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GREENVILLE, S. C.

ing up and feeling around in the air. I

like a horse, and was singing,

'I smell the blood of an Englishman;

ARP ON THE RAINS. am going to give them some fishing poles filteen feet long. They remind me of Jack and his bean vine my We Have too Much Rain and too Many Fools, as Solomon Said. This is the first bright, gental sunny children and grandchildren never tire morning that we have had in three of that good old story. How a poor weeks—for twenty one days it has widow had a little boy named Jack who rained every day save one. The crops was good to his mother, and one day is weak and detached and there is no Jack saw an old giant coming. His head was as big as a small barrel, his are in a bad fix; the corn and cotton are hidden by grass and weeds, and labor is scarce, for the negroes are wanted in the mines. Most of the yes as big as saucers, his nose as big as my arm, his mouth like the end of a wheat has been cut, but how much of it will be saved cannot yet be told. Within my recellection of lifty years do not recall so much rain in harvest time. According to Scripture, it seems to be the same old story, for Solomon says, "As rain in harvest so is honor unseemly in a fool." They had too much rain and too many fools then just and dropped Jack down in the cellar and dropped Jack down in the cellar as we do now. Maybe Providence sends the rain to try the farmers—to make chair and table on it, and sat down and them diligent and shifty. I traveled went to knitting. Here came the oid on the East and West railroad last week for sixty miles and I noted giant, puffing and blowing like a steam-boat. He dident eat anything but little some farms that were clean and nice—
the corn and cotton chopped out and
the wheat shocked in the field; one of
a boy." Jack's mother told him she some farms that were clean and nicethese belonged to a widow, and she and dident have any boy for him and to go her three girls and one boy were just off, or she would set her big dog on him. finishing the cotton. Markham dident Then he walked all round the house write anything about the woman with and looked down the chimney, for he the hoe, nor the girls, but one of those girls was merry enough to waive her bonnet at somebody on the train besides me. Some farmers sit down and wait for tomorrow's sun to dry off the prand: Abut tomorrow's sun dident from the collar. Soon ground: Abut tomorrow's sun dident from the collar. Soon ground: Abut tomorrow's sun dident from the collar. Soon ground : abut tomorrow's sun dident after this a poor old woman came along shine, and so they wait till next day. and begged for something to eat, and Others slap in at every chance and do Jack and his mother fixed her up a something. I know one who began to good dinner and some coffee, and the soon as Sunday was gone-for Sunday was the day it did not rain. He cut half that night and all day Monday and and have bushels and bushels of beans,

got through with his thirty acres, and he says he will make 700 bushels. Antree in one night. So Jack planted it rain to quit I would be singing that catch up with it, and by and by he got catch up with it, and by and by he got so high he couldent see the ground and before long he got up to the clouds and worked between showers, and some-times when Mrs. Arp called and called me to come in out of the rain I pretended I dident hear her, and struck a was built of stone. So he walked over few more licks for Mr. Markham. I to it and dident see anybody—not a wish you could see my bean arbor—not soul—nor a dog nor cat nor horse nor prolific bean I have ever planted; I had side and saw bones all around the yard. them last year on my corn patch, but Then ne peeped in and saw that same they do better on poles or over a cane old giant aleep on the floor of the wide arbor. Plant two rows of beans five hall. His tongue was hanging out of feet apart, and when they are well up his mouth and his face was greasy and stick them with cases. Lap the small bloody, for he had been eating some-ends of the cases together on the ground and get your wife or daughters to tie them in three or four places-all of uniform length—then arch them over the beans, and nature will do the rest.

I never saw half as many beans as hang from my vines. Of course, the rains have stimulated the growth of everything, and its lucky that vegetables grow upward instead of outward. I planted my potatoes in a trench that was shoveled out and manured with ashes-wood and coal mixed - then covered with pine straw and some earth on that. They are the finest I ever grew, and come out of the straw almost clean enough to cook without washing. Pine straw is very valuable in a garden and is cheap, costing only 30 cents for a good load. It is a good mulch for over the country, and were so proud of strawberries, and I am experimenting little Jack that they gave him clothes with it under a few tomato plants; most and pocket knives and marbles and of them I have trained up to stakes, balls, and ever afterwards called him but I saw a market garden near Mem- Jack the Giant Killer. And there has phis and all the tomato vines had tumbled over on wheat straw, and made more fruit, though not so large, and line as when staked. A garden is a small experimental farm, and is as much consequence and more pleasure, espe-cially if you mix flowers with it. Don't throw away your coal ashes; mixed

produce fruit, while stable manure produces vine and foliage. Ashes will double the quantity of strawberries. Boots generally come up too thick. Thin them out and transplant; cut off part of the tops, and the transplants will make the best beets. Just so with story like this than to fret myself abuscelery. But I don't propose to teach old gardeners, for some of them can little children are nearer Heaven than teach me-my neighbor, Mrs. Fields.

with wood ashes, they are a fine ferti-

lizer. Mr. Berckman says that ashes

is the best gardener I know of, and I am satisfied if I can keep up with her. I have some of my wonderful beans planted to poles. The poles are from

higher than the poles, and still reach- street cars entering the city.

poor woman was so thankful that she gave Jack a bean and told him to plant it and it would grow as high as the sky

other diligent farmer made 400 bushels right away, and next morning he went last year on twenty acres, and sowed it out to see it, and the top of it was away right away to cowpeas and sold his pea up yonder and he could see it growing vine hay for more per acre than he got higher and higher. So he thought it for his wheat. That is business—and would be fun to climb it, and the stems Solomon says, "Seest thou a man dill- of the leaves were strong enough to gent in his business; he shall stand be hold him up like a ladder, and he kept fore kings." I am no braggart but let on climbing and the bean vine kept on me say that if I had waited for the growing so fast that Jack couldent

country he saw a great fine house that beans, but the best and most cow, but he heard a great snoring in-

snoring shook the house. Jack was awfully scared, and started to run, but he saw an ax near the door, and he wondered if he couldent kill that old giant while he was asleep. So he

slipped in on tiptoe and raising up the ax as high as he could, he brought it down on the old giant's neck, and with one blow cut his head off. The blood spouted all over the room and Jack ran away as hard as he could. By and by he slipped back to see, and sure enough the old giant was dead and had stopped kicking and the blood had stopped running. Jack caught his head by its long

to point a moral and adorn the tale.

have not forgotten how cagerly I lis-

when I grew older. Stories that re-

ward the good and bring grief to the

bad children are great helps to raising

them; they are kindergartens to the

ear and a comfort to their little minds.

ing Mark Hanna and his crowd, for

BILL ARP.

Mark is, according to my opinion.

hair and dragged it away off to the bean vine and took it down to his mother, and the folks came to see it from all

A bulletin from Chefoo, Tuesday June 26, says:

never been another giant in the world since, for he was the last one. Many a time have I got the children to sleep that the combined forces entered Tien on that story, for of course I vary it and embellish it and tell many things Tsin on Saturday, June 23, sustaining proxy. small loss.

"They started on Sunday to the relief of the force which left Tien Tsin tened to the little stories my mother on June 10, and which is believed to used to tell me when I went to bed, nor be surrounded near Pekin. how I devoured the Arabian Nights

"According to Japanese reports, Adniral Seymour (English) has been captured and the ministers have left Pekin, left guarded by Chinese sol-Their whereabouts is known.

-The whistle of a locomotive is heard 3,300 yards through the air, the noise of the railway train 2,800, the report of a rifle and the bark of a dog, 1,500 yards, an orchestra or the roll of a drum 1,600 yards, the human ments. voice reaches to a distance of 1,000 The Eliot Congregational Church, yards, the croaking of frogs 900 yards, eight to ten feet high, and it interests Lowell, Mass., realizes the value of the chirping of crickets 800 yards. me to see the bean vines reaching up advertising. Its hours of service, to Distinct speaking is heard in the air to find something higher to cling to. gether with an invitation to all to at- above to a distance of 600 yards; from The tendrils are now two or three feet tend, are displayed in many of the above it has a range of only 100 yards

A London dispatch to the New York

SITUATION IN CHINA.

Suppress the Riots.

day. "The bulletin is short and depress-A complete line of Men's and Boys' Hats in both felt and straw goods.

The best \$2.50 Street of the strain strain both pieces but the second and the felt and strain goods. with some loss. Only one runner had entered Taku from Tien Tsin in five days and not a word had been received from the relief columns which started for Pekin two weeks ago nor from the

links. There is a mixed force of be tween 2,000 and 3,000 men at Taku including a portion of the Chinese regi-ment from Wei Hal Wei. This column, way through a superior Chinese force a Chinese horde and with ammunition and supplies running short.

"Somewhere beyond Tien Tsin, either on the way to Pekin or at the city, is a mixed force of 2,300 men, with inadequate supplies, ammunition and At the legations are probably from 150 to 200 Europeans, Japanese and Americans, refugees being added to the working force and the military and naval guards number about 450 accurate information. Men who have lived in China assert that the number of foreigners at Tien Tsin is large since big stove pipe and his teeth like iron spoons. He came up the road snorting \$45,000,000. Tien Tsin is large since over 1,000,000 and a commerce of over like a horse, and was single. tributing center. There are four for-eign banks, a large number of English, German, Russian, Japanese and Amercan merchants and several groups of

missionary stations. "The situation of the foreigners at Tien Tsin is regarded by former Brit-ish officials in China as deplorable, and doubts are expressed respecting the addequacy of their relief force which is available at Taku unless Russia takes decisive measures, as indicated last night in official communications from the foreign office at St. Petersburg for he invasion of the Chinese territory by a really formidable army. The European and American fleets may be

working harmoniously under the leadership of the rear admiral at Taku, but the suppression of anarchy in China now requires the presence of a larger army than any great power except Russia can put into the field without

The British cruiser Terrible has arrived at Chefoo from Taku with the latest news which is as follows: "Eight hundred Sikhs and 200 Welsh Pusitiers have effected a junction with British successor, which gives the asthe American, German and Russian forces which had been cut off by the Chinese about nine miles from Tien Tsio. It was proposed to deliver an assault upon the Chinese forces at Tien Tsin last night (Sunday night)."

cut off, had been relieved by another At any rate, it is apparently certain through whose territory arms and ambient that the allies arrived in sufficient force at Tien Tesin Sunday to attack

Ashantee, has prohibited the trade in the castern gates to the day god, and the castern gates to the day god, and the castern gates to the supplier. the besieging Chinese. "Foreign official opinion here," says

dispatch from Shanghai to the Lindon Express, "inclines to believe that the worst has happened to the legations at Pekin and to Admiral Seymour as well. Even if the legations were safe on June 19, there is no guarantee that they are safe now. The situation, in fact, grows more and more gloomy. The entire absence of reliable news from the capital seems to justify the worse construction which can be put

"Bad news comes from Nan King, where the unrest is said to be growing Viceroy Liu Kin Yih has tele graphes the British authorities that to the relief of the besieged governor he has ordered the five Chinese cruisers which have been lying off the har

bor here to proched to Nan King."
"Gen. Mas' army," says a correspondent at Shan Hai Kwan, "consisting of 4,000 men, left a week ago for Pekin and Gen. Sung Ching's forces, numbering 2500, left for the same place on June 15.

"A careful estimate of the number and armament of the Chinese troops around Pekin puts the total at 360,000 and it is calculated that these troops possess 227 centimetres Crousot guns, 18 Krupp guns and 150 Maxims. "Their supply of ammunition for

practically inexhaustible. It has mainbeen supplied by a German firm at Carlowitz. Fully three-fourths of the Uninese forces are badly drilled, wholy undisciplined and quite unfamiliar with modern weapons.

reports, by a Japanese torpedo boat, that the combined forces satisfies a subscribed

THE TROUBLE IN ASHANTEE. A Large Army Will be Necessary to Taxes are at the Bottom of Great Britain's Difficulties.

Tribune, dated June 25, says:

"The British admirality being enmeshed with red tape does not give out dispatches as promptly as the mavy department at Washington, but it has department at Washington, but it has been department at Washington at his been department at which Great Britain has on its hand in West Africa is likely, according to the latest discount at his been department at Washington at his been department at Washington at his been department at which Great Britain has on its hand in West Africa is likely, according to the latest discount at his been department at which Great Britain has on its hand in West Africa is likely, according to the latest discount at his been department at his been de New York Sun. confirmed the previous accounts of the immediate cause of the difficulty with repulse of the relief column which attempted to enter Tien Tsin on Frition through which they are passing from a condition in which taxes were ing. The toreign settlement at Fien Tsin was almost entirely destroyed and the Europeans was a factorised and with cowries to that of a money the Europeans was factorised and with community. The taxes steel the factorise and the pieces, but the repulse was attended the obnoxious hut-money, which has been the cause of nearly all the risings against British authority in Africa. The present Ashantee trouble has its The present Ashantee trouble has its origin in this cause, though the golden stool plays a part in the matter. The Ashantee contention appears to the has held many tailing as the contention appears to the has held many tailing as the has held many egations themselves.
The relief force may be described that taxes are only leviable by an occuas a chain consisting mainly of missing pant of the Golden Stool, but this is links. There is a mixed force of beonly another way of saying that they refuse to recognize the authority of the British governor to demand or rement from Wei Hai Wei. This column, ceive taxes. The pica of the absence of the Colden Stool is simply a subtertingent of over 500 men, must cut its fuge. The real point is that besides being partly unable and partly unwillwhich is said to have 60 guns, although ing to pay the taxes imposed by the this seems incredible. The foreigners British authorities the Ashantees are at Tien Tsin are clearly in a desperate still loyal to the old native dynasty, state with the garrison surrounded by cruel though its exercise of power was; and they may have thought, after hearing of the British defeats in South Africa, that an opportunity presented

tself for throwing off the British rule. They have also not forgotten the causes that led to the great war of 1873-74, and its results. The trouble then arose out of the transfer by the Dutch of their rights to Elmina and the surrounding territory, which they held under a lease from the king of Ashantee, dating back to the last century, to the British in exchange for settlement of Acheen in Sumatra, held by the British under similar conditions from the sultan of that country. Under the treaty of lease the Dutch were pledged, if ever they gave up the Elmina settlement on the gold coast to hand it back to the king of Ashantee, but those who made the transfer to England in 1872 were either ignorant of the existence of this stipulation or disregarded it, and when the king protested against the breach of the agreement he was referred to the British Famous Women Whose Locks Were government. Receiving no satisfac-tion from it he took the matter into his own hands, and with an army estimated at 60,000 men marched into the disputed territory to maintain his charles J. Bayne has returned from his engagements with lyceum bureaus pox and the British Snider rifle, aided by the defection of some of the tributary and allied tribes, ended his power Herald. No one else could write so of resistance and a treaty of peace was signed in 1874 which brought the country virtually under British control. It discussion in the newspapers, such as ras not, however, until 1896 that the accomplisher that it was with a web of golden tress-British government finally accomplished its purpose of abolishing the semiindependence of the country and turning it into a crown colony. King wiped the feet of the Master with hair Prempeh, the last of the Ashantee that was blonce. The Herald is like-

for disputing the legality of its acts. Some of the Ashantees are armed hands, and the French government sca foam with dead gold locks. arms on their coast during the continuance of the troubles. The relieving force, which has been sent up from the coast to raise the siege of Kumassi, has by las, reports met with a check, which will encourage those tribes that have hitherto held aloof to join in against the British. It is, however, only a question of time how soon the rising will be put down, though the rainy season, when military operations will be exceedingly difficult, is at hand. A sufficient force of Haussas, the best material for soldiers in West Africa. with a stiffening of blue jackets, and the West Indian troops will no doubt soon be on the ground and marching and garrison. The great difficulty at present is the transport of supplies. but this is being overcome by the employment of women carriers. Meanwhile, orders have gone out from Engthe railway that now runs from Sekondi on the coast to the gold mines at ton's Eve and Halleck's Fanny. The Karkwa to Kumassi, a total distance per mile has been provided to cover tile, Helen of Troy, Catharine L. of the cost of its construction.

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A Strong Board of Directors Select ed To Manage The Undertaking. At a largely attended meeting of

Inter-S ate and Wes- indian Exposition Company, was duly organized acwas represented personally or by proxy. The meeting was presided over by the Hon. Jos. W. Barnwell, State Senator for Charleston County, and the proceedings were most harmonicus. The principal business of the evening was the election of a hoard of nine di rectors. The following well-known gentlemen were unanimously chosen to direct the affairs of the Exposition: Col. F. W. Wagener, Col. Wille Jones, Mr. Francis K. Carey, Mr. J. C. Hempfill vacancies, adopt by laws and regu-

leston, is known in commercial cir- Broad street, Atlanta, Ga.

eles all over this country His ample DEATH OF COUNT MURAVIEWE. means have been accumulated by hon-est, active work. He is largely inter-ested in many industries and ever ready to enter new fields where enterorise promises advancement. Capt. Wagener has endorsed the Exposition with a subscription of \$10,000.

Mr. Francis K. Carey, of Baltimore, Md., is president of the Charieston Consolidated Gas, Electric and Railway Company, and is one of the most successful young business men of the

Col. Wilie Jones, of Columbia, is well known throughout the State as a nan of unimpeachable character and

splendid ability.

Mr. J. C. Hemphill is the able and energetic editor of the Charleston News and Courier. A man who never ires in his efforts to build up his naive State.

has held many positions of trust and was for years, mayor of the city of Charleston. He is a prominent mem-ber of the Charleston bar. Mr. J. L. David, of J. L. David &

Bro., stands very high in the commercial world, and is everywhere regarded as a man of great enterprise and energy. He is always at the front in any move for the general good. Mr. Samuel Lapham, member of the

city council of Charleston, president of the Charleston Ice Company, president of the Charle ton Hotel Company, and otherwise variously interested, one of the most valuable members of the board.

Mr. Wm. II. Welch, senior membe of the arm of Welch & Eason, and president of the Young Men's Business League is one of the leading men in all enterprises for the good of the city and State. An indefatigable worker, he gives much of his time to the public service, and is an enthusiast on the subject of the Exposition.

Col. C. S. Gadsden is president of the Atlantic Coast Line of South Caro-lina and president of the Charleston and Savannah R. R. Col. Gadsden i. a conservative and conscientious work er and will ook well into the matters brought before the board. He has for many years served on the board of alderman and stands very high in Charleston and South Carolina.

THEIR AUBURN HAIR.

a Ruddy Red or Golden Hue.

partanburg: Herald,

We are inclined to think that charles J. Bayne has returned from entertainingly of the "auburn-haired girl." He makes a contribution to the es that Helen ensuared the heart of i'aris, and he proved that Magdalene wiped the feet of the Master with hair kings, is now a British political prisoner, but the emblem of sovereignty, the Golden Stool, has not passed to his blonde Eleonore d'Ete one of the mo tute leader of the present revolt remarkable women of that epoch, and against British rule the justification one with whom, of course, he was desperately in love. The beautiful Cleonice supplants all brunette rivals in the with modern rifles, and they are said heart of her royal lover, where she Tsin last night (Sunday night)."

It is not clear what forces united. It would seem that one relieving force, these last of doubtful value in their does of beauty and love rises from the has hair as yellow as the sunshine. It was the golden hair of the beautiful Delia, mistress of Tibultus, that be witched the poet, and Catallus same the glories of Berenice's golden hair The radiant ideals of Titian, Murille and Raphael were as Engene Sue de scribed Adrienne de Cordoville : hair was of a reddish bue of that pe culiar color seen in many of the mos admirable female portraits. Paryne, the fair, when brought before her judges, suddenly threw off her peplun and dazzled the lawmakers with her wondrous beauty, clad only in the waves of rippling hair. Men have not changed through the centuries. Beauty was then, as now. a woman's best defense, and her pardon was granted

Among the poets we remember the ed-haired Pyrrha of Liorace, Kingsey's Hypatia, Bulwer's Adeline de Montreal, Virgil's Venus, Homer's Agamede, Shakespeare's Portia, Milheroic women of history were of the of 141 miles, and the sum of \$25,000 red-haired sisterhood -Isabella of Caslussia, Joan of Arc, Elizabeth of England, Mary Stuart, Anne of Russia. ex Empress Engenie, Lucretia Borgia and Beatrice Cenci.

The Bishop of London, in speaking of the proposed Conference on Ritual, in his presidential address to the Lon stockholders held in the German don Diocesan Conference, said that Artillery Hall, Charleston, Thursday controversy was deployable, but that controversy was deplorable, but that night, June 21st, the South Carolina when questions were raised it was necessary to reach some solution, though it could never be a final one.

> The Rev. Dr. Joseph Parker, of ondon, is the author of over forty volumes of sermons, novels and essays, and now that he is past 70 years of age

OUR GREATEST SPECIALIST.

For 20 years Dr. J. Newton Hathaway as so successfully treated chronic diseas-s that he is acknowledged today to stand at the head of his profession in this line hill, Hon. Jona F. Ficken, Mr. Wm. H. His exclusive method of treatment for Welch, Mr. J. L. David, Mr. Samuel Varieocele and Stricture, without the aid Lapham and Col. C. S. Gadsden. The board was given the usual powers to fill vacancies, adopt by-laws and regulations and elect the necessary officers and Urinary Complaints, Paralysis, Blood Poisoning, Rheumatism, Catarrh, and dis for the various bureaus and departments.

The board of directors is regarded

The board of directors is regarded. by all as representative and include, salist. Cases pronounced helpless by other some of the best and most progressive business men of the State. Capt. Wagener, the senior member of the firm of F. W. Wagener & Co., of Charlet Land Co., which is the senior member of the firm of F. W. Wagener & Co., of Charlet Land Co., of Charlet Land Co., which is the senior member of the firm of F. W. Wagener & Co., of Charlet Land Co., which is the senior member of the firm of F. W. Wagener & Co., of Charlet Land Co., which is the senior member of the firm of F. W. Wagener & Co., of Charlet Land Co., which is the senior member of the firm of F. W. Wagener & Co., of Charlet Land Co., which is the senior member of the firm of F. W. Wagener & Co., of Charlet Land Co., which is the senior member of the firm of F. W. Wagener & Co., of Charlet Land Co., which is the senior member of the firm of F. W. Wagener & Co., of Charlet Land Co., which is the senior member of the firm of F. W. Wagener & Co., of Charlet Land Co., which is the senior member of the firm of F. W. Wagener & Co., of Charlet Land Co., which is the senior member of the firm of F. W. Wagener & Co., of Charlet Land Co., which is the senior member of the firm of F. W. Wagener & Co., of Charlet Land Co., which is the senior member of the firm of F. W. Wagener & Co., of Charlet Land Co., which is the senior member of the firm of F. W. Wagener & Co., of Charlet Land Co., which is the senior member of the firm of F. W. Wagener & Co., of Charlet Land Co., which is the senior member of the firm of F. W. Wagener & Co., of Charlet Land Co., which is the senior member of the firm of F. W. Wagener & Co., of Charlet Land Co., which is the senior member of the firm of F. W. Wagener & Co., of Charlet Land Co., which is the senior member of the firm of F. W. Wagener & Co., of Charlet Land Co., which is the senior member of the firm of F. W. Wagener & Co., of Charlet Land Co., which is the senior member of the firm of F. W. Wagener & Co., of Charlet Land Co., which is the senior membe

A Diplomat Who Played an Impor tant Part in Contemporary History.

Atlanta Constitution.

The death of Count Muravieff, the Russian minister of foreign affairs, has produced a deep and visible effect on international diplomats. They realize that a dominant figure in the world's arena has been removed, and all evince an intense anxiety as to the individuality of his successor.

Russian diplomacy is beginning to be recognized as the most successful and aggressive extant. The play on the part of Russia for international peace while she was pushing operations in China, and the politic stand which that government has assumed on every knotty problem, lends ground for the verification of Russia's own prediction that "she is the coming power in Asia." It is now conceded that Muraviell was the leading spirit in all these matters, and that all those fine schemes and smooth plays which are how seething to the surface originated in a brain remarkable for its quick and consistent shrewdness. It is evident, if all else be denied, that a mind of consummate ability is behind all Russia's actions and competent judges are ready to believe that it has been that of the strong-willed Mura-viell rather than the sluggish ezar.

What will be the outcome of his eath is as yet mere conjecture. If a successor can be found who measures to bis standard the outward maniestations will perhaps be vague. But if an inefficient man is chosen, or if it becomes apparent that Muraviell was the power behind the throne, then there will be changes and develop ments of a radical and terrifying na The other powers will cease to regard Russia as a stumbling-block in the path toward the attainment of selfish ends, and we will see the partition of China, and other bloody schemes pushed to a speedy comple

It appears also that the United States has lost a staunch friend in the Russian minister. What he has done for this country is told succinctly as follows by a contemporary, and may be a revelation to the average newspaper reader:
"When sentimental sympathy in

France and Austria's uncient grievance on account of our Mexican inter vention against Maximilian led to talk of a European concert against the Uni ted States in favor of Spain, a word from Muraviell dispelled these danger ous dreams. The eccentric proceed ings of Admiral von Deiderichs at Manila, although undoubtedly in excess of his instructions, had caused many Americans to doubt the sincerity of Germany's neutrality, and to look upon Great Britain as our only friend in Europe. England was prompt to seize her advantage, and the United States was never nearer than then to tumb ling into the Anglo American alliance pit. By Muravien's instructions, Count Cassini hastened to assure our State department that Russia in no way resented our advance into Asiatic waters, and welcomed us as a neighbor in the Philippines. France, cautioned fermany saw that her admiral's zent had outrun his judgment, and sent him off to Batavia to fire harmless salutes in honor of Queen Wilhelming's core nation. England claimed the credit of saving the United States from a Euro pean war, but the decisive word which blasted the meddling project was

spoken from St. Petersburg. It is reported, in addition, that there a possibility that the death of the Russian minister was due to poison applied with criminal intent. If such be the case, new and endless avenues of speculation are opened up, sufficient to cause European diplomats many deepless nights and rouse anew popu har interest in the developments of the next 'ew weeks.

BELLE BOYD'S CAREER.

The Noted Confederate Spy Had Varied Life.

Wallace Putnam Reed in the Atlanta Constitution thus writes of the death

of Belle Boyd : When I read the Constitution's tele graphic columns yesterday morning

was somewhat shocked to learn that Belle Boyd was dead. In the days of my boyhood I regarded this woman as a heroine who was entitled to a very high place in the history of her country.

Belle Boyd was a Virginian of good family. She was an ardent Confeder

ate sympathizer, and at the very beginning of our civil war she went to work to aid the cause of her friends. She carried dispatches and did the work of a spy until the Federal authorities found it necessary to hunt her down. The woman was arrested time and again, but her ready wit and womanly fascinations made it easy for her to escape without serious punishment. She was patriotic and utterly fearless. Frequently she took midnight rides in localities which were considered unsafe for the boldest men. More than once rude Federal soldiers arrested her and searched her person for dispatches, but she generally disappointed them. When she could not destroy the documents she carried she swallowed them. After she had made herself famou

as a Confederate spy she visited Athe is writing a back fitted especially lanta and was the recipient of many courtesies from our best people. At that time we had only one therter, the Athenean on Decatur street, opposite the present Kimball house. I saw her there one night, escorted by the late Colonel John W. Duncan. She was elegantly costumed and wore diamonds, something unusual in those

> Here in Atlanta she made a fine impression, but after leaving here she had many misfortunes. At one time she was imprisoned in Washington city and her guards treated her with great brutality. Finally she was released, but on her way to Europe on a blockade runner her vessel was captured by a Federal cruiser. Miss Boyd distinguished herself on the occasion by slapping the cheek of a Federal lieutenant, but later on she reconsidered to First door above the matter and married her captor. A

few months later she persuaded her husband to resign, and in the course of a short time the civil war was a thing

Belle Boyd's career was then practi-cally over. She was a woman without a country and her husband was ostraa country and nor nusnand was ostra-cised by his own people. Then she began a hard struggle for existence. Finding that she could not make a living by writing for newspapers, she entered the lecture field and during the past thirty years she has yield

the past thirty years she has visited every city and town in this country.

Conditions and opinions changed so rapidly that the poor woman lost all of her friends. Even here, in the heart of the Confederacy, she lectured to cold and unsympaths the confederacy. cold and unsympathetic andiences, and on more than one occasion her baggage was attached.

Her blue-coated husband died and she married again, but the result did not improve her fortunes. The bravehearted woman had to fight her battle alone, and now she is dead in a Wisconsin town, far away from her old friends-far away from the Virginia hills and valleys where her beautiful

girlhood was passed. Dead near the snow line—this won-derful woman of the tropics! Dead where both man and nature are

cold and unsympathetic! Was the irony of fate ever worse or nore cruel? Poor Belle Boyd—when our real his-torian comes to the front she will have

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