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BIG SUPPLY HOUSE DAMAGED BY FIRE

Flames Partially Destroy Plant of G. and A. Bargamin, on Ninth Street.

STREAM OF WATER TURNED ON CHIEF

When Thought Waving Lantern Was Fresh Blaze and Played Hose on Shaw, Extinguishing Him in Quick Order. Loss Between $20,000 and $40,000.

WITH fully an hour's headway before it was discovered by a passing street car inspector, fire, commencing shortly before 11 o'clock last night, partially destroyed the contents of the plant of G. & A. Bargamin, dealers in plumbing supplies on South Ninth Street, did considerable damage to the building, and for a time threatened to spread in the direction of the Chamber of Commerce at the corner above. It is thought that the blaze originated in the office, but the exact source could not be ascertained last night. There had been no fire anywhere in the building, and the only box of matches known to be in the office had been taken out. The damage is variously estimated, but is said to be from $20,000 to $40,000, though none of the supplies were of inflammable material.

Entire Department Out.

When the fire was first seen by the inspector, flames were shooting out as far as the curbstone from the lower windows, and the red light was seen leaping up through the higher floors of the five-story building. The blaze extended back to the rear end, and was preying on the first and second floors. Volumes of smoke issued from every door and window, and the first fire company to arrive saw that a second alarm was necessary. In view of the dangerous proximity of the fire to other buildings adjoining on every hand, Chief Shaw ordered the dreaded "three sixes" pulled. This brought out every engine except No. 2, which was kept back for other emergencies. Ten engines were put to work, and hose lines were played on the building from front and rear and from a housetop adjoining on the southern side. Water was poured into the building in a flood, and the flames quickly changed to smoke so dense that the firemen could hardly see to work.

Entrance was at first impossible, owing to the smoke and heat. Doors were cut away, and every window was smashed by the hose streams. Not a square inch on either of the first two floors was left untouched by the flames, and they had to be drowned out. Lines were finally pigged in the windows, and then the men had freer access to the fire. Everything on these floors was damaged more or less, and the exact loss will not be known until an inventory is made. All the supplies not harmed by fire were somewhat injured by water, but this part of the damage will be small, as most of the stuff is hardware. Considerable damage was also done to the building, though it is probable that this can be soon repaired. All the stock, as well as the building, which is owned by the Bargamin estate, is covered by insurance.

Two Firemen Injured.

Though the Bargamin building is within the precinct of a night watchman, the fire had been burning for at least an hour before it was discovered, and the watchman was nowhere to be seen. The plant is in the centre of a whole row of brick buildings, fronted on Main Street by the Chamber of Commerce, all difficult of access in case of fire. It was probably the discretion of Chief Shaw in pulling the third alarm and calling out the entire fighting force that prevented further damage. This same block has been a prey to the flames three times within two years, the last disastrous fire being that which destroyed the Blues' Armory, at Ninth and Cary Streets, two winters ago.

Mr. A. H. Tierman is owner of the business, which is one of the largest in the city. He was unable to explain how the fire originated, but said that his loss would be fully covered.

Two of the firemen were injured. While working too close to a companion wielding an ax, W. A. Green, member of Truck Company No. 2, was struck in the head and rendered insensible. The city ambulance was on hand, and he was attended by Dr. Scott. Chief Shaw was hurled back a dozen or more feet by a stream of water shot through one of the third-story windows in the rear. His lantern was extinguished and his hat was knocked off. He was waving a signal to cut down the water, when men working with one of the lines thought his lantern was a burst of flame and turned their stream full on the chief. He had some difficulty in finding his hat and lantern, but after groping his way downstairs again found that he was practically unhurt.

Had to Push Engine.

The horses attached to engine No. 8, from Fulton, which came in answer to the last alarm, became exhausted by the intense heat of the night in pulling up the Main Street hill, and the men had to get out in order to help push the heavy machine along. With the help of their two-footed comrades, the horses, puffing and blowing, soon got the engine to the top, and the hose was attached to the plug at Twelfth and Main Streets.

Many people were attracted by the three alarms, but there were no spectacular features, and they soon drifted home again.

MRS. ASTOR ENTERTAINS KING AND ROYAL PARTY

LONDON, July 19.—King Edward spent the week end with Lord and Lady Desborough at Taplow Court, the house party including Prince Francis of Teck and Consuelo, the Dowager Duchess of Manchester. This afternoon the King proceeded in a motor car to Cliveden and took tea with Mr. and Mrs. Waldorf Astor, whose party included the Crown Prince and Crown Princess of Sweden and Prince Arthur of Connaught.

MEXICO FOR MEXICANS

Press Screams Out Against "Yankees." Would Exclude Foreign Capital.

MEXICO CITY, July 19.—The anti-foreign fight in Mexico is assuming large proportions and a bitter controversy is the question being waged by the foreign and native press.

La Patria yesterday printed an article, in which it proclaims the time ripe for a policy, whose cry shall be "Mexico for the Mexicans."

Most of the tirade is directed against the "Yankees," a term of contempt used by Mexican editors in designating Americans.

Among other things, La Patria declares that if Americans think the governments of Argentine, Chile or Brazil more enlightened than that of Mexico, they should journey to those parts, the sooner the better.

After referring to the efforts on the part of the foreigners against the proposed new mining law, restricting corporations in Mexico, the paper says:

"We repeat our attitude toward foreigners. We are not Boxers, but patriots, and when we take a given decision, we take it, not as against foreigners, but for the benefit of Mexico."

The paper summarizes the anti-foreign sentiment as follows, and champions all but the railway measures:

"The Minister of Public Works has submitted to the executive of the Union the draft of a new mining law, which incapacitates foreigners from acquiring mines in the frontier States, and foreign companies from acquiring mines in any part of the republic."

SAILORMEN ENTERTAINED

People of Honolulu Keep Open House in Honor of American Fleet.

HONOLULU, July 19.—Sunday has been a quiet day with the officers and men of the Atlantic battleship fleet. Outside of the various games which took place at the League Grounds, and which hundreds of sailors attended, there was little in the way of formal entertainment except excursions to Pearl Harbor, many of the men taking advantage of the opportunity to inspect the site of the naval station that is planned for that place.

The officers to-day were privately entertained at many residences, and there was hardly one of the cool porches along the shady streets of the residence quarter that did not offer retreat to the white clad visitors.

The men, too, sought amusement in many parts of the city, and the streets down town, as well as the shaded roads and lanes further out, were populous throughout the day with groups of strolling seamen. On every hand they were welcomed by citizens and found hospitable entertainment wherever they sought it.

Out on the big ships, hundreds of visitors were made welcome, and every yacht and private launch in the bay was pressed into service to carry parties of pleasure seekers in and out among the anchored warships.

CONVICTS AT LARGE

Company D or Seventy-Second Regiment Made Vain Attempt at Capture.

FRONT ROYAL, VA., July 19.—Sheriff Marshall, of this county, received word at an early hour this morning that the four convicts who escaped from camp near Orange Courthouse, Va., a few days ago were in close vicinity to this place.

Sheriff Marshall was fortunate to find Company D, Virginia Volunteer Infantry, Seventy-second Regiment, in camp, preparatory to their encampment at Chickamauga Park, Tenn., and called on the commanding officer for assistance.

Lieutenant Waller and thirty-five men were on the march within five minutes after the call.

The men were double-quicked for eight miles, when they surrounded a gulley and closed in, only to find the jailbirds flown. Lieutenant Waller then threw out his men as skirmishers across Buck's Mountain, a spur of the Blue Ridge, where they beat through the heaviest of underbrush, but no trace of the convicts could be found. It is presumed they are making their way towards Luray. The convicts are armed, and have made raids on henneries and outhouses.

CAN'T RACE FOR CHARITY

Clergy Refuse to Permit Sport, Although There Is No Stake.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

SUFFOLK, July 19.—The United Workers' Circle of King's Daughters is much disturbed over the stand taken by local clergymen regarding the charity horse races which they had arranged for next Tuesday. For several weeks they have been planning the races, and had filled three classes—2:50, 2:40 and 2:30—all of the horsemen having tendered their trotters free. There were to be neither purses nor betting, and the whole proceeds were for charity. The ministers had a meeting yesterday, and decided the plan was improper, and, it is understood, prepared a petition to be presented to the Daughters on Monday.

The circle heard of the meeting Saturday night, and canceled newspaper advertising, but a big banner announcing the races still floats over Washington Square. The Daughters will have a meeting to-morrow to reach a final decision.

CALLED NEGRO "MRS."

Negro Jailed for Contempt of Court, Judge Told Him to Omit Prefix.

WILMINGTON, DEL., July 19.—There will be an important development to-morrow in the case of Christopher Brooks, the negro sentenced to forty days' imprisonment in default of the payment of a fine of $5 and costs for alleged contempt of court, inflicted by Judge Cochran in the Wilmington Municipal Court because, as a witness, he called a negress complainant "Mrs." after having been warned by the court to omit prefixes to negroes.

Application will be made to resident Judge Spruance, of the County Court, for a remission of the sentence on habeas corpus proceedings. As the case is without a precedent, it is generally believed that the action of Judge Cochran will be overruled by the higher tribunal.

DEFAULTER LANDED

Walker, the Connecticut Absconder, Broken and Haggard, Refused to Talk.

SAN DIEGO, CAL., July 19.—When the steamer St. Denis arrived from Ensenada this morning she had on board William F. Walker, the New Britain, Conn., absconder, who was in custody of State Superintendent of Police Egan, of Connecticut, and H. J. Hoffman, a detective. Walker was rather a pitiable object as he stepped ashore, stooped and haggard. The newspaper men who sought to interview him could get little more than a shake of the head and the remark: "It is a very fine day." He returned no answer to many pointed questions that were put to him. The fugitive and his custodians proceeded at once to the Santa Fe Station, and soon left for Los Angeles.

MAINE AND ALABAMA REACH MANILA TO-DAY

MANILA, July 19.—Wireless communication has been established with the battleships Maine and Alabama, composing the special service squadron which left San Francisco June 8th in advance of the Atlantic fleet. The two vessels are expected to arrive here at noon to-morrow.

QUEBEC LOYAL TO BRITISH EMPIRE

Royal Welcome Awaits the Prince of Wales and Suite of Great Nobles.

ANCIENT CITY MASS OF FLAGS AND BANNERS

Army Mobilized in Honor of the 300th Anniversary of the Settlement of the Province. United States to Be Represented by the Vice-President.

QUEBEC, July 19.—This quaint old city is in a flutter of anticipation over the arrival of His Royal Highness, the Prince of Wales, who will sail into the harbor next Wednesday aboard the new British battleship, the Indomitable, to inaugurate the three-hundredth anniversary of the founding of Quebec by the French navigator, Champlain.

The coming of the future King of England is a significant event, in which all Canada is deeply interested, for aside from the pageantry of a royal visit, it is a notable expression of the strong bonds now existing between the imperial government and its American colony.

Great masses of troops are being assembled here to do honor to the future monarch, and to take part in the Champlain exercises. The harbor already presents a stirring naval spectacle, with the British battleships Exmouth, Albemarle, Russell and Duncan and the cruisers Venus and Arrogant, the French battleships Leon Gambetta and Admiral Aube, which will soon be joined by the United States battleship New Hampshire and later by the Prince of Wales's squadron, the Indomitable, Minotaur and other ships, the whole presenting an assemblage of the latest Dreadnaught types of three of the foremost naval powers.

Royal Pomp.

Although the founding of Quebec is the primary purpose of the celebration, the coming of the Prince of Wales, Field Marshal Lord Roberts, the Duke of Norfolk, and many other notable personages, is proving of far greater interest than the historical exercises.

The prince's official station surrounds him with all the pomp of the royal family, and he comes here with a lengthy retinue of titles, attendants and all the splendor of a future king. He will be quartered in the citadel, a grim old fortress perched 400 feet above the St. Lawrence.

The quarters of His Highness have been elaborately prepared, with comfort and elegance within, and with gardens and promenades without, commanding a superb view of the old city and harbor, lying hundreds of feet below. From the King's bastion can be had a panoramic view of the warships of England, France and America, lying abreast off the prince's quarters; the streets and squares of the city, crowded with strangers and gay with flags and triumphal arches; the historic Plains of Abraham and other camping grounds, dotted with the tents of 10,000 troops, and as many more civilian camps, and dimly in the

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DOUBLE ELECTROCUTION

Two Murderers to Pay the Penalty of Their Crimes To-Day at Sing Sing.

OSSINING, N. Y., July 19.—Two murderers will pay the penalty of their crimes in the electric chair at Sing Sing prison here to-morrow. The double execution, it is expected, will take place early in the morning. The doomed men are Charles H. Rogers and Angelo Laudiero.

Rogers will be executed for the murder, on October 6, 1905, of Willis and Fred Olney, Orange county farmers, and Alice Ingerick, nine-year-old daughter of the housekeeper on the Olney farm near Middletown.

Laudiero, the other condemned man, killed Michael Deambro in New York City on December 14, 1906.

"STAR SPANGLED BANNER" STAFF TO HAVE BRONZE TAZLET

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 19.—Contracts are soon to be awarded by the quartermaster general's office for furnishing bronze tablets, authorized by Congress, one at Fort McHenry, Md., and the other at the National Cemetery at Marietta, Ga. The former will be fastened to the flag staff at Fort McHenry to mark the spot where was located the flag, which inspired the composition of the "Star Spangled Banner." The tablet at the Marietta Cemetery will be to the memory of the late Henry G. Cole, who presented to the government the ground used as a national cemetery.

HONDURAS REVOLUTION

Central American Presidents All Afraid of United States Interference.

PANAMA, July 19.—Central Americans, who are now in Panama, and who are greatly interested in the situation brought about by the revolutionary movement in Honduras, are convinced that the Presidents of several of the republics are involved in the affair, the ramifications of which reach far back.

According to one of the most prominent of these Central Americans, President Cabrera, of Guatemala, following the last conspiracy against his life, of which he believed President Zelaya, of Nicaragua, to be the promoter, conceived a plan for Zelaya's downfall. Fearing that without aid he could not succeed in this, he endeavored to interest his neighbor President Figueroa, of Salvador, who had an old grudge against Zelaya.

For a time President Figueroa was undecided, but eventually General Manuel Bonilla, ex-President of Honduras, who was deposed by the revolution promoted by Zelaya, appeared on the scene. He recommended that they begin operations by replacing him as President of Honduras—this merely as a preliminary step. Later all three republics—Honduras, Guatemala and Salvador—he suggested, could join forces in an attack upon Nicaragua. Prior to this, the Honduran confidential envoy in Guatemala, General Miguel O. Bustillo, had been imprisoned, it is believed, for the purpose of precipitating war with Honduras, but the challenge remained unanswered.

Armed Exiles.

Honduras, however, began preparations, and increased its army by 10,000 men, placing a strong guard along the frontiers. A revolutionary movement was then ordered by those who were endeavoring to bring about a change in the government of Honduras, the revolutionists invading that country from the Guatemalan and Salvadorean frontiers.

President Zelaya was taken by surprise at the movement, and caught unprepared, but he immediately saw the peril to his government. Undoubtedly to help as much as possible, the Honduran government, Zelaya increased the Nicaraguan army and placed arms in the hands of Salvadorean refugees, among whom were a number of prominent and popular leaders, and quietly awaited developments.

Appealed to Court.

President Figueroa, among whose qualities courage is not believed to be prominent, knowing that only a spark would start a powerful revolutionary fire in his dominions, was alarmed at the determined action of Honduras and Nicaragua, and refused to further aid the revolutionists in Honduras. Meantime the heads of both Honduras and Nicaragua remembered the Central American court of justice, recently inaugurated at Cartago, Costa Rica, and promptly filed charges against Salvador and Guatemala.

Fear United States.

Shortly after the presentation of these charges the United States cruiser Albany left for Amapala with a force of marines, and other warships were announced as being under orders to proceed to the scene of the trouble if necessary, and as a result of the attitude of the United States, the belligerent sentiments of the various Central American presidents cooled considerably, for, although bearing no love for each other, and standing in constant fear of an attack from some undetermined quarter, they prefer anything to having the United States interfere in Central American affairs.

MAINE FIRES OUT

Rains Put an End to the Conflagration in the Maine Woods.

PORTLAND, ME., July 19.—A succession of drenching showers, very timely in their arrival, have served to put a stop to the great fires which have wrought damage amounting to hundreds of thousands of dollars in the Maine woods during the last two weeks, causing also more than a little alarm in many instances for the safety of villages.

Summer resorts along the shore have seemed at times in danger of being wiped out by the rush of flames through the timber and underbrush, and hundreds of summer visitors have packed up their belongings to seek other places, where they would be free from the annoyance occasioned by the continual clouds of smoke and the danger from thickly falling sparks.

No such drought as that which has prevailed in Maine recently has been known before in a quarter of a century. In some sections no rain fell for two months.

MRS. BROWN AND CHILDREN, IT IS HOPED, WILL RECOVER

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

NORFOLK, VA., July 19.—To-night the victims in the Brown poison case are doing well, and the attending physicians are hopeful of the ultimate recovery of all.

Shot While Cleaning Gun.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

ROANOKE, VA., July 19.—While Burney Spence, the eighteen-year-old son of Mr. M. D. Spence, was cleaning a shotgun this afternoon the weapon was accidentally discharged, the whole load entering his abdomen. His condition is very serious.

WEATHER.

Fair To-day; cooler Tuesday.

NEW JERSEY CROWD ATTEMPT LYNCHING

Charles Hemphill Kidnapped Girl Seven Years Old and Maltreated Her.

MOB ARMED WITH CLUBS AND ROPES

Assailant Captured as He Was Escaping by Train, and Only Quick Work of Police Saved His Life—Hemphill Member of Holiness Camp.

GLASSBORO, N. J., July 19.—Charles Hemphill, a young man whose home is in Clayton, near here, narrowly escaped being lynched late last night by excited residents of this vicinity, who had been wrought to the point of fury because Hemphill had kidnapped Cora Garton, a seven-year-old child, whose home is in Millville, N. J. Only quick action of the police authorities in secretly removing Hemphill to the Woodberry jail, it is believed, saved his life.

Hemphill on Thursday last joined a Holiness camp meeting here, and became, it is said, infatuated with the child. Yesterday he hired a team, and going to the home of the Rev. Mr. Jarrell, where the child was visiting, offered to drive the clergyman to the camp meeting. The offer was accepted, and after leaving the minister at the camp, Hemphill returned to the Jarrell home and told Mrs. Jarrell that he had been sent for Cora. Helen Higgins, aged eight years, was at play with Cora at the time, and Mrs. Jarrell, not suspecting anything wrong, bundled the two children into the carriage.

A half-hour later Helen came running back, almost exhausted, and told the pastor's wife that after riding about a mile, Hemphill slapped her face, put her out of the carriage, and drove off with Cora.

Heard Girl Scream.

Mrs. Jarrell at once notified her husband, and hundreds of persons joined in the search for the girl. Nothing was seen or heard of her until nearly midnight, when Hanley Beckett, a summer cottager at Pitman, heard screams, and leaving his home, came across Hemphill and the child. Beckett demanded an explanation, and Hemphill said that he had missed the train and that he and the girl were walking to camp. He then moved off, saying: "I can't do anything with her, so I'll leave her with you."

Beckett secured a carriage, took the girl to her home, and notified the police officials.

Threats of Violence.

A short time later Hemphill was captured at Pitman as he was buying a ticket for Philadelphia. Word of the capture was telephoned to Glassboro, and men armed with clubs, baseball bats and some carrying ropes gathered about the Glassboro jail. Another crowd gathered at the hotel, at which the stages between Pitman and Glassboro stop, and there were threats of violence.

Word was sent to Pitman of the temper of the crowd, and it was decided to detail Hemphill there. At 2 o'clock this morning he was held in $1,000 bail on the charge of attempting a statutory offense. During to hearing a large crowd of Pitman residents gathered, and threats against Hemphill were made. A thunderstorm broke out about this time and the crowd sought shelter. Hemphill, during the height of the storm, was hustled into a covered wagon and a quick trip was made to the Woodberry jail. The physicians say the girl is not seriously injured.

DROWNED WHILE WIFE LOOKED ON; BOAT CAPSIZED

WEISS, N. H., July 19.—Walter D. Martin, president of the Common Council of Malden, Mass., who has been spending the summer with his wife and two children on Pine Islands in Lake Winnespesaukee, was drowned in the lake this noon while rowing in front of his cottage, and within sight of his wife. His boat was capsized in a sudden squall. When Mrs. Martin saw her husband sink she collapsed. Her condition to-night is serious.

GIRL FALLS FROM WHARF AND HAS NARROW ESCAPE

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

SUFFOLK, VA., July 19.—Miss Winnie Davis Walker had a thrilling escape from drowning about 10 o'clock last night at Urbanna, Middlesex county, Va. Miss Walker was with several other young women on the steamboat wharf when she lost her balance and fell into the Rappahannock River. Mr. Bloxton, of Charlottesville, stripped off his outer clothing and prepared to plunge to the rescue, but the struggling girl grasped a pole when she rose and was drawn to the wharf.

MRS. GIBSON AGAIN A BRIDE

Weds Algernon Burnaby, a Wealthy Member of the Hunting Colony.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 19.—Another romance has been added to the life of Mrs. Minna Field Gibson. Last night in York Harbor, Maine, the summer home of her mother, Mrs. Thomas Nelson Page, Mrs. Gibson became the bride of Algernon Burnaby, of England.

The bride, whose twenty-six years of life have been filled with romance, is the daughter of the late Henry Field and of the present Mrs. Thomas Nelson Page, of Washington and York Harbor. Through her mother who, as a girl, was Florence Lathrop, she is the niece of Bryan Lathrop, of Chicago, and through her father a niece of Mrs. Henry Dibblee and of the late Marshall Field.

The divorce of Mr. and Mrs. Preston Gibson is but a year old. Since then both Mr. Gibson and his former wife have lived in the East.

For a time after the separation Mrs. Gibson lived with Mrs. Page in Washington, later going to England and returning after a few months to Boston to greet the small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Lindsay. Mrs. Lindsay was Florence Field, only sister of Mrs. Gibson, and she gave her daughter the name of Minna, in compliment to Mrs. Gibson.

The marriage of the Gibsons was an elopement of late January in the year 1900. At the time Miss Field was a pupil at the Misses Masters's school at Dobbs Ferry, N. Y., and Mr. Gibson was a senior in the Sheffield Scientific School at Yale. He had inherited $1,000,000 from his father, a former Senator from Louisiana, and had been prominent as a football and baseball player.

Mr. Burnaby comes from an old English family of high birth. He is a former member of the army, but since his retirement from service he has lived on his estates. He is a cousin of Captain Hugo Beaumont Burnaby, who won fame during the Boer War. He is ten years the senior of his bride.

A regrettable feature of the match, which is viewed as a brilliant one in every respect, is that it will take Mrs. Gibson out of this country. Her home in future will be in England, where Mr. Burnaby has a seat in Leicestershire, and her little son, Henry Field Gibson, will divide his time between her home there and the home of his father, Mr. Preston Gibson, at Hampton Farm, Va.

Mrs. Gibson, who is a noted equestrienne, spent last winter in England, where she was the guest of her cousin, Mrs. Beatty, formerly Mrs. Arthur Tree, now the wife of Captain Beatty, youngest captain in the British navy. Mr. Burnaby is a famous cross-country rider, and the two associated much together. Many echoes came back to America during the winter of the impression that Mrs. Gibson was making by her graceful and skilful horsemanship.

Her last appearance in Washington at a smart function was on the occasion of the marriage of Miss Errol Cuthbert Brown and Lieutenant Charles Russell Train, at St. Thomas Church on June 17th.

THOUSANDS VISIT POND

Curious Travel to Scene of Hazel Drew's Murder—No Clue Found.

TROY, N. Y., July 19.—Teal Pond, where Hazel Drew's body was found with its telltale evidence of foul murder, was visited to-day by several thousand people. The pond is about twelve miles from Troy. No new facts in the investigation of the crime were developed to-day, though there is a possibility that there may be new clues developed shortly.

District Attorney Jarvis R. O'Brien, and County Detective Kaye are making every effort to ascertain the whereabouts of Hazel Drew on Monday night, July 6th. It is the firm belief of the district attorney that if some one can be found who will tell voluntarily, or who may be made to tell, where the girl spent that night, a long step will have been taken in the direction of locating the author of the crime. The officers here are keeping a close watch on several who have figured prominently in the investigation thus far.

No date for the inquest has been set. It is hoped by the officers of the county that the reward of $1,000 offered by the sheriff for the capture and conviction of the murderer will bring forth some person who would be able to furnish information which may lead to an arrest.

RUEF ON TRIAL

Will Appear on Wednesday to Answer Seventy-eight Indictments.

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., July 19.—Abraham Ruef, who until two years ago was the dominating political power in municipal affairs in San Francisco, and who built up the Union Labor political organization, which three times elected as Mayor Eugene E. Schmitz, formerly orchestral leader in one of the local theatres, will be placed on trial for the third time next Wednesday for alleged bribery. Ruef is under seventy-eight indictments, charging him with bribing fourteen of the eighteen members of the board of supervisors to grant franchises to various public service corporations.

PEARY OFF LABRADOR

Roosevelt Has Crossed Gulf of St. Lawrence and Reports All Well.

NEW YORK, July 19.—The Arctic-bound steamer Roosevelt has crossed the Gulf of St. Lawrence and was about to enter the Straits of Belle Isle at 6 o'clock to-night. This report was contained in a message to the Associated Press from Commander Peary, which reads:

"Point Amour, via Cape Ray, N. F. "July 19th.

"Arrived Point Amour light at 6 Sunday night. Fine weather. Good run across the gulf. Prospects of a clear night through the straits. All well.

(Signed) "PEARY."

Point Amour, upon which is located the lighthouse, to which Commander Peary refers, is a head land on the southeast side of Forteau Bay, Labrador.

Was 100 Years Old.

WELLSVILLE, O., July 19.—Alexander G. Wells, Wellsville's oldest resident, and the son of the founder of the city, died suddenly to-day from the infirmities of old age, his one hundredth birthday anniversary having been celebrated June 3d last.

Mr. Wells came from a long lived family, his grandfather having died at the age of 103, while his father lived nearly one hundred years.

GRIEVED OVER DEATH OF HIS WIFE, MAN A SUICIDE

NEW YORK, July 19.—Herman Unger, seventy years old, a member of the firm of Unger Brothers, silver manufacturers, of Newark, N. J., committed suicide to-day by shooting himself with a revolver on the shore of the Raritan River, near his home, one mile from Bound Brook, N. J.

Grief over the death of his wife was assigned by his relatives as the reason for the deed.

Mother of Quadruplets.

KANSAS CITY, MO., July 19.—Mrs. Susan Turner, wife of Louis C. Turner, of Argentine, Kansas, to-day was the mother of quadruplets, three boys and a girl. The girl died a short time after birth, but the boys are alive and apparently healthy. Besides the children born to-day, seven others have been born in the Turner [illegible]

BRYAN TALKS ON TAFT'S LAST MOVE

Says He Welcomes Republican Candidate's Announcement as to Campaign Fund.

REPUBLICAN LEADERS TO SUPPORT DEMOCRACY

Frank S. Monnett, Former Attorney-General of Ohio, Has Conference With Nebraskan, and Promises to Stump His State for Democratic Ticket.

FAIRVIEW, LINCOLN, NEB., July 19.—The statement made by William H. Taft at Hot Springs, Va., yesterday that the Republican National Committee would not accept any contributions from corporations in his campaign, was viewed here with more than ordinary interest. Mr. Bryan was so impressed with the announcement that he broke his usual silence and dictated the following statement:

"We welcome him to this advanced ground, and bid him to go further and announce that all individual contributions over a reasonable minimum will be made known before the election."

The fact that to-day was Sunday did not deter a number of persons from coming to Fairview. The most important caller was Mayor James C. Dahlman, of Omaha, who was closeted with Mr. Bryan for some time, but neither of them would discuss the subject of the conversation.

Republican Support.

Late to-night Frank S. Monnett, formerly Republican Attorney-General of Ohio, who conducted the prosecution in that State against the Standard Oil Company, and later was employed by the Interstate Commerce Commission to gather material upon which to base the government suits, arrived and held a lengthy conference with Mr. Bryan. Mr. Monnett announced that it was his purpose to actively support Mr. Bryan in Ohio in the campaign and that he would make numerous speeches in behalf of the Democratic ticket.

Will Destroy Trusts.

Mr. Monnett said that he was authorized by Mr. Bryan to state that because of the government's dereliction in prosecuting the alleged wool combine, whose headquarters, he says, are in Ohio, Mr. Bryan had announced that if elected to the presidency, he would at once put all the machinery of the government at work to destroy any combination that might exist.

"It will be his policy," said Mr. Monnett, "to destroy the wool monopoly that prevents competition as promptly as the courts and himself can do it. The American Woolen Company has destroyed, so far as the producer is concerned, the entire benefit supposed to inure from the protection on wool."

Mr. Bryan and Mr. Monnett were agreed that the Sherman anti-trust law, as it stands to-day, is sufficient for any anti-trust action necessary, but the government, for some unknown reason, refused to act. Mr. Monnett returned to Lincoln at a late hour, and will depart for his home to-morrow.

NEW POLITICAL DEPARTURE

Hitchcock Will Band Western Republicans Together.

COLORADO SPRINGS, COL., July 19.—When Frank H. Hitchcock, chairman of the Republican National Committee, arrived this afternoon to consult with members of the national committee and chairmen of Western States and territorial committees, he was greeted by a large number of political leaders who had reached Colorado Springs during the day.

The men who are to meet Chairman Hitchcock are the State chairmen and members of the national committee for Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Washington and Wyoming. The national committeemen from California and Nevada were unable to come.

Nothing of the kind now undertaken by Mr. Hitchcock was ever attempted in the system of national campaigns in any party. He announced on his arrival that it would be his purpose to have States which are certainly Republican assist in campaigning in neighboring States which may be doubtful. To that end he is to bring the Western leaders together. To-morrow there will be a general conference, at which the various leaders will exchange ideas and formulate a system whereby one State may draw on the political resources of another.

According to Chairman Hitchcock, there has been a lack of coherence between Western leaders in past campaigns, the representatives of each State doing their best to pile up Republican majorities, but not helping other States which have more difficult political battles to fight.

TAFT JOINS UNION

Has Been Elected a Member of International Society of Steam-Shovel Men.

HOT SPRINGS, VA., July 19.—When Judge William H. Taft goes to Cincinnati to be notified of his nomination for the presidency by the Republican party he will receive notice of his election as a member of a labor organization. He has been elected a member of the International Society of Steam-Shovel Men, of which T. J. Dolan, of Chicago, is president.

Mr. Taft had a good deal to do with the steam-shovel men at Panama. His notification of his membership in the union will be made on July 29th. He will probably leave here next Saturday for Cincinnati, and may not return until the following Saturday. [illegible]

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...Farmers...

Farmers attending the Institute to be held in this city early in August should have their mail addressed care of

The Times-Dispatch.

A writing room will be provided by The Times-Dispatch for the use of visitors to this Convention, and this paper extends them a hearty welcome.