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THE NATIONAL CONGRESS.

THE CLOSING DEBATE ON THE TARIFF BILL.

The Taxation of the People Increased Fifty Per Cent.—Taxation for Private Purposes Not Taxation, But Plunder—And the Plundering Process is Now Legalized by Congress.

(By United Press.)

WASHINGTON, Sept. 30.—The conference report on the tariff bill was taken up and Mr. Carlisle addressed the Senate.

It was not his purpose, he said, to attempt to state the effect of the measure on the public revenue, because it would be impossible to do so with any degree of accuracy. But he could state approximately what its effect on taxation would be. No member of the finance committee had ventured, during the tariff debate, to express an opinion as to what the effect of the bill would be on the revenues of the government, except the Senator from Ohio (Mr. Allison) who, in the course of a speech on the subject of expenses of the government, had reviewed the subject to some extent. But that was before the conference report was made.

Mr. Carlisle asserted that the bill as it stood took from the free list and made dutiable more than it took from the dutiable and made free. While it would not increase the revenues it would increase the taxation of the people by increasing the prices of articles of similar domestic production. The average rate of duty under this bill would be sixty per cent. instead of 45 per cent. under existing law. Deducting sugar and molasses from the calculation, the rate under the existing law would be found to be 41 per cent. and the average on the same articles under the conference bill sixty per cent.—an increased rate of 50 per cent. The increase would be ten millions in the iron and steel schedule.

The sugar bounty, said Mr. Carlisle, would amount in the aggregate to seven or eight millions per year. Mr. Carlisle quoted from many authorities to prove that, if the States, which had almost unlimited power of taxation, could not authorize counties or municipalities to impose taxes to encourage industrial pursuits, the general government could not do it. Taxation for private purposes was not taxation, he said, but plunder.

Mr. Carlisle criticized the reciprocity clause which, he said, confided to the judgment or caprice of the President alone the determination, not alone of certain facts defined in the law, but of the results and effects of those facts and circumstances.

Mr. Allison believed the bill as reported from the committee would reduce the revenue forty to forty-five millions of dollars. Mr. Gray spoke at some length. Mr. Gray concluded his remarks against the bill, devoting much attention to the question of the labor cost of a ton of steel rails.

Mr. Aldrich closed the debate. He regretted that Mr. Carlisle had devoted so much of his time to anti-bellum matters. The first Congress which met after the signing of the constitution had granted bounties and imposed taxes. Speaking of the increase in duty made in the bill he said that they were of four classes. The first included corrections of errors and irregularities; to this class belonged tin plate and cotton ties. Another class consisted of articles which it was not supposed at the time of the passage of the law of 1883 could be manufactured in the United States. It included the finer grade of manufactures in the cotton, flax and linen and iron and steel schedules. A third class consisted of articles on which heretofore small ad valorem rates had been levied. Those were items of no consequence which had never received any attention in the framing of a tariff bill before.

The fourth class included agricultural products. The duties on wool had been increased largely at the demand of the representatives of the conference committee. Mr. Gorman asked Mr. Aldrich to favor the Senate and the country with a statement of the effect of the conference bill on the revenues.

Mr. Aldrich replied that the rate of taxation of goods imported in 1883 was 45.18 per cent. and that (the amount of importations being the same) the rate under the conference bill would be 44.26, as against the 60 per cent. asserted by Mr. Carlisle.

At the close of Mr. Aldrich's remarks, the Senate proceeded to vote, by yeas and nays, on the conference report. The first break in the party ranks was when Mr. Paddock's name was called. He said that he was paired with Mr. Eustis, but as Mr. Eustis would have voted "no," he would vote "no." The next break came immediately after when Mr. Pettigrew's name was called. He said that he was paired with Mr. Call, but as Mr. Call would have voted "no," he would vote "no." The third and last break was when Mr. Flobb (after all other Senators had voted) stood up and his name having been called, voted "no."

The final result was announced as yeas 33, nays 27—a strict party vote with the exception noted.

So the conference report was agreed to; and now the tariff bill needs only the signature of the presiding officers of both Houses and of the President of the United States to be law.

The Senate then had a brief executive session and after the doors were re-opened at 7 p. m. adjourned until to-morrow at noon.

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COMPLIMENTARY BANQUET

TO HON. C. M. BUSBEE, GRAND SIRE OF THE SOVEREIGN GRAND LODGE, I. O. O. F.

(By United Press.)

The People of Raleigh do Honor to One of Their Prominent Fellow-Citizens—Welcomes and Congratulations by Distinguished Men—Brilliant and Eloquent Response by Mr. Busbee.

There was a very large assembly of representative men at the Yarboro House last evening who participated in and enjoyed a sumptuous banquet given by the Odd Fellows and citizens of Raleigh, complimentary to Mr. C. M. Busbee, who was recently elected Grand Sire of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F.

The banquet committee was composed of Messrs. C. B. Edwards, chairman, Geo. H. Glass, A. B. Forrest, Jos. G. Brown, B. H. Woodell and Dr. D. E. Everitt.

The committee was a most happily chosen one, for they arranged and had carried out a programme which was perfection in all respects.

As the invited guests assembled in the halls and corridors and lobbies of the hotel, several prominent visiting Odd Fellows were noticed, among whom were Past Grand Master Bobbitt, of Oxford; Past Grand Chaplain White, of Richmond; Messrs. A. K. Smith and P. K. Noble, of Smithfield; Mr. J. A. K. Tucker, of Greenville; Past Grand Master Collins, of Goldsboro and several others.

Gov. Fowle, State Treasurer Bain, Associate Justices Avery and Shepherd, State Auditor Sanderlin, Mayor Thompson, Rev. Dr. J. H. Cordon, Rev. Dr. J. J. Hall, Messrs. N. B. Broughton, W. G. Upchurch, Josephus Daniels, A. D. Jones, R. H. Battle, Col. Thos. S. Kenan, Associate Justice Clark, Mr. W. N. Jones, and about two hundred and fifty other representative men of all professions and callings.

At 9:30 the dining room doors were thrown open and there was a burst of music to the strains of which the guests entered the dining hall.

There were nineteen tables elegantly spread and beautifully ornamented with flowers. This floral decoration was the work of lady friends, and the thanks of the Order were returned to Mrs. Josephus Daniels, Miss Lena Horner, Miss Truitt, Mrs. Kreth, Misses Alma and Mattie Sappark for this very beautiful feature of the evening.

Mr. J. N. Holding was master of ceremonies for the evening. He greeted the banquetters to order, made a very happy announcement, then called on Rev. J. J. Hall, D. D., to make an invocation, to which Dr. Hall responded.

Then supper was served, the following being the menu:

Consomme, a la Royale.
Filet of Trout, Tartar Sauce.
Oysters, Fried, Stewed, Raw.
Chicken Salad.
Olives, Celery, Chow-Chow.
Assorted Cake.
Vanilla, Ice Cream, Orange, Ice.
Oranges, Grapes, Bananas.
Tea, Coffee.

Mayor Thompson's Greeting.

After supper, Mayor A. A. Thompson extended to Grand Sire Busbee, on behalf of the citizens of Raleigh, congratulations and a welcome.

Mayor Thompson said:

MR. CHAIRMAN AND GENTLEMEN:

The great honor that has recently been conferred upon one of our citizens by The Sovereign Grand Lodge of The Independent Order of Odd Fellows of the World, is a compliment of the greatest importance, not only to the organization of which he has always been a prominent and enthusiastic member but to the whole people of Raleigh.

When we remember that this mighty organization stretches from the Arctic Circle on the North, to the Gulf of Mexico on the South, and East and West over two hemispheres with a membership of seven hundred thousand of the foremost men of the most cultivated, refined and accomplished nation, which has ever existed on the face of the globe, the selection of its leader from among our people cannot fail to cause the breast of every one of us to swell with pardonable pride and emotion.

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