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prospect that its deliberations will extend over a period at least two months in duration. If the subject of national disarmament should come up

for general discussion-as it seems likely to do at the present writing-the sojourn of the peace representatives at the picturesque Dutch capital will be extended considerably Owing to the growing importance of

the conference and the number and complexity of the problems to be solved, the American delegation has been strengthened both in size and in its personnel. Such a representation should give America an immense and personnel. possibly a predominating influence in the deliberations, for it is made up of men taken from the ranks of those who have long been prominent in national affairs.

Among those selected for this im oriant service are two former am-messions to the leading nations of lurope and a number of the ablest liv-authorities on international law.

delegation includes Joseph H. and General Horace Porter of . a. York: U. M. Rose of Arkansas, ex-president of the American Bar association; Dr. David Jayne Hill of New York; Brigadier General George B. Davis

Hale of Maine, secretary to the delega-tion; James Brown Scott of California expert in international law, and Charles Henry Butler, District of Columbia, expert attache

A Happy Selection.

The selection by the president and secretary of state of three such notable liplomats as Messrs, Choate, Porter and Hill is regarded as especially ap-propriate, for these men will carry to the convention an experience that will be instrumental in rendering effective the arguments to be presented by the American delegation. Furthermore their knowledge of conditions that pre-vall in European government circles will enable them to steer clear of those errors which might be made by those ess conversant with the views and sentiments of the other powers represented at the conference

Joseph H. Choate needs no biographer. His comparatively recent serv-ice at the court of St. James, which important post he occupied from 1899 to 1905, is still fresh in the minds of United States army: Rear Admiral and that he was persona grata at the tion as an expert attache, is a reporter excellent reputation as an authority on

French capital is evidenced by the fact of the United States supreme court. that he received from the republic the grand cross of the Legion of Honor. Dr. David Jayne Hill, the present American minister to the Netherlands, Scott is solicitor of the department of state. A number of expert stenogra-phers, translators and clerks will be served as assistant secretary of stat before entering the foreign service and taken over from this side.

David Jayne Hill

in that position won the respect and esteem of the entire diplomatic corps at Washington. He is a native of New Jersey, born in 1859, the son of a Baptist minister. Dr. Hill is an alum-nus of Bucknell university, of which

he has been president as well as head of Rochester university.

General Horace Porter

Son of a Famous Father.

Chandler Hale, who has been ap-pointed secretary of the delegation, is a son of Senator Hale of Maine, and he also has had the benefit of consid-Americans and has received its full measure of appreciation. General been secretary of the American em-Horace Porter is quite as well and favorably known both at home and much time to the study of international abroad. He served as American am-bassador to France from 1897 to 1965, Butler, who accompanies the delega-

Warriors Too. The probability of an extended discussion of the ticklish subject of dis-armament, together with the military

aspect of many of the problems which will confront the conference, made expedient the selection of men promi-nent in the army and navy. After much deliberation the secretary state came to the conclusion t Brigadier General George B. Davis was the man who combined in his de-

American navy is Rear Admiral Charles S. Sperry, another man who as made a special study and hobby of international law. He is at the present time president of the Nava War college at Newport. He is re puted to be a naval officer of broad culture and has long been regarded as an authority on all matters pertaining to his arm of the service,

The chosen representative of the

The Drago Doctrine.

Point.

One of the most important proposi as which will be introduced into the conference by the Americans will be tha cidedly imposing person the twofold requisites of a soldier of distinction and expert in international law. Be fore he was assigned to the duty of and was so successful in winning the confidence of the South American na-this permanent court there is appointed representing the army at the conference General Davis had achieved an tions that he was selected by the Ar- as occasion demands one or more arbi-

That was one of tween those states. the most important international disputes over settled by arbitration, and successful termination largely to the keen wit and fair dealing of Mr. Euchanan

Nations In Last Conference.

The conference of 1899, held in the House In the Wood, provided for the

congress by Queen Wilhelmina, was representative of twenty-six powers and had for members the United States, Germany, Austria, Belgium, China, Denniark, Spain, Mexico, France, Great Britain, Greece, Raly, Japan, Luxem-bourg, Montenegro, the Netherlands, Persia, Portugal, Roamania, Russia the so called Drago doctrine-the con- Servia, Siam, Sweden and Norway tention that no nation shall resort to Switzerland, Turkey and Bulgaria arms for the purpose of collecting a of these powers bound themselves to debt contracted by another power. The observe certain rules. All the govern-expectation that the discussion of this ments which signed the agreementquestion will constitute one of the not all of them were in a condition so most important features of the peace to commit themselves-promised to remeeting led to the selection of William I. Buchanan of Iowa, who as minister court made up of four members for to Argentina made himself familiar with conditions in South America. He American members of that body are was chosen chairman of the American delegation to the recent Rio conference New Jersey, Oscar Straus of New York



trators to sit as a deciding power These arbitrators are to serve six years, and there is no salary attached. It is expected, however, that the countries that are parties to a quarrel which is being arbitrated will repay liberally all time and effort directed toward the settlement of a dispute which, unsettled, might involve a costly and bloody war.

Some of the Fruit.

At least three important cases have been referred to the new international tribunal since its organization. One of these was the dispute between the United States and Mexico over the interest money which, according to Un-cle Sam's contention, the Mexican republic owed to the Roman Catholic church in California. This case went to The Hague and was argued at great length, with the result that every material claim of the United States was

substantlated and allowed. Then came the Venezuela preferentia treatment case, a matter in which several nations were interested. Grea

Britain, Italy and Germany tried to collect money due them from the South American republic by a show of fore Other powers having claims concluded that their rights were in danger of be-ing violated by this peremptory demand and protested against any priority in settlement. The matter was referred to The Hague, and in the hearing the three nations that had precipitated the dispute were ranged against the United States, France, Spain, Mexico, Belgium the Netherlands and Norway and Swe Finally it was agreed the czar of Russia to select the arbitrators, and two Russians and one Aus-trian were chosen to settle the matter. The conference of this year will no be held in the House In the Wood It has been arranged to hold the sit-tings of the international body in the ancient and historical Ridderzaal, of Hall of the Knights, which has been restored only recently. The next con-ference will occupy the splendid home of its own which Andrew Carnegie has nade possible JAMES VAN HOUTEN SMITH.

To the South Pole In an Automobile: Two New Expeditions to Undertake the Experiment

Alaska, Dr. Frederick A. Cook has announced his intention to go in search of the south pole in an automobile. To one conversant with the various polar experiences of the intrepid doctor during the past few years it would seem that he must have had his fill of such adventures. Those who know him are convinced that he will never desist as long as there is anything left to be discovered.

When he announced his project of ascending to the top of the great Alaskan ice mountain the scheme was declared by experts in mountain climbing to be utopian. Some of them had tried it and had satisfied themselves of its impracticability. The mountain was discovered only a decade ago, and ever since its existence had been made certain Dr. Cook had been laying plans to see the summit. It was in 1903 that he made his first organized attempt. He led his expedition in from the coast

OT content with having climb-ed to the summit of Uncle in trying to ascend the mountain from Sam's loftiest mountain peak, frigid Mount McKinley in Dr. Frederick A. Cook has an-his intention to go in search less campaign against the southeastern side

> By September the party had given up all hope of reaching the summit that season. Most of the others were willing to abandon the altempt, but Dr. Cook determined to remain awhile in the region exploring the rivers and glaciers to the east of the mountain and mapping out a route for a future He retained Barille, and the ascent. others betook themselves to civilization. Cook and his companion resolved to ascend McKinley part way in order to discover, if possible, some new route that might be followed in a subsequent trial. The most thrilling tales of Alphie adventure sound tame in com-parison with the experience these reck-less explorers underwent during that awful climb. Night after night they slept in the snow, and once they camp-ed in a notch cut in an almost perpen-

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FREDERICK A. COOK, M. D., ARCTIC EXPLORER AND MOUNTAIN CLIMBER

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The stream engines, and their hearts thumped audily. The situation is thus vividly described by Dr. Gook: The checulation was so depressed that it was impossible to dispet the serves of the is remembered that Dr. Cook was already a veteran polar travial to some to make much difference on the base serve of the ser

Finally, with infinite toil and resolution, they dragged themselves to the very summit.

by all of this disheartening note of abaution of the second up under a black sky so low that we felt as if we could nearly touch that we felt as if we could nearly touch that we felt as if we could nearly touch the two a resolution to go to the top.
It was not until two days later that they renched the summift. The last night of the climb was passed in great insite sneeds and discomfort. They were camped at an altitude above the summift of Mouni S. Elhas, the arctic circle was at hand and the temperature clickle was at hand and the emperature is one mode our feet, was the top of the remained uniformly 16 degrees below configent, the north pole of our mubitions.

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our using a blocking in less than half an ar-nuasphick, by click up 'Ne piffed and puffed, and after awhile the sickening thourn which the left ffin rib bocause bees nothrable. Breach cause and went class, and then the call of the top was again up-permost. It was an awfol task, however, a piffed our effect up of the deep snow and set the unwilling mescles to work pullag up our legs of size.

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