

of internal taxation in China. Second, recognition of American right of residence throughout the empire for missionary work. Third, protection of patents, trade-marks and copy-rights. Fourth, opening of new localities to international trade in the part of the empire in which the United States has vast commercial interests. Sixth, right to carry on trade industries and manufactures in all parts of China.

A tornado struck the little town of Aliceville, Kas., on October 7 and practically demolished it. The town contained about 200 inhabitants, and so far as is known, three persons were killed outright and others injured. The storm also caused much damage in the adjacent country and the total property damage was immense.

General Bradley T. Johnson, a celebrated lawyer and confederate soldier, died in Virginia on October 5, and was buried at Baltimore, Md., on October 7. The funeral was largely attended by veterans of the civil war.

A convention known as the Missouri river congress in session at Kansas City, Mo., on October 8, adopted a resolution urging the congress of the United States to remedy the existing conditions along the Missouri river so that a recurrence of the disastrous floods of last June may be prevented. It is thought that this result may be accomplished by taking such measures as to protect and preserve the channel of the river as a highway.

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On October 9 President Roosevelt received the members of the international exchange commission, which has but recently returned from an extended trip to Europe, where it was in conference with the financial authorities of several governments with a view to arrange a common basis of money exchange. It has been decided to send Prof. J. W. Jenks of the commission to China to lay before the Chinese government a recommendation that it adopt the gold standard.

From Paris on October 8 came the news that a general treaty of arbitration between France and Great Britain has been concluded. It is said that this new treaty follows the general lines of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty between this country and Great Britain, which, although it was rejected by the United States senate, serves as a basis for treaties of this character.

It was reported from Santiago de Chile on October 8 that the entire Chilean cabinet has resigned. This cabinet was formed on September 2 and its dissolution was then conceded to be only a matter of time.

The arguments in the Alaskan boundary arbitration were finished in London on October 8. Mr. Dickinson, John W. Foster, the agent for the United States, and Lord Chief Justice Alverstone made the concluding addresses.

October 8 was the date fixed for the evacuation of parts of Manchuria by the Russian troops, but the day passed without a Russian move toward that end. The Russian-Japanese negotiations regarding Korea and Manchuria are proceeding at Tokio, and it is doubted that Russia will make any substantial concessions. It is understood that China is waiting for the result of these negotiations between Japan and Russia before further treating with Russia for the evacuation of Manchuria.

On October 8 it was announced from apparently authoritative sources that a formidable Russian fleet, comprising ninety warships of all classes, had left Port Arthur for the south of Corea where the Japanese fleet has already arrived. Several brigades of Russian troops have been moved forward to the Korean boundary, also, and it is thought that this indicates some action in that quarter in relation to the future of Corea.

There is some indication that the trouble in Macedonia in which Bulgaria has become a party in controversy to the Turkish rule, will soon be amicably arranged. It was announced from Sofia on October 8 that plans had been perfected whereby the Turkish and Bulgarian governments have reached an understanding on the question of remobilization, and Bulgaria will release 20,000 of her soldiers and Turkey 40,000.

A well organized attempt was made at a wholesale delivery of prisoners at the Utah state penitentiary on October 9 and in the attempt one prisoner was killed and several were wounded, including two guards. Two condemned prisoners were able to make their escape.

H. A. Castle, auditor for the post-office department, has tendered his resignation to the secretary of the treasury and it has been accepted. Mr. Castle gives as the reason for his resigning the stress of private business.

It is also announced that G. A. C. Christy has resigned his post as assistant attorney in the office of the assistant attorney general for the postoffice department. Mr. Christy has been on leave of absence since last April pending the postoffice investigation and tendered his resignation some time ago which was accepted by Postmaster General Payne on October 9.

What is believed to have been an attempt to poison the garrison of soldiers at Camp El Paso at Cripple Creek, Colo., was made on October 8 and sixty-eight soldiers were rendered unfit for service for a time, but all recovered.

The first annual meeting of the British Cotton Growers' association was held at Manchester, England, on October 9. This society purports to attempt the growing of cotton in British territory and has already made experiments with it in West Africa which experiments are said to have been successful.

Several of the mills at the Homestead, Pa., steel works were shut down on October 9 for an indefinite period, thereby throwing out of employment over 2,000 men.

New York city and adjacent territory suffered from severe floods on October 9 caused by the heavy rainfall of twenty-four hours' duration. Over six inches of rain fell in that time and from all parts of the city were received reports of flooded cellars, flooded sewers and impassable gutters. In other sections of the vicinity the trains were stopped by the floods and great property damage occurred. The storm seems to have affected Pennsylvania and to have gone as far south as portions of Virginia.

It was reported from Manila on October 9 that a commission is engaged in reducing the number of municipalities in the different provinces of the islands, which will greatly reduce the expenses of the government.

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