The women failed blow after blow on the machines until the mechanism gave way and fell in pieces. The floor was soon covered with small change and nickels, and beverages ran everywhere. One of the women knocked out the spigot from two kegs of beer, and the contents ran out on the floor. A big refrigerator was smashed, and its contents broken and scattered. Mrs. Nation dashed behind the half-demolished bar and made a sweep with her hatchet among the bottles and demijohns. When she got through they were a total wreck. At this stage of the proceedings Officer Graham appeared. Mrs. Nation and the others were placed under arrest and taken to the station. Mrs. Nation only was booked as "joint smasher. The others were released. The owners of the Senate joint are Mike Kelly and "Sheep" Little. Little's stepson is the bartender who fired the shots in the scrimmage at the front door. The case against Mrs. Nation for attempting to smash the Globe saloon Monday afternoon was dismissed this morning, and that for demolishing the Senate saloon this morning was continued until Thursday without bail.

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