

SUGAR TALK.

Amendment to Place all Sugar on the Same Basis Defeated.

PETITION FOR CUBAN RECOGNITION.

Republican Senators Hold a Caucus and Consider About a Bounty on Beet Sugar—Veterans Rushing in Their Applications for Pensions.

WASHINGTON, June 15.—The senate debate on the sugar schedule of the tariff bill proceeded yesterday with only one diverting incident to relieve the monotony into which the discussion has lapsed. This was the sharp exchange between Mr. Hoar, of Massachusetts, and Mr. Tillman, of South Carolina, representing the two extremes of senatorial procedure. Mr. Tillman referred to published charges of irregularity in connection with the sugar schedule, and asserted that the senate would stand convicted before the American people if it failed to investigate the charges. Mr. Hoar calmly repelled this statement, his tone and language being calculated as a rebuke. He declared that the vague charges of irregularity were not only preposterous, but infamous.

Mr. Allison, in charge of the bill, made another speech in defense of the schedule, presenting tables which he declared proved that the sugar refiners received less protection under the senate schedule than under the existing law. Mr. Pettigrew, of South Dakota, spoke at length in favor of his amendment to place on the free list articles controlled by trusts, severely arraigning the various large trusts. Mr. Allen, of Nebraska, urged legal procedure against the trusts. Only one roll call occurred during the day, that on Mr. Lindsay's amendment to place all sugars on the same basis. This was rejected, 26 to 29. Mr. Enery, of Louisiana, voted with the republicans in the negative and Senators Pettigrew and Mantle with the democrats in the affirmative.

Mr. Hoar, of Massachusetts, offered his amendment for the appointment by the president of a commission of five members to investigate into the subject of sugar production and the best means of supplying the American market at the least cost. The amendment was referred to the finance committee.

The house adjourned yesterday until Thursday, after a session that lasted 45 minutes. The only attempt to transact business was a request by Mr. Lacey, of Iowa, for unanimous consent for a bill for the relief of residents of Greer county, Ok. Mr. Henry, of Texas, promptly objected, and then, after the usual democratic protest against the republican policy of not appointing committees, the house by 88 to 78, with 15 present and not voting, decided to adjourn. Before the session began the hub of a wheel wound round with a monster petition, said to contain 6,000,000 signatures, appealing to congress to recognize the Cuban insurgents as belligerents, was wheeled into the space in front of the speaker's rostrum. It had been in circulation throughout the United States for about six months, and was presented to congress by Mr. Sulzer, of New York.

REPUBLICAN SENATORS HAVE A CAUCUS.

WASHINGTON, June 15.—The republican senators were in caucus for more than three hours last night, and when adjournment was reached not very much progress had been made. The Hawaiian treaty proposition was passed over to be considered at another caucus, as several senators expressed the opinion that if it was true that a treaty of annexation was to be sent in it would be absurd to enact legislation looking to the abrogation of the treaty of reciprocity. Three propositions only were under consideration. These were: The question of what to do with the Hawaiian reciprocity treaty, the advisability of giving a bounty on beet sugar and the question of an anti-trust amendment. The Hawaiian treaty question was passed over, but the sugar bounty proposition was withdrawn and the anti-trust amendment was referred to the republican members of the judiciary committee. In accordance with the action of the caucus when the sugar schedule is taken up in the senate to-day and the voting stage is reached on the Pettigrew amendment against trusts Senator Allison will ask that the vote shall be postponed until the consideration of the tariff bill as a whole shall be completed. He also will ask to have the Hawaiian reciprocity question postponed for the present.

A RUSH FOR PENSIONS.

WASHINGTON, June 15.—The war veterans are rushing in the applications for pensions. In the ten days ended last Saturday the number of applications of all kinds for pensions aggregated 14,300. During the 33 days subsequent to March 8 last the record division of the office disposed of 84,000 applications. The approximate number of such claims now pending in the bureau is 35,000.

Cy Leland May Be Prosecuted.

TOPEKA, Kan., June 15.—Attorney-General Boyle states positively that he will have Cy Leland arrested and prosecuted for attempted bribery of a public officer if he can get evidence to prove that he offered money to have the publication held up for a week by the official state publisher.

THE WORK OF CONGRESS.

Condensed Proceedings of the Senate and House in Extra Session.

THE senate on the 8th adopted an amendment to the tariff bill proposed by Senator Bacon (Ga.) placing raw cotton on the dutiable list at 20 per cent. ad valorem. The amendment caused a spirited debate and but little progress was made on the bill. During the debate on the agricultural schedule Senator Vest (Mo.) declared that the idea of protecting the farmer on barley, wheat, oats, etc., when millions of bushels of these products were being exported was a palpable effort to deceive the agricultural classes. The schedule was agreed to as reported, with the exception of the paragraph on cattle, which went over. The house was not in session.

ONLY four paragraphs of the tariff bill were disposed of in the senate on the 9th on account of the speeches made. Senator Mills (Tex.) severely arraigned the bill as a class measure and said it was designed to build up the vast fortunes of millionaires, whose daughters, "fattened like helters," were sent abroad in quest of titles. Senator Cannon (Utah) proposed an amendment placing an export bounty on agricultural products and spoke for two hours on the need of giving the labor of the fields protection as well as the labor of shops and mills. Senator Butler (N. C.) also spoke of giving the farmer equal benefits with other classes under the bill. The determination has been reached by republicans to withdraw the amendments for an additional tax on beer and tea and substitute a bank check stamp tax. The house was not in session.

IN the senate on the 10th Senator Tillman (S. C.) made a speech in favor of the amendment for an export duty on agricultural products, but the amendment was defeated by a vote of 20 yeas to 59 nays. The sugar schedule was then taken up and Senators Jones (Ark.), Vest (Mo.) and Caffery (La.) spoke in opposition to the rates proposed. No final action was taken on the schedule further than the withdrawal of the original senate committee amendments. This leaves the house provisions of the bill with an amendment increasing the house differential from 87-100 to 95-100 cents per pound.

The house passed two comparatively unimportant resolutions and then adjourned until the 14th. The motion to adjourn was resisted and resulted in a tie vote—87 to 87, but Speaker Reed saved the motion by voting ay.

THE senate on the 11th had a test vote on the sugar schedule of the tariff bill which resulted in the adoption of the republican caucus amendment changing the house rate of 1.05 per pound by the close vote of 32 yeas to 39 nays. The first paragraph of the schedule was not disposed of at the time of adjournment. Turpie (Ind.) on behalf of the democratic members of the finance committee presented an amendment to the tariff bill providing for an inheritance tax Senator Harris (Kan.) introduced a resolution declaring that the president had authority to take care of the bonds of the Union Pacific and branches by using the surplus fund. The resolution went over. The house was not in session.

SENATOR ALLEN (Neb.) introduced in the senate on the 12th a resolution declaring against the distinction made in the special pension bills between the widows of officers and privates. The senate then took up the tariff bill, the pending amendment being that of Senator Jones (Ark.) to the sugar schedule. Senator Vest (Mo.) arraigned the schedule and insisted that it was utterly indefensible. The house was not in session.

BAROMETER OF TRADE.

Post Office Receipts a Good Indication of the Tendency of Business.

WASHINGTON, June 14.—The increase or decrease of post office receipts is one of the best indications of the tendency of business. A compilation of the monthly reports of gross revenue returned by the 25 leading post offices of the country was made yesterday at the department. It shows that during May of this year the receipts were \$21,533 larger than during May, 1896. The St. Louis post office makes a rather bad showing. Its receipts last month were \$3,486 less than during the corresponding month of last year. The total receipts of May, 1897, were \$127,130, and for May, 1896, they were \$130,616. Kansas City shows an increase of \$1,974; Chicago a decrease of \$12,084. Baltimore, Pittsburgh and New York show large increases.

HE WAS A NEGRO.

Chicago Congressman Says His Candidate for Cadet Failed Because of His Color.

WASHINGTON, June 14.—Representative White, of Chicago, who has reapointed as a cadet at Annapolis the colored boy, Smith, who recently failed in his preliminary examination, declares that he will force Smith into the naval academy if there is any possible way of doing it. White is not backward in stating that if Smith had been white he would not have been marked "failed" on his examination. He will ask for a congressional investigation.

Cut His Wife's Throat.

COLUMBUS, O., June 14.—John E. Lewis, a plasterer, yesterday in a fit of jealousy drew a razor from his pocket and cut his wife's throat. Lewis and his wife had separated owing to the former's dissolute habits, and she had gone into domestic service. He was pursued several squares by neighbors and at last jumped into the river, which he swam, but was caught by parties on the other side who had witnessed the chase. His wife is at a hospital in a dying condition.

Delegates to a Charities' Conference.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., June 14.—Gov. Stephens has appointed the delegates to the National Conference of Charities and Correction to be held at Toronto, Ont., July 7 to 14. Among those named are: Bishop E. R. Hendrix, Kansas City; Rev. D. S. Phelan, St. Louis; Prof. T. A. Johnson, Boonville; Dr. W. W. Boyd, St. Louis; Chief of Police Harrigan, St. Louis; Chief of Police Vallins, Kansas City; Walter Williams, Columbia.

First District Maid of Honor.

HANNIBAL, Mo., June 14.—Commander Harrison, of Camp Robert Ruffner, United Confederate Veterans, has appointed Miss Bessie McClintic maid of honor for the First congressional district of Missouri at the annual reunion of the United Confederate Veterans to be held at Nashville, Tenn., on June 22. Miss McClintic is the daughter of Senator W. S. McClintic, of Monroe county, and is a beautiful lady, 20 years old.

WOUNDED IN THE WAR.

Shot in the Abdomen at Cumberland Gap.

Blind, Rheumatic and Dropsical. A Union Colonel Is Given Over to Die. How the Old Soldier Gave Azeael the Slip.

From the News, Barbourville, Ky.
IN the year 1863, while in command of a Union regiment at Cumberland Gap, Colonel Messer, now of Flat Licks, Kentucky, received a severe gunshot wound in his abdomen. In a few months he was again in the saddle, but soon was obliged to undergo further medical treatment, and his condition became so serious that in the winter of 1863 he returned to his home, and was never again fit for active service. During the years that have since passed, Colonel Messer has been a confirmed invalid from the effect of his wound, and has been under the constant care of the local physicians, not improving, but growing worse as the years rolled on. His condition eventually became deplorable. Almost blind, legs swollen, so that he was unable to walk, the doctors who could do nothing to arrest the progress of the disease, diagnosed it as dropsy, and said recovery was impossible.

The old soldier did not half believe his physicians, but said that since they could do nothing for him, he would, upon an old friend's strong recommendation, try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. The first box was taken by Col. Messer according to directions, and by the time that was gone, he felt so much easier and more comfortable, that several other boxes were procured, and he continued to take them faithfully. Soon the swelling in his legs disappeared, and with it the herculean pains with which he had long suffered. Strangest of all, his eyesight, which for so many years had been useless, was restored.

In all, Colonel Messer took Dr. Williams' Pink Pills six months, and then was thoroughly cured. He now is a healthy-looking man, rides on horseback, and stands as much fatigue as any man of his age.

The Colonel, since his recovery, is never tired of decanting on the virtues of these pills, and every advertisement that he finds he carefully clips, and sends to some sick friend or neighbor, with the assurance that they will cure him.

The high standing of Colonel Messer, and his remarkable recovery, makes this report more than usually interesting, and when it was received at the office of the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., it was referred to Messrs. Phipps & Herndon, well-known druggists of Barbourville, Ky., for verification. We append the reply:

Barbourville, Ky., Aug. 18, 1896.
Dr. Williams' Med. Co.,
Schenectady, N. Y.

Gentlemen:—Yours of August 14th to hand, enquiring about testimonial written by Mr. Sampson concerning Colonel Messer, of Flat Lick, Ky., will say that the cure of Colonel Messer was considered almost miraculous, and he claims Pink Pills did it.

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The Cheese Came Back.

A certain dealer had a lot of cheese which was anything but good, and, tired of seeing it about, told the assistant when he closed the shop to leave the condemned cheese at the door for some one to walk off with. Thomas occasionally crept to a window to see operations, and at length went to his master grinning all over his face, saying the cheese was gone. "Leave another out to-morrow night," was the master's order, which was obeyed by the shopman, who after a few peeps next evening walked to his master in the counting house scratching his head, and looking as though some great disappointment had befallen him. "Is it gone?" asked the dealer. "No, sir; t'other 'un has walked back!"—Tit-Bits.

Spiritous Sarcasm.

"I wonder," said Mr. Drinkhorn, as he filled his glass with the ease of an expert, "I wonder who started the custom of calling a drink of liquor a 'spirit'?"
"I wouldn't call it that one there a smile," said the barkeeper. "It is nothing shy of a horselaugh."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

THE GENERAL MARKETS.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., June 15.	
CATTLE—Best beefs	4 45 @ 4 85
Stockers	3 45 @ 4 50
Native cows	2 35 @ 3 40
HOGS—Choice to heavy	2 27 1/2 @ 3 27 1/2
SHEEP	3 00 @ 4 00
WHEAT—No. 2 red	81 @ 82 1/4
No. 2 hard	69 @ 70
CORN—No. 2 mixed	20 @ 21 1/4
OATS—No. 2 mixed	17 @ 17 1/2
RYE—No. 2	37 @ 39
FLOUR—Patent, per sack	2 15 @ 2 45
Fancy	1 80 @ 1 95
HAY—Choice timothy	9 00 @ 9 50
BRAN (sacked)	6 50 @ 7 00
BUTTER—Choice creamery	35 @ 39
CHEESE—Full cream	10 1/2 @ 11
EGGS—Choice	7 @ 7 1/4
POTATOES	25 @ 40
ST. LOUIS.	
CATTLE—Native and shipping	3 65 @ 4 60
HOGS—Heavy	3 30 @ 3 45
SHEEP—Fair to choice	3 75 @ 4 10
FLOUR—Choice	3 10 @ 3 20
WHEAT—No. 2 red	83 1/2 @ 84
CORN—No. 2 mixed	22 1/2 @ 24 1/4
OATS—No. 2 mixed	17 1/2 @ 18
RYE—No. 2	31 @ 32
BUTTER—Creamery	12 1/2 @ 15 1/4
LARD—Western mess	3 50 @ 3 57 1/2
PORK	7 50 @ 8 10
CHICAGO.	
CATTLE—Common to prime	3 90 @ 5 30
HOGS—Packing and shipping	3 20 @ 3 60
SHEEP—Fair to choice	3 50 @ 4 75
FLOUR—Winter wheat	4 20 @ 4 40
WHEAT—No. 2 red	73 1/2 @ 74 1/2
CORN—No. 2	24 1/2 @ 25 1/4
OATS—No. 2	18 @ 18 1/2
RYE	32 1/2 @ 34
BUTTER—Creamery	11 @ 14 1/4
LARD	3 45 @ 3 62 1/2
PORK	7 45 @ 7 57 1/2
NEW YORK.	
CATTLE—Native steers	4 40 @ 5 15
HOGS—Good to choice	4 00 @ 4 20
WHEAT—No. 2 red	78 1/2 @ 79
CORN—No. 2	22 @ 22 1/4
OATS—No. 2	22 @ 22 1/4
BUTTER—Creamery	11 @ 15
PORK—Mess	7 50 @ 8 00

WASHING BLANKETS.

Summer is the best time for washing blankets. To do the work satisfactorily fill a tub half full of soft hot water in which half a bar of Ivory soap has been dissolved, and wash gently with the hands. Rosin soap and hard rubbing ruins blankets. When clean rinse well, hang on the line in the sun. As soon as dry, fold evenly and put away securely in a box or closet. Blankets washed thus will remain fresh and soft for years.

ELIZA R. PARKER.

Not to Be Caught.

A gentleman visiting Liverpool was being shown around by a citizen, who said: "Now, let's go and see the 'Widows' Home.'" The gentleman put his finger to the side of his nose and winked and said: "No, thanks; I saw a widow home once, and she sued me for breach of promise, and proved it on me. It cost me a matter of £120. No, sir, send the widows home in a cab."—Tit-Bits.

"A Bundle of Nerves."

This term is often applied to people whose nerves are abnormally sensitive. They should strengthen them with Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. After a course of that benign tonic, they will cease to be conscious that they have nervous systems, except through agreeable sensations. It will enable them to eat, sleep and digest well, the three media for increasing tone and vigor in the nerves, in common with the rest of the system. The mental worry begotten by nervous dyspepsia will also disappear.

A Father in Luck.

"You children turn up your noses at everything on the table. When I was a boy, I was glad to get dry bread to eat," said Mr. Claffie at the breakfast table.

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