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Washington, Dec. 24.—If experience in legislation counts for anything, the men who will have the most weight when the 61st congress comes to consideration of the new tariff bill will be Senators Aldrich and Burrows and Representative Sereno E. Payne. The latter is chairman of the house committee on ways and means and the two senators named are members of the committee on finance. Mr. Aldrich being its chairman.

A brief study of the personnel of the two houses of congress will disclose that there is a scarcity of statesmen familiar with the important subject of tariff legislation. The fickleness of the voters of the average congressional district results in retiring a member of congress before he has had opportunity to become familiar with the machinery of legislation, much less an expert on so profound a subject as the tariff.

Experience Necessary.

Experience in constructing tariff legislation is just as essential to a thorough accomplishment of that task as legal experience is to the lawyer who hopes to be successful before the courts. Simply this experience is denied the average member of congress by reason of the brevity of his service. It is probable no tariff law ever will be constructed which does not somewhere within its text conceal favoritism that was put there because the men on guard were wanting in legislative experience.

Aldrich's Long Service.

There will be only three men in the next congress who have helped to construct more than two general tariff bills. Senator Aldrich was a member of the committee on finance and the chief aid of the late Senator Morrill of Vermont when the McKinley, Wilson and Dingley tariff laws were passed. These acts were approved as follows: McKinley law, October 1, 1890; Wilson law, August 24, 1894, (becoming effective that day without the president's approval); Dingley law, July 24, 1907. Senator Morrill died shortly after the Dingley law was passed, and since then Mr. Aldrich has been chairman of the senate finance committee. Senator Burrows of Michigan, now a member of the senate finance committee, was a member of the house ways and means committee when McKinley was its chairman and served on the senate finance committee during the construction of the Wilson and Dingley bills. Chairman Payne, of the house ways and means committee, succeeded to that position upon the death of Nelson Dingley. He was a member of the house committee when it prepared the McKinley and Wilson bills, as well, and the bill to be passed next year will bear his name.

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News of Surrounding Towns

NEW PARIS, OHIO.

GREENSFORK, IND.

New Paris, O., Dec. 24.—Rev. Grauer's revival services at Gettysburg, have been quite successful, being marked by a splendid interest and several conversions.

Tuesday, December 29 will mark the high-water mark in "Teachers' Training" enthusiasm in New Paris, when picked teams from White water, Eaton, Campbellstown and New Paris meet in the Christian church of this place for a rapid fire contest in Bible knowledge. The contest will begin at 7:30. Special music will be provided. The public is invited. Admission will be free, but an offering will be taken to defray expenses.

Mr. Paul McNeil left Tuesday for Indianapolis, Ind., where he has been employed for some time.

The restaurant formerly owned by C. O. Sauer on North Washington street, has changed hands and is now owned by Mike O'Donnell.

Mr. B. L. McKee will have his opening Thursday evening at his new place of business on East Cherry street.

Mrs. Dowler and daughter Laddessa, entertained Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Bogan Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Smith and Miss Lizzie Mitchell, Tuesday.

The Methodists will give their Christmas entertainment Thursday evening, Dec. 24.

Miss Kate Marriman is very ill with pleurisy.

Mr. Carl Reinheimer is visiting friends and relatives at Earlinger, Ky.

Boon White, who has been sick for some time is improving slowly.

The schools close Thursday with exercises, and will not resume their duties again until Jan. 4, 1909.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed R. Clark and children will leave this evening for Anderson, where they will spend the holidays with her brother, Edward Kirkpatrick and family.

The Methodists are preparing for an elaborate Christmas entertainment on Thursday evening.

Mr. Young, traveling auditor for the Pennsylvania lines, was here Wednesday, calling on station agent Wilson.

Mrs. John Purviance has returned from a few days' visit with relatives at Fountain City, Ind.

On Tuesday evening ten members of the Teachers' Training class took the examination in their bible study, several of them being successful.

The Tuesday club met on Wednesday evening with Mrs. Ethel Colby. Eleven members were present and Mrs. John Purviance was elected a member in place of Miss Anna Mary White who resigned.

The Presbyterian Sunday school received their holiday treat on last Sunday.

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