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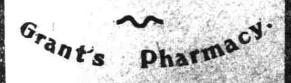
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Regarding the Imposition of a Tariff Duty on Russian Petroleum.

Secretary Hay will Make Representation to Czar's Government.

QUESTION DISCUSSED AT CABINET MEETING

HOW THE DUTY COME TO BE IM-

POSED-SAME TARIFF AS THAT EXACTED BY THE COUNTRY PRODUCING THE DUTTABLTE AR TICLE.

in a discussion of the action of the treasury department imposing a coun- missing except three had been recovertail the action which the department had taken and the cabinet unanimously named Fentimen which occupied apartapproved of what he had done. He ments in the building. They were seatto clear up the misunderstandings eating. which exist and later did so at the treasury department.

As a result of the consideration of the entire matter by the cabinet Secretary Hay will soon make representations to the Russian government fully explaining the attitude of this country and pointing out that Russia has acted hastily and under a misapprehension of the facts in her position of retaliation. The statement of the secretary of the

treasury is substantially as follows: "Secretary Gage called attention to the tariff act of July 24, 1897, known as the Dingley act, which among other things, provides that if there be im- of Calcutta, India; Robert E. Speer of ported into the United States crude petroleum or the products of crude petroleum produced by any country which man of Germantown, Pa. Special misimposes a duty on petroleum or its sionary conferences will be held under products, exported from the United the direction of T. W. Anderson to en-States there shall in such cases be list students in the student volunteer levied, paid and collected a duty upon movement. He will be assisted by Edsaid petroleum or its products so im- mund J. Lee, secretary of the church ported equal to the duty imposed by student missionary association. such country.

circular issued to the officers of the is expected that the conference will be ment of the convention is against issucustoms, dated April 21, 1898, and to moving along with full attendance of ing the proposed address to congress which was appended a schedule of 109 delegates today. countries imposing a duty on petroleum and its products. These countries included France, Germany, Aus- the Y. W. C. A. is being held here tria-Hungary, Russia, Spain and prac- commencing with that of the Y. W. tically all of the leading countries of the C. A. at the Normal and Collegiate insti possible under existing conditions. world. This circular was issued for the tute. Among the speakers and guests purpose of carrying into effect the pe_ will be Mrs. L. Wilbur Messer of Chiroleum provision of the Dingley tariff, cago, chairman of the American comlaw. On June 18, 1900, an invoice of mittee; Miss Annie M. Reynolds of refined petroleum was received at Ro- London, general secretary of the world chester, N. Y., manufactured from committee of the Y. M. C. A.; Dr. crude petroleum products in Russia. The Eleanor Everhard of Columbia, S. C.: collector of customs in Rochester held Rev. R. G. Pearson of this city. that the refined article was subject to duty as a production of Russia and as- deepen the spiritual life of young wo- played yesterday by the National sessed duty accordingly. An appeal was men, to train them for Christian leadtaken from the action of the collector ership, to enlarge and strengthen inter to the board of general appraisers at collegiate fellowship and to bring be-New York. This board on January 28, fore those present the responsibility of 1901, sustained the collector, holding the church for carrying the gospel to all that petroleum produced in Russia and nations. imported into England and there refined and thence sent to this country Bible class and sectional conferences was dutiable at a rate equal to that The afternoons will be devoted to reimposed by Russia on petroleum im_ creation. A general meeting will be ported into that country from the United held at 8 o'clock each evening.

"No protest or objection, so far as the department knows, was received THE ELECTION CONTEST from any country against the decision, and the matter was not again brought to the attention of the government until March, 1901. On that date the department held that invoices of products of crude petroleum must be accompanied by a United States certificate showing the country where the petroleum was produced. In the absence of this certificate the liquidation was to be suspended, and pending further information the rate of duties must be estimated at SIX LIVES LOST BY the highest rate levied by any country on such petroleum. Further than this the idepartment has never taken any action whatever on the subject of pe-

SUICIDE AT RUTHERFORDTON

Col. John W. Crowder Hangs Him- the explosion occured. self to an Apple Tree.

telephone message from No. 8 township ATTRACTIVE COLORS JUST REin Cleveland county to the Star says CEIVED AT J. H. LAW'S, 35 PATTON Col. John W. Crowder committed suicide yesterday by hanging himself to an apple tree near his residence.

Col. Crowder's mind had been affected for many years, and he was sent to the Morganton hospital several times but without any good results. For many



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months he had said over and over again that he intended to hang himself, but no one paid any attention to his sup-posed idle talk. On Wednesday morning he disappeared from the house for a short time, and his wife stepping out to hunt him and walking down below the barnyard she found him hanging lifeless from a limb of an apple tree, with a rope around his neck. His neck was not broken and his feet were only a short distance from the ground. He had been hanging about a half hour, as near as could be ascertained, and was dead long before he was discovered. Mrs. Crowder gave the alarm and the

neighbors came and took the body down. Col. Crowder was 55 years old and had four sons and three daughters, all of whom survive him. All the children are married except three sons. He was well known and highly esteemed bethe for he lost his mind, and since that time has often been a familiar figure at religions gatherings. He was a member of the Methodist church and had always been a consistent Christian. Col. Cowder's wife, who was bitten by snake recently, was just able to attend the funeral. C. D. WILKIE.

EXPLOSION OF FIREWORKS KILLS MANY PEOPLE

Paterson, N. J., June 21 .- By the explosion of fireworks in Rittenburg's fireworks store here today it is believed at least thirteen lives are lost. Over a score were injured. Several bodies have been recovered out of the ruins Washington, June 21 .- Most of the but a number are missing and it is betime of the cabinet today was spent lieved are in the debris of the building. Late tonight all the bodies of the vailing duty on certain Russian pro- ed from the ruins. Among those recovwas authorized to give out a statement ed around a table where there had been

Y. M. C. A CONFERENCE

The eighth annual southern students' held at the Bingham School. Beginning with last night the conference will continue until the 30th. Meetings open to the public will be held twice a day at 10:30 in the morning and 7:30 in the evening. The afternoons will be devoted to recreation, studies, athletics, etc.

Among those who will be heard from the platform are O. J. Campbell White, New York; Rev. H. C. Buckholz, Chester, S. C.; and Rev. Charles R. Erd.

A number of the delegates arrived "This provision was embodied in a yesterday afternoon and last night and tilling the constitutional oath. The senti-

The seventh southern conference

The purpose of this conference is to

The program will include morning

Washington, June 21.-The testimony in the contested election cases of Fowler vs. Thomas of North Carolina, was opened in the office of the clerk of the house today. The testimony was sent to the public printer.

EXPLOSION OF DYNAMITE

Seattle, June 21 .- An explosion of dynamite on the Washington and Oregon railroad this morning caused the death of two men and the fatal wounding of four men. The men were inspecting the charge which failed to go off when

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Thousands of Unfortunate Campers Await Opening of Reservation.

Some Have Been a Year and a Half on the Border of the Comanche Lands.

AMONG THEM ARE

MANY DESPERADOES

ONLY A SMALL PER CENT. HAVE EVEN TENTS TO SLEEP IN AND THE MONEY THEY BROUGHT IS EXHAUSTED.

camping on the border of the Kiowa-Apache-Comanche reservations in Oklahoma, awaiting the opening of that land to settlement, are in destitute circumstances, according to Dr. J. J. McKenna, who has just returned from

"Twenty thousand men, women and half of them are utterly destitute,' said Dr. McKenna. "Only a small per cent. have even tents to sleep in, but huddle under wagons and trees. least 5000 of them have been there a conference of the Y. M. C. A is being year and a half. They went with possibly \$200 or \$300, and have made nothing jured. Several houses are demolished. since they arrived, simply waitingwaiting. There are hundreds of desperadoes on the border who have picked out claims and will not scruple to kill the successful ones in the drawing, in case they have a lottery.'

VIRGINIA'S CONVENTION AND THE CONSTITUTION

Still Debating the Oath-Sentiment Against Repeal of XV. Amendment.

Richmond, June 21 .- The constitutional convention is again today debatand to the people calling for the repeal of the fifteenth amendment. The majority will be satisfied only with the disfranchisement of the negro as far as

A number of resolutions were referred to various committees. One of these provided that only whites are entitled to vote or are eligible to office.

YESTERDAY'S LEAGUE GAMES. Following are the scores of games

At New York-New York... 8 Pittsburg.. 2 Batteries-Taylor, Bowman, Wiltz,

At Brooklyn-Brooklyn.....21 Cincinnati.. 3 Batteries-Kennedy, McGuire, Harper. Peitz.

At Boston-Boston..... 5 Chicago... ... 3 7 Batteries-Lawson, Kittridge, Hughes

Philadelphia-St. Louis first game postponed. Second game :

At Philadelphia—Philadel1...4 12 St. Louis.. 7 Batteries-Orth, McFarland, Harper

NEW POSTAL APPOINTEE

Prof. Gettys a North Carolinian-Rutherfordton Items.

C. C. Gettys, who will be appointed in spector of mail routes when the rural ree mail delivery is established is a Rutherford county man. He resides at Duncan. He was superintendent of

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public instruction of this county for two years, and as a republican, he is very popular in the ranks. There will be several counties in Mr. Getty's ter-

Miss Annie Belle Erwinis able to be at her post again after two weeks ill-

Rev. J. B. Carpenter's new residence on Depot street has been completed. Mrs. Nanny Goode died at her home at Forest City last Friday. She was 50 years of age and a constant member of the Baptist church.

Mrs. Frank A. Burgin and son of Charlotte, are here visiting Mrs. M. E. Burgin. Mrs. J. C. Craton of Bessimer City

and children are in the city visiting Mrs. John C. Mills. Mr. and Mrs. K. J. Carpenter of Spartanburg, S. C., are here to spend

the summer.

A JAPANESE DIPLOMAT KILLED BY AN ASSASSIN

Was Formerly Misister of J pan to This Country.

London, June 21.-A Tokio despatch says Hosepi Toru, formerly Japanese minister to Washington, while sitting at a meeting of the Tokio city council was approached by a man holding a high public and social position and stab-Kansas City, June 21 .- Thousands of bed twice with a sword. He died alpeople men, women and children, most instantly. The assassin declared he struck the blow in the interest of the country.

NEBRASKA CYCLONE KILLS FAMILY OF SEVEN

crossed down Keya Paha river Thursday night. Details of its devastative work are meagre. The Greening family of seven were killed outright and two of another family killed and three in-

IF NO YELLOW FEVER

WHY A QUARANTINE? mine. Havana, June 21.—The chief surgeon WANAMAKER RENEWS

of the marine hospital service cables Washington today saying that owing to the entire absence of yellow fever there it would be advisable to remove the quarantine against passengers going to the United States via northern ports. Governor General Wood is suffering from a slight attack of fever. ...

THE NAVAL BOARD.

Preparing Plans to Meet the Contingencies of Possible War.

Washington, June 20.-Admira Dewey called at the White House to-Lay to pay his respects and inquire after Mrs. McKinley's health. The Admiral leaves on Monday for Newport, R. I., to attend a meeting of the general naval board, of which he is president. The Admiral says the work of the board in preparing plans to meet the contingencies of possible war are very interesting. "Our work," said he, is somewhat analagous to that performed by the general staffs of the German and French armies. It is preparation for war. After the declaraion of war between Prussia and France one of Von Moltke's visitors was greatly surprised to find him reading a French novel and asked him Why he was not preparing his plan of sampaign. 'It is already prepared,' replied Von Moltke. 'It is in that cabilet yonder.' I think we should have a general staff in our army," said the Admiral. "I should regret to see the United States involved in another war, but if one should come, I hope the work the naval board is doing may be of service in finding us prepared for

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Successful Attack on the Guards at Matewan Last Night.

Gainea a Point Overlooking the Barricade and Furious Fight Ensued.

SUPERINTENDENT

AMONG THE WOUNDED

MORE THAN A THOUSAND SHOTS STRIKERS AND THE GUARDS-STRIKERS NOW IN POSSESSION OF THE MINE.

Williamson, W. Va., June 21.-A Matewan mines arrived here from Matewan tonight and reported to Sheriff Hatfield that a battle had occurred between the guards and the strikers. Superintendent Lambert of the mine was shot in the leg and a guard mor_ Naper, Nebraska, June 21 .- A cyclone tally wounded. More that a thousand shots were fired.

The strikers merched close to the mine this evning. The guard fired on The strikers succeded in gaining points overloking the barricade to the entrance

of the mine. Their fire was furious. The guards were routed. The strikers succeeded in forcing the

barricade and are in possession of the

OFFER FOR FRANCHISE Also Says He Will Sell Them Back to

City at Sam - Price in Ten Years. Philadelphia, June 21.-Wanamaker, n a letter to Robert Foerderer tonight renews his offer of two and a half million dollars for the rapid transit franchises and says he will add half a million as a bonus to Foerderer and his associates for the conveyance of the grants and corporate privileges Foerderer and his associates now possess. He also agrees to guarantee three cent fares certain hours of the day and re_ turn franchises and property to the city within ten years provided he is reimbursed the money expended. He repudiates in toto Foerderer's assumption that he is "bluffing." The letter was delivered to Foerderer but he has not replied.

AT THE CASINO.

The Ah-Ling-Foo company close their week's engagement at iverside Casino tonight. A matinee performance will be given this afternoon for the benefit of those who cannot attend in the eve-

The Bruns and Nina Vaudeville com-

pany comes to the Casino next week.

The following letter received by Manager Moore, is a high endorsement of this company: "Washington, D. C., June 8, 1901.

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