

HOUSE STRENGTHENS THE LODGE BILL

By a Close Vote It Adopts the Conference Report.

IMMIGRATION MUST BE CHECKED

In the Senate Populist Alliance Tries to Be Funny, and That Is All That Was Done--The Arbitration Treaty Will Probably Be Reported from Committee on Monday with Two Important Changes.

Washington, Jan. 27.—By a vote of 131 to 118, the house today adopted the conference report on the immigration bill, which was modified substantially by a new measure, being different in some respects from either the senate or house bills. Speeches in favor of the report were made by Messrs. Danford, (Rep., Ohio), who presented the conference report; C. W. Stone, (Rep., Pa.); Johnson, (Rep., Ind.); Corliss, (Rep., Mich.); Morse, (Rep., Mass.); Wilson, (Dem., S. C.); Taylor, (Rep., Ohio); and Hepburn, (Rep., Ia.); and in opposition to it by Messrs. G. M. Jones, (Rep., Mass.), chairman of the house committee on immigration; Buck, (Dem., La.); Parker, (Rep., N. J.); Waller, (Rep., Mass.); Cannon, (Rep., Ill.); Grosvenor, (Rep., Ohio); Doolittle, (Rep., Ia.); and Boatman, (Dem., La.).

The principal objection to the bill was the clause requiring immigrants to read and write "in the language of their native or resident country." This it was pointed out, would prevent several classes of people in Europe and in Central America and Mexico from gaining admission to the United States because they do not speak either of the languages to which the clause relates them. It was admitted that the language was intended to prevent the coming of the great body of Russian Jews. At 4.41 the house adjourned until tomorrow.

IN THE SENATE.

The military academy appropriation bill was passed in the senate today after a long and somewhat amusing controversy over the amendment providing for the attendance of the West Point cadets at the inauguration parade. The proposition was made by the text by Mr. Allen, Nebraska, of a dissection on the virtues of the old Jeffersonian Democracy, and the "dry rot" which is destroying the American republic as it destroyed the Roman empire and of an attack on Mr. Gray, Delaware, for inconsistency in attending Democratic caucuses and claiming to be a Democrat, while all intents and purposes, he had been a Republican for the last three or four years.

Mr. Gray contented himself with the remark that Mr. Allen was a melancholy example of the effect of political notions, and that he would probably prefer to have a contingent of Coxey's army attend the inauguration parade; and Mr. Allen admitted that that would be a little more relevant. Finally the amendment was rejected, by yeas 25, and the bill was passed. It appropriates \$475,772, or \$5,000 more than the bill as it passed the house. This \$5,000 is for the purchase of one Maxim semi-automatic five-powder quick-firing gun.

The memorial of Henry A. Dupont, of Delaware, in which he asserts that his claim to a seat in the senate was defeated last session through a miscarriage of justice, was presented by Mr. Chandler, New Hampshire, and was referred to the committee on privileges and elections.

The Nicaraguan canal bill was then taken up. It was given to quiet consideration, in the course of which Mr. Sherman suggested, although he would vote for the bill in any form presented, that it would be better to let it lie over until next session, and intimated that he would favor appropriation of \$250,000 on the lines of the Freeling-Hughes-Zavala treaty. A motion to recommit the bill was made by Mr. Vilas, (Dem., Wis.), and was pending when the senate, at 4.45 adjourned until tomorrow.

THE ARBITRATION TREATY.

The senate committee on foreign relations today considered the general treaty of arbitration between this country and Great Britain without reaching a conclusion. The general drift of the discussion indicated that the instrument must be amended so as to eliminate any possible inclusion of questions concerning the domestic or foreign policy of either of the contracting parties.

It is believed by some members of the committee that a conclusion will be reached at a special meeting on Saturday, and that the treaty will be reported to the senate on Monday.

While it is believed that the treaty may be made satisfactory by one or two amendments, some members of the committee has been known to use the language to be employed in the debate. The ardent friends of the Nicaraguan canal insist that in some way that question be lifted bodily from the treaty and granted against. The fear that Great Britain may be seeking a pretext to interfere not only in our foreign policy, but in domestic affairs as well, leads others to urge an amendment providing that no questions affecting either the domestic or foreign policy of the contracting parties be included within the provisions of the general treaty. This, it is contended, will also carefully guard the Monroe doctrine without referring to it in name.

The designation in the treaty of the King of Norway and Sweden as umpire is causing the committee much concern and in looking up the diplomatic history of this northern country the committee has discovered that a compact exists between Great Britain and France on the one hand and Norway and Sweden on the other, in which two great powers of the south agree to stand by the weaker nation. The designation of King Oscar will, in all probability, be eliminated and an amendment reported requiring the selection of an American umpire for American questions and a European umpire when the matters in dispute relate to affairs in the eastern hemisphere.

STEALS WIFE, KILLS HUSBAND.

George Sullivan, of Trrippville, Wis., Wrougns and Murders a Farmer.

Elroy, Wis., Jan. 27.—A cold-blooded murder is reported from Trrippville, a settlement in the Kickapoo valley nine miles west of here. A farmer named Gorham was shot and killed by George Sullivan.

Sullivan and Gorham lived on adjoining farms. Sullivan had alienated the affections of Gorham's wife, who had left her husband to live with Sullivan. This had caused several quarrels between the men. Today they met near Sullivan's house, and Sullivan drew a revolver and fired twice at Gorham, wounding him once in the neck. Gorham wrested the revolver away from

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The Extreme Cold Fatal to One of a Couple in a Steigh.

Williamsport, Pa., Jan. 27.—For half an hour yesterday Mrs. Rebecca Withey, of Marsh Hill, was compelled to sit in a sleigh along a lonely road and hold in her arms the body of Jacob Metzger, who while riding with her expired from heart disease, superinduced by the intense cold.

Mrs. Withey had engaged to do Mr. Metzger's housework and they were on their way to the latter's home, when he fell over against the woman's shoulder and expired without an articulation.

Mrs. Withey could not drive and hold the corpse in the sleigh, so she sat and held the rigid form in the seat until a farmer came along.

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By Mr. Patterson, of Cambria—To validate the act of the legislature of 1895, which has been defectively acknowledged; also to provide for keeping the public highways from becoming blocked with snow.

By Mr. Polett, of Bradford—Providing for the selection of a site and the erection of a hospital for the epileptic insane. The act also provides for the appropriation to purchase the land and start the building.

By Mr. Baldwin, of Delaware—An act providing for the filling of vacancies in certain offices, when the tribunal trying the case shall declare the election to be valid.

By Mr. Campbell, of Fayette—Providing a tax on the employers of foreign-born male persons not naturalized and over 21 years of age, and prescribing penalties.

By Mr. Corvell, of Lycoming—Fixing the date of the next election in cases where bills are ignored by a grand jury, and in cases of acquittal by the traverse on the charge of felony the defendants shall have the right to tax on the next two years, and the payment of unpaid bills.

By Mr. Farr, of Lackawanna—An act to protect the American flag from degradation, making it a misdemeanor to pin down, remove or damage a flag. The penalty for the offense is to be \$500 or three months' imprisonment.

By Mr. Roberts, of Luzerne—Appropriating \$50,000 to the Wilkes-Barre hospital.

By Mr. Seyfert, of Lancaster—Appropriating \$100,000 to township high schools, also appropriating \$100,000 in aid of city and borough high schools to be applied to the payment of teachers' salaries.

By Mr. Stewart, of Philadelphia—Directing the state treasurer to keep and maintain the interest moneys received from the deposit of state funds in banks with such other moneys as may be designated by law in a separate fund to be known as the public road improvement fund; also an act requiring the payment of 2 per cent interest on bonds issued by cities, boroughs, townships and school districts, except one active bank in the cities of Pittsburg, Philadelphia and Harrisburg, who shall not at any time have more than \$250,000 on deposit.

By Mr. Mackey, of Lackawanna—Abolishing the restriction that the tax levied to pay municipal indebtedness shall be equal to 3 per cent, of the amount of such increased debt, and providing a method of assessment and the levying of a tax to pay principal and interest on bonds.

By Mr. Crothers, of Philadelphia—An act to amend the act of 1883 relating to lunatics and habitual drunkards so as to require to every such person his liberty and property if the issue be determined in his favor.

By Mr. Crothers, of Philadelphia—An act to amend the act of 1883 relating to railroads, and for the enclosure of the front platform of street cars during the winter months; also appropriating \$100,000 to the University of Pennsylvania.

By Mr. Adams—An act repealing the act imposing a license tax upon dealers in their own manufacture.

At 1 o'clock the house adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock.

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of 1896 relating to the increase of municipal indebtedness. This latter act has for its object the correction of an error made by a transferring clerk in the session of 1895. Under the act of 1895 8 per cent of the increased debt of a municipality must be met yearly. Senator Vaughan thinks this unnecessary and an amendment to the act offering by him allows a lower tax, not specified, but which will be sufficient to meet the debt within the time specified, which is usually thirty years.

By Mr. Brown, of Westmoreland—Providing that all candidates in congressional, judicial and legislative districts be nominated at primary elections by ballots.

By Mr. Heller—Appropriating \$200,000 to Lehigh university.

By Mr. Loech—Compelling children to attend the public schools at least 10 consecutive days each year, unless the parent or guardian can furnish satisfactory evidence showing such child or children are prevented from attendance at school, from application to study by mental, physical or other urgent reasons.

By Mr. Grady—An act to authorize and permit all creditors of debtors who have become insolvent, or are about to become so, under execution upon confessed judgment, to claim and remove their goods from the custody of such debtors.

By Mr. Stinson, of Erie—Providing that all estates of every kind passing to adopted children shall not be subject to the collateral inheritance tax.

By Mr. Oberlin—An act granting a trial if demanded to determine the soundness of mind or the reformation of lunatics or habitual drunkards in confinement.

Several notices of adjournment were in executive session and after the adjournment held on Wednesday, February 10, at 3 o'clock p. m., as the day for holding memorial services on the death of John A. Lemon, the former resignation of United States senator-elect Penrose as a member of the senate was read by the Lieutenant Governor, after which the senate adjourned until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

New York, Jan. 27.—Flour—Dull, steady, unchanged. Wheat—Dull, easier; f. o. b. 1895; ungraded red, 70.00; No. 1 north, 82.00; options opened weak and closed steady. Corn—Dull, quiet, unchanged. January, 34.00; March, 35.00; May, 37.00; July, 38.00. Corn—Dull, quiet, unchanged. January, 29.00; March, 29.00; May, 30.00; July, 31.00. Oats—Dull, quiet, unchanged. January, 25.00; March, 25.00; May, 26.00; July, 27.00. Rye—Dull, quiet, unchanged. January, 45.00; March, 45.00; May, 46.00; July, 47.00. Sugar—Dull, quiet, unchanged. January, 11.00; March, 11.00; May, 11.00; July, 11.00. Coffee—Dull, quiet, unchanged. January, 15.00; March, 15.00; May, 15.00; July, 15.00. Tea—Dull, quiet, unchanged. January, 20.00; March, 20.00; May, 20.00; July, 20.00. Cotton—Dull, quiet, unchanged. January, 10.00; March, 10.00; May, 10.00; July, 10.00. Wool—Dull, quiet, unchanged. January, 15.00; March, 15.00; May, 15.00; July, 15.00. Hides—Dull, quiet, unchanged. January, 10.00; March, 10.00; May, 10.00; July, 10.00. Tallow—Dull, quiet, unchanged. January, 10.00; March, 10.00; May, 10.00; July, 10.00. Lard—Dull, quiet, unchanged. January, 10.00; March, 10.00; May, 10.00; July, 10.00. Butter—Dull, quiet, unchanged. January, 10.00; March, 10.00; May, 10.00; July, 10.00. Eggs—Dull, quiet, unchanged. January, 10.00; March, 10.00; May, 10.00; July, 10.00. Chickens—Dull, quiet, unchanged. January, 10.00; March, 10.00; May, 10.00; July, 10.00. Poultry—Dull, quiet, unchanged. January, 10.00; March, 10.00; May, 10.00; July, 10.00. Fish—Dull, quiet, unchanged. January, 10.00; March, 10.00; May, 10.00; July, 10.00. Game—Dull, quiet, unchanged. January, 10.00; March, 10.00; May, 10.00; July, 10.00. Miscellaneous—Dull, quiet, unchanged. January, 10.00; March, 10.00; May, 10.00; July, 10.00.