

UNVEILING OF PIONEER MONUMENT

Final Ceremonies Take Place in the Midst of an Admiring Multitude who Assemble to Do Honor to Utah's Founders.

President George Q. Cannon Delivers the Principal Address—Tells of the Hardships of the Pioneers—"We Were Hungry; Always Hungry—Hungry to the Ends of Our Fingers; Hungry to the Ends of Our Toes"—Tribute to the Greatness of Brigham Young, the Leader of Men, who Converted a Sterile Mexican Waste Into a Productive American Commonwealth—Sculptor Dallin Talks of the Inspiration Drawn by Him from Utah's Majestic Mountains—What the Figures of the Monument Typify.

The principal feature of the observance of the Twenty-fourth was the unveiling of the completed Pioneer monument at the intersection of East and South Temple streets this forenoon. While the number of citizens present was not as great as at the time of the laying of the corner stone or at the occasion of the unveiling of the statue of President Brigham Young just three years ago, it was, nevertheless, a large and reverential one.

The ceremonies today were brief and impressive and were conducted under the auspices of the Brigham Young Memorial association. Hon. James Sharp, president, and were highly reminiscent, and extremely interesting throughout, and a testimonial to the energetic men who for the past ten years have had the memorial project under way; for it is but that length of time since they began the work, the completion of which they thoughtfully celebrated today. Only those who for a decade have labored for the building of a lasting monument to the memory of the founders of Utah's commonwealth understand the difficulties that have beset their path.

WHAT IT HAS COST. The monument when completed in its entirety will cost \$2,500, of this amount the design and construction supervisor, about \$2,500 in all has been expended. The remaining \$2,500 will be used in putting a handsome granite coping that is to replace the wooden fence that now surrounds the monument. The story of how the money was raised to erect the shaft is of itself an interesting one. At first the work of securing the funds was divided among the various states and for a time subscriptions came in gradually from all classes of the community, including the widow and Sunday school child, who contributed their five cents with the same willingness that characterized the donations of the men of the pioneer era.

President George Q. Cannon made the first address. He said that being one of the pioneers who came here in 1847, many reminiscences crowded his mind and he could not help drawing contrasts between conditions now and those existing here fifty-three years ago. While some people cannot or will not acknowledge that Brigham Young was an inspired man and a prophet of God, all will concede the fact that he was a great man and a strong leader of men. When the pioneers first looked into this valley all was desolation; the trappers and hunters that it would be impossible for a community to live here. He sent exploring parties to the south and to the north to investigate the country and all returned declaring that the decision of Brigham Young was wise. The people suffered almost untold hardships during the first years of life in this valley when the elements were more inclement than now. They suffered the pangs of hunger in their most extreme distress. Once a week in my uncle's house, where I lived, said the speaker, we would weigh out our provisions in the family and then take them out for the week. Our rations were very short; we did not have enough to eat; we were hungry, very hungry—hungry to the ends of our fingers; hungry to the ends of our toes; always hungry—one good meal would not suffice to satisfy us, our hunger was so great. We cut thistle tops to eat and I never had such "greens" in my life. I actually began to get fat on thistle tops. Even boiled hides were eaten by the people, and even after the grain had been planted and began to grow, giving promise of a broad supply, the crickets came and swept it all away and added more hardships to those already endured by the settlers. When gold was first discovered in California, Brigham Young advised the people to remain here and cultivate the land, promising them that they should prosper if they did so. And while it has been charged against Brigham Young that he discouraged the development of the mineral industries of Utah, the sequel proved that his advice was wise, for by remaining at home and producing food the people placed

themselves beyond the danger of a shortage of food supplies and put them in a position to pursue the search for gold and silver without jeopardizing the lives of their families by lack of something to sustain life. I am not much of a believer in monuments, for I think that men and their good deeds should live in memory; but this present monument is a very proper one. The story of the pilgrimage of the pioneers and their settlement here should be told and retold to our children in order that they may know of the heroic deeds done by their forefathers.

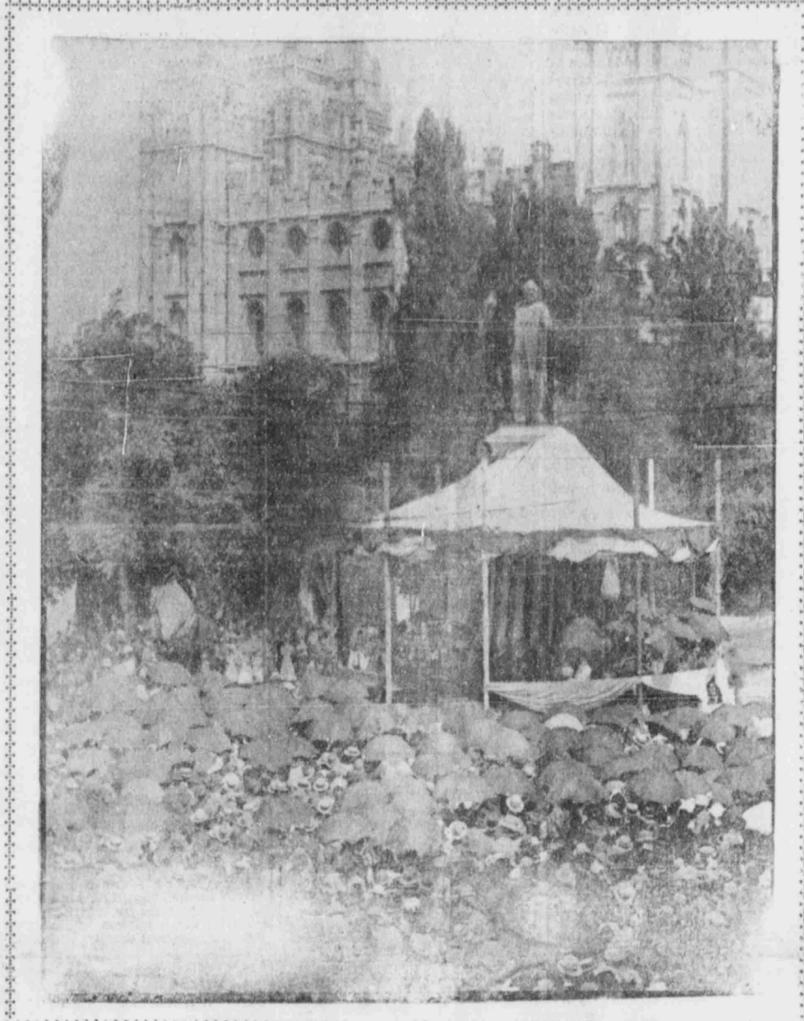
HON. JAMES T. HAMMOND. Hon. James T. Hammond said that he did not believe in the worship of a monument, but that the accomplishment which it represented was the thing to be revered. Mr. Hammond reviewed the history of the erection of the monument and the life of the sculptor, Mr. C. E. Dallin, and introduced that gentleman.

THE SCULPTOR. Mr. Dallin expressed himself for read-

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ing his address, saying that he was an artist, but not an orator. Continuing, he said: "Friends, it is some twenty years since I turned my face eastward toward the unknown land of my hopes and aspirations, and as one who has visited strange lands and seen many sights, I return to the font where I first drank the life-giving waters of pure inspiration. To those who are born and reared amid these circling hills I have little need to tell what a potent spell they have, and as whatever little I have done has been directly traceable to their

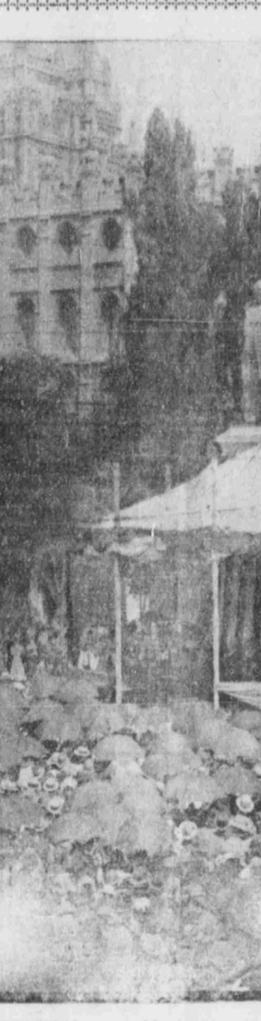
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This photograph was taken for the "News" by C. E. Johnson from the Utah Light & Power company's building, immediately south of the Templeton, just as Mr. C. E. Dallin, the sculptor who designed and supervised the building of the monument, was delivering his address. In the immediate foreground is Held's band, which discoursed appropriate music before and throughout the ceremonies. Immediately surrounding

"I want to impress upon your minds these few truths, as the dignity of our art demands it, and although I cannot claim for my own work any small degree of these attributes I still live in hopes that some day I shall realize some part of my dream. And in regard to the monument which is now completed after many delays, I can only say that after nearly eight years since I did the work, I feel somewhat as though I were exposing some early sin, and I only regret that I could not do it over again, as I am confident I could do it better.

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It are the crowds that thronged the streets and listened intently to the words that fell from the lips of the speakers in praise of the Great Pioneer and his noble band of associates whose achievements are commemorated in the magnificent monument of stone and bronze that was completed today. In the background is the great Salt Lake Temple, partially obscured by the state flag and by shade trees which girt the beautiful

block upon which it stands. The awning covered platform upon which the speakers and about one hundred prominent citizens sat, was artistically draped with national colors, as were also the figures which have just been added to the base of the monument. These latter were unveiled by Miss Margaret Young, great-granddaughter of President Brigham Young, and daughter of Major Richard W. Young.

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"The monument as it now stands is an attempt to depict the early history and condition of Utah, and with the exception of Brigham Young, the statues are representative. Thus the 'Indian' represents the early condition that prevailed in this valley before the advent of the white man, and the 'trapper' represents the first white man that ever penetrated the wilderness. The 'Pioneer' group represents the hardy, indomitable family that first made their home in the wilderness, and from them sprang the first civilization of the great West."

THE UNVEILING.

It was just 10:55 a. m. when a trumpet call was sounded and the veil of banners was loosened and fell from around the monument disclosing the truth, and he only becomes an artist in trying to reveal this truth to his fellow man. Art to the many is considered a luxury or an accomplishment, whereas in truth it is one of the most necessary functions of a well ordered life, and to deprive man of this means of expression would plunge him into a barbarism from which there would be no hope of ever rescuing him.

UNITED STATES SPECIAL COMMISSIONER.

W. W. Rockhill, who has been selected as special commissioner by the President to go to China, returned to Washington this morning from Block Island, and began immediately preparing for his long journey. He has designated Mrs. Rockhill to accompany him, sailing from San Francisco on the America Maru of the Japanese line. He will leave Mrs. Rockhill at Yokohama or Nagasaki while he goes to Shanghai. At that point he will determine in which section to proceed.

WILL DELIVER THE LEGATIONERS.

Foreign Ministers in Peking to be Sent to Tien Tsin—Chinese Have Protected Them and Supplied Them With Food.

Washington, July 24.—The Chinese minister received a dispatch this morning from Sheng, the director of railroads and telegraphs at Shanghai, stating that the foreign ministers are to be sent from Peking to Tien Tsin under escort; also that the imperial government has not only been protecting them, but has supplied them with food.

MURDER 20 YEARS OLD.

Defendant Jester Says He is Being Persecuted, but Bears No Ill Will. St. Louis, July 24.—A special to the Post Dispatch from New London, Mo., says: The State rested its case in the trial of Alexander Jester for the murder of young Gates today and P. H. Cullen, chief counsel for the defendant, petitioned the court as follows: "Now that the close of all the evidence on the part of the State comes the defendant and prays the court to instruct the jury that under the evidence and indictment in this case you will find the defendant not guilty."

GERMANY ACTING TOO.

It is gathered here that the German government has done something of the same kind and although the assurances of the death of the German minister to Peking, Von Kottler, are so strong as to leave no doubt of the fact of his death, yet it is understood that the cre-

SENDING A SPECIAL ENVOY TO CHINA

President McKinley's Policy on Rescuing Ministers and Settling the Chinese Trouble.

China Will Produce the Ministers in Safety—Many of the Legationaries Killed or Wounded—Chinese Appeal an Adroit Production—Pres. McKinley's Reply is Equally Clever and More Sincere—Minister Wu is Confident—Mr. Rockhill Preparing to Go to China—British Foreign Office Has Word from Peking—So Has France—Gen. Chaffee and Sixth Cavalry at Nagasaki—Detail of the Situation.

Washington, July 24.—The department of state made public the Chinese appeal for mediation and the President's reply; Mr. Wu brought to the department a copy of the identical telegram sent out by Sheng to the powers repeating the Chinese assurance of the safety of the legationaries up to the 18th inst., and finally Special Commissioner Rockhill returned to Washington and began to prepare for his journey to China. Such were the developments of the morning, so far as China was concerned. The Chinese appeal is unquestionably an adroit production.

MCKINLEY EQUAL TO THE SITUATION.

The President's answer is equally clever and more sincere; that is the opinion of the officials here who have studied both. The President succeeded in asking for conditions precedent to action quite as valuable as those laid down in Europe, yet he has so tempered his requirements as to make them unexceptionable to the Chinese government. At the same time there is nothing in the note to which the European legationaries can object, openly, at least. The President expressly states that his mediation is subject to the approval of the powers; he will not attempt to force it upon Europe. And the Chinese government must produce the ministers in safety.

CHINA WILL DELIVER MINISTERS.

Minister Wu declares that his government will meet that obligation, in proof of which he produced Sheng's telegram, in which he expressed implicit confidence. Certainly the best promise is that the Chinese government is party to one of the most barefaced deceptions practiced upon any nation, in the estimation of the state department. In any case, as for Minister Wu, he is so confident that the U. S. government is the only one in the world to which he can look for fair and friendly treatment, that he has exhausted every effort personally by appeal and otherwise to save all the other foreign ministers in Peking if possible, but at any rate, to insure the safety of Minister Conger.

SAFE ON JULY 18.

"Minister Wu visited the state department this morning (July 24) and handed to the acting secretary of state the following text of a cable message explaining that it was a cablegram from Director General Sheng at Shanghai, dated July 23, 1900, to the Chinese minister at London, by whom it had been retransmitted to Minister Wu, and received by the latter on the night of the same day: "News from Peking of 22nd day of 6th moon, corresponding to July 18, says Wen Jui by direction of the Tsung Li Yamen, went to see the various foreign ministers and found not one of them harbored in the wilderness. The 'Pioneer' group represents the hardy, indomitable family that first made their home in the wilderness, and from them sprang the first civilization of the great West."

BRITAIN HEARS FROM PEKING.

London, July 24.—The foreign office has received a dispatch from the British consul at Tien Tsin, dated Saturday, July 21, stating that he had just received a letter from Sir Claude Martin, Donald, the British minister at Peking, and dated July 4, appealing for relief. There were enough provisions at the legation to last a fortnight, the letter said, but the garrison was unequal to the task of holding out against a determined attack for many days. There had been forty-four deaths and about double that number wounded.

FRANCE HAS NEWS TOO.

Paris, July 24.—Four dispatches from the French consul at Tien Tsin, dated severally, July 13, 14, 17, and 18, and forwarded from the legation, July 20, have been received by the minister of foreign affairs, M. Delcasse. The dispatch dated July 13 says a courier from Peking relates that since June 20, the foreign ministers have been besieged in the British legation a vigorous defense. The supply of ammunition was low, and the peril of those in the legation was great. Up to the time the courier left Peking the loss of the marines had been sixteen killed and seventeen wounded.

GEN. CHAFFEE IN JAPAN.

Washington, July 24.—A dispatch has been received at the war department from Quartermaster Hyde at Nagasaki, stating that the Chinese marines had been reported in the island sea, and is expected to arrive at Nagasaki tomorrow. She has on board Gen. Chaffee, commanding the army in China, and the Sixth Cavalry, destined for service in that country.

HOLDING MINISTERS AS HOSTAGES.

London, July 24.—One month to the day has elapsed since Sir Robert Hart, director of the Chinese maritime customs, smuggled out of Peking the last piece of news that appeals authoritatively to Europe and apparently the only method by which the Chinese could communicate their anxiety here is to transmit another dispatch letter from some authoritative source.

A QUESTION OF DIGNITY.

The globe's naval correspondent at Tientsin writes: Admiral Kempff has raised a storm in a coup on the salute question. He is second in command of the station, and has been entitled to eleven guns as rear admiral, and this was recently given him by the Endevision at Yokohama. He claimed 13 guns, stating that no American admiral got eleven guns. The admiral is, rear admiral 12. The United States having first started the grade of admiral, it is probable Kempff thought out the regulations in pure ignorance, as there appears to be

WHAT CHINESE GOVERNMENT MUST DO.

Conditions on Which the U. S. Will Mediate—Appeal to America, by the Chinese Emperor, and the Reply Made by President McKinley.

Washington, July 24.—The following correspondence between the President of the United States and the emperor of China was made public by the State department today: Translation of a cablegram received by Minister Wu July 20, 1900, from the emperor of China, dated July 19, 1900: "I have received a telegram from Governor Yuan of Shan Tung (dated 23rd day of this moon, July 19th) who, having received from the privy council (at Peking) a dispatch embodying an imperial letter to the President of the United States, has instructed me to transmit it to your excellency. The imperial message is respectfully transmitted as follows: The Emperor of China, to His Excellency, the President of the United States: Greeting.

China has long maintained friendly relations with the United States, and is fully conscious that the object of the United States is international commerce. Neither country entertains the least suspicion or distrust towards the other.

Recent outbreak of mutual antipathy between the people and Christian missions raised the foreign powers to view with suspicion the position of the imperial government and favorable to the people and prejudicial to the missions, attacked and captured. Consequently there has been clashing of forces with calamitous consequences. The situation has become more and more serious and critical. We have just received a telegram memorial from our envoy, Wu Ting Fang, and it is highly gratifying

to us to learn that the United States government having in view the friendly relations between the two countries, has taken a deep interest in the present situation.

Now China, driven by the irresistible course of events, has unfortunately incurred well nigh universal indignation. For settling the present difficulty, China places special reliance on the United States.

We address this message to your excellency in all sincerity and candor, with the hope that your excellency will advise measures and take the initiative in bringing about a concert of the powers for the restoration of order and peace.

The favor of a kind reply is earnestly requested and awaited with the greatest anxiety.

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