It Has Been Completed With Great Labor Some Effects of Former Revisions Upon the Fortunes of Parties and Leaders-The Industrial Situation Reviewed.

Special Washington Letter. It is nine months since the election of President McKinley and with all the machinery of the government working in one direction, it has taken all this time to produce and write upthe statute books the new tariff law. The extraordinary labor involved in a general revision of the tariff is not appreciated by those unfamiliar with the slow process of legislation, for what is regarded by many as slow work, is, in reality, quite rapid and quite remarkable. The present tariff law was really up before Congress met for the short session in December; and during that session the Republican members of the Ways and Means committee were engaged in giving hearings and perfecting the measure. The

special session called by the President



Nelson Dingley, 'Author of the Law.

for the work of revising the tariff, convened on March 15, and immediatety began its work. Under the powerful influence of the Speaker, who occupies an office which has grown to be one of the most important in the goverament, the bill was advanced with all possible speed. On the 7th of May the bill had been passed by the House and its consideration commenced in the Senate. Two months' time was consumed in its consideration by the Senate, and when it finally passed that body there had been over 800 amendments made to the original bill. Tea days more were consumed in conferover the bill, and on the 19th of July, the House adopted the report. Consideration of the report in the Senate consumed four days, and on the 24th the bill became a law. In the final struggle between the two house: the Senate receded from 118 of its amendments compromised 145 and the House receaded from 511. It is ex-plained that a large number of the latter amendments did not affect the real policy of the legislation, but were only corrections of the phaseology of the ill as final ed was very different from the origi-nal measure introduced by Mr. Dingley in the House, it will be known in history as the Dingley bill, just as the McKinley bill of 1890 bore the President's name, and the next revision bore the name of Mr. Wilson.

The history of the previous revisions of the tariff are fresh in the minds of the people, and this increases interest in the suture of the new law. The first effect of the McKinley law was to advance prices of many articles, and especially of tin and tin plates. That law was passed in the summer of 1800 by a Republican Congress. The majority in the House was about twenty. The election which followed in November proved to be a tidal wave of Democratic victory and swept that party into power with a majority in the House so large that it was positively unmanageable. Mr. McKinley was himself defeated, although his defeat was attributed in part, at least, to the fact that the district had been changed and given in really a Democratic ma-

Then came the agitation by the lov tariff men and the election of Mr. Cleveland on that issue in 1892, with Congress Democratic in both branches. The tariff revision followed, but previously came the special session and the repeal of the Sherman silver purchase act. Then began the panic of 1893 protracted by the pariff legislation of 1894, and the overwhelming Republican triumph of that year, which swept the Democrats out of power, even defeating Mr. Wilson, the author of the bill, in a strongly Democratic

The country is anxiously and hope fully looking for the effects of the present legislation. The long con-tinued depression in business, with the resultant effect of enormously curtailing the purchasing power of the people, which in its turn has greatly lessened the demand for all the products of industry, combined with the agitation of the currency problem, and the disturbance by strikes, and the aggressive attitude of the trusts, has left the industrial affairs of the country in such a condition that they instinctively turn with lingering hope to any thing that promises any degree of re-

Whatever politicians may have promised, or whatever hopes stimulated in the thoughts of the people, reflecting men agree that until the party in power had an opportunity to write into the law, and a reasonable opportunity to enforce its policies, there could be no reasonable hope of a decided change in business conditions, unless these came entirely apart from the situation as affected by the tariff. In view of the fact that all business has waited for the settlement of the vexed question before it was willing to promote new ventures, or

even to strengthen and stimulate old ones, it is apparent that the entire business situation hung breathless upon the results of this legislation.

Now that the palicy of the govern-ment has been finally written into the law of the land, and must remain there for at least four years, business men will turn from the attitude of anxiety produced by the uncertainties of the situation, and take up the problems before them with renewed courage and hopefulness. Nearly every condition of the general situation is favorable to prosperity-making. Western crops are abundant, and what is of greater importance to the farmers, the shortage of the wheat crop in other countries insures them at least, a living price. The advance in the price of wheat during the past month has resulted in a net gain of eight or nine cents a bushel. Wheat has actually been purchased in New York for shipment to the Argentine, from which country millions of bushels were last year exported. The evidence is ac-cumulating to show that European consumers will need all our surplus wheat, and in addition there are prospects of a new market in the teeming millions of Asia, which some believe will absorb the entire surplus of the Pacific coast.

Last year, by reason of the advance in the price of wheat over that of 1895 we received 53 millions more for the same volume of exports, that we did the year previous. Government reports indicate a yield of 32 million bushels more this year than last, which at the increased price now prevailing over last year, and which must con-tinue to prevail, will give our farmers nearly one hundred millions more fo this crop than they received in 1895 The producers of gotton will not b so fortunate, but they also have excel lent promise of a good yield and re munerative prices.

Under these conditions, what can stay the hand of abundant and wide spread prosperity? It is true that th importations during the past si-months have been out of all proper tion to the present demands of th country, and the stock of importe manufactured goods will last for som time. But as the purchasing power of the people is augmented, this menas

to prosperity will gradually disappear. There is another fact that makes for prosperity. It is an undeniable fact that the wealth holders of the Nation were never before so thoroughly frightened as they were during the cam-paign of last year. The great captains of industry now realize that even if they reap no immediate returns, they must set the wheels of business moving and keep the people employed, or, as Mr. Depew has predicted, Bryan or a less conservative man will succeed to the Presidency in 1906. Therefore, we must conclude that where are abundant and well-founded reasons for the growing confidence in a revival of business which will be as marked as it will be welcomed and gratifying.

Treasury officials are not at all confident that the courts will uphold them in their decision that the Dingley Tariff law went into effect at midnight of Friday, sixteen hours and six minutes before it became a law. It is the invariable policy of the department to construe all doubtful questions affecting the customs laws in favor of the gevernment, relying on the persons who have to pay the taxes to appeal to the courts and have the decision reversed if it is wrong. This polley has been followed in this case. The law officers of the department found some decisions that seemed to bear out the contention advanced by Senator Allison and Mr. Dingley that the law recognized no fraction of a day, and that a law was in effect during the whole of the day on which it was approved unless some subsequent date was fixed in the act itself, and they determined



Senator Aldrich, Who Had Charge of the Bill in the Senate.

to rule that the new tariff was in effect during the whole of last Saurday, so that the question could be passed upon by the courts and decided once for all.

No notice of any suit under the de-cision has yet reached the department but it is expected that the importers who will be assemed extra duties on goods brought in on Saturday will not fail to secure a decision by the courts on the question involved. No additional errors or inconsistencies have been discovered in the law, but Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Howell and the officials of the Customs Bureau have been busy answering questions from collectors of customs and others as to the proper construction to be put on various sections and paragraphs. Under the new law appraisers and assistant apraisers at the various ports of entry become of much greater importance than heretofore, on account of the provisions of section 32 of the net, which provides for the assessment of additional duties or the confiscation of goods in cases of undervaluation, and forbids the remission of these penalties, except in cases of manifest clerical error.

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According to the Daily Mail the English firms are very indignant that the contracts for the traction plant of the London Central Railway, which is to be an underground electric line, amounting in value to hundreds of thousands of pounds, have been given to Americans. The secretary of the company explains that the contracts for carriages, locomotives and machinery were given to American firms on the advice of the electrical experts, who represent that the greater use of electrical traction in the United States has brought its manufacture to a higher degree of pertection and made it far less expensive than in England.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of a writ of Fl. Fa., issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia county. Pennsylvania, and to me directed, there will be exposed to public sale ot the Court House in Bloomsburg, Pa., on

SATURDAY, AUGUST 21, 1897, at two o'clock p. m., all the following described real estate, situate in Briarcreek township. Columbia county and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit : On the north by William Schuyler's land, on the east by land of C. A. Lamon, on the south by land of Geo. M. Bower and on the west by land of H. J. Edwards and William Hippensteel, con-

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SATURDAY, AUGUST 21, 1897, at two o'clock p. m., all that certain lot or parcel of land situate in the township of Jackson Columbia county and state of Pennsylvania. bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a chestnut thence by lands of Ellas Mendenhall north twenty-three degrees east one hundr d and five perches and four-tenths to a post, thence south seventy-three and onehalf degrees east seventeen and two-tenths perches to a post, thence north twenty-three degrees east thirty-six and one-tenth perches

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