

KING EDWARD IS A DIPLOMAT.

Crown Chief Link in Binding the
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AUSTRALIAN FEDERATION.

Majesty's Sagacity in Sending Duke of
York There, Thus Dignifying the
New Parliament.

New York, May 10.—A dispatch to the
Tribune from London says:

The ceremonial at Melbourne is the
chief theme of the English press and is
discussed with dignity and enthusiasm.
Regret is expressed that this new
triumph of imperialism has come be-
fore Pax Britannica has been restored
in South Africa, but the truth is dis-
cerned that the Australian federation
was accelerated, if not brought about
by the call to arms which inspired
loyalty throughout the empire eight-
een months ago. The creation of a
united parliament for the common-
wealth is described by more than one
leader writer as the direct result of
the excess of emotion and enthusiasm
which the war in South Africa.

The sagacity of the king in sending
the Duke of York to the throne on this
important mission at a time when he would
not have been censured for cancelling
the engagement made by Queen Vic-
toria, is fully recognized, and the mor-
tality of the crown is the chief link
in binding together the world-wide
empire. Imperialism was pre-
sented by the secretary for war, who
lost sight of the colonies in formulating
forces of the reorganization of the
army and the chancellor of the ex-
chequer forgot the colonies when he
proposed independent changes in cus-
toms and finance systems without spe-
cial concessions to their interest and
well-being. It is the king, by forthright-
ness in dignifying the Australian parliament
who has shown himself an astute im-
perialist and imparted increased im-
petus to the movement for imperial
unity in a stagnant and depressed
period when the nation was with-
out enthusiasm for any great cause and
waiting wearily for the end of an in-
glorious war.

The civil list proposals have been
considered by the commons, after an
agreement had been reached between
the two front benches in the select
committee. Adverse criticism was con-
sequently restricted to the Irish na-
tionalists who had declined representa-
tion on that committee and to the
radicals, who were disposed to sup-
port Mr. Labouchere in his expression
of dissent in the minority report. The
business has been so well managed
that the question of the settlement
of crown revenue in the civil list
was not serious, although objections
had been raised to the payment of
£110,000 in a lump sum for the privy
council of the king and queen. The civil
list discussion has not proved vexatious
for the government.

GAGE ON "DURKEE CLAIMS."

Beneficent Will Refuse to Answer
Communications About Them.

Washington, May 9.—The secretary of
the treasury has addressed the follow-
ing letter to the attorney for "the Dur-
kee" claimants:

"Sir:—In reply to your several ap-
plications in behalf of John A. Kuyken,
administrator of the estate of Charles
Durkee, deceased, who makes demand
upon the United States for payment
to him of sums of money stated at
different times at \$61,625,512, \$79,000,
and \$300,000 for the interest on
claims in the first mortgage bonds is-
sued by the Pacific Railroad company,
when the roads were constructed, I have
to state that if Mr. Durkee was at any
time owner of any of the bonds referred
to, he would not be found in the
treasury department, but with the
records of the railroad companies or
elsewhere, as the United States has had
no control or interest in the first
mortgage bonds of the road.

"And I have further to state that no
money or bonds of any description
have ever been deposited with or held in
trust by the treasury of the United
States for any person or persons repre-
sented by Mr. Durkee or his heirs, nor is
there any legal or equitable basis for
the so-called Durkee claim upon the
United States.

"Two unsuccessful attempts have
been made to secure judicial recognition
of and action upon this claim by suit
brought before the court of claims of
the United States and the supreme
court of the District of Columbia, in
both of which courts the proceedings
were summarily dismissed.

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There is a disease prevailing in this
country most dangerous because so decep-
tive. Many sudden
deaths are caused by
it—heart disease,
pneumonia, heart
failure or apoplexy
are often the result
of kidney disease. If
kidney trouble is al-
lowed to advance the
kidney-poisoned
blood will attack the
vital organs or the
kidneys themselves break down and waste
away cell by cell.

Bladder troubles most always result from
a derangement of the kidneys and a cure is
obtained quickly by a proper treatment of
the kidneys. If you are feeling badly you
can make no mistake by taking Dr. Kilmer's
Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and
bladder remedy.

It corrects inability to hold urine and soiling
pains in passing it, and overcomes that
unpleasant necessity of being compelled to
go often during the day, and to get up many
times during the night. The mild and the
extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon
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Swamp-Root is pleasant to take and sold
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Binghamton, N. Y. When writing mention
reading this generous offer in this paper.

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bank in Chicago made a shipment of
currency.

Chicago banks occasionally make
shipments of currency to New York but
it is rare for such a demand to develop
as was apparent yesterday. More
money is likely to go east from here if
anything like the present situation con-
tinues in the east.

National Skat Congress.

Chicago, May 10.—The fourth National
Skat congress will be held here May 11,
12 and 13. Arrangements have been
made for a grand tourney to accomodate 1,500
players. The first grand tourney will
be held Saturday, followed next day by
election of officers, a banquet and the
second grand tourney. Monday will
be devoted to a trip down the drainage
canal and the closing session, when the
distribution of prizes valued at \$2,000
will be made.

AGAINST COME PECK.

His Telegram of Congratulation to
President Not Public Business.

Washington, May 10.—Comptroller of
the Treasury Tracewell has decided
against the contention of Ferdinand W.
Peck, commissioner general to the Paris
exposition, that the cost of a cable-
gram should be paid out of the exposi-
tion funds. Maj. Frederick D. Brackett,
chief clerk of the American com-
mission, refused to pay for the cable-
gram on the ground that it was a per-
sonal message. The cablegram read as
follows:

"President, Washington, Nov. 23, 1900.
I am glad to hear of your election to
staff at Thanksgiving day meeting
greet the President, their honored chief
today. They feel they have reason for
pride, that he is again to preside over
the destinies of the nation.

(Signed) "PECK."

The comptroller decided that while
the cablegram "shows the true Ameri-
can spirit," it was not on public busi-
ness, and Mr. Brackett is directed not
to pay for it.

CHINESE INDEMNITY CLAIMS.

Plenipotentiaries Will Ask for 450-
000,000 Taels.

Peking, May 9.—An indemnity claim
of 450,000,000 taels will be presented to
the Chinese plenipotentiaries this even-
ing. Official Chinese throughout the
empire have been communicating with
the court and giving advice. Most of
them seem to favor a loan guaranteed
by the foreign powers. Others, promi-
nent among whom is Chang Chi Tung,
believe in raising the money in every
possible way without a loan and in pay-
ing off the entire demand within five
years.

The court has considered methods of
raising twenty millions extra annually,
and provisionally approved the plan,
but the Chinese plenipotentiaries have
instructions to obtain a reduction of the
indemnity demanded, as far as possi-
ble.

Whatever the final demands of the
powers may be, it is not believed that
the opposition will be much more than
a matter of form.

The ministers of the powers met this
morning and decided that the Chinese
should be given to understand that they
ought to pay the amount did not con-
stitute the claim, but was the total of
the expenses, including private claims
considered fair, and was meant more
to obtain an opinion from official
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ton's Sons, one of the oldest and largest
in this part of the state. He has been
a strong political factor in the Republi-
can party and of late as at times pre-
viously he had been mentioned as a
candidate for the nomination of mayor.
He had the largest political following
of any man in the old village of Lan-
singburg, and it was believed that his
influence on important questions ordi-
narily could decide their fate at the
polls.

At the time of his death Mr. Bolton
was president of the Boston Electric
company, director of the Manufactur-
ers' National bank and the People's
National bank, a member of the River-
side club, president of the Star Knit-
ting company of Cohasset and also was
connected with the Empire State Pow-
er company and other corporations.

Rev. W. S. Amos Says He Believes
They Are Exaggerated.

New Haven, Conn., May 10.—Rev.
William S. Amos, of the Baptist church,
in an address before the congregation of
the Dwight Place church, which supported
him on the situation in China, said, in
part:

I believe that the reported atrocities
by the allies are exaggerated. Chinese
women are apt to commit suicide on
trivial pretenses. A family quarrel may
make a woman hang herself or a diffi-
culty with her mother-in-law may
lead her to jump into a well. Y. Y. have
many explanations for the outbreak in
China. You think that it was begun by
a Buddhist priest who practised mes-
merism. He organized societies, in-
cantations were practised. Charms
were worn and all sorts of preventa-
tives against death and harm. The
Christians were attacked because they
offered the least resistance.

"As to the indemnity. When we mis-
sionaries were ordered to vacate the
British legation we went with 2,000 na-
tive Christians to the premises of a
Chinese prince. We forced no doors,
we violated no rights. The prince had
fled. We sold the movable property
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