

STATE LEGISLATURE.

Senate and Assembly Organized For the 126th Session.

The Great Canal Question—Taxation Will Be an Important Feature of the Session—Good Roads Also Will Be Discussed—Diseased Cattle Must Not Enter the State.

Albany, Jan. 7.—The 126th session of the New York state legislature begins today, this being the first Wednesday in January. Last year the first day of the legislature was also inauguration day, New Year falling on Wednesday.

A large number of the legislators were here last week attending the inauguration ceremonies and incidentally looking up quarters for the winter. Many of them stayed over, although Albany is not far enough from any portion of the state to prevent a legislator from going to and from his home as often as he wishes.

On Saturday there is no session and a legislator may tie himself away each week at an early hour on Friday afternoon and never show his face again until Monday night, when he is usually present at the show session of the week.

Changes in Both Houses.

There are many changes this year in both houses. The new senate will comprise 28 Republicans and 22 Democrats. Democratic senators will represent 20 of the first 22 senatorial districts. The new senator from Suffolk and Richmond is Edwin Bailey, Jr., and the second district will be represented by Luke A. Keenan. Thomas H. Cullen, James H. McCabe, Patrick H. McCarron and Joseph Wagner are sent back by Brooklyn together with Thomas H. Whitlock and Walter C. Burton, new men each of them representing a Republican district.

Senators Samuel J. Foley, Bernard T. Martin, Thomas F. Grady, Patrick F. Trainor, since deceased; George W. Plunkett and Victor J. Dowling are sent back by Manhattan and the Bronx, with Daniel J. Riordan, John C. Fitzgerald, John Russell, James J. Frawley and James A. Hawkins, new men. Charles P. McClelland comes from Westchester. Mr. McClelland was senator in Speaker Sheehan's time and was chairman of the ways and means committee.

Senator Samuel J. Ramsperger comes back from the Forty-eighth district and the Twenty-second Democratic senator comes from Oneida in the person of William Townsend. The two senatorial districts below the Bronx remaining Republican are the Eighth, represented by Henry Marshall, and the Fifteenth represented by Nathan A. Eisberg, both re-elected. All the senators from the Twenty-third and including the Thirty-third district are Republicans—Louis F. Goodsell, Henry S. Ambler, Frank J. Leffevre, Jothan P. Ailds, Spencer K. Warwick, Edgar T. Brackett, James B. McDwan, William D. Barnes, Spencer G. Prime, George R. Malby and Walter L. Brown. There is another unbroken string of Republican senators from the Thirty-fifth to and including the Forty-seventh district—Eton R. Brown, Horace White, Francis H. Gates, George E. Green, Benjamin M. Wilcox, Edwin C. Stewart, Franklin D. Sherwood, John Raikes, Morton E. Lewis, William W. Armstrong, I. L'Homme-dieu, Frederick C. Stevens and Henry W. Hill. The Forty-ninth, George A. Davis, and the Fiftieth, Albert F. Fanober, contribute the remainder of the Republican majority.

Senator Ellsworth will be greatly missed by the Republican majority. He was its former leader. Senator Raines will probably take his place. Senator Krum's absence will be much felt. He has been the oldest senator in point of years since 1895. Senators Stranahan and Humphrey will be missed, as will Senator Higgins, although the latter will of course be the presiding officer by virtue of his office as lieutenant governor. The place of the late Senator Trainor will be filled by a special election in the Sixteenth senatorial district, New York city, Jan. 27.

The Assembly.

In the assembly this session will be 89 Republicans and 61 Democrats. Last session the assembly stood 107 Republicans and 44 Democrats. Of the 89 Republicans 44 were re-elected and of the 61 Democrats 22 were re-elected.

The speaker of the assembly will undoubtedly be S. Fred Nixon. Mr. Nixon has recently been very ill with pneumonia.

SITUATIONS.

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will be held by new men this year. Senator George R. Malby will be appointed chairman of the finance committee, and Senator Horace White of the committee on cities. Senator Elor R. Brown will no doubt be chairman of the committee on taxation and retrenchment held by ex-Senator Hobart Krum for the past two years.

An Important Session.

The governor's annual message to the legislature today indicates that the session will not only be a long but a very important one. Governor Odell has not abated his ideas on the taxation question and there will be much legislation on that great subject during the session. Laws will be enacted which will bring into the state treasury from indirect sources a number of millions more than is now collected. There are a number of different plans talked of to accomplish this, the most favored of which perhaps is that which proposes a small recording tax on mortgages.

It is said that the total amount of mortgages annually recorded in this state is about \$600,000,000. Should a tax known as a recording tax of 5 mills on the dollar be levied upon each mortgage recorded the revenue would be \$3,000,000. This small levy would probably satisfy those who desire to tax mortgages and would not be a burden to those who favor total exemption.

Another plan to raise revenue proposes a graded inheritance tax. This graded tax would increase the revenue from this source, it is said, from \$1,500,000 to \$5,000,000 and more, the amount of course depending upon the size of the estates. Still another plan proposes that the state take all the money from liquor tax certificates. This would increase the state's revenue from indirect sources about \$8,000,000. This plan, however, will probably not be seriously considered, as if such a law should be enacted the cities and towns would be deprived of an important revenue.

The Krum corporation tax measure may also be revived again this winter. This bill passed both houses last session, but was killed by the governor. The bill reduced the organization tax from one-twentieth to one-fiftieth of 1 per cent on the total authorized capital stock of foreign corporations doing business in the state.

The Canals.

Prominent among the most important questions will be that of the canals. The canal question is always with us and it will be larger than ever this session. The question seems to be now whether the proposed 1,000-ton barge canal through the state between Albany and Buffalo should follow in a general way the present Erie canal, or whether it should diverge east of Syracuse and reach Buffalo by the way of the Oswego river, Lake Ontario and Olcott, which is a few miles from Lockport, whence it would follow the present line of the Erie canal to Buffalo.

The plan providing for the carrying of a 1,000-ton barge canal through the state practically along the line of the present Erie canal and the present Oswego canal, and for a seven-foot Champlain canal, calls for an expenditure of \$81,000,000, divided as follows: Erie canal, \$70,500,000; Oswego canal, \$5,200,000, and the Champlain canal, \$5,300,000. The Buffalonsians consider this plan the best for their commercial interests.

The Oswego-Olcott route contemplates the 1,000-ton barge canal following the route favored by the Buffalo people from Albany to Three Rivers, just east of Syracuse, where is the junction of the Oneida, Seneca and Oswego rivers. Then the main canal would follow the Oswego river to Oswego city and Lake Ontario, connecting with Syracuse through Onondaga lake as proposed by the Buffalo plan.

The city of Oswego being on this lake, the barges would go along Lake Ontario to Olcott, which is about 17 miles from Lockport. The canal would be built from Olcott to Lockport and thus the boats would reach Buffalo by the way of the present Erie canal route. The Oswego, Ontario lake and Olcott route would cost \$20,000,000 less than the route favored by the Buffalo people.

The New York commercial interests are not opposed to either route, but it is said New Yorkers believe when the question is submitted to the people that the Buffalo route will be approved by them.

Good Roads.

The matter of good roads will also come up for large consideration. Since the Higbie-Armstrong act passed in 1898 355 miles of good roads have been provided. The counties of the state have voted to appropriate this year \$1,391,913 for roads, this amount being an increase over the appropriation of last year of nearly 100 per cent.

ON THE JAIL LIMITS.

David Fleming Refuses to Pay Judgment.

SURRENDERED TO THE SHERIFF.

Man Who Destroyed Caddy's Eye Is Placed Under Restraint For Six Months, After Which Time He Will Be Free For Six Months and Then Subject to Arrest.

Plattsburg, Jan. 7.—David Fleming of Philadelphia, against whom a verdict of over \$6,000 was rendered in the supreme court about a month ago at Elizabethtown in the Adirondacks, has refused to pay the judgment and has surrendered himself to Sheriff Adams at Elizabethtown, where he must stay "on the jail limits" for a period of six months unless he decides to pay. This will release his bondsman, ex-Assemblyman George A. Stevens, proprietor of the Stevens House at Lake Placid.

After July 5, 1903, Fleming cannot be again arrested in this proceeding until after another six months have expired and even then only in the state of New York.

Fleming, who was a guest at the Stevens House last summer, while playing golf missed a stroke and in a fit of passion struck his caddy, George Salem, a boy, in the face, entirely destroying the sight of one eye.

The boy brought suit through his attorneys and obtained a judgment of \$6,000 and costs. Fleming is the only grandson of Mrs. David Fleming, said to be one of Philadelphia's wealthiest women.

ACTION AGAINST MONOPOLY.

Mr. Hearst Petitions Attorney General

Cunneen to Commence Proceeding. Albany, Jan. 7.—Attorney General Cunneen received a petition from William Randolph Hearst to commence proceedings against the Reading company, the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron company, the Central Railroad company of New Jersey, the Lehigh and Wilkes-Barre Coal company, the Lehigh Valley Railroad company, the Lehigh Valley Coal company, the Pennsylvania Coal company, the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad company, the Pennsylvania Railroad company, the New York, Susquehanna and Western Railroad company, the Temple Iron company, the Delaware and Hudson company, the New York, Ontario and Western Railroad company, and the Erie Railroad company, under the state anti-trust law.

The petition sets forth the allegation that these companies constitute a monopoly, which controls the anthracite coal fields of Pennsylvania, and are violating the anti-trust law of the state.

The petition is similar to that presented to Attorney General Davies and upon which he decided not to act before expiration of his term of office because of the investigation which is in progress before the United States commission.

Suit Over Richard Hoe's Will.

New York, Jan. 7.—A number of distant relatives of the late Richard Hoe, the printing press manufacturer, have brought suit against the state in which they seek a construction of a certain portion of the will and also for an accounting. By the terms of his will Mr. Hoe left his estate to his wife for life. At her death the estate was to be divided, one part each going to his five sons and daughters. Miss Annie Hoe, one of the daughters, died before her mother and it is over her one-fifth that the distant relatives are fighting.

Case of William Potter.

Schenectady, Jan. 7.—The Master Painters' association met and decided to employ William Potter, the expelled guardaman, no matter what action might be taken by the local union. The master painters say that the order of the court makes Potter a union man, whether that is admitted or not by the journeymen, and that they will obey the order of the court whether the men strike or not.

State Board of Pharmacy.

Albany, Jan. 7.—The New York State Board of Pharmacy, at its annual session, which closed in this city yesterday, elected the following officers: president, A. H. Brundage, Brooklyn; first vice president, Willis G. Gregory, Buffalo; second vice president, Charles B. Sears, Auburn; general secretary-treasurer, Warren L. Brant, Albany. The next meeting of the board will be held in Utica.

DOCTOR'S FAIL



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