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SUGAR DUTY.

A Bill to Abrogate It on Imports from Certain Countries.

TALK ABOUT THE CURRENCY

The Labor Arbitration Bill Favorably Reported from the Committee--The End Towards Patent Directed to Be Issued.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—Chairman Wilson, of the ways and means committee, yesterday reported to the house the bill to abrogate the discriminating duty of one-tenth of a cent a pound on sugar imported from countries paying a bounty on exports. The report accompanying the bill expresses the opinion that it does not believe it was the intention or desire of congress in the last tariff act in imposing the additional duty on all sugars coming from countries paying a bounty on exports thereof to give ground for complaint to foreign nations of any violation on our part of long-standing treaty obligations, and least of all to abrogate such treaties. Both Germany and Austria, however, have protested against the discriminating duty, holding it to be violative of the most favored nation clauses, and Germany (the committee is not accurately informed as to Austria-Hungary) is now making and enforcing trade relations which prohibit or impede the entrance of American meats into her markets. It is almost certain, says the report, that this unfriendly action of Germany is really a retaliation for our discrimination against German beet sugar. The committee believes that if the irritation caused by the alleged violation of our traditional treaty obligations to Germany is removed, it will at once open the way for the removal of discriminations and prohibitions against the entry of our beef and hog products into Germany.

CURRENCY MATTERS.
WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—The gold reserve in the treasury is now reduced to below \$60,000,000. There is a steady drain and it is not improbable that before a week is passed the reserve will be down to \$60,000,000. There was some talk among the members of the currency committee of the house yesterday of a new proposition which it is said has the indorsement of the administration. It was to the effect that the \$180,000,000 worth of bullion that was purchased under the provisions of the Sherman law should be coined into standard silver dollars, and this coinage to be anticipated by the issuing of silver notes. Of this sum \$124,000,000 was to be utilized in taking up and retiring the \$1, \$2, \$5 greenbacks and Sherman notes, and \$56,000,000 remaining to be used as an assessment of the government and employed to meet current expenses. With this was to be a provision allowing the secretary of the treasury to issue low-interest bonds to maintain the parity of the metals.

It is clear that the most practical way to do anything would be for the senate to take action first. A bill passed by the senate would be very apt to receive proper consideration in the house, but as long as the feeling is strong in the house that no measure which can pass that body will receive even decent consideration by the senate there will not be much anxiety in the house to get to work seriously.

Unless congress does something the secretary will have to advertise for 5 per cent. bonds within a month, and it is not likely from present appearances, that he can dispose of them on as favorable terms as he did the last issue.

ARBITRATION LABOR BILL.
WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—The amended bill for the settlement of labor disputes by means of an arbitration committee has been reported favorably from the committee on labor with minor changes in verbiage. "The national and state legislative bodies," says the report, "are not so constituted as to be able to give proper time to the examination of the industrial matters presented in this bill, nor are they made up equally of representative men, such as is proposed by this commission; nor are they non-partisan. This commission can hear, consider and recommend in a shorter time, and with less expense for the best good of all, than can be accomplished by a legislative body or in any other way. Congress is the proper body to authorize the appointment of such a commission, as it is composed of members coming from all parts of every state."

KNID TOWN SITE PATENT.
WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—The secretary of the interior has directed the issuance of a patent on thirty acres of land embraced in the townsite of Knid, Ok., and known as "McGuire's addition to the town of Knid," to L. W. McGuire. When the townsite becomes organized as a municipality and proper proof is furnished to the department a patent will be issued to the town of the remaining ten acres, to be used for public purposes.

RELIEF FOR MISSOURIANS.

The Senate Quickly Acts on a Bill to Favor Volunteer Veterans.
WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—Mr. Palmer, of Illinois, introduced to-day a bill which placed on the same footing as other soldiers, under the dependent pension act of June 27, 1890, all "officers and privates of the Missouri state militia and provisional Missouri

militia who served ninety days during the war of the rebellion, and were honorably discharged, and the widows and minor children of such persons, including all such persons now on the pension rolls or who may hereafter apply to be admitted thereto." It was at once referred to the committee on pensions, promptly favorably reported, read three times, passed, engrossed, signed and sent on its way to the house, where it will unquestionably be passed with as little objection.

The business men of Warrensburg, Mo., have decided to organize a board of trade to secure improvements of various kinds.

THE EDITORS OF KANSAS.

Papers Read on Various Topics--Legislative Desires--New Officers Chosen.

TOPEKA, Kan., Jan. 23.—The State Editorial association yesterday listened to papers by W. A. Miller, of the Council Grove Republican, on "The Best Make-up;" C. O. Smith, of the Burlington Republican, on "Folding Machines;" S. H. Dodge, of the Beloit Gazette, on "Presswork;" W. H. Morgan, of the Peabody Gazette, on "Ready Prints," and Lyman Naugle, of the Wellington Voice, on "The Best Power;" and E. G. Pipp, of the Burlington Chronicle, discussed "How Much Space to Politics;" H. A. Perkins, of the Olathe Mirror, "Personals," and R. B. Claiborne, of the Oswego Times, "Comps."

D. R. Anthony presented the report of the legislative committee. The recommendation that a bill be passed requiring all insurance companies doing business in the state to publish their regular reports in a paper in each county in which policies are written and providing a penalty of \$100 for each violation, was unanimously indorsed. There was protracted discussion of the recommendation for a law providing that the county commissioners of each county shall designate an official county paper each year, which shall publish all official as well as legal notices for which the remuneration shall be the regularly established rate.

After a great deal of pulling and hauling one way and the other the entire matter was referred to a committee of five, consisting of H. A. Perkins, of the Olathe Mirror; A. L. Sponsler, of the Hutchinson News; W. L. Brown, of the Kingman Journal; R. T. Simons, of the Caldwell News, and T. W. Eckert, of the Arkansas City Traveler. The committee's recommendation that the profits of the state printer be reduced was voted down.

Papers were read by W. E. Stoke, of the Great Bend Democrat, on "Fair Prices;" by George W. Bowers, of the state printing office, on "How to Buy a Paper;" by F. P. MacLennan, of the Topeka Journal, on "Railroad Advertising," and by Charles F. Scott, of the Iola Register, on "County Correspondence."

New officers were elected as follows: President, W. H. Nelson, of the Smith County Pioneer; secretary, H. A. Perkins, of the Olathe Mirror; treasurer, W. L. Brown, of the Kingman Journal; vice presidents by district, Frank Roberts of the Okaloosa Independent, V. J. Lane of the Wyandotte Herald, Mrs. C. E. Harbaugh of the Erie Republican-Record, John McDonald of the Western School Journal, L. J. Sprengle of the Washington Republic, Frank Meiser of the Hoxe Sentinel and Lyman Naugle of the Wellington Voice. Delegates to the national association: E. B. Burnett, A. L. Sponsler, T. W. Morgan, John Q. Royce, W. C. Lansdon, L. F. Randolph, J. A. Reynolds, J. P. Thompson, J. E. Marshall, Ewing Herbert, W. L. Brown, Charles F. Scott, D. Stewart Elliott, W. D. Chambers, H. A. Perkins and E. B. Burnett.

The editors went to Lawrence this morning and spent the day at Haskell institute and the university. Lunch was served at Haskell at 11 o'clock and at the university library at 4 o'clock. One hundred and fifty members were in the party.

KANSAS LEGISLATURE.

Senate Bill for the Relief of Mrs. Lease--House Debate on Employing Clerks.

TOPEKA, Kan., Jan. 23.—Seventeen bills were introduced at the morning session of the senate, the most important being one by Mr. Smith to regulate the practice of medicine within the state and to prevent the sale of drugs and medicines by itinerant vendors. It provides that no person shall practice medicine unless of good moral character and a graduate of a legally chartered medical institution of good reputation. Mr. Forney presented a bill to repay to Mrs. Mary E. Lease \$850 expended by her and salary lost in contesting the appointment of Mr. Freeborn as a member of the board of charities, to retain her place on the board when removed by Gov. Lewelling last summer.

HOUSE PROCEEDINGS.
TOPEKA, Kan., Jan. 23.—In the house to-day the subject of employing enrolling clerks came up for another cross fire of discussion. The attorney-general had advised the house that enrolling and engrossing must, under the law, be done at 25 cents and 12½ cents a folio, instead of \$3 a day, but there was a sentiment in the house in favor of having the work done in the latter way, and Mr. Rohrbach introduced a resolution authorizing the chief enrolling

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clerk to employ a sufficient number of clerks to do the work.

Mr. Benedict fought the resolution as extravagant and said that the eighty persons who were waiting for places ought to be sent home forthwith.

Mr. Benefield, with some heat, challenged the statement of Mr. Benedict, and Mr. Bone followed in the same line of argument.

The debate continued with a great deal of feeling and some offensive allusions, but the friends of the resolution were in the majority, and the roll call resulted: Ayes, 89; noes, 20.

Just before noon Mr. Miller, chairman of the committee on elections, attempted to make a verbal report in the case of Glenn against Wightman, but Newman (pop.) objected. The report when made will unsettle Wightman, and Miller's plan was to vote Wightman out and Glenn in at once, in order that the latter might vote for United States senator to-day.

The house adopted Mr. Butler's resolution providing for a committee of five to investigate S. W. Chase, warden of the penitentiary.

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