

TARIFF REVISION.

In the belief that no legislation can be effected by the present congress to relieve the treasury from the ever increasing surplus, the story has been started that an extra session will be called to devise means for a reduction of the revenues. An official of the treasury department is quoted as authority for the prediction that the president will convene the Fiftieth congress within thirty days from the 4th of March should nothing be done before that date, and that no blame be could attach to the administration should diverse views continue to prevent remedial legislation. This talk is not given much credence for the reason that the president's plan of reducing the revenue can only be carried into effect by a majority of his own party, and that majority is larger in the present house than it will be in the next. In the proportion that the Democratic majority is reduced the administration's theories have a lesser chance of being carried into execution, and as most of the champions of those doctrines in the present congress have been retired to private life the new house will contain fewer men willing to champion and support such propositions as the Morrison bill, which the administration has used every effort to have passed. If the administration cannot succeed with a party majority of over forty, it cannot hope to do anything with but seventeen as a margin, and an extra session is, therefore, unlikely. Whatever is to be done in the way of reducing the revenues, must refrain from all free trade tendencies and guard against the disturbances of the established industries and the present rate of wages for labor. Republican congressmen will aid the Democratic majority in any plan for reducing the revenues, sincerely meant, but they will not offer measures for the majority to pass and claim the credit of. The frequent conferences of the tariff Democrats, as the protection wing of the party is called, may result in the framing of a bill reducing the duty on sugar, tobacco and alcohol used in the arts, but the Morrison bill stands on the calendar ahead of all tariff measures, and there has been evidence enough to make the prediction safe that there will be no reduction of revenues by the present congress.

In Petaluma, Cal., recently, Mr. Balif was on trial for murder. His name was on the sheriff's venire and he was drawn for a juror. He received \$16 for services as a juror in his own case. This is believed to be the first instance of the kind on record.

The editor of an exchange says: "The longer we run a newspaper and write about people and events, the more we realize how utterly impossible it is to scratch every man where he itches the most."

The O. R. & N. Lease.

New York, Jan. 6.—The directors of the Northern Pacific Railroad company at a meeting to-day, voted against the proposed lease of the Oregon Railway & Navigation company property jointly with the Union Pacific Railway company, on a basis of 6 per cent. on the stock. Two of the directors, who have been earnest advocates of a joint lease, were unavoidably absent. It is understood that the vote on the question was five to four. The directors unanimously voted to continue negotiations with the Union Pacific for harmonious traffic relations in Oregon and Washington territory.

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That Terrible North Coast. SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 6.—A dispatch received by the Merchants' Exchange to-day states that the American ship Harvey Mills, which has been long overdue at this port from Seattle, was wrecked sixty miles off Cape Fattery and that the survivors who were picked up by the bark Majestic, bound for San Diego, were landed at San Pedro this morning. The first officer left immediately for this city on the steamer Orizaba. A press dispatch from San Pedro announces the arrival there of the survivors of the crew. From them it is learned that the vessel left Seattle, under Capt. Crawford, with a cargo of coal for San Francisco December 12. Two days later a gale was encountered sixty miles southwest of Cape Fattery, in which the vessel foundered. The only survivors known are first officer Cushman, Alexander Vojens and Jacob Brown, seamen. It is not stated how many were aboard at the time of the disaster. The survivors were picked up in an open boat by the bark Majestic, bound for San Diego, and landed at San Pedro, near Los Angeles. The Harvey Mills was about 2,000 tons burden, owned jointly by Capt. Crawford, Capt. Warren and by a number of eastern people. She was valued at \$64,000, on which was a small insurance. The cargo valued at \$12,000, was consigned to J. E. Chapman & Co., of this city, and fully insured.

The entire crew and officers, it is learned, consisted of twenty-four men. The captain and three men attempted to leave the ship in a boat, which, however, capsized as soon as it left the ship's side, and it is believed all were drowned. Four others took a raft, but have not since been heard from. Mate Cushman and three of the crew also left the ship on a raft, but before they were picked up one of them went crazy and jumped overboard. The remaining twelve stuck to the ship, and as the survivors saw her go down, all on board must have perished. The rescued men left to-day for this city.

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