

TARIFF TREATY NOW SIGNED

Negotiations Between United States and China Reach Final Settlement. Means Establishment of 'Open Door' Compact Negotiated by F. S. Sharrretts, Who Briefly Informs State Department of Its Consumption on August 15.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—The State department has received a dispatch from F. S. Sharrretts, the treasury expert who was commissioned by the State department to negotiate a tariff treaty between the United States and China, that the treaty was signed on the 15th instant, and that he would sail for the United States on the first steamer.

The announcement contained in Mr. Sharrretts' brief dispatch to the State department brings to a successful conclusion, negotiations which have been in progress for many months for a tariff treaty between China and this country. It was stipulated as one of the features of the peace agreement between China and the foreign powers, at the close of the Boxer outbreak, that an entirely new fabric to the trade treaties should be made.

This carried out the purpose Secretary Hay had maintained throughout the preceding negotiations for an "open door," the desire being to open up foreign communications with the interior of China and thus gain access to the vast markets of the empire.

Following the conclusion of the peace arrangements, Mr. Sharrretts was selected to carry on the tariff negotiations in behalf of the United States. This selection was due to his long familiarity with tariff affairs, as he had assisted in the framing of recent tariff legislation before congress, and had also served as one of the general appraisers of New York. He went to China about a year ago, and has since been engaged in working out the details of a tariff agreement.

It was announced about a month ago that the British commissioner had concluded a tariff treaty with China, and it was understood at that time that the British treaty would serve as a basis for similar treaties with the United States and other foreign countries. The State department was advised at the time that the treaty imports into China 15 per cent, and the export duties 7 1/2 per cent.

One of the most important provisions of the British-China treaty was that abolishing the Likin tax. It is presumed that similar rates are made in the American treaty, and that the Likin tax is abolished as far as it relates to American goods in transit. The Likin tax has been one of the most burdensome exactions of the antiquated Chinese systems, as it was levied by the officials at various points through the interior, without uniformity, and often with less regard for the revenue than for the enrichment of the unscrupulous local officials. The abolition of the Likin tax will go far toward encouraging foreign trade and traffic in the interior of China.

Mr. Sharrretts' dispatch is dated at Shanghai, and does not go into details regarding the treaty. It is understood that the treaty was signed at Shanghai on the 15th instant.

LONDON, Aug. 18.—In a dispatch from Shanghai the correspondent of the Times says the protocol of the tariff treaty was signed yesterday (Saturday) by the British, American, German and Japanese representatives without reservation and by the Austrian, Belgian and Dutch representatives ad referendum.

This action, continues the Times correspondent, was principally due to the American commissioner (T. S. Sharrretts) desiring to conclude the business before returning to the United States.

PROMINENT SOUTHERNER DEAD

Colonel William A. Hemphill, Founder of Atlanta Constitution, Passes Away at His Home.

ATLANTA, Ga., Aug. 17.—Colonel William Arnold Hemphill, founder and for many years business manager of the Atlanta Constitution, died tonight at his residence on Peachtree street. He had been in somewhat feeble health for a number of months, but his condition was not regarded as serious until his death was a great shock to the entire city.

Colonel Hemphill was born in Athens, Ga., May 15, 1842. He was graduated from the State University of Georgia in 1861 and in the same year enlisted in the confederate army, fighting with conspicuous gallantry to the end of the war. He was severely wounded in the battle of Gettysburg.

Colonel Hemphill moved to Atlanta in 1867 and soon afterward founded the Constitution, of which he was one of the principal owners until January last, when he disposed of his interest in his paper. He served as an alderman of the city and president of the Capital City bank, the Atlanta Trust and Banking company and the Atlanta Street Car company. He had several times been prominently mentioned as the democratic candidate for governor of Georgia.

Colonel Hemphill was twice married, his second marriage taking place within the past year. He is survived by a widow, two daughters and three daughters. He was a communicant of the Methodist Episcopal church.

Hiram C. Lydick. TEKAMAH, Neb., Aug. 17.—(Special Telegram.)—A gloom was cast over this city this morning by a telegram from the President's hospital in Omaha, announcing the death of Hiram C. Lydick, who was taken there ten days ago for treatment. His remains arrived here at 8:30 p. m. today, and were met at the depot by a large number of his old friends and neighbors and escorted to the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. T. Shaw, where the funeral will be held at 3:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, and will be conducted by the local Grand Army post, of which he was a member.

Mr. Lydick was born in Knox county, Ohio, in 1840, came to Burt county, Nebraska, in June, 1867, a boy 17 years, full of energy and determination to make a home in this section, then the frontier. How well he succeeded can best be told by saying that he leaves his family about 3,000 acres of land in this county, free from incumbrance, besides a large amount of personal property. In 1882 he enlisted in the Second Nebraska cavalry, and was for some time stationed at Old Fort Kearney to protect settlers against Indians.

In the death of Mr. Lydick this county loses one of its most prominent and enterprising citizens. His home has always been on the farm, six miles northeast of Tekamah, on the Arisbon bottoms, which is one of the best improved in the county, where everything that could add to the pleasure and comfort of farm life was furnished. He leaves a wife, seven sons and two daughters.

Well Known Scientist Dead. CHEPESHIRE, Mass., Aug. 17.—George M. Hopkins, New York, aged 60, died here today. He was taken ill while in a street car last Friday, and death resulted from uraemic poison. Mr. Hopkins was a member of the staff of the Scientific American, and a well-known writer on scientific subjects. He was the author of the work "Experimental Science," a popular book on physics. The body will be taken to Albion, N. Y., for burial.

Prominent G. A. R. Dies. LA CROSSE, Wis., Aug. 17.—Captain H. C. Morris, commander of the First Grand Army of the Republic post in the United States, to be named after the late President McKinley, and one of the most prominent Grand Army of the Republic men of the state, died here today, aged 53 years.

COUNSELMAN TELLS NOTHING. Throws No Light on Bartholin-Mitchell Murder, Though Rigdly Examined. CHICAGO, Aug. 17.—Edward Counselman, who was arrested yesterday in connection with the Bartholin-Mitchell murder mystery, subjected to a rigid examination today by Inspector Hunt, but told nothing that would throw any light on the case.

POPE'S NAME DAY RECEPTION

Pontiff Figures Physician's Orders and Receives Many Sabbath Guests. PRELATE DISPLAYS MARKED VITALITY. Many Communications, Including Those from Emperor Francis Joseph and King Alfonso Received by His Holiness.

ROME, Aug. 17.—The pope is in such good health that it is thought not necessary to suspend the Sunday audiences, as has hitherto been the custom, in order to give the pontiff strength for a fatiguing ceremony such as the Great Name day reception of today. Dr. Lagnoni, the pope's physician, insisted, however, upon limiting the number of guests to 200 instead of the usual 500.

The efforts to obtain invitations to the Name day reception were so persistent and came from such high quarters that the pontiff, hearing of them, overruled his physician's advice and had an additional 100 guests included.

The innumerable letters and telegrams of felicitation received by the pontiff included communications from Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria and King Alfonso of Spain. The communication from the king of Spain was the first missive sent to his godfather by King Alfonso since his coronation.

The pope held the reception in his private library. He showed no signs of fatigue and spoke with almost every one present. He appeared to be unusually animated and recognized the Rt. Rev. Benjamin J. Kelley, bishop of Savannah, Ga., who was the only American present, immediately he perceived him. The pope said to Bishop Kelley: "I am glad to see you again before you leave."

Bishop Kelley told a representative of the Associated Press that he was astonished at the pontiff's vitality and brightness of mind. Upon his re-entering his private apartment the pope said: "It does not matter what Dr. Lagnoni says, I am better after each occasion of this kind."

The reception lasted for one hour. His holiness talked about the collapse of the Campanile di St. Mark's at Venice and expressed a wish to see the restoration of the roof of the Lateran palace before he died.

Among the telegrams of congratulation received by the pontiff was one of 20,000 words from the Catholics of Catania, Sicily. The receipt of this long message caused comment, as under the settlement with the Italian government all telegrams for the Vatican are accepted and delivered. In the course of a conversation the pope urged the building of a chapel to be dedicated to the Sacred Heart.

ONE THOUSAND REBELS SLAIN. Imperial Chinese Troops Attack Revolutionists and Execute Leader, Teng Yen Hung. PEKING, Aug. 17.—The victory of the Chinese reports that imperial troops attacked the rebel headquarters at Inchuan August 12. One thousand rebels were killed and their leader, Teng Yen Hung, was captured and executed.

Steamer's Crew Mutinies. MANILA, Aug. 17.—The native crew of the inter-insular steamer, Mis Homanca, mutinied at Fort Virac, island of Catanduanes, last Thursday. They murdered the chief engineer of the vessel and wounded the captain, the mate, the second officer and one of the passengers, many of whom are Spaniards. Members of the native constabulary went to the rescue of the ship's officers. They fired into the crew and killed three of them. Twenty-five of the crew surrendered and were jumped overboard and are believed to have drowned. During the fighting on the Mis Homanca, the steamer ran aground, but was subsequently floated.

Desires Alleged Betrothal. LONDON, Aug. 18.—A letter from Miss Gladys Deacon, daughter of Mrs. Edward Parker Deacon, appears in the London papers this morning, in which the writer asks the papers emphatically to contradict the rumor of an alleged betrothal between herself and Crown Prince Frederick William of Germany.

DANIEL FROHMAN IS HOME

Famous Theatrical Manager Returns with New Russian Musical Star, Gabriellowitch.

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Daniel Frohman, after ten weeks' absence in London, Paris, Bayreuth, Munich and Berlin, returned today on the steamer St. Louis. With his new musical star, the Russian pianist, Ossip Gabriellowitch, Mr. Frohman attended the Bayreuth Wagner festival.

Mr. Frohman's principal efforts while abroad have been in the direction of contracts for plays for the New Lyceum theater in this city, after the current season, when his new stock company is to occupy the house. For this he has already secured the rights to the play "The Day After Tomorrow," entitled "Captain Delpe," and a five-act play by Comyns Carr, author of "King Arthur." Both of these plays, by arrangement with the authors, are likely to have their production in New York during the current season.

Daly's theater here will this season be devoted entirely to musical comedy, the first one being "The Country Girl," which will be presented next month, probably the 15th.

Mr. Gabriellowitch opens his American tour at Worcester (Mass.) festival, October 2, with an orchestra of sixty Boston symphony players, under the direction of Franz Kneisel. Mr. Frohman found on his arrival that the forty appearances which he had contracted for had nearly all been cancelled, and he has accordingly Gabriellowitch, asking that he increase the number. October 31 and November 1 he opens the season for the Philadelphia Symphony orchestra.

Mr. Frohman has arranged with Mr. Bouvier of San Francisco for a Pacific coast engagement of twelve Gabriellowitch concerts early in the season, and there will be a short tour engagement in the spring, the tour closing probably with a trip in conjunction with a well-known musical organization through the country. Kneisel's return under Mr. Frohman's management in 1903.

SCHEMES FOR THE FILIPINO. A. Conant Believes Mortgage Bank Backed by Government Guaranty Would Be Beneficial to Islands. NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Some data regarding mortgage loan to small land holders under government supervision has been furnished to the Philippine islands, by A. Conant, who was in the Philippines last summer for the purpose of studying mortgage and banking conditions there.

Mr. Conant says it appears that mortgage loans to farmers, if properly guaranteed, would be successful, even under the conditions governing in Turkey, and that Lord Cromer is preparing to extend the system in Egypt. The National Bank of Egypt has already made loans of about \$2,000,000 in this character, but as it is a commercial bank is therefore in process of formation to engage in small mortgage and agricultural loans. The government is to guarantee dividends of 3 per cent on the capital, and is to employ the public tax revenues, if necessary, to collect the interest on loans.

Mr. Conant said today: "I have sent some information on this subject to the Philippine commission in the belief that they might find it useful if they intend to prepare such a plan for the Philippines, if such a plan succeeds in Turkey, it will be a great benefit to the sense of financial responsibility among these people to prevent serious conditions, it is obtained in the Philippines. I know that a bill has been introduced in congress very close to the heart of Governor Taft and Judge Igo.

It is already Spanish law in the Philippines permitting the creation of mortgage banks, but it apparently needs the consent of congress. There are many arguments to put a plan of relief for the small farmers in practical operation. Government aid is needed, but many problems before them that it will probably be some time before they can be solved. This, however, will be greatly to the benefit of the Philippines when they are able to borrow money with the aid of the best seed and with modern tools.

HELD FOR POLICEMAN'S DEATH. Four Men Arrested in Kansas City to Answer for Murder of Officer Stone. KANSAS CITY, Aug. 17.—Frank L. Stone, a police officer, died at his hospital, after a long illness, on Saturday, August 16. He was shot by one of four toughs whom he was trying to arrest at Riverview, a suburb across the line here in Kansas. Before he died Stone said that Pete Nugent had shot him. Pete Nugent, a brother of James Nugent; William H. Brown, a brother of Harry Brown, and one of the other three, were arrested and will be held for Stone's murder.

WHEAT HARVEST ABOUT OVER

South Dakota Farmers Have Golden Grain All in Shock. COOL WEATHER ASSISTS WORK GREATLY. Breezes Temper the Heat of the Sun and Thus Enable Farmers to Break Harvest Record of Many Years.

SIoux FALLS, S. D., Aug. 17.—(Special.)—Wheat harvest throughout the state is now practically completed, only a comparatively few fields of late sown wheat yet remaining uncut.

The weather during the height of the harvesting season has been ideal, being in marked contrast to the harvest season of last year, when thermometers registered from 100 to 105 degrees in the shade during the day, and hundreds of horses dropped dead in their tracks from the intense heat. One man lost his reason because of the excessive heat at that time and hundreds of others were prostrated.

At no time during this year's harvest was the temperature very much above 90 degrees in the shade, and during the greater part of the time it was much below this figure. Cool breezes every day tempered the heat of the sun and enabled farmers to rush their harvesting operations to such an extent as to break the records of many past years.

During nearly the whole of the past week harvest has been experienced over practically the whole of the agricultural portion of the state. This has proved of wonderful benefit to corn, flax, potatoes and other late crops, but has delayed the work of threshing and stacking in parts of the state where threshing had commenced and where stacking had not been completed.

Although frosts have visited the state each month so far this year with the exception of July, the season, generally speaking, has been a decidedly favorable one for the farmers of South Dakota. Crop Best in Years. The small grain is certainly the best for years. Owing to the recent heavy and soaking rains corn, with two weeks more of hot weather, will be out of danger in the southern part of the state.

It will, of course, take it longer than that to mature in the northern part, but there are those who still maintain that corn will yet make a good crop in northern South Dakota, where it had a very late start, owing to the unusually backward spring. According to reports received concerning the reported damage to corn and flax by the frost of the night of the 15th, the rains during the few days following the frost visitation have in many localities revived corn and flax which was thought to have been completely killed.

Some fields of corn in the northern and eastern parts of the state which were situated on extremely low ground were seriously damaged, but the rainy weather which continued up to Saturday has proved that the damage was far from general in any part of the state, only fields here and there having been seriously affected.

Threshing is completed in many localities. Owing to the value of the last few days more threshing will be done from the shock than had been anticipated earlier in the season. While the yield of oats, barley, rye and other grains is the best for years, interest naturally centers in the wheat production of the state.

In the tens of thousands of shocks and stacks which now thickly dot the entire agricultural portion of the state is contained the wheat which will a little later be exchanged for sums aggregating many millions of dollars.

WISHING RAIN WOULD CEASE

South Dakota Ranchmen Hoping that Present Rainy Season Will Soon End. PIERRE, S. D., Aug. 17.—(Special.)—Ranchmen are hoping that the rainy season for this year will soon come to an end. Last year it continued into September and as a result grass on the range was kept green until killing frosts came and it was spoiled as winter feed. They fear the same results this year again.

While the fall rains assure early grass in the spring, and bring a heavier hay crop, they have the disadvantage of spoiling winter range. Such seasons as last year and this year will mean that a supply of hay must be depended upon for winter feed instead of the open range, and this will mean smaller herds, as it is practically impossible to put up enough hay for the cattle in the larger herds, which are scattered over a scope of country larger than many of the eastern states, and could not be got to a central feeding point, even if the hay supply had been secured for them.

ARE AFTER SUPPLY OF GAS. Another Well to Be Sunk at Pierre in Endeavor to Secure Additional Quantity. PIERRE, S. D., Aug. 17.—(Special.)—At a meeting called for the purpose, yesterday, it was unanimously decided to sink another well at this city and increase the gas supply to a point where inducements could be offered to manufacturers to locate at this city. The present well which has just been completed by Messrs. Nicholson and Johnson, having proven to be such a success, the same outfit will no doubt be used in the sinking of the new well. While it is impossible to yet know what amount of gas is to be secured from the new well, it is estimated to be greater than from all the other wells in the city. A pall of water taken from the well and carried from the shed seethes with the escaping gas, and when a torch is applied burns for several minutes, with a hot flame before the gas in the well is exhausted.

South Dakota Incorporations. PIERRE, S. D., Aug. 17.—(Special.)—Articles of incorporation have been filed for the Rogus River Lumber company, at Armour, with a capital of \$100,000; incorporators, R. W. LaShier, C. E. Huston, E. P. Wanzar. The Brookings County Immigration company, at Volga, with a capital of \$25,000; incorporators, A. E. Whitney, W. H. Lohman, P. L. Schoet. The LaPortena Gold and Silver Mining company, at Pierre, with a capital of \$100,000; incorporators, Alfred Neuman, James Bamler, L. L. Stephens. The National Light Heat and Power company, at Pierre, with a capital of \$50,000; incorporators, William T. Crolsen, James W. Boy, S. V. Sanders. The Coffeyville Vitified Brick and Tile company, at Pierre, with a capital of \$60,000; incorporators, A. C. Stish, A. W. Shulters, L. L. Stephens.

News Notes from Huron. HURON, S. D., Aug. 17.—(Special.)—A. H. McGrew, for several years roadmaster on the Northwestern, between Hawarden and Oakes, has resigned and will soon go to Idaho to live. Fred Holten, who for several weeks has been engaged in drilling an artesian well at Edmond, near the east line of Beadle county, has abandoned the work which was being done on the R. S. Hannah place. The drill was put down 1,075 feet, and there being no indication that a flow of water would be reached, it was deemed advisable to cease work. This emphasizes the claim of Prof. Todd, state geologist, that the artesian basin does not extend to that point.

Good Season for Cattle. STURGIS, S. D., Aug. 17.—(Special.)—This has been the best season for cattle in the history of the western country, and the price of cattle and the early maturity of abundance of grass will result in the largest shipment of cattle known to the country. Meade county and the entire Black Hills are strictly in it. The crops are something wonderful, and as a result all are happy. Garlick Gets Contract. STURGIS, S. D., Aug. 17.—(Special.)—Edward Garlick has been awarded the contract to carry the mail between this city and Fort Meade. The contract starts today, and continues for four years. Mail has to be carried fourteen times a week. STREET CARS' DEADLY WORK. Two Persons Killed and Eight Injured in Sunday Accidents at St. Louis. ST. LOUIS, Aug. 17.—Two persons were killed and eight others were injured, one probably fatally, in two street car accidents here tonight. Charles Bronson, a grading foreman, was run down and killed as he was crossing the Olive street car track in the West End. A wagon containing a picnic party of eighteen young persons was struck by a Page avenue car and overturned. Harry King, aged 18, was killed; Kate Brown, aged 18, was probably fatally injured, and Patrick Brown, aged 17, was seriously hurt. The others received minor injuries. Gates Appears on the Scene. DENVER, Aug. 17.—John W. Gates and party arrived in Denver tonight on the depot Mr. Gates said he might issue a statement in regard to the Colorado Fuel and Iron strike, but he had no time to do so. He was driven to the Brown palace hotel and had a consultation with some of his Denver representatives. Afterward he told the reporters he had nothing to say and that he positively would not consent to an interview before tomorrow.

MINISTERS IN CONFERENCE

Fifteen Hundred Attend Eighth National Bible Session in Winona, Indiana. WILBUR CHAPMAN SCORES THE CLERGY. Director of Gathering Declares Inadequacies Prevalent in Churches of Today and Ministry is Injunctive Toward Latencies.

WARSAW, Ind., Aug. 17.—The eighth annual session of the national bible conference opened at Winona today with fully 1,500 ministers of various denominations in attendance. The opening sermon was preached by Rev. J. Wilbur Chapman, the director of the conference. The speaker lamented the condition of coldness prevalent in the churches of today. He also told the preachers that they were not preaching Christ and that in the ministry at present there seemed a general indifference toward ill-health.

This afternoon Rev. George Johnston Ross, pastor of St. Paul's church, Westbourne grove, London, preached his first sermon in the United States. He spoke on the "Glorious Christ" and took occasion to make a strong plea for reference in churches for the Savior whose features were neither like Jew nor gentile and who belonged to no sect or creed, but was for all men.

The hillside service, which corresponds with Northfield's "round top" meetings, was conducted by Rev. James Marshall, pastor of the Upper Clapton Baptist church, London. Rev. Mursell is an associate and collaborator of Rev. F. B. Meyer and is prominently identified with the Christian Endeavor movement in Europe. Nearly 3,000 persons attended this one service in the evening. The evening sermon was delivered by Rev. George Jackson, pastor of the Methodist tabernacle at Edinburgh, Scotland. The Sunday school had an attendance of 2,000, the largest in the history of the conference at Winona. At this meeting W. C. Hall of Indianapolis announced that a movement was on foot to make Winona the Sunday school center of the country by securing the annual meetings of the international committee, whose work is to arrange the Sunday school lessons for the world.

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