

ALEXANDRIA GAZETTE AND VIRGINIA ADVERTISER.

FROM WASHINGTON.

[Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.]
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Russia's announcement of her determination hereafter to act alone in China increases the anxiety of the situation and is regarded as regrettable for this reason. Her withdrawal from the concert of the powers is accepted here as the official confirmation of the frequently repeated rumors that Li Hung Chang had promised to give the Czar the province of Manchuria in return for his assistance in getting China out of her scrape with the other powers. The official inspired dispatch which falls of Russia's change of attitude says: "Russia is disposed to attach less value to joint action since her interests have been fully secured by the successful campaign in Manchuria."

That Russia's attitude is fraught with danger for future peace is the opinion of a high official of the State department who said this morning: "It means, primarily, that the Czar proposes to resign the territory now held by his troops. He thus becomes the first to break the agreement of the powers that the integrity of the Chinese Empire should be preserved. It means that Chinese diplomacy at a heavy cost has succeeded in breaking the concert of the powers, and affords an insight into what passed at the conference between Li Hung Chang and the Russian minister at Peking. It means that Russian influence will predominate on the side of China and will be exerted in her behalf in securing moderate terms of peace from the other nations. And, finally, it means delay in the peace negotiations, greater probabilities of discord among the powers, a strengthening of the hands of China, an increased danger of war. From any point of view, Russia's attitude, as formally announced today, cannot but be regarded as most unfortunate for the cause of future peace."

The text of the Chinese Emperor's letter of thanks to President McKinley for his moderate attitude of this government and its efforts to bring about the speedy initiation of peace negotiations was not made public this morning. It is understood that a reply will be framed and that it and Kwang Hsu's letter will then be published together. Officially, the State department affects not to believe the report from St. Petersburg that Russia intends to withdraw from the concert of the powers. The department has received no information from official sources confirming the report and it therefore forces to rely upon the assurances given heretofore by the Czar's government that it does not intend to hold Manchuria and will continue to act in concert with the other nations in China. There is no doubt, however, that the report has occasioned much anxiety, as foreshadowing a general rupture of the friendly alliance that is now seeking to restore order in China.

President McKinley this morning received the members of the New England Cotton Manufacturers' Association. Several amusing incidents occurred while the President was shaking hands with the visitors. One gentleman grasping the hand of the President said: "I am going to vote for you." His wife looked on when the President bowed and said in a loud and clear voice: "I would, too, if I were a man."

Armor plate purchases will be delayed until after election without much doubt. Reports that a compromise had been reached between the administration and the Carnegie and Bethlehem companies are denounced by Secretary Long as "guesses, very good as guesses, but not correct." The Secretary will leave very soon for Colorado Springs, Colorado, to visit his two daughters there, making two or three campaign speeches on the trip, probably at Colorado Springs and Denver and perhaps one other place. He will not return to the east until the time to cast his vote.

Having obtained the long coveted possession of Manchuria and the valuable port of Niuchwang at the head of the Liao-Tung gulf, the Russia Bear withdraws from further measures and abandons the cause of the allies.

It is said here today that every employee of the government who could be induced to promise that he would cast a republican ballot has been sent to his old home, free of cost, to register and vote at the coming election, and that the public service has been no little improved thereby.

It is intimated at the Postoffice Department that Mr. Rives may as well withdraw his application for the postmastership at Charlottesville. Though the former postmaster died several months ago, and though his appointment has been recommended by the republican committee of his State, it has not yet been considered by either the Postmaster General or the President, and probably never will be the former, in consequence of the impolitic letter he received from Mr. Rives.

Stocks were quoted here as steady today and wheat, corn and cotton as weak.

Minister Wu announced this morning that he had received a message informing him that the Imperial Court which left Peking in the province of Shansi for Singan-fu in the province of Hensi, had arrived at Tung-Kuan on October 14.

The change in the treatment Mr. Bryan receives from the New York Herald today, is said by some people here to indicate that the paper will soon be lending the little influence it has left, to the election of the national democratic ticket. The Herald always tries to be on the winning side and it is supposed that the immense crowd of Bryan men Mr. Bennett saw last night, induced him to imagine that men yet count for more than money.

Mr. G. J. Foster of Fredericksburg, an ex-convict under a republican administration, and an ex-member of the Massachusetts legislature, will speak at a meeting of the Virginia democratic association of this city on the 20th inst. Professor Works of Alexandria county and Mr. George Hiden, Congressman Rixey's secretary, are also booked for speeches at meetings of the same association.

J. L. Costas was appointed postmaster at Onyx, Hanover county, Va., today, vice Ida B. Costas, dead.

The weather bureau issued a special warning bulletin this morning announcing heavy frost tonight over the Ohio Valley and eastern Tennessee and over the Atlantic States from Maine to northern North Carolina.

Rev. Joseph W. Murphy, an Episcopal clergyman of Hillsboro, N. C., died on the operating table at the Emergency Hospital today. He was 65 years old and has a brother living in Washington with whom he was stopping.

HUMBERT'S WIDOW RETIRES.—A dispatch from Rome says: Queen Margherita, Dowager Queen of Italy and widow of King Humbert, has retired from the world. Before doing so she distributed her personal possessions in various ways, and this task has just been completed. Her 300 magnificent costumes have been apportioned among her friends. Immediately after King Humbert's funeral she went to the museum at Florence the emperor's widow made so fine an exhibit at the Chicago exhibition that the jewelry has been given to her relatives. The young Queen Helena has received Margherita's royal diadem, valued at nearly \$200,000.

MR. BRYAN IN NEW YORK.

In enthusiasm and magnitude the reception given to William J. Bryan, the democratic candidate for President, and Adlai E. Stevenson, the democratic candidate for Vice President, by the democrats of Greater New York last night easily surpassed any political demonstration that had ever occurred in this country. The total number of those who heard Mr. Bryan was fully 45,000.

Richard Croker called the Madison Square Garden meeting to order. Mayor Van Wyden was the honorary president. Edward M. Shepard, a leading gold democrat, presided. At the other meetings Tammany men who gave the ticket only a half-hearted support four years ago were prominent as masters of ceremonies. The example of the leaders was infectious. There was real enthusiasm for Bryan that the downpour of the late afternoon could not dampen and that the rainbow just before sunset rendered all the more keen.

Edward M. Shepard, as the chairman of the Madison Square meeting, tried to make a long speech, explaining that imperialism was the paramount issue. The audience permitted him to talk for just 10 minutes, and then shut him off with shouts for Bryan. The attempt to read resolutions was almost a failure. Cries for Bryan drowned the voice of the reader. "Bryan! Bryan!" thundered thousands of voices, and none could say them of force. In his four speeches of the night Mr. Bryan dealt with the questions of trusts, militarism and imperialism. He declared that the trusts were grinding the poor, undermining society and threatening the republican form of government. He accused the republicans of fostering trusts and taking no action against them. He promised, if elected, to crush them by squeezing every drop of water out of the stock. He lambasted Hanna for saying there was no trust and Roosevelt for harping on the ice trust. If there were no trusts why should the republicans talk about an ice trust? If there was an ice trust why did not Roosevelt remain at his post and compel it to dissolve? The policy of having a large standing army was attacked vigorously. Mr. Bryan declared his belief that if militarism was not suppressed by his election the present policy would result in the building of forts near all the large cities for the purpose of overawing the workingman.

Mr. Bryan was applauded with wild enthusiasm, and comments made by his hearers during his pauses showed that his audiences were with him. A feature of all his meetings was the absence of any interruption from persons who did not agree with his views. He was given a respectful hearing and no attempt was made to embarrass him with questions.

The other speakers at the meetings were Adlai E. Stevenson, candidate for Vice President; John B. Stauchfield, candidate for governor; William F. Mackey, candidate for lieutenant-governor; Webster Davis, of Missouri, who was recently Assistant Secretary of the Interior under McKinley, and Mayor Jones, of Toledo.

The resolutions passed by the throng in Madison Square Garden welcomed to the metropolis and to the State the intrepid and steadfast leader of the national democracy, William Jennings Bryan, and pledged to his candidacy for the Presidency of the United States their enthusiastic and invincible support.

Adlai E. Stevenson, candidate for Vice President, was given a similar endorsement. The platform of the Kansas City convention was approved; imperialism denounced; also large standing armies and foreign entanglement; sympathy for the Boers; opposition to trusts; and inveighed against the action of the republicans in attempting to buy the presidency with a fund raised by corruption.

The effect of the demonstration will be to aid the democratic cause greatly. It will convince Mr. Bryan's supporters all over the country that the New York democrats are making a marvelous effort to carry the State. It will reveal to democrats in New York and elsewhere that a fight of a stubborn character is on in the East, a thing they have never much disposed to doubt.

Mr. Bryan attended a conference of democratic leaders in eastern states in the afternoon. Richard Croker, secretary of Mr. Bryan that New York's electoral vote will be given to him. Democratic leaders from New Jersey told Mr. Bryan that he would carry that State. Mr. Bryan said he would be elected even if he failed to carry New York and New Jersey. He is visibly encouraged by his welcome in New York.

Mr. Bryan was saved from injury by a policeman just after he concluded his last address at Cooper Union last night. A big mirror, one of the big dozen which are suspended at the top of the stage, was broken by the rush of people who surrounded Mr. Bryan and toppled above his head. The policeman, with a suddenness which startled Mr. Bryan, thrust his hand over the Nebraska's shoulder and kept the mirror in place until Mr. Bryan had passed.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

The Census Bureau up to yesterday had paid \$3,419,378.75 to enumerators.

It is estimated that the orange crop in Florida will amount to 1,000,000 boxes.

Ex-Senator David B. Hill addressed an immense audience in Indianapolis last night.

An exploring party reports the discovery of an immense field of coal near Cape Sabine, on the Arctic coast of Alaska.

Ex-Gov. William Pinkney Whyte, of Maryland, will speak with Mr. Bryan at Music Hall, Baltimore, next Tuesday night.

On October 13, the Boers attacked Mahon's force and inflicted severe loss on the British. Fifty Boers were captured near Kimberley October 14.

Frank Hardeman, a tramp negro, was lynched at Wellston, Ga., yesterday, charged with assaulting Mrs. B. H. Pierson, wife of a Baptist minister.

Queen Wilhelmina of the Netherlands has proclaimed her betrothal to Duke Henry of Mecklenburg-Schwerin. The marriage will take place next spring.

The Comptroller of the Currency has prepared applications under the act of March 14, 1900, for the organization of 488 new national banks, with an aggregate capital of \$23,505,000.

A storm yesterday afternoon struck Newark, N. J., with frightful force, and caused the death of three men, fatal injuries to at least two others, and seriously injuring three more.

Among the passengers who arrived at Victoria, B. C., yesterday was Baroness von Kettler, widow of the German minister murdered at Peking, and daughter of H. B. Ledyard, of Detroit.

The report that the Dowager Empress Frederick was married last spring to Baron Seckendorf, who was Hofmeister under Emperor Frederick, has been revised in Berlin since her illness, and is now accepted as true.

A dispatch from Constantinople says: In the Darbekir district the Kurds have razed a number of Christian and Musselman villages. Troops have been sent to punish the raiders. The tribal possessions among the Kurds have become very serious, and the authorities are greatly concerned.

An explosion of rubber cement in the basement of a four-story building in Detroit, Mich., resulted in a fire which cost the lives of two men and injured eight other persons, three of whom were girls. The fire spread with such rapidity that the employees were compelled to jump from the upper stories.

Jerry Rice and Gilbert Rynoolds, two young men who were confined in the House of Correction at Radland, Va., escaped Monday night and took with them the prison bloodhound used to trail fugitives. They got out while the other prisoners were at supper by springing a bar in one of the corridor windows. They cut the dog's throat in the woods and escaped.

A conference of operators and representatives of the various coal carrying railroads was held at the office of the Reading Company in Philadelphia yesterday evening to consider the strike question. After the conference one of the conferees said the strike may last for some days. It is reported in New York that the coal companies would this week recognize the demands of the strikers. Officials, however, did not confirm the reports.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

The Miners.
Scranton, Pa., Oct. 17.—Nothing has yet developed here since the convention adjourned last Saturday in the way of settling the strike. Each side is waiting for the other to lead. No effort has been made to start up any of the mines here, although permission to do so has been asked by the proprietor of a small concern which supplies coal for some of the public schools. It is thought this request will be granted this week by the miners' union.

Shamokin, Pa., Oct. 17.—Repairs are being rushed in all the local collieries and though the officials refuse to be interviewed, it is evident they are making preparations for a resumption of work. Mules for the Reading collieries are being gathered close to the several mines, the pumps are being run full force, and it is stated that actually every colliery would be now able to resume operations in a day's notice.

Philadelphia, Oct. 17.—The conference at the Reading Terminal has acceded to the demands of the miners and the strike will now be declared off.

The following statement was issued by the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Co. at 2 p.m.: "This company hereby withdraws the notice posted October 3rd, and to bring about practical uniformity in the advance of wages in the several coal regions, gives notice that it will suspend the operation of the sliding scale, and will pay ten per cent. advance on September wages until April 1, 1901, and thereafter until further notice, and will take up with its mine employes any grievances which they may have." This practically ends the strike.

Philadelphia, Oct. 17.—At one o'clock this afternoon it was semi-officially stated that the conference at the Reading Terminal had acceded to all the demands of the miners and that the end of the great strike was at hand. The representatives of the anthracite coal mining and carrying companies met again in the office of the Reading Railway company this morning to continue the conference regarding the strike. None of the operators would state specifically what the obstacle to a settlement of the strike was. They hinted that what was acceptable to one company would not be to another, located in a different section of the hard coal region. This difference of opinion, it was said at first feared, would prolong the illness of the miners for a considerable period. The Reading and Lehigh companies at the beginning of the conference absolutely refused to grant the demand of the miners that the sliding scale be annulled and a per diem wage of \$2.15 be paid miners for time worked throughout the coal fields. This is done in the Lackawanna and Wyoming valleys. The Lehigh and Schuylkill valleys have men receive ten and fifteen cents a day less than this rate, and the operators say they were satisfied until agitated by the labor leaders. Another point upon which there was a division of settlement was: How can the operators yield to the demand of the miners without practically acknowledging the mine workers as a labor organization?

Foreign News.

Berlin, Oct. 17.—The rumor is current in political circles that Chancellor von Hohenlohe will shortly resign from office. It is also reported that the Kaiser will open the Reichstag next month in person and that he will read a message dealing chiefly with the situation in China.

Berlin, Oct. 17.—It is announced that Prince Hohenlohe had really tendered his resignation from the chancellorship and that the Emperor will accept it. The action of the chancellor is understood to be due to the fact that the Emperor had ignored him in the recent deliberations on China. Among those mentioned as his possible successor are Prince Philip von Eulenburg, Count von Buelow, or Prince Hohenlohe-Langenburg, Stadthalder of Alsace-Lorraine.

London, Oct. 17.—Lord Roberts reports several skirmishes, in which altogether 13 Boers were killed. He also reports that a British detachment which encountered the Boers was forced to retreat losing three killed and four wounded. Tunis Botha, brother of the Boer commander-in-chief, has surrendered at Volksrust.

London, Oct. 17.—Truth announces that Emperor William will be crowned King of Prussia on January 1, at Königsberg. The Prince of Wales and the Duke of Connaught will represent England at the ceremony. The Kaiser intends to make the event one of the most notable of his reign. The occasion will be marked by feasts lasting for days.

Rome, Oct. 17.—The Pope today received and blessed a party of English pilgrims who brought a Peter's pennant of 1,200 pounds.

Rescued by Life Savers.
Highland Light, Mass., Oct. 17.—The schooner General Sheridan from Perth Amboy, N. J., for Boston struck about 10 o'clock last night on a bar off this point during a gale. As quickly as possible, the coast guard from both the Highland and Fairport river life saving stations after very great exertions hauled their gear to the beach at a point opposite the stranded craft. It was deemed inexpedient to launch the life boats in the storm and inky darkness and the mortar was brought into requisition to blow a life line out to the vessel which was fast going to pieces. After several attempts the line landed upon the wreck and was made fast after which began the hazardous task of bringing the exhausted seamen to land in the breeches buoy. By daylight the last man of the crew of five had been brought to shore. The General Sheridan was by that time almost completely broken up. She is a total loss.

Catbarn, Mass., Oct. 17.—The north-east gale continues with unabated fury to noon today. Half a dozen schooners are in distress at various points of shore. There is every indication of a collision in the darkness last night between two large schooners, one of which is at the bottom, perhaps with all hands drowned. A large schooner sunk of Pollock Rip Shoal, and this appears to be the most serious disaster so far. It is believed that her crew perished. It is thought that a schooner in a critical condition near Snowfall wharf was in collision with the vessel which is sunk.

The Situation in Hina.
Hong Kong, Oct. 17.—The anti-dynastic rebels in the Hinnerland are concentrating at Pao Ma, 40 miles north-west of the British frontier and are preparing to join the East river rebels. Admiral Ho's imperious troops will start in pursuit of them today.

Peking, Oct. 15.—Li Hung Chang and Prince Cing deny any knowledge of the existence of an imperial edict recently issued and ordering the punishment of certain Chinese officials. The document is now believed to have been a forgery designed to prevent further aggressive operations on the part of the powers.

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ELEPHANTIC BREVITIES.

Charles C. Everett, professor and dean of the Harvard College divinity school, died this morning at his home in Cambridge, Mass.

The critical illness of ex-Secretary John Sherman, who has been falling for ten days past, is announced in Washington. A general break down is only a question of a few days, physicians say.

At Frankfort, Ky., yesterday Governor Beckham approved the only election bill passed during the extra session. The law has an emergency clause and goes into effect immediately. The law repeals no part of the Goebel law, but it adds to the constitution the law provides severe penalties for violation of election laws and otherwise safeguards around the voter.

A road-end freight collision occurred on the Lebanon Valley branch of the Reading Railroad near Economy, Pa., at 3 o'clock this morning. Conductor Anstetter was in the caboose of the first freight, was instantly killed.

The first snow storm of the season swept over the Adirondacks last night. At Dannemora, N. Y., and at Otsego Lake, the ground was covered to the depth of two inches.

MONETARY AND FINANCIAL.

New York, Oct. 17.—The stock market opened quiet and prices showed no important tendency. The trading element took profit believing that a reaction was in the air, and some lines of short stock. The Southern Railway shares showed further activity. Some speculation severe reaction followed the initial decline and prices began to improve.

WHOLESALE PRICES IN ALEXANDRIA

Flour Extra	2.75	4.00
Family	3.50	4.50
Fancy brand	4.00	4.80
Wheat flour	0.72	0.74
Mixed	0.70	0.73
Com. mixed	0.72	0.74
Damp and tough	0.60	0.65
Corn, white	0.51	0.53
Yellow	0.50	0.52
Corn Meal	0.40	0.43
Oats, mixed	0.45	0.50
White	0.33	0.32
Butter, Virginia, packed	0.19	0.20
Choice Virginia	0.21	0.22
Cottonseed oil	3.20	3.24
Eggs	0.18	0.20
Beef, hind quarters	0.74	0.82
Fore quarters	0.4	0.5
Live Chickens (hens)	0.8	0.9
Veal Calves	0.09	0.10
Pork	0.24	0.26
Potatoes, Va., bush	0.35	0.40
Sweet Potatoes, bbl.	1.50	1.75
Onions, per bush	0.50	0.55
Dried Peaches, peeled	0.74	0.8
Eye Raisins	0.18	0.20
Sugar Syrup	1.40	1.50
Herring, Eastern, per bbl.	6.00	7.00
Potatoes No. 1	2.75	3.00
Potatoes Family No. 2	4.00	4.50
Do. No. 3	2.00	2.20
Do. No. 4	1.00	1.10
Wackerell, small, per bbl.	15.00	18.00
No. 3 medium	22.00	24.00
No. 2	24.00	25.00
Plaster, ground, per ton	4.50	5.00
Do. in bags	5.00	5.50
Lump	6.00	7.00
Clover Seed	6.00	6.00
Timothy	2.65	2.80
Old process Lined Meal	5.00	5.20
Salt—C. A.	0.65	0.70
Port Wine	0.90	1.25
Turk's Island	1.00	1.00
Wool—long, unwashed	0.18	0.18
Washed	0.24	0.25
Merino, unwashed	0.14	0.15
Do. washed	0.20	0.22
Cottonseed Meal	9.00	10.00
Hulk	6.50	8.00
Cotton Seed Mixed Feed	12.00	12.00
Sunflower	7.00	7.00
Hay	15.00	17.00
Do. No. 1	15.00	17.00
Do. No. 2	14.50	16.00
Wharf Middlings	15.00	16.00
White Middlings	16.00	17.00
Unpeeled	8.00	8.00
Dried Cherries	0.8	0.8
Spiced Raisins	0.8	0.8
Cheese	1.10	1.10
Best sugar-cured hams	12	12
Butter's hams	12	12
Breakfast Bacon	11.00	12
Sugar-cured shoulders	8	8
Bulk shoulders	7	7
Dry Salted	6	6
Fat Backs	6	6
Bellies	6	6
Smoked shoulders	0	8
Smoked sides	0	8
Lard	0	8
Smoked Beef	0	8
Beef—Brown	0	5
Off A.	0	5
Corn standard	0	6.00
Granulated	0	6.10
Do. No. 1	0	6.10
Do. No. 2	0	6.10
Do. No. 3	0	6.10
Do. No. 4	0	6.10
Do. No. 5	0	6.10
Do. No. 6	0	6.10
Do. No. 7	0	6.10
Do. No. 8	0	6.10
Do. No. 9	0	6.10
Do. No. 10	0	6.10

YOUTSEY'S TRIAL.

Georgetown, Ky., Oct. 17.—Judge Cantrell convened court in the Younsey case at 9 o'clock this morning. Younsey's condition, despite yesterday's experience, is better today. A consultation of physicians was held this morning after which Dr. Knox said: "Younsey is better this morning. He slept well last night and made no demonstration whatever. The story that the prisoner is suffering from lockjaw is false. He took nourishment this morning, and his condition is much improved." Long before court convened people began coming to the court house. The number of women is larger than at any previous time. The fact that Jim Howard, condemned to hang for Goebel's murder, is to testify attracted the crowd. The first witnesses called were Dr. John Mahaffey of Surgo, Ky., and William Lewis Hayden of Leslie county. Both testified that they saw Berry Howard and W. H. Culton in the House of Representatives when the shot that killed Goebel was fired. Arthur Goebel had testified that Younsey had told him he met Berry Howard and others in the Secretary of State's office before the shot was fired.

BRYAN'S NEW YORK TOUR.

New York, Oct. 17.—Colonel W. J. Bryan came aboard his car at 8:55 o'clock today accompanied by Richard Croker and other democratic State leaders of New York. He was in splendid spirits after a night of hard work. The train pulled out at 9 o'clock. Bryan's car was decorated with flags and banners under the direction of the democratic State committee.

Yorkers, N. Y., Oct. 17.—The special train bearing the democratic presidential candidate arrived here on schedule time. About 5,000 people had gathered about the station to greet Mr. Bryan. A rousing cheer opened the reception, this being followed by bursts of applause at intervals during Bryan's speech. The candidate spoke briefly, leaving the train he passed through the train shed and delivered his address from the front of the station. The crowds surged about the train when it started to pull out and many grasped Bryan's hands. The candidate was nearly dragged from the platform before the enthusiasts got off.

BURNED IN A DEATH TRAP.

New York, Oct. 17.—Eight people were either burned to death or suffocated in a fire in a three story frame double tenement house, on Hester street, at 2 o'clock this morning. Of Charles Fass' family of six only his wife and his four year old girl survive and are alone.

Fass threw the child out of a second story window and Policemen Hunt caught her. Then Fass escaped. Mrs. Anna Howitt met a horrible death. Her night robe caught fire and she was burned to death on the fire escape in sight of an immense crowd. Fire men and policemen made desperate efforts to save her, but the flames drove them back and she had to be left to her fate. Policeman Fitzgerald rescued two persons overcome by smoke. The fire is believed to have been of incendiary origin. The house in which the calamity occurred was a ramshackle frame building which for many years had been a landmark on the East side. It was built more than fifty years ago, and for a long time had been considered a fire trap.

THE MARKETS.

Chicago, Oct. 17.—The market closed following: Wheat—May \$3.85; Dec. \$3.75; Oct. 17.—Wheat 68-71.

How Are Your Kidneys?
Dr. Hobb's Spargan's Pills cure all kidney ills. No price free. Add: Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago, Ill.

This is the season when mothers are alarmed on account of cough. It is quickly cured by Hobb's Cough Cure, which children like to take.

A CARD.

To the Editor of the Alexandria Gazette:
I read in yesterday's Gazette in the report of the meeting of the Fire Wardens that was re-elected as secretary. That was incorrect. I resigned the position of secretary, but was requested to act in that position at the next regular meeting of the board.
S. CUVILLIER, Jr.
Alexandria, October 17.

The best method of creating the liver the use of the famous little pills known as Dr. Williams' Little Blue Pills. Easy to take. Never grills.

BAGS LIMA BEANS just received by J. C. MILBURN.

Howard M. Giles, 75 years old, a member of the firm of Watson, Foster & Giles, dropped dead on an elevated train in New York this morning. Giles was a millionaire, lived at Edge, N. J. He remained in to last night to attend the Bryan demonstration and remained over night at the home of a friend up town. He died while on his way to business.

KILLED HIS BABE.

Cleveland, O., Oct. 17.—Harry Howard and Stewart of Cleveland is under arrest in New York on the charge of murder. He is accused of killing his two month old babe, cutting its throat from ear to ear. The arrest was made Wednesday morning. The body of the babe was found at noon yesterday by boys. At the time the body was un-identified. Stewart and his wife have been married a little over a year. The couple lived with Mrs. Stewart's parents, and Mrs. E. L. Wilson, Stewart removed the child from his home about a week ago. His movements after that are somewhat indefinite. It is said he telephoned his wife and asked her to leave her parents' home and go with him to Philadelphia. She declined and he disappeared. Mrs. Stewart's father went to Philadelphia to see if he could not prevail on the father to bring the child back. He found Stewart who declined to tell where the child was, simply saying that he would never be returned to his mother.

THE CHINESE TROUBLES.

The Russian government has decided to take independent action, owing, as stated in a dispatch from St. Petersburg, to "the irreconcilable action of some of the British." It is announced that all the powers had accepted the French note as the basis of negotiations. Consul McWate at Canton cables that the Imperial troops have captured Hui Chow. A French flag has been captured by the allied forces.

Official information has been received in Washington confirming the press reports of six weeks ago that Chang Yen Hoo, former minister from China to the United States, had been decapitated by an order of the Emperor. The execution took place at a Chinese penal settlement on the frontier province of Kianghwa on July 20.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The session of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Baltimore Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church South, at Fredericksburg yesterday, was very interesting, consisting of reports of auxiliaries and juveniles, reading of letters from Miss Gibson, discussing of training school, etc. The meeting adjourned last night, after a session characterized by the same deep interest manifested since the beginning last Sunday. The next meeting will be held in Washington. The following officers were elected: Mrs. C. B. Brown, of Middleburg, Va., honorary president; Mrs. A. W. Wilson, wife of Bishop Wilson, of Baltimore, president; Mrs. J. T. Williams, of Winchester, Va., vice-president; Miss Fias Wilson, of Baltimore, corresponding secretary; Miss Julia Hayes, of Baltimore, recording secretary; Miss V. C. Massie, of Front Royal, treasurer.

JURISTS AT ODDS.

During the Ryan case in Norfolk yesterday Judge Watts said that he thought that he did not know the contents of a paper filed as part of Ryan's record. Mr. Groner returned that Judge Watts had said that which was not true, if he asserted that, whereupon the Judge made for him with his cane. Both men quickly realized, however, that the court room was not a proper place to settle such a dispute, and Judge Waddill took no cognizance of the incident. Mr. Groner subsequently explained that he thought Judge Watts had referred to another matter.

HUMBERT'S WIDOW RETIRES.

Queen of Italy and widow of King Humbert, has retired from the world. Before doing so she distributed her personal possessions in various ways, and this task has just been completed. Her 300 magnificent costumes have been apportioned among her friends. Immediately after King Humbert's funeral she went to the museum at Florence the emperor's widow made so fine an exhibit at the Chicago exhibition that the jewelry has been given to her relatives. The young Queen Helena has received Margherita's royal diadem, valued at nearly \$200,000.



WEDNESDAY EVENING, OCT. 17, 1900.