

It Drags Slowly On.

Our Washington correspondent, writing under date of June 26, says. The tariff debate drags slowly on, and the floor of oratory, like Trenton's beach, seems destined to go on forever. On Friday Senator Aldrich for the committee on finance introduced the corporation tax amendment. Despite lurid predictions of failure to reach an agreement, extravagant and exaggerated reports of "insurmountable obstacles", and emphatic declarations that the entire subject of special taxation will be postponed until winter, the tariff amendment has pursued a perfectly normal course without hitch and without out of staccato, and is now before the Senate as a substitute for the Bailey-Cummings income tax amendment. The original draft was prepared by the Attorney General and Senator Root under the supervision of the President himself. It was then submitted to a conference at the White House which was attended by the Cabinet and the Republican members of the Finance Committee. Certain changes having been suggested, Messrs. Wickersham and Root prepared a second draft embodying them and this was submitted to a second White House conference at which Speaker Cannon and Representatives Payne and Dwight were present in addition to those who had attended the first conference. The amendment met with the unanimous approval of all present, and the leaders of the House as well as those of the Senate predicted its speedy enactment.

Briefly stated, the amendment provides for a tax of two per cent. on the net profits of all corporations and insurance companies, except that mutual savings banks are not taxed. Corporations having a bonded indebtedness are permitted to deduct from the profits on which they will be taxed a sufficient sum to pay the interest on the bonds not in excess of their capital stock. In a word, it provides for an income tax for corporations but not to extend it to the incomes of individuals as would the Bailey-Cummings amendment.

The Wilmington Stars says that A. G. Wilson, a son of the late "Big Tom Wilson" of Murchison, Yancey county, has been visiting in Wilmington. He has for years been in charge of the Murchison timber land or Green Pond land which contains 13,000 acres and is owned by capitalists in Eastern North Carolina, a number of whom live in Wilmington. This forest is a reserve and Mr. Wilson told the Star man that it contained many unusually large trees, one of which he says measures 33 feet and three inches in circumference. Mr. Wilson is fast climbing to the fine record made by his father as a hunter, having already killed 90 bears to date, while his father "Big Tom Wilson, who died two years ago, had killed 114 in the Black Mts. Mr. Wilson lives within five and a quarter miles of Mt. Mitchell, the highest peak east of the Rockies, and many will recall that it was his father who found the body of Prof. Mitchell who lost his life while exploring on the mountain afterwards named for him.

Ep in Michigan recently, a woman suing for a divorce from her wedded husband said that during an altercation in the barn yard her husband picked up a live pig and slung it at her with such force that the squealer was killed. The court granted her prayer for separation from the hog-pitcher and also granted \$800 alimony besides. Fellow men take warning. It appears quite expensive to pitch a pig at ones wife at that price a fellow in moderate circumstances does not want to indulge.

Just as might have been expected Will S. Bickers who has been on trial for some time for the murder of J. S. Hood on a street in Charlotte on the 6th of Feb. has been acquitted the plea of insanity having been sustained. Today he walks the streets of that city as free as any other man. He is with his children and their mother declared by the twelve jurors to be "not guilty" of the crime charged to his account, but another family in that city is, because Will S. Bickers became insane, mad, because of husband and father, whose murders today lie moldering beneath the sod which is ever and anon watered by the tears of heart broken wife and children, while he whose hands are crimson with his life blood goes back to his family and into the "busy haunts of men" and enjoys the sunshine birds and blossoms, and communion with friends. He is free now, but what if he goes insane (?) again? Just as some papers have said, its out of fashion to find a man guilty of murder, even though it is well known he did kill a man unless he did it for the sake of robbery. All such is a burning shame and outrage.

In his charge at Charlotte federal court last week Judge Boyd declared for strict non-partisanship on the bench. He said a judge was neither republican nor democrat, but an impartial arbiter, who should know the law and enforce it without bias or prejudice. While he did not go out of his way to commend the appointment of Judge Connor, democrat, he expressed views that coincide with those of the president in making the appointment. —Dispatch.

A negro man was fined \$5.00 and costs in Charlotte a few days ago on the charge of cruelty to animals, having whipped a blind horse with a leather strap to which was attached a small piece of iron, and not being able to put up the necessary money the negro was locked up. Cruelty to animals is not necessarily beating them, and we know of cases that would bear action in court if anyone would take hold of them.

George P. Pell, of Winston-Salem, a lawyer well remembered by many Wataugans, has issued two volumes of "Pell's Revised of the Public and General Statutes of the State," the first volume containing 1,451 pages while the second contains 1,630 pages. It has been pronounced by able critics the most stupendous task in the way of publication of law books ever attempted in the State.

Six years ago embalmers at Asheville embalmed the body of the bogus Lord Berensford, whose real name was Sidney Lascells, and they still have the body, which is mummified and stands in the case in their establishment. They have kept it as a proof of their skill and have refused an offer of \$2,000 for it from Shows. The body is so stiff that it the head and heels are placed on chairs it will not bend or give an inch.

Rev. C. E. Wehler, of Newton, has resigned as pastor of Grace Reformed church of that place, and has purchased the Mooresville Enterprise, which he will edit. He came to this State from Pennsylvania, and was at one time a newspaper man. He gives up pastoral work on account of a severe throat trouble. We wish for him abundant success in journalism.

Teddy has shot another lion and Kermit has killed a tawny-mantled lion, the largest yet bagged on their expedition. In addition the party has secured three giraffes, two eland, six topi and a large number of antelopes. They will preserve all skins for the Smithsonian Institute at Washington.

DOCTORS... SCOTT'S EMULSION... is the best help, but it can't be continued in summer as well as winter.

What is Your Cause? Don't think because the editor sends you having to read that he ought to know who you are and where you are going or if he knows you great some friends that he knows who they are and where they are from. We aim to get all the news, but you may happen to be the one we don't know. We try to become familiar with names and faces if possible, but during the year past we have been to church and failed to see you there we have been around the public well but some of you weren't there, we have looked on the street, we've even risked our reputation on back streets of dark night, but you weren't all there and we'll be hanged if we know where to find you all. So if you are going or coming or see anybody calling up any queer cases let us know of it. —Saturday News.

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Entry Notice, No. 2491.

State of North Carolina, Watauga County, Office of Entry Taker for said county. P. M. Winkler locates and enters ten acres of land on the head waters of Thumery's Fork of New River, in Boone township. Beginning on a birch tree, on said Winkler's corner, then various courses so as to include all the vacant land for complement. Entered June 12, 1909. H. J. HARDIN, Entry Taker

Entry Notice, No. 2490.

State of North Carolina, Watauga County, Office of Entry Taker for said county. John K. Brown locates and enters ten acres of land on the waters of Middle Fork of New River in Blowing Rock township. Beginning on an eye bush in Mrs. Bertha Cone's lot thence with the said Cone line to the Spann line, then to the public road, and various courses for complement so as to include all the vacant land. Entered May 26, 1909. H. J. HARDIN, Entry Taker

NOTICE.

State of North Carolina, Watauga County, Office of Entry Taker for said county. John K. Brown and Jas. C. Brown locates and enters 25 acres of land in Beech Mountain township on the waters of Buckeye. Beginning on a cherry stump, the beginning corner of the William Hardin entry, known as the New Pace, and runs south with the Hardin line to a stake in the G. W. Dugger entry, thence various courses for complement. Entered May 20, 1909. H. J. Hardin, Entry Taker.

Frank Crawford, another wife beater, came to an untimely end near Selma recently. He had his wife down on the floor mauling her brutally when his 13-year-old son seized an axe and brained him. The boy was put in jail, but should have a Carnegie medal — it his mother is what she should be and even if she isn't the boy answered the native impulse. —Lexington Dispatch.

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March 17th 1909.

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