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(By Telegraph to the NEWS.)

CONGRESS.

Resolutions Calling for Copies of the Reciprocity Treaties.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25. — Senator Hale's resolution calling on the secretary of the treasury for copies of the reciprocity agreements under the last tariff act, was then taken up, and agreed to. Vest moved the following amendment, "And that the secretary of state inform the Senate whether any steps have been taken by our minister to negotiate a reciprocal commercial treaty with Mexico and, if so, how far has been done, and with what success, that the secretary inform the Senate, if the negotiations be carried for the purpose of round had been necessary, what had been the result of the trip."

Foster. Vest addressed the Senate in reply to Senator Hale's speech on the Reciprocity. He argued that the question of the question would become a leading issue in the approaching national canvass. The Democratic party had been misrepresented by Senator Hale in being opposed to the policy of reciprocity. Senator Vest quoted the platform, and declared that the Democratic party was only opposed to reciprocity. The arrangement with Spain did not benefit the American farmer. Not all of Canada could change the inexorable laws of supply and demand which prevented an agricultural people from purchasing agricultural products. The market for southern agricultural products was in Great Britain, not in South America. Why stop with South America and Canada? Why not take Mexico and Cuba? General reciprocity was treason.

Senator Hale said, what the Democratic party wanted and believed in in short pure free trade. Senator Vest had a newspaper paragraph showing the increased importation of articles of luxurious from since the reciprocity arrangement went into effect, and said the fear of Spain had been driven out of the market. "Responsibility," said Senator Hale, "that been made the Republican policy. It would go before the American people in the next campaign, and there was not a manufacturer, farmer or shipper who was not interested in it."

Senator Vest replied that the fundamental doctrine of the Democratic party was free trade and larger intercourse with the civilized world. The increase of the imports of American goods to Spain was due to the fact that the Democratic party was right, and that, when duties were put down, exports increased. The speaker, in inserting the reciprocity section in the McKinley bill, had attempted to get out of the difficulty by stealing a portion of the Democratic doctrine.

The tariff discussion closed without action on the resolution of assistant, but with the contest in which several other resolutions would take place in the discussion.

The Senate election case was taken up, and after an argument by Senator Vance in favor of Clapp, the Senate adjourned.

THE HOUSE.

The House of Representatives was in the throes of political dissolution for hours today, and partisan feeling reached fever heat, when Representative Bryan, Democrat, of Indiana, demanded Quay, Wanamaker and Dailey for their efforts in carrying the motion of Iowa for the proposed constitution of the World's Fair.

The Chicago contest contested election case was under discussion, and the debate soon took a political range. The majority of the committee first in favor of the contestant, Craig (Democrat).

Bowen led the debate in favor of Craig, and soon turned his attention to Quay the Republican politician. He dwelt at length on the "blood and five," the contributions of money from the pockets of the Republican party, "Bismarck being frequently presented with great applause and laughter on the Democratic side. Bowen arraigned Judge Woods for a violation of the oath of his high office in interposing to save prominent Republicans from indictment and despoiling. "Yet," concluded Bowen, "the President of the United States, whose election resulted from this criminal scheme, has not been able to step higher up into the temple of judicial glory, even if he reverence there diminishes its wonder and adds to its majesty, as it is reverence there always increases in honor." (Prolonged applause on the Democratic side.)

Hendrick (Republican), the leading speaker for the minority, said he would not descend to a party discussion. Although the foundation was very shaky, Mr. Dolliver had been skillful in the magic which had been repeated today, but certain persons seemed to think it very necessary to indulge the charge in order to infuse the charge in order to infuse the charge upon Judge Woods, not for the reasons alleged, but because he was instrumental in exposing and sending to the penitentiary the noted ballot-box stuffer of Dubuque, Ia. (Cheers and laughter on the Republican side.) A gentleman who has been most active in pressing the charges against Judge Woods is the United States Senate, who, when at home, privately admitted to me regretted that party necessity compelled him to take the stand he assumed in opposing the confirmation. A few Senator Gorman in the House opposed without action.

Investigation of the Pension Office.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—The special committee appointed to investigate the management of the pension office under Raum began its task today.

Representative Enloe, who, with Representative Cooper (Ind.), is conducting the prosecution, offered in evidence certain parts of the record in the investigation of the late Congress relating to appointments and promotions in the pension office. The President has arranged to leave Washington tomorrow morning for a week's visit to Virginia Beach, Va. He makes the trip solely for rest. The committee summoned Secretary Noble, but as the secretary could not leave his office certain papers he desired to have with him, the committee adjourned until tomorrow.

The Yellowstone Park Company.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Charles Gibson, president of the Yellowstone Park Association, was before the Senate committee on Territories today and made some statements in favor of the bill introduced in the Senate to incorporate the Yellowstone Park Company.

House Belongs to the Nineteenth Age.

New Orleans, the capital of Mexico, imported discoveries of publicity so many have been made which are there to attract the attention of jabberwocks all over the place. As a proof we hold day by death was brought to light of dollar-dollars then hoarded character and of an exceedingly fine shape of development. The same place contained bones and tools of mammoth dimensions and tendency.

Some in the shells lay more than the head scalds, several subjects shown with holes in the middle, a rule from out out of a mammoth tooth, with a line running through the middle. This discovery is the first of the kind in America and is highly important from being a proof that there were human beings in the mammoth period.—Vienna Cor. London Standard.

The Ethics of Story Telling.

It seems to us that a good fiction will most appear as a lie for good; that it must be set over against righteousness so as to make black black indeed and white pure white; that story tellers and have no express moral liability to rule pon honor; his tale will be all the better if told with the pure love of story telling; but we may be quite sure that he is more interested if he chooses an odious story to tell not given it the sanction of personal relaxed. Here, indeed, is where we would draw the line. Even one is used by the artist with clean hands and a pure motive, effect by constituting it with a healthy, solid principles of good.

The chief trouble with current realism is that it does not do this, but chooses to be morbid and sad. Zola's novels place side by side without any frown Christ and Satan, or designations from Christ and Satan, or designations from Satan and Christ. The ethics of fiction claim to the character, the moral nature of the story, now thus in the scientific or even the actual moral purpose of the author. It is the general effect that the work is likely to produce when read by the aggregate of readers, which must be a large element of the fact.—Chautauqua.

A Great Country for Goods.

How prosperous a country was at one time in Ireland may be gathered from the fact that men of the highest dignity and most responsible position universally to use fine and taste shirt. The last Lord Chancellor, Lord Chee, fought the minority section in the McKinley bill, but attempted to get out of the difficulty by stealing a portion of the Democratic doctrine.

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