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Arthur Von Briesen was escorted to the National headquarters in the afternoon by William Barnes, Jr., of the State headquarters. He told Senator Hanna that he had called a meeting of German-Americans at the Union Square Hotel on Thursday evening, and about a hundred of them had taken part in the organization of a movement to spread campaign literature among the German-American voters of the city.

Senator Hanna said yesterday afternoon that the National Committee was not directing the movement in which Mr. Von Briesen was interested.

Mr. Hanna went to Elberon last evening, and may not return to the city until Monday.

Henry Birrell, of this city, was appointed secretary-at-arms at the headquarters in New-York.

GRUBER AT DRUMMERS' MEETING.

Abraham Gruber, the Republican leader in the XXIXth Assembly, presided at the speaker at the monthly meeting of the Commercial Travelers' Club, which was held at the Hotel Hamilton, Broadway, yesterday.

The Republican party has crucified the silver and put on labor a crown of employment and good wages.

The economic political economy of Bryan could hardly be more completely exposed than it is now. Since then experience has demonstrated its unwisdom and time has covered it with mildew.

As the Democrats say, times have been dull for the workman during the last four years, how is it that the Democratic leaders in New York City have not had a fit of millenarianism during this time without doing any work?

The speakers announced for to-day's meeting are Ferdinand Ziegel, N. H. Shelle, Julius M. Mayer and George I. Corey.

CONFERENCE ABOUT PRIMARIES. DIVISION AMONG LEADERS REGARDING METHOD OF ELECTING STATE CONVENTION DELEGATES.

General Greene, president of the Republican County Committee, and William H. Ten Eyck, chairman of the Executive Committee, had another consultation at County Headquarters yesterday over the preparation of a call for the Republican primaries, which will be held on August 28.

It is probable that the Executive Committee will be asked to approve a plan for having delegates to the State Convention elected at district conventions, to be held on the evening of August 31, the delegates to the Assembly district conventions being elected by the voters of the district.

THE BAY STATE CONVENTION. Boston, July 27.—The Republican Committee this afternoon decided to hold the State Convention at the Boston Theatre on October 4.

Lawrence, of North Adams, was selected to preside over the Convention of Lieutenant Governor Bates, who is generally admitted, is exceeded by no Republican in the State in his loyalty to President McKinley.

CALLING SHEEHAN A "DEAD DUCK." CROKER CUTTING GROUND FROM UNDER HIM—EX-JUDGE BROWNE DESERTS HIM.

Richard Croker keeps right on cutting the ground from under John C. Sheehan, and the wily one says that Sheehan is a "dead duck" in his Assembly district.

TALKING OF COLER FOR GOVERNOR. UP-STATE DEMOCRATS ASKING ABOUT CONTROLLER—AT CAMPBELL'S HEADQUARTERS.

Frank Campbell, chairman of the Democratic State Committee, was confined to his room in the Hoffman House yesterday.

REINFORCEMENTS FOR ASHANTEE. Kingston, Jamaica, July 27.—The Royal Mail steamer Derwent will embark 6 officers and 20 men at Bermuda and officers and 230 men at St. Helena for the West Coast of Africa, reinforcing the British in Ashantee.

PUSHING HIS RAINBOW TRUST

SENATOR JONES DEALS OUT ARMFULS OF HIS STOCK TO CALLERS.

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The predominant issue in this campaign will be imperialism, and trusts will be next. The income tax plank was left out of the platform by mistake.

The situation in New-York State is hopeful. I feel assured that the quarrel between Mr. Hill and Mr. Croker has been smoothed over.

The only trust that Senator Jones, chairman of the Democratic National Committee, is actively pushing appears to be the "Rainbow Trust." It is an overcapitalized concern, and Mr. Jones distributed armfuls of its capital stock to every one who would carry it away yesterday afternoon and last night at the Hoffman House.

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Eighteen missionaries have been massacred at Tung-Chau, where the churches have been burned.

General Sir Alfred Gaselee has started for Taku.

RUSSIAN ENCAMPMENT BURNED. CHINESE TROOPS ACTIVE IN THE AMOOR REGION.

St. Petersburg, July 28.—The Russian General Staff has received news from Alguon, on the Amoor River, of the burning by Chinese of an encampment there occupied by Russians.

HOPE OF ENVOYS' SAFETY. WASHINGTON OFFICIALS CONSIDER SIR CLAUDE MACDONALD'S LETTER ENCOURAGING.

Washington, July 27.—In the single week that has followed the receipt of Minister Conger's cipher reply to Secretary Hay's test message the belief that the legations in Peking were destroyed has changed to a universal conviction that the foreigners, through some miraculous agency, survived the onslaught of regular Chinese troops using artillery against them.

EVERY GERMAN HAS BEEN FILLED WITH PRIDE TO LEARN THAT THE HIGHEST PRAISE BESTOWED UPON GERMAN WARRIORS HAS COME FROM THE MOUTHS OF FOREIGN LEADERS.

THE "LOKAL ANZEIGER" REPORT OF THE SPEECH DIFFERS FROM THE SEMI-OFFICIAL REPORTS, NOTABLY IN RESPECT OF THE REFERENCE TO SPARING NONE AND MAKING NO PRISONERS WHEN COMING INTO CLOSE QUARTERS WITH THE ENEMY.

IT IS REPORTED THAT EMPEROR WILLIAM HAS WRITTEN LETTERS TO QUEEN VICTORIA, EMPEROR NICHOLAS, EMPEROR FRANCIS JOSEPH AND KING HUMBERT MAKING A STRONG APPEAL ON BEHALF OF THE MAINTENANCE OF HARMONY AMONG THE POWERS AGAINST CHINA.

THE ATTITUDE OF THE UNITED STATES IS JUDGED MUCH MORE MILDLY BY THE FOREIGN OFFICE THAN BY THE PRESS GENERALLY.

IT DOES NOT BELIEVE THAT THE UNITED STATES WILL TAKE UP AN ISOLATED POSITION ON THE CHINESE QUESTION, BECAUSE IT IS EVIDENT THAT THE WASHINGTON GOVERNMENT, IN PRINCIPLE, AGREES WITH THE EUROPEAN POWERS.

FIRST LEUTENANT VON BORKES HAS BEEN SENT TO THE UNITED STATES TO PURCHASE HORSES FOR THE CHINA EXPEDITIONARY CORPS.

THE MOST DESPISED DISPATCHES OF CHINESE OFFICIALS, ON WHICH THE UNITED STATES HAS BEEN CRITICIZED ABROAD FOR PLACING ANY RELIANCE, ARE NOT PLACED IN A VERY BAD LIGHT BY COMPARISON WITH SIR CLAUDE MACDONALD'S LETTER.

THE BRITISH MINISTER CONFIRMS THE REPORT, HITHERTO HEARD ONLY FROM CHINESE SOURCES, THAT A PORTION OF THE MARINE GUARD HAD CAPTURED PART OF THE CITY WALL OVERLOOKING THE LEGATION COMPOUND AND STILL HELD IT.

THE NEAREST IS ONE TRANSMITTED TO MINISTER WU BY TAO-TAI SHENG OF JULY 14, FORWARDING ADVICES FROM THE GOVERNOR OF SHAN-TUNG COVERING HIS ADVICES FROM PEKING, JULY 7, ONE DAY AFTER THE BRITISH MINISTER WROTE.

THE EUROPEAN TROOPS DEFENDING LEGATIONS MADE A SORTIE, KILLING 200 SOLDIERS OF GENERAL TUNG FU SHANG.

ADVICES RECEIVED FROM THE SAME SOURCES STATE THAT HALF THE FOREIGNERS IN PEKING HAVE BEEN KILLED OR WOUNDED OR HAD DIED AS THE RESULT OF THE PRIVATIONS THEY HAD UNDERGONE.

SIR CLAUDE CONCLUDES BY ADVISING THE RELIEF FORCE TO APPROACH BY THE EASTERN GATE OR BY WAY OF THE LOSSES.

SOME OF THE STATEMENTS ABOVE ARE STRIKINGLY SIMILAR TO THE PUBLISHED VERSION OF SIR CLAUDE MACDONALD'S LETTER OF JULY 4.

THE BELGIAN CONSUL AT SHANGHAI ALSO REPORTS THAT A SERVANT OF THE GERMAN MINISTER, WHO LEFT PEKING JULY 9, STATES THAT THE BRITISH LEGATION WAS ONLY ATTACKED AT NIGHT, AND IT RESCUED.

THE ALLEGED DEPARTURE OF THE MINISTERS FROM PEKING HAS LED TO A REASSERTION OF THE BELIEF THAT THE STORY IS PART OF A DEEP Laid PLAN BY THE CHINESE TO CONCEAL THE DATE OF THE MASSACRE AT PEKING.

THE UNITED STATES AUXILIARY CRUISER BUFFALO AND THE BRITISH THIRD-CLASS CRUISER MOHAWK HAVE ARRIVED HERE.

IN ORDER TO TEST THE CHINESE ASSURANCES REGARDING THE SAFETY OF THE LEGATIONS, THE ITALIAN CONSUL HERE YESTERDAY REQUESTED THE ACTING VICE-ROY OF CANTON TO COMMUNICATE WITH THE ITALIAN MINISTER, MARQUIS SALVAGO RAGGI, AND TO OBTAIN A REPLY FROM HIM CONCERNING A MATTER KNOWN ONLY TO THE MINISTER AND THE CONSUL.

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