



FRIDAY EVENING, JUNE 14, 1901.

MANY of the Philadelphia merchants who got up the Southern Industrial Convention now in session in that city were actuated by good motives, but they cannot even assume a virtue which they do not possess.

The delegates to the Southern Industrial Convention complain that the business men of the city have neglected the convention. The delegates, some of whom came here from places as far distant as Austin, Tex., with the understanding that the business men of the city would attend their sessions.

A little courtesy and attention goes a long way and is more appreciated by strangers in a strange city than at any other time.

Now that the Cubans have adopted the Platt amendment they will have to go a step further and form and have their government in good running order before the American forces are withdrawn and new reasons are being discovered by the administration for maintaining the American garrisons on the island undiminished in force.

According to advices from the Philippine islands a sad state of affairs exists in that far-away land, the inhabitants of which this country are endeavoring to assimilate. The social scale of morality under American military rule is far below what would be tolerated in any town, in this country, however remote.

It was stated in the Gazette's Washington correspondence yesterday that the army officials in Washington were disposed to make light of the big frauds which have come to light in the quartermaster's department at San Francisco. Such action by the authorities will have the effect of increasing, instead of lessening, the number of men here, since the Spanish war, have been engaged in robbing the government.

government has been reluctantly abandoned by the people, many of whom believe that if army sounderism is to go scot free because of apologists and defenders in high station the service will soon be rotten to the core.

This is the 124th anniversary of the flag of the Union and many patriotic citizens would be prouder of their emblem if they did not think that it was made by selfish and unscrupulous men to stand for so much that is wrong and unjust.

FROM WASHINGTON.

George K. French, brother of Daniel Chester French, the sculptor, and formerly a well-known lawyer and society man of Washington, was sued yesterday for absolute divorce by his wife, Mrs. Ida L. French.

The Southern Industrial Convention, in session at Philadelphia, yesterday discussed the iron and steel industries of the South, the Nicaragua Canal and harbor improvement.

Mr. Balfour stated in the House of Commons yesterday that the strength of the Boers in the field was estimated at 17,000 men.

Congressman J. D. Richardson, discussing the probable issues in 1904, said the tariff and Monroe doctrine are likely to be put to the front.

Dispatches from New York announce that the control of the Pennsylvania Steel Company rests with a syndicate of officers and directors of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company.

The business world of London was surprised by a reduction of the bank rate from 3 1/2 to 3 per cent; it started rumors of fresh peace negotiations which were denied by Mr. Balfour in the House of Commons.

Mrs. Lynn H. Pullman filed suit in Chicago yesterday for divorce from her husband, George M. Pullman, the twin sons of the late George M. Pullman, the palace car magnate.

Judge Samuel B. Witt, of the Hastings Court of Richmond, is ill.

Mr. Richard H. Mann, sr., a prominent citizen of Petersburg, died there yesterday, aged 77 years.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company is said to be interested in the construction of a proposed railroad from a point on the Norfolk and Western Railroad to Cape Henry.

Dr. James T. Jones and Miss Minnie Frances Johnston, of Loudoun county, were quietly married in Washington yesterday. They will be home, at Ashburn, after June 24.

At Front Royal yesterday Judge Harrison, in the case of S. C. Wheelwright vs. T. S. Wheelwright, gave the custody of their five-year-old child to the father. The parties are now divorced.

STATE CONVENTION.

At yesterday's session of the State constitutional convention committees on organization, privileges and elections, on reporting and rules were appointed.

Mr. Wiltz fought to have a separate committee on the method of conducting elections, but he was defeated.

Eleven pages were provided for \$2 per day, to be chosen from each district, the Republicans being allowed one from the State at large.

Mr. Waddill offered the following resolution, which was adopted: Resolved, That the secretary of this convention be instructed to communicate, without delay, with the clerks of the county courts, with this State and request them to furnish the following information for the use of this body for the year ended August 31, 1900.

When the bill authorizing the formation of this body was presented for my approval as Governor of the Commonwealth, I gave it long and serious consideration, and, as I advised the convention, when signing the bill, has been entered and the Commonwealth is in safe and wise hands.

The convention adjourned until noon on Tuesday in order to give the committees which were appointed an opportunity to formulate the plan of work, to complete the organization and to select standing committees.

The four committees all met in the afternoon. The committee on rules deliberated nearly an hour about adopting the rules that governed the convention of 1850, but finally adjourned till 8 o'clock Monday evening.

The most important of the four committees named, that on organization, held a protracted meeting and it was decided that Chairman Goode should appoint the committees of the convention, sixteen in number. These are as follows:

Elective franchise and qualifications of officers and elections, to be composed of twenty-two members, twelve from each congressional district and two to be chosen at large; preamble and bill of rights, judiciary, taxation and finance, government and organization of counties, government and organization of cities and towns, education and public instruction, corporations, rules, and regulations for government of the convention, accounts and expenses of the convention, executive department, ministerial officers and bureaus, public institutions and prisons, final revision, privileges and elections, and journal and enrollment.

No committee will be less than ten members, one for each congressional district. The committees on judiciary, taxation, education and county governments will each have fifteen members.

Chairman Goode will likely be able to announce the membership of the committees soon after the sessions are resumed on Tuesday, and then the convention will be on a solid working basis. It is very clear now that one of two things must be done. A recess must be taken till sometime in September or an adjournment to some cooler locality will be in order.

The indications are that the new constitution will be submitted only to those voters who are qualified to vote according to its provisions.

Missionaries Eaten - From New Guinea news was received at Victoria, B. C. yesterday of the massacre of Revs. James Chalmers and B. F. Tomkins and fourteen native teachers by cannibals. The whites were eaten. The place of the cannibal orgy was seen by the troops sent out to investigate the massacre, and a portion of the jaw and thigh bones of the missionaries were found, together with their hats and portions of trousers which belonged to Chalmers. The expedition punished the natives, destroying their villages and caecae.

Some prisoners taken during an attack made by the natives on the troops, told the tale of the massacre and cannibalism.

The Markets. Georgetown, June 14. - Wheat 62 1/2.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

Madrid, June 14. - The cabinet at a meeting yesterday decided that the claims arising from the destruction of the U. S. battleship Maine, be referred to the government of Washington in accordance with the treaty of Paris.

London, June 14. - The British Chamber of Commerce at Mannheim, Germany, today sent warning to British manufacturers stating that there is no longer any doubt that Germany is in the eve of a period of protectionism.

St. Petersburg, June 14. - A disastrous fire, in which 12 lives were lost, occurred at the naval construction works on the island of Gromov, today.

St. Petersburg, June 14. - M. Malinowski, vice director of the medical department of the Ministry of the Interior, was attacked today by a man who made repeated attempts to plunge a dagger into him.

London, June 14. - Hazen S. Pingree, ex-governor of Michigan, is abed at the Grand Hotel here, seriously ill with some peritonitis.

Manila, June 14. - General Cailles, the Filipino leader, who has given the Americans a good deal of trouble, has offered to give up part of the arms carried by his men and the rest in the near future.

Shreveport, La., June 14. - The excitement over the murder of J. M. Foster still continues. The negroes whose lives were in danger at the hands of a mob were taken to Benton under guard last night.

Sylvania, Ga., June 14. - Arnold Augustus, Andrew Davis, Bill Hudson, Sam Baldwin and Richard Sanders were hanged from one gallows at 12:30 today. Probably 5,000 people were in town from the surrounding county to witness the execution.

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West Baden Hotel Burned.

French Lick Springs, Ind., June 14. - The Mineral Springs Hotel at West Baden, near here, was destroyed by fire this morning. The inflammable building burned like a fire trap.

The Southern Industrial Convention. Philadelphia, June 14. - The Southern Industrial Convention adjourned sine die shortly after noon today, having completed its business.

Terrific Explosion. Paris, June 14. - A cartridge factory at Les Les Wolines, a suburb of Paris, exploded today. The explosion occurred in the cartridge charging room of the Grevelot factory.

From Havana. Havana, June 14. - This morning's papers name February 24th, 1902, as the date for the inauguration of the Cuban republic.

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Two gold medals were awarded, one to Miss Nina Vivian Tanner, for diligence, good behavior and improvement in music; the other to Miss Elizabeth Watkins, for faithful work and improvement in all her studies.

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