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## BUILDING UP ZION.

### RUSSIA WILL ALLOW THE JEWS TO EMIGRATE.

### TO GATHER TOGETHER FROM ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD.

The Jewish Daily News, of New York City, has received the following dispatch from Jacob De Haas, secretary of the American Federation of Zionists, Congress now in session at Basle, Switzerland:

"During a discussion Dr. Herzl's statement that the Russian Government would hereafter lighten the burden of the Jews and favor Zionism, and would allow it to be propagated in Russia, was questioned. Dr. Herzl thereupon submitted the following letter dated July 30, from Russian Minister of the Interior Von Plehwe:

"So long as Zionism evinced the desire to create an independent state in Palestine, and promised to organize the emigration from Russia of a certain number of its Jewish subjects, the Russian Government could very well be favorable to it. But from the moment this principal object of Zionism was abandoned, in order to be replaced by a simple propaganda for the national concentration of the Jews in Russia, it is natural that the Government cannot in any case tolerate this new departure of Zionism. It would not have any other result than to create groups of individuals perfectly strangers to and even hostile to the patriotic sentiments which constitute the strength of each state. This is why faith could not be placed in Zionism but on the condition that it return to its old programme of action. It could in that case count on moral and material support for certain of its practical measures which would serve to diminish the Jewish population in Russia. This support might consist in protecting mandatories of the Zionists to the Ottoman Government, and in facilitating the work of the emigration societies, and even in assisting these societies, evidently outside the resources of the state, by means of contributions levied on the Jews."

#### Oppose African Proposition.

CHICAGO, Aug. 26.—The following cable message was sent to Leon Foltokoff, delegate to the International Congress of Zionists at Basle, Switzerland, last night:

"Urge Congress to leave African proposition to executive committee; Zion not to be abandoned until all efforts abandoned.

"BERNARD HORWICH,  
For Chicago Zionists."

The action was the result of a meeting of 30 leaders in the local Zionist movement. It is believed the message voices the sentiment of a majority of the orthodox Jews of this city. At the meeting addresses were made by Rabbi I. Olek, M. Ginzburger of the Jewish Courier, Bernard Horwich, H. Horwich and others.

"If we abandon the Palestine colonization project, Zionism is dead," declared Bernard Horwich. "All our

efforts have been directed toward re-establishing the Jewish nation in Zion. East Africa may be a desirable place for colonization, but it is not in our country."

#### The Pulpit and the Press.

"I am surprised that he condescends to use a newspaper," were words spoken to the Editor on Tuesday morning. Our reply was: "He can reach ten times as many more people through the press than he can in the pulpit." On an average 12,500 persons read every issue of the PLAINDEALER. The average congregation at any of the Roseburg churches is from 50 to 100 and the condescension, if there is any in the Editor allowing a preacher to preach to the readers of the newspaper.

When people go to church they generally go to air their clothes; to see and be seen; or to attend because of a self enforced sense of duty to be good. When any man or woman sets down quietly at the table at night and takes up the PLAINDEALER they "read, mark, learn and inwardly digest" all that is good in it, and we sincerely hope "eschew that which is evil," if evil there be. There is no power in the world equal to the power of the press for good or evil and the Editor by continually dinning into the brains of his readers what he believes to be facts will ultimately carry conviction with his readers. We admit that it is so with the preachers. If they are strong men mentally and strong spiritually they can do much good and their words will find a lodgement in the heart of their congregation and a brother can be "ribbed up" to give two bits when he ought to give ten dollars, but for doing good and for the upbuilding of society and civilization we would not exchange one issue of the PLAINDEALER for all the pulpits and congregations in Douglas County combined.

#### POOR, POOR FROGGIE.

Regarding the frog captured by Mr. Misenheimer and exhibited as a real curio and freak of nature discovered in a well and so forth; the frog and part of the stone cavity in which the frog was supposed to have lived for hundreds, thousands or millions of years was exhibited in this office. The frog after being captured was put in a Mason pint fruit jar and sealed up by the top being twisted on. The frog had been captured about one hour before it was shown to the PLAINDEALER, and it was nothing more or less than a perfectly grown and healthy tree frog with brilliant diamond eyes and all the coloring of emerald and Nile green. The frog had recently had a good square meal of bugs, which no doubt had been stored up for time in the cavity of sandstone for hundreds, thousands or millions of years. Froggie was very lively and a perfect specimen of prehistoric times. This most wonderful find as recorded by the Review proves that there is plenty of room in Roseburg for the classical three shell game.

The baby boy recently born to Mrs. Grover Cleveland at Buzzard's Bay, Mass., has been christened Francis Grover Cleveland, a name selected by the other children, after their father and mother.

There has been so much rain in the Palouse country, Washington, that all harvest work had to be suspended and much damage to crops has been done.

## BEGINNING OF THE END.

### TURKEY MOBILIZING HER MOHAMEDAN FORCES.

### MASSING OF EVERY MAN ABLE TO CARRY ARMS IN THE TURKISH EMPIRE.

An Associated Press dispatch dated Constantinople, Aug. 26., says: The government has decided to call to the colors all the remaining European reserves belonging to the Second and Third Army Corps, and a number of other reserves, which will bring the total of the Turkish soldiers in Macedonia up to 350 battalions, or almost double the force utilized in the Greek-Turkish War. The enrollment of such large bodies of troops indicates the seriousness with which Turkey views the situation, and her determination to use all the means at her disposal to repress the rebellion. Ibrahim Pasha, the new commander of the troops, is a young and capable officer. Seven battalions have been dispatched to Florina from Monastir. The valis of Monastir and Salonica telegraphs that they are now unable to guarantee the maintenance of order in their respective towns.

According to a Sofia telegram to the London Times of yesterday, the Turkish oppressions in Macedonia have reached the utmost limits of barbarism and it is evident that it is the intention to accomplish by degrees the total extirpation of the Bulgarian population.

#### Turks Butcher Helpless.

Within the last few days, says the Times correspondent, 12 more Christian villages have been handed over to fire and sword, and women, children and the aged have been massacred indiscriminately. Convoys of prisoners dispatched to Monastir have been murdered by their escorts on the way. A private letter from a foreign resident in Monastir says even the local Turks are disgusted and meditate assassinating the Consuls in order to provoke European intervention.

#### Revenge of Insurgents.

The insurgents are doubtless taking a terrible revenge and are executing the revolutionary programme to the letter. The reported concentration of large Turkish forces in the Adrianople district at Mustafa-Pasha, Kizylagach and other points on the Bulgarian frontier is regarded with much apprehension in Sofia, as it is well-known that in case of war an invasion would occur from this direction.

#### Powers Take Gloomy Views.

In the special dispatches from the East, published this morning a gloomy view is taken of the crisis in the Balkans. According to reports from Constantinople a rumor was current that war had already been declared against Bulgaria. It was proved to be unfounded, but the state of popular feeling is said to be such that no other issue is regarded as possible. It is further stated that although the Russian squadron was withdrawn from India it continues to cruise near the Bosphorus. It is reported that several

Italians have been murdered by Turks at Ismand, a seaport in Asia Minor, 53 miles southeast of Constantinople.

#### Servia Suppresses Macedonia.

From Belgrade it is announced that a big mass meeting of Macedonians intended to be held August 23 was postponed to August 30 by order of the government on account of Turkish protests. It is also stated from Monastir that the revolutionary committee are appealing to the Christian population to refuse to pay taxes and that their appeal is meeting with much success.

The insurgents in the Debr district are said to be destroying the villages and murdering their inhabitants.

#### Turkey Acts Under Powers' Advice.

In taking more energetic measures for the suppression of the revolution Turkey is acting in accordance with the advice of the powers. The forthcoming conference of King Edward with Emperor Francis Joseph and King George of Greece at Vienna, and the visits of the Czar and Emperor William to Vienna, will enable the monarchs to discuss Balkan affairs thoroughly, and before the conclusion of the conference Turkey proposes so far as possible to restore order, so that international action will be unnecessary.

#### Will Not Declare War.

An official of the Turkish embassy here said to a representative of the Associated Press today:

"The calling out of additional troops by Turkey is due solely to the decision to suppress the insurrection at once. It is not in anticipation of war with Bulgaria. Turkey has no intention of declaring war in spite of rumors to the contrary, and Bulgaria, warned by the powers, does not seem at this moment to contemplate hostilities. We know what public opinion is in Bulgaria and how the situation may change tomorrow, but in the meantime Turkey proposes to lose no time in restoring peace."

#### Tom Johnson for Governor.

At the democratic State Convention held at Columbus, Ohio, Tom Johnson was nominated for Governor by acclamation. John H. Clarke, of Cleveland, prospective candidate for Senator, presented Johnson's name for the nomination for Governor. After Mr. Clarke had concluded, Judge Hagin announced that Clarke County, the home of Zimmerman, had no candidate, and Johnson was nominated by acclamation, and wild enthusiasm.

If the transmigration of the soul gag is the kind of food that the Rev. George H. Bennett feeds to the souls of his church and congregation, is it any wonder that he has to have brass bands, string orchestras and waltz music to induce assimilation and digestion?

At Vancouver, B. C. on Tuesday night, four men held up the night watch at the Featherstone mine and robbed the sluice boxes of \$20,000 in gold, and escaped in safety.

Three young men at Eugene have been arrested for interfering with a postman delivering the rural mail. It is a United States offense and the young men may have to go to the penitentiary.

The British-American yacht race at Sandy Hook on Tuesday, resulted in the American boat beating the English boat on a 30 mile course 1 minute and 19 seconds.

Small pox in a virulent form has again broken out at Spokane.

## HORNETS CALORE.

### BREAK UP A LOVER'S GAB FEST.

### THE HORNETS WERE THE VICTORS IN A QUICK, FIERCE BATTLE.

On Wednesday morning about 8 o'clock two of the young bloods of Roseburg had a little dispute and they were engaged in a regular "gab fest" duel on a vacant lot in the Waite Addition. Passers by came to the conclusion that two Thomas cats were engaged in a fight to the death for they heard wrathful notes of sinister expression ranging from the deep basso-profondo of the Italian dago to the clear soprano voice of the angelic Adelina Patti, and up to the clear heaven splitting frenzy notes of Miss Yaw which are only equalled by a caterwauler when swatted with a boot jack. It seems that each of the young men wanted a monopoly concession on the effects of a Roseburg belle. The conversation was animated and one of them became so excited that he knocked down a hornets nest and then the fun commenced. The first jab of the business end brought a regular Apache yell and then the other gallant yelled, and the yells were so loud and prolonged that they could be heard all over the neighborhood. Those lively little insects have forever settled the trouble and so far as the young men are concerned they don't either of them care a cent if they see Betsey Jane again. One of the young gentlemen had seven punctures to the hornets credit and the other nine. The hornets were dead game as four of them left their stings in one of the participants as mementos of the little incident, and the bearer of the mementos went to a Roseburg barber shop to have them pulled out and ammonia applied to the nine puncture holes. For three or four hours each of the young men's faces were badly swollen, but as they do not like to be joshed about the scrimmage, we have refrained from giving the matter notoriety by publishing their names.

The state of Washington has raised 21,000,000 bushels of wheat this year.

At Seattle, on Tuesday night, a widow with a child shot a man in his own rooms in the presence of his wife. Jealously seems to be the cause of the tragedy.

The Berlin Society for prevention of cruelty to animals, has undertaken to thoroughly organize their humane principles in Italy. The prevention of cruelty to any kind of animal has a most wonderful effect on the civilization of any community practicing the enabling principles.

Lord Brass, president of the London Chamber of Commerce, who is now in Boston, said: "It is only a question of time when the fleets of the United States will be raised to the first rank. Potentially the United States is comparatively the greatest naval power in the world. She has the greatest resources, and it is only a question of policy with her."