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SOUTHERN NEWS.

A colony of Minnesota people is forming in Franklin county, Tennessee.

Atlanta is now talking about an interstate military drill and rifle tournament, to come off on the 10th of May next.

A writer in the Fort Valley Mirror, proposes to convert the capitol building at Milledgeville into an inebriate asylum, which he remarks is sorely needed in Georgia.

Governor Nichols says he don't know yet what he may do as regards pardoning the Louisiana returning Board, but that his action in the premises may be influenced by that of the President.

Louisville Courier-Journal: The Kentucky delegation in Congress, with one exception, favors the passage of the Texas Pacific bill. Let there be solid Kentucky vote on this all important measure, so heartily indorsed by the people of Kentucky and their legislature.

Memphis Appeal: During the past nine months one thousand seven hundred and eighty-nine persons, mostly from Ohio and Indiana, have settled in this State, and principally in East and Middle Tennessee, but few of them coming to the Western district of the State.

Mr. R. J. Hill, a citizen of Americus, Georgia, who had the misfortune to lose his eyesight several years ago, has invented several singular machines, namely: An adjustable bolt and tap, a portable horse power for grinding cane, ginning cotton and threshing grain, also a model for a railroad track, made entirely of iron, which is fastened into the bed of the road to prevent sliding, and guarded against expansion and contraction of the track.

The bill introduced in the House by Mr. Shelby, of Alabama, to aid the Great Southern Railway, and to construct a line from Millen, Georgia, to Key West, Florida, asks a grant of \$15,000,000 of five per cent. gold bonds, the company to deposit \$1,110,000 in gold for each \$1,000,000 in bonds issued to them, and all moneys received by said road and telegraph on account of Government transportation and dispatches shall be applied to the payment of the interest.

President Hayes has been informed of the kidnapping of colored citizens of Florida, by men from Cuba, and of their enslavement on the island. Judge Leonard, the Republican member of Congress, from Louisiana, has been sent by the President to Havana, with letters to the Captain General, from the President and from Senator Mantilla, the Spanish Minister. It is not doubted that the Captain General will afford him every facility, besides making personal investigations in the same direction.

STATE NEWS.

The cry is now for the extension of the Miami S. N. & O. Railroad, and go they will.

The Roan Mountain Republican says that nearly all the mica mines in Mitchell county are flooded with water.

Mr. Tomlinson, the editor of the Piedmont Press, has fitted up a reading room for the benefit of the citizens of Hickory.

Milton Chronicle: The passenger car and box cars for the Milton and S. N. & O. Railroad arrived at Sutherland Saturday. They will probably run through on Monday next.

Statesville American: The mail matter for this place by the Western road, is frequently so large and the time from Salisbury so short, the Route Agents cannot get all the mail assorted for delivery here previous to the arrival of the train, and it has to be sent back by the afternoon down train.

Wilkesboro Witness: We learn upon good authority that the Atlantic, Tennessee and Ohio Railroad company will ask the legislature to grant a charter for an amendment to their charter to extend the survey to Marion, Va., by the way of Wilkesboro.

Blue Ridge Blade: We had a fine cow, which met with a singular mishap. She was pulling down a crack in the stable where a horse was confined—thrusting her tongue through the crack to reach the fodder, the horse bit off the end of her tongue! It was necessary to kill the cow, because she could not afterwards eat.

Newbern Nutshell: At the recent public meeting in this city to consider the subject of clearing out the Neuse river obstructions, a resolution was adopted instructing Mayor Wolcott to appoint Newbern delegates to the general Convention, to be held at Goldsboro on the 7th inst., and the Mayor has appointed the following delegates: Hon. M. E. Manly, G. Allen, J. D. Whitford, E. Hubbs, Thos. Powers, J. E. Foy, F. M. Simmons, T. A. Henry, G. F. M. Dail, E. H. Windley.

Wilmington Star: One of the most serious and destructive conflagrations that has visited our city in several years broke out Friday night about 11 o'clock, in the furniture establishment of Mr. F. A. Schutte, on Dock street, and extending in the shape of an L, to Front street. The losers are: Messrs. Schutte and L. Valters; the former estimates his loss at between \$25,000 and \$29,000, insurance \$12,500; the latter at from about \$8,000 to \$10,000, insurance \$4,000. W. P. Oldham loses \$300, Mr. Skoler \$700, J. H. Nett \$400, all of which is covered by insurance. Charles Klein loses \$250, part of which is covered by insurance. The Freedmen's Savings Bank property, J. H. McGarrity, and H. Von Glahn, respectively \$150, \$75, and \$300. The amount of the fire is unknown. The following is the statement of the business of this port for the month of February just closed: Value of foreign exports, \$5,059,007. Duty on imports, payable in gold, \$2,065,439. Tonnage duty, payable in currency, \$1,287,180. Hospital money, \$181,411. The Tournament Friday night at the Skating Rink was a grand success. The store of Capt. M. A. Byrne, at Whiteville, Columbus county, was broken open and robbed, a few nights since. Mr. Thos. Ballard, of Sampson county, who was stricken with paralysis, a few nights since, while on his way here on the steamer D. Murchison, died at the Rock Spring hotel on Friday night.

Peace in Europe.

The cable on Sunday brought the welcome intelligence that peace has at last been concluded between Russia and Turkey, Russia abandoning her claim to the Egyptian tribute to placate England, and receding from her demand for the Bulgarian tribute as a concession to Austria, those two great powers being the governments by which Russia must pacify if she would not have the signing of the peace of Constantinople the beginning of another war far exceeding in magnitude and importance that which she has just brought to so successful a termination.

The Fence Law.

By the 24th day of that month, the Russians declared war against Turkey, and crossed the frontier with the immense army which had previously concentrated on the banks of the Pruth. The next day, the Porte made its last appeal to the powers of Europe for their mediation. The appeal was in vain. The powers responded with declarations of neutrality, and the unequal contest began, and was carried on with what varying fortunes our readers are familiar, until the capture of Osman's army at Plevna, when the Turkish lines of defence gave way and the victorious march to Constantinople became an easy matter. The invaders throughout the contest had decided advantages in point of the numbers of troops in the field, their efficiency for active campaigning, the skill and capacity of the officers both of the line and staff, and in all resources of all kinds necessary to the conduct of a great war; so, although the Turks were the equals of their adversaries in desperate courage and in endurance of hardships, it is not at all surprising that they have been completely vanquished.

THE TERMS OF THIS TREATY OF PEACE ARE SEVERE AND EXACTING TO THE LAST DEGREE.

The boundary of Bulgaria is to be enlarged so as to include the country between the Danube and the Balkans and a portion of Roumelia between the Black Sea and Serbia, comprising Sofia and Philippopolis, the greater portion of Thrace and Macedonia and the whole valley of the Maritza, except Adrianople. A sovereign prince is to be elected for Bulgaria, whose nomination is to be submitted for sanction to the Porte and the European Powers; a Russian commission is to superintend the Bulgarian government for two years, and 50,000 Russian troops are to occupy the Principality during the same period. Bulgaria is to have the ports of Rodosto, on the sea of Marmora, and Kavalo on the Archipelago. The conditions require the cession of certain other territory to Montenegro, Bosnia and Russia. They also include a prohibition of passage through the Straits to men-of-war except in isolated cases, absolute freedom of passage for merchantmen, even in time of war, being guaranteed.

RESIDES THE LOSS OF TERRITORY, A CRUSHING INDEMNITY IS IMPOSED UPON THE TURKS.

They are required to pay an indemnity of fourteen hundred millions of roubles (\$1,120,000,000) to cover which they are to cede Batoum, Kars, Bayazid, Ardahan and adjacent territory. They must also pay forty millions sterling (\$168,000,000) in bonds, the interest and sinking fund of which are to be guaranteed by the Anatolian revenue and the Heraclea mines. In addition to these enormous burdens, ten million roubles (\$7,900,000) are to be paid immediately to indemnify Russian captives of Constantinople. Russian capital invested in Turkish bonds is to be reimbursed; the maintenance of Turkish prisoners of war by the Russians is to be paid for; and the Turkish government is to re-open the Sulina mouth of the Danube. The Russian armistices are to remain in their present positions until the indemnity is paid.

IT HAS BEEN FREELY STATED FROM TIME TO TIME BY THE LEADING JOURNALS OF THE OLD WORLD, SINCE THESE CONDITIONS WERE FIRST MADE KNOWN, THAT FOR RUSSIA TO INSIST UPON THEM WAS TO MAKE THE PRESERVATION OF THE PEACE OF EUROPE AN IMPOSSIBILITY.

These terms, which conduce so immensely to the aggrandisement of Russia to the disadvantage of the rest of the powers of Europe, are considered to be in plain violation of the spirit, if not the letter, of the treaty of Paris, signed in 1856. Neither Austria nor England are likely to rest content with such a termination of hostilities; but what may be the immediate or ultimate course adopted by them is a matter too deeply immersed in the misty regions of speculation to hazard an opinion upon.

THIS FACT, HOWEVER, IS ALREADY A PART OF HISTORY, THAT FROM THE TIME OF THE SIGNING OF THE PEACE PROTOCOL, INVOLVING THESE CONDITIONS, WITH SOME MODIFICATIONS, PARTICULARLY AS TO THE EGYPTIAN AND BULGARIAN TRIBUTES, THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN PREPARING FOR WAR, WITH ALL POSSIBLE SPEED.

In such a crisis as has impended over Europe for the last month, actions speak louder than words. The diplomatists have used language after the Talleyrand method—to conceal, rather than to express, their thoughts or intentions. From nothing that has been said can we forecast the future, in regard to the action of England. The activity at her arsenals, ordnance manufactories, supply depots, and dock-yards; the activity in military and naval circles; the appointment of Lord Napier, of Magdala, as commander-in-chief of the army; the movements of the DUKE OF CAMBRIDGE; the revocation of all furloughs; the invasion of the straits by Admiral HORNBY, and the movement of the Channel Fleet to the waters of the Mediterranean—all combined, have an ominous look. Such are not the indications of peace.

Whatever may be the course pursued by the powers, the treaty of Constantinople secures peace between the recent combatants, and the record of the eighth war between Russia and Turkey becomes a closed book. In none of the seven preceding wars did Russia come out so completely the victor, and never

before did a Sultan of Turkey sustain so great and humiliating a defeat as has been inflicted upon her this time. It is conceded on all sides that this terrible and crushing overthrow marks the beginning of the end of the once magnificent and still vast Empire of the Ottomans. Its dismemberment and final complete ruin can only be questions of time. Its power has departed, its race has been run, its mission is ended, and the crescent, which for ages has flamed in the European and Asian skies as a symbol of might and of majesty, at last begins to wane towards its ultimate occultation.

THE FENCE LAW.

Proposed of the no-fence law agitation, it may not be generally known that there are now 30 counties, the townships of which have, at any time, a right to vote on the question of fence or no-fence. For the convenience of our readers, we have collated the acts authorizing such vote, as follows:

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