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THE THREE FRIENDS CASE APPEALED.

Jacksonville, Fla., Jan. 19.—The case of the Three Friends, charged with carrying an armed expedition in violation of the neutrality laws, will be appealed to the Appellate Court in New Orleans during the nexe few days.

On account of the importance of the issue involved, District Attorney Clarke is confident that the trial in New Orleans will be pushed to a speedy settlement.

One important feature of the case seems to lie in the fact that if the Appellate Court sustains the decision of Judge Locke it will necessitate the revision of this particular statute by Congress.

District Attorney Clarke will be assisted at New Orleans by Assistant District Attorney Cromwell Gibbons, his law partner.

THE COOPER BILL TO BE REPORTED AGAIN.

Washington, Jan. 19.—The House judiciary committee to-day unanimously agreed to report again the Cooper bill to constitute a new division of the eastern judicial district of Texas and to provide for holding terms of court at Beaumont. The bill was vetoed by President Cleveland last month. The purpose of a favorable report from the committee is to give it such prestige as may enable it to pass the House by the constitutional two-thirds majority.

STATESVILLE NOTES.

Special to the Observer.

Statesville, Jan. 18.—Invitations have been issued to a reception to be given next Thursday evening by Hon. and Mrs. Wm. M. Robbins to Mr. and Mrs. R. B. McLaughlin.

Capt. A. D. Cowles is very ill with pneumonia.

Mrs. E. M. Williamson, of Danville, Va., who has been visiting Mrs. H. C. Gaither, will return to Danville to-morrow.

DEATH IN McDOWELL.

Special to the Observer.

Nealsville, Jan. 18.—Robt. L. Gardin, brother of our popular ex-Sheriff Gardin, died at his home near this place, five miles south of Marion, Saturday night. Mr. Gardin was a United States storekeeper and gauger. For several years he had been a great sufferer from rheumatism, which finally brought him to his bed of earth. His remains were placed in the Haney Cemetery to-day.

MASON WILL PROBABLY BE ELECTED FROM ILLINOIS.

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 19.—At the caucus of the Cook county Republican members of the Legislature this evening, Representative Lorimer was withdrawn from the contest, in favor of ex-Congressman Wm. E. Mason of Chicago. Shortly afterwards Mason was nominated by the Republican caucus.

A NEW STREET RAILWAY IN PENSACOLA, FLA.

Pensacola, Fla., Jan. 19.—The first sod was broken at the custom house corner this morning and work commenced on the new electric street railroad by the Pensacola Terminal Company. The work will be pushed as rapidly as possible.

HANSBROUGH RETURNS FROM NORTH DAKOTA.

Bismarck, N. D., Jan. 19.—H. C. Hansbrough was to-day re-elected United States Senator by a total vote of 68 to 25 for W. A. Bentley, Populist.

James W. Harris, of Quitman, Ga., fell from the platform at Dreyton, Fla., Friday and had his foot mangled under the car wheels of a passing train. He died at the Walker House at Monticello, Fla., last night.

LOCAL WEATHER REPORT.

S. L. DOSHER, Observer. Charlotte, Jan. 19, 8 p. m. Charlotte, Jan. 18, 1897, 8 p. m.

Bar.	Temp.	Weath.	Precip.
30.38	42	Clear	00.

Maximum temperature 50; minimum temperature 29.

SAME DATE LAST YEAR. Maximum 57; minimum 42.

WEATHER FORECAST.

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DEMOCRATS VOTED FOR DOUGHTON.

The Vote Was Taken in Each House at Noon, and Pritchard Had a Majority of One of the Full Membership of the Assembly—The Result Will be Declared in Joint Session To-Day—Several Members Were Absent or Did Not Vote—Claud Dockery Was Excused—The Usual Number of Fool, Flowery Speeches—Details of Legislative Proceedings.

Observer Bureau, Park Hotel, Raleigh, Jan. 19.

SENATE.

Reported for the Observer.

Raleigh, Jan. 19.—The Senate met at 11 o'clock, Lieutenant Governor Reynolds presiding. After prayer by Rev. Mr. Daniel, of the city, the journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Bills and resolutions were introduced as follows:

Mr. Justice—In regard to the probate of wills.

Mr. Wakefield—To prohibit the sale of liquor near a church in Burke county.

The calendar was taken up and the lynching bill of Person, colored, was taken up. Person made a long harangue in favor of his bill, which had been unanimously reported adversely by the judiciary committee. The bill makes the county liable when a lynching occurs. Mr. McCarthy moved to lay upon the table, whereupon Person jumped to his feet and demanded the support of all "true Republicans." In his remarks he said he "was surprised that the Republicans should allow the Democrats to put them in a hole." The bill was tabled.

The resolution of Mr. Scales, making one-third a quorum of committee, tabled.

Bill to make another election precinct in the county of Edgecombe. Mr Person, the introducer of the bill, made another speech, airing his political views. He spoke of Democratic fraud, etc., and demanded another polling place in his county. Mr. Clark, Populist, opposed the bill and said the gentleman had his redress in the courts. Bill lost on second reading.

Mr. Ramsay, by unanimous consent, introduced a resolution directing the doorkeeper to keep the Senate clock by standard time. Adopted.

The President, at 12 o'clock, announced that time had arrived for the election of a United States Senator.

Mr. Smathers nominated Jeter C. Pritchard. He urged the Populists to support him, as he could be of much more benefit to them than a Populist. He made quite a long speech and during it called the Populists "a party of broken promises." After a sketch of the life of Pritchard, he ended by another appeal to the Populists to support him.

Mr. Person, colored, seconded the nomination of Mr. Pritchard in behalf. He said of 120,000 colored voters. He said he had wanted to nominate a colored man, but he knew the time was not ripe yet when he could be elected, but the time would come

Mr. Maxwell nominated Hon. Cyrus Thompson. He said that the Populists in that side of the Senate had a nomination to make. They had been reproached but had not been swerved from their principles. There had been no understanding with the Republicans in regard to the election of a United States Senator. He wanted it understood that he was a middle-of-the-road Populist. Cy. Thompson was a true son of the Old Northwest State—a man who will throw himself into the breach; a true silver man; equal in honesty, loyalty and principle to any son of North Carolina.

Mr. Abell nominated, in behalf of the Democrats, Hon. Rufus A. Doughton. He said: "Mr. President: In behalf of the Democratic Senators, I desire to place in nomination ex-Lieutenant Governor Doughton. His purity of life and his success are well known to the population. His public life and political principles command the esteem and confidence of his friends and challenge the admiration of those who differ with him. He has been the chief free silver, unlimited coinage of silver at 16 to 1, because it is right, because it is just. The great crime of 1873 he will endeavor to have stricken from the statute books. I should be blotted out. If elected, he will give real financial relief to the people—even if he has to put it on as a rider to the revenue bill. As a tree is judged by its fruits, so you should judge the man. If you elect him you will not be compelled to force a promise. He would give his word, and God knows he would keep it. He is in favor of an income tax. The money-lenders should pay their part of the taxes. He is an untiring enemy and ceaseless foe of all trusts and combinations. I have respect for the political convictions of Senators, but am proud that I am a Democrat—of the great and good government of my party. I am glad that Doughton is a Democrat. He never betrayed his convictions or principles. He is a man of convictions and dares to carry them out."

Mr. Wakefield seconded the nomination of Mr. Pritchard.

Mr. Utley seconded the nomination of Dr. Thompson. He made an admirable speech for his man and roundly abused Pritchard as the "agent of monopolies."

Mr. Parker of Alamance seconded the nomination of Mr. Doughton.

Mr. Asburn seconded the nomination of Mr. Pritchard.

Mr. Justice seconded the nomination of Dr. Doughton.

Mr. Anthony seconded Mr. Doughton's nomination.

Mr. Atwater seconded the nomination of Dr. Thompson. He said that the Populists were the ones who breathed life into the Republican party and that it came with a bad grace for the Republicans to ask the Populists to violate their most sacred principles—the financial question. Before he would vote for Pritchard he would go down in defeat. He said "he desired to plainly tell the Republicans that if they persisted in supporting Pritchard there would be no more co-operation."

Mr. Grant seconded Pritchard's nomination and laid much stress on the "contract of two years ago" with the Populists.

Mr. Anderson also seconded Mr. Pritchard's nomination.

The President then announced that the vote would be taken. Mr. Smathers and Mr. McCaskey were appointed tellers. The vote stood: Pritchard 24, Thompson 18, Doughton 7. The following is a list of Senators and their votes:

Pritchard—Messrs. Anderson, Ashburn, Barker, Cannon, Dickson, Early, Grant, Henderson, Hyatt, Maultsby, McCarthy, McNeill, Newsome, Odum, Person, Ramsey, Rollins, Sharpe of Wilson, Sharpe of Iredell, Smathers, Shore, Wakefield, Whedbee, Yeager—24.

Thompson—Messrs. Alexander, Atwater, Butler, Clark, Geddie, Hardison, Lyon, Maxwell, Mitchell, Moye, Merritt, McCaskey, Parker of Randolph, Patterson, Shaw, Utley, Walker—18.

Doughton—Messrs. Abell, Anthony, Barringer, Justice, Parker of Alamance, Ray, Roberson—7.

Mr. McCaskey states his position as follows: That if the Populist party nominated a straight Populist he would feel bound to support him, but he did not propose to vote for any Republican other than Pritchard.

After the report of the tellers was announced the Senate adjourned till to-morrow at 11 o'clock, and the Senate will then meet in the House of Representatives to compare and count the vote for Senator.

HOUSE.

At 11 o'clock the House was opened with prayer by Rev. Dr. R. H. Whitaker.

The day was, with the exception of inauguration day, the most interesting of the session thus far, and the galleries and lobbies were filled.

On Mr. Sutton's motion the Senate resolution to go into the election of a Senator at noon was concurred in. The Speaker appointed as tellers Messrs. Houser, Cook and Nelson.

Bills were introduced as follows:

Mr. Sutton—To establish two trial justice's courts in Wilmington township; to regulate the registration of grants of lands by the State.

Mr. Hancock—To renew and keep in force the charter of the Wilmington, Newbern & Charleston Railroad.

Mr. Mears—To put J. M. Johnson, of Bladen, on the pension list.

Mr. Green—To allow the sheriff of Mitchell to destroy "blind tigers."

Mr. Lusk—To regulate service of process in criminal actions; to protect game and song birds in this State; to protect political meetings from wilful interruption and disturbance.

Mr. McKenzie—To exempt undertakers who are funeral directors from jury duty.

Mr. Harris, of Hyde—To protect deer in Hyde.

Mr. Person, of Wayne—To repeal the appropriation by the State to the North Carolina Firemen's Association. (The State makes no such appropriation. The fire insurance companies agreed to pay an additional sum to be used for this purpose.

Mr. Murphy—For the protection of hotels and boarding house-keepers.

Mr. Pinnix—To allow ex-Sheriff Kelley, of Yadkin, to collect arrears of taxes.

Mr. Young, of Wake—To allow the trustees of the institution for deaf-mutes and blind to employ two physicians.

Bill to allow Robeson county to levy a special tax passed third reading.

A resolution was adopted allowing the committees on judiciary and corporations to act without a majority being present.

A bill to put a man named Nail, of Buncombe, on the pension lists caused some debate. Mr. Lusk said he was blind and as poor as Job's turkey, "which had to lean against the fence to gobble." Mr. Harris, of Hyde, said he did not like this pension legislation; that it constituted three-fourths of the business of Congress, which was, he declared, a disgrace to the nation. Mr. Cunningham earnestly hoped the bill would pass unanimously. Mr. Alexander, of Tyrell, said he regretted to see a disposition in the House to decline to aid the Confederate soldiers who had answered their State's call. He reproached the House for refusing aid to keep the veterans out of the county homes. He said the people favored the pensioning of any deserving Confederate soldier. Mr. Sutton opposed providing for one man, and said it should be merged in a general bill, as it was the purpose of this Legislature to provide for all.

No action was taken on the bill, as noon arrived and the Speaker announced the special order, the election of Senator.

Mr. Brown, of Jones, said he gave notice that he desired to explain his vote.

At 12:05 Mr. Lusk said the much-discussed and long-expected time for the election of a Senator had arrived; that could the people of the State have heard the Speaker's announcement and could the House have heard the outcry for North Carolina's favorite son, the election of Jeter C. Pritchard would be made by acclamation. He then presented Jeter C. Pritchard as his own successor. (Applause.) He gave a sketch of Pritchard's life and public services, saying his father was a Confederate soldier who lost his life while in service; that he was reared in poverty and without the advantages of early education; that his life, his career, really began in North Carolina and from a printing office he had risen to be one of the foremost men in the country. Mr. Lusk sketched his career as printer, farmer, lawyer and politician. He said it was a time-honored custom to elect one Senator from the east and one from the west. "Now," said he, "you have an honored Senator from the east, a man worthy of the position he occupies. I never have regretted the vote I cast for Marion Butler and hope I never will. Now won't you give us a Senator from the west." He went on to say that in the past two years dissensions had arisen in the Populist party, but he declared loudly that fusion of Republicans and Populists must not be broken up. He declared Pritchard was for the free coinage of silver just as he was two years ago; that he had not changed a particle. He said Pritchard's services in the Senate were the thing needed to launch the prosperity for which the people were clamoring. There was hearty applause as Mr. Lusk finished.

Mr. Spencer Blackburn seconded the nomination of Mr. Pritchard in a speech, as the "boy orator of the Republican party," and this effort was the greatest of his life. He declared Pritchard to be the choice of the "masses of humanity" in North Carolina.

Mr. Schulken said he did not think an eloquent speech a necessity on this occasion, and that he rose to place in nomination a native-born child of North Carolina, and rejoiced that it was not necessary to go to another State to get a Senator. He then nominated Cyrus Thompson, saying he was an honest and a talented man. There was, strange to say, no applause, save one "supposed hand-clap" at the mention of Thompson's name. Mr. Schulken said the free and independent coinage of silver had been advocated on every stump and assurances given that no man should be voted for save one faithful to this cause; and that Cy. Thompson had the zeal of Elijah and the faith of Abraham in this cause. He declared that the Populists could not afford to vote for a man unfavorable to the cause they had been preaching. He said the Populist party had never committed forcible trespass upon Republican sacred precincts and he declared that the Republicans had no right to go over on the Populist side and take away the latter's rights without their consent. He appealed to Republicans to keep their hands off in this matter. He called on the Populist bolters to do their duty. He called on the Democrats to stand by the pledges they had made to vote for any sincere friend of silver the Populists named.

Mr. Dancy of Edgecombe, colored, seconded the nomination of Mr. Pritchard and got much colored applause. He said he believed in the Populists and Republicans standing together and if the Populists had been given most of the offices.

Mr. Harris of Halifax, colored, in seconding Pritchard's nomination, termed him the greatest star in the galaxy of the great man of North Carolina. He expressed the hope that the Populists and Democrats would support Pritchard. Harris earned applause.

Mr. Hauser seconded Dr. Thompson's nomination, saying no man stood ahead of him in the "great reform movement."

Mr. Ferrell of Wake seconded the nomination of Thompson.

Mr. Parker of Perquimans said he rose on behalf of the Populists of eastern North Carolina to second the nomination of Jeter C. Pritchard (at these words there was a tremendous burst of applause, which came from floor, lobbies and gallery, and which lasted several seconds). Parker said he wished to violate the conscience of no man; that Pritchard had given a guarantee unpledged that he would continue to be a true friend of free silver, and that he felt he was honoring himself in seconding the nomination of Pritchard.

Mr. Dixon of Cleveland said he had hoped the friends of free coinage would have united on some man. He declared the Democrats had made all the advances they could possibly make to bring about this result; that they had opposed to co-operate to bring about this result; had reached out their hands but nothing had toughed them. The situation over the 145,000 Democrats in North Carolina demand that the Democrats present a man. He expressed a belief that a neat majority of this Legislature is for the free and unlimited coinage of silver and gold at the ratio of 16 to 1; that if the men who coin free coinage here direct from the people had been left to themselves the result would have been different. He then nominated Rufus A. Doughton of Alleghany, whose name is known and known all over North Carolina; a Christian, a patriot, a novel citizen, a gentleman. He declared the Senator now elected might come from the west, from those grand nominations on which runs into God Almight himself sits and talks to his people. In conclusion he said that four years hence W. J. Bryan would be the President. (At this there was hearty applause from the Democrats; not a nurmur from the Populists.)

Mr. Cathey of Swain, a young member, seconded in a neat way the nomination of Thompson, and gracefully eulogized Vance.

At 1:30 there were calls of vote and the call of the roll call began. Dockery and Brown of Jones each gave notice that they desired to explain his vote.

Mr. Brown explained his vote, saying he gave it because he believed the Populists would faith the Republicans in this election.

When Mr. Brower voted for Pritchard several hisses were heard.

Mr. Dockery said that in the Republican caucus he had stated that under certain conditions and circumstances he could not cast his vote as the tenor of the resolutions instructed, and so asked to be excused from voting. He was excused. As a Republican he was born to-day and by no action of his should any other man than a Republican be sent to the Senate. He had been brought up in that faith. But there were stronger ties than party. Circumstances had to-day arisen which would cause him not to vote for the caucus nominee and under these impulses he asked the unanimous consent of the House to be excused. He was excused.

The tellers at 2 o'clock announced the vote and the House adjourned until 11 o'clock to-morrow.

All there was of interest in this town to-day occurred in the Senate and House and the proceedings tell the story.

How great was the truth of your correspondent's remark that while the odds were in Pritchard's favor they were too close to be comfortable, and that it did not appear his majority was secure enough to make a close shave. It is said he will get three more votes to-morrow. One man offered to bet he would get ten more.

There was a big fake last night, started by Republicans, that Julian S. Carr had been endorsed by the Democrats for Senator. This correspondent told the facts; that Doughton was the favorite. At this morning's caucus he was agreed on as the standard-bearer. And a noble, true man he is.

Oliver H. Dockery was in the House to-day and saw the balloting and heard the speeches.

Senator Pritchard last night, as requested by the bolting Populists, gave them a letter pledging himself for silver. McCaskey has the letter.

There may be some startling changes in the senatorial vote to-morrow. It is said that one Populist who is for Thompson left Raleigh this afternoon.

Capt. A. S. Peace, a member of the Populist State committee, is to-night reported to be dying at Rex Hospital here. He was this afternoon taken there from his boarding house. Earnhardt and Umstead are also very sick.

It is said that Purgason will be here to-morrow.

The bolting Populists caucused at Skinner's room to-night. E. E. Bryan, one of them, said they resolved to cast the same vote to-morrow as to-day. He also says D. Reid Parker will vote for Pritchard to-morrow and that other Populists of the majority will then vote for Pritchard.

Senator Pritchard has received congratulatory telegrams from Senators Thurston, Proctor, McBride, Clark, Hawley, Frye, Perkins, several Representatives, and from Wilbur Wakeman, secretary of the American Protective League. Pritchard says he is very much gratified at to-day's vote. He has only been Senator from Reid Parker, Populist, in which the latter says: "I pledge you my vote to-morrow." Carter, of Nash, another Populist, is also pledged to Pritchard, and two others of the Populist majority promise to support him. Jones, of Alleghany, Democrat, will, if necessary, vote for him. He is one of the reserved forces. Pritchard's friends say Pritchard expects 8 to 10 majority. He also expects Dockery and Cox to vote for him. It is said by Republicans to-night that Butler this evening sent a message to the Populist bolters' caucus suggesting that all Populists meet and put up a compromise man for Senator Butler. The statement was that the bolters replied that they would have a caucus to-morrow evening and would then consider his proposition.

There was some spasmodic talk to-night of the anti-Pritchard Republicans getting together; that there is some sentiment against him by old-line Republicans, and that if great determination were shown 15 could be rallied and beat Pritchard in ten minutes. But these mice are afraid of the cat. Pritchard is well in the lead to-night.

It is said that W. H. Odom is to be postmaster at Wadesboro.

A bill was drawn to-day for the impeachment of Judge Norwood. It is understood to be the purpose of the Republicans to pass the bill.

Bills have been prepared restoring to the Governor the power to appoint the superintendent and directors of the penitentiary and Agricultural Department, all these appointments to be confirmed by the Senate. It provides that the directors of the Agricultural Department shall elect all its officers.

It is openly said that John R. Smith is to be general manager of the penitentiary.

Senator Pritchard has received scores of telegrams of congratulation this afternoon and evening.

Harry Skinner said to-night: "I know four Thompson men who will to-morrow vote for Pritchard."

The Republicans declare that Pritchard will get many more Populists votes. Jones of Alleghany they expected to vote for him, but the Doughton nomination sidetracked him.

One Republican says: "No man can tell what a night and part of two days can bring forth in Raleigh."

The House committee on elections had a two hours session this afternoon and heard the last of the evidence for the contestants. There will be another session to-morrow, when the evidence for the contestees will be heard. It is hoped to finish the entire case to-morrow night. Speeches are to be limited to one hour and a half on each side.

Senator Butler left the hotel at 11 o'clock to go with Fountain and Ayer to speak to the Populist caucus at the capitol. He said to me: "No, I don't give up the fight." He added that the statement to the effect that he had made the Populist bolters a proposition to-night was false. Senator Butler's paper to-night is like a war cry. He reads the riot act to the bolters and to the Republicans. There are four or five columns of sharp and stinging denunciation. One head is: "Combine of Rascality—Spoil of Office and Patronage as a Fund for Corruption—The Pritchard-Skinner Deal Shame—Perfidy and Disgrace—Men Who Must Forever Rest Under Suspicion." He attacks the bolters, saying that they denied that they would bolt; that Skinner said that he would do and this was correct; that Skinner says he will put in white Populists as postmasters in the first district instead of negro Republicans. The paper goes on to say: "As for the Republicans who use Skinner as a tool, if you permit the full consummation of the scheme you do it at the peril of your party's salvation. Therefore do it if you dare. Co-operation of Populists and Republicans hereafter is impossible. The true Populists have determined to aim a death-blow at any party which will resort to debauchery of men, then use these men for the purpose of knifing those who have trusted them as friends." Another editorial says: "A negro Senator said to-day in a speech that if the colored voters had thought there would have been any opposition to Pritchard among the Populists the results might have been different. Does this black fool understand and appreciate the power which Skinner has given him the silentest chance to be where he is? If the results are different he will find such conditions as will permit him and his kind to go hoary-headed and wrinkled to the grave without ever being able to cast another vote which may be counted."

THE PARLIAMENT ASSEMBLES.

ADDRESS FROM THE THRONE READ.

Queen Victoria Highly Pleased With the Venezuelan Settlement and the Arbitration Treaty—The Turk Touched Up—Means Taken to Alleviate the Distress in India—A Larger Army and Naval Appropriation Recommended—Bills Which Will be Submitted.

London, Jan. 19.—Parliament re-assembled to-day and the members of the House of Commons as usual, proceeded to the House of Lords to hear the reading of the Queen's speech, which was read by the Lord Chancellor as follows:

"My Lords and Gentlemen:

"My relations with all of the other powers continue to be of a friendly character. The appalling massacres which have taken place in Constantinople and other parts of the Ottoman dominions have called for the special attention of the powers signatory to the treaty of Paris. Papers will be laid before you showing the considerations which induced the powers to make the present condition of the Ottoman Empire the subject of special consultation by the representatives of the powers at Constantinople. The conferences of the six ambassadors to the Porte are still proceeding.

"The action undertaken by the Khedive of Egypt against the Khalifa with my approval and assistance has been entirely successful. His forces, supported by my officers and troops, have won back the fertile provinces of Dongola to civilization by operations which were conducted with remarkable skill and the way has been opened for a further advance whenever such a step is judged to be desirable.

"My government has discussed with the United States, as a friend of Venezuela, the terms under which the pending questions of dispute in the frontier between that republic and British Guinea may be equitably submitted to arbitration. An agreement has been arrived at which will, I trust, effect an adjustment of the existing controversies without exposing to risk the interests of any colonists who have established rights in the disputed territory.

"It is with much gratification that I have concluded a treaty for general arbitration with the President of the United States, by which I trust that all differences that may arise between us will be peacefully adjusted. I hope that this arrangement may have a further value in commending to other powers the consideration of the principle by which the danger of war may be notably abated."

"The rebellion in Matabeland and Mashonaland has been repressed by the steadfastness and courage of my troops and volunteers, both of the English and Dutch races. I deplore the loss of valuable lives which these operations have entailed.

Arthur J. Balfour, First Lord of the Treasury, and government leader in the House, made a speech in which he spoke of the Anglo-American arbitration treaty in terms similar to those employed by Prime Minister Salisbury in the House of Lords, and his references to the subject were greeted with cheers.

Treating of other matters that would come before the House, Mr. Balfour intimated that the government would, at a future date, deal with the question of the financial relation between Great Britian and Ireland. In the meantime he felt it necessary to say that there were large matters which the former commission had been bound to investigate, but which it had refused to do. The government would, therefore, take measures to effect such an investigation and would shortly announce the terms upon which the investigating body would be appointed. He also intimated that the government would afford a chance for the House to debate the subject after the debate on the address in reply to the Queen's speech had been finished and before the budget should be taken up.

The Hon. Edward Blake, Liberal, member of the South division of Longford, accordingly withdrew a motion regarding the Irish taxation question which he had proposed as an amendment to the address.

There was an unusually large attendance of people at the opening hour of the House of Lords which met this afternoon. The lately appointed Archbishop of Canterbury, the Most Reverend Frederick Temple, and the recently created bishop of London, the Right Reverend Mandell Creighton, took the prescribed oath as members of the Upper Chamber. The Prince of Wales and the Duke of Cambridge occupied a cross bench, and the galleries were filled with the wives and daughters of members.

After the Lord Chancellor, Lord Lord Halsbury, had read the speech from the throne the customary address in reply to the speech was moved by the Marquis of Bath. The motion was seconded by Lord Kenyon.

The Earl of Kimberley, who was yesterady chosen as the leader of the liberals of the House of Lords in the place of Lord Rosebery, resigned, said he deeply regretted that Lord Rosebery was no longer the leader of the Liberal party. Speaking on other matters he congratulated Lord Salisbury upon the success of his negotiations with the United States. In regard to Turkey he said he felt impelled to ask if the treaty of Berlin was dead.

The benches of the House of Commons were crowded with members and the galleries were packed with privileged spectators. Right Hon. Arthur J. Balfour, First Lord of the Treasury; Jos. Chamberlain, Secretary of State for the colonies, and Sir Wm. Harcourt, the leader of the opposition in the House, were greeted with prolonged cheers as they entered the chamber. After the Queen's speech had been read by the Speaker, Viscount Folkestone, the member for the south division of Wiltshire, moved the address in reply to the Queen, and in the course of his remarks referred to the approaching completion of the sixtieth year of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, and expressed hope that the event, so unique in the annals of the country, would be fittingly celebrated. Sir Wm. Harcourt said that the most important as well as the most satisfactory statement contained in the Queen's speech, was the reference made to the relations between Great Britian and the United States. He heartily congratulated the government upon the conclusion of the differences regarding Venezuela and gave them unstinted praise for the general arbitration treaty, which was recently signed by the British ambassador at Washington and the American Secretary of State. Sir William's remarks were heard with cheers.

"The depressed condition of the sugar industry in the West Indian colonies has seriously affected their prosperity. I have appointed a commission to investigate the causes and, if possible, suggest means of amelioration.

"It is with much regret and with feeling of the deepest sympath that I have heard that owing to the failure of the autumn rains scarcity and famine affect a large portion of India.

"My government in that country is making every effort to mitigate the suffering and lessen the calamity by the development of railways and irrigation works. The forethought given through a long series of years to the preparation of the most effective arrangement for alleviating distress caused by famine, make their task more hopeful than in the case of previous visitations.

"My people throughout my kingdoms at home and in India have been invited to second with their liberality the exertions of the government. Papers showing the extent of the famine and the measures taken to relieve the suffering will be laid before you.

"A plague has also made its appearance in Bombay and Kurachee and notwithstanding the precaution adopted by the local authorities it shows no signs of dec