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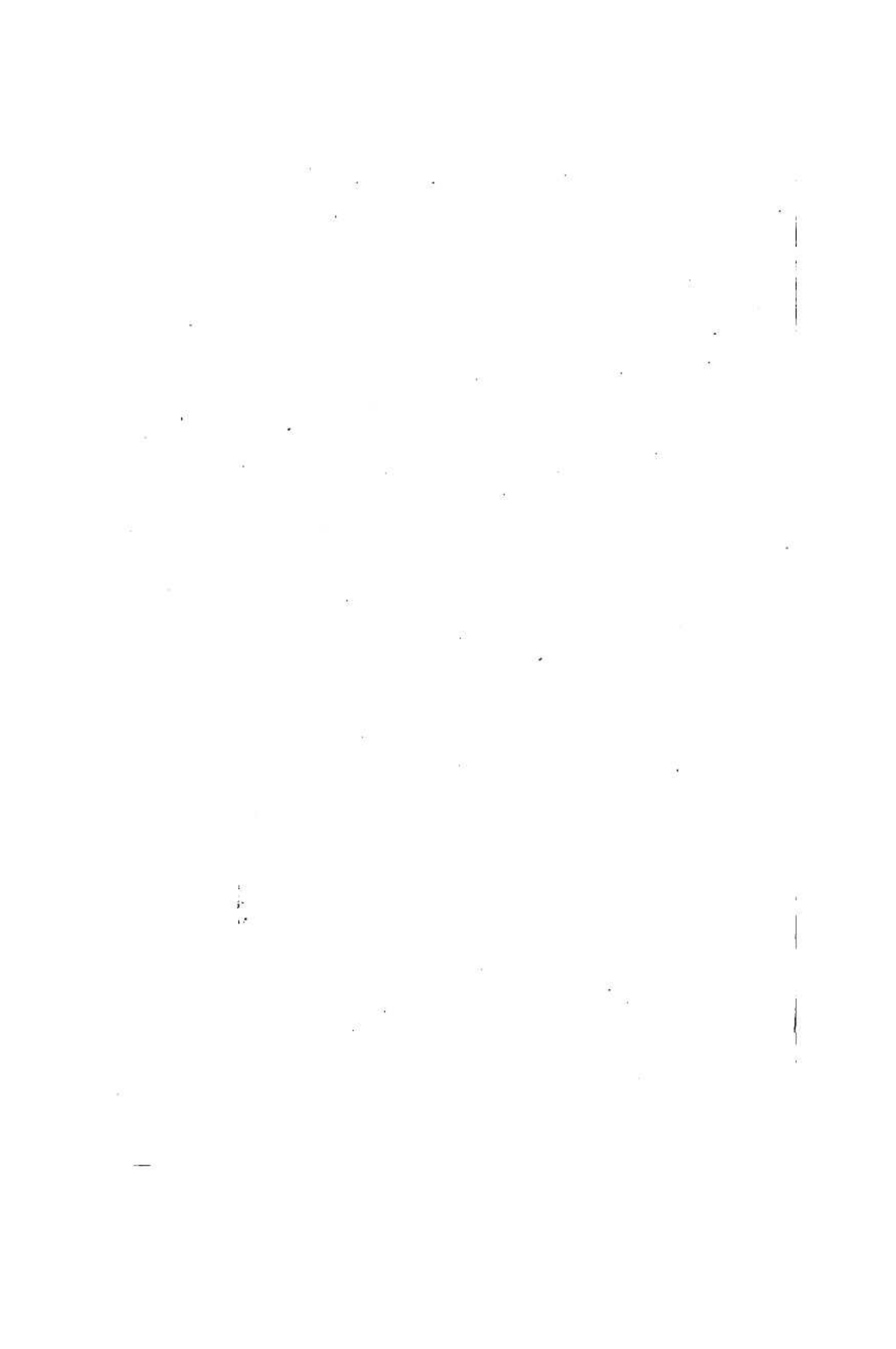




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## DEATH OF REPRESENTATIVE ROCKWOOD HOAR

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### PROCEEDINGS IN THE HOUSE

MONDAY, *December 3, 1906.*

This being the day designated by the Constitution for the annual meeting of Congress, the Members of the House of Representatives assembled in their Hall for the second session of the Fifty-ninth Congress, and at 12 o'clock m. were called to order by the Speaker.

The Rev. Henry N. Couden, D. D., Chaplain of the House, offered the following prayer:

Eternal God, our Heavenly Father, source of all good, our hearts instinctively turn to Thee for wisdom, strength, and guidance as we thus gather from all sections of our Union here under the Dome of its Capitol to conclude the work of the Fifty-ninth Congress. We bless Thee for the laws with which Thou hast surrounded us, for the intelligence with which Thou hast endowed us, for the riches which have come down to us out of the past, for the splendid opportunities of the present, and for the bright hopes and promises of the future. Grant, O most merciful Father, that these Thy servants may strive diligently to conform their resolves and harmonize their enactments with the laws which Thou hast ordained.



Let Thy richest blessings descend upon the Speaker of this House, that with characteristic zeal, energy, and courage he may guide through all its deliberations to the highest and best results.

Illumine from on high the minds of those who sit in judgment upon the laws enacted by the Congress that their decisions may be wise and just. Bless, we beseech Thee, the President of these United States, his advisers, and all others in authority, that the affairs of state may be wisely administered and the laws of the land faithfully executed, that the coordinate branches of the Government, thus working together and working with Thee, may fulfill in larger measure the ideals conceived of our fathers in "a government of the people, by the people, and for the people," that righteousness, truth, justice, peace, and good will may obtain, to the honor and glory of Thy holy name.

The empty seats on the floor of this House remind us of the strong-minded, pure-hearted, noble men who occupied them, but have been called to the higher life since last we met. We thank Thee for their genial presence so long among us, the work they accomplished for State and nation, the sweet memory and illustrious examples left behind them. Be very near, O God, our Heavenly Father, to the bereaved families. Uphold, sustain, and comfort them by the blessed hope of the immortality of the soul.

Impart, we implore Thee, more of Thyself unto us all, that we may become in deed and in truth sons of the living God after the similitude of Thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord and Master. Amen.

Mr. GILLETT of Massachusetts. Mr. Speaker, two years ago to-day it was my sad duty to make formal announcement here of the death of Senator George F. Hoar. Now death has left vacant in this House the place of his son ROCKWOOD HOAR, who died at his home, in Worcester, Mass., on the 1st day of last November.

He was elected to Congress just as his father passed away, and I think all men rejoiced in the hope that the magnificent record of the father might be taken up and long continued by the son. We do not in this country yield honors to heredity, but our sentiment and our judgment alike are captivated when we see the talents and character of a great father renewed and perpetuated in a worthy son. Our late colleague gave promise of such an inheritance, and in our short association here gave us reason to expect as well as hope that the duty to which three generations of eminent public service inspired and pledged him would be faithfully and honorably and adequately performed.

The practice of this House does not permit now of eulogy, but later in the session we shall ask that a day be set apart for consideration of his life and public service.

I now offer the following resolution.

The Clerk read as follows:

*Resolved*, That the House has heard with profound sorrow of the death of Hon. ROCKWOOD HOAR, a Representative from the State of Massachusetts.

*Resolved*, That as a further mark of respect to the memory of the deceased this House do now adjourn.

The resolutions were agreed to. Accordingly, in pursuance thereof, the House (at 12 o'clock and 54 minutes p. m.) adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock noon.

MONDAY, *January 7, 1907.*

Mr. WASHBURN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent for the present consideration of the order which I send to the desk.

The Clerk read as follows:

*Ordered*, That there be a session of the House on Sunday, February 10, 1907, at 12 m., which shall be set apart for memorial addresses on the life, character, and public services of Hon. ROCKWOOD HOAR, late a Representative from the Third Congressional district of Massachusetts.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection? [After a pause.] The Chair hears none.

The question was taken, and the order was agreed to.

SUNDAY, *February 10, 1907.*

The House met at 12 o'clock m., and was called to order by Hon. William C. Lovering, of Massachusetts, Speaker pro tempore.

The Chaplain, Rev. Henry N. Couden, D. D., offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we are met here on this holy day in memory of the men to whom the hour is set apart that their virtues may be extolled and a proper and just estimate placed upon their public service that those who come after them may be inspired by their example.

This is fitting, since the life and perpetuity of our Republic depend upon individual loyalty and patriotic service. The life and character of these men measure up to the high estimate of American citizenship. We thank Thee for what they did in their respective cities and States and for what they did here on the floor of this House for the people of our Republic. We thank Thee for the