

RANGE OF THERMOMETER.  
Range of thermometer at the time of yesterday's rain falling 4 P. M. 83. 12 M. 91. 3 P. M. 88. 6 P. M. 80. 9 P. M. 77. 12 M. 76. Average temperature, 82.

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# TERRIBLE VEIL ENSHROUDS PEKIN

## No One Doubts That Worst Has Happened.

### A CRUSHING DEFEAT Is Reported to Have Been Inflicted on Allied Forces.

#### ARE DIRECTED BY EUROPEAN.

A Man in European Garb Distinctly Seen Directing the Fire of Chinese Artillery Outside of Tien Tsin—Russians Are Accused of Indiscriminate Slaughter.

LONDON, July 12.—A terrible veil still enshrouds Pekin, and there is nobody who believes that the worst has happened. It is taken for granted that all the Powers have exhausted every means to get direct news from their legations, and the fact that their efforts have been vain leaves but one interpretation.

The Chinese Minister in Berlin denies the statement that Li Hung Chen has sent to him a hopeful telegram. He says that on the contrary no direct telegram had been received by him from Li Hung Chang for some time past.

The day's news is again restricted to the usual crop of trustworthy Shanghai rumors, the most serious of which, reported by the correspondent of the Express, is to the effect that Europeans are directing the Chinese military operations.

The correspondent asserts that Captain Bailey, of H. M. S. Aurora, distinctly saw a man in European garb directing the Chinese artillery operations outside of Tien Tsin.

Foreign refugees from Tien Tsin openly accuse a European official, whose name the Express correspondent suppresses, and Colonel von Haneke, who was formerly employed to drill the Chinese troops, of being parties to a plot to procure the aid of General Chang and his followers from Tien Tsin before the bombardment, leaving the other foreigners to their fate.

INDISCRIMINATE SLAUGHTER.

Statements are in circulation in Shanghai according to which the Chinese indiscriminate slaughter of friendly Chinese non-combatants without regard to sex or age. The manager of a Chinese steamship company who has arrived in Shanghai asserts that he only escaped from Tien Tsin by cutting off his queue and donning European dress.

It is stated that the Taoist of Tien Tsin protested against the Russian slaughter.

News is circulated throughout the Yangtze Valley that General Ma has inflicted a crushing defeat upon the allies at Tien Tsin, and that the Chinese army has been cut to pieces east of Pekin. The actual importance of the movement of the allied forces naturally gives color to these stories with the worst results.

The Shanghai correspondent of the Express gives Tien Tsin advice to July 8th, when the superior range of the Japanese artillery enabled them to relieve the Russians, who were hand pressed at the railway station.

### LACK CONCENTRATION.

#### The Allies Are Handicapped by Want of a Commander.

TIEN TSIN, July 4 (via Che Foo, July 8, and Shanghai, July 11).—A homogeneous army of half the strength of the allied forces could do better work than is being done by them. The operations are dangerously handicapped, and the safety of the cities imperilled by lack of organization and the want of one commander to control all the forces. The representatives of the several nations manage their civil and military affairs largely without co-operation. The ranking officer of each nationality has absolute jurisdiction over the operations of his Government troops. Questions of policy are discussed daily at international conferences, which have not the power to enforce the wishes of the majority.

IN A PREDICAMENT.

Admiral Seymour's method of commanding is to make requests, which the other commanders generally follow. But there have been instances of the ranking officers holding aloof from operations of which they disapproved. There is great need of more troops. The present force of 10,000 men is attempting to hold a line 15 miles long around the city. There is also great need of rebuilding the railroad and getting the Chinese equal to the guns with which the Chinese are bombarding the allies' position.

CHINESE GAIN.

The week's work resulted in a substantial gain for the Chinese, as the allied forces have not succeeded in accomplishing anything. Yesterday furnished a new illustration of the weakness of the present methods. A majority of the commanders have agreed that it was imperative to attack the native city before the Russian settlements, and to destroy the artillery there, which menaced the settlements. The attack was fixed for four days ago, but was postponed because the Russian commander considered his men unfit for the duty after their recent work. It was again fixed for yesterday morning, but was postponed, because credible reports were in circulation that ten thousand regulars from the North-west had reinforced the Chinese.

MORE BIG GUNS.

In the meantime, the Chinese had removed two big guns from the fort at the native city, and had planted four in the open near the east arsenal, two miles away. These shelled the city for four hours, doing more than ten hundred shells. Most of the shells were defective and failed to burst and the others had a small radius of effectiveness. In the absence of the Russian settlements, the Russians sent a few companies of Cossacks with two field guns, and the Japanese, a battery of six three-pounders and two companies of infantry, supporting the Russian twelve-pounders from H. M. S. Terrible, to silence them. The Terrible's guns failed to get an effective position and the Russians had one gun dismounted and four men killed early in the engagement.

JAPS RETIRED.

The Japanese were confident that they silenced the guns in the open, but it appears to the on-lookers, that these guns fired the last shots, as the Japanese were

# BRITISH ARMS SUFFER A DEFEAT

## Boers Succeeded in Taking Nitral's Nek.

### CASUALTIES HEAVY.

#### The Guns and a Squadron of Scots Grays Captured.

##### MADE A DETERMINED ATTACK

###### Before Reinforcements Could Arrive They Overpowered the Garrison and Seized the Nek Which Commands Road and Communication With Rustenburg.

LONDON, July 12.—Lord Roberts reports to the War Office under date of Pretoria, July 12, as follows:

"The enemy, having failed in their attack upon our right rear, as mentioned in my telegram of July 9, made a determined attack upon our right flank yesterday, and I regret to say succeeded in capturing Nitral's Nek, which was garrisoned by a squadron of the Scots Grays, with two guns and a battery of the Royal Artillery, and five companies of the Lincolns Regiment.

"The enemy attacked in superior numbers at dawn, and seizing the hills commanding the Nek brought a heavy gun fire to bear upon the small garrison. Nitral's Nek is about fifteen miles from here, near where the road crosses the Crocodile river. It was held by us in order to maintain road and telegraphic communication with Rustenburg.

"The fighting lasted, more or less, throughout the day, and immediately on receiving information, early this morning, of the enemy's strength, I dispatched reinforcements from here under Colonel Godfrey of the Kings Own Scottish Borders, who, however, they reached before the garrison had been overpowered and the guns and a greater portion of the squadron of Grays had been captured on account of the horses being shot, about ninety men of the Lincolns Regiment.

"A list of the casualties has not been received, but I fear they are heavy.

ANOTHER ATTACK.

"Simultaneously an attack was made on our outposts near Durdenport, north of the town, in which the Seventh Dragoons were engaged. The regiment was handled with considerable skill by Lieutenant Colonel Lewis, and kept the enemy in check until they retired on their supports and would probably have suffered, but slight loss had not our troops mistaken some Boers in the bushes for our men.

"Smith-Dorrien had a successful engagement with the enemy yesterday near Krugersdorp and inflicted heavy loss on them.

"Buller reports that the Boers who were destroying his line of railroad near Paardekraal were driven off yesterday after a short action.

"Hart reports from Heidelberg that the surrendering of Boer arms and ammunition continues in that district."

### MORE TROOPS NEEDED.

#### The Chinese Appearing in Greater Force Around Tien Tsin.

LONDON, July 12.—3.55 P. M.—The British Admiralty has received the following dispatch from the Admiral Seymour: "Tien Tsin Sunday, July 7th.

"The Chinese continue fighting, often shelling the settlements. They are extending their lines along the Lu Tai An Canal to the northeast and are appearing in greater force west of the city.

"Yesterday we bombarded the city and immediate suburbs, which stopped the Chinese gun fire for some time. The French settlement and station are most quiet. Today there was another bombardment.

"Am steadily getting up more guns. Ten thousand troops are now here. More are required, but both the Russian and Japanese are expected."

### WILL BE NOTIFIED ON AUGUST 8TH

#### Bryan and Stevenson Will Receive Formal Notification of Their Nomination at Indianapolis.

WASHINGTON, July 12.—William J. Bryan and Adlai E. Stevenson will be formally notified of their selection as the presidential and vice-presidential nominees of the Democratic party on Wednesday, August 8th, at Indianapolis, Ind.

Information to this effect was received by Congressman Richardson, the chairman of the Notification Committee, from Senator Jones, chairman of the National Committee. Mr. Richardson will make the speech notifying Mr. Bryan and Governor Charles S. Thomas, of Colorado, that notifying Mr. Stevenson.

### JAMES E. BOYD NAMED.

#### Made U. S. Judge in Place of Ewart Whose Nomination Was Rejected.

WASHINGTON, July 12.—Colonel James E. Boyd, assistant attorney in the Department of Justice, has been appointed Judge of the United States District Court for the West District of North Carolina. He received his commission from the President at Canton this morning, and will qualify about the 15th of the month.

This appointment is to fill the vacancy occasioned by the rejection by the Senate of the nomination of Judge Ewart.

James M. Beck, the present United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, will be appointed Assistant Attorney-General in place of General Boyd.

Judge Boyd is a native of Alamance county, N. C., and was educated at the preparatory school at Graham, N. C., and Davidson College; was a private soldier in the Confederate army for three years, and was present at the surrender at Appomattox.

In April, 1883, he removed to Greensboro, N. C., where he has since resided. In June, 1880, he was appointed by President Hayes United States Attorney for the Western District of North Carolina, which position he held until 1887.

Judge Boyd has taken a prominent part in National Republican politics, and is now a member of the National Committee from his State.

Charged With Embezzlement.

NEW YORK, July 12.—Charles R. Westervelt, secretary and treasurer of the Dime Savings Bank of Newark, N. J., is under arrest charged with stealing between \$8,000 and \$9,000 from the bank. In default of \$10,000 bail Westervelt was committed to jail.

Censured Hay Coming Home.

CAPE TOWN, July 12.—United States Consul Adelbert Hay, of Pretoria, is about to return to the United States.

# GREAT MEETING OF ODD-FELLOWS

## Thousands of Strangers Will Be Here Next Sept.

### A MEETING TO-NIGHT.

#### The Various Sub-Committees Will Probably be Chosen.

##### ARE FORMING RICHMOND CLUBS.

There is a flourishing organization in Buffalo—New England Will Be Particularly Well Represented. The Big Parade Will Be a Feature of the Occasion, Reception Committee.

The executive committee having charge of the arrangements for the meeting of the Sovereign Grand Lodge of Odd-Fellows, to be held here in September, will hold an important meeting to-night. Various sub-committees are to be appointed. There will be bodies to look after the press work, transportation, reception and various other things.

The Sovereign Grand Lodge meets here next September. A most enthusiastic Odd-Fellow, chairman of the Executive Committee, Hon. J. Taylor Elyson will be chairman of the Reception Committee.

THOUSANDS COMING.

The meeting of the Sovereign Grand Lodge will bring to Richmond a big crowd of Odd-Fellows. Already more than half of the rooms at the hotels have been engaged. The Sovereign officers will all be at the Jefferson, Lexington Hotel has disposed of all its rooms. So has the Jefferson. Murphy's and Ford's can take more guests than have up to this time contracted for rooms.

Many of those who are coming to the convention will spend a week here. Canvasers are out listing the boarding-houses, the number of people that can be entertained and the charges per day.

"RICHMOND CLUBS."

In several cities what is called "Richmond Clubs" have been formed. That is, members contribute so much weekly to the fund that will be used to pay the expenses of the club.

New England will be especially well represented by a big "Richmond Club" in Buffalo, N. Y., and another one in Iowa.

The Richmond Odd-Fellows are greatly pleased with the reports that have come in from the members of a "Richmond Club" in Buffalo, N. Y., and another one in Iowa.

NO GOLD TICKET.

### Gen. Buckner Favors Leaving Gold Democrats to Vote as They Choose.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., July 12.—General S. B. Buckner, who was General Palmer's running-mate on the National Democratic (Gold) ticket in 1896, has come out against the nomination of a Gold ticket. General Buckner favors adopting a platform denouncing free silver, and not nominating a ticket, leaving the Gold Democrats to vote as they choose.

Don't Favor Separate Ticket.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., July 12.—Leading members of the Gold Democratic party for this campaign, and will so express themselves when the Executive Committee of the National Committee hold its meeting here July 26th. It is likely the committee, when it convenes here, will go over the books of the organization, adjust all business matters, issue a proclamation against the free silver issue and the candidates of the Kansas City Convention, and affirm the expediency of the platform adopted at the Sound Money Convention held four years ago, and then adjourn.

CLARK HOWELL MARRIED.

He Weds Miss Alice Comer in Savannah, Ga.

SAVANNAH, Ga., July 12.—Hon. Clark Howell, of Atlanta, was married to-night to Miss Alice Comer, daughter of the late High Court, president of the Central of New Jersey Railroad.

Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Howell left for New York, where they will take passage for Europe for a tour of several months.

Will Remain Quiet.

LINCOLN, Neb., July 12.—His speeches before the three State conventions last night are expected to be the last public utterance of W. J. Bryan will make for several days. He is anxious to get all the rest he can between now and the time when he goes to Indianapolis to receive the official notification of his nomination. He will be in the city until the 15th, and will then leave for the prominent politicians who have been here since Sunday.

### THE REPUBLICANS IN WEST VIRGINIA

#### Nominate A. B. White for Governor.

##### Senator Elkins Visited the Convention and Received an Ovation.

CHARLESTON, W. VA., July 12.—Governor A. B. White, of West Virginia, was here to-day. He was accompanied by his wife, Mrs. A. B. White, and his daughter, Miss A. B. White. He was met at the depot by a large number of his friends, and received an ovation.

Supreme Judges, Henry Brannan and George Poppenbarger.

The Republican State Convention adjourned to-night, after completing the ticket as above given. Senator Elkins visited the convention during the closing session and received an ovation.

The features of the convention's closing sessions were the nominations for Attorney-General and one of the Supreme Judges, the only nominations that were not fought over to the last ditch.

Judge Freer had been White's opponent for the nomination for Governor. He was made permanent chairman of the convention after a dramatic contest, and became such a favorite that he was elected to the nomination on the ticket. The other nomination was that of Judge Brannan, who had been a Democrat until 1896, and had been on the Supreme Bench.

### REV. F. F. REESE DECLINES.

#### Finally Decides Not to Accept the Call to St. Paul's Church.

Rev. Frederick P. Reese, of Macon, Ga., has declined the call recently extended him by the vestry of St. Paul's Church. The letter informing the vestry of his decision was received yesterday by Mr. W. C. Bentley, the registrar, and was laid before the vestry of St. Paul's Church. Mr. Reese's decision came as a surprise to many, as it was the general impression that he would accept the call to St. Paul's Church was placed in his hands by Mr. Bentley June 30th, and since that time Mr. Reese has visited Richmond and delivered a splendid sermon at St. Paul's, which the vestry and the congregation were much pleased. It was with much regret that it was learned he would not become their permanent pastor. A member of the vestry stated last night that the nominating committee would get to work again, and he hoped in a short while to extend another call.

In his letter declining the call, Mr. Reese gave no reason for his action, simply stating that after mature and careful consideration he considered it best to remain in Macon. He spoke most highly of St. Paul's and his visit here.

The Gaynor-Green Case.

NEW YORK, July 12.—Hearing in the proceedings to obtain the removal of John P. Gaynor, W. T. Gaynor, E. H. Gaynor and Benjamin D. Green to the jurisdiction of the Georgia courts was resumed to-day.

Mr. Erwin said that under Judge Brown's ruling he should proceed with the proceedings to obtain the removal of Gaynor, and he would probably take three weeks to finish the case.

Books were introduced to show that the Atlantic Construction Company was kept in operation for every application for specifications made to the State Engineer's office. Mr. Erwin offered in evidence the cancelled government checks, check books and stubs that showed every payment made on the Savannah work contracts between 1884 and 1886. Counsel for the defense objected, but the Commissioner admitted the exhibits. The hearing will be resumed Monday.

# CHAMBER OF COMMERCE LODGES PROTEST.

## Present Mail Delivery System Claimed to be Unjust to Richmond.

### WILL INVITE SCIENTISTS HERE.

Resolution Adopted Asking the American Institute of Mining Engineers to Hold Their Next Convention in This City. Col. McCluar Tells of Telephone Systems.

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Richmond Chamber of Commerce was held last evening, those present being President L. Z. Morris, First Vice-President H. L. Cabell, Second Vice-President Henry Lee Valentine and Directors Thos. L. Alfriend, John Stewart Bryan, Arthur B. Clarke, Isaac Cohen, J. C. Freeman, John W. Gordon, J. L. Hill, M. H. Hume, R. A. Lancaster, Jr., Robt. Leekey, Jr., Deane Maury, W. S. P. Mayo, Richard H. Meade, and N. R. Savage, and in addition the following gentlemen: Messrs. John G. Armistead, Hill Montague, A. R. Marcuse, C. C. Jones and W. R. Meredith.

The first business being the election of members from the Chamber upon the Committee on the Improvement of James River. Mr. H. L. Cabell moved that a committee of three be appointed to make nominations for that committee, and this motion having been carried, the President appointed Messrs. H. L. Cabell, John Stewart Bryan and J. L. Hill the Nominating Committee. Attention having been called to the Chamber's ordinance, which provides for the election of members of the City Council and of the Chamber, it was moved, and carried, that a committee be appointed to make nominations for the Board of Directors of the Chamber, not to serve for more than two consecutive terms.

COMMITTEES CHOSEN.

The Nominating Committee reported that acting upon the suggestion that members of the committee on the improvement of James River should not serve but two terms, they had recommended that the names of the following be presented to the Chamber for election: Messrs. Lewis D. Crenshaw, Jr., H. T. Elyson and John P. Maury. The Nominating Committee also reported that the following names were recommended for election: Messrs. James N. Boyd, T. A. Cary, Virginia Newton and D. O. Sullivan, who were unanimously elected.

With respect to the amended ordinance concerning the improvement of James River, which provided for an increase of the members upon this committee from the City Council, from seven to ten members, while the number from the Chamber was limited to seven, the Nominating Committee reported that the Board of Directors of the Chamber, upon the suggestion that the number of members from the Chamber should be increased, and with this addition the letter was adopted by the Board and ordered to be transmitted to the City Council.

INVITED TO RICHMOND.

Mr. Hill Montague, acting Chairman of the Committee on Conventions, submitted a report from that committee, recommending that an invitation be extended to the American Institute of Mining Engineers to hold its annual meeting in February of next year in Richmond. Mr. Montague was thanked by Mr. C. Jones and Mr. W. Gordon for the information in regard to the Institute. Upon motion of Mr. Henry Lee Valentine, the report of the Convention Committee was adopted, and a cordial invitation was extended by the Chamber to that body, which was recommended in the report.

Mr. Isaac Cohen, Chairman of the Committee on Express Service, submitted a report of the committee, which had been a report of the committee on the publication of a book of express rates for the city of Richmond, in which he said that he regretted he could not report that the efforts in this direction were as yet successful, but that his committee proposed to continue their efforts with the hope that they might in some way secure the publication of this rate-book which would be so very useful to shippers of express matter.

THE QUESTION WAS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON EXPRESS SERVICE.

Mr. N. R. Savage, chairman of the Committee on Postal and Telegraph Service, submitted a verbal report of the work of his committee in connection with the mail service to Richmond, especially in trying to expedite the delivery of the morning Northern mail, but as no denials had yet been accomplished the matter was continued in the hands of his committee.

He also submitted the following report from the same committee in reference to the Long-Distance Telephone Company of Virginia:

"The attention of the Chamber having been called to the Long-Distance Telephone Company of Virginia, organized for the purpose of connecting the independent telephone companies of the State, and the question of its incorporation in this State, having been referred to your Committee on Postal and Telegraph Service, your committee, after carefully considering the prospectus of the company and other statements which were submitted, from which it appears to be contemplated that nearly every county in the State will under the plans of the company, be brought into telephonic communication with Richmond, is of the opinion that the successful execution of those plans will redound greatly to the advantage of this city and to the convenience of its business men especially. Your committee therefore deems it proper that the Chamber call the attention of the citizens of Richmond to this enterprise, with the view of eliciting such

### THE POPULISTS WON IN NEBRASKA

#### Democrats Concede Them the Whole Ticket With Exception of Attorney-General.

LINCOLN, Neb., July 12.—Nebraska Fusionists, in State Conventions, beginning at a clock yesterday afternoon, completed their work at 5:09 o'clock this evening, after an almost continuous session. The ticket follows:

Governor—William A. Poynter (Populist), Lieutenant-Governor—E. A. Gilbert (Silver Republican).

Secretary of State—E. V. Sooboda (Populist), Treasurer—J. R. Howard (Populist), Attorney-General—William D. Odham (Democrat), Auditor—M. S. Gries (Populist), Land Commissioner—P. J. Carey (Populist).

The conventions were the most remarkable since fusion became a factor in Nebraska politics. National politics was injected into the proceedings, and at one time, when the Populists threatened to disrupt the fusion of the three parties. The trouble was over the nomination of Adlai E. Stevenson as Vice-President, and blocked all business up to 5 o'clock this morning.

The excitement developed over the appointment of the State offices among the three parties was heightened by the springing of the vice-presidential question, and it reached the climax at 4 o'clock this morning when Mr. E. Harrington, one of the leading Populists of the West, warned the convention that it would wreck the party if they endorsed the withdrawal of Towne from the ticket and conceded the other Democratic demands. He said that the Populists would lose all their votes in Nebraska if they did so.

J. R. Emiston, chairman of the Populist State Central Committee and vice-chairman of the National Convention, was even more radical. He declared that if the Populists did not stand their ground and hold their place on the National ticket and insist that the Populists never hold another National Convention.

Just at a time when the sentiment seemed strong for breaking away from the alliance, a motion to take a recess prevailed. The Democrats adjourned for conference, and the Populists and Silver Republicans separated to meet for conference.

Everything accepting but a single office on the State ticket and dividing with the Populists and Free Silver Republicans the eight Presidential electors. The conference committee were discharged. The Populists sent their ultimatum to the Democrats on the question of State offices. It was accepted, and Governor Poynter's renomination followed.

### THE FAYERWEATHER WILL.

#### Judge Laocome Upholds Claims of the Several Beneficiaries.

NEW YORK, July 12.—Opinions in the Fayerweather will litigation, the United States Circuit Court, to-day, in which he holds for the several beneficiaries, and dismisses the amended bills of complaint and cross-bills of Emma S. Fayerweather and Mrs. A. J. Fayerweather, complainants.

The opinions are supplemental to and in conformity with the decision of the Circuit Court of Appeals on the appeal from the order of injunction secured by the complainants.

The beneficiaries of the will are: Yale University, \$200,000; Cornell University and Columbia College, \$200,000; Marietta College, Dartmouth, Bowdoin, Amherst, Williams, Johns Hopkins, and Manhattan Eye and Ear Hospital, \$50,000 each; and the Woman's Hospital and Mt. Sinai Hospital, \$100,000 each.

Cadets to West Point.

WASHINGTON, July 12.—Cadets for West Point under the increase provided by recent legislation, have been appointed during the last week from States at large as follows:

Wade H. Farner, Flat Creek, Tenn.; A. Dean, Jr., Owensboro, Ky.; DeWitt C. Grubb, alternate, Shelby City, Ky.; Vaush E. Cooper, Nashville, Tenn.; W. S. Chaplin, Rockville, S. C.; W. W. Harris, alternate, Newport, Va.; George W. Jones, alternate, Washington, D. C.; George W. Gibbs, Jr., Augusta, Fla.; George W. Bisset, Jr., Painton, Pa.; Claude E. Grayson, alternate, Oudler, Ala.

### WEATHER FORECAST.

Forecast for Friday:  
Virginia—Generally fair Friday and Saturday; cooler Friday in southwest portion; fresh westerly winds.  
North Carolina—Local rains Friday and Saturday; fresh southeasterly winds.

# THE CAMP AIGN IN NORTH CAROLINA

## Cavalries and Brass Bands for the Speakers.

### AYCOCK'S ENTHUSIASM

#### Great Crowds Turn Out to Hear Their Candidate.

##### OVATION AT HILLSBORO.

###### Four Hundred and Fifty Horsemen Escort Him to the Place of Speaking With Two Bands, Ladies Cheer the Speaker, and Great Spirit Shown in the Gathering.

DURHAM, N. C., July 12.—Special—C. R. Aycock, Democratic nominee for Governor, spoke at Hillsboro to-day to 4,000 people, and was given the biggest ovation of his campaign.

Mounted Escort.

He was escorted to the stand by four hundred and fifty men on horseback, bearing flags, and the Greensboro and Durham bands.

LADIES CHEER HIM.

A large number of ladies were present, who cheered the speaker to the echo. Great enthusiasm prevailed.

WILL VOTE FOR DEMOCRAT.

Governor Russell's Right-Hand Man Will Support Aycock.

RALEIGH, N. C., July 12.—Special—Mr. J. C. Harris, Governor Russell's right-hand man, and who is a Republican, says that he will vote on August 24 for the Democratic nominee for Governor, Charles B. Aycock, in preference to the Republican nominee, Spencer B. Adams. He is looked up to by the Democrats as being desirous to vote against the fusion gain.

The Raleigh baseball team is now known as "The Statesmen." The team is now a good one. To-morrow they play Tarboro. Tarboro now stands at the head of the State League as far as games won goes.

The clerks in the State departments are now busy indexing the laws passed at the recent session of the Legislature.

The secretary of the State Fair Association says even now many of the spaces for exhibits at the Fair in October have been taken up. New premium lists will be gotten out, and they will contain a list of premiums limited to North Carolina exhibits.

Mr. C. B. Aycock speaks to-morrow at Figgys Springs, about twenty miles from Raleigh. A special train will be run from here, and no doubt a big crowd will go down.

The funeral of Mr. Thomas M. Ashe was held this afternoon at 5:30 o'clock from Christ Church. Mr. Ashe was one of the firm of Pearson & Ashe, architects, and was not only a thorough business man, but a most genial companion. Only twenty-four years old, he held a high place in the confidence of the business people.

President John A. Armstrong, of the North Carolina Railroad, has been re-elected president of the road, Spencer B. Adams secretary and treasurer, and Chas. A. Cook attorney.

RICHMONDERS GET A PRIZE.

But Milwaukee Gets the Meeting of Grand Lodge of Elks.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., July 12.—Special.—The West won against the East for the next Grand Lodge of Elks, much to the surprise of the delegations, by a vote of 31 to 17.

Richmond is already fighting for 192. The Richmonders will leave for home to-morrow morning.

The prizes for the parade were announced to-day as follows: Largest number of members and best appearance, banner; second, Richmond, next best appearance, \$30; third, Philadelphia, for good appearance, a loving cup; fourth, Hartford, best marching, and fifth, Boston, most unique. The prize was two hundred dollars in gold, which was presented Richmond Lodge this evening. Stonewall Band took third prize in the band contest.

To Rebuild the Plant.

Mr. W. A. MacMachan, of New York, who is connected with the Virginia and North Carolina Works Company, whose plant burned down near this city some time ago, is in the city making preparations for the rebuilding of the plant.

### SUMMARY OF TO-DAY'S NEWS.

Local.

—Odd-Fellows plan big time.

—Warm meeting of Manchester business men.

—Barton Heights may carry fight to the courts.

—Council committees organize.

—Rev. Mr. Reese declines call to St. Paul's.

—Reforms asked by Chamber of Commerce.

State.

—Negro in Farmville jail for criminal assault makes good his escape.

—Annual encampment of M. C. A. commenced at Hillsboro to-day.

—John Jordan sentenced in Norfolk for two years for murder.

—Aycock, the North Carolina candidate for Governor, arouses great enthusiasm at Goldsboro.

—W. H. Richards, of Newport News, sentenced by Judge Widford for one year for counterfeiting nickels.

General.

—The Republican nominees for President and Vice-President were formally notified on yesterday.

—A. R. White nominated by West Virginia Republicans for Governor.

—Democrats concede all places save one on Nebraska State ticket to the Populists.

—The Democrats don't favor putting separate ticket in the field.

—Milwaukee selected for next meeting of Grand Lodge of Elks.

Foreign.

—The Boers inflict a defeat on the British, capturing a squadron of cavalry and many guns.

—The allies at Pekin reported to have met a severe defeat.

# PRICE TWO CENTS.

local encouragement and co-operation as its character and importance may demand.

GROWTH OF SERVICE.

Mr. N. R. Savage, after the reading of the above report, stated that his committee had received from Mr. E. McCluar a great deal of interesting information in regard to the Long-Distance Telephone Co. of Virginia and the independent companies throughout the State, and he stated that Mr. McCluar, after stating the remarkable development of independent companies throughout the country during the last three years, which, he stated, amounted to an increase of \$1,000,000,000, stated that nearly all of the stock subscribed to the Long-Distance Telephone Co. of Virginia had been raised in the cities of Lynchburg and Staunton, and that surprise was expressed that as a matter to be taken by Richmond in this important movement, which it was expected would redound more to the interest of Richmond than that of any other city in the Commonwealth, and that, therefore, he had called the attention of the Chamber to the attention of the Chamber of Commerce for such endorsement of the importance of the enterprise as the Chamber thought it proper to give. At the conclusion of Mr. McCluar's remarks, the resolution, submitted by the Committee on Postal and Telegraph Service, was adopted.

INJUSTICE CLAIMED.

Under the head of new members, Mr. J. L. Hill, in connection with the Board of Directors of the Chamber of Commerce, and the census reports of manufacturers and population in Richmond, called attention to the fact that the Richmond postoffice was now rendering mail service to an area outside of the corporate limits of Richmond, quite equal to the area of Richmond itself, and that the population beyond the corporate limits of nearly 20,000. He emphasized the injustice of this state of affairs to Richmond, and urged that the matter be referred to the appropriate committee of the Chamber. In pursuance of this suggestion, the matter was referred to the Chamber's Committee on Manufactures and Statistics.

The following new members were then elected: Hon. A. J. Montague, Attorney-General of Virginia; Mr. Wray T. Knight, postmaster of Richmond; Geo. A. Hundley, Mr. Carl Wippenmann, Mr. A. J. Wray, Mr. Samuel Stern, and Mr. W. R. Meredith.

THE FAYERWEATHER WILL.

Judge Laocome Upholds Claims of the Several Beneficiaries.

NEW YORK, July 12.—Opinions in the Fayerweather will litigation, the United States Circuit Court, to-day, in which he holds for the several beneficiaries, and dismisses the amended bills of complaint and cross-bills of Emma S. Fayerweather and Mrs. A. J. Fayerweather, complainants.

The opinions are supplemental to and in conformity with the decision of the Circuit Court of Appeals on the appeal from the order of injunction secured by the complainants.

The beneficiaries of the will are: Yale University, \$200,000; Cornell University and Columbia College, \$200,000; Marietta College, Dartmouth, Bowdoin, Amherst, Williams, Johns Hopkins, and Manhattan Eye and Ear Hospital, \$50,000 each; and the Woman's Hospital and Mt. Sinai Hospital, \$100,000 each.

Cadets to West Point.

WASHINGTON, July 12.—Cadets for West Point under the increase provided by recent legislation, have been appointed during the last week from States at large as follows:

Wade H. Farner, Flat Creek, Tenn.; A. Dean, Jr., Owensboro, Ky.; DeWitt C. Grubb, alternate, Shelby City, Ky.; Vaush E. Cooper, Nashville, Tenn.; W. S. Chaplin, Rockville, S. C.; W. W. Harris, alternate, Newport, Va.; George W. Jones, alternate, Washington, D. C.; George W. Gibbs, Jr., Augusta, Fla.; George W. Bisset, Jr., Painton, Pa.; Claude E. Grayson, alternate, Oudler, Ala.