

TO-DAY'S NEWS IN BRIEF.

BUSINESS. Local discount rates were quoted at 5 to 7 per cent on call and time loans. The clearing rates were 2 1/2 per cent for 30 days, 3 1/2 per cent for 60 days, 4 1/2 per cent for 90 days, 5 1/2 per cent for 120 days, 6 1/2 per cent for 150 days, 7 1/2 per cent for 180 days, 8 1/2 per cent for 210 days, 9 1/2 per cent for 240 days, 10 1/2 per cent for 270 days, 11 1/2 per cent for 300 days, 12 1/2 per cent for 330 days, 13 1/2 per cent for 360 days.

THEY WILL FIGHT THE CRACKER TRUST.

Representatives of More Than One Hundred Independent Factories to Organize.

ST. LOUIS THE MEETING PLACE.

The Call is for a "Social Gathering" and Secretary Grubb Says Combine is Not Desired.

Representatives of 115 of the largest independent cracker factories will meet in St. Louis the last week of September to form an association similar to that of the wholesale grocers, their purpose being to fight the National Biscuit Company, known as the Cracker Trust, collectively and throughout all parts of the United States.

BARRETT CHOSEN FOR WORK IN THE ORIENT.

Former Minister to Siam Will Represent the Louisiana Purchase Exposition in Eastern Countries—President Francis and Chairman Carter Will Go to Canton to Arrange for Procurement—Preparations Begun to Condemn Lands Adjacent to Forest Park.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND COMMITTEES WILL MEET TO-DAY.

The selection of John Barrett, formerly United States Minister to Siam, as Commissioner General to Asia and Australasia, was approved by the Executive Committee of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition Company yesterday.

The duties of the position are to interest the Governments and the people of Asia and Australasia in the Louisiana Purchase Exposition; that they may make exhibits and erect State buildings at the Exposition and erect State buildings at the Exposition.

The notification papers and the general regulations were finally approved at yesterday's meeting of the Executive Committee, at which Secretary Flory of the Government Commission was also present.

MR. BARRETT'S OUTLINE. Wallace W. Hill, Chief Clerk of the Treasury Department, was appointed by the Secretary of the Treasury, and G. W. Hanger was selected by the Commission to represent the exposition in the Philippines, Guam and Hawaii.

DISCUSSING FUTURE DEMOCRATIC PLANS.

Leaders Meet in Chicago to Consider National Policy—Dockery Is Mentioned for President.

Chicago, Aug. 12.—Leading National Democratic politicians have been quietly consulting in this city for several days, consulting Illinois leaders.

RAIN IN COTTON DISTRICT.

Territory Tributary to Dallas Gets a Good Soaking.

Dallas, Tex., Aug. 12.—A portion of the driest section of the cotton-growing district tributary to Dallas had good rains this afternoon and evening.

RECORD-BREAKING SCORES.

Members of Illinois Guard Doing Well at Targets.

Springfield, Ill., Aug. 12.—The Squirrel Shooters of the Fourth Regiment of the Illinois National Guard made record-breaking scores on the range at Camp Lincoln to-day.

HEIR TO MILLIONS.

Luck's Long Hunt for a South Dakota Farmer.

Deadwood, S. D., Aug. 12.—After a search for twenty-two years, relative of Peter Nelson Oagus found a farm near Piedmont, in the Black Hills, where he has been known as Peter Nelson.

INDICATIONS POINT TO RAIN.

But Doctor Hyatt Does Not Expect Showers To-Day.

STEEL STRIKERS GAIN ACCESIONS.

Men in Trust Mills at McKeesport and Pittsburg Join the Amalgamated.

APPEAL FOR FINANCIAL AID.

President Shaffer Asks for Contributions From Organized Labor, but Will Not Seek a Sympathetic Strike.

Pittsburg, Pa., Aug. 12.—The struggle for mastery between manufacturers and men in the steel industry is now fairly launched, and on the first show of strength advantage is with the former.

The general strike orders issued by President Shaffer of the Amalgamated Association has so far been obeyed by only about 14,000 men, according to the best figures obtainable.

The strikers made gains here to-day over the showing of last night and their prospects for further accessions at both McKeesport and Wheeling during the week are very favorable.

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WAGES REDUCED IN FALL RIVER MILLS. Thousands of Operatives Promise to Resent the Action by Quitting Work.

PRINTERS BOOMING ST. LOUIS. I. T. U. Convention Likely to Be Held Here in 1903.

SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT WED. Professor D. C. Jones and Miss Bessie Walker Married.

WILL SUE THE STEEL TRUST. Ohio's Attorney General Will Proceed Under State Law.

SUIT AGAINST A TRUST. Damages Claimed by the Removal of a Sheet Mill.

ASSEMBLY IN SESSION. Cumberland Presbyterian Meeting Begins at Pertle Springs.

MESSAGE BY CARRIER PIGEON. It Was Thought to Be From Some Arctic Explorers.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Washington, Aug. 12.—The Joint Committee of the American Anti-Trust League and District Assembly No. 68 of the Knights of Labor held another meeting to-night.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Washington, Aug. 12.—The Howell County Court has bought a fine farm of 160 acres, five miles from this city, which will be used as a County Poor Farm.

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