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HOW ABOUT TARIFF.

IT NOW LOOKS AS IF THE SENATE BILL WILL PASS.

A Caucus of House Democrats Called—The Senate Conference Refused to Meet Those of the Lower House—Senator Hill's Resolution Still Pending—Awaiting Action of the Caucus—Senators in an Amicable State of Mind.

Still Pounding on the Tariff.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13.—The senate chamber was the storm center of the tariff conflict to-day. Eager crowds thronged the galleries early in the day and struggled for points of vantage for the expected debates on Senator Hill's resolution directing the senate tariff conferees to report on the situation.

The spectators, as well as senators, waited with evident impatience while the clerk read a long veto message from the president on a bill retiring a naval officer. As it proceeded the floor of the chamber rapidly filled with members of the house of representatives. Mr. Barrows of Michigan took a seat near Senator Aldrich, and Messrs. Tarsney, Bynum and other Democratic members of the ways and means committee were on the Democratic side. It was noticeable, however, that none of the house conferees were on the floor or in the galleries.

At 12:30 Senator Hill arose and asked that his resolution of yesterday be considered. He gave way, however, to Senator Chandler who asked that the resolution for the investigation of the alleged irregularities in the recent Alabama election go over until next Monday.

Senator Hill presented an amendment requesting the senate conferees to report the principal items of disagreement, returning the bill to the secretary of the senate for further action by the senate. He called for the yeas and nays on the amendment.

Senator Gray asked for an explanation of the amendment and Mr. Hill explained that it was to fix the parliamentary status of the bill in case of a disagreement.

Mr. Gray thought it would be time enough to consider this phase when the conferees reported their inability to agree. He doubted that the physical possession of the bill remained in the senate. It was a matter of joint conferees to consider. He believed that the house might yet deal with the bill and that the question of tariff could not depend upon mere manual possession.

Senator Hill replied that the senate asked for the second conference, and under parliamentary usage the bill remained in its possession. "If I can be assured," he said, "that the bill will remain in the senate, I will withdraw the amendment."

Mr. Frye said he understood that the bill was actually in the senate, to which Mr. Cockrell replied vehemently that he understood that the papers were taken to the house and were then there.

Mr. Frye said it might be true that the house conferees had either properly or improperly secured possession of the bill.

"There seems to be so much doubt as to where the bill is," interjected Mr. Chandler, "that I suggest it may be found in the white house."

"I will say to the senator from New Hampshire," answered Mr. Faulkner, "that although the tariff bill is not at the White house now it will be there very soon to receive the signature of the president."

"Let me ask," said Mr. Chandler, "that as the bill is to go to the White house so soon, what will be its form?"

"It will be in such form," replied Mr. Faulkner, "as a majority of the Democratic congressmen agree upon."

Senator Turpie, Democrat of Indiana, said he had misgivings as to the source of the resolution. "It comes from the senator from New York, who has publicly informed us that he is against this measure and has voted against it."

Mr. Cockrell moved an executive session and Mr. Hill demanded the yeas and nays. Allen voted against the executive session and Caffery for it.

Mr. Harris announced that he would vote aye if not paired. The Democrats generally voted aye. The motion was evidently carried by one majority, before the vote was completed, but at this point Mr. Gordon announced a transfer of his pair to Irby.

Mr. Brice transferred his pair to Voorhees and voted aye. The vote was a tie—35 to 35, and the vice president cast the deciding vote in favor of Mr. Cockrell's motion.

The senate went into executive session and at 2:12 adjourned until Monday.

The decision of the senate to go into executive session to-day, pending the consideration of the Hill resolution and subsequent adjournment was due to the general belief on the part of the Democrats of the senate that the house on Monday would take action resulting in an acceptance of the house bill entire and without change of any kind. This belief was strengthened by the action of the senate in making a motion for an executive session.

Hill was closeted in the room of the senate committee on appropriations with a few Democratic leaders of the senate, and it was immediately after the conference that Senator Cockrell entered his executive session motion.

When the senate adjourned the Democratic senators were, as a rule, in far better spirits than they have been for weeks and the "conservative" senators and the members of the finance committee were in an especially amicable frame of mind.

The president and his advisers have been in frequent consultation on the situation. The president and Secretaries Gresham and Carlisle held a conference and the secretaries also consulted with the interstate commerce commissioners.

The house tariff conferees gathered in the room of the senate committee on interstate commerce and remained there during the entire forenoon, but they waited in vain for the senate conferees. They sent messengers to the capitol for the senators, but the search proved unavailing. None of the senate members of the conference were at the capitol, or if they were they could not be found.

That the house conferees realize

that the crisis has been reached is manifested by a call which emanated from no less a source than Speaker Crisp and the house conferees. As soon as the house conferees returned from the morning meeting they were closeted with Speaker Crisp and Messrs. Catchings and Dockery. Half an hour after the house met Speaker Crisp's son appeared on the floor with a formal call for a caucus of the house of Democrats on the tariff bill at 10 o'clock Monday morning. The names of Speaker Crisp and Chairman Wilson were among the first signed, and the paper was signed by members regardless of faction, as it was presented to them by young Mr. Crisp.

It is recalled that in his speech Speaker Crisp said that when the matter was resolved into a choice between the "Senate bill" or no bill, the conferees would call upon their colleagues for advice.

THE COXEY ARMY ROUTED.

The Veterans of Many a Trump Dispersed by Militia.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13.—The assemblage of Coxeyites, Galvinites and so-called industrialists, who have been camping at Rosslyn, were driven from the soil of Virginia shortly before daybreak this morning by the militia of that state. The raid was made without the least resistance from the armies. The house, which had been erected from boughs of trees, straw, hay and other materials, was burned.

This morning the walks of the aqueduct bridge, which joins the outskirts of Washington with the state of Virginia, was lined with ragged and hungry Coxeyites, watching their only property go up in smoke. They had been forced upon the bridge, but there the authority of the militia ended, and the "industrialists" knew it. They feared to enter the District of Columbia, as they believed arrests as vagrants awaited them, and they are waiting for something to turn up.

Many complaints have been sent to Governor O'Farrell within the past week or ten days of the growing nuisance at Rosslyn, for which there seemed to be no remedy. After mature deliberation and consultation Governor O'Farrell decided to act. The strictest secrecy was observed in order to keep the Washington authorities in ignorance of what was going on. The governor detailed three companies of the First Virginia regiment at Richmond and the Alexandria light infantry, under command of Adjutant General Anderson, to drive out the "industrialists." The troops started at midnight and reached Rosslyn at 3 a. m. where they camped awaiting daybreak before the raid should be made.

The industrialists were aware of the coming of the militia, for shortly before midnight the word was passed around that they were to be routed from their camp.

Several reconnoitering parties were sent out, but it was impossible for them to gather any definite information. They uttered some threats, saying that they would break the heads of any one who would attempt to enter the camp. The improvised huts were crowded with sleepers at 11 p. m., and scores of men were lying about the fires on the ground. Some with pieces of blankets and bits of rag over their heads and legs shivering in the cold without anything, but their miseries were not the chief complaint of sickness, but a fever suffering from malaria.

Just at dawn the militia appeared and marched to the aqueduct bridge. General Anderson and his officers then went to the leaders of the industrialists and told them in plain but courteous language that they must leave the state immediately after breakfast. Some of the California men said they wished a show of force before they stirred. Promptly at 6 o'clock a company of the militiamen were marched down the steep slope to the banks of the river where the Coxeyites had made their homes. General Anderson said: "Here is your show of force now you must go. Not a murmur or grumble was heard. The men packed up their little belongings and marched from their hurriedly constructed tents up the banks and onto the aqueduct bridge.

It was said that there was between 300 and 400 men in camp when the raid occurred. Three men were too sick to be forced and were allowed to remain in camp. General Anderson sent the surgeon of the militia to give them medical assistance and they were removed to hospital to-day.

Soon after coming down to his office Major Moore, the superintendent of police, went to the office of the district commissioners and had a conference with them with a view of getting the commonwealers out of the district. It was decided that the police should take charge of the industrialists and escort them to some suitable place, most probably Georgetown, until arrangements can be made for shipping them to the West.

This, it is believed, can be accomplished in three or four days, as the commissioners have some funds at their disposal and will receive some assistance from citizens who wish to rid Washington of the so-called army of the unemployed.

The district authorities are not a little vexed at the summary action of Governor O'Farrell in forcing the industrialists from Virginia soil, as during the past few days satisfactory progress in having the men returned to the West has been made. The industrialists are still on the aqueduct bridge, uncertain of what will be their next experience.

An Important Capture.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13.—The arrest by the Chicago authorities of James K. Stratton, the ex-Colorado convict, has ended a long search made by post-office inspectors, and is a source of great satisfaction to the department officials.

Stratton is known to the inspecting force as one of the most dangerous and desperate criminals in the country, and is credited with being an accomplished crackman, a porch climber, letter robber, forger and all around thief.

Returned to the World.

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