

THINK IT GOOD IDEA

Dispatch of Mr. Rockhill to China by Mr. Kinley Approved by British.

MASSACRE OF FOREIGNERS AGAIN ALLEGED

Shanghai Indignant Over Reception to Li Kung Chang at Hong Kong.

SOUTHERN PROVINCES ARE APT TO RISE

Mohammedan Clergymen Talk Stand Against Boxers.

RUSSIA BLOCKS ENEMY IN MANCHURIA

Advance on Peking from North May Be Hindered by Operations Which Are Being Directed Against Russia in Amur.

LONDON, July 19.—A dispatch from the Washington office of the Standard editorially this morning says the Standard editorially this morning.

The Standard proceeds to comment on the great ignorance prevalent in Europe, not only of recent events but of Chinese affairs generally.

According to the Standard, the Russian government is already in possession of definite news that all the foreigners in Peking were massacred on July 6.

Very little further news is available this morning. The Yokohama correspondent of the Daily Mail, who repeats his statements regarding the Japanese ultimatum.

Shanghai reports that three mission stations on Pe Yang lake have been destroyed, but it is believed that the missionaries escaped.

It is rumored that Yu Lu, the missing viceroys of the province of Chi-Li, has been captured.

It is stated that when the allies entered the native city of Tien Tsin they found the Chinese dead piled up in the streets.

The Shanghai correspondent of the Times expresses doubt that the southern viceroys will be able to withstand the pressure of the provincial officials to join the anti-foreign movement.

It is inevitable that the mandarin, as a body, should sympathize with Prince Tuan's movement.

This correspondent confirms the statement of the correspondent of the Daily Express regarding the indignation caused by the British reception of Li Hung Chang at Hong Kong.

The Times understands that chief representatives of the Mohammedan clergy in Constantinople have been ordered to issue a statement in support of the Chinese.

According to the Canton correspondent of the Daily Telegraph six Chinese soldiers have been beheaded for assaulting an American medical missionary.

The Russian advance to the west news from St. Petersburg, have completely defeated the Chinese and have occupied Blagovestchensk, south of the Amur river.

The Russian minister of the interior has issued a notice that the Siberian railway is closed to traffic.

Details of Tien Tsin Fight. SHANGHAI, July 19.—The following additional details of the allied forces' attack on the native city of Tien Tsin reached here today from the Associated Press correspondent with allies.

"TIEN Tsin, Friday, July 13.—Midnight—Via Che Foo, July 18.—After a day of hard fighting and having lain for hours in shallow, hastily dug trenches full of water and suffering from hunger and thirst, two bat-

HORRORS COME SECOND HAND

Shanghai Correspondent of London Express Tells Some Horrific Details of the Massacres He Has Heard.

"A prominent Chinese merchant who arrived here Tuesday from Peking has given me many terrible details of scenes he witnessed in Peking during the massacres.

He states that he saw European women hauled into the street by shrieking Boxer mobs, stripped and hacked to pieces and their severed limbs tossed among the crowd and carried off with howls of triumph.

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ROCKHILL TO GO TO CHINA

Cabinet Names Him as Special Commissioner to Investigate Affairs.

Former Secretary of Legation at Peking Will Endeavor to Ascertain the Facts in Matters in the Orient.

WASHINGTON, July 18.—The cabinet meeting today developed nothing of importance regarding the Chinese situation beyond the fact that Mr. Rockhill, formerly secretary of the legation at Peking and assistant secretary of state, and now director of the Bureau of American Republics, to China to investigate the situation and report to the authorities here.

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STANDS BY FOREIGN OFFICE

Berlin Press Approves of Ban Put Upon Use of Cipher by Chinese Minister.

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SMALLPOX RAGES AT NOME

Pesthouse of Mining Town Contains More Than 200 Patients.

DREAD DISEASE SPREADING RAPIDLY

SEATTLE, Wash., July 19.—Two vessels arrived in port from Nome today, the transatlantic and the steamship Sequoia. The Sequoia arrived early in the morning and the Athenian about 11 o'clock.

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CONDITION OF THE WEATHER

Forecast for Nebraska: Northern Winds Temperature at Omaha Yesterday:

Table with 4 columns: Hour, Deg., Hour, Deg. Rows for 5 a.m., 8 a.m., 11 a.m., 2 p.m., 5 p.m., 8 p.m., 11 p.m.

CONTRIBUTE TO PAY THE FINE

Ashtand People Express Their Opinion of the Supreme Court's Conduct.

ASHTAND, Neb., July 18.—To the Editor of The Bee: The following named persons unite with the Gazette in expressing their disapproval of the tyrannical action of the supreme court in imposing a fine upon The Bee Publishing company and denouncing it as a petty attempt to stifle investigation of the acts of courts:

- S. B. Hall, F. Lemon, Mrs. M. T. Johnston, Scott & Co., E. L. Scott, J. J. Hall, G. J. Rallsback, P. J. Hall, Martin May, J. E. McLaughlin, A. Laverett, J. G. Whitehead, P. H. Allen, J. C. Young, Dr. C. F. Kirkpatrick, Joseph May, Cash, J. K. Clark, J. E. McLaughlin, Charles Miller, George A. Derleth, Edgar J. Rose, G. L. Scott, J. J. Hall, A. A. Koeber, J. H. Chamberlain, Rev. T. W. Conway, J. D. Harris, C. H. Brown, J. H. Granger, H. H. Shedd, T. J. Moulton, A. L. Cowan, Cash, S. L. Wacker, Dr. H. H. Hays, E. D. Johnson, Dr. S. Von Mansfeldt, E. E. Hays, Jeff Smith, A. H. Miller, R. E. Butler, Prof. G. C. Sheed, W. H. Becker, J. H. Chamberlain, J. R. Hayward, W. W. Matthews, W. W. Marks, J. T. Auble, J. E. Wright, William Wilson, Elmer E. Corwin, Henry Hovey, George Matteson, W. C. Johnson, George Batesham, J. C. Rallsback, J. E. Chamberlain, E. E. Chamberlain, H. H. Parkhurst, J. H. Chickering.

Each of the above named parties has contributed the sum of 25 cents to apply on the payment of the fine. Kindly acknowledge receipt of the same and oblige. Amount enclosed \$21.25, eighty-five persons having contributed. Respectfully, W. N. BECKER, JR.

REUNION OF BLUE AND GRAY

More Than 5,000 Veterans Listen to Speeches by Generals Shaw, Gordon and Others.

ATLANTA, Ga., July 19.—Five thousand members of the Grand Army of the Republic and the United Confederate Veterans justly cheered the commencement of the reunion of the surviving veterans of the Union and Confederate armies who fought in the battles around Atlanta in July, 1864.

President McKinley, unable to be present, sent his regrets in the following telegram: Hon. J. H. Hemphill, chairman Executive Committee, I deeply regret my inability to be with you during the reunion of the Blue and Gray in Atlanta this week. Such reunions are gratifying evidence of good feeling and comradeship and give an opportunity for the expression of the patriotism of a reunited people. Please express to those who may be present my cordial congratulations and best wishes. WILLIAM MCKINLEY.

When General Gordon was presented the cheering continued for several minutes. General Gordon said: For more than a third of a century I have earnestly and anxiously labored for the realization of this American brotherhood. All hail the power of an all-American reunion, which is the only one of us in truth, as in name, one people, inspired and swayed by the one lofty and redemptive ideal of brotherhood.

This is the first time I have ever heard General Gordon and I want to say our nation's pride in him more than any other man given in history and he has raised for our people a noble and inspiring ideal.

General J. C. Breckinridge, inspector general of the United States army and a distinguished union veteran, and Colonel W. C. P. Breckinridge of Kentucky, a distinguished confederate veteran, were on the stage. The former was presented and paid an eloquent tribute to the reunited country. His brother, Colonel W. C. P. Breckinridge, also spoke. General O. O. Howard and Governor J. A. Mount of Indiana made short addresses.

ANDRE AGAIN HEARD FROM

Canadian Indians Tell of Finding of Bodies and Wreckage Similar to That of an Air Ship.

CHICAGO, July 19.—A special from Fort William, Ont., to the Times-Herald says: Indians hunting on the east coast of Hudson bay have brought word from Hudson Bay company that they found a vast amount of wreckage, the bodies of two men and a map in the last stages of death struggles. The Indians reported that they could not understand the language he spoke, but that it was not English. He died while they were there and they returned to their trading post without bringing any evidence of the strange occurrence.

It is believed by the officials of the Hudson Bay company that the Indians witnessed the ending of Andre's attempt to reach the north pole by balloon. They had never seen a balloon, but from their description of the wreckage the officials are firmly convinced that it was the remnants of Andre's airship. A party guided by the same Indians has been sent out to bring evidence to establish the identity of the party.

Early last fall people near Moose factory asserted they saw a large balloon passing over to the northward and this tends to confirm the story of the Indian hunters.

TO NAME FULL TICKET

Middle-of-the-Road Populists Gather for Their State Convention.

GRAND ISLAND IS FULL OF THEM

Many Delegates Already There and More Coming on Each Train.

THEIR ENTHUSIASM IS RUNNING HIGH

Leaders Believe They Are Organizing a Movement for Victory.

SECRETARY OF STATE PORTER IS THERE

Says He Has Not Come as a Spy, but as a Friend of the Cause, and Confers with Wharton Barker.

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., July 19.—(Special Telegram.)—Populists from all over Nebraska are gathering in Grand Island for the middle-of-the-road convention, which will tomorrow place in nomination an entire state ticket, including presidential electors. There will be no fusion with other parties in this convention, either on the state ticket or the platform. The latter will be based on the original principles of what is now known as the people's independent party, and the nominees chosen will be men who not only subscribe to those principles, but pledge themselves as everlastingly opposed to entering a fusion combination with any other party.

The leaders claim that the convention will mark the beginning of a political party in this state which will grow until it numbers a majority of all voters. The indications all point to a large attendance. Only his morning chosen delegates, whose credentials are approved by the officers of the convention or committee, will be permitted to participate in the proceedings and admission to the hall will be by ticket.

All of the tickets are already crowded and it is believed that tomorrow morning's arrivals will bring the total attendance of delegates up to considerably over 500.

Barker and Porter Confer. The session of the day was a private conference between Wharton Barker, several leaders of the state movement and Secretary of State Porter. Porter is the secretary of the Lancaster county delegation. Mr. Porter was at first eyed with suspicion, and he was treated as a spy from the enemy's camp, but in the conference this afternoon he was assured that the middle-of-the-roaders that while he could not join their ranks his sympathies were with them. There is considerable speculation as to Mr. Porter's place in the city. Some believe he is here to defeat the purpose of the convention and obtain information for the use of the fusion movement. Porter himself insists that he came to Grand Island on official business connected with the Soldiers and Sailors' home. He remained with the populists all day, however, and will attend the convention tomorrow afternoon. It is reported that Mr. Porter has assured the middle-of-the-road leaders that they can muster 10,000 votes for their ticket at the coming election, and that if they succeed in getting a few more they will defeat the fusion ticket.

The name of the new party was one of the subjects discussed at the conference. Porter suggested that it be called the straight or true populist party, but the other conference objects to this and insisted on a single name populist. As this name has never been a part of any other party's name there can be no logical objections to giving it a place on the official ballot.

Candidates Are Numerous. Candidates began to spring up this afternoon like sunflowers on the prairie. The race for the gubernatorial nomination is being contested by a number of candidates. Senator Stevens of Big Horn county and J. H. Boyce of Nebraska City, with a good prospect for several dark horses. The convention may unite on Powers, but this is doubtful, because of the declaration of the fusion movement. Barryman of Knox county is also mentioned for attorney general; James Salmons of South Omaha, for land commissioner; W. C. Starkey of Pawnee, for secretary of state; W. H. Wilson of Frontier and A. G. Bloomfield of Knox county, for auditor, and George Starnes of Kearney, for superintendent of public instruction.

Several poplarite officeholders appeared on the scene tonight and began work among the delegates with a view to securing the endorsement of Poynter as the gubernatorial nominee. Secretary Porter has fathered this scheme, but there is no likelihood that it will meet with any success. Among the delegates this effort is regarded as an act of treachery on the part of Poynter toward other candidates on the fusion ticket, besides being a confession of his own weakness.

After Railroad Land. Besides reaffirming the Cincinnati platform and the Chicago platform of 1892 the convention tomorrow will declare explicitly in favor of woman's suffrage. It will denounce the State Board of Transportation as a fraud and protest against the creation of unnecessary public offices to reward political henchmen and office-seekers. In special terms the platform will make a demand for the initiative and referendum and the public ownership and operation of public utilities. That all taxable property in the state be assessed at its full valuation and that the amount of mortgage indebtedness on such property be reduced and assessed against the mortgage holder; the election of president, vice president, federal judges and United States senators by direct vote of the people.

The platform will also declare that all land now held by railroads and other corporations in excess of their actual needs should be reclaimed by the government and held for actual settlers only. After expressing opposition to the trusts the platform will characterize the contention between the two great parties on this question as a mere sham battle.

The platform will be written by Jerome Shamp, with the assistance and advice of Candidate Barker and J. A. Boyce of Nebraska City. The convention will be called to order by Alfred Wagner of Omaha, chairman of the state central committee. Jerome Shamp has been agreed upon for temporary chairman and will probably be installed permanently in this position.

Wharton Barker, candidate for president on the populist ticket, arrived this morning and was joined later by National Committeeman Peter of Illinois and Congressman Howard of Alabama. An early morning train brought in D. Clem Deaver of Omaha, C. T. Holliday of Deuel county and Senator Stevens of Woodbury county. Holliday is one of the men who held out so long against fusion in the recent convention of