

Pitchfork and Rapier.

Tillman and Hill Cross Weapons in the Senate.

Washington, May 1.—The session of the Senate to-day was enlivened by two characteristic speeches—a fiery and impetuous one from Senator Tillman, Democrat, of South Carolina, and a temperate and suggestive one from Senator Hill, Democrat, of New York.

Senator Hill's reply to him was dignified, but sarcastic. He too spoke of the Chicago Convention, declaring that he did not believe that Mr. Cleveland was a candidate for the nomination, saying that he was not pledged to him or to any member of his Cabinet; eulogized Mr. Carlisle for his public services, while criticizing him for his interference with the reelection of Senator Blackburn, and closed a long speech with declaring that the policy of the Democratic party should be "in essentials, unity; in non-essentials, liberty; in all things, charity."

The bill pending before the Senate was the naval appropriation bill, and it was thought that general debate had practically ended. Senator Tillman, however, concluded he would throw a "few bricks" into the back yard of the sound money men on both sides of the chamber. After a brief allusion to the naval bill he launched out into one of his characteristic tirades against President Cleveland, Secretary Carlisle and Senator Sherman.

In the meantime word was passed through the Capitol that Tillman and Hill were having a "scrap" in the Senate. Instantly the galleries filled up and members from the House came hurrying over to the Senate chamber. Conspicuous among the visitors on the back seats were Representatives Stokes, Elliott, Latimer, Strait and Talbert, of South Carolina, and Lester, Tate, Bartlett and Russel, of Georgia.

On the other hand, Hill was at his best, and while he kept within the rules, he deftly turned every statement Tillman made either to ridicule or used Tillman's own words to convict him of being almost anything but a Jeffersonian. So sharp were the passages between the two Senators and so abrupt were Tillman's interruptions that Senator Frey, who was presiding, invoked the rules of the Senate against the unparliamentary language and interruptions.

Although no names were used, Tillman felt the rebuke momentarily and apologized for transgressing the rules. A moment later he forgot the reprimand and broke out again, causing general laughter through the chamber. As if he regretted having disobeyed the injunction of the presiding officer, with mock modesty, he buried his face in his hands upon his desk, and like a shy school girl unwillingly kissed at a picnic, threw his head back, but covered his face with his hands.

When it became evident that Hill was outpointing Tillman at every turn, Allen, the Populist of Nebraska, rushed to the assistance of his friend. Hill turned upon the leader of the Populist party and gave him a severe drubbing for daring to interfere in what he called a Democratic family fight.

The discussion demonstrated but two things, that Tillman, after displaying a total ignorance of the money question and being convicted by his own language of being a greenback Populist and a believer in the theory that the farmer through favorable legislation may become rich without working, finally declared he is "for free silver or bust." That Hill proposes to abide by the decision of the Democratic Convention, whatever it may be.—News and Courier.

Strawberry Whipped Cream.

Rub two pounds and a half of strawberries through a sieve, and add half a pound of powdered sugar and one quart of whipped cream. Place a layer of macaroons or any small sweet biscuit in a dish, add a layer of the strawberry whip, then another layer of biscuit, and continue alternately until the cream is used up. Set aside in a very cool place, or on ice, and serve in the dish in which it is prepared.—May Ladies Home Journal.

Low Water Mark.

Prices Reach The Lowest Point Ever Known

New York, May 1.—R. G. Dun & Co say tomorrow in their weekly review of trade:

Failures for the week have been 238 in the United States against 231 last year, and 31 in Canada against 34 last year.

As the season advances there is more business, but advices indicate that on the whole the prevalent feeling is that the gain is less than there was reason to expect. While retail trade has been active enough to materially lessen stocks and obligations, and thus to prevent a great many threatened embarrassments it has not yet brought enough new business to mills or factories to prevent decrease of unfilled orders and closing of some works.

Substantially the same state of things exists in all the great industries notwithstanding the strong combinations in some, and evidence of inadequate consumption appears in the fact that the general range of prices for commodities, farm and mine as well as manufactured products, is nearly 1 per cent lower than it was April 1st, and the lowest ever known, the decline since October, 1892, being 16 7/8 per cent. Nor can this be attributed to scarcity of money, which is easier and more abundant as the liquidation of many dealers lessens outstanding obligations. Foreign operations have been of no influence in American securities, but shipments of silver have again been large. Stocks have remained practically without change.

Some cotton mills have ceased production, including one large printing establishment, and stocks on hand still increase, though for brown goods there has been a better legitimate demand, and great quantities of gingham have been moved by drives at prices low beyond all precedent. Large purchasers of lake ore by the principal consumers, contracts recurring control of low phosphorus ore and lower rail rates to Chicago for Connellsville coke in order to compete with Pocahontas coke, are the main features in the iron industry, but the revival of demand is yet deferred. Higher prices for nails have caused active buying for the week, but large consumers declined to contract as yet for bars, and the rod combination has fallen through. Middlemen still sell steel billets at \$19 at Pittsburg against \$20 asked by the pool, but the stock available is said to be only 30,000 tons. Structural prospects are good, but in other branches the demand is less active and Bessemer pig is weak at \$13 at Pittsburg.

Means More Money.

Yesterday morning Judge Ernest Gary rendered a decision in the court of common pleas, which means that the railroad property within the corporate limits of the city of Columbia, will pay taxes to the city on about \$105,000 more than heretofore—that is to say that the valuation will be increased by so much.

It was a test case brought up by the railroads to test the right of the city to impose a greater assessment than the State. The railroad companies claimed that the city could not assess their property higher than the State, that it had to accept the assessed value fixed by the State Board of Equalization of railroad property. The city claimed the right to increase the State valuation, and also to assess the side-track mileage within the corporate limits.

Judge Gary decided that, while the general railroad laws of the State controlled the matter of railroad taxation generally, they did not in case of Columbia, as the special act of 1893 relating to the powers of the city of Columbia was passed subsequent to the general laws and gave the city the right not only to raise the State assessment, but to assess the side-track mileage if it so desired.

The matter was fully argued before Judge Gary on Thursday evening, Mr. B. L. Abney of the Southern railway arguing the railroad's side of the case and City Attorney Jno. P. Thomas, jr., appearing for the city.

The National Debt.

Washington, May 1.—The debt statement issued this afternoon shows a net increase in the public debt less cash in the treasury during April of \$5,945,416 62. The interest bearing debt increased \$513,671, and cash in the treasury decreased \$1,551,087 62. The balances of the several classes of debt at the close of business April 30 were: Interest bearing debt, \$842,312,140; debt on which interest has ceased since maturity \$1,651,790; debt bearing no interest \$374,414,400; total \$1,218,378,330.

Unwarranted Interference.

The postmaster general has ordered that the name of the town of Rock Hill be changed to "Rockbill." The Herald is indignant about the matter and justly so. Though the change is but slight, it is simply not a matter of the postmaster general's business.

A CASE OF INFANTICIDE.

A Female Infant Found in an Old Well in the Suburbs of this City.

Daily Item, April 30.

Yesterday afternoon a negro boy who was minding cows on the lot known as the Mose Bell place, situated on Liberty street in the western suburb of the city, discovered a negro baby in an old well. He did not attempt to remove the baby from the well, but made haste to come up town and inform the police. Chief Bradford accompanied the boy to the scene of his ghastly discovery, and obtaining assistance removed the baby from the well. It was found to be a fully developed female infant, and had been wrapped in the skirt of an old dress before it was thrown into the well. The person who made away with the unfortunate child attempted to conceal the crime by breaking branches from a near-by tree and throwing them into the well on top of the dead child. There was every indication that the child had been dead but a short time, twenty-four to thirty-six hours, for decomposition had not set in; and, besides, the leaves on the tree branches were perfectly fresh and unwilted.

Dr. Mood, who was called in to examine the child, stated that in his opinion the child had lived but a short time after birth, and was either smothered and thrown into the well or thrown into the well immediately after birth.

Coroner Commander summoned a jury of inquest and the body was viewed this morning. As there was no evidence to be submitted to the jury, the coroner adjourned the sitting until 4:30 o'clock this afternoon.

Since the jury adjourned several important facts have been brought to light that seem to fix the crime on a negro girl known as Caroline Sumter. She lived in a house two hundred yards from the well in which the child was found, and is said to have given birth to a child a few days ago. She disappeared yesterday afternoon soon after the dead child was discovered and has not yet been apprehended. The shirt which was wrapped around the dead infant has been identified by Ropie Howell, a woman, who lived in the house with Caroline Sumter, as one that the latter named woman had been in the habit of wearing. These circumstances seem to indicate that Caroline Sumter is both the mother and murderer of the child, and it is probable that stronger evidence will be brought out at the inquest. There is also some probability that other parties will be implicated as accessories.

The Crime Fixed on Caroline Sumter.

The investigation of the case of infanticide was concluded by the jury of inquest this morning after a thorough and exhaustive sifting of the obtainable evidence. There is a strong chain of circumstantial evidence that points to the guilt of Caroline Sumter, who has not yet been found, but is known to be still hiding either in this city or in the immediate vicinity. There is strong evidence that connects both Peter Howell and Affie Howell as accessories to the crime. The verdict of the jury was that the infant came to its earth at the hands of Caroline Sumter and that Peter Howell and Affie Howell were accessories before and after the commission of the crime.

Artesian Wells.

Local amateur geologists are advancing the theory that Sumter is on the dividing line between the sections in which flowing artesian wells may be obtained by boring to the depth of 150 to 200 feet and the section where a much greater depth will be necessary. They say that anywhere in the territory lying between Sumter on the west and Florence on the east flowing wells may be obtained by boring to a depth of 100 to 200 feet, but that east and west of a line drawn through these places flowing wells cannot be obtained without sinking pipes to at least 300 to 500 feet.

The opinions of these geologists may be correct in every particular, nevertheless it will not be well to accept them as final without proving the theory to be true by practical tests. The leading authorities on the geological formation of this country have stated that artesian wells are practicable throughout this entire section, and that flowing wells can be obtained by boring to a reasonable depth.

At present a well is being bored at Wedgefield, and if it is a success the soundness of the conclusions of the local geologists will be established. If it is a failure, the theory that flowing wells cannot be obtained west of Sumter will still remain unproven for it will have been confirmed by but a single instance. It is well known that in the sections of this county and Clarendon county, as well, where the greatest number of wells have been sunk, there have been a number of wells bored that were total failures—the water not rising to the surface. And yet in the immediate vicinity of those unsuccessful wells there are numbers of wells that give abundant and constant streams of pure water.

In going to get a drink stop and think what bargains in Pianos, Organs and Sewing Machines are to be had at the Sumter Music House, in the Masonic Temple building.

The New Passenger Rates.

To-day the new passenger rates fixed by the railroad commission under the new act of the general assembly will go into effect on all the roads in the State. On many roads there will be a considerable reduction. Yesterday the Southern railway system filed its new passenger rate sheets for its several roads with the commission as required by law. This is the first road to comply with the new law in this particular.

The railroad commission has acted in regard to the request of Traffic Manager Cup of the Southern to be allowed to operate the old rates on the Spartanburg, Union and Columbia, and Columbia and Greenville divisions of its system. The commission has refused to make the change asked for and the reduced rates will have to be operated on these roads.—The State, May 1.

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From a letter written by Rev. J. Gunderman, of Dimondale, Mich., we are permitted to make this extract: "I have no hesitation in recommending Dr. King's New Discovery, as the results were almost marvelous in the case of my wife. While I was pastor of the Baptist Church at Rives Junction she was brought down with Pneumonia succeeding La Grippe. Terrible paroxysms of coughing would last hours with little interruption and it seemed as if she could not survive them. A friend recommended Dr. King's New Discovery; it was quick in its work and highly satisfactory in results." Trial bottles free at J. F. De Lorme's Drug Store. Regular size 50c. and \$1.00.

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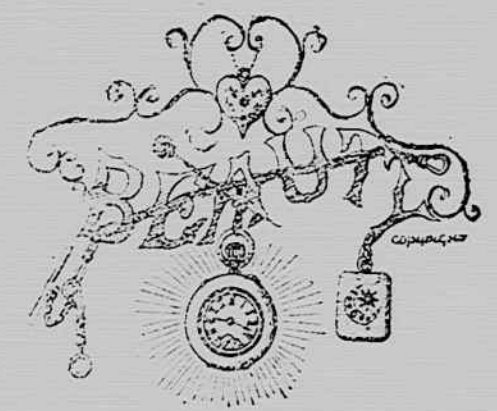
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