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## THE MONROE DOCTRINE.

The Monroe doctrine is a mystery to Europeans. We on this side cannot criticize their want of understanding on this matter, for we do not know its full extent ourselves. Its limitations have never been defined. Having no definite boundaries, it is a very elastic affair. It can be stretched or contracted to fit the conditions of each individual case. The basis that it is for the protection of the territory of the three Americas against the aggression of European powers is so very broad that it can support many different kinds of superstructures. Whether it applies in a given instance depends upon whether the administration then in control of the government declares that it applies and whether the government against which it is invoked had rather admit our construction of it in that case than contend against it.

Though the doctrine has all the force of a fundamental principle and a national law, it has never had the express sanction of congress and is based only upon the declarations of our presidents and sanctioned by the universal approval of the people. Should an European power dispute it in any particular case we would have to maintain it by force of arms or back down. We could stand no showing upon it as a question of international law.

One of the mysteries about this doctrine just now puzzling some of the newspapers of Great Britain is why the rule does not work both ways. The answer to that is simply because our government does not care to have it do so. If these writers admit the doctrine they should accept this phase of it also, for the latter, when one comes to view the matter from an entirely unprejudiced point of view, is no more arbitrary holding on our part than the first. The question about the rule working both ways arises from the Venezuelan situation. These Britishers cannot understand why our government cannot say to theirs: "You shall not force Venezuela to pay her debts by seizing part of her territory; but we will not pay them for her or even guarantee that she will pay them if you let her alone." We say we are not responsible for the debts of these South American or Central American countries; that their European creditors' governments can force the payments, provided they do not violate the principles of the Monroe doctrine. When they step over the line we will tell them, and then, and not till then, will they know that they are violating these principles so dear to the American people. No wonder, then, that these Europeans do not understand the doctrine or when and where its principles apply.

The nearest the Monroe doctrine has come to receiving formal recognition by any European power as a general principle was by England when it was to her advantage to have us maintain it against France.

## BERRY DROP COUNTS.

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## PROFESSOR WILEY'S FOOD TESTS.

Professor Wiley, of the federal department of agriculture, has begun his test to determine whether certain preservatives put in meats and other food stuff intended for shipment to European markets are injurious to the consumers. His tests are made upon twelve young men whom he has induced to put themselves entirely at his disposal as regards all food they take. Before beginning the test he put these men for a while on food of the most nourishing kind, and purest quality in order to get their systems in perfect condition. Having gone through training they are now being fed on the food subjected to the preservatives. They will be kept on this for a certain time and then changed to the same kind free of the preservatives. Professor Wiley expects to show by this course that these meats and food stuff treated with the preservatives, against which Germany and other European governments have passed prohibitory laws, are perfectly wholesome and that there is no reason why there should be opposition on this account to their importation into these countries which are making so much fuss about the deleterious effect of eating American meats.

As these young men have gone into this matter voluntarily, knowing exactly what was expected of them no one can object to the professor's experiments. But if, instead of human beings, Professor Wiley had undertaken some such experiment with

cats and dogs picked up about the streets of Washington, there would have been raised such a howl from certain quarters that he would have been forced by the weight of public sentiment to abandon his work. He would probably have had to put in a defense to one or two injunction suits; but as long as they are human beings on whom he is experimenting it is no body's business whether their health is injured or not. That Chicago woman who gave a big Thanksgiving dinner to two hundred cats and dogs would probably be one of the first to cry out against such experiments.

## ARBITRATION WITH SAFEGUARDS.

While Venezuela has at last shown a disposition to come to terms her tardiness has placed her in a very awkward position and one from which she will probably find difficulty in extricating herself. Great Britain seems to be content with any course that will result in the demands of her subjects being paid. She expresses willingness to submit the controversy to arbitration "with proper safeguards," that is if some responsible person or power will guarantee the payment by Venezuela of such award as the arbitrators may make. There seems to be an idea, entertained by every one interested in this matter except the authorities and the people of the United States, that our government should become such guarantor because it is supposed to look after the interests of these weak South American republics. They may as well disabuse their minds of such an idea at once, for our government is going to do no such foolish thing. Were we to do this, we would have the debt to pay and take our chance of reimbursement by Venezuela. The establishment of such a precedent would be to make the federal treasury the prey of every adventurer from Europe who saw fit to exploit the South and Central American states.

Venezuela, to secure a guarantor, will have to look elsewhere than to the United States government. There is talk, it seems, of the guarantee being given by some private individuals or corporations of this country. We suppose England and Germany would accept that of a syndicate of American millionaires, and such will probably be proposed and may be accepted. If such is done our government should distinctly declare that it has no hand in the affair and if such a syndicate is formed it goes into the business on its own responsibility, and must not rely upon the government's aid in the future. In forcing Venezuela to comply with the terms of the contract; otherwise this syndicate will in a few years be calling upon our government to do for them just what the European powers are now undertaking for certain ones of their subjects.

These are the obstacles in the way of arbitration so far as England is concerned. While they are grave enough, those raised by Germany and her demands in addition to that for a money payment still more seriously complicate matters. The Washington press dispatches say that Germany "accepts arbitration in principle, but finds a multitude of small adjustments to be made before entering into the agreement. Among the 'extras' for which she contends are apologies for the Venezuelan government for indignities offered the representatives of the German government by the rabble of Caracas and other cities of the republic. The Venezuelans, like all others of his blood, are constitutionally opposed to apologies of all kinds unless they come from the other party. This is likely to be a serious stumbling block in the way of a final settlement, as are the other "many points requiring adjustment" which this government thinks should be embodied in the terms of arbitration.

As to Italy and France, the other European powers now directly interested in the settlement of this matter, they accept a sort of "Me Too Platt" position in the controversy. Whatever will suit the two bigger nations will suit them. All they want is their money. In the meantime the blockade is going on with its accompanying dangers of at any time adding other complications to the already sufficiently muddled condition of affairs.

While all this is going on Uncle Sam sits quietly in the back ground saying nothing, doing nothing, but closely watching the line of that Monroe doctrine, ready to notify any one of the European powers that she is trespassing and must "get off the grass" the minute she steps over that line.

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## CRITICISMS OF PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT.

Many persons, among them prominent republicans, have adversely criticized President Roosevelt for by interview and letter announcing his policy and views on matters pertaining to his office and also explaining his motives for certain actions. The Nation, in commenting on his letter to a citizen of Charleston defining his position on the subject of appointing negroes to office says:

"Publication of it is in wholesome conformity to Lincoln's sagacious use of this citizen's mode of making known his policy—in wholesome contrast of McKinley's crafty avoidance of it."

The Nation commends the president for his consistency in this matter of appointment of negroes to office, as pointed out in this letter, both as governor of New York and as chief executive. An extract from a New York Sun editorial published elsewhere in this morning's Messenger does not agree with The Nation on this point. It does not think the president's New York appointments of negroes at all a case parallel with the Charleston collectorship, and it must be remembered that The Sun has by no means a record of being an advocate of white supremacy at the south. This New York Sun editorial is embraced in a letter by Mr. Grasty, of New York, to the Manufacturers' Record to be found in another column of this morning's paper. We took occasion a few days ago to refer to this letter and make extracts from it. Today we give it in full and commend it as an interesting article to The Messenger readers. Mr. Grasty's suggestion of a commission, of course, no southern man will endorse, but with this exception we think his article timely and to the point.

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## AN HEREDITARY SENATE.

If a seat in the United States senate has not become an hereditary right by law, it seems to be becoming so by custom and the dictates of party bosses in some of the republican states of the north. When Senator Simon Cameron became tired of political life he passed his seat in the senate over to his son, Hon. Don Cameron. Now two other republican senators are preparing to retire from that body in favor of their sons. They name them as their successors without consulting the people at all in the matter.

Senator Platt, of New York, one of these does condescend to give the people their choice between himself and his son Frank. He tells them that they must take one or the other as their senator. He is liberal enough to tell them that if they are so much opposed to his continuing a member of that body he will retire and make his son his successor. Now the perplexing question with the people of the Empire state is which of these two evils is the lesser. A New York paper remarks that "Frank Platt has so publicly and on so many occasions displayed what Swinburne calls 'faceted idiosyncrasy' that he would have to pay a thumping inheritance tax before being allowed to take over the senatorship under his father's will."

The senatorship in Pennsylvania is again, it is said, about to go by inheritance, or rather by a deed of gift from father to son. Senator Quay is preparing to pass his title, with immediate possession and right of enjoyment of all perquisites to his son Black.

this then why not Quay and Platt and any other senators who have the power?

## SOUTH DAKOTA BOND SUIT.

The News and Observer of Friday devotes much space to the suit pending between the states of South Dakota and North Carolina. It gives much of the testimony of Hon. D. L. Russell and Marion Butler before the commissioner appointed to take testimony in the case. The whole matter in the bond proceedings is then reviewed. The paper goes into facts and arguments for the purpose of demonstrating according to its idea the existence of a conspiracy among certain people to defraud the state out of its interest in the North Carolina railroad.

Senator Butler admits in his testimony that he suggested to Senator Pettigrew the securing of the passage by the latter's state legislature of a law allowing it to receive donations in bonds, etc. Butler told the South Dakota senator, he says in his testimony, that he could be instrumental in securing donations to the latter's state if such a law were passed, but he declined to say whether, later, he discussed with Senator Pettigrew North Carolina bonds and led him to believe that he (Butler) could be instrumental in securing a donation of such bonds, on the ground, if he did have such conversation, it was privileged matter.

When ex-Governor Russell got upon the witness stand his memory seemed to have failed him entirely. He could not remember any thing that had occurred except such matters as he declined to answer because of being privileged.

We hope the lawyers for this state will be able to get to the bottom of this whole matter and expose the rottenness of the transaction, if any such exists.

At the last session of congress the house of representatives passed a bill for establishing the gold standard in the Philippines. The bill was defeated in the senate through the opposition of Senator Lodge and his colleagues. Since that time silver has so decreased in value that the Philippines have lost a sum estimated by the government of those islands at one million dollars. Senator Lodge has now introduced a bill to establish the gold standard there, and repair as far as possible at this late day the damage already done. Those senators who opposed the house bill and caused its defeat, excuse their conduct by saying they did not know that there was going to be such a decline in silver. That is a poor excuse. Had they known it and still acted as they did they would deserve expulsion from the senate.

Republicans of the senate seem to think there is a great difference between reciprocity as a principle set forth in the president's message and to be put in force at some future date when "conditions shall permit" or whenever it may "seem expedient," and that kind of reciprocity which is made actual and operative by putting it into effect in a particular case. The latter kind comes too near "tariff reduction" to even be the subject of discussion.

## RALEIGH NEWS LETTER

Supreme Court Ends Its Term—Parade by the Governor—A. and M. Holiday Begins Monday—Investigation as to Game and Other Birds.

Messenger Bureau,

Raleigh, N. C., December 20.

The supreme court met at 9 o'clock this morning and adjourned before noon. This ends the term. The next one begins in February. The court met thus early today in order that Associate Justice Charles A. Cook could leave for home at noon. He went to Warrenton in January he will remove from this state to the southwest and practice law. Chief Justice Furches left this afternoon for Statesville, his home.

Governor Aycock today made public a batch of pardons granted during November and December. Among those pardoned are Ed Daly of Wayne, who was serving a road sentence; E. A. Fogleman of Alamance, theft; A. E. Martin of Moore county, who is dying of consumption.

A charter is granted by the state to the Ayldett Bros. Company of Elizabeth City, capital \$51,200, to do a wholesale and retail general merchandise business.

Today the warrants were sent out for the annual allowance, \$250 to each company and naval division of the state guard; also for \$100 for the headquarters of each regiment and the naval brigade.

The roof is now being placed on the Pullen memorial building at the Agricultural and Mechanical college. It will possibly be ready for use by the first of February.

The cadets of the Agricultural and Mechanical college will all leave for home next Monday for the holidays.

Next Monday T. Gilbert Pearson, of Greensboro, the secretary of the Audubon Society in this state, will leave for the Currituck sound country, to make some special investigations as to game and other birds, and will then go down the North Carolina coast. The Audubon society will protect birds on the coast during the breeding season and will have game wardens on the various islands and other breeding places to keep away the people who slay the birds in order to sell their skins to feather dealers. These numerous feather gatherers have nearly exterminated several varieties of birds particularly gulls and terns.

Vance county has made a full settlement of taxes due the state. It is the second county to settle this year.

Capital and Manteo Judges of Odd Fellows have convoluted.

Mr. R. H. Hayes of Pittsboro, is here to look after Hon. Lee R. Overman's interest in the race horse business.

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## BUSINESS MEN'S ASSOCIATION

Immigration and Industrial Association Take Action on Important Matters.

(Special to The Messenger.)

Greensboro, N. C., December 20.—At the annual business session of the Immigration and Industrial Association held in Benbow Assembly Hall last night, resolutions were adopted, expressing appreciation of the work and investment of the Electric and Street Railway Company; of endorsement of the proposed Methodist Protestant College; of aid to the plan to have the National Government take charge of the Guilford Battle ground; of thanks to retiring President Fry for his excellent administration.

Strong speeches were made by C. D. McIver, on the value of education, and of educational institutions to a community; and Mr. J. W. Scott setting forth the importance of the Guilford Battle ground from a historical and commercial standpoint. A committee was appointed to secure contributions for the location of the M. P. College at Greensboro; W. M. Barger, Z. V. Taylor and E. F. Wharton.

The officers elected for the ensuing year were C. C. Wright, president; J. W. Fry, 1st vice-president; J. S. Hunter, 2nd vice-president; G. A. Grimsley, secretary and treasurer; executive committee, Caesar Cone, E. P. Wharton, Z. V. Taylor, C. E. Holton, J. Norrell Willis, Neill Ellington, C. C. McIver, W. E. Beville.

## DESPERATE NEGRO ARRESTED.

Had Escaped from Chain Gang—A Fire in the City.

Fayetteville, N. C., December 20.—(Special to The Messenger.)

Walter Council, who, as told in The Messenger at the time, escaped from the chain gang at work on the public roads, was located Thursday night at Wilson, and yesterday Deputy Sheriff Monaghan went up to that place, and brought him down to jail. The Wilson chief of police pronounced him one of the most desperate criminals with whom he ever had to deal, as it required four men to arrest him, and he repeatedly tried to kill the chief with a revolver.

Mr. Noel Gainey, a farmer of eastern Cumberland, wants damages from the Western Union Telegraph Company for failure to deliver a telegram announcing the death of his brother, Dr. Gainey, of Florida, and will bring suit in the superior court therefor.

Last night an oil house in the neighborhood of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad station caught fire, but the injury to property was inconsiderable. Chas. Heevith, a mattress-maker of east Fayetteville, lost his dwelling and household effects by fire, together with a quantity of mattress material. A relative led him and his wife from the burning building, as they are both blind.

The extensive Frank Thornton Dry Goods Company will enlarge its business by a clothing and furnishing branch in the handsome Rosenthal building on Hay street.

Among the pleasant family reunions for Christmas will be that of ex-Justice James C. McRae, dean of the University Law school, who will visit his children and grand children during the holidays. Major A. A. McKethan, clerk of the superior court, has returned from a Florida visit to his son, Mr. W. M. McKethan, and nephew, Dr. David McKethan.

## UNIVERSITY BASE BALL TEAM

Schedule Indicates Games With 20 Prominent College Teams.

(Special to The Messenger.)

Greensboro, N. C., December 20.—The managers of the U. N. C. base ball team have completed the schedule of games for next spring. It embraces 20 games between the leading colleges and universities of the south. A series of three games will be played with the University of Virginia. These will be played at Chapel Hill, April 17th, Greensboro, April 18th and at Charlotte one day of the following week. There will be several strong new players on the team, among them, Giles, Trinity's last year captain; Curran, Yelverton and others of state wide base ball celebrity. George W. Graham, Jr., of Charlotte is manager of the team, Thomas D. Meares, Jr., of Wilmington, assistant manager and Earl Holt, of Oak Ridge, captain.

## CHILD LABOR IN FACTORIES

An Important Decision Touching This Rendered by Supreme Court.

(Special to The Messenger.)

Raleigh, N. C., December 20.—An important case involving child labor in factories was decided by the supreme court today, Justice Walter Clark delivering the opinion. A boy aged 9 years and 5 months went to a furniture factory during his father's absence and got work at 25 cents a day. He was put to work helping at a machine, the next day at another machine and the third day at yet another. He was hurt by the last machine while the operator was absent.

The lower court gave him a thousand dollars. The opinion goes on to say that with the consensus of opinion of the world regarding child labor, it would not have been an error if the judge had held that it was negligence per se to put a child of the tender age of 9 to work on a dangerous machine, which he had never seen before, without any instructions or warning and to leave him there by himself without stopping the machine. It certainly

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