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The Tariff Bill has been signed. The Currency Problem has been attacked with Major McKinley's usual vigor. The Country is Prospering and Going on to Prosper.

RULING ON TARIFF LAW.

Officials Hold It Went Into Effect Midnight Friday.

PROTEST MADE BY IMPORTERS.

They Must Settle on Basis of Increased Duties—Stamps to Continue to Oppose the Annexation of Hawaii to the United States.

WASHINGTON, July 27.—The secretary of the treasury holds that the new tariff in effect the beginning of the day on which it received the approval of the president, and, therefore, became operative after midnight of Friday, July 23. Assistant Secretary Howell today sent the following telegram to collectors of customs: "Department holds that new tariff law covers and includes all customs business of July 24."

Senator Allison was at the treasury department today and, in the course of a conversation on the subject, said that in his opinion there was no reasonable doubt that the act covered all of the day on which it became law. This is the contention of the commission of the treasury department, including the collectors of customs at the leading ports of the country. Statements on which to base a close estimate of the duties have not been received, but it is stated roughly that it probably will be between \$100,000 and \$200,000.

The Pacific coast seems all excitement over the gold fields of Alaska. Last Sunday 263 passengers left Seattle on the steamer City of Mexico for Dyea to seek their fortunes in the Klondyke. The ship also carried 1,800 pounds of freight, consisting almost entirely of outfits of the gold seekers.

PRESIDENT MCKINLEY on Saturday sent the expected message to congress on the money question, urging the appointment of a non-partisan commission who will command the confidence of congress because of their special fitness for the work, whose duty it shall be to make recommendations of whatever changes in our present banking and currency laws may be found necessary and expedient.

WHEN, hereafter, banks make application for public money, it ought to be with the understanding that publicity goes with the deposit. The public is entitled to know the location of every cent of public money. The breakdown of the bonding system leaves complete publicity the chief safeguard of city, county and state treasuries. When every custodian of public funds knows that he must make a monthly showing of his accounts, and that the penitentiary will be sure to receive him if he betrays his trust, there will be no more treasury troubles in Nebraska.—Lincoln Journal.

Fatal Boiler Explosion. DENTON, Tex., July 27.—In a boiler explosion at Horton Bros., three men were killed and nine other persons injured, two of whom will probably die. The boiler was an old one and had no safety valve. The engineer, name unknown, is supposed to come from East St. Louis. H. Dunham, George Crubnitz, Will Belts, Will Keith, Will Smith and four others were injured. The dead engineer had been remonstrated with several times for allowing his steam to get so high.

Arts Signed by President. WASHINGTON, July 27.—The president has signed these acts: Authorizing the president to give the consent or withhold duties imposed upon foreign vessels and commerce; requesting the president to make an investigation into the regie contract, by which certain European governments have created a state tobacco monopoly; to create the office of surveyor general of Alaska and for other purposes; to give the consent of congress to the compact between South Dakota and Nebraska respecting the boundary.

Methuen to Act For Alger. WASHINGTON, July 27.—Owing to the fact that he expects to leave the city with President McKinley on Wednesday, Secretary Alger has been compelled to decline an invitation to deliver an address at the dedication of a soldier's monument at Kane, Pa., on that day. Assistant Secretary Methuen will be asked to take the secretary's place on that occasion.

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LEGAL NOTICE. The Board of Supervisors in regular session July 25th, 1897, declared the following as a public road, viz: The road from the west end of section 17, town 18 N., range 18 W., and running north and south from the west end of section one-half mile and terminating at the creek road.

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