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THE SOUTH LEADING

Outstripping the North in Industrial Development.

INTERESTING CENSUS FIGURES.

The West Shows a Rapid Decrease From Previous Growth; the North Shows a Decrease, While the South Shows an Increase.

Washington, Special.—The Director of the census announced Monday the percentage of increase of population in different parts of the country, showing for the last decade a rapid decrease from the previous rate of growth of population in the West, a less marked but decided increase in the North and a slight increase in the South. For the first time in the history of this country the population of the South has increased somewhat more rapidly than that of the North. The East geographically, is included in the term North. The rate of the growth in the North, West and South is far more nearly the same than it ever has been before. The official announcement divides the country as follows: West, from the Pacific to the eastern boundary of Montana, Wyoming, Colorado and New Mexico; North and South, the respective sides of a line formed by the Potomac and Ohio rivers and the southern boundary of Missouri and Kansas. The percentage of increase from 1890 to 1899 was 61.9 in the North, 48.4 in the South and 155.6 in the West, while in the last 20 years, 1880-1900, it was 43.7 in the North, 45.5 in the South and 131.5 in the West.

Prior to the civil war, the Northern States nearly doubled in population with each 20 years, while in the Southern States the increase of population was only two-thirds as many. During the last 20 years there has been a substantial difference in the rate of growth of the two sections. The percentage of increase of growth of these regions during each of the last two ten-year periods as follows: 1880-89, North 54.3; South 28.1; West 71.3. 1890-1900, North 12; South 22; West 31.9.

If the comparison is limited to the States east of the Mississippi river, classing Minnesota and Louisiana with the Western States, the result is slightly different. It would show the increase to be: 1880-89, North 20.1; South 16. 1890-1900, North 19.9; South 17.7.

When the Trans-Mississippi States are omitted the rate of growth in the North is slightly greater than that in the South, but the present difference between the two sections in this respect is about one-half what it was between 1880 and 1890, and less than one-seventh of what it was between 1850 and 1860. The frontier as a large area of rapid but intermittent growth, is no longer an important factor in the progress of American population, and the rate of growth in the several great areas of the United States is now nearly the same.

Senator Gorman Once More.

Annapolis, Md., Special.—Former United States Senator Gorman arrived here Monday afternoon and is the guest of Governor Smith, at the Executive Mansion. Tuesday at noon witnessed his re-election to the United States Senate to succeed Senator George L. Wellington, whose term will expire in March, 1903. No other name than that of Mr. Gorman was even thought of in this connection, and not a single Democrat in either branch voted against him. It was brought at one time that the six Democrats who aided Isaac Lobe Strawn and the Republicans the other day to abruptly adjourn the House of Delegates, might possibly go further and take some steps to delay the election of Mr. Gorman, but nothing of the sort was contemplated.

Texas Bank President Arrested.

Beaumont, Tex., Special.—J. P. Withers, who was until December 31, president of the American National Bank of this city, was today arrested by a deputy United States marshal, at Kansas City, on the charge of forgery, which is stated aggregates \$37,000.

Fouts Executed.

Washington, Special.—The War Department has been advised of the execution of Phineas Fouts, late corporal of Company K, Nineteenth Infantry, at Cebu, Philippine Islands, on the morning of January 7, 1902. Private Fouts was convicted of the willful murder of a native girl.

Nom'nations Confirmed.

Washington, Special.—The Senate Monday confirmed the following nominations: John C. Dancy, of North Carolina, recorder of deeds, District of Columbia; John T. Wilder, pension agent, of Knoxville, Tenn.; John E. McCall, collector of internal revenue, fifth district of Tennessee; F. W. Collins, registrar of the land office, Jackson, Miss.; United States Attorneys: William Vaughan, northern district of Alabama; A. E. Holton, western district of North Carolina; Warren S. Reese, Jr., middle district of Alabama; United States Marshals: Leander J. B. Ryan, middle district of Alabama; D. N. Cooper, eastern district of North Carolina; Postmasters—North Carolina: Asheville, W. W. Rollins.

Death of Mrs. Warfield.

Lexington, Ky., Special.—Mrs. Mary Cabell Breckenridge Warfield, aged 74, mother of Dr. Benj. B. Warfield, president of Princeton Theological Seminary, and of Dr. Albert D. Warfield, president of Lafayette College, died here tonight. She was one of the most brilliant women of the State, and a sister of General Joseph C. Breckenridge, inspector general in the United States army; Attorney General Robert J. Breckenridge, of Kentucky, and Congressman W. C. P. Breckenridge.

TALKED OF PENSIONS.

Much Livey Discussion in National House of Representatives.

Twenty-first Day.—The day was spent in further discussion of the canal treaty. Twenty-second Day.—The House passed the canal bill, but no selection of routes has yet been made. There was much lively discussion during the session. The House adjourned at 4:30 p. m.

RESCUED BY HER TWO BROTHERS.

Springfield, Ky., Special.—Jim Mays, a negro charged with assaulting Lula Jeans, the daughter of Jos. Jeans, one of the most prominent farmers in the county, near Siamstown, six miles from here, was taken from jail by a mob early Sunday and hanged to a tree in the high school yard. The mob came into town quietly and after arousing Jailer Cattlett, demanding the keys to the jail. Their demand was refused, however, and they immediately began to hammer the locks on the jail doors. In a few minutes they effected an entrance and found Mays scowering in his cell, begging the other prisoners to protect him.

The leaders of the mob took charge of the negro and telling the jailer to watch the other prisoners, dragged Mays to the high school yard, where he was speedily strung up to a tree. The mob's work was quietly done and but few words were spoken by the leaders while they were at the jail. Citizens knew nothing of the lynching until Mays' body was found swinging from the tree. It is not known in what direction the mob departed and none of the members is known to the officials. The negro's body was cut down and an inquest held by the coroner.

McKinley Arch.

Washington, Special.—The McKinley National Memorial Arch Association has drafted a bill which will be introduced in Congress this week, and supported by a petition signed by the members of the McKinley National Memorial Association, formed to erect a monument in Canton, to which the arch-association yielded the field of popular subscription, providing for a commission to select a site and secure plans for a memorial arch in honor of President McKinley, to be erected in the District of Columbia. The commission is to report to Congress. An appropriation of \$25,000 is made with which to pay competing artists furnishing plans and models.

The Cotton Supply.

New Orleans, Special.—Secretary Hester's statement of the world's visible supply of cotton, shows the total for the week ending Jan. 12, 1902, at 4,362,733 last week, and 4,487,277 last year. Of this the total of American cotton is 3,710,462 against 3,688,723 last week, and 3,325,277 last year, and of all other kinds including Egypt, Brazil, India, etc. 752,270, against 801,554 last week and 752,000 last year. Of the world's visible supply of cotton there is now afloat and held in Great Britain and continental Europe 2,227,000 bales against 1,925,000 last year; in Egypt 228,000 against 175,000 last year; in India 254,000 against 317,000 last year and in the United States 1,733,000 against 1,670,000 last year.

A Revolution.

Buenos Ayres, via Galveston, Special.—The rumors circulated here of a revolution in the republic of Paraguay, which broke out at Asuncion, the capital, was caused by the question of the presidential succession, the term of President Yriarte expiring in November of this year.

Ship on Fire.

Baltimore, Special.—The Merchants and Miner's steamer Junata, which sailed for Boston Saturday night, returned here Sunday morning with cargo in her forward hold on fire. After several hours of hard work, during which the compartment was completely flooded by the fire department, the fire was extinguished. No estimate of the damage has been made.

Development Company.

London, by Cable.—The Shanghai correspondent of The Times says that Prince Ching, president of the new Chinese Foreign Office, recently informed United States Minister Conger that the victory of Canton has been ordered to enter into no undertakings with reference to railroads in Kwang Tung province of a nature affecting the rights of the American China Development Company, under the Hankow-Canton Line contract. The company has notified Sheng, director general of railroads in China, says the correspondent, of its intention to proceed with the construction of this line, beginning at Canton.

Death List Grows.

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ASSAILANT LYNCHED

Colored Man Pays Penalty For Outrage On Young Lady

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A Mob Battered Down the Jail Doors and Took the Guilty Man Out and Hung Him.

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NORTH STATE NEWS.

Live Items Gleaned From Murphy to Mantoo.

Officers Fired On.

Greensboro, Special.—Beverly officers who have just returned from a raid in Stokes county report a rather exciting experience. There were 10 officers in the party, among whom were Messrs. Blalock, King, McCoy, Patterson and Jones. They went for the purpose of destroying two illicit distilleries and capturing the blockaders, but were sufficiently amused when they had cut up only one of the distilleries. While riding along the highway, near one of the distilleries the officers were treated to a sudden and unexpected surprise when the keening whistle of a bullet was heard just over their heads. The dull thud of other bullets striking stones and trees added to the discomfort of the situation. Quickening their pace, the raiders drove on to the distillery, and with nervous haste set to work destroying the outfit. While a man was in the act of firing the officers placed on guard duty could discern the forms of stalwart blockaders skulking in the bushes on the brow of a hill some distance off, though no further violence was attempted after putting the distillery, a large outfit, out of action, the officers lost no time in retracing their steps to civilization. This section is not far from the community where the people were so affected by Rev. James H. Jones, the founder of the Roman Empire, that they neglected to turn out on the following night to hear him talk on temperance.

Women to Invite President.

Winston-Salem, Special.—A delegation of ladies left Tuesday morning for Washington to extend a formal invitation to President Roosevelt to attend the centennial celebration of the Salem Female Academy. He will also be asked to make an address on the occasion, at the laying of the cornerstone of the auditorium. The committee will be joined in Washington by Mrs. Isaac Emerson, of Baltimore; Mrs. Nelson Henry, of New York, and Mrs. William Houston Patterson, of Philadelphia.

Lumber Kiln Damaged.

Charlotte, Special.—Fire which originated from an unknown source destroyed a kiln of between \$2,000 and \$5,000 at the plant of the Anglo Lumber Company, just beyond Highton Park. The damage was to a pair of dry kilns and their contents, consisting of 100,000 feet of lumber, and it was only by dint of hard work and excellent fire appliances at the mill and in the city that the entire plant was saved. The fire originated on the inside of the kiln, and had gained considerable headway when discovered.

Captured at Last.

Marion, Special.—Mr. Alex Perry, of Marion State detective, brought from Tennessee Jack Keeton and lodged him in jail here last Saturday night. Keeton is charged with burning a church in North Cove, this county, three or four years ago. He was arrested at board over to court by a justice of the peace. He jumped his bond and fled to Tennessee where he has evaded the law since. I understand he confesses that he burned the church.

Died of Smallpox.

It will no doubt be a matter of interest to the people of this county, and possibly surprise, to know that the late Wiley Rush, of Ashboro, died of smallpox—more especially since it was reported that he died of congestion of the lungs, says Mr. H. A. Chappell, 228 900, against 175,000 last year; in India 254,000 against 317,000 last year and in the United States 1,733,000 against 1,670,000 last year.

At Wake Forest.

Wake Forest, Special.—The spring term of the college opened New Year's day. Most of the students, with a number of new ones, have returned to Richmond, College at Richmond, has set a challenge to Wake Forest for a debate, to be held at Norfolk. No doubt has been reached as to whether the challenge will be accepted. Both are Baptist colleges.

News By Wire.

It is stated that Argentina and Peru have formed an alliance. Russia has refused to amend the Manchuria treaty. Rev. Dr. S. Shaffer, of Baltimore, was chosen a member of the executive committee at the Congress of Zionists which was held at Basle, Switzerland.

Industrial Matters.

A mortgage was recorded in Charlotte, S. C., last week from the Atlantic Coast Lumber Co., at Georgetown to the Colonial Trust Co., of New York for \$2,000,000 on its real and personal property. A new sash and blind factory, will soon be completed at Bagdad, Fla., to replace the one recently destroyed by fire. The new factory will be 48x240 feet, and will be one of the best-equipped factories in the South. The Montgomery county convicts were let to the highest bidder last week, the Williams Lumber Co., of Dothan, at \$12.50 per head, without regard to age, sex or condition. The lumber mills are higher bidders than the mine operators. The number of oil mills chartered in the State of Mississippi during the past two years was twenty, and in previous years twenty-four. These mills reported are among the most important concerns incorporated, selected for the sake of comparison. The State of Mississippi has disposed of the remaining portion of its cottonseed crop grown by the convicts, the last sale being that of 500 tons, at \$16 per ton. The entire crop of cottonseed this year is about 1200 tons, and the revenue derived is about \$15,000.

COMMITTEE IS SUED

Crosey-Wilcox Case Takes Unexpected Turn.

WILSON AND DAWSON PLAINTIFFS

The Mayor and Chief of Police of Elizabeth City Each Sue the Citizens' Committee.

Suffolk, Special.—Mayor J. B. Wilson and Police Chief W. C. Dawson, of Elizabeth City, N. C., have entered suits in \$10,000 each against the Crosey-Wilcox committee. This was the climax of six weeks' of alleged friction and an attitude of rivalry and antagonism which is said to have existed all along, but which for reasons suggested by prudence was concealed from the public. The brand which touched off the volcano of unrest and hostility was applied in the form of a signed statement from four committeemen, which in substance charged the mayor and police chief not only with suppression in solving the Nell Crosey mystery, but to use the committee's words, "they have at all times seriously handicapped our efforts by their actions and manner of treatment." The committee also accused Chief Dawson of writing the release of a Crosey suspect whose identity they were preparing to investigate. After referring to the burden of criticism they have borne the committee further intimated the officials by declaring, "We could have accomplished better results and have saved much time had the chief of police and mayor recognized that they were public officials paid as public servants and discharged their duties in accordance with these facts."

According to rumor in Elizabeth City one member of the committee desired Chief Dawson's job and they naturally made exertions to find the body before the police did and regarded him as an agency which should lead its best endeavors in assisting rather than directing the committee. Dawson's refusal brought the first rupture. The committee has among its members some of the wealthiest residents of Elizabeth City, and a verdict, if obtained, would be worth its face value. Though a newspaper reply was expected to the committee's statement, Mayor Wilson and Chief Dawson decided that a press answer to the accusations would not appease their feelings, whose soothing the courts will be asked to adjust. The best legal talent obtainable will appear.

The intense interest which first centered in the finding of Miss Crosey and then the fate of Wilcox, her lover and alleged murderer, has now been diverted to the legal strife among those who sought to dispel the uncertainty, and unless a compromise be effected the bitterness which will creep in will draw a sharp line between the two local factions, both of which have influential adherents and the cause of whose principals they so assiduously endorse. Locally the factional bitterness will overshadow the frantic attempts to get State evidence to convict James Wilcox, who while away his time smoking and reading, and whose indifference to it is well high impregnable.

To Meet in Charleston.

Washington, Special.—A call has been issued for the fourteenth annual convention of the National Association of Railway Commissioners, to be held at Charleston, Tuesday, February 11. The principal subjects that will be considered are the classification of operation and construction of steam and electric railroads; grade crossing; railroad taxes and ascertaining fair valuations of railroad property; uniform classification and simplification of tariff sheets; railroad statistics; necessary legislation; safety appliances; delays in enforcing orders of railway commissioners; rates and rate-making form for reports of electric railways.

Steamer Ashore.

Baltimore, Special.—The steamer Augusta Bennett, from Norfolk for Baltimore, was ashore of Sparrow's Point, having got ashore during the dense fog. On board the steamer were 40 passengers, who were taken off and brought to Baltimore by the tug Britannia. The tug, Britannia and Chicago will try to pull her off at high water.

Schley at Savannah.

Savannah, Ga., Special.—Rear Admiral W. S. Schley, accompanied by his wife, arrived in this city Friday afternoon, on board and a half late. The depot was thronged with people who waited patiently to greet him. As he alighted the cheering was deafening. Mayor Myers and a delegation of aldermen extended the admiral a cordial official welcome, and asked his consent for a formal reception at the city hall. The admiral agreed. Carriages were then taken for the residence of Gen. W. W. Gordon, where Admiral and Mrs. Schley will visit for ten days. General Gordon was a member of the Porto Rico commission, of which Admiral Schley was a member.

Three Killed.

Huntington, W. Va., Special.—A boiler exploded at the lumber mill of Lewis & Mirkin, in the southern part of this county, killing three persons and injuring several others. The dead are: Lewis Middkiff, of Pomeroy, O., and Bert Trippett and Benjamin Messing, of Salt Rock, W. Va. Among the more seriously injured are: Hiram Harvey, of Lincoln county, and William Albert and Frank Bills, brothers of Cabell county.

CONTRIBUTIONS PAST YEAR.

A Letter of Much Interest to North Carolinians.

The following letter will interest all North Carolinians and particularly all Confederate soldiers and Daughters of the Confederacy: Medium President and Ladies of the Memorial Literary Society: My work this year is not all I would like to have accomplished, but every reassuring promise and letters give me much encouragement for the coming year. The U. D. C. are our faithful allies. They have given two oil portraits, one of our beloved was Governor Zebulon Vance and one of Colonel Fisher, the latter given by Mrs. Beale's Children's Chapter. I had hoped to have received these portraits ere this, but for some reason unknown to me they have not yet arrived. An oil portrait of Major General W. D. Pender has been given by his son, W. D. Pender. I hope very soon to have these portraits unveiled. Also one of Captain Frank Sheppard, of the Confederate Navy, given by his widow; that, also, has been detained.

Mrs. E. H. Davis, of Henderson, N. C., gives an oil painting of the grave of Anne Carter Lee, General Robert E. Lee's daughter, who lies buried in Warren county, N. C. Mrs. Wm. Parker, of Henderson, sends a gavel made of a piece of the car that bore the remains of President Davis through the South. Through Mrs. Parker, Miss Whitehead, of New Carolina, gives a prayer book found on the body of her brother, James F. Whitehead, who was killed in a skirmish at Spotsylvania, C. H., November 27th, 1864. The body was carried by Northern troops, one of whom preserved the prayer book, and years after the war returned it to the family. Capt. P. C. Carlton, of the Seventh North Carolina Infantry, gives an original poem, written on the back of a \$2.00 greenback bill, and the reply to the poem written by Daniel I. Weymouth, of Boston, Mass. From a friend I have received \$5.00. From General Anderson Chapter, U. D. C.'s \$2.00. Sale of Confederate notes \$2.55.

MRS. JOHN W. GORDON.

Vice Regent. MRS. ARMISTEAD JONES. Regent for North Carolina. To Apportion \$500.000. The various County Boards of Education in the State at their meetings will get up information upon which will be based the distribution of the second \$500,000 appropriation to bring up the weak districts in the State to the constitutional requirements of a four months school. Blankets were sent sometime ago to the county boards in order to secure this information. As soon as the blanks are received the five extra appropriations among the schools that have not sufficient funds to comply with the four months constitutional requirement. The demands of the law making this appropriation are explicit, and must be complied with in order that the counties may participate in the distribution.

Sale of State Lands.

Raleigh, Special.—Mr. James H. McRae, of Wilmington, the State Engineer, spent the day in the city, inspecting maps of the State swamp lands. He was met here by Rev. Baynes Cade and Mr. J. F. Noble, of James county, who were seeking information relative to swamp lands in Carteret, Jones and Craven counties. Rev. Baynes Cade claims an option on all State lands in Craven county, which are over 100,000 acres in area. Mr. J. F. Noble represents parties in the North, who desire to purchase parts of this land on which Rev. Mr. Cade claims an option. State Engineer McRae has been engaged in surveying the State lands in Tyrrell and adjoining counties in now complete, but he will change the plan slightly to conform to some recent laws. He says this land is desired for timber.

Heavy Pension Roll.

Washington, Special.—The pension appropriation bill was completed by the House committee on appropriations Friday, and reported to the House. It carries \$129,842,200, exactly the amount of the estimates, as against \$145,245,250 appropriated last year.

Miss Stone's Release.

London, by Cable.—The release of Miss Ellen M. Stone by the brigands who have held her in captivity since September 8, is believed to be only a question of hours. An official telegram received in London Friday afternoon, which was dispatched from Constantinople after midday today, says the release of Miss Stone is imminent.

Trouble With Nother-in-Law.

Salisbury, Special.—As a result of a fight with his mother-in-law, on whom he used a stick of wood, Mr. J. T. Wyatt, of Faith, and his wife have agreed to separate. This ends a romance, which began a year ago by Mr. Wyatt marrying a Swiss bride, a highly educated young woman, whom he courted through a matrimonial paper advertisement. The last chapter to be settled was Mrs. Wyatt's quit claim on Mr. Wyatt for a specified sum. The difference between the couple has caused much talk. Two days ago while Mrs. Wyatt was here Mr. Wyatt tried to move his effects out of the house. Mother-in-law who had come with the bride and who speaks no English objected, hence the fight. Mrs. Wyatt had him arrested and only agreed to his release when he agreed to separate.

Large Contribution.

Pittsburg, Pa., Special.—Ten thousand dollars was contributed to the national fund for a McKinley memorial by the workmen of Homestead. It was one of the largest amounts for this purpose that has been raised in western Pennsylvania. The majority of the workmen gave a half-day's pay, from the low rate of pay, and the heads of the departments. There was a few, however, who gave nothing.

FIFTEEN ARE KILLED

In a Disastrous Wreck in a New York Tunnel.

ENGINE PLUNGES THROUGH A CAR.

Train Was Crowded With Suburban Passengers, and the Destruction Was Frightful.

New York, Special.—In the New York Central Railroad tunnel that burrows under Park avenue, this city, two local trains collided Wednesday. Fifteen passengers were killed and twice that number were injured. A dozen of the latter were seriously hurt, and the roster of the dead may be extended. The dead: Albert M. Ferrin, 45 years old, recently from Chicago, secretary and social vice president of the Union Bag and Paper Company, residence New Rochelle, N. Y.; B. D. C. Foster, 48, New Rochelle; A. H. H. Mills, 25, New Rochelle; E. C. Hilsdale, 25, New Rochelle; Mrs. A. F. Howard, 25, New Rochelle; Frank Washburn, formerly of Chicago, president of the Union Bag and Paper Company, residence New Rochelle; Wm. Leys, 35, New Rochelle, general manager B. Altman and Co., New York; Theodore Fiorardo, 28, New Rochelle; Wm. Fisher, or Forbes, 25, New Rochelle; William Howard, 18, New Rochelle; Oscar Meyrowitz, 59, New Rochelle, optician in New York and secretary of the New Rochelle Yacht Club; Francis M. Carter, New Rochelle; Ernest F. Walton, 30, New Rochelle, broker in New York; H. G. Diamond, New Rochelle, assistant general manager of the American Bridge Company, this city; Charles R. Mars, New Rochelle, employed at the new custom house. A list of the seriously injured follows: Ernest Coffin, 15 years old, New Rochelle, serious wound on head, taken to Woman's Hospital, Fifth street and Lexington avenue; Alfred Wadly, florist of New York city, fracture of both legs, shock and scalp wounds; Albert W. Adams, a carriage builder, of New York, left leg cut off below knee; George M. Carter, New York, leg fractured; George M. Fisher, 46, East Port Chester, severely injured; Mabel Newman, New Rochelle, contusions of body and hip fractured; Mammie J. Rice, New Rochelle, fractured nose and internal injuries, condition critical; Winfield Schultz, New Rochelle, fractured legs and burns; E. McKee, New Rochelle, leg fractured; Henry Keene, general manager of the Sixty-second Street Car, this city, fractured ribs and internal injuries; George W. Winter, New Rochelle, compound fracture of left leg which was amputated; Wm. Brooks, Erie, Pa., lacerated face and possible fracture of skull, taken to Roosevelt Hospital.

It was a rear-end collision between a South Norwalk local train that ran in over the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad, and was halted by broken rails at the south entrance of the tunnel, and a White Plains local that came by the Harlem branch of the New York Central. The wreck occurred at 7:17 a. m., at which hour the trains were crowded by suburban passengers. Most of the injury and damage were wrought by the engine of the White Plains train, which plunged into the rear car of the motionless train and was driven through to the middle of the tunnel, smashing the seats and furnishings and splitting the sides as it moved forward. The victims were either mangled in the mass of wreckage carried at the pilot-crushed in the space between boiler and car sides or scalded by steam which came hissing from broken pipes and cylinders. The engine in its final plunge of forty feet carried the rear car forward and sent twisted iron, broken timbers and splintering timbers and car sides of scorching lights were extinguished and from the wreckage and darkness came from the cries of the injured and calls for assistance by those who escaped.

Judiciary Report Ready.

Richmond, Special.—Consideration of the Judiciary report was completed in the constitutional convention Wednesday, except that a motion to reconsider the vote by which the paragraph was adopted providing that judges of the Supreme Court are to be elected by the General Assembly, went over for action tomorrow.

Gorman For Senator.

Annapolis, Md., Special.—Hon. Arthur P. Gorman and Chairman Murry Vandiver, of the Democratic State central committee, were selected as the Democratic nominee for United States Senator and State Treasurer, respectively, at the Democratic caucus, held Wednesday night. Senator Gorman's selection was unanimous and enthusiastic. There were 54 members present and the question of the next United States Senator and State Treasurer is regarded as settled. The Republicans held their caucus in the afternoon and nominated Congressman Wm. P. Jackson, of Wisconsin county, for United States Senator, and General Thomas J. Shirk, of Baltimore city, for State Treasurer.

Fitzsimmons to Fight.

San Francisco, Special.—Adolph Spreckles, son of the California sugar king, has received a telegram from Fitzsimmons which indicates the Cornishman is ready to enter the ring again and fight Jeffries if suitable arrangements can be made. In the telegram Fitzsimmons asked the million-aire if he would back him for \$25,000 against the present champion, the winner to take the fighter's entire share of the gate receipts.