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DINGLEY'S BILL PASSED.

Put Through the House by a Large Republican Majority After Being Amended.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—The Dingley bill went through the House this afternoon by a prodigious Republican majority, after it had been amended so as to make the rates of the bill effective from April 1. This date was the final outcome of the proposition to make the rates retroactive and of a date not later than April 15. The adoption of the earlier date provoked some merriest and suggestions about the significance of the day for fools, and it was generally known about the House that the Republicans of the Ways and Means Committee were not convinced that the proposition was one that was sound or that the Senate would regard as at all serious or as anything more than a "bluff" to check importations.

The argument has been made, in the committee and out of it, that the Supreme Court has decided that a retroactive date is Constitutional. But there are Republicans who maintain that the Supreme Court decision has not settled the question of constitutionality, and that all that was decided was that the rates of the Wilson bill should become effective as soon as the McKinley rates expired. That is considered to be a very different thing from a decision that retroactive rates can be imposed, or that the Supreme Court has decided that retroactive rates are Constitutional.

Among Senators the amendment fixing April 1 as the date for the application of the proposed duties is laughed at. There does not appear to be the slightest doubt that that date will be wiped out at once, if another date has not been already decided upon by the Republicans of the Finance Committee. Indeed, so thoroughly out of kee with the House Republicans appear to be the Republicans of the Senate that it would surprise no one here to have the Senate Committee turn out such a bill as to excite the suspicion that the Dingley bill was passed to suit one set of persons, while the Senate bill is to satisfy the conservatives who desire only the "moderate" tariff bill that was supposed to have been decided upon after the election had resulted in the election of McKinley by the help of many men who were strong low tariff advocates and supposed that the tariff legislation at this session would be moderate as to give no concern to business men.

The House has applied to the Senate the plan of exposing that body to the attention of the public, until it shall be constrained to act in self-defense. The Senate has long ago ceased to care very much for public opinion, as the course of the body on the arbitration treaty shows. The fact that the House has adjourned until Saturday, and that from now on there will be but one body in session to attract attention, will not change the pulse of the Senate. If the Senate shall go at its work upon the Tariff bill to show how atrocious are some of its rates, it may be that the House will have given it an opportunity that was not intended to be afforded to it to hold up the House to general execration.

"Curfew Must Now Ring To-night" is a poem less aged than the large amount of somewhat dubious fame which it possesses would indicate. Its author, Mrs. Rose Hartwick Thorpe, besides the immortality which these verses gave her, still exist in the commoner way of humanity, and in her home at Pacific Beach, San Diego County, Cal., often tells the story of how the lines beloved of elocutionists came to be published. Mrs. Thorpe began to scribble numbers and Michigan, where her parents, and incidentally she, lived in Litchfield and afterwards in Pent Water. It was in the early sixties, and while still a school-girl, but already an inveterate versifier, that she read in Peterson's Magazine the description of an incident much like the one now so desperately familiar to everybody. A few hours later the poem had been written. The girl showed it to her mother, expecting to be reprimanded, as usual, for wasting time that should have been devoted to lessons, but the vigorous lines woke a sympathetic vibration in the maternal mind, and thereafter her inclination to write was encouraged, not repressed, as before. She had not then thought of publishing any of her numerous effusions, and the poem was put away with its many predecessors. Some months afterward, Miss Thorpe sent another poem to The Detroit Advertiser. It was accepted, and the editor wrote a letter offering to send her this paper if she would contribute to it one short poem a month. The proposition was gladly welcomed, for newspapers were scarce in the little

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village. The verses were sent regularly for some time, but finally an illness interfered with inspiration, and the curfew verses were sent as the best of her earlier productions. It was accompanied by an apology for its length and a request for committal to the waste basket if unavailable. The verses were not thrown away, but instantly published, and they were not long in making their way to the columns of every paper in America. They gave their author a name, but no money, except indirectly, as making a ready market for later efforts. Of these only "Remember the Alamo" is really well known.

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Editor Morrison of Worthington, Ind., "Sun," writes: "I have a valuable prescription in Electric Bitters, and I can cheerfully recommend it for Constipation and Headache, and as a general system it has no equal." Mrs. Anna M. Little, 2625 Cottage Grove Ave., Chicago, was all run down, could not digest food, had a backache which never left her and felt tired and weary, but six bottles of Electric Bitters restored her health and renewed her strength. Prices 50 cents and \$1.00. Get a Bottle at Shuford Drug Co.

NEARLY ALL MILLIONAIRES.

Massachusetts's Wealthy Delegation in the House of Representatives.

The Massachusetts delegation in the House probably contains more millionaires than are sent to Washington by any other two States. It is not very far out of the way to state that every Representative in the last Congress and in the present one will measure up to that financial standard, although there are two or three exceptions. Of the Representatives from the Bay State who retired on March 4 from Congress there was Gen. Draper of Hopedale, whose family practically owns that little bit of a town and pays all the taxes there. He is many times a millionaire. Elijah Morse is probably worth \$2,000,000. He is said to receive an income of \$100,000 annually from his stove polish. Mr. Apsley was very rich, being President of great rubber works, a shoe last manufactory, and at the same time interested in numerous other enterprises.

The present delegation is headed in the financial column by Mr. Sprague, Gen. Draper's successor, whose wife came into a heritage of \$15,000,000. S. W. McCall began life as a poor man, but when his wife came into possession of a large estate he is said to have given up his law practice for the purpose of attending to her large financial interests. However, he is very unostentatious and would not be taken for a rich man from his style of living. Joseph H. Walker of Worcester is a large real estate owner in that city and Chicago and has achieved great success in business enterprises. Mr. Lovering of Taunton really lives in Boston, on Beacon street, and is a very wealthy manufacturer. Mr. W. S. Knox is a bank President, not a position that often falls to a poor man. Mr. John Simkins is one of the richest men in the delegation, having inherited a fortune in Calumet and He-

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cia mining stock. Fitzgerald, the only Democrat from New England, was engaged in the real estate business with his brother and is probably worth under \$30,000. Samuel J. Barrows is a clergyman and editor of the Christian Register. He is understood to have reaped the ordinary reward that follows a pious and frugal life. Representative Moody, Gen. Cogwell's successor, began life as a poor man, but has built up a very lucrative law practice that pays over \$25,000 a year. He yields his time from this practice very reluctantly, and probably will not serve long in Congress on that account. Mr. W. E. Barrett is reported to be worth half a million. He made lots of money out of the capitalization of the Boston Advertiser, and his Boston Record is a very valuable paper. Mr. Gillet is a good lawyer, practicing in the middle part of the State, and is credited with having a fortune of \$100,000. Ashley B. Wright is a thrifty merchant in the town of North Adams, but is said to owe his success in reaching Congress to a rich Democrat, Albert C. Houghton, who had a personal grudge to satisfy and lavished his efforts to secure Mr. Wright's election. Mr. G. W. Weymouth of Fitchburg is another very wealthy man who is interested in numerous enterprises.—Washington Post.

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REPRESENTATIVES GO HOME.]

No Work for the House to Do While the Senate Considers the Tariff.

WASHINGTON, April 1.—There was an exodus of members of the House of Representatives from the city to-day, and it is doubtful if a quorum of that body will be mustered for some time.

The Tariff bill having been decided by the House leaders that no new legislation will be attempted by the House while the bill is pending before the Senate, there is no particular need for the presence of members until the Tariff bill is sent back to the House with the Senate amendments.

In the meantime, the House will meet every third day, and adjourn. The presence of a quorum will not be necessary for this ceremony.

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Trains Snow-Bound.

OMAHA, Neb., March 31.—Because of the heavy snows for the past twenty-four hours, hardly a wheel has been turning on any railroads in western Nebraska and the same condition applies to districts in Colorado, Wyoming and the Black Hills of South Dakota. The Union Pacific experienced the greatest trouble of its main line between Sidney and Laramie.

Westbound express trains were stalled at Hillsdale, Wyoming, until this afternoon, and the fast mail did not succeed in getting away from Sidney until tonight. The eastbound flyer got as far as Red Butte, Neb., yesterday and then was run back to Laramie, where it was sidetracked until to day at noon.

The Rock Island eastbound limited train was tied up at Limer, Colo., Tuesday night and has not reached Omaha yet. The westbound fast train was also stalled at Limon, together with the limited trains from Kansas City and St. Joe.

It is expected that the rotary plows will get through the drifts some time tomorrow.

On the Burlington the conditions were very much the same. The limited which left Denver Tuesday night got as far as McCook, Neb., where it stuck in a drift. The westbound train was stalled at Holdrege, Neb., and the local trains were tied up all along the road. Not a train is running on the Black Hills, Wyoming and Montana division of the road.

The Elkhorn only suffered on its Black Hills lines, all trains being abandoned west of Chadron, Neb. Most of the telephone lines are down.

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Editor and Proprietor Disagree. Mr. J. R. Koester, for some time past editorial writer on the Columbia Register, has had a falling-out with the proprietor, Mr. Charles A. Calvo, Jr., and been discharged. According to Mr. Koester's version, the trouble was caused by Mr. John L. McLaurin's recent protection speech. Editor Koester was inclined to favor Mr. McLaurin's position, while Proprietor Calvo was opposed to it, and would not allow the speech to be published in the Register. Editor Koester says that he had decided to resign his position as soon as possible; but before he had completed some necessary preliminary arrangements, he received a note from Proprietor Calvo saying his services were no longer needed on the Register. Proprietor Calvo has nothing to say in regard to the matter.—Yorkville Enquirer.

Too Much Knife!

The use of the surgeon's knife is becoming so general, resulting fatally in such a large number of cases, as to occasion general alarm.

Mr. William Walpole, of Walshtown, South Dakota, writes: "About three years ago, there came under my left eye a little blotch about the size of a small pea. It grew rapidly, and shooting pains ran in every direction. I became alarmed and consulted a good doctor, who pronounced it cancer, and said that it must be cut out. This I would not consent to, having little faith in the indiscriminate use of the knife. Reading of the many cures made by S. S. S., I determined to give that medicine a trial, and after I had taken it a few days, the cancer became irritated and began to discharge. This after awhile ceased, leaving a small scab, which finally dropped off, and only a healthy little scar remained to mark the place where the destroyer had held full sway.



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