

TELEGRAPHIC SUMMARY.

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FOREIGN. The shah of Persia is alarmingly ill. The reception accorded Colonel Hay, our minister to the court of St. James, has been most cordial.

Gold Export Renewed. Washington, April 24.—The secretary of the treasury today received a telegram from Assistant Treasurer Jordan, at New York, stating that \$97,000 in gold bullion had been ordered for export.

Treasurer Spaulding Sent to Jail. Chicago, April 24.—Charles W. Spaulding, president of the Globe Savings bank and treasurer of the University of Illinois board of trustees, was placed in jail today on order of Judge Dume.

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THE SITUATION IN EUROPE.

NO DISCORD AMONG THE POWERS OVER THE EASTERN WAR.

Pitiable Situation of the Sultan of Turkey. Discontent at Athens Over the King not Going to the Front—Greek Warships to Run the Gauntlet of the Dardanelles.

London, April 24.—The last few days have developed a dramatic situation. The sudden removal of Edhem Pasha, the Turkish commander-in-chief and the fact that he has been replaced by Osman Pasha, the hero of Plevna, has caused great surprise.

It is also stated that the sultan has hitherto been afraid to send his best generals, such as Achmet, Fuad and Reschid Pasha, to the front, they being instead kept in the most remote provinces.

SAAD EDDIN PASHA, who is to succeed Ahmed Hifiz Pasha in command of the Turkish army at Janina, is the general the sultan sent to Crete in December last to carry out the reforms there in accordance with the sultan's ideas.

The cabinet council at Yildizkiosk yesterday discussed the enrollment of volunteers and decided, as the treaty of Berlin forbids the use of irregulars, that the volunteers must wear the Turkish uniform and serve under regular officers appointed by the government.

It is understood that in a message which the king is preparing, he will invite all Greeks throughout the world to make sacrifices of money as well as blood.

The Greek army at present is suffering from lack of medical supplies. The cholera is already exhausted and nurses, medicines, clinical thermometers, lint and surgical appliances are needed.

Prince Ferdinand of Bulgaria, is playing his own game and is determined to profit to the utmost by Turkey's stress, apparently heedless of advice even from Russia.

DEFRAUDING THE STATE.

Another Insurance Company Caught—No Federal Court at New Bern This Week.

(Special to The Messenger.) Raleigh, N. C., April 24.—The secretary of state was today notified that the Family Protective Association is doing business in North Carolina under the guise of a benevolent company exempt from taxation.

The governor orders a special civil term of Burke superior court, beginning June 14th. The judge has not yet been designated to hold it.

The papers in the latest injunction case—to restrain the private stockholders of the Atlantic and North Carolina railway from meeting were today served on Mrs. Tucker and her son, W. R. Tucker.

United States Marshal Carroll received notice from the attorney general today that there would be no federal court at New Bern next week, owing to the failure to appoint a judge.

Colored Normal School Board Elected.

(Special to The Messenger.) Raleigh, N. C., April 24.—This afternoon the state board of education met and elected the following as local boards of managers of the various colored normal schools: Salisbury, J. A. Ramsey, Charles Price, S. A. Earnhardt, Rev. Jthro Rumble, Theo. F. Klutz; Franklinton, T. H. Whitman, H. E. Long, B. S. Mitchell, J. A. Hawkins, James I. Moore; Winston, H. E. Fries, W. A. Blair, Rev. J. H. Clerel, T. J. Brown, J. J. Blair, Rev. H. A. Brown, C. A. Reynolds; Fayetteville, J. R. Deal, P. N. Melcher, F. P. Williston, D. A. Bryant, G. A. P. Wilkerson; Plymouth, F. M. Bunch, L. N. C. Spruill, Stewart James, G. W. Harvey, Joseph Hassel; Elizabeth City, Palemon John, M. B. Culppeper, W. J. Griffin, C. E. Kramer, S. L. Sheff. The board adjourned until Monday, when it will elect a local board for the Goldsboro school, and also elect a state board of examiners.

THE CIVIL SERVICE.

Senator Fritchard's Committee Begins the Investigation into its Practical Working Under a Senate Resolution.

Washington, April 24.—The senate committee on civil service, of which Senator Fritchard, of North Carolina, is chairman, began its investigation of the civil service today under the resolution recently adopted by the senate.

William C. Conner, a book binder at the government printing office, said that no educational qualification was required in many classes of work done in the binderies.

When the list of invited guests was made public it was generally understood that the speeches which would be delivered would in a large measure indicate the policy of the gold wing of the democratic party in the next presidential campaign.

The Reform Club Dinner.

New York, April 24.—The annual dinner of the Reform Club which was given tonight in the new hall room of the Hotel Waldorf, was a notable gathering. Representative men from all parts of the United States, who played a prominent part in the recent campaign of the gold democrats, were present.

John Dewitt Warner presided. At his right sat ex-President Cleveland and on his left was ex-Postmaster General William L. Wilson. The toasts and those who responded to them were as follows: "Present Problems," Jno. G. Carlisle; "Sound Currency," Jno. G. Carlisle; "Tariff Reform," William L. Wilson; "Municipal Administration," Edward M. Shepard; "The New South," Donelson Caffery; "National Democracy," William D. Bynum; "The Political Outlook," Henry G. Turner; "Andrew Jackson and the Restoration of the Gold Currency," Josiah Patterson.

AMBASSADOR HAY.

HIS CORDIAL RECEPTION AT THE COURT OF ST. JAMES.

London Press Contrast His "Dignified Reticence With Mr. Bayard's Volubility." He Goes to England at a Critical Moment. Press Criticism of British Gush Over Our New Representative to the British Court. Catholics Stirred up Over the Lee Taxil Controversy.

London, April 24.—The reception accorded to Colonel John Hay, the new United States ambassador to the court of St. James, has been most cordial on all sides. The newspapers have been most eulogistic and it is emphatically a case of "le roi est mort, vive le roi."

The Daily Mail says: "There is something undignified in the gushing manner in which every gentleman in the room seemed to be anxious to send Colonel Hay good wishes."

The newspapers here hail the Canadian tariff with delight. The St. James Gazette regards it as the most important news of the day and as presenting the most agreeable prospects to Great Britain.

There has been considerable stir in Paris at the public confession of Lee Taxil, who recently appeared a convert to Rome, from atheism and Free Masonry, that he had been hoaxing the pope, the cardinals, the priests and the people.

The developments in South Africa are creating much excitement here especially in the case of the sudden dispatch of the Cape of Good Hope squadron of British warships to Delagoa bay.

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Dear Sir:—General J. G. Gordon, commanding United Confederate veterans, respectfully requests the press, both daily and weekly, of the whole country, to aid the patriotic and benevolent objects of the united confederate veterans by publishing the notice to take place at Nashville, Tenn., on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, June 22d, 23d, and 24th, 1897.

THE TARIFF BILL.

Republican Committeemen Anxious to get it Into the Senate Before Its Provisions are Made Public—Their Overtures to the Democrats.

Washington, April 24.—The republican members of the finance committee of the senate have decided to appeal to their democratic colleagues on the committee to allow the tariff bill to be reported to the senate without passing through the hands of the full committee or, in default of this, to agree to a report after one formal session.

The republican senators make no effort to conceal the fact that their reason for preparing this request is the desire to avoid the impotency that would result from making the bill public before reporting it to the senate.

The democratic members of the committee have not yet formally received the proposition and say they are not prepared to indicate what their response will be until they do receive it and have an opportunity to confer over it.

There is a determined effort making to reduce the rates on lumber and coal, which effort is being stubbornly resisted. Senators Davis, Pritchard, Burrows, Spooner and Wilson were in consultation today with lumber men from all parts of the country, devising means of retaining the \$2 rate on lumber fixed by the house.

THE SUPREME COURT.

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Governor Russell commissions T. S. Franklin, of Charlotte, assistant inspector general of the state guard, with rank of major.

Mr. Ledbetter will be warden of the penitentiary until September 1st. Superintendent Smith appointed him and the directors confirm the appointment.

The board of directors of the penitentiary this week adopted a resolution that all vouchers must be signed by the finance committee.

Governor Russell orders Judge Green to hold Watauga court next week, owing to the protracted illness of Judge Hoke.

Sutton of New Hanover, who was one of Governor Russell's main supporters, is now bitter against him politically though devoted to him personally.

Politics is lively in this city. The negroes of one faction manifest a good deal of dislike to the populists.

The state cotton mills at Reidsville, now claiming to be the second in size in the state, have put in twenty-five more looms and run day and night.

The falling off of the catch of sturgeon in the river means the loss of considerable money. The roe is taken and made into caviare.

Shah of Persia Dangerously Ill. London, April 24.—A dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company from Persia says that the Shah of Persia, Muzaffer-Eddin, is alarmingly ill.