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TODAY'S EVENTS.

Metropolitan—Old Homestead, 8.15.
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MOVEMENT OF STEAMSHIPS.

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—Arrived: Massachusetts, London.
LIVERPOOL—Arrived: Servia, Boston.
CHERBOURG—Sailed: Saale, Bremen for New York.

Register today.

The hotter Watson gets the less danger there is of his fusing.

Has Mr. Bland also been lost in the intricacies of Wolfert's Roost?

Wheat registered yesterday. Let the St. Paul voter do as well today.

Bryan's private car is the Idler, but it will be no idler than Bryan after Nov. 3.

Are the elements saving up the usual fall supply of the beautiful for use on Nov. 3?

Bryan has the women of Minneapolis and the newsboys of Detroit solid, but he can't count on the voter.

When it comes to "raising" wheat the soil of Wall street is more fertile than the prairies of the Dakotas.

And the farmer sits on his front porch and smiles as serenely as he would in a warm June shower.

Your name on the poll list today is the best assurance that your vote will be counted Nov. 3. Register today.

The Philippine islands are becoming a formidable competitor to Cuba in the importation and consumption of Spanish soldiers.

The substance of this political campaign is that the silverites object to there being any golden rule in the United States.

Amid all this speculative excitement the prosperous farmer will not fail to remember that too much grain is injurious to bulls.

A fashion item says an effort is to be made this fall to revive the bustle. The effort to revive the bustle will be made at the polls Nov. 3.

Mr. Thomas Watson, of Georgia, is not the only author whose friends have begged him not to inflict his effusions upon a suffering public.

Five men at Charlottesville, W. Va., who had a university tumble on them, are fully convinced that too much learning is injurious to a man.

The famous feat of the cow in the nursery song is in danger of being eclipsed by some of these jumps that are being made by the wheat bull.

Bryan's exhibitions of his great trotting team, "Wheat" and "Silver," will be discontinued until the pair can be broken in to go in double harness.

Polar expedition survivors of Philadelphia have formed a club. The menu at banquets will presumably be largely composed of frostings and ices.

The baby king of Spain is enjoying all the pleasures of a monarch at an early age. His latest experience was a little excitement with a dynamite bomb Sunday.

The demand for sound money badges is illustrated in the fact that a Minneapolis man is under arrest for purloining twelve of them. They will have them if they have to steal them.

There's a queer story afloat of an Indiana girl who has wheat growing in her eye. But queerer yet is the fact that there are thousands of other people who have wheat in their eye just now, and most of them will find it is all in their eye.

The way to restore confidence is to notify the world that we propose to pay our obligations, and this we will do three weeks from today.—William McKinley. Why didn't you send that sentence around to the Canton high school, Mr. McKinley, and get it edited? You did not mean to say that we would pay off the national debt three weeks hence, but that is precisely what you did say.

FARCE OF FUSION

DEMOCRATS IN ILLINOIS BEGIN TO REALIZE IT TO THEIR SORROW.

SILVERITES DISORGANIZED,

ALTGELD AND OTHERS SAID TO BE SELLING OUT BRYAN TO SAVE THEMSELVES

SOUND MONEY VOTE GROWING.

White Metal Ticket Will Go Down Under a Majority of Fully 100,000.

Special to the Globe.

CHICAGO, Ill., Oct. 19.—While the leaders of all the political parties in Illinois concede that there is an element of uncertainty in this campaign, which nobody can count upon, there does not seem to be much reason to doubt the final result of the balloting. Bryan's defeat by an old-time majority is conceded by many of his friends who are familiar with the situation in Cook county and the rest of the state. The same friends claim that if the silver committees had campaigned on recognized lines of political action and endeavored to organize the silver vote, the result might be different. The fact, however, seems to be that the work for Bryan and silver has been that rattle-headed, pointless kind which leaves his followers to depend upon faith. More time has been wasted in endeavors to fuse with Populists than trying to organize their own vote, with the result that the leaders are not certain at this time whether they control either Populists or silver Democrats. They do know, however, that fusion with Populists has not been gratifying to thousands of Democrats. Col. William R. Morrison, of the Inter-State Commerce commission, has publicly renounced his intention to vote for Bryan or to have anything whatever to do with the silver ticket because Altgeld and his managers insisted upon dividing the electoral vote so that Tom Watson will have four in the final count, if the silver forces are successful in the election. Morrison is only one of thousands of Democrats who have taken the view that coalition with Populism on any basis is degrading and disgraceful.

It is difficult to tell upon what the silver Democratic managers are basing their claims of victory. They have not made a poll of the state nor of any precinct, township or county in the state. They have taken no means or steps so far as surface indications go to ascertain what any community or body of voters propose to do on election day. Nevertheless they are making a pretense that they know that Illinois is going Democratic, or rather is going to cast her electoral vote for Bryan. A well-known Democrat who had been a conspicuous figure in campaigns of the past, spent a week in Springfield recently. Springfield is in Sangamon county and Sangamon county is one of the few counties of the state that has never failed to give a round majority for Democracy and Democratic candidates. The gentleman in question, expected to find surface indications of silver activity in Springfield. He expected to see a thorough, aggressive organization for Bryan and Altgeld, but he was disappointed. He says that, instead of activity, he observed nothing but inactivity; that the meetings for Bryan were spiritless and poorly attended, and that there were no indications whatever, that the people of Springfield had any sympathy for the cause of free silver or its candidates. These conditions led him to make some inquiries into the causes and he was amazed when informed by a silver Democratic leader that there was undoubtedly an underlying current of silver sentiment among the farmers, but that it lacked force and direction through failure to organize. Reports from other parts of the state, indeed from half of the counties of the state, indicate that Sangamon county is not alone in this particular.

Charges of treachery have frequently been made by persons interested in the campaign. The managers of the national machinery have insinuated that Altgeld, in his desire to secure his own election for governor, has, in a measure, abandoned Bryan and is looking after his own interests exclusively. Buck Hinrichsen's attitude has also been a cause for crimination and re-crimination by his friends and enemies. He is chairman of the state committee. He is also candidate for congress in the Sixteenth district. Hinrichsen and Altgeld are rival bosses. They hate each other with a cordiality that has on several occasions nearly produced open warfare. Altgeld's friends claim that Hinrichsen has been knifing both the state and national ticket in the interest of his own candidacy. Hinrichsen has said nothing. He has gone right along trying to beat Gen. Rinnaker, his Republican opponent. Open ruptures between the state and national machines have occurred so frequently that they have ceased to be interesting. Only a few days ago Arthur Bentley, who runs the speaker's bureau of the state committee, went to St. Louis to complain to Bryan that Senator Jones was not giving his committee a fair deal in the matter of speeches and there is hardly any reason to doubt that Bentley's complaint was well founded.

With conditions like these it is hard for even the most sanguine friend of the silver ticket to make up his mind that Bryan has even a guessing chance in Illinois.

On the other hand, the state and national committee of the National Democratic party have been accomplishing a great deal of aggressive and effective work for their candidates and for the cause of sound money. Mr. Forman, National Democratic candidate for governor, is making a tour of the state and is attracting widespread attention on account of the direct assaults upon Altgeld's mal-administration of the state government. Mr. Forman is a forceful, logical, and aggressive speaker and thus far his trip has been attended with a degree of success that has astonished his managers. The national committee is daily sending speakers of wide reputation into the parts of the state where it is known that an undercurrent of sound money sentiment exists and the results have been more than gratifying. The nomination of Gen. Palmer for president was in itself a source of tremendous strength to the sound money movement. There is no man in the state of Illinois who is more popular with the masses of voters than the gallant old veteran who was nominated at Indianapolis. Democrats who were wavering in their support of Bryan, because of the idea that he was the candidate of the regular Democracy, have rallied to the standard of Palmer and Buckner. They recall that it was Gen. Palmer's leadership that turned a Republican majority of 30,000 to a Democratic majority of 40,000.

Republican managers are confident of the result because they have been industrious and believe they have reached the voters. There has been no lack of organization on their part. They opened their campaign headquarters in the Great Northern hotel two months in advance of the usual time of beginning political work and, notwithstanding that they have employed a force three or four times as large as was ever employed in a campaign in Illinois before, they have to work night and day to keep pace with the exigencies of the campaign. Dr. T. N. Jamieson is entirely satisfied that Illinois will overwhelm Bryan by a majority of 100,000 and perhaps more. He says that the result is no longer in doubt. Polls of the various wards in Cook county indicate that there has been a steady and regular growth of sound money sentiment, especially since the Indianapolis convention. Dr. Jamieson and the other Republican managers will not undertake to say how many votes the candidates of the Indianapolis convention will get, but they believe that the total will be very large. Chairman Hitch, of the state Republican committee, told your correspondent that every day intervening from now until election means so many votes against Bryan. He says that the bottom has dropped out of the silver ship, and that it is gradually but surely sinking out of sight. Unless something happens which is not foreseen now, it may disappear from view altogether.

OPEN OPPOSITION PLANNED

For Bryan While He Is in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Oct. 19.—It has been arranged by the Republican campaign managers to have ex-Congressman William E. Mason, of Chicago, speak in the immediate vicinity of every hall in which Mr. Bryan makes an address in this city. Two weeks before the Chicago convention, Mr. Mason met the Democratic presidential candidate in a joint debate at Waterloo, Io. The Republican leaders say they were well satisfied and that this plan of pitting Mr. Mason with Mr. Bryan has been decided upon. There is no intention, they say, of interfering with the Bryan meetings in any way, but a chance will be given all voters who would rather hear a Republican than a Democratic speech to exercise their choice. The plan promises to furnish some of the most lively incidents of the campaign.

WALSH'S PAMPHLET

Has No Bearing on the Contest in America.

DUBLIN, Oct. 19.—Archbishop Walsh has been in receipt recently of considerable correspondence by mail and wire regarding his pamphlet on bimetallism, which has been reprinted in the United States. He says he is not surprised that it has been sought to turn it to account for political purposes, but he adds, no one reading it with even ordinary care can fail to see that nothing he has said about bimetallism has any real bearing upon the question now being so warmly discussed in the United States.

HOLT DENOUNCES BRYAN.

Against the Ticket and the Fusion in Indiana.

INDIANAPOLIS, Oct. 19.—Sterling R. Holt, who recently resigned as chairman of the state Democratic committee, has published an open letter to Indiana Democrats denouncing free silver and repudiating the Chicago ticket. He says that Bryan is not a Democrat; that he voted for Gen. Weaver for president, and bolted the Democratic state ticket in Nebraska more than once. Mr. Holt also denounces the Democratic-Populist fusion in Indiana and says that it absolves Democrats from support of the ticket on the grounds of regularity.

WATSON'S LETTER LOST.

It Has Not as Yet Reached Senator Butler.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19.—Despite the fact that Vice Presidential Candidate Watson insists that his letter of acceptance was mailed to Senator Butler five days ago, the latter says he has not yet received it. Today he authorized the following letter to be sent Mr. Watson:

Senator Butler notices that you are reported in an interview as stating that you mailed your letter of acceptance to him at Washington, D. C., on last Wednesday, Oct. 14. He requests me to inform you that no such letter has been received by him.
—Francis H. Hoover, Private Secretary.

NATIONAL NOMINEES REGULAR.

Gold Democrats Recognized by the Officials of Nebraska.

OMAHA, Neb., Oct. 19.—Secretary of State Piper today used this language in deciding against the protest of the Nebraska silver Democrats to the gold standard Democratic ticket going on the official ballot:

The ticket of the National Democracy, to which exception is taken in this instance is the only regularly recognized Democratic party in the state of Nebraska, called by its regular convention, and is entitled to go on the official ballot as such.

Gold Men Ask Recognition.

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—Before Justice Lippincott in the Hudson county court at Jersey City today William B. Edwards made application for a rule requiring County Clerk Fisher to show cause why he should not place the names of the candidates of the National Democracy on the official ballot to be used on election day. Fisher has already recognized one ballot presented by the National Democratic committee, but it is claimed not to be the genuine list of Democrats. Justice Lippincott said he would give a decision in the matter on Wednesday next.

Thousands for Defense.

WILMINGTON, Del., Oct. 19.—Ex-United States Senator John E. Henderson, of Missouri, in a speech here tonight, scored the Chicago platform and nominees. He said in part:

The Populist platform, which is now a part of the Democratic party, for Bryan stands for both, proposes to seize the telegraph and railroad lines. If they know what they are doing, they certainly intend to reorganize the government. If they should be so bold as to make the attempt not less than 465,000 soldiers will resist. We will do as the men did in 1861. We simply asked then that the constitution be not disturbed, and we will defend it as we did then.

Palmer in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Oct. 19.—Gens. Palmer and Buckner, the gold standard Democratic nominees for president and vice president, reached Chicago today. They will remain here until tomorrow, when they will start on the speech-making tour through Wisconsin, Minnesota and Iowa.

NOW UP TO WATSON

PROPOSITIONS FROM CHAIRMAN JONES LAID BEFORE THE GEORGIA NOMINEE.

CONFERENCE ON FOR TODAY.

IT WILL DECIDE THE ATTITUDE OF THE TROUBLESOME RUNNING MATE.

AN ATTEMPT AT FUSION AS WELL.

State Committees Will Try to Harmonize the Conflicting Silver Factions of the State.

THOMPSON, Ga., Oct. 19.—George F. Washburn and H. W. Reed, members of the Populist national committee, left this place today, after a conference of twenty-four hours with Hon. Thomas E. Watson. Reliable information is at hand which shows that one object of the conference was to submit to Mr. Watson some proposition from Chairman Jones, the nature of which both gentlemen refused to reveal. It develops that Chairman Jones had agreed to go to Atlanta and meet Mr. Watson if the two committeemen, upon their arrival here, should think it necessary, otherwise he would send a personal representative who stands high in the councils of the party. Another object of the meeting was to induce Mr. Watson to modify, in some way, his letter of acceptance, which the two committeemen had in their possession.

The contents of this letter were known to the Populist committee at Chicago before the recent address was issued. Committeeman Reed telegraphed Mr. Watson under no circumstances to give it to the public until after the conference with him. Mr. Watson thereupon consented to hold it. Mr. Reed appeared to be very much pleased with the results of his visit, and stated to political friends that Georgia Populists were very indignant that he should have signed the address issued recently by the Populist committee at Chicago, but that their judgment and criticisms were premature, because they did not have the information he had when the address was issued, and intimated that his action had met the full approbation of Mr. Watson.

Mr. Watson leaves here tomorrow for Atlanta, where he will meet the representative of Chairman Jones.

ATTEMPT AT FUSION.

It Will Be Made Today by Silver Factions in Georgia.

ATLANTA, Ga., Oct. 19.—Messrs. Washburn and Reed, the members of the Populist national committee, who were despatched to Thompson to confer with Hon. Thomas E. Watson, reached Atlanta at noon today, after having spent Sunday with the vice presidential nominee. This morning they were in conference with J. M. Robinson, Democratic elector at large, the National Democratic committeeman from Georgia and several other prominent Democrats. The national committeeman arrived from Chicago today, having come as the representative of Chairman Jones. He said: "Senator Jones could not come and asked me to represent him. No proposition has been made by either side and none will be made before tomorrow. Hon. Steve Clay, chairman of the state committee, will arrive at 9 tomorrow and the state committee will meet at noon."

The Democratic state committee and the Populist state committee will both be in session here tomorrow. The Populist committee last week made a formal offer to the Democrats for a fusion in this state on a basis of seven Democratic and eight Populist electors. The Democrats were given until tomorrow night to accept or decline. It is understood that the conference now in progress here and the meeting of the state committee tomorrow is for the purpose of bringing about this fusion.

All the parties to the conference decline to say anything as to its purpose or probable outcome. Mr. Washburn was more communicative, however. On the subject of his trip to Thompson, he said: "The address issued to the public by our executive committee at Chicago has been purposely misconstrued by a hostile press and does Mr. Watson great injustice. He is the hero of our party and is loved and esteemed by it all over the country, because of the noble fight for the very principles now advocated by Mr. Bryan and his party. The only way now to elect Bryan is for the silver forces in the different states to vote for fusion electors representing both parties. The situation is unchanged. Mr. Watson's throat is now all right and he will resume his campaign speaking at once."

"What is the political situation in doubtful states?" he was asked.

"During the past two weeks Mr. Bryan has made rapid gains, and I know that the Republicans are becoming alarmed at this great change in his favor. At both the Populist and Democratic headquarters in Chicago, we feel sure of Bryan's election and the triumph of silver. Our conference at Thompson was for the purpose of reporting to Mr. Watson just what had been accomplished in different states and to report the work of the national committee. The report that I had Mr. Watson's letter of acceptance with me is a mistake."

WATSON'S NAME OFF.

His Threat as to Kansas Carried Out.

TOPEKA, Kas., Oct. 19.—Thomas E. Watson's affidavit declining to permit the use of his name on the official ballot was received through the mail by the secretary of state today. Acting upon this authority, the secretary of state decided that the name of Watson should not go upon the official ballot as a part of the Abilene ticket. However, he agreed with Populist Chairman Breidenthal not to mail the certificates of the official ballot to the county clerks until the Populist committee should take the matter before the supreme court.

Directors Re-elected.

CINCINNATI, O., Oct. 19.—The nine incumbents in the directorate of the Cincinnati, New Orleans & Texas Pacific railway were re-elected at a meeting of the stockholders held here today. Nineteen thousand of the 30,000 shares were voted.

WHEAT PIT WILD

AGGREGATE OF CHICAGO DEALINGS ENORMOUS AND THE FLUCTUATIONS VIOLENT.

ENGLAND OPENED THE BALL.

SIX-CENT RISE THERE PRECIPITATED THE EXCITEMENT OF THE OPENING.

ALL EFFORTS OUTDONE IN N. Y.

No End to the Sensational Developments Connected With the Present Bull Campaign.

CHICAGO, Oct. 19.—Chicago wheat, after fluctuating wildly about today between extremes of 75⅞ cents to 79¾ cents, closed at a net advance of a cent and a half and about two cents under the day's high mark. The aggregate amount of business was something enormous and was characterized by wild excitement and frequent violent fluctuations. Liverpool opened the ball for the Chicago wheat market. Early cablegrams from there quoted wheat 5d per cental higher than it had closed Saturday, the equivalent of 6 cents per bushel. That was enough to start everything on the jump, but, strange to say, the price at Liverpool was only responded to by a 3-cent advance here to begin with. In fact Minneapolis was the only home market to come anywhere near being as strong as the markets abroad. The absence of shorts in the Chicago pit accounted for the hesitating response to the big jump at Liverpool. The average professional speculator looks for buyers to unload upon in such a market as today's, if he happens to be long of wheat and as the present speculators are almost entirely composed of that class, large numbers of them had wheat for sale as soon as the market opened. For all that the start was very wild, sales taking place simultaneously in different parts of the pit at 78½@79c, and at every fraction of ⅛c in between. Notwithstanding the immense quantities for sale at the opening, there were buyers enough to take care of it at the time being, and on a subsequent reaction to 78¼c, another crowd of buyers reached forward and sent the price climbing once more. It only stopped when it reached 79¾c.

From the latter price there was again a gradual but agitated decline, and on the second reaction the price got down to 77¾c by about 12:15 o'clock. The pit was kept in a perfect boil by the statistical news, but after every violent decline there was a more violent reaction, and the trend of the market was upward until the receipt of the world's visible supply figures. They showed an increase of 2,347,000 bushels, and were the cause of the decline to 77¾c. That was the turning point. The fact of India having shipped 48,000 bushels of wheat to Europe last week, caused considerable comment in connection with the fact of so much buying of California wheat for that country, and rather shook the confidence of traders in their belief of a total failure of the wheat crop in that country. The world's shipments to Europe appeared to be about 9,300,000 bushels, or about 1,000,000 bushels less than on the week before. The estimated weekly requirements of Europe for the present season are 7,000,000 bushels, so it is evident that depleted stocks there are being gradually replenished.

Northwest receipts were extremely large, though showing a falling off both from last week and last year. Minneapolis and Duluth reported receipts of 1,642 cars of wheat, compared with 1,709 cars a week ago, and 1,877 on the corresponding day of the year before. After the break to 77¾c, the price worked up again to 79c, but that was its expiring jump. It was again weighted down with long wheat and dropped, before the close, to 77⅛c, with 77⅝c bid, as the closing phase of the market.

The Liverpool market for corn was almost as excited as it was for wheat. First quotations from there were at an advance of 1½d per cental. That and the wild rise in wheat gave corn here an advance of from ⅞c to 1⅜c per bushel at the first jump. The highest price of the day was made right then and it got to the lowest edge of the day's range about the close. Realizing was indulged in on an extremely large scale, and when wheat showed signs of weakness, corn did likewise.

SENSATIONAL IN NEW YORK.

All Previous Efforts of the Wheat Market Eclipsed.

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—There was apparently today no end to the sensational developments connected with the present bull campaign in wheat. Today the market eclipsed all previous efforts by rising perpendicularly 4½c at the opening. The jump was attended by wild excitement. Commission houses had more than the usual number of outside orders, the advance having attracted the attention of the speculative public. Local traders were also eager buyers and foreign houses followed suit. The result was an avalanche of buying orders that fairly turned the wheat topsy turvy. The excitement was increased by private cables announcing a six-cent advance in Liverpool with heavy speculative activity. By noon local transactions had run up to 11,000,000 bushels and for the entire day they reached the total of 20,105,000 bushels. The afternoon was marked by a tendency to take profits on early purchases, and prices lost 2 cents a bushel, or half the local advance, closing 2⅞ cents net higher than Saturday night. December opened at 85⅞ cents, closing at 84⅝ cents.

Old traders said that the bulge beat anything they had seen in years. Business all over the floor was temporarily suspended to watch the battle between the bulls and bears. No failures were reported during 'change hours. Only the hardiest of the local element dared trust themselves in the market, and the short interest has been reduced to the minimum. Evrybody was imbued with the bull fever. Corn and oats and provisions all made big advances during the forenoon. Houses with private wires to Chicago and other centers reported a heavy business. About 300,000 bushels were bought for export at the close.

PARIS BOURSE DISTURBED.

Mysterious Selling Movement May Result in a Crisis.

LONDON, Oct. 19.—The Daily Telegraph's financial article expresses the belief that the Bank of France has manifested a willingness to sell gold largely, rather than allow the London market to be so disturbed as to react seriously upon Paris. The article says that it is probable that this consideration prevailed with the Bank of England not to raise the rate of discount.

The Daily News says that heavy sales of Spanish securities and Kaffirs on Paris account disquieted the stock exchange and the bourse yesterday. This mysterious selling, it is said, has now continued in both markets for several days. Late evening papers in Paris declared that unless the movement was checked, a serious crisis would result on the bourse. An official who was consulted on the subject, said that events in Spain and Turkey were mostly responsible, but that great anxiety existed regarding the outcome of the presidential election in the United States. It is feared that the next settlement will reveal trouble.

MINNEAPOLIS PIT EXCITED.

Repetition of Yesterday's Wild Scenes Is Expected.

There were exciting scenes in the Minneapolis wheat pit yesterday morning. Saturday the market closed at 73⅝, and yesterday as the reports from Liverpool came strong, and the market started in at 76⅝. This caused some excitement and the brokers began to buy. This continued freely and in spite of this, 78¼ was reached almost at once. This high figure could not stand, and after advices of an easier nature were received from abroad, the reaction caused the market to drop to 77, then to 76¼, and then it rose again to 77. It varied but little from the latter figure. The scenes in the pit yesterday were full of excitement, and it has been a long time since the like has happened there. Minneapolis did not follow Chicago, so quick had the market jumped, but went by word from Liverpool. Most of the large number of deals were real sales, and but few speculations were among them. Some of the knowing ones expect to see a reenactment of yesterday's scenes before election.

STRONG ON THE COAST.

San Francisco Influenced by the World's Wheat Markets.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 19.—Upon strong news from other parts of the world, the local wheat market recovered today from the setback at Saturday's close, and went higher than before. The May option opened at $1.55½ and rose to $1.58, but toward the close there was a decline to $1.56¾. December opened at $1.55 and all the sales were at that price. The total transactions in both options at the session were 103,000 centals. There was less excitement today among dealers. They seemed to have become used to the rise and took it more stolidly than before. At 10:30 there was a setback from the price at the opening, but the market had a partial recovery from it. Spot wheat was strongly held and for the time being was quoted at $1.45½@$1.46. Prices were strong this afternoon, but less business was done. At the 2 o'clock session December was quoted at $1.56½ and May $1.58.

STREET RAILWAY ASSOCIATION.

Thousand Delegates Expected to Be Present at St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 19.—The fifteenth annual convention of the American Street Railway association, will be held in St. Louis this week, beginning tomorrow. The indications are that the convention will be attended by at least 1,000 delegates and supply men. Arrivals began as early as Sunday night, when a Wabash train brought in a party of 75, including the president of the association, H. M. Littell, of Brooklyn. The Southern hotel has been selected as headquarters for the delegates. The display of street railway appliances now on exhibition at the Auditorium is the most complete of any similar display ever before collected. These articles very in sizes from the big vestibule street car, to the small bit of steel used in the construction of an electric motor.

FIFTY HOLD-UPS.

With Three Incidental Murders, Confessed by a Denver Desperado.

DENVER, Col., Oct. 19.—Albert H. Downen, a man forty-five years of age, was arrested today by the city detectives for highway robbery, and after a search of his room had revealed a large amount of booty, he confessed to fully fifty hold-ups in this city, as well as the murder of one man, Joel Ashworth here, and a man and a woman in California. He says he served 17 years in the California penitentiary for stage robbery and gand larceny, but was never arrested for the murders. The Ashworth murder was committed in June last and has ever since baffled the police department. Downen says he was trying to hold the man up. He says he will plead guilty of murder and wants to be hanged rather than serve more time in the penitentiary.

Musicians' Meeting.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Oct. 19.—Representatives from local councils of the National League of Musicians are in session in this city today for the purpose of forming an organization which will affiliate with the American Federation of Labor. Heretofore this plan has been opposed by the Eastern delegates; while the Western delegates are in favor of it. Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, is presiding.

First Little Break in the Trust.

SUPERIOR, Wis., Oct. 19.—The local coal companies will restore the cargo pea grade, and, commencing in a few days, the consumers of the city will have the privilege of chosing between this grade and buckwheat at $4.75 per ton. Last year cargo pea was used very generally for heating stoves and furnaces in preference to nut, but at the opening of this season local dealers were notified that cargo pea grade had been abandoned and that hereafter the smallest size of hard coal, buckwheat, would be sold for $4.75. The Northwestern Fuel company is said, however, to have restored the cargo grade a few days ago, and the other companies are now preparing to follow suit. This action means a saving of $2 per ton, as cargo pea can be used in the same burners as nut coal.

ON BRINK OF WAR

OPEN HOSTILITIES VERY NARROWLY AVERTED IN THE HARBOR OF HAVANA.

GEN. WEYLER BACKED DOWN.

DECIDED ON REFLECTION NOT TO FIRE ON THE STARS AND STRIPES.

PLUCKY CAPTAIN WON A VICTORY.

Refused to Surrender a Passenger and Sailed Boldly by the Guns of Moro Castle.

KEY WEST, Fla., Oct. 19.—If the Spanish authorities had taken Senor Angel Fernandez off the Ward line steamer Vigilancia, while that vessel was in Havana harbor last Friday, United States warships would have immediately been ordered to Havana to enforce a demand for reparation and war between this country and Spain would have undoubtedly resulted. For three hours last Friday, the United States and Spain were on the brink of war and the threatening situation was only relieved when the Spanish authorities ignominously backed down and allowed the Vigilancia to proceed to sea with Fernandez still on board.

A letter received here from a correspondent in Havana, who is close to Consul General Lee, gives a dramatic account of the episode. According to the letter, when the Vigilancia put into Havana, the Spanish authorities demanded the surrender of Senor Angel Fernandez, a Mexican, on board the vessel. The Spandiards alleged that Ferandez was not a Mexican, but a subject of Spain. Capt. John McIntosh, of the Vigilancia, refused to surrender Fernandez. Then the Spanish authorities told McIntosh that if the Vigilancia attempted to go to sea with Fernandez on board, she would be sunk by the guns of Moro Castle.

Capt. McIntosh immediately laid the matter before Consul General Lee, who complimented the captain on his bravery and told him to take the Vigilancia to sea when he pleased. Consul Lee was greatly enraged at the threat to sink the Vigilancia, and is reported to have said to Capt. McIntosh: "If the guns of Moro Castle sink your ship American warships will be

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in a few days." Capt. McIntosh returned to the Vigilancia and Consul General Lee informed Weyler that the vessel was going to sea, and that if any attempt was made to take off Fernandez or that if the vessel was fired upon, Spain must take the consequences. Weyler immediately summoned a cabinet council and while this council was considering the matter the Vigilancia began to weigh anchor.

The Spanish officials on board protested, but Capt. McIntosh said in vigorous language, the letter states, "Damn your objections, my ship has been cleared. My consul has told me to go to sea. I am going and I dare you to try to prevent me. Get off my ship," and with that the Yankee roughly shoved the Spaniards into the waiting boats and the Vigilancia, flying the stars and stripes, started for the mouth of the harbor, which is commanded by the guns of Moro Castle. All was excitement in Havana and the quays and house tops were lined with hundreds of persons who expected to see the Vigilancia fired upon.

Consul Lee himself watched the Vigilancia through a glass. Meanwhile signals were being exchanged between Weyler's palace and Moro Castle, and in the latter place there were signs of great excitement. Slowly the Vigilancia entered the mouth of the harbor and then it was noticed that the guns of Moro were turned on the ship. The Vigilancia repeatedly signalled Moro Castle: "I am going to sea," but no answer came from the fort until the vessel was in blue water and then the Spaniards ran up the signal which means "Good bye."

It is said that Weyler is furious over the departure of the vessel and Consul Lee's course. It is stated Weyler ordered the commandant of Moro Castle to sink the Vigilancia, but that, at the last moment, he yielded to the entreaties of his cabinet and countermanded the order. The episode caused more excitement in Havana than anything since the beginning of the war.

MEXICO WOULD JOIN

In an Intervention for the Benefit of Cuba.

CITY OF MEXICO, Oct. 19.—El Mendo today has an article on the proposed intervention of Mexico and the United States in the conflict between Spain and Cuba which says in substance that Mexico regards the United States as a firm and loyal friend with whom the social and commercial relations are growing daily more intimate and if the United States should suggest officially to Mexico the desirability of joint intervention, President Diaz would accept with pleasure, being certain of the moral support of all the Latin-American republics, but Mexico could only accept the part of a joint pacificator in case the Spanish nation should insist in carrying on war in her sovereign right to the bitter end, or the Cuban people fighting desperately for liberty should not show distrust; in other words both parties to the conflict should accept intervention.

THREE BARKS MISSING.

Great Fears Entertained for the Safety of Their Crews.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Oct. 19.—Fears are entertained in this city for the safety of the barks Argenta, Silicon and Serena, which sailed, several months ago, for Greenland to load cryolite for Philadelphia. Whether they have been crushed by the ice floes that have drifted down from the far North or not, is not known. The Argenta sailed from Cadiz on May 21 for Ivigtut, the loading point on the west coast of Greenland. She was commanded by Capt. Smith. He was formerly in charge of a whaler and has had many years' experience on the ice. He had with him a crew of seventeen men, shipped mostly from Philadelphia. The Silicon left Stockholm on June 5, and the Serena left Havana on April 29, both for Ivigtut. Capt. Houghton is new to the ice, while the others have had experience before assuming command, as mates and in other subordinate positions.

Barge Run Down.

AMHERSTBURG, Ont., Oct. 19.—The Grand Traverse, from Marine City, Mich., a large three-masted barge owned by M. M. Drake, of Buffalo, N. Y., was run down by the Livingstone, of Wyandotte, Mich., in the channel, three miles east of Colchester, Ont., early this morning. The Grand Traverse sank quickly, but the crew was rescued and brought in here.

Steamer in Safe.

COLON, Oct. 19.—The Finance has arrived here all well. She reports encountering heavy gales on October 10 and 13.

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