

MR. SWANSON SPEAKS.

HE ARGUES IN FAVOR OF THE CUBAN RECIPROCIITY BILL.

CLASH WITH DEMOCRATS.

They Take Issue With Statement That Bill is in Line With Democratic Policy of Tariff Reform.

WASHINGTON, April 15.—With the close of the Cuban reciprocity debate in the House to-day, the leaders announced that all danger of the bill's being weighted down with undesirable amendments was over, and that they felt assured that the bill would pass in the shape in which it came from the committee.

It was announced that the entire Republican delegation from Michigan and California, who constitute the head and front of the opposition, had agreed not to vote to override the ruling of the Chair.

Mr. Watson, of Indiana, who is acting as the whip for the majority, does not believe over a dozen Republicans at the session will join the Democrats upon this proposition. It would require more than twenty Republican votes to place upon the bill an amendment which might endanger its ultimate passage, as several Democrats it is understood, have also declared their intention to stand by the ruling of the Chair.

MANY MORE TO SPEAK. An unsuccessful effort was made again today by Mr. Payne, to secure an agreement to put a limit upon a general debate.

The House adjourned to-day to remain thirty-five members who desire to speak. The debate to-day was without particular interest. The speakers were: Messrs. Swanson, of Virginia; and Messrs. S. W. Coombs, of Michigan; Dayton, of West Virginia; Burgess, of Texas; Meyer, of Louisiana; and Sutherland, of Utah, against it.

Mr. Swanson argued that the bill was in line with the Democratic policy of tariff reform. That statement made him a target for the questions of some of his Democratic colleagues, who differed with him, and he had sharp clashes with Mr. Bartlett, of Georgia; Mr. Wheeler, of Kentucky; and Mr. Cooper, of Texas.

Mr. Swanson, of Minnesota, asked Mr. Swanson whether the proposed legislation would not force Cuba to enact our immigration laws. In reply Mr. Swanson declared that the question showed the inconsistency of the arguments of the bill, who on the one hand, claimed that this bill would drain poor, distressed Cuba into accepting something she did not want, and, on the other hand, insisted that Cuba was prosperous, and did not need the contemplated relief.

WHAT WE OWE CUBA. Mr. Swanson argued that with 20 per cent preferential duty in our favor we should be able to monopolize the Cuban markets. He declared that the American people would tolerate no person and no party which asserted that we owed nothing to Cuba, and that our trade relations with her should be no closer than those with other countries. Practically, he said, he would halt the day when Cuba should become a part of the United States.

Have you begun your propaganda for trade with the aid of the Republican majority? asked Mr. Littlefield, of Maine. "We have," replied Mr. Swanson. "We have infused the majority with 20 per cent of our views, and we are encouraged."

Mr. Meyer laid stress upon the hardships which the ruin of the cane-sugar industry would entail upon the black laborers of Louisiana, who, he contended, were entitled to as much consideration as the laboring man of Cuba.

Senate Proceedings. The debate on the Chinese exclusion bill was concluded to-day in the Senate, and voting on the bill and amendments will begin at 1 o'clock to-morrow.

By general consent a vote was taken today on two important amendments offered by Mr. Fairbanks, of Indiana, striking out the definition as to "Chinese" and "alien," and the words "and they were agreed to without division. These changes were made with a view to the passage of the bill, and to the removal of the rigid restrictions on students and teachers, and the unnecessary inconvenience this would impose on the educated Chinese classes coming to this country.

The debate to-day was participated in by Senators Heitfeld, of Idaho; Penrose, of Pennsylvania; and Turner, of Washington, in favor of the bill, and Senators Pritchard, of North Carolina, and Spooner, of Wisconsin, in opposition to it.

Mr. Turner made the assertion that politics had crept into the discussion, and that most of the members of the majority were opposed to the bill. This brought out a sharp rejoinder from Mr. Spooner, who maintained that politics had not crept into the discussion, and that the opposition to the present bill was due entirely to its conflict with the treaty, and not because of any opposition to Chinese immigration, which was an established doctrine of the government's.

Mr. Pritchard's opposition to the bill, mainly on account of the injury it would cause the South, in reducing the cotton exports to China.

Mr. Mallory, of Florida, expressed surprise at the amendment proposing to strike out the seamen's clause, so called. He said this was one of the most salutary features, and should be retained.

To Wed This Afternoon. Miss Eva Lowry and Mr. Edgar Childs of this city, will be married at 3:30 o'clock to-day at the residence of the bride, No. 76 North Twenty-first street, by the Rev. Father T. J. McKee, pastor of St. Patrick's church.

Mr. Childs, brother of the bridegroom, and Mr. Will McDonough, uncle of the bride, will usher. Two little brothers and a juvenile bridesmaid, the bride will serve as pages and ring-bearer, bringing in the wedding ring on a silver tray.

The residence will be tastefully decorated with palms and potted plants for the occasion. A reception will be tendered the following evening at the residence of the bride, No. 76 North Twenty-first street, by the Rev. Father T. J. McKee, pastor of St. Patrick's church.

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We will give our customers the benefit of this early reduction of our large, new, elegantly selected stock of Tailor-Made Suits—the new styles of this season only.

Advertisement for Thalhimers' suits, featuring a coupon for a 25% discount on American Lady corsets. The coupon is framed with decorative borders and includes the text: 'Special Offer of Thalhimers. The Busy Corner. April 14th to 19th, inclusive. This coupon will be received as twenty five cents cash on each purchase of an AMERICAN LADY corset, for week advertised. Only one coupon received on the purchase of each corset.'

THE TASK RESUMED. COMMITTEE ON REVISION MET TWICE YESTERDAY.

SOME PROGRESS WAS MADE. The Constitutional Convention Committee on Revision met again yesterday forenoon and again in the afternoon in the Supreme Court of Appeals room, in the Library building.

Messrs. Daniel and Davis, the absentees on Monday, were again absent yesterday, and Mr. Brooke, of Norfolk, another member, had been called home. Mr. Cameron, of Petersburg, was again in his place.

The committee resumed work on the Bill of Rights and finally perfected its verbiage and punctuation to the satisfaction of the members. In the work the Mason draft was closely adhered to in the main; several unimportant changes were made in the punctuation.

The second and third articles were then taken up and perfected, and the committee went to work on the fourth article—that relating to the elective franchise—the longest and most troublesome of them all. Good progress was made in this one, and will be completed to-day.

State Librarian W. W. Scott had drafted the article with a view to eliminating useless phraseology and reducing the article to the shortest space compatible with clearness and accuracy. After hearing Mr. Scott's draft read and making notes of the changes he suggested, the committee named three members as a sub-committee to prepare a draft of the article and report it as a basis for the work of the full committee this morning. This will greatly expedite the work.

A LITTLE HUMOR INJECTED. The revision is naturally a rather dry task, but Messrs. Braxton, Wyser and others managed to inject a little humor into the task, and Mr. Scott in some of his passages with the gentleman from Augusta (Mr. Braxton) enjoyed the proceedings no little and turned the laughter on the chairman of the Corporation Committee. Mr. Scott's old English pronunciation of the word clerk as "clark" amused several of the other members. Mr. Scott got back at Mr. Braxton when he remarked that he had been of opinion that Mr. Braxton represented the Deaf, Dumb and Blind School of Staunton, thus turning the laugh on that gentleman, who had been prominent in the discussions and the jests.

SCHEDULE NOT FIXED. One of the members of the committee expressed the opinion yesterday that the work of revision would not be completed this week. The fixing of the schedule, the last duty of the committee, will be one of the most difficult features of the work, and it was stated yesterday that the sub-committee had yet made no suggestions as to the schedule, and had prepared no recommendations thereon. This sets at rest any speculations on the subject as the nearest speculation.

THE SUFFRAGE ARTICLE. Several of the members yesterday, in considering the suffrage article, suggested that the section making specific exceptions of the sons of Confederate soldiers from the operation of the poll-tax provision be made a separate section. This vision be made a separate section. This view was done, for thereby if a court passage upon and declared the exception unconstitutional, it would not affect the remainder of the section as drawn. It was also suggested that it was not necessary to say any State of the Confederate States, since the Supreme Court had already done so.

Court Term for Valdosta. WASHINGTON, D. C., April 15.—The House Committee on Judiciary to-day reported favorably a bill to provide for a term of court at Valdosta, Ga.

Advertisement for 'Woman's Nature' medicine, describing its benefits for women's health and its status as a 'Mother's Friend'.

ROBBERY OF A STORE.

A PRETTY GOOD HAUL IN MECKLENBURG COUNTY.

NEWS OF THE COCKADE CITY.

Deaths—Battle-Field Park Movement Revived—The Ex-Slave Pension Delusion—Marriage Invitations Issued—Personal and General Notes.

PETERSBURG, VA., April 15.—(Special.)—Information was received here this morning by Chief-of-Police Ragland that Saunders' store at Skelton Station on the Seaboard Air-Line railway, in Mecklenburg county, was broken into and robbed last night. One fine Remington hammerless gun, six pistols, and lot of cutlery were stolen. The robbery is supposed to have been committed by negroes, and the description gives of them corresponds to that of four or five rough-looking negroes who were seen in the direction of this city and crossed over into Chesterfield county early this morning.

The negroes were subsequently seen at Dunlop, one of whom had a new gun, and the others were apparently well armed. After they had crossed the State line they were heard shooting off fire-arms. Lieutenant Donohue and a squad of police went out to Dunlops to try to head off and capture the men, but they had gotten beyond reach, and were apparently going in the direction of Richmond. Had they been overtaken by the police, armed as they were, it is probable some trouble might have occurred in arresting them. But the police were prepared for this.

Mrs. Annie M. wife of David J. Stewart, died last night at her residence on west High street.

Mrs. Lucy E. Moore died yesterday afternoon at the residence of Dr. T. J. Burgess, her son-in-law, at BATTLE-FIELD PARK AT PETERSBURG.

Several efforts have been made at different times to establish a park embracing some of the most notable battle-fields in the State, and a national park at one time organized for this purpose and at another time a strong endeavor was made to interest Congress in the matter, so as to establish a national battle-field park. Options were obtained on lands in the direction of Richmond. Had they been fought, and on which the great forts of the opposing armies stood; but the scheme failed.

A letter received in this city yesterday by Mr. C. A. Clarke, of New W. P. B. distinguished citizen of Lawrence, Mass., and a prominent Grand Army man, says that the Grand Army of the Republic, or at least that portion of it in the New England States, is to take up the matter of a national park at Petersburg, and will push it with vigor. The men, he says, are already agitating it.

The writer further says that the great obstacle to be feared to the success of the movement is the Union, who has a member of land when it is known that it is wanted by the government. With the help of so great an influence as that of the Grand Army men, it is believed that Congress may agree to establish the park.

PERSONAL INTELLIGENCE. Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Hamilton have sent out invitations to a reception to be given at their residence on the evening of the 23d instant to Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Hamilton on their return from the bridal trip.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Williams have issued invitations to the marriage of their sister, Miss Anna Booth James, to Mr. Thomas Leonidas Moore, to take place at St. John's Episcopal church Wednesday afternoon, April 17th.

Miss May Simpson, the accomplished organist of St. Paul's church, has been presented by the members of the choir with a trip to the Charleston Exposition—a graceful compliment worthily bestowed.

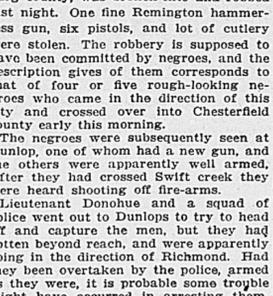
HOUSE-BURNER SENT ON. In the Mayor's Court this morning the case of George Wright (colored), arrested late last night on the charge of setting fire to the dwelling-house in which his wife, from whom he is separated, her five children, and her mother live, with intent to burn them to death, was investigated, and the accused was sent to jail.

IN SEARCH OF HIS WIFE. Mr. B. F. Brooks, a young citizen of Dinwiddie county, was in the city last night trying to locate his wife, who came here several weeks ago to seek employment. His investigation resulted in the discovery that his wife had left the city and had gone to Wilmington, N. C., to live. The young lady was formerly a resident of Manchester.

TRIAL OF MINISTERS. The matter to come before Presbyterian General Assembly. The committee appointed by East Hanover Presbytery to consider the question of ecclesiastical commissions, will meet either some day this week or early in the next, and will formulate its report to be submitted at the meeting of the presbytery in Petersburg next Monday. The report it is understood, will recommend that the presbytery take a stand in favor of continuing the question for another year for further consideration by the Southern church. The presbytery will, in all probability, adopt the report.

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My brother officers (whose signatures accompany this letter), as well as myself, thank you for the blessing you have brought to the human race in the compounding of Swamp-Root. We remain, yours very truly, JAMES COOK, HUGH E. BOYLE, Sixth-Fifth Police District, JOHN J. BODKIN.

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BRIEFS AND PERSONALS.

Renald, the 7-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Yarbrough, contings very ill at the home of his parents, 521 west Main street.

Miss Rosie Chadick, sister of Joseph R. Chadick, who has been at the Virginia Hospital for some time under the care of Dr. Edward McGuire, returned to her home Monday much improved.

Mr. John B. Pinner, of Suffolk, has returned to her home.

The annual meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Union of East Hanover Presbytery will be held in the lecture room of the Second Presbyterian church on Thursday at 12 o'clock.

A box party for the benefit of the Building Fund League of Randolph-Street Baptist church was given Monday night at the home of Mrs. C. E. Roach, 94 Randolph street. Instrumental and vocal music enlivened the occasion, and refreshments were served. A solo was rendered by Miss Louise French, a duet by Messrs. George and William French, and Mrs. C. E. Roach gave a recitation.

The following delegates to the Episcopal Council, to be held May 21st in Fredericksburg, are: Messrs. Powell Smith, of this city, is president of the union.

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