



TO THE NEGRO.

AN EFFORT IN BEHALF OF HIS EDUCATION.

Distinguished Men in Attendance at the Mohonk Conference for that Purpose.

Er-President Hayes Made President of the Body—An Address Setting Forth the Aim.

The Deplorable Condition Prevailing in the "Black Belt" Deplored—Great Hopes of Good to be Accomplished—Reformed Presbyterian Denounce Secret Societies—Religious Meetings.

MOHONK LAKE, N. Y., June 4.—The negro conference was opened here this morning with a large number of distinguished men from all parts of the country present.

Er-President Hayes then made his opening address. He said: Ladies and Gentlemen: What was the thought—what are the facts—which led our good friends, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley, to invite to meet in this conference at their wonderfully attractive home? We do not need to go into a lengthy review of the past to find a sufficient answer to this question.

Upon the constitution and the laws of this nation and the conduct of their administration, the welfare of the negroes, like that of their fellow-citizens, largely depends. This wide area of duty and of their responsibilities, their moral and political status, it will be explored, investigated, discussed and dealt with by those who make and those who execute the laws, state and national, by the public press and by political parties.

With this view of the general aim and purpose of this conference, we are met at the threshold with the question: "What are the true conditions and needs of the negroes of the south?" No full answer can be given to this inquiry without more careful and extensive investigation than can be attempted in this brief conference.

I have referred to the most unfavorable reports as to the condition of the southern negro which intelligent and fair-minded people are prepared to believe. This is another and far brighter side to this picture, and it is full of encouragement.

BULLION REDEMPTION.

THE VOICE OF THE REPUBLICAN HOUSE CAUCUS.

That Feature Involves in a Compromise Measure Adopted After Hot Debate.

The National Bank Redemption Fund and Free Coinage at Parity Also Incorporated.

A Valiant But Hopeless Fight by Westerners for Silver's Full Rights—New York Importers Present Strong Arguments Against the McKinley Bill—Proceedings in the Houses of Congress—Items.

WASHINGTON, June 4.—The Republican representatives went into caucus immediately upon adjournment of the house this afternoon to consider the silver question. It had been announced in advance by the leaders that the caucus would be a conference rather than a formal caucus.

Representative Walker, of Massachusetts, submitted a proposition which in effect proposed a referendum of the bill back to the states and counties to be placed on a deposit of either metal at the market value.

SECRET SOCIETIES DENOUNCED. Reformed Presbyterians Think They Stand in the Way of Salvation. NEW YORK, June 4.—The Reformed Presbyterian synod met here today. The Rev. D. H. Condit, of Winchester, Kan., was elected moderator and R. J. Moore, of Kansas City, secretary.

THE NEW EPISCOPAL BISHOP. KANSAS CITY, Mo., June 4.—The diocese in convention did not hold this morning until the afternoon of the 4th inst. at the Missouri Hotel. Considerable discussion arose over the respective claims of the different candidates.

THE REFORMED CHURCH. ASHLEY PARK, N. J., June 4.—The eighty-fourth annual session of the general synod of the Reformed church in America began its sessions here this afternoon with 12 delegates present.

PROTESTS AGAINST THE TARIFF BILL. WASHINGTON, June 4.—A delegation of about 100 importers from New York City appeared today before the senate committee on finance to protest against the passage of the McKinley tariff bill.

WORK BY THE SENATE.

WASHINGTON, June 4.—A resolution was agreed to by the senate this morning for the management of the 5th congressional office.

The presiding officer announced as the select committee on the bill for the publication of the reports of the United States Messrs. Edmunds, Sherman, Blair, Dolph, Bristow, Gilman and Harbaur.

ARID LANDS. The Attorney General Delivers an Important Opinion. WASHINGTON, June 4.—The secretary of the Interior announced this morning by telegram an opinion by the attorney general constraining the act of October 3, 1888, which appropriated the sum of \$30,000 for investigation of the arid lands.

PENSIONS FOR KANSAS. WASHINGTON, June 4.—Mr. Osborne, of Pennsylvania, presented the conference report on the army appropriation bill. After some debate over the tentative clause it was agreed to Mr. Morrill, of Kansas, reported a disagreement of the conference committee on the senate department pension bill.

ILLINOIS DEMOCRATS. SPRINGFIELD, Ill., June 4.—The Democratic state convention of Illinois opened today at the Hotel Lincoln.

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TENNESSEE PROHIBITIONISTS. NASHVILLE, Tenn., June 4.—The state prohibition convention met here this morning at 10 o'clock.

THE ROCK ISLAND RIGHT-OF-WAY. WASHINGTON, June 4.—Senator Plumb's bill to enable the Chicago, Kansas & Nebraska railway to transmit its right-of-way through the Indian territory to the Rock Island road, which was introduced yesterday, will be passed promptly through the committee by the senate.

ALL ARRANGED.

THE SEVENTH CONGRESSIONAL CONVENTION.

Dodge City on July 30 the Time and Date Fixed by the Committee.

One Delegate for Each 300 Votes for Peters the Basis of Representation—The Proceedings.

Little Discussion Needed to Arrange the Details—A Full Ticket Nominated by the Harper Alliance—Congressman Springer Re-Nominated by Acclamation—Political Items.

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DELIVERY BY EXPRESS COMPANIES.

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THE STATES CROPS. The Report Issued from the Agricultural Department. TOPEKA, Kan., June 4.—Secretary Moberly of the agricultural department, issued the following crop report today.

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FILIBUSTERS CONFESS. SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., June 4.—E. C. Foster, general agent of the department of justice, is still investigating the filibustering scheme against Lower California. He has secured confessions from two of the filibusters prominently connected with the scheme that confirm the essential correctness of the exposure as published in the visible supply estimate.

DRILLING OCCUPIED THE DAY. KANSAS CITY, Mo., June 4.—Competitive drilling occupied the entire day of the interdenominational meeting. Battery B, of Kansas City artillery class, drilled for an hour this morning and were followed by the Muscular rifle (main) class. This afternoon the drills of the Aurora groves and the Lincoln groves, the latter a Kansas City company, the British guards, of the city and Company A, Third regiment, K. G. O. of the city, drilled.

HUGE CLAIM.

MRS. BICKROY COMMENCES LEGAL PROCEEDINGS.

Wichita Property to the Amount of a Quarter of a Million Involved.

Suit Instituted to Secure Possession of the Property Once Owned by J. A. McMurdy.

Sensational Allegations Setting Forth Abandonment by Her Husband, Illegal Divorce Proceedings, Unlawful Marriage and Consequent Invalid Transfer of the Real Estate.

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