

NINETY-FOURTH YEAR.

ST. LOUIS, MO., SUNDAY, JULY 28, 1901.

PRICE FIVE CENTS.

NEW BATTLESHIP MAINE SUCCESSFULLY LAUNCHED

Captain Sigsbee, Who Commanded the Old Maine in Havana Harbor, Witnesses the Christening of the Ohio's Sister Ship at the Cramps Ship Yard by Miss Mary Peble Anderson — New Warship Represents Another Step in the Development of the Steel Battleship.



MARY PREBLE ANDERSON, Selected by Governor Hill of Maine, to christen the new battleship Maine.

Philadelphia, Pa., July 27.—The new battleship Maine was launched successfully at Cramp's shipyard at 10:41 o'clock this morning. A great crowd saw the warship take her maiden plunge in the waters of the Delaware. The big hull was let go just as the tide slackened, and slid down the ways without a hitch. The weather was perfect. As soon as all was ready, Miss Mary Peble Anderson of Portland, Me., the sponsor of the Maine, escorted by Charles H. Cramp and the Governor of her native State, took her place upon the christening stand erected on the grand stand directly under the bows of the Maine. Near by stood Admiral Melville and Captain Sigsbee, who commanded the old Maine when she was blown up in Havana harbor. Just as the ship was about to move, Mr. Cramp gave a signal to Miss Anderson and she broke a bottle of native wine on the bow of the battleship, and said: "I christen thee Maine." A deafening noise of cheers from the 10,000 spectators and of whistles from the boats on the river saluted the battleship as she plunged into the water. Miss Anderson is a descendant of Commodore Peble of the United States Navy. Little Wood in the New Maine. Others who had been invited to the

launching were Rear Admiral Bowler, Rear Admiral Hitchborn, Rear Admiral Evans, Rear Admiral R. R. Bradford, Admiral Sumner, Captain Clark, in command of the Oregon and the members of the Government Inspection Board in connection with the warships under construction at Neary and Levy's ship yards. The date of the act causing the building of the new Maine was May 4, 1898. The Maine represents another step in the development of the battleship. In her construction the omission of wood has been carried to a greater extent than in the older ships. Whatever wood is used is fire-proof, except the Georgia pine planks on the water deck. The Maine is a sister ship of the Ohio, recently launched at the Union Iron Works, San Francisco, and of the Missouri, at the Newport News shipyard. She is 288 feet long on the load water line, 72 feet 2 1/2 inches extreme breadth and at a mean draft of 23 feet 6 inches displaces 12,300 tons. The main battery of the ship will consist of four 12-inch and twelve 6-inch guns. Besides this, she will carry eight 14-pounders, eight 3-pounders and eight 1-pounders and machine guns. She will also be supplied with two submerged torpedo tubes.

PROBLEM OF DIRECTOR GENERAL IS UNSOLVED.

World's Fair Committee on Organization Considers Elimination of That Official—Resignation of Stuyvesant Fish From Board of Directors Is Accepted and Isaac W. Morton Is Appointed in His Place—Professor Ives May Be Director of Fine Arts.

DEPARTMENT OF MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY IS DIVIDED.

"Shall David R. Francis be both President and Director General of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition? Shall some one else be Director General, or shall the Exposition be a Director General?" are questions which confront the Directors of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition. The committee on organization, which is wrestling with the questions, reported to yesterday's meeting of the Board of Directors that it had not yet reached a conclusion regarding the Director General. The elimination of a Director General would result in a strongly centralized organization, says a member of the committee. "It would throw the work on the unalarmed committees, where it would be handled with verve and a breadth that no Director General could give it. It would make the Executive Committee the chief executive agency and the President the chief executive." "Some of the members of the committee want me to be both President and Director General," says President Francis, "but I won't hear of it. The President must maintain certain relations with outside agencies that touch the Fair and he would be hampered if he were Director General as well. We shall find a Director General presently." It is considered certain that Isaac S. Taylor as Director of Works, would not submit to a scrutiny or supervision of his work by a Director General. All this tends to strengthen the position of those who favor conducting the Fair's business without a Director General. At the meeting of the Board of Directors yesterday the resignation of Stuyvesant Fish from the Board of Directors was accepted and Isaac W. Morton was chosen in his place. President Francis at that meeting announced the Committee on Fine Arts as follows: Isaac W. Morton, chairman; S. M. Dodd, vice chairman; J. E. Smith, Geo. A. Madill, Adolphus Busch and Thomas H. McKittrick. Isaac W. Morton was appointed to the chairmanship of the committee among other things because he is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Museum of Fine Arts at St. Louis. The fact is taken to indicate that Professor Halsey C. Ives, director of that institution, will be chosen by the committee director of the arts of the St. Louis World's Fair. Professor Ives was Director of Fine Arts for the Columbian Exposition. The committee will meet Tuesday. The Board of Directors at yesterday's meeting decided to divide the Department of Manufactures and Machinery into two departments: Manufactures and Liberal Arts and Machinery. President Francis announced his Committee on Manufactures and Liberal Arts, as follows: George W. Parker, chairman; Goodman King, vice chairman; W. H. Woodward, James F. Coyle, George Warren Brown, Jonathan Rice and C. F. G. Meyer. This committee is the same as the former committee, except that C. F. G. Meyer is added, to have charge of the chemical and pharmaceutical end of the committee's work, and M. F. Feltman and P. G. Niedringhaus are reserved for work on the second committee. President Francis has received a dispatch from Chairman Carter announcing that a reply regarding the invitation to foreign nations to be issued by President McKinley is now in the mail. It is likely that President McKinley's proclamation will be issued as soon as he has heard from Chairman Carter that St. Louis is ready for it. The suit to prevent the use of Forest Park for the World's Fair will be presented in Judge Zachert's court at 10 a. m. tomorrow, and a day will then be set for hearing an application for a temporary injunction.

CHIEF NICHOLSON NO LONGER THE IDOL OF PITTSFIELD, MASS.

Sentiment in Regard to His Course in the Fosburg Case Has Been Revolutionized—William Lewis Gray, Who Confessed to Olive Gray He Robbed the Fosburg House and Shot a Girl, Gives Himself Up to Captain Titus and Declares His Innocence of the Crime—Says He Lied to Get the Woman's Sympathy and Money—Fosburg Family to Continue Quest for May's Murdered.

Pittsfield, Mass., July 27.—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stewart Fosburg left this morning for Maynard, Mass., where R. L. Fosburg & Co. are building a large woolen mill. The former's parents, and possibly his sisters, Esther and Beatrice, live at St. Clair, Mich., next week, to visit Mrs. Fosburg's father. Other relatives have departed. The statement is made that there is no truth in the report that suits for \$50,000 each were granted to Chief Nicholson and the county by R. S. Fosburg for malicious prosecution and false imprisonment. Although the case of Robert Stewart Fosburg is closed, there is still a Fosburg case. The Berkshires were so long rent with rumors as to the merits of an anonymous wealth's now thoroughly discredited proceedings against the young man, accused of killing his sister, that the lull after the storm is gladly welcomed and, in the calm that prevails at present, the fact is almost lost sight of that the slayer of the girl is still at large and unpunished. The question as to who killed her is still a mystery, and when Pittsfielders were reminded of this today they shuddered to think of the possibilities for vexatious debate yet in prospect.

Captain Titus carefully interrogated Gray and later made public his statement. Captain Titus ordered Gray detained after he had made his statement. Gray's statement, in part, is as follows: "Olive Handside, otherwise known as Olive Gray, I first met in Springfield, Mass., when I was employed on the steambot Masset. I became intimate with her. I have heard the statements made by this woman to Captain Titus and the truth is this: "The statements she made that I told her are partly true. I was stringing her and fooling her. I did tell her that I committed a robbery and had to get away. She had loaned me her watch to wear. "In jumping on a freight train I smashed the case, and not wishing to show it to her in a damaged condition, I told her that I had hid it under a rock near the river that runs through Warren. I subsequently lost the watch. "About the 29th of August, the month and year in which the Fosburg case occurred, I left here in company with Al Frye. We intended going to Europe. We started by the way of Albany, but hearing that a murder had been committed at Pittsfield, and the farmers were scouring the country, we started the other way, toward Boston. "LIED TO THE WOMAN "TO GET HER MONEY. "It started to rain, and we turned back, arriving in West Springfield in the early part of the evening. I having been away from Olive over night, I saw her shortly after, and she asked me where I was. I did not wish to tell her, and put her off abruptly with the remark that I had been away and done a job, fired a shot and hid some property under a rock. "I am not positive as to the exact words, but believe this to be true. I had managed her watch, and told her this story. "She was a woman who worshipped a man who appeared to be desperate, and as I was getting money from her I wanted to appear desperate, and strung her along. I wanted to be desperate in her eyes, and told her that I had committed a robbery and fired a shot. "There is absolutely no truth in the statement that I made to her." Captain Titus said that he believed the man's story was true. Captain Titus said that he had received two visits from a representative of ex-Chief Hazen of the United States Secret Service in connection with the Fosburg murder case, and was expecting that Hazen would call in person. He added that he was as anxious and willing to help Chief Hazen as he had been to aid Captain Nicholson or any other police officer of standing, in running the murderer of May Fosburg to earth.

BOUGHT LADY'S TOOTH FOR A WATCH CHARM.

Paris, July 27.—The Pavillon d'Armenonville has been the scene of a tragicomic incident. A blond recruit of the Cytherean Battalion broke the pearly front of her mouth over a chicken bone and gave vent to passionate tears. "Uo comes a smart stranger. "How much do you want for that pearl? I offer \$1,000." Of course he got the tooth and a smile thrown in. Next morning the stranger appeared in the Allee des Acacias wearing the tooth in the form of a watch chain. Westerners in New York. REPUBLIC SPECIAL. New York, July 27.—The following Westerners were among the arrivals at the hotels here today: St. Louis—J. Schmidt; J. G. Brinkmeyer; H. M. Noel; Imperial; Mrs. W. H. Blodgett; J. J. Joe and Mrs. Mrs. M. Murray Hill; S. A. Rothschild; Cadillac; J. J. Marx; Herald Square; C. V. Brecht; Holland; J. R. Roycroft; Continental; L. Peckman; Broadway Central. Kansas City—C. E. Hawkins; D. Rickson; G. W. Cunningham; St. Denver; L. Winter; Imperial; E. Dougherty; Astor. St. Joe—L. H. Lehman; Herald Square.

WORTHLESS LAND WORTH A FORTUNE.

Pike County Farmer Seeks to Recover Texas Property He Sold for a Song.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Louisiana, Mo., July 27.—J. W. Caldwell of Dameron, formerly Collector of Pike County, has brought suit against the Bank of Louisiana to set aside a deed to 274 acres of land in Texas forty miles from Beaumont. Mr. Caldwell was indebted to the bank in the sum of \$3,850, and the note was secured by a deed of trust on the Texas land. When called on for payment of the note last fall he offered a deed to the land, but it was declined. In January, after oil had been discovered at Beaumont, the bank sent him a deed to the land to sign, and as he had not heard of the oil discoveries he signed it. The bank was offered \$8,000 for the land by a man in the State of Louisiana, but before the deal was closed another offer of \$3,000 was received and the Louisiana man did not get the land. He has brought suit in Texas to compel the bank to give him a deed. When Mr. Caldwell learned the facts he brought suit to have the deed he made to the bank set aside. The land is now worth about \$10,000, as a result of the oil discoveries near it. Judge W. H. Biggs of St. Louis is one of the attorneys for the bank and has been here this week taking depositions in the case.



THE ELEPHANT: "I'M AFRAID I'M GOING TO MISS OUT ON THIS STUNT."

TARIFF CHANGES AGITATE GERMANY.

Agrarian Press Approve the Measure Which Is Being Denounced by the Liberals.

FEAR A WAR OF REPRISAL.

United States Expected to Retaliate With Tariff Legislation That Will Further Cripple Germany's Industries.

AGRICULTURE TO HELP IN WORK OF WEATHER BUREAU.

George G. Harkness, one of the Government's capable weather experts, arrived in St. Louis yesterday morning to assist Acting Forecaster E. E. Spencer. Mr. Harkness has been stationed recently in Cairo, Ill., and, though he believes that his sojourn here will be only temporary, pending the return of Doctor Hyatt from the East, he said last night that, having been for three months in St. Louis once before, he hoped his present stay might be made permanent. For his experience, Mr. Harkness is one of the youngest men in the weather service. He entered that work eleven years ago at the lengthly reports of the British Doctor Robert Koch before the address Congress on Tuberculosis, held in London this week, but few opinions on Doctor Koch's address have been expressed. Professor Virchow, the well-known scientist, after having dissented at a meeting of the Medical Society from Doctor Koch's expressions in London, has expressed still stronger dissent from these views in an interview, in which he has said: "I am emphatically against Doctor Koch's deductions. He ignores everything we owe to the investigations and experiments of the Copenhagen school. The commission of the Danish Government conducted the most thorough experiments, the results of which are most flatly contradicted by Doctor Koch. You cannot say, 'Rome has spoken,' because Doctor Koch is not Rome, and the matter is far from being settled." Wagnerian Celebration. The celebration at Baireuth of the quarter centennial anniversary of the erection of the Wagnerian Theater awakens much interest. The production last evening of the "Walkyrie" aroused phenomenal enthusiasm, especially for Herr Krauss, in his interpretation of the part of Sigmund. Such applause had never before been heard in Baireuth. Herr Niemann rushed on the stage and kissed Krauss. The orchestra was conducted by Herr Richter and Mme. Patti was present at the performance. John B. Jackson, secretary of embassy, Berlin, and Mrs. Jackson are attending the festival at Baireuth, where they will remain until August 3.

WILL NOT OCCUR AGAIN.

Kearsarge Shell Incident Reported to the Navy Department.



GEORGE G. HARKNESS, Who is now in charge of the St. Louis Weather Bureau, Forecaster Spencer being absent on a vacation.

Washington, July 27.—The Navy Department today received a report from Lieutenant Commander Merriam of the battleship Kearsarge upon the conditions under which a one-pounder shell was fired from the Kearsarge, striking the City Hall of Newport, R. I. He does not express an opinion as to how the shell was let in the gun, but Captain McCalla, in his endorsement, says the greatest care will be exercised to prevent a recurrence of the firing. Awarded Feasible Scholarships. REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Little Rock, Ark., July 27.—The Department of Education announces the following as the successful candidates for the Feasible scholarship: Miss Elvira A. Hill, Cambridge; Miss Beulah Wells, Leavenworth; Miss L. Owen, Monticello; Edwin Woods, Nashville; Arthur B. McKee, Jonesboro; William R. Holt, Camden.

Leading Topics in To-Day's Republic.

THE SUN RISES THIS MORNING AT 4:57 AND SETS THIS EVENING AT 7:18.

WEATHER INDICATIONS.

For St. Louis and Vicinity—Showers and cooler weather for the Mississippi Valley, with thunderstorms and a drop in temperature for St. Louis. Local showers for districts around St. Louis.

For Missouri—Occasional local showers Sunday; not so warm in northwest portion. Monday fair in western, probably showers in eastern portions; variable winds.

For Illinois—Partly cloudy Sunday and Monday; showers and not so warm in afternoon. Monday showers, light southerly winds, becoming variable.

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END OF NEGOTIATIONS IN PEKIN IS NIGH.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Washington, July 27.—Mr. Rockhill has reported to the State Department that the negotiations in Peking will be closed within two weeks, with a signatory protocol of all of the Powers.

The acceptance by Russia of the British proposition as to Chinese customs and the final agreement as to the total of indemnity claims, \$40,000,000 each, have made it possible for the Minister to announce an early settlement of the Chinese question.