

LIVE INTEREST IN RATE DEBATE

Hepburn Bill Will Probably Come to Vote Wednesday.

OTHER MEASURES ON CALL

Important Questions Will Confront Both Houses of Congress for the Next Two Weeks.

Although the passage of the railroad rate bill in the House next week is a foregone conclusion, the closing days of the debate will furnish many of the most thrilling interest.

He will devote himself to some extent to replying to the addresses delivered in opposition to the bill, mainly those of Representative McCall of Massachusetts and Sibley of Pennsylvania.

Other Bills on Call. The remaining days of the week will be devoted to legislation on appropriation bills.

The Senate leaders expect to bring the ship subsidy bill to a vote next week. There is little doubt that when this happens the bill will be passed by a fair majority.

During its consideration in the Senate, the bill has been materially amended, in order to meet objections raised.

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Board of Trade Favors Allowing Factories Here

Employment Needed for People of District.

OLD POLICY IS OUTWORN

Dr. A. P. Fardon Ridicules the Smoke Law in No Uncertain Terms.

Expression of the opinion by a majority of the speakers that every effort should be made to attract manufacturers to the District of Columbia was the feature of the meeting of the Washington Board of Trade last evening at the New Willard hotel.

The discussion arose at the opening of the meeting when the reading of reports of the standing committees began and Brainard H. Warner, chairman of the committee on commerce and manufactures, read his report containing the statement: "We see no reason why the Board of Trade should not undertake to use its influence in a more active manner for the increase of trade."

Old Policy Outworn.

Scarcely had the report been read when Mr. Siddons moved that it be referred back to the committee with instructions to that body to submit a full report to the board as to the most effective way to encourage manufacturers to establish themselves in the District.

Dr. A. P. Fardon agreed with Mr. Siddons and took occasion to ridicule the District's smoke law, saying, "It is the most ridiculous law ever put on the statute books—\$100 fine for a minute of smoke."

Upon Mr. Singleton's saying that referring back the report would look like a condemnation of the committee, Mr. Siddons moved that the report be adopted and that the committee be instructed to bring in a special report on the way to bring trade and manufactures here.

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The District's Needs

The District should be a manufacturing center. The smoke law ridiculed. School appropriation disappointing. Would beautify the city. Water demand may require attention. High-pressure fire service recommended. Would hurry conclusion of auditorium.

From 32,988, in 1904, to 38,779, in 1905, a gain of 4,791. Cards were issued to 10,614 persons, 8,833 of whom were new patrons. A total of 20,100 cards were issued. During the year the reading room was visited by 74,296 readers.

The committee on water supply pointed out that the supply is now near the demand, and that there may soon come a time when more water will be necessary for the city.

Advocacy of a high pressure fire service system was recommended in the report of the committee on mercantile interests, which was adopted.

To Hurry Operations.

The report of the special committee in conventions said: Several months ago a number of representative citizens of the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the Washington Auditorium Association be incorporated, having for its object the erection in this city of a modern, capacious and artistic auditorium to be available for operas, concerts, mass meetings and similar large public gatherings.

A strong committee was appointed, and the project so appealed to the members and citizens generally, that nearly 5 per cent of the entire proposed capitalization of \$500,000 was subscribed in a very few days.

It is to be hoped that the committee will take the matter up promptly and vigorously again, and speedily complete the canvass, so that building operations may be started in the early spring.

General Harries read a letter from the National Board of Trade asking the local board to support the passage by Congress of the Gallinger ship subsidy bill. A special committee was appointed to look into the matter.

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DESPERATE MOTHER WOULD SELL HER BABE

Father Deserts Home: After the Stork Leaves Triplets, and Now the Starving Parent Would Sell "Alice Roosevelt."

CHICAGO, Feb. 3.—"Alice Roosevelt" is for sale at 217 West Twelfth street. Alice is a five weeks' old baby—one of a set of triplets. Her home is in a two-room basement. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. Jake Mosbrow. That is, she does not know where. He deserted his family the day after the generous old stork left the trio.

Alice really is for sale. The mother is penniless, with eight children to care for. When she talks about selling Alice, or either of her infant sisters, Edith and Annie, she smiles sadly as she glances at the three babies sleeping peacefully on a big box, all wrapped in bed clothes but their tiny faces.

The sale of Alice looks more probable to the mother because she is the plumpest and prettiest of the three. Alice weighs seven pounds, while Edith and Annie weigh but four pounds each. All are healthy.

"How much would you take for one of the larger children?" the mother was asked by a visitor. She hugged the black, curly head of little six-year-old Rosie close and in broken English replied: "Sell 'em?" pointing to the older children, who were seated promiscuously

A Bargain at \$5.

The mother searched the face of her sister for an answer. For a moment the room was painfully quiet. Little Rosie looked up into her mother's face with wide open eyes and Mrs. Mosbrow shook her head and a tear stole into her eye.

"Worth more'n that," she said. "Sell to one that gives most." This was the only price the mother would set. Then she changed the subject. To a neighbor woman who had happened in her native apologetically explained in her native tongue—Mrs. Mosbrow is a German Jew—why she was compelled to offer her baby for sale. Her face was wan and emaciated. She told how her husband had deserted her for the third time five weeks ago. Several other men societies have given the family assistance and paid the rent. Occasionally the city sends in a consignment of groceries, but at the best it is an uncertain existence.

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CITY OF CHATTANOOGA IS ABLY DEFENDED

H. Clay Evans Incident Reviewed by One Conversant With All the Circumstances.

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MINISTERS REPUDIATE THEIR DOCTOR'S DEGREES

NEW YORK, Feb. 3.—All clergymen with degrees are being looked at with suspicion since at a recent meeting of the Manhattan Congregational Association two ministers openly repudiated the degree conferred on them by the National University of Harriman, Tenn.

The Rev. Charles T. Bayliss also repudiated his D. D.

Tea Facts.

The rapid advance of Ceylon and India as tea-producing countries is one of the most noteworthy features of the tea business of the present day. For many years China was the storehouse for the supply of this article of universal consumption. Then Japan came to the front as a tea growing country, and by means of their extensive advertising boomed their output. Now, however, these countries have taken a back seat, and the teas of Ceylon and India have, to a great extent, superseded those of both China and Japan.

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