

## THE ANSWER IS HERE

Lord Salisbury's Reply to Secretary Olney Arrives in Washington.

Members of the House Discuss the Position of the Venezuelan Affair.

England Is Pursuing a Policy of Delay in This Important Matter.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—Lord Salisbury's reply to Secretary Olney's letter requesting a final and definite statement of Great Britain's purposes concerning Venezuela is in Washington, having been delivered to Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British ambassador. The answer was brought to Washington by Donaldson, the special messenger of the embassy, who makes regular trips to New York for the purpose of carrying the official mail to and from Washington. Donaldson received the reply from the stewards of the steamship Britannic on which it arrived at New York at 9 a. m. He left immediately for Washington. The greatest interest centers here as to the nature of the reply which Lord Salisbury has made to the American secretary of state. Ambassador Pauncefote said that Lord Salisbury's letter would be presented to Secretary Olney in the morning.

### An Evasive Answer.

There was a pretty general discussion of Venezuelan affairs among the members of the house during the day. The general opinion among those who will have the conduct of foreign affairs in charge in the house is that Lord Salisbury's reply will be a diplomatic evasion of the main issue; that it will be couched in the friendly terms, and while expressing a willingness to arbitrate as to a portion of the disputed territory, will deny the right of the United States to ask Great Britain to arbitrate as to territory, the ownership of which Great Britain claims is hers beyond dispute. In other words, it is believed that Great Britain's reply will temporize with the subject and simply open the way for further correspondence.

### What England Dreads Most.

"England dreads unfavorable tariff legislation," said a prominent Republican member, "she knows that the first result of a bitter anti-English feeling would be retaliation upon her through a radical revision of the tariff. A tariff induced by hostility to England, growing out of England's encroachments in this hemisphere which had aroused the resentment of the American people, would send 3,000,000 Englishmen to bed without their supper. Such material considerations England never overlooks. The loss of our commerce stopped the war of 1812."

### OUTBREAK IS SERIOUS.

Arizona Indian Trouble of More Importance Than at First Supposed. PHOENIX, A. T., Dec. 9.—Latest reports from the vicinity of the San Carlos agency, A. T., indicate that the outbreak of the Apaches is of more importance than was at first supposed. The bodies of four white men have been found in the Lower Gila valley. This is 45 miles from Ash Springs, where the Merrills were killed, so it must have been done by a different party of Indians and undoubtedly by a larger band. Settlers in that section are under arms and the troops from Forts Bayard, Grant and Huachuaca are scouring the country.

### LANDED BLUEJACKETS.

English Marines to Protect the British Embassy. LONDON, Dec. 9.—Special dispatches from Constantinople allege that H. M. S. Imogene and Cockatrice have landed bluejackets at Pera to protect the English embassy. A dispatch to The Chronicle from Vienna says: It is stated that the ex-Sultan Murad has not fled from Constantinople, but has been secretly killed by the sultan's entourage on account of his liberal tendencies.

### Raising the Level of Lake Erie.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 9.—Colonel Jared Smith, the United States engineer stationed at Cleveland, said concerning the proposition of Senator Brice that the level of Lake Erie be raised by means of a dam at Buffalo: "The scheme is entirely practicable, and I have thought for some time that it ought to be carried into effect. There are no engineering difficulties in the way. The level could be raised 8 feet or 15 feet, as desired."

Had Been in Poor Health Some Time. BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Dec. 9.—Colonel A. C. Hargrove, ex-president of the state senate, and one of the most distinguished lawyers in Alabama, com-

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mitted suicide at his home in Tuska-loosa, Ala., by blowing his brains out with a pistol. He had been in failing health for some time and this is believed to have temporarily unbalanced his mind.

### Dr. A. J. Hobart Dead.

CLINTON, Ia., Dec. 9.—Dr. A. J. Hobart, one of the most prominent physicians in Eastern Iowa, is dead, aged 67. During the war he was surgeon of the First Michigan infantry, and since has served as surgeon of the Chicago and Northwestern railway for 17 years.

### Railway From Peking to Tien Tsin.

PEKIN, Dec. 9.—An imperial edict published here orders the building of a double line of railway from Peking to Tien Tsin, the rails to weigh 85 pounds per yard. The estimated cost of the line is 3,000,000 taels.

### CRIMINAL NEWS.

"Pacer" Smith, the ex-ball player and double murderer, was hanged at Decatur, Ills.

Rufus Suits of Kansas City committed suicide rather than acknowledge his housekeeper as his wife.

Mrs. Helen Barnes of Oswego, N. Y., as cashier and clerk, is charged with having robbed her employers of \$11,000.

A miner at Cripple Creek, Colo., was arrested with gold nuggets in his pockets. The Doctor mine is said to be \$25,000 out.

Seventeen indictments were returned against men who were once officers of the now defunct First State bank at Perry, O. T.

Cashier Stone of the Bank of Commerce at Sheridan, Wyo., was short \$10,000, which his friends restored, but he was arrested.

The Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railway company has offered \$5,000 reward for the arrest and conviction of the Preble train wreckers.

John W. Flood, the defaulting cashier of the Donohoe-Kelly bank, San Francisco, has given up the fight and will serve his sentence of seven years in prison.

George Washington Davis was found guilty of murder in the second degree for wrecking a Rock Island passenger train near Lincoln, Neb., killing 11 persons.

### MARKET QUOTATIONS.

Grain Prices at Milwaukee.  
FLOUR—Dull and drooping.  
WHEAT—No. 2 spring, 57½c; No. 1 Northern 58½c; May, 61½c.  
CORN—No. 3, 26½c.  
OATS—No. 2 white, 19½c; No. 3 white, 17½c@18.  
Grain Prices at Minneapolis.  
WHEAT—December closed at 52c; May 56½c. On Track—No. 1 hard, 54c; No. 1 Northern, 53½c; No. 2 Northern, 52½c.  
Price of Wheat at Duluth.  
WHEAT—Cash No. 1 hard, 54½c; No. 1 Northern, 53½c; No. 2 Northern, 51½c@50½c; No. 3 spring, 49½c; rejected, 43½c@37½c.  
Live Stock Prices at St. Paul.  
HOGS—Active and steady; quality only fair. Range of prices, \$3.25@3.32½.  
CATTLE—About steady. Good fat cattle steady and scarce.  
SHEEP—Good sheep and lambs steady and in good demand; common slow.  
Receipts: Hogs, 300; cattle, 400, calves, 25; sheep, 200.  
Live Stock Prices at Chicago.  
HOGS—Market active; fully 5c lower than yesterday's average.  
Sales ranged at \$3.45@3.65 for light; \$3.45@3.70 for mixed; \$3.40@3.70 for heavy; \$3.40@3.50 for rough.  
CATTLE—Market weak and slow at yesterday's closing.  
Beaves, \$2.94@4.40; cows and heifers, \$1.40@3.10; Texas steers, \$2.60@3.20; stockers and feeders, \$2.20@3.20.  
SHEEP—Market steady.  
Receipts: Hogs, 40,000; cattle, 11,500; sheep, 11,000.  
Grain and Provision Prices at Chicago.  
WHEAT—December, 56½c; January, 57½c; May, 61c.  
CORN—December, 23½c; January, 26½c; May, 29c.  
OATS—December, 17c; February, 17½c; May, 20½c.

### POLITICAL NEWS.

Joseph Jefferson, the actor, is credited with saying Cleveland would not accept a third term.  
Secretary Hoke Smith has gone to Georgia to address the legislature upon the financial question.  
Governor-elect Bushnell of Ohio predicts that McKinley will be the Republican presidential nominee.  
The inauguration of Governor-elect Bradley of Kentucky will take place Dec. 10 with elaborate ceremonies.  
The Transmississippi congress adopted a free silver coinage resolution and adjourned to meet in Salt Lake City.  
Joe Manley's scheme for increasing the number of delegates in Republican national conventions cuts down the representation from the South.  
E. C. Benedict denies he said that President Cleveland would refuse a third term, but that he "felt" that Mr. Cleveland would not again be a candidate.

The Texas Siftings is to be removed from New York to Dallas, Tex.

## BOTH ARE HUSTLING.

St. Louis and Chicago Doing Their Utmost to Get the Convention.

The Former Has \$55,000 in Sight and Is Trying For More.

The Latter Has \$50,000 and Will Try and Make It \$75,000.

St. LOUIS, Dec. 9.—The Business Men's league has raised \$55,000 in cash or guaranteed pledges towards a fund for securing the Republican national convention for St. Louis. A special meeting of the league was held during the afternoon, when it was resolved to guarantee generally, under the seal of the corporation, such further amount as must be necessary to secure the convention and properly entertain the delegates. Plans were submitted for projected alterations in the exposition building so as to furnish a hall with 15,000 seats. Headquarters and rooms were secured by telegraph at the Arlington hotel in Washington for a special committee, appointed with full power to use the guarantee of the Business Men's league, which is an incorporated body and thoroughly responsible. This committee will start at once.

### CHICAGO HAS \$50,000,

And Will Try and Press It to \$60,000 or \$75,000.

CHICAGO, Dec. 9.—Chicago has raised up to this time \$50,000 as an offer for the Republican national convention. This amount will be guaranteed by a committee which leaves for Washington during the afternoon and will present Chicago's advantages before the national committee next Tuesday. It is more than likely the amount of \$50,000 will be pressed up to \$60,000 or even \$75,000, as the intimation comes over a hot wire from the capital that the national committee is not adverse to the idea one admission ticket for each \$50 subscribed.

### ARE SERIOUS IF TRUE.

Statement Which Might Cause Serious Trouble Between Turkey and America.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—The committee of Armenian citizens, which is in Washington in behalf of their countrymen, has presented to Mr. Hitt and other members conspicuous in foreign affairs, statements regarding the treatment of Armenians who are naturalized American citizens, which put a very serious aspect upon the relations of the United States with Turkey, and may inspire a declaration by congress. It is represented by the committee that Turkish government refuses to permit naturalized Armenians to return to their old homes and also prevents them from bringing other members of their families out of the Turkish dominions to this country. Beyond this, the Armenians declare that the Turkish government compels all naturalized Armenians doing business in this country to remit taxes on their business and income taxes to the sultan's officers.

### THE SULTAN WAS ANGRY.

If Said Pasha Had Not Fled He Would Have Been Murdered.

LONDON, Dec. 9.—The Constantinople correspondent of The Times says: In declining the appointment of grand vizier Said Pasha asked the sultan's permission, on the ground of bad health, to retire and live quietly abroad. This rankled in the sultan's mind and induced a paroxysm of anger, and Said Pasha, who is neither a novice nor a coward, is persuaded that the sultan would have killed him had he entered the Valiz palace. The secret of the whole business is that Said Pasha is so popular and so highly esteemed that it is feared that he might join the malcontent party. He has always been regarded as the most anti-English of all the official Pashas.

### Gang of Counterfeiters Convicted.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 9.—"The Yehuda Brotherhood" was convicted in 10 minutes of counterfeiting. The finding of the United States jury breaks up one of the most daring gangs of coiners known to the secret service for years. The men found guilty are Moses Rosengarten, Max Frank, Jacob Fineburg and Henry Greenberg, Roumanian Jews.

### Co-Operative Unionists.

DULUTH, Dec. 9.—The first important step in the way of co-operative store-keeping on a considerable scale here is about to be initiated. The street railway men, most of whom live in the vicinity of Twentieth avenue W., have organized the Union Mercantile company and expect soon to open a grocery and market.

### Maher Signs Articles.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 9.—Peter Maher has signed the articles to meet Bob Fitzsimmons for the world's heavy-weight championship on Feb. 14 next

in Mexico. John J. Quinn, Maher's representative, brought the documents from New York.

### Says It Is a Mistake.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 9.—Bishop Nicholas of the Greek church says the announcement that he has been instructed by the holy synod at St. Petersburg to build in Chicago a great cathedral costing not less than \$500,000 is a mistake.

### Arrested on a Double Charge.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Dec. 9.—Daniel Parce, a farmer, was arrested and placed in jail here on the double charge of strangling his wife to death and committing a criminal assault on an idiotic woman.

## NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Miss Daisey, third daughter of Senator Gorman, was married to Richard Johnson of Maryland.

Secretary Wheelock has begun the demolition of the Dallas arena, thereby causing a lumber war.

As a result of last October's earthquake cisterns in parts of the Ohio valley will not hold water.

The Anchor Line steamer California had smallpox and was detained at Quarantine off New York.

Waverly (Neb.) citizens publicly denounced a doctor and druggist who eloped with two young ladies.

Ex-Postmaster General Horatio King has received a letter of thanks from Queen Victoria for a copy of his book.

Experiments at Purdue university established that cattle are not only subject to tuberculosis, but catch it easily.

Citizens of Cairo, Ills., complain that persons are fleeing thither from Osceola, Ark., where smallpox is said to be epidemic.

David B. Hill canceled the rest of his lecture engagements and went home, his Northwestern tour having proved a failure.

A crisis is said to exist in the Cherokee Nation, owing to the passage of laws discriminating against the whites in the Nation.

Miss Carroll of Independence, Mo., was elected president of the law department at the Missouri university, being the only girl in it.

Professor Baker of the Geodetic Survey has prepared a lecture on the Alaskan boundary dispute, showing the injustice of England's claim.

An international exposition will be held at New Orleans in 1903, to commemorate the centennial of the purchase of Louisiana by the United States.

F. Hopkinson Smith, the novelist, defends Minister to Turkey A. W. Terrell, from the attack made upon him by Rev. J. T. Johnston of Jefferson City.

Patrick Cushing, of Leavenworth, Kas., was declared insane a few weeks ago, when he was not present. When he heard of it he got a new trial and was found to be of sound mind.

A peculiar double wedding occurred at Canton, O. The brides and grooms of both weddings were brothers and sisters, and twins at that. Harry Poorman and Florence Slayman were the contracting parties in one, and Phillip Slayman and Sadie Poorman in the other.

### NEWS FROM WASHINGTON.

The government deficit for November is only \$1,125,000.

Fraud orders have been issued against the Mexican lottery of San Luis Potosi.

One effect of the Wilson tariff bill has been the increased traffic across the Isthmus of Panama.

Under Secretary Carlisle's order to pay freight, considerable gold is coming into the treasury.

Officers of the ship Horsa were arrested at Philadelphia for engaging in carrying filibusters to Cuba.

Senator Call, of Florida, addressed the senate in favor of Cuba and against the Cleveland administration.

Admiral Carpenter, commander of the Asiatic squadron, has come home on account of the illness of his wife.

A board from the ordinance bureau report that the capacity of government gun works can be easily doubled.

Ex-Congressman McCann will relinquish claims to his seat. He does not think he was legally elected.

Congress met Monday. Mr. Reed was elected speaker with great enthusiasm. The president's message was read Tuesday.

Senator Chandler has introduced a free coinage bill, to take effect when Germany, France and England pass similar measures.

Interstate commerce commissioners will ask congress for power to enforce their own orders, and for an extension of their authority in other directions.

The deficiency in revenue as reported by the treasury for the five months of the present fiscal year amounts to \$17,000,000 against \$29,000,000 for a year ago.

Captain Healey of the revenue cutter Bear has been placed upon waiting orders pending the investigation of charges that have been made against him.

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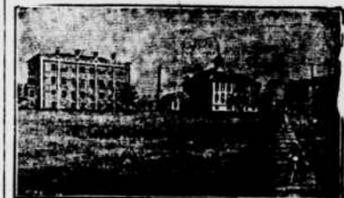
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