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WASHINGTON MERCHANTS FIGHT THE TOBACCO TRUST

President Tayloe Says They Will Aid In Making it the Hottest War Ever Begun Against the Octopus.

Washington, N. C. August 12.—The Retail Grocers and General Merchants Association met here tonight to discuss the move of the tobacco trust in putting down prices and to pass resolutions defining the position of the merchants here towards this trust.

Such resolutions were written in addition by President as, F. Tayloe, of the Association, and these were adopted without material change. They are as follows.

"Resolved, we, the members of the Retail Merchants and Grocers' Association, of Washington, do hereby pledge ourselves, that we will no longer act as distributing agents for the American Tobacco Company as against our farmer friends. In our judgment this strong and overbearing corporation has taken undue and mean advantage of the tobacco farmer by putting the selling price of leaf tobacco below the cost of production. In our judgment, if we can get the cooperation of all the Merchants' Associations throughout the South and the cooperation of the farmers, who are largely the consumers, by handling brands of tobacco snuffs, cigars, etc., manufactured by the independent manufacturers, we can soon build up a healthy condition of trade and competition which will be very beneficial to the tobacco growers of North Carolina.

"Second we further agree to push, advertise and use all legitimate means possible to bring the products of independent manufacturers into prominence. The American Tobacco Company has been using us for years as a medium for selfaggrandisement without allowing us even a legitimate profit.

"Third, We further suggest that the independent association of all kinds in the tobacco-growing States be asked to appoint delegates to a convention to be called to meet in Raleigh on Thursday, September 3rd 1903, where some specific plan can be acted upon to fight this damnable

tobacco trust, which is sapping the life blood from the farmers of North Carolina. We also suggest that Virginia and South Carolina be invited to take part in the convention.

"Fourth. That this convention and all arrangements for same be put in the hands of Col. John S. Cuninghame, president of the Tobacco Growers' Association, and John Dunn, of the State Merchants' Association, That the convention be known and organized as the Farmers and Merchants' Protective Associations of North Carolina.

"Fifth. In our judgement, if this plan is properly carried out and the retail merchants and farmers will co-operate and act with unity and good judgment, it will bring about a great good to our entire citizenship, and a healthy condition of trade and competition.

"Sixth. That a copy of the above resolutions be sent to Colonel Cuninghame and John Dunn and a copy sent to the daily Gazette-Messenger and a copy to the Raleigh News and Observer."

President Tayloe speaking to a representative of the Gazette-Messenger, said:

"I believe that some one must have tipped Kinston merchants off to the fact that Washington was going to do this very thing. We had hoped to be the lead in making in the hottest fight that the trust ever had on their hands. It is the only thing to be done under the circumstances and present conditions. The quantity of trust-made goods handled in this city is enormous and we will at least do our part by showing the trust that this city can use brands made by the independent manufacturer.

"The step we will take is one that all the towns and cities in the State will be forced to take. North Carolina, Virginia and about one more State are the tobacco growers of the world. They raise a product that is in demand and will bring the prices. All that must be done is to conduct a strong united fight in the shape of a boycott. There must be no traitors among our ranks, among the sellers of tobacco in any form. If everyone sticks to each other the merchant will win, the farmer will be victorious and prices will be restored."

Never Heard a Complaint.

B. W. Hargrave, one of the leading druggists of Wilson, N. C., writes: "Gentlemen—Unsolicited, I offer you this testimonial concerning your 'Worthington's Kemedey.' I can and do say that the same was used in my father's family from my birth, and in my own ever since I have been house-keeping, as a panacea for all kinds of bowel troubles, both for adults and children. As a druggist I have recommended and sold it for 20 years, and have never had a customer complain of its failing to come up to the claim made for it."

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OVER FIFTY LIVES WERE LOST.

Hurricane Leaves Death Trail on Island of Jamaica. The Property Loss will Probably Reach \$10,000,000

THOUSANDS ARE LEFT HOMELESS.

Kingston, Jamaica, Aug. 12.—The eastern portion of the island has been completely denuded of its crops the rivers are flooded, and many men were carried out to sea and drowned. Considering the damage to property during the hurricane, the loss of life is comparatively small, though the present estimate is that the death list will reach fifty. Hundreds of persons were injured, and there were numerous hairbreadth escapes. The property loss is estimated at \$10,000,000.

The affects of the hurricane upon the island of Jamaica were greater than at first believed. Port Antonio, on the north coast, was completely overwhelmed. Only six houses were left standing there. The United Fruit company's wharves, offices, hotel and plantations were utterly demolished. Five of the company's steamers, including the Simon Dumois, Alfred Dumois, and Brighton, were driven ashore, but are lying in easy positions. Port Maria, another town on the north coast, also suffered similarly. The coast is strewn with wreckage of local sailing boats.

Bryan Buys Horses.

They are a Pair of Chestnuts Named Roosevelt and Pabst.

Milwaukee, Wis., Aug. 12.—William Jennings Bryan has purchased a team of horses worth about \$1,200. They are a pair of spanking chestnuts known as Pabst and Roosevelt, and were among the equines shown at the recent horse show at Milwaukee.

The deal for their sale has just been concluded by Charles Rasor, Normal, Ill., the former owner. Bryan saw the team at the Milwaukee horse show.

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STATE FARMERS' ALLIANCE DENOUNCE THE TOBACCO TRUST

Call for a Union of Forces to Protect the Tobacco Growers From the Oppressions of the Giant Monopoly.

Hillsboro, N. C., August 13.—The farmers' Alliance, at its annual session just closed here, spoke out in no uncertain tones with regard to the situation brought about by the low price being paid for tobacco.

Resolutions condemning the Tobacco Trust were adopted, the Governor was requested to act with the Governors of Virginia and South Carolina in regard to the monopoly and national legislation, and a great meeting of tobacco farmers endorsed. The resolutions on the matter were adopted with unanimity and are as follows.

"Whereas, the present low price of leaf tobacco seriously concerns the financial condition of many of our brethren, now be it.

"Resolved, by the North Carolina State Farmers' Alliance in annual convention assembled at Hillsboro.

"First. That according to our judgement there is no cause for the great fall in the price of leaf tobacco other than consolidation of the American Tobacco Company and the Imperial Tobacco Company, of Great Britain.

"Second. That we do hereby respectfully petition Governor Charles B. Aycock, through joint action with

the executive of South Carolina and Virginia, to use his best endeavors to induce the President of the United States to enforce any law now in existence for the suppression of monopoly in the purchase of tobacco.

"Third. That in our judgement with the present outlook for high-priced cotton, the American Tobacco Company would not put the price of leaf tobacco below the cost of production at this time but for deliberate determination on its part to force warehousemen and independent buyers to sell at a ruinous sacrifice their present holdings of tobacco.

"Fourth. That the president of this body appoint a committee with authority to join with the Tobacco Grower's Association and all other parties interested in calling a convention of tobacco farmers to take action in regard to the decline in the price of leaf tobacco.

"Fifth. That we recommend united action on the part of our farmers merchants of all classes, warehousemen, bankers and capitalists to protect this leading agricultural industry from destruction at the hands of this giant monopoly and trust.

CASTORIA.
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Half a Million Negroes To March on the North.

Troy, N. Y., Aug. 11.—Through an organize movement by the Rev. J. H. Henry Duckrey, of Cambridge, Mass., 500,000 negroes will have emigrated from the South to points between this city, Boston and Providence within three years. The work of arranging for the mi-

gration has been carried on secretly by the Northeastern and Western Immigration Society, of which Duckrey is president. The money is said to have been subscribed by wealthy men and women who believe that this scheme is the safe and sure solution of the negro problem.

BANG! BANG! SIX DROP

A Mad Man Fires into Throng of Five Thousand People

Winfield, Kan., August 13.—Gilbert Twigg, aged 30 years, supposed to be insane, appeared on the principal street of this town tonight with a double-barrel shot gun and fired both charges deliberately into a crowd of five thousand people who were listening to the band concert. He killed three persons, fatally injured three, and shot twenty others of whom six may die. Twigg was killed by a policeman.

The band had just finished playing a waltz when Twigg stepped out from an alley a half block distant and deliberately taking aim at the band

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stand, fired two shots, R. E. Oliver, a band man, fell at the first shot, the crowd not realizing what had happened rushed toward Twigg believing that there had been accidental shooting of some kind. As the crowd closed in the crazed man discharged two more shots at them, causing a scattering in every direction. With the crowd fleeing, the man stood firing at random in every direction, Policeman George Nichols confronted Twigg and fired a bullet into his head. Before life was extinct the demented man drew a revolver from his pocket and fired a shot in to his own body.

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