

TARIFF PROPOSALS.

Chamberlain's Scheme Is Attacked in Parliament.

NO CHANGE IN FREE TRADE POLICY.

Chamberlain of Exchequer Repudiates Trade Scheme—Unionists Vie With Liberals in Wanting an Out and Out Free Trade.

LONDON, June 10.—All the members of the government who contributed to the debate on the colonial secretary's tariff proposals vigorously declared themselves as free traders and rankly opposed Mr. Chamberlain's proposals.

Former members of cabinets and private members, irrespective of party, protested against any dickerings with Great Britain's fiscal policy.

All that was lacking in the complete rout of the protectionist cabinet minister was Mr. Balfour's official pronouncement as premier and on behalf of the government that the cabinet as a whole refused to adopt Mr. Chamberlain's views.

The debate was adjourned amid a sensation. Chancellor of the Exchequer Ritchie said he hoped Mr. Balfour would be able to give the house today a definite statement on behalf of the entire cabinet, though he could not promise it.

Upon the resumption of the debate Mr. Chamberlain's amendment to the budget bill, which is the cause of this sensational political crisis, will be taken up. Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman will demand the right of the Liberals to know the premier's attitude toward free trade before they support him in the repeal of the corn tax.

Mr. Chamberlain's amendment was scarcely made before it became a secondary consideration. Its defeat was assured. The fight, if such an undefeatable struggle could be so described, raged around Mr. Chamberlain. "Oil and vitrol" is the only adequate description of Sir Michael Hicks-Beach's speech, which started the revolt.

FRENCH SHIPS COLLIDE.

Over One Hundred Passengers and Crew Perish.

MARSEILLES, June 8.—A terrible shipping disaster occurred a little distance from this port when two passenger steamers, the Insulaire and the Liban, both belonging to the Fraissinet Steamship company of Marseilles, came into collision. The Liban sank, and over 100 of her passengers and crew perished.

The steamer Liban left Marseilles on her regular passenger trip to Bastia, Corsica, and was run down and sunk by the Insulaire off the Maitre Islands. The collision was witnessed from the pilot boat Blechamp, which was about two miles distant, and it immediately repaired to the spot to render assistance.

Many of the rescued were badly injured in the collision. The Insulaire sustained considerable damage to her bows, but managed to reach port safely.

PRESIDENT'S SUMMER HOME.

Oyster Bay Residents Will Celebrate His Arrival.

OYSTER BAY, N. Y., June 9.—The board of trade is making arrangements for a reception to President Roosevelt on a grand scale when he comes to his summer home. The main feature will be the singing of patriotic songs by school children.

Near the end of the month there will be a three days' celebration of the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the settlement of the village of Oyster Bay.

Good Shooting by Dr. Weller. OSSINING, N. Y., June 10.—The forty-fifth annual shooting tournament of the New York State association was begun here. The feature of the day was the shooting of Dr. Weller of Rochester, who made a perfect record, hitting twenty-five targets out of a possible twenty-five and thereby winning the Rupert silver cup.

Kansas City Asks For Help. BOSTON, June 10.—Mayor Collins of Boston has received a telegram from Mayor Craddock asking for relief for food sufferers of Kansas City, Kan.

WATSON IS ARRESTED.

Charged With Defrauding Government Out of \$60,000.

WASHINGTON, June 10.—James M. Watson, Jr., a clerk in the office of the auditor for the District of Columbia and the son-in-law of a wealthy retired railroad contractor, has been arrested on a charge of embezzlement of government funds. The amount is estimated at from \$20,000 to \$75,000. The warrant makes the specific charge of embezzlement of \$8,000, which represents only a portion of the alleged peculations. Watson was not bonded, and in case he or his relatives, several of whom are said to be wealthy, fail to make good the alleged losses Auditor J. T. Petty will be held responsible for the amount. The auditor's bond is for \$20,000. The money alleged to have been embezzled was part of the funds deposited in the office of the auditor by property owners who are willing to pay half of all costs of improvements abutting on their property, such as paving sidewalks, alleys and streets.

Watson was a joint publisher of a news bulletin issued in this city. In addition to running the paper, he owned a barber shop, which he has been trying to sell recently. He was the promoter of a patent medicine concern and the treasurer of what is known as the District Co-operative association, which takes in money from employees on deposit and lends it out again. Many of the officeholders at the District buildings are depositors in the association, turning the money over entirely to Watson and getting his personal receipt in tiny books resembling bank books. Several months ago Major Sylvester, the chief of police here, investigated Watson's record, and, it is stated, he found that Watson was sent to the Reform school while in his minority on a charge of forgery.

O'CONNOR'S ULTIMATUM.

Ameer of Figiut Must Come In and Submit.

BENI-OUNIF, Algeria, June 10.—During the day envoys from seven villages around Figiut came to make their submission to the French commander, offering to accept any terms. General O'Connor refused to receive them, saying he would only treat with the ameer or with the head men of the villages personally. As Figiut was independent and did not recognize the suzerainty of the sultan of Morocco, General O'Connor would only see those whose authority was recognized by each tribe.

The general is skeptical regarding the promise of surrender owing to the fanaticism of the population. The raising of the standard of a holy war by any chief would lead to the promises being repudiated. General O'Connor has decided to wait twenty-four hours, when if the head men have not made their submission he will resume operations. The inhabitants of Figiut are terrorized by the power of the French shells, which reduced the town to a mass of ruins, and they are particularly impressed by the fact that the French did not have a single man killed or wounded.

MISSOURI HAS RISEN.

High Water Has Barred Escape of Two Hundred Lowland Dwellers.

ST. LOUIS, June 8.—Like a mill race the swollen Mississippi is surging past St. Louis with a stage of 36.9 feet, making a rise of one and a half feet in the last six hours. The government forecast is that the rise will continue rapid until after midnight, and then for the next two days the stage will creep up slowly, probably reach thirty-two feet and begin to recede.

A levee near Madison on which gangs of men were working gave way, and fifteen men, employees of the American Car and Foundry works, lost their lives. About 150 men, it is reported, are imprisoned on a section of the levee that is slowly crumbling, and all means of escape have been cut off. Word has been sent to the St. Louis side to rush the private yacht Annie Russell to the rescue.

CLOUDBURST RUINS TOWNS.

Pacolet and Clifton Inundated and Many Lives Lost.

CHARLESTON, S. C., June 8.—By a cloudburst, followed by a tornado, ruin has been worked upon a great portion of what is known as the Clifton mill belt of this state. The storm, which occurred at an early hour Saturday, is believed to have destroyed at least \$4,000,000 worth of property and to have cost scores of lives. Railroad tracks have been washed away so that it is impossible to get complete news of the disaster.

The most conservative estimate of the dead is eighty. At Clifton alone 100 operatives are missing from the village, and all are believed to have been lost.

Train Wreck Near Louisville.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., June 10.—A passenger train on the Louisville and Nashville railroad from New Orleans to Cincinnati has been wrecked on Muldraugh's hill, thirty-two miles south of Louisville. John Keller of Louisville, the fireman, was so badly scalded that he died. Thirteen persons were injured.

Miss Fletcher's Prize Essay.

ITHACA, N. Y., June 10.—Miss Philena Belle Fletcher, a junior in the College of Architecture, has been awarded the Gullford essay prize of \$150 for the best essay. The subject was "The Social Life of a Crow."

Killed by Batted Ball.

BROCKTON, Mass., June 10.—While watching a baseball game Arvid Holmberg, ten years old, was struck by a batted ball over the heart and died in a few minutes from the injury.

GAUSS HAS ARRIVED.

German Antarctic Steamer Reaches Simonstown.

EXPEDITION WAS A GREAT SUCCESS.

A New Country Was Discovered and Named Emperor William II. Land. Expedition Brings No News of the Steamer Discovery.

SIMONSTOWN, Cape Colony, June 10.—The German antarctic steamer Gauss has arrived here and will remain about three weeks to refit and then will proceed homeward. The vessel shows outward signs of her experiences in the ice. The expedition has been a great success, and not a single casualty occurred among those on board throughout her stay in the antarctic regions. After sailing from Cape Town Dec. 7, 1901, the Gauss called at Kerguelen Island, where a party was landed. The vessel reached floating ice Feb. 14, 1902, and was icebound on Feb. 22 in latitude 66.30 and west longitude 90. The expedition discovered a new land, which they named Emperor William II. Land. It was covered with ice with the exception of an inactive volcano. The expedition was icebound here for almost a year, the ship being fast in pack ice. The crew went into winter quarters, and many scientific investigations were carried out during this period.

Several expeditions with dogs and sleighs left the winter quarters, but found the season too advanced, and their progress was hampered by fearful snowstorms and darkness. The Gauss made her way out of the ice with northward flowing currents, and, leaving the ice April 8 of this year, she proceeded to Durban, passing Kerguelen Island and calling at St. Paul and New Amsterdam Islands. The expedition enjoyed good health, and there was no sickness, accident or death among its members. Professor Drygalski speaks in the highest terms of the vessel both at sea and in the ice and as regards its equipment. There were enough provisions on board to last the expedition another two years.

The results of the expedition are briefly: The discovery of a new land in the polar circle and innumerable investigations of interest to scientists. Specimens will be sent on ahead to Berlin. The expedition did not sight the British antarctic expedition steamer Discovery, now icebound in the antarctic regions, nor the ship Morning which was sent to the Discovery's assistance.

HANNA-M'CORMICK NUPTIALS.

President Roosevelt's Train En Route to Cleveland.

CLEVELAND, O., June 10.—None of the relatives of Leon Czolgosz, the assassin of President McKinley, will be placed in jail during President Roosevelt's visit to Cleveland today to attend the marriage of Miss Ruth Hanna, daughter of Senator M. A. Hanna, to Joseph Medill McCormick.

While the president was on his western tour a brother of the assassin was placed in jail in Los Angeles as a precautionary step in the interest of the president's welfare. The Cleveland police think this step is unnecessary here, but members of the Czolgosz family will be kept under close surveillance during the president's stay.

The president's train arrived at Harrisburg, and during a five minutes' wait the engines and crew were changed. When the train pulled into the station the president was seated in the rear of the last coach reading. A small crowd quickly gathered on the outside and applauded. The president laid down his book, walked out to the platform and said: "Good evening, ladies and gentlemen. I am glad to be with you once again. It is a great pleasure, I assure you."

The president then left the car and shook hands with the crowd. He was surrounded by two secret service men, who kept the crowd in single file. After the president had shaken hands with about fifty persons the signal was given to start the train, and he quickly stepped on board the car and waved his hand to the spectators as the train pulled out of the station.

Standing of the Baseball Clubs.

Table with columns for League (National and American), Team, Wins, Losses, P.C., and Games Played.

Four Killed by Thunderbolt.

WOOSTER, O., June 10.—John Winkler, John Shook, S. E. Reban and Clark Fisher were killed by lightning near Sterling, Wayne county. The men were carrying a heavy timber on their shoulders when lightning struck the beam and tore it to splinters, killing the four men instantly.

Strawberry Crop Ruined.

HOOSICK FALLS, N. Y., June 10.—Gardeners report that the strawberry crop has been practically ruined by the drought, as the first yield was an entire failure. The recent rains did not last long enough to do any good. It is now very dry and intensely humid.

Aqueduct Commission Inquiry.

NEW YORK, June 10.—Mayor Low has begun an official investigation of the charges of the Merchants' association against the aqueduct commission. John G. Carlisle, former secretary of the treasury, will press the charges for the Merchants' association.

THE WELCOME RAINFALL.

Relief Comes at Last For Sun Dried Lands.

NEW YORK, June 8.—As a forerunner of the rainfall came the slight drizzle that settled over New York city yesterday morning, but the center of the trail of rain is in the direction of Syracuse and Rochester.

There was a very heavy rainfall in Detroit. Nearly three inches of rain descended, and the downpour continued late into the night.

Conditions are favorable for the first time in fifty-two days for relief from the drought that has proved so calamitous for New York, eastern Pennsylvania, New Jersey and New England.

The drought was broken at Hoosick Falls, N. Y., after lasting fifty-two days. Rain began to fall early yesterday afternoon, lasting long enough to give the farmers some relief and to encourage those who are replanting and trusting to late crops. It has come too late to save the grass upon which farmers depend for pasturage, as that growth was burned up weeks ago. The rain has helped to extinguish the forest fires in this vicinity.

Half an inch of rain fell in the Mohawk valley. None fell in the lower part of the Adirondacks where the fires are raging. In many churches throughout Orange and Sullivan counties special thanksgivings were offered for the rain which fell continuously. There is great rejoicing over the prospect of saving the crops.

For the first time in several days the sun was not obscured at Saratoga, N. Y., by smoke and ashes from the forest fires in the Adirondacks. A slight shower fell, and the indications point to more rain.

The long drought in the Glens Falls (N. Y.) section was broken yesterday afternoon. The smoke in the atmosphere cleared away almost entirely, and for the first time in several days blue sky was seen. Telephone messages received here from North Creek and from Newcomb state that there was no change in the forest fire situation. The wind was blowing and the fires spreading slowly, but the situation is not considered serious.

The long drought was partially relieved at Newport, R. I., by a rainfall lasting all day, being the first rain in several weeks. It will be of immense benefit to vegetation, which has everywhere suffered almost irreparable damage from the continued dry weather.

Rain fell plentifully nearly all day yesterday at Upper Montclair, N. J. Gardeners and residents generally were rejoicing at the seeming end of the long drought.

Considerable rain fell in the Adirondacks yesterday forenoon and last night. Preceding it the wind blew from the south for several hours, and, while it turned the flames in a new direction and away from valuable property endangered here, the strength of it caused some alarm. As rain had not fallen in fifty days to any appreciable extent, when it did come there was tremendous rejoicing.

Miss Steedman's Sudden Death.

BOSTON, June 10.—Unexpectedly and probably from heart trouble Miss Rosa McKean Steedman was found dead in her room in a Back Bay hotel. Miss Steedman was born in Philadelphia and was Rear Admiral Charles Steedman's eldest daughter. She had been much identified with social affairs here and in Newport, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington.

No Cake or Pie in Baltimore.

BALTIMORE, June 10.—The strike of bakers' employees continues, and several bread and confectionery stores have been compelled to close. Hotels and housekeepers generally are feeling the effects of the strike, as the bread production has been much reduced, and no cakes or pastry are being baked.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

Closing Stock Quotations.

Table listing various stocks and their closing prices, including items like Money on call, Prime mercantile paper, and various commodities.

New York Markets.

WHEAT—Neglected, but firmly held; Minnesota patents, \$1.25@1.30; winter wheat, \$1.25@1.30; winter wheat, \$1.25@1.30; winter wheat, \$1.25@1.30.

Live Stock Market.

CATTLE—Market steady; choice, \$5.00@5.50; prime, \$4.50@5.00; good, \$4.00@4.50; veal calves, \$2.75@3.00.

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THE MARKETS. BLOOMSBURG MARKETS. CORRECTED WEEKLY. RETAIL PRICES. Butter, per pound, 18; Eggs, per dozen, 16; Lard, per pound, 15; Ham, per pound, 15 to 16; Beef (quarter), per pound, 6 to 8; Wheat, per bushel, 1 00; Oats, do, 40; Rye, do, 60; Flour per bbl., 4.00 to 4.40; Hay, per ton, 16 00; Potatoes, per bushel, 75; Turnips, do, 12; Tallow, per pound, 40; Shoulder, do, 06; Bacon, do, 16; Vinegar, per qt., 05; Dried apples, per pound, 09; Cow hides, do, 37; Steer do, do, 05; Calf skin, do, 80; Sheep pelts, do, 75; Shelled corn, per bushel, 80; Corn meal, cwt., 2 00; Bran, cwt., 1 20; Chop, cwt., 1 40; Middlings, cwt., 1 50; Chickens, per pound, new, 12; do do old, 12; Turkeys, do, 18; Geese, do, 11; Ducks, do, 14; COAL, Number 6, delivered, do 4 and 5 delivered, do 6, at yard, do 4 and 5, at yard.

RECOVERED SPEECH AND HEARING. MRS. ELY BROS.—I commenced using your Cream Balm about two years ago for catarrh. My voice was somewhat thick and my hearing was dull. My hearing has been fully restored and my speech has become quite clear. I am a teacher in our town. L. G. Brown, Granger, O. The Balm does not irritate or cause sneezing. Sold by druggists at 50 cts. or mailed by Ely Brothers, 56 Warren St., New York. The following letters are held at the Bloomsburg, Pa., postoffice, and will be sent to the dead letter office June 23, 1903. Persons calling for these letters, will please say that they were advertised June 11, 1903. Mr. Charley Ashelman, Mr. John Brin, Mr. Bert Royal (3). One cent will be charged on each letter advertised. J. C. BROWN, P. M. Try THE COLUMBIAN a year.