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CRY FOR AID.

"IN THE NAME OF CHRISTIANITY AND HUMANITY."

The War of Extermination Goes On, While the Christian Powers Do Naught.

London, Dec. 12.—A dispatch addressed to the Associated Press and signed by a number of Armenians of Constantinople, has been received here. It says:

"Armenia is at her last gasp. The work of extermination continues. The number of people massacred reaches 100,000 and half a million of survivors have taken refuge in the forests and mountains, where they are feeding on herbs and roots. Hunger and cold has begun to make great ravages among them. In the name of humanity and Christianity save us."

IN DESPERATE NEED.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 12.—The news that Armenia has cabled an appeal for help to the Associated Press at London was taken in missionary circles here as undeniable evidence of the desperate need of those who have suffered from Turkish depredations and have been deprived of everything they possessed by murderous Moslems. Rev. Judson Smith, D. D., secretary of the American Board of Foreign Mission Commissioners, said to a reporter for the Associated Press: "The statements are entirely credible. Although information received by us shows the number killed to reach about 50,000, since our latest advices were sent there have been a number of additional massacres, which may bring the total up to 100,000, as stated in the appeal."

Dr. Smith then alluded to the relief work of the missionaries of the board and said they had been much hampered through lack of funds.

"We trust," he continued, "that the Associated Press will send the appeal broadcast throughout the land, as the delay in receiving money is causing so much misery and destitution among the unfortunate sufferers. I will write Miss Clara Barton, of the Red Cross organization again to-morrow on the necessity that this body take up the distribution of funds immediately."

Up to to-day \$11,976 has been

received by those having in charge the Armenian relief fund. Money is being cabled to Constantinople as soon after its receipt as possible.

The Senate.

Washington, Dec. 12.—The proceedings of the Senate to-day were more than interesting. They covered the entire range of legislation from the entire introduction of petitions, bills and resolutions to the passage of bills, and included two formal addresses. Two bills, one concerning roads in the district of Columbia and the other extending the Chicago port of entry so as to cover the State of Illinois, received the final endorsement of the Senate. Having already passed the House, the Chicago bill will probably be the first bill of the fifty-fourth Congress to become a law.

Almost an hour of the session was devoted to listening to a speech by Senator Peffer in advocacy of his bill curtailing the expenses incurred on Congressional funerals and providing that a Sergeant-at-arms shall take the place of the committees now sent out by the two houses as escorts to their homes of the remains of the deceased members. He denounced the expense incurred in such proceedings as unnecessary, and referred at some length to the criticism of unseemly conduct on the part of some Congressional escort parties.

Senator Call addressed himself to his resolution concerning the Turkish atrocities in Armenia and made a plea for action on the part of this government, which would at least encourage the other powers in their efforts to put a stop to the cruelties practiced by the Turks in their war on civilization and the Christian religion.

Festival.

The young ladies of the Florence Baptist church will have a festival at the store building of Dr. Rutledge on Friday night, the proceeds to be given to the church. Ice cream and cake, oysters, coffee and sandwiches will be served. All are invited to enjoy a pleasant evening.

Full stock of fresh fish, oysters and mullet roe at Walton's.

DEAD.

JUDGE ALLAN G. THURMAN, THE OLD ROMAN IS DEAD.

At the Age of Eighty-Three, the Great Democratic Statesman and Jurist is Gathered to his Father.

Columbus, O., Dec. 12.—The long and useful career of Judge Allan G. Thurman came to a close this afternoon at 1.15 o'clock at his residence, corner of Rich street and Washington avenue. The end was peaceful in the extreme and the soul of the great man left the earthly habitation without a sign of physical distress. At the instant of dissolution and for some hours before, Judge Thurman had been lying in an unconscious condition. He passed merely from sleep temporal to sleep eternal, and the change was hardly noticeable even to the loved ones who surrounded his bedside.

In the midst of volumes of knowledge he prized so dearly, and amid the scenes where he has spent so many pleasant hours of his happy old age, the vital spark took wings from the image of clay.

Judge Thurman died in his beloved library, which looks toward the setting sun. Shortly after his fall several weeks ago Judge Thurman's bed was moved from the adjoining bedroom to his library and he remained there. Judge Thurman has lived with his son, Allan W. Thurman, since the death of his wife several years ago. He has occupied the second story of his son's residence, where he spent the last days of his life in a remarkably pleasant and agreeable manner.

The beginning of Judge Thurman's fatal illness dates from November 7 last, when he fell heavily while walking across the library floor. A few days after the fall Judge Thurman's life was despaired of, but he rallied from the shock and at times apparently seemed to have regained his old time vigor. On November 13 Judge Thurman was 83 years old, and on that date several of his old friends called on him and had a pleasant chat. On that occasion he smoked a cigar with his friends and seemed unusually cheerful and bright.

The Constitution.

CUT IT OUT AND PRESERVE IT FOR REFERENCE.

ARTICLE 3, SECTIONS 1 TO 13

ARTICLE III.

LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT.

Section 1. The legislative power of this State shall be vested in two distinct branches, the one to be styled the "Senate," and the other the "House of Representatives," and both together the "General Assembly of the State of South Carolina."

Sec. 2. The house of representatives shall be composed of members chosen by ballot every second year by citizens of this State, qualified as in this Constitution is provided.

Sec. 3. The house of representatives shall consist of 124 members, to be apportioned among the several counties according to the number of inhabitants contained in each. Each county shall constitute one election district. An enumeration of the inhabitants for this purpose shall be made in the year 1901, and shall be made in the course of every 10th year thereafter, in such manner as shall be by law directed: Provided, that the general assembly may at any time, in its discretion, adopt the immediately preceding United States census as a true and correct enumeration of the inhabitants of the several counties, and make the apportionment of representative among the several counties according to said enumeration: Provided, further, that until the apportionment which shall be made upon the next enumeration shall take effect, the representation of the several counties as they now exist (including the county of Saluda established by ordinance) shall be as follows: Abbeville, 5; Aiken, 3; Anderson, 5; Barnwell, 5; Beaufort, 4; Berkeley, 4; Charleston, 9; Chester, 3; Chesterfield, 2; Clarendon, 3; Colleton, 4; Darlington, 3; Edgefield, 3; Fairfield, 3; Florence, 3; Georgetown, 2; Greenville, 5; Hampton, 2; Horry, 2; Kershaw, 2; Lancaster, 2; Laurens, 3; Lexington, 2; Marion, 3; Marlboro, 3; Newberry, 3; Oconee, 2; Orangeburg, 5; Pickens, 2; Richland, 4; Saluda, 2; Spartanburg, 6; Sumter, 5; Union, 3; Williamsburg, 3; York, 4: Provided, further, that in the event other counties are hereafter established, then the