

CONGRESSIONAL PROCEEDINGS.

The Conference Report on the Tariff Presented in the House.

PADDOCK SPEAKS IN OPPOSITION TO IT.

The Bill for the Relief of Settlers on Northern Pacific Railway Indemnity Lands Agreed to.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 29.—In the house the speaker presented a bill to define and regulate the jurisdiction of United States courts, with the senate amendments thereto.

After some discussion the bill was laid aside temporarily.

Mr. Henderson of Iowa submitted the conference report on the general deficiency bill. After some debate it was agreed to.

Then, on motion of Mr. Henderson, the bill passed appropriating \$3,000 to supply the deficiency in the appropriation for the compensation of members of the house.

The senate amendment was concurred in to the house bill granting leave of absence to clerks and employees of first and second class post-offices.

The amendment extends the benefits of the measure to the employees in the mail bag repair shops.

The conference report on the bill to increase the efficiency of the signal corps of the army and transfer the weather service to the agricultural department was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. O'Brien the bill for the relief of settlers on Northern Pacific Railway indemnity lands was presented and agreed to.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 29.—In the senate today Mr. Ingalls (by request) presented a bill to provide for the payment of arrears of pensions on applications filed since July 1, 1880.

The senate is giving the assent of the United States to certain leases of rights to coal mines in the Choctaw nation was passed.

The vice president presented the resolutions of the annual conference of the Methodist Episcopal church held at Detroit requesting both houses of congress to refrain from holding any religious services on the Sabbath day.

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ment had been made in the adoption of such industry to vote for the report. He sincerely hoped that the report would not be adopted and that the revenue be increased.

The conference report was laid aside informally without action.

Mr. Morgan offered a resolution, which was agreed to, calling on the president for copies of the report on the Fort Randall military reservation in South Dakota which was presented and agreed to.

The individual pension bills on the calendar were taken up and passed (forty-four in twenty-five minutes). Adjourned.

ACCIDENTALLY KILLED.

A Respected Citizen of Mitchell Meets with a Fatal Mishap.

Mitchell, S. D., Sept. 29.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—James S. Foster, one of the pioneer residents and one of her most respected citizens, accidentally shot himself this evening while taking a load on a grain wagon.

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TRIAL OF THE NATIONALISTS.

A Determined Effort to Get Magistrate Shannon to Withdraw from the Case.

DUBLIN, Sept. 29.—[Special Cablegram to The Bee.]—The eyes of all nationalists continue to be fastened on the court at Tipperary, where Messrs. Dillon, O'Brien and their fellow prisoners are undergoing trial on the charge of conspiring to prevent the payment of rent to Mr. Smith Barry, landlord of the Tipperary.

The peremptory refusal of the court on Saturday to receive the affidavits of the defendants objecting to Magistrate Shannon's sitting in the case on the ground that he would be biased, was considered by the nationalists as a further indication that a fair hearing could be hardly expected before the court as at present constituted. They think that the affidavit was entitled to respectful consideration instead of being disrespected.

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JOHN L. WEBSTER'S ADDRESS.

He Exposes the Fallacies of Prohibition to a Great Beatrice Audience.

HON. W. J. CONNELL SPEAKS AT FALLS CITY.

Harlan Addresses an Enthusiastic Audience at Fairfield—A. D. Beemer Nominated for Float Senator—State News.

BEATRICE, Neb., Sept. 29.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—Never has a larger audience assembled in the spacious Paddock opera house than that gathered here tonight to listen to the address of Hon. John L. Webster of Omaha on the subject that prohibition should not prevail in Nebraska.

The audience was thoroughly representative of the morality, wealth and enterprise of Beatrice, among which were a great many ladies, members of the first families of the city.

On the stage were gathered a large number of the foremost citizens of Beatrice of both the republican and democratic faiths.

At the rear of the stage was suspended a large banner, on which was inscribed in large letters the words "Prohibition, strict enforcement of law, regulation and control, Sunday and election day closing, protection to values of property and continued prosperity, against free whisky, every-day joints and dives, destruction of property values, stagnation of business and increase of taxation."

Hon. R. S. Bibb, democrat, of this city was made chairman of the meeting, and introduced Mr. Webster with brief and eloquent speech.

Mr. Webster stepped forward he was greeted with enthusiastic applause. He at once branched out into an eloquent dissertation upon the fallacies and absurdities of prohibition doctrines as expounded by the apostles of that faith.

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Independent Nominations. OMAHA, Neb., Sept. 29.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—The independents of this county met in convention Saturday afternoon at the non-partisan school, Mrs. Clara Hoffman of the legislature Ole Iredson, for county attorney, H. M. Marquis, for county commissioner, F. H. Ball, and for coroner, Dr. Matt Shaw.

Mrs. Hoffman at Superior. SUPERIOR, Neb., Sept. 29.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—At the request of the non-partisan school, Mrs. Clara Hoffman of Missouri stopped here to address the league.

She spoke on the public street to an audience of probably two hundred. Her address was bitter against the licensing of saloons and the demagogical speech of Dr. Purdy, and other noted divines because they did not agree with her views.

BIRCHALL FOUND GUILTY.

He is Convicted of Murder in the First Degree. WOODSTOCK, Ill., Sept. 29.—[First Reprint of The Bee.]—The trial of Birchall for the murder of the Rev. J. H. Bell this morning some evidence was taken preliminary to the speaking.

Samuel Mosier, telegraph messenger at Niagara Falls, proved the delivery to Clerk O'Neill at the Imperial hotel of a telegram purporting to be from Benwell to Birchall. O'Neill was supposed to deliver the message to Birchall.

James Costin, a farmer, testified he saw the body of Rev. Bell lying on the ground in the conclusion that the body had not been out in the storm of two nights, as the shirt front was white and clean as though no rain or snow had fallen on it.

Blackstock put in evidence the register of the Metropolitan hotel, New York, showing the names "J. H. Bell" and "W. J. Riley," and all registered in the handwriting of the prisoner.

The evidence for the defense and the addresses of the jury were taken up. During the trial Birchall's counsel, James Costin, defended the prisoner, spoke five hours.

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PIONEER RESERVATION LANDS.

Errors in the Schedule of Allotments Have Delayed the Opening.

THE CORRESPONDENCE ABOUT BARBADIA.

President Harrison, After a Careful Examination of the Papers, Decides Not to Send Them to Congress.

WASHINGTON BUREAU THE OMAHA BEE, 510 FIFTEENTH STREET, WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 29.

Representative Harrison has been working for the past three months endeavoring to secure the issue of the proclamation throwing open the Ponca Indian reservation to settlement, but has not so far succeeded in having the proclamation issued.

Mr. Dorsey, chairman of the Indian Affairs Commission, of Indian Affairs, Bell which explains the cause of the delay. The letter is as follows: "Hon. G. W. E. Dorey—Sir: Owing to the discovery of numerous grave errors and omissions in the schedule of allotments recently made to the Ponca Indians in Nebraska under the late Sioux act I have been compelled to call upon Agent Heims, who jointly with Special Agent Litchfield made the allotments, for explanations and to supply needed omissions, which will necessarily delay my sending the schedule to the secretary of the interior for his approval.

I trust, however, that the agent's explanation will be satisfactory and enable me to have the schedules corrected and promptly submitted to the secretary of the interior for his approval.

The president has decided not to send to congress the correspondence with Minister Mizner of Central America in reference to the Barbadia case. The matter was all prepared for him at the state department and sent to him at the white house two or three days ago.

He has read the documents carefully and has no good reason to be accomplished by their publication.

ABUSE OF THE BREVEY. On February 27 last an act was approved empowering the president to confer brevet rank on retired lists of army or navy officers or retired lists who have been or may be distinguished for gallant services in action since January 1, 1867.

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