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THE LORDS WILL TALK GO.

Even Lord Salisbury Admits the Need of Reforming the Peers.

LONDON, ENGLAND.—Lord Salisbury's shirking of the task of formulating a scheme for the reform of the House of Lords, while admitting that a re-constitution of that body is desirable, is the theme of general regret on the part of the Conservative press. The explanation of the ex-Premier's reticence, accepted in Unionist circles, is that his address being only 48 hours after that of Lord Rosebery, he did not have time to consult with his colleagues as to an alternative programme.

Unless the Liberal Unionists speedily prevail upon Lord Salisbury to agree to some reform of the government, the coming general elections will sweep the Unionists out of Parliament.

Since Lord Rosebery's speech in Bradford all of the political parties recognize the fact that the question of the reform of the House of Lords precedes all others now before the country. The McCarthys, though chagrined at the prospect of the struggle over the House of Lords question postponing all consideration of home rule, generally accept the government plan, as eventually the surest road by which to reach their goal.

The clamor of the Redmondites that home rule must remain in front of all other measures is not supported by the Irish leaders generally. Mr. John Dillon, speaking at Mullinabhone, voiced the opinion of a majority of the Irish party when he said: "We would be madmen and traitors to the cause if we refused to give all the assistance in our power to help the Radicals of England break the power of the House of Lords, which throughout generations has been the bitterest enemy of the Irish people."

CHARACTERISTIC OF THE NEW CZAR. PERSONS who have been thrown into close contact with the Czar Nicholas II, during his visit to England, say that he speaks English perfectly. His Majesty acquired his education from an English governess and tutors. When induced to talk freely, he expressed liberal ideas and seemed to care nothing for the rights of Kings. He showed no disposition for militancy and was almost nervously fond of retirement. Czar Nicholas, during his stay in London, preferred to spend his time quietly reading rather than in attendance at ceremonies. Solitary rambles through the streets seemed, too, to afford him much more amusement and pleasure than theatre and opera going. He has openly professed a dislike for war, and his tendency is in the direction of peace, and his tastes and pursuits simple.

A CONFLAGRATION OF CADAVERS. Shocking Scene at the Burning of the Indiana Medical College in Indianapolis.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND.—Fire destroyed the Indiana Medical College and quickly spread to the Scottish Rite building adjoining, where the finest Masonic paraphernalia was reduced to ashes. This outfit had but recently been purchased, and the estimated loss to the Masons by reason of its destruction, together with the five-story building and all other contents, will reach \$100,000. The Indianapolis Gas Company's offices occupied the ground floor of the corner building, the Medical College having the two floors above. Every section of this structure was levelled to the ground, and a ghastly feature of the disaster was the fact that eighteen bodies, stored in the vaults for dissecting purposes were burned to a crisp. The stench of the burning human flesh was nauseating. The bones of the cadavers dropped into the cellar and presented a sickening spectacle. The fire was still burning at 9 o'clock. Total loss about \$175,000; insurance, exclusive of that on contents, \$60,000.

EVANGELIST SMALL. He Was Received and Spoke at Roanoke, Va., Under Police Protection.

ROANOKE, VA.—Rev. Sam Small closed the campaign in Roanoke. Small spoke here about three weeks ago and some of his vulgar allusions displeased a large number of people who heard him. He was freely criticised for that speech, and his friends, evidently fearing that the reverend gentleman would not meet with a happy reception, had five policemen at the depot to receive him. The hall in which he spoke was likewise strongly guarded and at the conclusion of his address he was escorted to the depot by several guards of the police and a body guard of citizens. It is needless to say that no one attempted to molest him. The Hooper House, in which he spoke, was crowded with people, most of them being attracted there through curiosity. Small devoted his time to denouncing the Democratic and Republican parties and to telling what a nice man he was. His speech occupied over two hours, and was intended to help Backers (Populist-Prohibition) but it fell rather flat.

The Texas Cotton Crop Too Big to Pick.—The Farmers Will Not Plant Any More.

DALLAS, TEX.—The cotton situation continues to favor the biggest crop ever raised in Texas. The weather is still bright, balmy, warm and perfectly clear. Bottom, middle and top crops are full. Many farmers speak of abandoning what is left. They say it will scarcely pay the expense of picking, packing, tying, ginning and marketing. They scarcely know what else to do unless the price is considerably raised. It is certain thousands of bales raised will never be taken from the stalks. Just about now everybody is swearing he will not plant a seed of cotton next year. Almost any of the other products of the soil of Texas will pay better, such as corn, oats or wheat. As proof of this three or four times the usual area of fall wheat is being sown.

The Egyptian Cotton Crop Increases 3 Per Cent.

ALEXANDRIA, EGYPT.—The cotton crop is officially estimated to amount to 1,375,000 bales, exceeding that of 1883 by 3 per cent.

PITHY NEWS ITEMS.

At Tulsa, I. T., Indian Chief Perry Manson shot into a keg of powder Thursday and was blown to atoms.

Suits to the amount of \$30,000 have been brought in Robeson county, N. C., against the directors of the late Bank of New Hanover at Wilmington for damages in mismanaging the bank.

The city council of Charleston, S. C., has granted Julian Fishburne a franchise to build an electrical railroad.

The Charleston Retail Dealers' Protective Association has been incorporated at Charleston, S. C. The association will conduct a commercial rating system.

At Clinton, S. C., fire destroyed a warehouse with 500 bales of cotton.

The Washington (N. C.) Gazette reports the killing of a 200-pound bear within two miles of the town a week ago, and the mate to the one killed has been seen in the neighborhood.

Mrs. Minnie V. Harding sued for a divorce in the Court of Common Pleas in New York, from her husband, George M. Harding. She was formerly a Charleston, S. C., belle. Harding is accused of living with one Madeline Liebert, known as Baroness Liebert. He made no defence and the divorce was granted.

The colony of New Zealand, it is announced, has determined to borrow the large sum of \$7,500,000 every year and lend the money to farmers at 5 per cent. interest. The population of New Zealand is less than 700,000, and for that colony \$7,500,000 means as much as \$500,000,000 would be to the United States. The experiment is an interesting one.

KENLY, N. C.—Quite a sensation was created here when it was made known that the body of an unknown white man was discovered about three miles south of here. The cause of the man's death is not known. The body was in such a condition that it was necessary to bury it at once, and a hole was prepared and it was put under ground. Papers were found on the person that leads to the belief that the dead man was J. A. Ward, of Columbia, S. C. It is thought that he was killed by the train.

There were 7 cotton fires at Savannah, Ga., Monday.

The N. C. agricultural department has a letter from a New Yorker who has sold his farm and who wishes to become a settler in North Carolina.

The Czar's body was embalmed Thursday night. The funeral will take place about the 20th of November.

Chinese are registering in San Francisco and will vote for those friendly to their interests.

President Cleveland went hunting Friday last around Washington and shot 17 squirrels. His Messenger Loeffler killed 8 squirrels and one partridge.

Thirty-four families left Pullman, Ill., Sunday, for Hiawaths, Kansas, to join the new co-operative movement there. They included a number of first-class mechanics, formerly employees in the Pullman shops.

A dispatch from Fort Worth, Tex., states that the report is current out there that the Southern railway wants to reach out and enter the state of Texas, and that it will do so by purchasing the Fort Worth branch of the Cotton Belt, making some connection at some point near Texarkana.

Dr. J. W. Deaver, of Florida, quarreled with Mrs. Holgerson about a load of hay. He says that Mrs. Holgerson threw sand in his face, called him names and finally struck him with a fishing pole. The doctor admitted that this made him angry, and forgetting himself, he knocked the woman down, and, it is said, kicked her and otherwise mistreated her. The doctor then drove off. Dr. Cuzner was sent for, and he reported that the woman's injuries were quite serious.

The sum of \$68,000 is being disbursed this week among the settlers on the Cherokee lands in Jackson and Macon counties, North Carolina, under the provisions of a recent act of congress.

384 head of fine cattle have been shipped from Ashe county, N. C., to the Valley of Virginia, where they will be wintered and then in the spring shipped to Liverpool, England.

LITIGATION AT RALEIGH. 4 Girl Wants \$10,000 for the Loss of an Eye.

RALEIGH, N. C.—The superior court here gave a verdict for \$13,000 in the case of Z. W. Haynes against the Raleigh Electric Company for \$10,000 damages for killing O. Haynes' son, who touched a live wire.

The court took up a novel case, that of a girl against Raleigh for \$10,000 damages for the loss of an eye. This was due to the fall of a skyrocket during the celebration of the city centennial two years ago. The girl was a spectator and while sitting on the steps of a church, a rocket fell and struck her.

The trial of ex-Sheriff James Wilcox, of Pasquotank, for the murder of John Brothers, resulted in Wilcox being held without bail. Wilcox is the Republican who, last week, demanded to be allowed to inspect the election register kept by Brothers. The evidence shows that this occurred in Brothers' house, and that the latter refused to permit Wilcox to see the books. A quarrel followed. Wilcox was ordered to leave the house, Brothers' mother being present, but refused, and drew a pistol. Brothers then advanced with a stick. Wilcox fired as Brothers struck him. Wilcox applied for habeas corpus.

"ENOUGH! ENOUGH!" China Wants the European Countries to Stop the War.

Dispatches have reached London, Washington and other capitals that China is disposed to conclude peace upon the basis of the acknowledgement of Corea's independence and the payment of an indemnity to be fixed by the powers. The powers who are willing to support this arrangement are requested to intervene.

THE CZAR IS DEAD.

HE WAS A DESPOT, YET A MAN INCLINED TO PEACE.

The Autocrat of All the Russias Succumbs to the Grim Destroyer.

Alexander, III, Emperor of all the Russias, died at 3 o'clock Thursday afternoon at Livadia, in Greece.

At noon the action of the Czar's heart began to enfeeble rapidly. About half past 1 unconsciousness took place and the action of the heart became intermittent and scarcely perceptible until

its pulsations ceased altogether. THE GREAT GRIEF OF THE PEOPLE. The churches in Moscow and St. Petersburg the capitals of Russia were thronged with men and women praying for the Czar's soul. The streets were unusually full, and everybody seems to be depressed. Near the churches many groups of weeping women gathered. The crowds being quiet and mournful.

Before expiring the Czar spoke with each member of the family separately, but at the greatest length with the Czarina. He then gave all his blessing. Finally he bled farewell. Little by little he grew weaker. His voice at last became hardly audible. Soon after he passed away quietly. The oath of allegiance to Nicholas III was then administered to the whole family at 4:30 o'clock. Cannons were fired to announce the fact to the world.

THE NEWS IN FRANCE. PARIS.—The first of the news of the Czar's death came to Paris in an official dispatch to the foreign office. The dispatch was shown at once to Pres-

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Moscow, May 27, 1883. He married in 1866, Mary Fyodorovna, formerly Mary Sophia Frederica Dagmar, daughter of Christian IX, King of Denmark, and sister of the Princess of Wales and the King of Greece.

The principal concern of the Czar was to put down Nihilism, to develop the military power of Russia, to organize her Asiatic and Caucasian provinces and to keep a steady eye on Constantinople.

From the beginning of his reign periodical attempts upon his life were made by the Nihilists. Twice officers



THE LATE ALEXANDER III.

in his own army tried to shoot him. In 1888 he and his family narrowly escaped death in a railroad accident near Borkuni. The train was thrown from the track and many passengers were killed, but the imperial party were hardly injured. The derauling of the train was supposed to be the work of

Nihilists. Last spring a plot was formed in Finland to blow up the castle which the Czar was expected to occupy during the fall manoeuvres around Smolensk. The police are still busy hunting down the conspirators.

The Czar was deeply religious. He was under the influence of such bigots as Pobodonszoff and his group, and persecuted the Jews, Catholics and German Lutherans in Russia without cessation or mercy. He inherited, with his Minister of Foreign Affairs, Prince Gortschakoff, a strong prejudice against the Germans, which was increased by the agitation of the Pan Slavist war party in his capital.

Nevertheless he held fast to a peace policy. Last year he reached an understanding with France during the visit of the Russian fleet at Toulon and ever since Russia and France have been regarded as constituting a dual alliance, counterbalancing on the continent the power of the Triple Alliance. Nothing has been published, however, to show that any formal agreement between them was signed or that the Czar pledged Russia to help France in recovering Alsace and Lorraine from Germany.

The Czar left five children, the crown Prince Nicholas, 27 years old; the Grand Duke George, now ill in the south of Russia; the Grand Duchesses Xenia and Olga, and the Grand Duke Michael, a boy in his teens.

SUNBEAMS. Montana has chosen the bitter root as the State flower.

The briefest political platform of the season is that of the Democrats of "honest country, Kan.": "Resolved, That we are Democrats."

A Cleveland young man and his best girl were held up with a shotgun while dealing grapes late at night. Both were fined in a police court.

A newspaper of a Boston suburb mentions the return of a resident from Maine, "where he has been shooting and visiting his friends."

A woman claiming to be 133 years old is living, in good health, near Cleveland. She says her mother died in Scotland at the age of 146 years.

"Korn-brod" is a deceptive announcement seen in some German and Hungarian bakeries. It is a dark bread, not made of Indian meal, but of rye or wheat flour, more often the former.

It is reported that France will have nearly 5,000,000 bushels of wheat for export.

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