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## CHINA THE MAIN TOPIC

The Situation in the Far East Considered by the Cabinet Yesterday.

Administration Not Disposed to Join in Making Demands Which Cannot be Met.

NO WITHDRAWAL TILL OUR INTERESTS ARE CONSERVED.

FOREIGN MINISTERS BELIEVED NOW TO BE ENGAGED WITH QUESTIONS OF INDEMNITIES AND GUARANTEES—PROPOSED REFERENCE TO HAGUE COMMISSIONERS.

Washington, Nov. 20.—The Chinese situation was the main topic under consideration at today's cabinet meeting. The administration is not disposed to join with the other governments in making demands upon the Chinese imperial authorities with which the Chinese government cannot comply. So far as our government is advised the foreign ministers at Peking have not yet agreed upon all points under discussion. Mr. Clegg has not yet indicated that the end is at hand or that anything in the nature of an agreement has been reached upon which the various powers might act and which is to serve as a basis of negotiations with the Chinese authorities. Mr. Clegg has not, however, been heard from since the cabinet meeting and some of these ministers. This apparent difference in original purpose between the United States government and some of the other powers has operated to prevent a settlement of the Chinese question upon the broad lines laid down in the state department's proposition. It is true all the powers have given a more or less reluctant assent to such proposals a look to the prevention of the partition of China and the guarantee of an open door to all comers, yet it begins to appear from the course of negotiations that either these promises were not given in all cases, or that some of the makers honestly have changed their minds as to what shall be done for the present in China. It may be stated, however, regardless of the embarrassment and delays that follow from the existence of this state of affairs, that the United States government does not propose to be driven out of the concert relative to China at this juncture in the negotiations; for, notwithstanding the wish cherished by the administration to free the government from these entanglements at the earliest possible moment and to withdraw entirely our military forces from China, it has definitely been determined that this shall not be done until our interests in China have been conserved.

Continuing, M. Delcasse traced the submission of the French note as the basis of the negotiations and said it was necessary to obtain a guarantee for the future against similar deeds or attempts. The foreign minister then said: "Everyone desires to end the situation. No one will think of diminishing the strength of our forces in China until the conflict is ended. The chamber may rest assured that the government will neglect nothing to conclude it quickly. But it needs the confidence of the chamber."

### ARRANGING A SALE OF SEABOARD AIR LINE.

Report that Ryan Has Been Induced to Let Go.

Baltimore, Nov. 20.—Well defined rumors were in circulation in the financial district today that Thomas F. Ryan, of New York, who has been antagonizing the new Seaboard Air Line Railway company, has been called off and that negotiations are now in progress looking to a sale by Ryan of all of his interests in both the Seaboard and Roanoke and Raleigh and Gaston to John Skelton Williams and J. William Middendorf and their associates. According to the story the Pennsylvania joined with the Baltimore and Ohio and influential banking interests in Wall street are connected with them in an intimation to the Southern Railway company to induce Ryan to make terms with the Seaboard and end the costly litigation. The Southern railway accordingly acted on the suggestion with the result that Ryan met Williams and Middendorf in New York last week and the above agreement was reached.

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## M'KINLEY RECOMMENDS REDUCTION OF \$20,000,000 IN WAR TAXES

Washington, Nov. 20.—The president told members of the cabinet at the regular meeting today that he would recommend to congress in his annual message such changes in the war revenue law as will bring about a reduction of about \$20,000,000 annually. He had come to this conclusion, he said, after due consideration of the matter, based on conferences with the secretary of the treasury and with some leading members of the senate finance committee and house ways and means committee. The president will confine himself to rather general recommendations, leaving the details of the proposed changes to the senate and house committees. Senator Aldrich, chairman of the senate finance committee, has expressed

the opinion that nearly all the war revenue taxes may be taken off and that in the interest of the business world there should be no tampering with the law for the near future years. The president and Secretary Gage take the view, however, that the expenses of the government do not warrant a reduction of more than \$20,000,000 at present.

## TORNADO SWEEPS ACROSS TENNESSEE, NORTHERN MISSISSIPPI AND TEXAS

Fifty Known to Have Been Killed, but Communication Cut Off From Most of the Territory Swept by the Storm—Widespread Destruction.

Memphis, Nov. 20.—A storm which swept over West Tennessee and North Mississippi this afternoon caused considerable loss of life. It has been learned so far that about fifty were killed. The loss there will reach \$100,000. A well known planter, John Guy, is reported killed at Guy's Switch, Miss. At Townsville, Miss., a family of three were killed and there are reports of

several negroes killed on a plantation near Love's, Miss. Communication has been cut off with most of the territory in the storm's path. A man who reached here late tonight reports that near Love's and Coldwater, Miss., twelve people are killed. Nashville, Tenn., Nov. 20.—A tornado passed through middle Tennessee early this evening, playing havoc in the vicinity of Franklin and West Harpeth, twenty-five miles from here. Pas-

senger trains on the Louisville and Nashville were blocked by piles of debris. It is impossible to learn the extent of the damage through the country. Dallas, Nov. 20.—Bulletins from southwestern Arkansas and the extreme eastern part of Texas report that the storm has done much damage to property and that large areas have been flooded. It is feared that several lives have been lost.

### FRENCH VIEWS OF CHINESE SITUATION

Discussion of the Question in the Chamber of Deputies Yesterday.

M. DELCASSE SAYS ACCUSATIONS OF CRUELTY AGAINST FRENCH AND INTERNATIONAL TROOPS ARE UNFOUNDED.

Paris, Nov. 20.—The debate on the budget for the ministry of foreign affairs was continued in the chamber of deputies today. M. Denys Cochin, conservative, during the course of a speech, pronounced himself in favor of upholding the honor of France and the French troops in China. M. Lucien Millevoye, republican, said he considered it necessary to maintain a large expeditionary force in China. The minister of foreign affairs, M. Delcasse, explaining at length the origin of the force necessary to relieve the foreign legations at Peking. In so doing he referred to the heroism displayed in the defense of the legations and declared the accusations of cruelty against the French and international troops were unfounded. He added: "The powers have met in an attempt to reconcile their interests and claims, all of them wishing to respect the integrity and even the independence of China. Special claims must be shunned. It is necessary to inspire ideas for the general benefit."

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### NORTH ATLANTIC SQUADRON

Winter Cruise to Include Pensacola, Galveston and Cuban Waters. Pensacola, Fla., Nov. 20.—The official schedule of the winter cruise of the North Atlantic squadron, of which Rear Admiral Farquhar is commander-in-chief, is that the fleet will arrive at Pensacola, December 30, and remain here three weeks, manœuvring in the harbor and taking on coal, supplies, etc. The fleet will sail from here January 21 for the gulf of Florida and after that cruise will go to Galveston, arriving there February 11, sailing thence for Pensacola February 18, remaining here until March 6. The fleet will then sail in Cuban waters until April 25. In the fleet will be the two new battleships Kearsarge and Alabama, also the battleship Massachusetts, two auxiliary cruisers, one training ship and seven torpedo boats. The Kearsarge is the flagship of the fleet.

\$20,000 SHORTAGE ALLEGED. Montpelier, Vt., Nov. 20.—A report is current here that G. L. Chosson, cashier of the First National Bank of Springfield, Vt., is \$20,000 short in his accounts.

Glaser has a beautiful line of underwear, and the prices are right. Young ladies should set good examples if they want young men to follow them.

### BLSHOP POTTER MAKING HEADWAY

Charges are to be Preferred Against Inspector Cross and Capt. Herlihy.

—EDWARD M. SHEPARD AND WM. K. OLCOTT TO REPRESENT THE POLICE BOARD IN SUSTAINING THE CHARGES.

New York, Nov. 20.—The board of police commissioners has ordered charges preferred against Inspector Adam A. Cross and Captain John B. Herlihy and practically turned them over to the mercy of their accusers. That the two officers are to be proceeded against in no lenient matter is demonstrated by the fact that Bishop Potter has been requested to name counsel to assist in the prosecution and the further fact that Edward M. Shepard and Wm. K. Olcott are to represent the police board in sustaining the charges.

Inspector Cross will be compelled to meet the charges that he permitted precincts within his inspection district to reek with vice and the further charge of conduct unbecoming an officer. Captain Herlihy is accused of con-

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### DISCUSSING WAR REVENUE TAXES

Republican Members of Ways and Means Committee Consider Proposed Reduction.

NO AGREEMENT AS TO ANY OF THE DETAILS—QUESTION OF TARIFF ON IMPORTS NOT TO BE TAKEN UP.

Washington, Nov. 20.—The republican members of the ways and means committee met today to consider a measure for the reduction of the war revenue tax. The most important action taken was a decision not to remove the tax of 10 cents a pound on tea. The committee will not take up or disturb the tariff on imports, as the members claim it would open up the whole subject of tariff revision. The committee will not grant any hearings while framing the bill, as full hearings were given during the last session of congress and since then briefs and statements of various interests have been received. Parties who are interested, however, can file briefs or statements with the committee.

No decision was reached as to the amount of reduction that is to be made. Secretary Gage and Commissioner of Internal Revenue Wilson will be heard on the subject. The secretary appeared before the committee today.

The session of the committee was devoted mainly to a general discussion and no agreement has been reached upon any of the schedules.

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## CIGARETTE LAW VALID

Important Decision by United States Supreme Court in Tennessee Case.

Court was Divided in Rendering Judgment, Standing Five to Four.

CIGARETTE PACKAGES NOT ORIGINAL PACKAGES.

QUESTION ON WHICH THE LAW WAS ATTACKED WAS INFRINGEMENT OF RIGHT OF CONGRESS TO REGULATE INTERSTATE COMMERCE.

Washington, Nov. 20.—The United States supreme court today rendered an opinion in the case of Wm. B. Austin vs. the state of Tennessee, involving the validity of the state law regulating the sale of cigarettes. The law was attacked as an infringement of the right of congress to regulate interstate commerce.

The Tennessee supreme court upheld the law and today's decision sustained that verdict, though not without disapproval of some of the positions taken and then upon a very narrow margin, four out of nine members joining in a dissenting opinion, and another member of the court, (Justice White), placing his dissent upon grounds different from those announced by Justice Brown, who handed down the opinion.

The case grew out of the importation of cigarettes into Tennessee from North Carolina. They were taken into the state in ordinary sized cigarette packages, about two by four inches, and these packages were loosely thrown into baskets which were unwrapped. The claim was made that these cigarette packages were what is known to the law as original packages; but without clearly defining an original package the court held that it was clear that such packages could not be so considered. Justice Brown in passing upon it said that the packages were obviously made up with the view of evading the law, and as he spoke he held up one of the little cigarette cases up to the view of his auditors. On this point the decision of the state court to the effect that the packages were not original was fully confirmed.

On another phase of the case the state court was not so fully endorsed. The Tennessee court had held that cigarettes are not an article of commerce. With this view, Justice Brown took issue. He held that cigarettes as such a subject of state legislation as is liquor, and he further held that while no state law could prohibit importation in original packages it was entirely competent for a state legislature to regulate the sale because of general belief in the deleterious effect of the article. There was a dissenting opinion by Justice Shiras, in which the chief justice and Justices Brewer and Peckham joined. They based their dissent upon the theory that congress had exclusive control of interstate commerce.

### SERIOUS CRIME CHARGED AGAINST A PREACHER

Wilkesbarre, Pa., Nov. 20.—Rev. D. Stuart, captured in Philadelphia last night on a warrant charging him with the murder of his wife and abortion, was given a hearing this afternoon before Squire Hess at Wyoming. The charge against his was for abortion only. Constable Kulp, who has worked up the case, preferred to hold the murder warrant over his head. Stuart was allowed to waive hearing and was released on \$1,500 bail for hearing tomorrow night. Stuart was a pitiable sight when he reached this city this afternoon. He refused to answer questions as to whether he had a wife and children living in Canada. It has been learned that the carbolic acid which Stuart says his wife took by mistake was bought by him two hours before.

### CASHIER BROWN IN CANADA.

Cincinnati, Nov. 20.—According to a despatch from Fort Wayne, Ind., Frank M. Brown, late assistant cashier of the German national bank of Newport, Ky., whose defalcation of \$200,000 caused his flight on Tuesday of last week, is now in Canada. He was seen and recognized in Fort Wayne yesterday by Fred J. Stone, an intimate acquaintance, and the latter last night stated that at 9:30 o'clock Brown was in the Dominion of Canada. He had been in St. Louis. He was reported on his way to South America, but he changed his direction and came through Illinois and Indiana and thence to Canada.

Washington, Nov. 20.—A preliminary report received at the treasury department from the national bank examiner, Tucker, who has been appointed temporary receiver of the German national bank of Newport, Ky., places the amount of Brown's defalcation at \$191,500. In the opinion of the examiner the bulk of the defalcation occurred within the last six months.

OFFICE AT GREENSBORO.

John W. Stamey, Esq., of Waynesville, candidate in the last election for the state senate from this district; has established a law office at Greensboro.