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THE TRIBUNE IS REPUBLICAN, BUT IT IS THE PEOPLE'S PAPER.

HOUSE PROCEEDINGS

Vote on the Sundry Civil Appropriation Bill.

McKINLEY LAW UNDER FIRE

SUPREME COURT CRITICISED BY DEMOCRATS.

McKinley Law "Was Not Only Revenue for Expenditures of Government, But a Surplus Well."

The general debate on the appropriation bill for several speeches on different topics ranging from the river and harbor improvement to the "Cuban" independence. The bill was taken up at once into consideration, it having been passed on Friday afternoon. The largest single items in the appropriation for work in connection with the improvement of rivers amounting to about sixteen millions, and the river and harbor improvements came in for a large amount of discussion. After general discussion of the bill by Mr. Cannon, and by Mr. Sayers, the leader of the opposition on the committee, Messrs. Cannon and Hepburn spoke against the bill for making the improvement of rivers a permanent appropriation against the policy itself, and Messrs. Dinkins and Grosvenor defended both.

THE ARBITRATION TREATY

CONSIDERED IN SENATE COMMITTEE—NO AGREEMENT IN SIGHT.

Morgan, Daniel and Cameron Give Notice That It Cannot Pass This Session of Congress.

Washington, Feb. 13.—The meeting of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations this morning made it apparent that no agreement could be reached on the general treaty of arbitration with Great Britain that would bring the contending factions, either in committee or in the Senate, together. Mr. Sherman was not told so in exact words, the inference to be drawn from what Mr. Morgan, Mr. Daniel and Mr. Cameron said was that under no circumstances could this treaty be ratified at the present session of the Senate. It is believed that with the executive session of this afternoon Mr. Sherman will cease to press the consideration of the Convention and permit other legislative business to have the right of way.

He Speaks for His Friend.

To the Editor of THE TRIBUNE.

Although a Republican, I beg leave to bear testimony to the efficiency of Captain J. A. Perry, of Burke county, at present in the employment of the State.

One year ago Captain Perry, in arresting an escaped convict in Henderson county, was badly wounded, and will, in all probability, be disabled for life.

There seems to be some apprehension among his friends that he will be superseded by some one else, under the existing status of affairs, but I cannot believe that an officer so capable and fearless as Capt. Perry will be displaced.

It would certainly redound to the credit of the State, as well as the Republican party, to retain in office a man who has jeopardized his life on many occasions to preserve the integrity of the State, and on one received a wound, which will forever unfit him from engaging in the activities of a struggle for existence.

W. M. D.

Dropped President Cleveland.

Widewater, Va., Feb. 13.—The light house steamer Maple dropped anchor off Widewater station, Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad this morning at 3:30, with President Cleveland and Col. Lambert on board. The President came upon the invitation of Mr. D. G. Gaultier of New York City, to shoot ducks from his blinds off the famous Arsdale farm, three miles south of Widewater. The President and party went immediately to the blinds and commenced shooting. The President is evidently having fine sport, with bright prospects for the day.

BLOODY DOMESTIC TRAGEDY

THE INHUMAN ACT OF A FIENDISH FATHER.

Kills His Four Year Old Son and His Fourteen Year Old Daughter and Then Kills Himself.

Lexington, Ky., Feb. 13.—The bloodiest domestic tragedy ever happened here took place at 7:45 this morning when John Marrs killed his 4-year-old son, John, shot his 14-year-old daughter, Helen, tried to kill his sister Ida, and killed himself. Marrs was about 40 years of age and had been a member of the firm of M. Kauffman & Co., clothiers, for years; was prominent in building association circles; owned a great deal of real estate and was considered one of the most promising and successful of Lexington's younger business men.

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Waiting on Senator Pritchard—The Emasculation of the Arbitration Treaty—Work of Congress Practically Ended.

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Washington, D. C., Feb. 13.—9:25 p. m.—Cabinets are not made in a day. It has happened that the slate was smashed on the very eve of inauguration day. A day or two ago it was thought that Judge Goff might reconsider and accept the Attorney Generalship in McKinley's cabinet a solution of the southern complications, but on his arrival here from Richmond this afternoon, he said to THE TRIBUNE, that his declination is final and unconditional. "I prefer the bench," he said, "to the cabinet." The Judge will either go on the Circuit or Supreme Court bench or will be elected to the Senate in Faulkner's place two years hence.

West Virginia is now considered a safe Republican State. Judge Goff was disinclined to talk about the Southern representative in the Cabinet, but he believed the South will be represented. There is a decided Southern movement in favor of Gary of Maryland, but there is enough opposition and friction to satisfy Col. Boyd. If North Carolinians by him in good faith he will be the next Postmaster General. Gov. Russell, he says, is ready to go to Canton in his behalf, and is only waiting the word from Senator Pritchard. He saw the Senator today and now thinks that he will be able to go to Canton next week. So far as general legislation is concerned, Congress has practically adjourned. The arbitration treaty has been emasculated, and is meaningless as amended.

It is important now only as a means of suppressing legislation and agitation that does not seek the immediate and permanent revival of business prosperity in this country. This is the promise of the incoming administration. However great Mr. McKinley's sympathy with the Cuban insurgents for instance, it is his determination, it may be said on the highest authority, to settle home questions before his administration takes up foreign communications. He intends to have the tariff bill passed at the extra session of Congress, and nothing in the way of a foreign policy will be permitted to interfere with it. J. B. H.

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Turkey Will Attack Greece.

Constantinople, Feb. 13.—The Porte has informed the Powers that Turkey will attack Greece in Thessaly in the event of the Powers failing to restrain hostile action on the part of Greece in Crete.