

**NO ALARM AT WASHINGTON.**

**THE PRESIDENT AND TREASURY OFFICIALS KEEP QUIET.**

**Reports of Early Extra Session Declared Baseless—No Limit Set on the Gold Reserve Encroachments—Mr. Carlisle Not in the City.**

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 5.—There is a disposition in certain quarters to get up another financial scare now that the gold reserve has fallen below 90 millions, and many speculations are indulged with regard to the probable action of the President and Secretary Carlisle. It has been hinted that Attorney General Olney has been engaged for some time in ascertaining what are the powers of the Secretary of the Treasury. Neither the President nor Secretary Carlisle have, however, intimated what they consider to be the danger line in the amount of the gold reserve. It has been stated on good authority that they will not consider a bond issue until the reserve has fallen below 75 millions. At the present rate of decrease that figure is not likely to be reached before congress meets, and the administration can place upon it the responsibility of increasing the public debt.

It has been also stated by men close to the administration that some months ago there was a sentiment in favor of allowing the reserve to be one half exhausted before any extraordinary methods should be resorted to to maintain it at the old figure. That was shortly after the first break was made in the 100 million limit and the traditional sanctity of the reserve dispelled.

Assistant Secretary Hamlin of the treasury is acting Secretary of the Treasury in Mr. Carlisle's absence.

Rumors of the announced intention of the President to call an extra session of congress before September 15 have been most industriously circulated. Numerous inquiries based upon special dispatches to this effect were made this morning at the White house, but without eliciting any confirmation of the rumors. If any such intentions as those attributed are entertained, the President and his chief advisers seem not to be aware of it.

Saturday there was 25 millions in gold coin in the New York sub-treasury and Cincinnati will send 3 millions more in the near future. Baltimore has sent 3 millions and Chicago 2 millions and Philadelphia will send 2 millions.

The net gold in the treasury was smaller Saturday than at any time since specie payments were resumed January 1, 1879. The amount then was \$114,193,539 against \$89,939,217 Saturday. In March, 1888, the holding was \$218,818,000 and since then it has steadily declined. The treasury department officials are not uneasy but all are devoting themselves to the problems which have resulted.

**CHICAGO GOLD SENT TO NEW YORK.**

CHICAGO, June 5. For the first time in many months the government gold reserve in the sub-treasury has been drawn on to meet the gold shipments from the East to Europe. A first consignment of 1 million dollars has been dispatched. This shipment was made up of \$20 gold pieces which were placed in canvas sacks and delivered to the United States Express company for shipment to the East. When the gold had all been piled upon the scale the total weight was more than 3,000 pounds.

There is yet a balance of more than 7 million dollars in the sub-treasury in government funds. This is being added to daily by many cities.

flurry than before. Some heavy demands upon it during the closing days of last week, however, precipitated the crisis.

The assets will aggregate \$300,000 while the liabilities are 1/4 million and it is for that reason that an assignment was decided upon rather than a receivership.

**THE GRAND JURY MAY ACT.**

**Judge Wallber of Milwaukee Orders Inquiry Into the Plankinton Failure.**

MILWAUKEE, June 5.—The failures of Frank Lappen & Co., and the Plankinton bank will be investigated by the grand jury called to investigate the matter of the recent fires. Judge Wallber, in delivering his charge, read sections of the statutes referring to the obtaining of credit by false statements and the acceptance of deposits when bank officials know that the bank is not in a sound condition. The first section, the court intimated, referred to the Lappen matter and the other to the Plankinton bank. The action of Judge Wallber has created a sensation.

**Small Flurries in Milwaukee.**

MILWAUKEE, Wis., June 5.—A run began on the South Side Savings bank to-day, and by noon two or three hundred people blocked the sidewalk in front of the bank, but everything was quiet and orderly. There was also a slight run on the Second Ward bank, but the demand on the commercial bank seemed to have subsided. Affairs at other banks are about in their normal condition. Businessmen are not in the least alarmed.

**A Fort Worth Bank in Trouble.**

WASHINGTON, June 5.—Comptroller Eckels was informed to-day that the Merchants National bank of Fort Worth, capital 1/4 million failed to-day. The bank was closed on an order from the directors and Bank Examiner Stone was placed in charge.

**EDWIN BOOTH VERY LOW.**

**The Eminent Tragedian's Death Believed to Be but a Question of Hours.**

NEW YORK, June 5.—Dr. St. Clair Smith, Edwin Booth's physician, issued the following bulletin this morning:

I have seen no improvement during the night.  
ST. CLAIR SMITH, M. D.

Pressed for more definite information regarding the great actor's condition, Dr. Smith said: "Well, I cannot add anything to a bulletin I issued at 5 o'clock last evening, saying that my patient was growing weaker and now there is no hope of even a partial recovery. His condition is very critical this morning. I cannot state it any stronger than that. I am obliged to leave him for awhile but I will return as soon as I possibly can, as I deem my presence necessary constantly at the sick man's bedside."

Mr. Booth rallied from his relapse of a week ago until Saturday, when he grew worse again suddenly, and that night was attacked with an exhausting fit of vomiting, during which it was thought he would suffocate. Dr. Smith was hastily summoned, but despite his efforts Mr. Booth grew weaker and weaker.

Fault had been found, it is said, with Dr. Smith before for giving news of his patient's relapses to the newspaper men by Mr. and Mrs. Grossman, so this time he gave no hint of the actor's dangerous condition to anyone, not even to employees of the club until he left last night that the end was at hand and so issued an alarming bulletin.

After posting the notice Dr. Smith left the club for a time, but returned at 11 p. m. and made arrangements for spending the night. Superintendent McGonigle, Mr. Booth's brother-in-law, sat at the dying actor's bed side with the trained nurses and the physician. Two messenger boys were summoned at mid-

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