

The Centre Reporter.

VOL. LXVII.

CENTRE HALL, PA., THURSDAY, AUGUST 9, 1894.

NO. 31

THE END SOON

A PROBABLE ADJOURNMENT OF CONGRESS SOON.

The Fate of the Tariff Bill Will be Determined This Week.—Not a Democratic Bill, But Hacked and Amended.

WASHINGTON, August 6.—If a more exasperating condition of affairs, from a Democratic point of view, ever existed in Congress than the present tariff complication it has been forgotten by the present generation. The principal issue in the campaign which gave the Democratic party control of the executive and legislative branches of the government was tariff reform. Since March 4, 1893, we have had a tariff reform President, a tariff reform majority in the House and a majority in the Senate each member of which claims to be a tariff reformer, and each of whom certainly represents a tariff reform constituency. Why then this difficulty in getting a tariff reform bill through Congress? That is a question that ought to be asked of more than one of the alleged tariff reformers of the Senate by their misrepresented constituents, and probably will be when some of them try to get reelected.

At several times during the last week it seemed that the conference committee was about to reach an agreement that would be acceptable to both House and Senate. So promising was the outlook that the proposed caucus of the House Democrats was postponed indefinitely so as to leave the House conferees unhampered. But each time demands were made by the Senators whose votes are necessary to get any agreement through the Senate which prevented an agreement being reached. After spending the greater portion of the week in trying to arrange a sugar schedule that would be accepted by the House and the so-called "conservative" Senators, the conferees at last succeeded, but no sooner was the announcement made than it was met by the threat of the two Democratic Senators from Louisiana to vote against the bill if it were so reported, and in addition they stated that Senators Allen and Kyle, the Populists, who had voted with the Democrats to pass the bill in the Senate, would join them in voting against the bill.

There is a general feeling that this week will settle the business, not so much from anything that is actually in sight as from the belief that it will simply be impossible to longer prolong the strain. Already Democrats are urging the conferees to agree upon some sort of a bill, the best that they can get, and let it go to the Senate and either be accepted or rejected.

So general is the belief in Congress that this week will be the last of the session that a number of prominent Democrats have made their arrangements to leave Washington, as adjournment will speedily follow the disposal of the tariff. All of the appropriation bills, except two, have been disposed of and those two are in conference and will be sent to the President by the middle of the week. But among those who have their doubts about adjournment this week is Secretary Lamont, who remarked, when Senator Blackburn told him that the tariff bill would be put through this week and that Congress would adjourn on Saturday: "I would not want to wager on that." The Secretary is right. After what has happened no prudent man would want to wager on anything that this Congress would or would not do.

"Granny" Blair, who has kept so quiet since he managed to sneak back into public life by getting elected to the House that people have been disposed to forget his foot acts in the Senate and to credit him with at last having come into possession of the share of common sense which naturally belongs to every man of voting age. People were wrong. He is the same old "granny" Blair, and now that he has enlisted under the banner of Ida B. Wells, Quixotic charges may be expected of him at least as often as the moon changes. His resolution providing that the Commissioner of Labor shall investigate and report to Congress the number, date, location and attendant facts and circumstances of all alleged assaults by males upon females during the past ten years, for, or on account of which organized, but unlawful violence has been inflicted or attempted to be inflicted; also, all lynchings during the same period, is on a par with his silliest acts in the Senate.

Speaking of his resolution, instructing the House committee on Ways and Means to report a bill for an income tax that will produce \$100,000,000 annually, and a bill placing all sugar on the free list, Representative Bland said: "If tariff legislation is defeated, and it now looks as though it might be, the tariff reformers will take a new line in the direction of my resolu-

tion. I am determined if we cannot have tariff reform that the trusts at all events, shall pay into the Treasury a fair share of their enormous profits. That would benefit the people indirectly even if they fail to secure the reduction on the necessities of life that they demand. I know that the bills proposed by my resolution would pass the House and I believe that they would get through the Senate."

Representative Bryan, of Nebr., has formally announced his candidacy for the United States Senate. He will make a personal canvass of the State, and expects the support of the Populists as well as the Democrats.

Wise and Generous.

The sending of a letter of thanks accompanied by a check, to each of the employees of the Pennsylvania Company who refused to go on strike during the Chicago troubles, is a recognition that is well deserved by the recipients. Every workman knows that it requires more than an ordinary amount of courage to stand against the opinions of the majority in cases of strikes. The opprobrious epithets that are bestowed upon men who will not join in a revolt against employers are such as sink deeply into the heart of the average man, and he does not feel that any money could repay him for what he suffers.

When the difficulty is over, it is only right that the employers for whom the men made such sacrifices should recognize them in a tangible manner, although it is not often done. Men are blame, as a whole, for joining strikes, but in view of the pressure brought to bear upon them, the wonder is that any of them can be found to withstand it.

There is another side to this action of the Pennsylvania Company that calls for commendation, however, which is that it does a great deal toward promoting a spirit of friendship and community of interest between employers and employees, and that is what is needed. With cordial relations existing between those who occupy those two most important social relations in the civilized world trouble may be reduced, if not avoided. Harmony is a cheaper peace promoter than force.

Forming an Organization.

Some of Clearfield's young ladies talk of forming an organization, pledging themselves never to marry a man who is not intelligent, honest and industrious, good natured, cleanly in person and apparel, healthy, sober, a church member and a total abstainer from liquor, tobacco and profanity.—Ex.

Good; now let the young men form an organization pledging themselves never to marry a lady who does not know how to bake a loaf of good bread; who is ashamed to be seen sweeping and mending and thinks herself above assisting her mama in doing household work; and who continually gads around doing and saying silly things, and, taken all in all, is not fit for a wife.

Miners are Resuming.

The strike in the section of Spangler is broken. Last week the Sterling company resumed work at No. 12 with seventy men, the Cymbria with forty, the Della company with twenty, and the Benton company with twenty men will increase their force to fifty. The Elmora mines also resumed. A full resumption will take place by the end of the week. At Hastings the Mitchell company are at work, and the Sterling company will commence operations at all their works. The rate of mining is 40 cents per gross ton, instead of 30 as stated.

My boy was taken with a disease resembling bloody flux. The first thing I thought of was Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. Two doses of it settled the matter and cured him sound and well. I heartily recommend this remedy to all persons suffering from a like complaint. I will answer any inquiries regarding it when stamp is inclosed. I refer to any county official as to my reliability. Wm. Roach, J. P., Primroy, Campbell Co., Tenn. For sale by Wm. Pealer, Spring Mills and S. M. Swartz, Tusseyville.

A Fascinating Story.

The Chicago Ledger has struck the nail on the head by starting in its issue of August 1st a fascinating love story entitled, "Caught in the Strike." It deals with the late A. R. U. strike, giving names and places familiar to many of our readers. Sample copy, giving first installment of the story, will be mailed free on application to the Chicago Ledger, Chicago, Ill.

—The popular Russet shoe will be in greater favor than ever this year. We have them in all styles, shapes, and shades, at prices to correspond.—Mingle's, Bellefonte.

SUMMER OUTING.

A Tour Among the Lakes and Islands of the North.

The party composing the Pennsylvania Railroad's first tour to the North has just returned home, delighted not only with the general attractiveness of the trip, but the admirable manner in which it was conducted. The second party is now forming, and will go out under like conditions on August 21st, reaching home on return trip September 3d. The party will leave Philadelphia in special Pullman parlor cars over the picturesque route of the Pennsylvania to Watkins Glen, thence to Niagara Falls, the Thousand Islands, the Rapids of the St. Lawrence, Montreal, Au Sable Chasm, Lakes Champlain and George, Saratoga, and lastly a delightful trip down the romantic Hudson.

Ample time is allowed at each point for sight-seeing, and all the traveling is done by daylight. It would be a difficult matter to plan a trip of greater diversity of interest and attraction, and for those whose summer vacation is limited there is no outing comparable to it. The round-trip rate, including all necessary expenses, from New York, Philadelphia, Newark, Trenton, Baltimore, and Washington, is \$90.00. Tickets will also be sold from other stations at proportionate rate. Tourist Agent and Chaperon will conduct the party.

For tickets, descriptive itineraries, and reservation of seats on the train, address Tourist Agent, Pennsylvania Railroad Company, Broad Street Station, Philadelphia.

Bad Outlook for the Corn Crop.

The corn crop is destined to be almost a failure, according to the reports from the New York Times correspondents. In Kansas, where the crop was expected to exceed the great yield of 1889, not over half the average amount will be raised. The drought and scorching winds have done it.

Nebraska will not give more than three-eighths of an average crop. Iowa's yield will be smallest ever known and is not likely to reach 50 per cent. Missouri reports vary, but in the northern section half a crop is all that is expected. Illinois is more hopeful than the states farther west, but admits a shortage. Indiana is the only exception, and promises the largest corn crop in her history.

Watch Your \$10 Bills.

The most dangerous counterfeit of United States money discovered for years is announced from the treasury department. Because it is so difficult of detection from the genuine note the counterfeit is described in minute detail by the secret service in order to put the public upon its guard. The counterfeit is of the \$10 legal tender note, series of 1880, check letter B, face plate number 2250, back plate number 2292, signed by W. S. Rosecrans, register; James W. Hyatt, treasurer, and bearing a portrait of Webster and a large round red seal.

Samuel Jones.

Samuel Jones, one of Tyrone's first settlers, died at his home in that place on Tuesday morning, aged 86 years, 6 months and 8 days. Deceased came with his parents to Spruce Creek valley in 1824 and learned the trade of clay potter. In 1838 he removed to Franklin township, Huntingdon county, where he remained for thirteen years, after which he removed to Birmingham, where he remained six months during the erection of a railroad in Tyrone, where he came in 1851, and has ever since been a resident of that place.

Well Water Impure.

The Milton Board of Health after examinations of several well patronized wells mistrusted the condition of the water from sickness and death in the neighborhood, and samples were sent to Dr. Groff, a member of the State Board. After thorough analysis he replied that the water was full of "health destroying" germs and unfit for use. The handles were accordingly removed from the pumps, and many other wells are being condemned as fast as analysis can be made.

Debs Changes His Tactics.

"I will never again be connected with any strike organization," said President Debs, of the American Railway Union a few days ago. "This strike has developed the fact that the sentiment of the people of the country is against strikes and that the government stands ready to put down such movements at the point of the bayonet. I shall hereafter advise all workmen to seek redress by the ballot."

Tents Shipped.

About a half a car load of Centre Hall picnic tents were shipped to Williamsport for the big picnic about to be opened there.

GAME PLENTY

THE EARLY DAYS WHEN HUNTING WAS EASY.

No Trouble Then to Supply the Table With Food.—A Hunting Incident Near Bellefonte.

Back in the early days, Centre county was rich in all kinds of game. The woods and streams abounded in denizens that supplied the settler with fish and flesh in a few hours time.

Mr. Jacob Thomas, of Bellefonte, knows of the time away back, and relates to us that deer were so plenty near Bellefonte that it was a common thing to shoot one every week near town. Bears were almost as numerous as deer, and just as easy to find. One day, as he relates, he was down the creek a short distance below town, and he spied a bear above him. He followed the bear and it crossed the creek somewhere near where Reynolds's mill is, and he did not feel like wading the water just there to follow him, so he struck for the bridge, and took up town to get his gun. When Mr. Thomas reached Allegheny street, this self-same bear, to his surprise, and to the alarm of a crowd that had gathered, came slowly trotting up the street. No one was prepared for the reception of the visitor, and under the excitement of the crowd none knew what to do. As bruin reached the diamond, a man spied a double bitted axe, and following the bear, he sunk the axe into the animal's head and finished it right there with that one stroke. It was a large, full-grown bear, and Mr. Thomas says bruin seemed just as much scared as the crowd around him. Of course Mr. T. is not telling a lie, although he has cut down over a dozen cherry trees in his time, and is now seventy-seven years of age.

Mr. Thomas says trout were so plenty then that he could catch as many as he could carry in a few hours, and all big ones. For instance, he started where Brockerhoff's mill now is and fished down towards Bellefonte and in two hours he had as many trout on his string as he could carry, and all of large size, having thrown the smaller ones back into their native element. Oh, for one day of such fishing, just once a year, how happy would the disciples of Isaac Walton of today be?

Talking of killing deer, we may add here, that these fleet-footed animals were just as plenty on this side of the county as on the other. Phillip B. Musser—old squire Musser, as he was familiarly called—of Millheim, was a great hunter, as were all his sons and grand-sons—some of them still living. Many of our readers remember the old man yet. He was an early settler. In a record he kept of deer killed by him, he puts the number at 625. Besides this he killed many bears and other wild game. The Mussers were great hunters from four generations down to the present.

In those days away back, these mountains and valleys were alive with deer and other large game, and our streams abounded with the finest trout. But it is thus no more, and what a pity.

Showed Remarkable Nerve.

An accident in which remarkable nerve and presence of mind were displayed occurred on the farm of Mark Supple, near Merion station, Norris-town, Pa. His son Frank, aged sixteen years, was standing upon a box feeding cows. In making a spring to jump from his perch his head struck an iron hook, used for holding the lantern. The sharp point of the hook passed under his right eyelid and came out above the eyebrow, suspending him from the ground. The entire weight of the boy's body was placed on the impaled eye, making his position an extremely painful one. With rare presence of mind he caught a beam above his head and raising his body upwards, gradually worked the hook from his forehead.

Emperor William Starts for Coves.

Emperor William, on board the Imperial yacht Hohenzollern, has started for Coves, Isle of Wight, where he will spend several days attending the yachting regatta. If William don't get any cows on the Isle of Wight, let him come to Centre county, we can drum up a car load or two for him.

Big Picnic.

The Odd Fellows will hold a big picnic near Rebersburg, on Saturday, August 18. Lodges from different parts of the county will be present, to participate in the parade. The Centre Hall lodge has voted to go. A game of ball is billed for the afternoon between the Centre Hall and Rebersburg teams.

Service Sunday.

Rev. James C. Boal, of Port Carbon, will preach in the Presbyterian church at this place, next Sunday morning at 10.30 o'clock.

A CLEVER FRAUD.

How Two Scoundrels Put Up a Job on a Farmer.

A well put up game was played on one of Decatur township's enterprising farmers not many days since by two sharpers whose presence behind the bars before any more victims are made would be a fortunate circumstance indeed, says the Lewistown Free Press.

While going along the public road, Farmer John Wray, who also deals in horses, met a man driving a fine-looking horse, which was stopped alongside of Wray's team, when the two engaged in conversation, which soon drifted into horse talk, Mr. Wray meanwhile eyeing the stranger's animal with very favorable looks. A trade was struck even up, the stranger telling Wray he didn't care which of the two horses he was driving was unhitched for him. The horse Mr. Wray traded was a gray he had purchased in the big valley for \$85. Thus far all had gone smoothly and Mr. Wray parted from the stranger rather tickled with his part of the trade.

A couple of days after Wray had obtained his prize stranger No. 2 appeared, with stranger No. 1, a poster describing the horse now in Wray's possession, and a pair of handcuffs in his charge, representing himself as a detective from Pittsburgh deputized by the sheriff of Allegheny county to arrest the man he had in charge for stealing said horse. He took the animal from Wray, handcuffed the other fellow, and going to Painterville put the horse in charge of Samuel Sigler, saying the owner would call. Before leaving Wray asked about his own horse and the "detective" told him quietly that he would get out of his "prisoner" where the animal was and write him. Wray informed his father, and the two went in pursuit, arriving at Painterville just as the Sunbury and Lewistown train pulled out with the two frauds on board. The Wrays drove to Lewistown and a writ of replevin was issued which gave the horse into possession of Sheriff Bleet. The sheriff of Allegheny county was communicated with, who promptly replied that no such person had been deputized. Mr. Wray, we presume, has neither horse now in his possession.

Storm in Clinton County.

The rain storm on last Friday afternoon was the heaviest that has fallen in portions of that county since the deluge of '89. In Nittany valley the rain fell in torrents and Cedar Run overflowed its banks, flooding the fields and carrying away everything movable. The corn fields and public roads were badly washed and the flood was so great that in places the water was in houses and barns.

In Woodward township the rain was unusually heavy and many of the small streams had greater floods in them than they had in '89. Bridges and fences were swept away by the force of the water, and the roads were badly washed. At Flemington the lightning struck a large tree that stood but a few feet from the Harvey foundry. This is the sixth time lightning has struck in the borough this summer.

FARMERS ENCAMPMENT.

Reduced Rates Via Penna. R. R. for Mount Gretna.

From August 20th to 25th, inclusive, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell, for the above occasion, round trip tickets to Mount Gretna and return at rate of one fare for the round trip, from principal station between East Liberty and Bryn Mawr, on the Northern Central Railway north of and including Lutherville, and on the Philadelphia and Erie Railroad Division. These tickets will be valid for return passage until August 25th, inclusive.

Heavy Loss.

The loss to the tobacco growers in Clinton county, by damage to their crops during the hail storm last week, is almost total in some sections of the county. A careful estimate of the loss in Woodward township alone places the number of acres entirely destroyed at over fifty. Only a small portion of the crop in that township was not destroyed.

Badly Mutilated.

A child of Joel Barnard, living near Zion, was caught by the tumbling shaft of a separator and whirled around, sustaining painful injuries about the face and arms, and other parts of the body painfully lacerated. The child was about four years of age.

—Whether you want a suit made of order or one ready-made, you will find Lewins \$3 to \$5 cheaper than elsewhere. Has new spring styles just opened. Largest assortment in Central Penna from which to select.

THE STRIKE OVER.

About 13,000 Pennsylvania Miners Return to Work.

The 13,000 or more coal miners in Central Pennsylvania, who were still on a strike last week, returned to work on Monday morning if there were places to accommodate them. The strike was declared off last Friday at a conference held at Clearfield by a vote of 137 to 96. The wages for the majority of them will be 40 cents a ton, the exact sum they were receiving before they laid down their tools on April 20.

The 450 miners of the Cresson and Clearfield Coal and Coke Company, at Frugality, Cambria county, will resume work at 35 cents a ton. These men have not worked since the strike began. When they quit work they were getting 40 cents a ton.

A committee of five miners was appointed at the conference to act in conjunction with the national and district officers to arrange the details in connection with the resumption. Some of the national officers were severely criticised for agreeing to district settlements and partial resumption at the Columbus conference.

These 13,000 miners have lost a princely sum in wages since they began their fruitless struggle just 15 weeks ago. When Governor Pattison visited Clearfield to investigate the strike and endeavor to end it, he was told that the average daily wages of the miners was \$1.05. This was at the 40-cent a ton basis. Each striker has therefore lost \$6.30 a week, or in the 15 idle weeks, \$94.50. The 13,000 strikers in this district have lost \$1,228,500. As their wages hereafter will not be larger than they were receiving prior to April 20, they will never regain this lost fortune.

Draws the Line at Poker.

It takes a hustler for the newspaper business in this locality just now, but the *Bugle* is equal to the emergency. We can write a poem, discuss the tariff, umpire a ball game, report a wedding, saw wood, beat a lawyer, describe a fire so that the readers will shed their wraps, make a dollar do the work of ten, shine at a soiree, address a horticultural society, measure calico, abuse the liquor habit, test whisky, subscribe to charity, go without meals, attack the free silver, defend bimetallicism, sneer at snobbery, wear diamonds, invent advertisements, overlook scandal, praise babies, delight pumpkin raisers, minister to the afflicted, heal the disgruntled, fight to a finish, set type, mold opinion, sweep the office, praise the widows, run for office, speak at prayer meeting, and stand in with everybody and everything. If you don't see what you want ask for it.—Tamaroa Bugle.

Kenneth Bazemore had the good fortune to receive a small bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy when three members of his family were sick with dysentery. This one small bottle cured them all and he had some left which he gave to Geo. W. Baker, a prominent merchant of the place, Lewistown, N. C., and it cured him of the same complaint. When troubled with dysentery, diarrhoea, colic or cholera morbus, give this remedy a trial and you will be more than pleased with the result. The praise that naturally follows its introduction and use has made it very popular. 25 and 50 cent bottles for sale by Wm. Pealer, Spring Mills and S. M. Swartz, Tusseyville.

Ghouls Work for Nothing.

An attempt was made last Friday night to rob the grave of President Andrew Jackson at the Hermitage, near Nashville, Tenn. The ghouls dug down several feet at the head of the grave, but seem to have been frightened away before they accomplished their designs. The evidence of their work was discovered Saturday morning.

A Big Snake.

The Sunbury *Daily* says: A snake fully ten feet long was seen above the Brewery on Sunday last by several parties. No wonder fellows who drink beer see snakes, when such critters keep near the brewery.

They Have Them.

We stand corrected. The Middleburg *Post* assures us they do have churches in Snyder county. The trouble seems to be then people do not attend them.

Prospects for a Rise.

Farmers may do well by not fooling away their oats and corn this fall at low prices. The prospects are for a rise.

—All summer goods are going at largely reduced prices at Wolf & Crawford's. Some styles of Prints are lower than ever before.