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TO BOOST WHITE WAY.

At Club Appoints Committee to Confer With Others.

Extension of the Great White Way was the chief topic of conversation at the weekly luncheon of the St. Joseph Ad Club yesterday.

Light Trap Saves Trees. Foes of Caterpillar Moths Killed by Electricity.

Zittau, Germany.—Saxon authorities have discovered what seemed to be an excellent way to put an end to the caterpillar plague.

CROPS AND PROSPERITY. Drivers Journal: Generous rains over the corn belt in the next week or two would mean a big increase in the corn yield this year.

Confidence of the investing public has been well restored in late months and with the political campaign over.

HIGHER CORN FED BEEF. National Provisioner: Some butchers undoubtedly have been puzzling themselves as to just why there is a relatively greater demand for corn-fed beef.

PROSPECTS FOR STEER TRADE. Drivers Journal: Ask a cattle trader what he thinks of the future of the market for native steers and he will frown and reply: "Things do not appear particularly cheering for very high prices this fall."

A Hint. Senator Fulton, at his annual Oregon salmon dinner in Washington, told a Upping story.

Ominous. "Pardon me, old man," began the veteran boarder, "but we don't want to lose you, and I just want to warn you that you'd better begin to pay something on your board."

Not Brainsy. Ella—What sort of a fellow is he Stella—Well, I should say that he had ordered brains and then countermanded the order.

Rhubarb Root. The value of the rhubarb root as a drug has been so long known that the discoverer of its medicinal qualities will never be known.

Brazil's Exposition Opened. Rio Janeiro, Aug. 12.—President Penna Wednesday inaugurated here a national exposition of industry and liberal arts.

PELTED BY PATAGONIAN LADIES.

Dusky Belle Resented Refusal to Supply Them with Tobacco.

Capt. A. E. Gove, who has had experience in the naval service of Uncle Sam, got back recently from a trip in the new steel tug E. G. Reynolds from this port by way of the Straits of Magellan, to Panama, says the New York Sun.

At Punta Arenas the Reynolds preceded the battleship fleet by a day or so, and it was two days passing through the straits.

Contract Not to His Liking. Reason Why Man Milliner Would Not Make Hat for Dog.

Herman Patrick Tappe is an Ohio young man who, a year or so ago, married a wealthy New York widow.

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ALFALFA IN MISSOURI.

Mr. E. C. Dameron, of Pike County, Mo., who has made a success of growing alfalfa, says: "After many years of experimenting I advise fall seeding. Weeds and foxglove are its worst foes, and how to avoid them, or to reduce them to the minimum is the problem before the alfalfa grower. It is with this in view that I advise the fall seeding. I have about fifty acres to cut next year, all of which is on low-lying land rather inclined to be wet. While this land is very fertile, I do not consider it ideal alfalfa land. To my mind the piece selected for seeding down next fall should be upland, naturally well drained and fertile. It should be broken in mind that alfalfa is the most valuable crop one can possibly raise, it is entitled to the best piece of land on the farm.

If the piece selected be now in wheat I should top-dress it during winter with all the stable manure I could possibly get on it—not in great lumps—but well distributed. After about comes off in June, I should disk it twice, once each way. After the first shower the weeds will begin to appear, then disk again. Keep this up until about the first of September. Don't plow under any circumstances, but kill all the weed growth by surface cultivation. All this sounds like work and it is work, but the best remuneration a farmer ever did. About September first, if there be moisture enough for germination, sow twenty pounds of seed per acre. Use a wheelbarrow sower and sow ten pounds each side. This covers "skips" and gives a better distribution of the seeds. Then plant your harrow teeth and cover by going over the field at least twice.

This cultivation has been given as outlined, there will probably be enough moisture to cause germination even in very dry weather, but growth will be astonishing after the first shower. Don't pasture it, don't mow it, but let it grow up, fall down and go through the winter in that shape. The next spring you will be amply rewarded when you find it the first green thing to be seen and it will remain so when everything in the landscape is parched, dry and sun-baked.

On the other hand, if the land selected be in corn, stalks or what not, I should grow a preparatory crop. Nothing that I know of enriches soil more quickly or puts it in better tilth than cowpeas. Anywhere between May 15 to June 15, I should plow and order the land, and with a wheat drill, plant about a bushel of peas to the acre, any variety, but preferably Wisconsin. Don't wait for this crop to mature, but cut for hay, for feed, pasture it or "hog cut off" in time to prepare your seed bed. Disk this pea stubble until you are tired, but don't stop short of five times. Proceed then as above described. I have given above the result of my experience, and this experience seems to be born out by recent experiments made at the various agricultural stations. The keynote is the preparation of a perfect seed bed on good rich soil, and a season of the year when there is least danger from weeds. Be warned that a failure is sure to follow careless, slipshod methods, but the careful, painstaking farmer may rest assured that the labor he may put on an alfalfa field will be rewarded a hundred fold. My experiments have been confined to my own farm. It is true, but I believe that alfalfa will grow on any soil that will produce clover. It is one of the clover species itself—a perennial clover—and will grow forever as far as I know.

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It Brings Results. Swift's Digester Tankage will make summer hogs weigh better, ship better and Sell Better. Tankage-fed hogs nearly always top the market. We have printed a Little Book, "Protein for Profit." Let us send it to you. Swift & Company, U. S. A.

BRIEF CITY NEWS.

Judge E. C. Smith of Platte county was in the suburb yesterday.

Patrolman Wykert is spending his vacation with relatives in Troy, Kan.

Masters Hamilton and Freddie Lauder have gone to Princeton, Ill., to visit relatives.

Mrs. J. W. Ebling of 425 East Colorado avenue was taken to the St. Joseph hospital Tuesday for an operation.

Henry Brennan and William Dwire of the Kansas City fire department were in the South End the first part of the week.

Mrs. B. H. Hayes, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. E. W. Bradley, 410 East Colorado avenue, has returned to her home.

RAILROAD MEN HERE.

Officials of Southern Companies Stop Over a Day in City.

Business conditions throughout the middle west are improving, according to a party of prominent officials of the southern and the Queen & Crescent railroads, who were in St. Joseph yesterday for the purpose of visiting the packing houses, grain dealers and others from whom the railroads draw much of their traffic.

After being escorted about the city by representatives of the business organizations, the officials were guests during the evening of the Country club. They left at 12 o'clock last night for Omaha. Those in the party were: Thomas C. Powell, vice president; R. L. McKellar, assistant freight traffic manager; R. A. Campbell, general freight agent; J. C. Beam, Jr., general passenger agent; J. H. Drake, general freight agent; P. J. Tapp, commercial agent; J. R. L. Wulf and W. Biggerstaff of the Southern and G. P. Biles, freight traffic manager; W. C. Rinearson, general passenger agent, and H. Osborn, commercial agent of the Queen & Crescent.

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The school board has instructed an architect to draw plans for an eight-room addition to the McKinley school. It is feared, however, that it is too late in the season to finish the work, but if the weather is favorable the exterior can be finished, and the interior can be worked on during the bad weather.

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Through the investigation of the board of public works, eight warrants were issued this morning for parties whose houses encroach upon the public streets of the city.

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TO FIGHT CANNON

METHODISTS BEGIN AN ACTIVE CRUSADE AGAINST SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE.

OFFICIAL ADDRESS ISSUED

Churchmen Claim That Mr. Cannon Has Been Holding Up Liquor Shipment Bills for Past Five Years.

Baltimore, Md., Aug. 13.—The Methodist Episcopal church has begun an active crusade for the election of a speaker of the house of representatives "who will allow congress to vote on the 'interstate liquor shipment bill.'" The church, which has over 3,000,000 communicants, has created the Temperance Society of the Methodist Episcopal church, with authority to represent the denomination in all temperance matters. This society is managed by a board composed of a bishop and 15 members named by the bishop and elected by the late general conference. The board of managers has organized and directed its chairman to take steps to begin an active campaign. An official address has been issued to all members of the denomination asking their co-operation. The "shipment bills" which has been pending in congress for at least five years, does not seek to impose prohibition on any locality, but provides that liquor shipped from one state to another shall immediately upon crossing the boundary become subject to the laws of the state into which it is consigned.

"The speaker of the house of representatives," says the address, "absolutely controls its proceedings. He is opposed to this legislation. He has used the power of his office to hold it in the judiciary committee appointed by him on the alleged ground that it is unconstitutional. Our church by action of the recent general conference insists that congressional doubt as to the constitutionality of such legislation be resolved in the interests of the people and the public morals and that the general conference unanimously adopt the report of Gov. Hanley's special committee appointed to wait upon Speaker Cannon which closes with the following words: 'We submit to our people and to all good citizens the wisdom of electing men as members of congress who believe in its validity and who are willing to enact it.'"

"At least one member of the house judiciary committee has been defeated for the nomination on his record on this question and we believe that the time has come when our people who want to help secure this legislation must support for congress candidates who will not only vote for this measure if they get a chance, but will themselves support for speaker a man who will allow it to be voted upon and that its passage is improbable until Christian voters recognize the situation and cast their ballots accordingly."

Will Reveals a Romance.
Minneapolis, Minn., Aug. 13.—Filing of the will of the late Robert Pratt, former mayor of Minneapolis, Wednesday revealed a romance. For a share in an estate valued at \$20,000 is left to Mary Bettin, Mr. Pratt's housekeeper, "who has agreed to become my wife" reads the will. Miss Bettin gets \$2,000 capital stock in the Zenith Telephone company of Duluth and \$2,500 from a life policy. Mr. Pratt's five sons and daughters by a former marriage share the estate with their father's fiancée.

Government's Petition Ready.
St. Paul, Minn., Aug. 13.—Frank P. Kellogg, special counsel for the government, announced Wednesday that he had completed the petition for a rehearing in the case of the government against the Standard Oil company of Indiana and the petition will be filed in the United States circuit court of appeals August 20. Mr. Kellogg stated that the petition had been examined and approved by Attorney General Bonaparte.

St. Louis Policeman Killed.
St. Louis, Aug. 13.—As the result of a running fight between Policeman Zeno Fultz, 25 years old, and John Thornton, 31 years old, a negro, the former is dead and the latter is lying in the city hospital with three dangerous bullet wounds in his abdomen. The duel occurred in an alley back of a Chestnut street lodging house, following Fultz's attempt to arrest the negro on a shooting charge.

A Woman Routed a Burglar.
Leavenworth, Kan., Aug. 13.—A burglar attempted to enter the home of Mrs. John M. Hudson in Lansing Wednesday afternoon. She chased him away with a poker. Mrs. Hudson was sleeping when she was awakened by the burglar, who had just crawled through a window. A neighbor woman came to Mrs. Hudson's aid with a revolver. The burglar ran to a cornfield and escaped.

Held for Boy's Murder.
Chicago, Aug. 13.—Hassin Nemer was held by a coroner's jury Wednesday on the charge of being the murderer of Tuffa Shashem, the Syrian lad whose body was recovered piecemeal a fortnight ago from various places, including Mud lake and the drainage canal.

CROWNED WITH A COCKED HAT



The army officials of Denmark have a ready wit that enables them to deal satisfactorily in their colonies with many forms of native vanity. Here we see M. Marchal, governor of Dahomey, crowning Adjiki, the son and successor of the late King Toffa. The insignia consists of a white cloth and a general's hat; but doubtless they are sufficient to enable all Adjiki's subjects to recognize that he who wears the hat wields the scepter. In fact, as soon as he had been crowned, the new ruler was presented to his loving subjects by the governor of Dahomey and his staff.

33 YEARS' SEARCH REWARDED.

Picture Found on Body of Soldier in Civil War at Last Identified.

Paterson, N. J.—A daguerrotype of a young man and a girl taken from the body of a union soldier on the battlefield of Chancellorsville during the civil war has been returned to the girl in the picture, Mrs. T. W. Stowe of Milford, Conn., after a search lasting 33 years.

Former Freeholder Edgar Whritenour, a mineral water manufacturer of this city and Hawthorne, conducted the search for the owner of the picture.

The daguerrotype came into the possession of Mr. Whritenour through his wife, Mrs. Whritenour's father, N. Barnes, who was a member of the Thirtieth New Jersey volunteers, was captured during the war, and the daguerrotype was given to him by a Confederate soldier, who explained that the picture had been taken from a dead union soldier at Chancellorsville.

On the back of the case were found the names "John Rawson and Nellie Augusta Nettleton." The case also contained a needle, piece of thread and a lock of hair.

Mr. Whritenour communicated with every Grand Army of the Republic post in the country, but was unsuccessful until "Nellie Augusta Nettleton," now Mrs. T. W. Stowe was located in Milford, Conn.

CHICKENS AS WEDDING GIFT.

Newly-Wedded Couple Showered with Fowls of Many Varieties.

Mitchell, Ind.—George W. Hamilton and Janie Richardson were married the other afternoon. Mr. Hamilton for several years was manager of the telephone exchange at Georgia, and he resigned the first of this month to engage in the poultry business. His many friends conspired to help him along, and they arranged among themselves that each person should present him with a chicken. They acted with great liberality, and it was an interesting scene, resembling a poultry exhibit on a large scale. Chickens of all kinds, from bantams to Rhode Island Reds, were contributed, and if the newly-wedded pair do not make a success of the poultry business it will not be for lack of variety. Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton will reside on a farm in Spice Valley township.

Will Heal War's Wound.
Memphis, Tenn.—After an absence of 43 years, Andrew Jackson's historic words, "The union must be preserved," will be restored to the monument of Old Hickory in Court square. The bust of Jackson will be repaired immediately by the park commissioner.

"During the civil war a local Confederate patriot took a chisel and removed. The union must be preserved," said Col. Galloway, a member of the park commission. "Now that the civil war is long past, and we are all so proud of the union, it seems to me that it would be only proper to put this language back."

Cent in Stomach Sixty Years.
Laporte, Ind.—A large copper cent, swallowed 60 years ago, caused the death of James Huckins, 67 years old, a farmer. The coin became incased in the lining of the stomach at the time it was swallowed and remained there until recently, when an abscess formed and acids in the stomach began to dissolve the coin. Poisoning ensued, causing death.

KEPT IT IN FAMILY

FOUR GENERATIONS HANDLE MAIL IN MAINE FOR 150 YEARS.

Young Scion Spends Much Time in Old Town Now, and is Fitting Self to Take Over Duties if Need Be, When Aunt Retires.

Brooksville, Me.—Four successive generations of Walkers have held the old Bigwade post office and distributed letters for a century and a half. The ancient trading post of Bigwade was established by the French from Quebec in 1610. Later, when Baron de Castine came over and married the daughter of Minwacod, the local Indian chief, and established a precedent for titled foreigners to marry American heiresses, the settlement was named Castine.

After the capture of Quebec by the English in 1759, and the fall of the French power in Canada, Maj. Groves Walker was appointed royal commander of eastern Maine, with power to scalp Indians, to impose imprisonment and fines and to receive, open and examine all mail matter at the post.

Maine was under full control of the British troops all through the revolutionary war, and Maj. Walker held the post office until the colonies had gained their liberty, when the Walker family divided, the major going over to New Brunswick to reside among the expelled Tories, while his son, Joseph Walker, received custody of all mails under authority of the United States of America. As soon as a post office department was established by law he became the first postmaster of the village. The autograph of Samuel Osgood, the first postmaster general, is attached to the commission, which is still in possession of the family.

Deacon, afterward Colonel, Joseph Walker, held the office continuously from 1791 until 1845, though he was obliged to gather up his papers and flee far inland beyond the reach of the English warships during the British occupancy of Castine in the war of 1812. It was owing to this war that a temporary post office was established at the outlet of Walker's Pond.

When peace was restored, Deacon Walker was permitted to have the name of his post office changed from Castine to Brooksville. He continued to hold the place and draw his salary until 1845, when he was succeeded by his son, Deacon Joseph Groves Walker, who saw letter postage reduced from ninepence, or 18 cents, for each half ounce, to two cents.

The third Walker to hold the place was a man of importance and was counted a leading member of the Republican party in his own county during the civil war. He owned grist mills and saw mills and carding mills and lived to see the surface of Walker's Pond denuded of ice every winter, the harvest being carried on chutes by an endless chain directly from the pond to the holds of schooners lying at anchor down in Eggemoogin Reach, a branch of Penobscot bay.

On the death of Deacon J. G. Walker in the '90s, the post office went to his younger daughter, Miss Emma J. Walker, a former school teacher, who came home to care for her aged mother. But the direct line of Walkers is not extinct, because Joseph William Walker, the fourth in descent from the old British major, is owner of the old house, in a room of which the mails have been received and sorted for more than a century, and though he is in government employ in Washington at present, he comes to his old home every summer and is making preparations to take up his permanent residence in Brooksville.

A son of J. H. Walker, Joseph Groves Walker second, and the fifth in direct descent from the British major, spends much of his vacation time at the old home and is fitting himself to become the future postmaster of the village by helping his aunt, Emma J. Walker, in sorting the mails.

AUCTION OF QUAKER WRITINGS.

Pamphlets of War of Revolution to Be Sold to Bidders.

New York.—Rare pamphlets relating to the purported disloyalty of Quakers to the American cause in the revolution soon will be disposed of at auction. The earliest of the lot is dated Philadelphia, the fourth day of the first month, 1775, the famous testimony of "the people called Quakers" at a meeting of their representatives setting forth "the fidelity we owe to the king and his government."

Then there is a broadside, Philadelphia, 1776, entitled, "The ancient testimony and principles of the people called Quakers, reviewed with respect to the king and his government, and touching the commotions now prevailing in these and other parts of America, addressed to the people in general." It is signed "John Pemberton."

Another broadside, dated "Masons' Lodge, September 9, 1777, ten o'clock, p. m.," is addressed "To the inhabitants of Pennsylvania," and contains a copy of the resolutions of the council ordering the Quakers and other persons confined in Free Masons' lodge to be sent to Virginia the next day.

The last of these interesting broadsides is dated Philadelphia, October 7, 1782. It is an answer to a petition to the general assembly of Pennsylvania by Isaac Howell and White Matlock, attacking the civil rights and liberties of the Quakers of Philadelphia.

ANIMALS LIKED SALT WATER.

Where Remains of Extinct Mastodons Are Most Likely to Be Found.

St. Louis.—"Wherever you find salt or sulphur springs," says a gentleman connected with the United States geological survey, "you may expect to find the bones of mastodons and other huge creatures that have now become extinct."

"Many persons suppose that the presence of these bones in great numbers indicates that the animals had a sort of common cemetery, like the llamas of Chile, which when they felt death coming on always made for the nearest stream or pond, and if they could get there, died in the water. "That, however, is likely only a superstition. The mastodon bones in a salt or sulphur marsh indicate that the animals went there to drink the water and occasionally one got mired and was suffocated. The great number of the bones does not prove that a whole herd of mastodons was drowned at once, but that one being mired every year or so during several centuries would in time cause a great accumulation of bones."

"Missouri has a bone marsh at Sulphur Springs; there is a great mine of them at the Salt Springs in Kentucky and at several places in Ohio and Indiana where there are saline springs. A great spring in Florida, one of the four or five huge outlets which are grouped under the name of Silver Springs, is called the Bone Yard because the bottom and sides are masses of mastodon bones."

BATS FILL HISTORIC MANSION.

Patrick Henry Home to Be Burned to Get Rid of Pests.

Aylett, Va.—Montville, one of the historic places in Virginia, is to be burned to the ground by its owners, the great-grandchildren of Patrick Henry, because it is overrun with bats.

Since the warm weather began here there is no living in or near the place. Bats by the thousands hang about the grand parlors and spacious bedrooms of the colossal mansion. Attempts to exterminate them by poison and with clubs have failed.

Montville is owned by the six children of the late William Aylett. They inherited the home from their father, who had inherited it from his grandmother, Elizabeth Henry, who had married an Aylett.

After the death of William Aylett half a dozen years ago, his sons and daughters married and moved away, and Montville was rented. From the day the lease was signed bats began to invade the place. The lessee tried living in the mansion with his family, but it was impossible.

The Aylett children offered prizes to the negroes who would kill the most bats. The negroes came from every direction hoping to win the "bat prize," but after thousands of the creatures had been put to death there was no appreciable diminution. Poison was then placed in every part of the house, but the bats only seemed to thrive on it.

INDIAN MUSIC RECORDS.

Native Songs Are Preserved by the Phonograph.

Washington.—The phonograph has recently been used by the bureau of ethnology to register the native songs of the Indians. Several hundred songs have thus been obtained, and it is designed to secure the most complete record possible of the vanishing melodies.

These Indian songs as transcribed from the phonograph records have elicited the interest not only of scientists but of professional musicians as well. Credit for the record is due to Miss Alice Fletcher, an employee of the bureau, who for a number of years has interested herself in the subject of Indian music.

In the records of the talking machine Indian music has for the first time been recorded in a satisfactory authentic manner and the transcriptions which have been made from them are scientifically accurate. The Indians have no musical notation and apparently no theories of music. Their songs are handed down by tradition and the phonograph will be of great value in perpetuating them.

"Contrary to what I have found to be a general impression among those ignorant of the subject," said Miss Fletcher, "the songs of the Indians are not meaningless chants, devoid of sweetness, power and expression."

Visits Heaven in Vision.

Temple, Tex.—In a remarkable sermon preached here by Evangelist George C. Cates, he expressed his firm conviction that the second coming of Christ was imminent.

Taking as his subject "A Trip to Heaven," the evangelist related that in a vision he had visited Heaven and seen there all the great evangelists grouped around the great white throne. Included in the vast throng was himself and all the pastors of the Temple churches, together with all Christians who had aided in bringing about the salvation of others.

Make Him a New Nose.

Pottsville, Pa.—A novel operation at the Pottsville hospital resulted in an entirely new nose for Albert Jones of Pine Grove, who had the old organ severed by a fall. The doctors sewed the severed part on, but it had become cold and would not knit.

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THE NEBRASKA LEADER FORMALLY TOLD OF HIS NOMINATION AT LINCOLN.

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Ceremonies Were Plain and Simple and Were Participated in by Republicans as Well as Democrats.

Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 13.—Recognizing that I am indebted for my nomination to the rank and file of our party and that my election must come, if it comes at all, from the unpurchased and unpurchasable suffrages of the American people, I promise, if intrusted with the responsibilities of this high office, to consecrate whatever ability I have to the one purpose of making this, in fact, a government in which the people rule—a government which will do justice to all, and offer to everyone the highest possible stimulus to great and persistent efforts, by assuring to each the enjoyment of his just share of the proceeds of his toil, no matter in what part of the vineyard he labors, or to what occupation, profession or calling he devotes himself.

Thus spoke W. J. Bryan Wednesday afternoon in accepting the nomination as the candidate of the Democratic party for the Presidency of the United States.

The official program was opened at noon with luncheon at the Hotel Lincoln given by the committee of arrangements, at which the guests were Mr. Bryan, Mr. Kern, Gov. Sheldon and other state officials and the members of the notification committee, together with the members of the national committee who are here.

Mayor Brown's attempt to make a non-partisan affair of the ceremony has been entirely successful. The governor and all the other state officials are Republicans, but they were at the luncheon, and Gov. Sheldon rode in the first carriage with Mayor Brown, the Democratic executive of the city.

Amid cheers and waving of flags, Mr. Bryan was escorted from the Lincoln hotel through the streets of Lincoln to the capitol grounds, where the formal notification took place. In the carriage with him was John W. Kern of Indiana, the Democratic candidate for the Vice Presidency.

As the Democratic candidate emerged from the capitol building on the platform, in company with Governor Sheldon, Mayor F. W. Brown and others of the committee on arrangements, there was a cheer which continued for several minutes. As soon as Mr. Bryan was seated National Chairman Norman Mack opened the exercises by calling upon the Rev. Father John P. Nugent of Des Moines, Ia., to deliver prayer. Upon its conclusion Mr. Clayton, as chairman of the committee on notification, turning to Mr. Bryan, made his notification speech. He called attention to the unanimous action of the Denver convention in making the nomination, and declared that the Democratic party, "confident of the righteousness of its cause," was determined to rescue the government "from the hands of the despoilers who have exploited it for the benefit of favorites, to the injury of the masses of the plain people."

The letter of notification was no less vigorous than Mr. Clayton's speech. Mr. Bryan received it with full appreciation of the importance of its meaning.

The great crowd at once settled itself down to hear Mr. Bryan's words of acceptance. With a pleased countenance he surveyed his vast audience and then began his remarks, but he had not proceeded far when he was interrupted by cheers, the demonstration continuing at intervals throughout his speech.

Mr. Kern delivered a short address and then he and Mr. Bryan retired to the capitol building, where they held a public reception, and the exercises concluded.

First Speed Trial Failed.

Washington, Aug. 13.—Capt. Thomas S. Baldwin made the first official speed trial of his military dirigible before the army board at Fort Myer Wednesday. When within a mile of the finishing line a secondary wire connecting the coil of the engine with the commutator broke and the motor stopped. The airship was brought down in a cornfield and after Mr. Curtis repaired the motor the flight was continued. The accident prevented any possibility of making the speed required by the contract, but Capt. Baldwin has two more trials in which to demonstrate its speed.

England Won't Interfere.

London, Aug. 13.—It has been definitely decided that Great Britain can not intervene in the dispute between the Venezuela salt and match monopolies, two English corporations owned by the Ethelburga Syndicate, Ltd., of London and the Venezuelan government.

Too Wet for Maneuvers.

Junction City, Kan., Aug. 13.—There was no maneuvering of troops at Fort Riley Wednesday because of the heavy rain Tuesday night and Wednesday morning. Most of the troops spent the greater portion of the day drying their clothing and equipment.

A NOTED CHARACTER DEAD

END COMES TO EX-LIBRARIAN OF CONGRESS SPOFFORD.

Had Full Charge of Congressional Library From 1864 to 1897.—Died in New Hampshire.

Washington, Aug. 13.—Ainsworth Rand Spofford, editor, publisher, book seller and author, librarian of congress from 1864 to 1897 and since then chief assistant librarian, whose death was reported from Holderness, N. H. Wednesday, was stricken with paralysis two years ago and never fully recovered, but was able for a greater part of the time to attend to his duties at the congressional library. Six weeks ago he left Washington and no word of his illness having reached here, it is believed that his death was sudden and probably from a second stroke of paralysis. He had planned to leave Holderness Wednesday for Hot Springs, Va., to spend the remainder of the summer. He is survived by a daughter, Miss Florence S. Spofford, who makes her home in this city, and a son who resides in New York City.

Mrs. Spofford died many years ago. Mr. Spofford was connected with the congressional library for 47 years, from 1861 to 1864, as first assistant librarian; 33 years, from 1864 to 1897, as librarian and from 1897 to 1908 as chief assistant librarian, and by his work during that period had won an international reputation. On his original appointment as librarian of congress, he succeeded Dr. John G. Stephenson of Indiana, an appointee of President Lincoln, and in 1897 resigned on account of advancing years and was succeeded by John Russell Young.

Mr. Spofford made his influence felt in many ways in the world of letters and the law of 1870, which makes the congressional library the office for all records of copyright publications was enacted largely through his efforts. When Mr. Spofford entered the congressional library it contained about 70,000 volumes. Now the library contains more than 2,500,000 volumes and pamphlets, and many thousands of volumes are being added each year.

Thaw Would Dodge New York Courts.

Pittsburg, Pa., Aug. 13.—Every move in the Thaw proceedings has shown the determination of Thaw and his counsel to take his case out of the New York courts and force a hearing on the question of his mental condition in the courts at Pittsburg. Local attorneys say that any of Thaw's creditors have the legal right to appeal to the United States court here to have Referee Blair's order of adjudication set aside on the ground that Thaw is insane. This would carry the question of Thaw's sanity before the United States district court, which would decide whether Thaw has a right to proceed as a bankrupt.

Negroes Shoot Oklahoma Officers.

Chandler, Ok., Aug. 13.—Sheriff L. E. Martin and Deputy Sheriff Charles Parker of Lincoln county were ambushed by a crowd of 16 negroes in a negro neighborhood and both men were shot. They were driving in a buggy when they were fired upon by the negroes. It is reported that one negro was killed and another fatally wounded before the shooting ceased. It is not known how serious the wounds received by the officers are, but it is reported that they may prove fatal. Large parties of citizens are hurrying to the scene of the shooting and a serious race war is anticipated.

Chinese Soldiers Mutiny.

Hongkong, Aug. 13.—One thousand soldiers stationed at Kowloon, near Wuchow, mutinied Tuesday because a comrade had been arrested for gambling. The mutineers murdered their commander, his clerk and secretary and then attacked a camp of soldiers at Onyung. The loyal soldiers fled to the roofs of the village and the mutineers pillaged the village, securing \$100,000 in money. They then rejoined the rebels in the Talking mountains. Troops have been dispatched to arrest the mutineers.

Philippine Railway Bonds Issued.

Washington, Aug. 13.—In accordance with the recommendation of Gov. Smith of the Philippines, the war department has issued railway bonds for \$290,000 to J. G. White & Co., and William Salomon & Co., of New York, representing the Philippine Railway company, in partial payment for sections of the new railroad in the island completed.

"Unloaded" Gun Killed Him.

Burlington, Kan., Aug. 13.—James MacLuskey, 11 years old, the son of A. B. MacLuskey of Gridley, a rural mail carrier, was shot and killed by a boy companion Wednesday morning while they were playing with a gun. The boys didn't know the gun was loaded. There is no question that the shooting was accidental and no inquest will be held.

Texas Republicans Nominate.

Dallas, Tex., Aug. 13.—The Republicans of Texas in state convention Wednesday named a full state ticket, promulgated a platform and announced that they would make a sweeping and active campaign of the state between now and September 1. Col. J. L. Simpson of Dallas, a confederate veteran, was nominated for governor.

MR. TAFT'S PLANS

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE WILL MAKE NO CAMPAIGN SPEECHES OUTSIDE CINCINNATI.

LEADERS CONFER ALL DAY

Chairman Hitchcock and Arthur I. Vorys Spend Day at Hot Springs, Va.—Hands Off State Politics.

Hot Springs, Va., Aug. 13.—"Everything was as harmonious as possible, and no one was laid across my knee and spanked."

This was Judge Taft's genial remark Wednesday night in concluding a detailed account of his all-day conference with Frank H. Hitchcock, Republican national chairman, and Arthur I. Vorys, his chief of staff.

Chairman Hitchcock announced after the first conference, which continued for three hours, that it could be stated in a formal and official manner that Mr. Taft would make no speeches outside the city of Cincinnati during the campaign. On his way from Hot Springs to Cincinnati the last of the month, Mr. Taft will make a side trip in Ohio, the arrangements for which have been completed, but the details are withheld for the present. No political speeches will be made on this trip. It was also officially announced that Mr. Taft would continue the policy he had already adopted and followed, of not mixing in local political contentions in any state, or of taking any part whatever in behalf of any candidate for nomination for a state office. This announcement is intended as an answer first to the demand that Mr. Taft decide the merits of the contestants in the West Virginia split and second, that he express a preference for or against Gov. Hughes in the New York state gubernatorial situation. Taking up the narrative of the day's work, Mr. Taft said:

"We went over the situation in every state where it is recognized that a vigorous campaign must be made. Particular attention was given to Maine and Vermont, not because of any doubt as to the situation in these states, but because the election is held earlier than in other states. Gov. Hughes, it was stated, undoubtedly would be one of the speakers in these two states, in addition to his acceptance of an invitation to open the Ohio campaign at Youngstown, September 5. Secretary James Wilson, of the department of agriculture, has consented to speak in Vermont and Maine, likewise Secretary Straus of the department of commerce and labor, and Rev. Dr. John Wesley, pastor of the Metropolitan Temple, New York.

Six Injured in Detroit Collision.

Detroit, Mich., Aug. 13.—Six men were injured severely, but probably not fatally Wednesday afternoon when a fast incoming Grand Trunk passenger train from Port Huron struck and wrecked a Harper avenue plug line street car. A blinding rain storm was prevailing and this is thought to have been responsible for the conductor of the car not seeing the train. The car was directly across the railroad tracks when it was hit and was smashed to pieces, the passengers being hurled in every direction.

Noted Tunnel Builder Killed.

Denver, Col., Aug. 13.—Charles E. Higbee, aged 58 years, of this city, one of the world's most noted tunnel builders, was almost instantly killed Tuesday evening at Shoshone, a camp of the Central Colorado Power company, 12 miles east of Glenwood Springs, Col. The fatal accident was caused by the breaking of a derrick. A guy wire struck Mr. Higbee upon the head, crushing his skull. He died within ten minutes from cerebral hemorrhage.

Oklahoma Republicans.

Oklahoma City, Ok., Aug. 13.—Indorsing the Chicago platform Republican nominees and President Roosevelt's policies, Oklahoma Republicans in convention here Wednesday adopted a platform for the state campaign. The national committee's stand in regard to publicity of campaign contributions was approved and the Democratic method of raising political revenues by popular subscription was denounced.

Chicago Gets Wichita Pitcher.

Joplin, Aug. 13.—James Scott, the premier right-handed twirler of the Western association, was sold by the Wichita management to the Chicago American League club Wednesday for \$2,000. The deal was engineered by Frank Isbell, partial owner of the Wichita club and second baseman for the White Sox. Scott will report at the beginning of next season.

No Cut in Grain Rates.

Chicago, Aug. 13.—The Chicago Great Western railroad Wednesday withdrew a notice of a cut in grain rates which it had filed a few weeks ago. The new tariffs were to have established equalized rates from Omaha to St. Paul and from Omaha to Chicago and it was predicted by railroad traffic experts that the move would result in a widespread rate war.

Change in Turkish Ministers.

Washington, Aug. 13.—Mundji Bey, Turkish consul general at New York, under the new order in Turkey, is now acting minister of that country to the United States relieving Mehmed Ali Bey, who was appointed to the post under the old regime. The change in the office took place Wednesday at the legation residence and headquarters here.

Depends Upon America's Attitude.

London, Aug. 13.—A dispatch to the Daily Telegraph from The Hague says that definite action by the government of The Netherlands regarding the dispute with Venezuela will chiefly depend upon the attitude of the United States, which probably will be favorable to The Netherlands.

A FRENCH NAVAL ACCIDENT

EXPLOSION ON SCHOOL SHIP KILLS SIX PERSONS.

Breach of a Gun Blows Out While Recruits Were Receiving Instructions.

Toulon, Aug. 13.—Six persons were killed and 18 injured in a gun explosion aboard the gunnery school ship Couronne Wednesday off Les Salins d'Hyeres. The accident occurred while a number of recruits were receiving instructions in handling a 164-millimetre gun, the breech of which blew out. Three of those wounded are in a desperate condition.

According to expert in gunnery, the accident was due to the decomposition of "B" powder, to which the disaster to the battleship Lena in 1907, was attributed, and in which more than 100 lives were lost. The men in the turret at the time of the accident declare, however, that the guns became over-heated owing to the rapidity with which it was being fired.

The shell had hardly been pushed home when it exploded, with tremendous force. Sheets of flame darted backward from the gun and those standing nearby were hurled to the deck. Several of the men were terribly mutilated. Two were permanently blinded and the limbs of others had to be amputated immediately when they arrived at the hospital. All the occupants of the turret were injured.

This is the third fatal accident to occur on board the schoolship Couronne within the past 16 months, all of which were due to the blowing off of breechblocks. In the first, April 19, 1907, three men were killed and several injured; and on August 2 of the same year, three men of the crew of a four-inch gun were killed and five wounded. All the accidents occurred off Les Salins d'Hyeres, where is situated the French artillery school.

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