

It is of some consequence among men who intend to be truthful as I do and no doubt you do, to be somewhat accurate in making statements about the acts and doings of other people. If you, or anybody else, wish to know anything concerning my business or other transactions at any time, I shall be happy to put you in possession of precise information, so that you will be certain that what you say is true. I am neither willing or desirous to be either a candidate or President, which everybody who has either spoken or written to me upon the subject knows, but as I naturally like to stand well in the estimation of my fellow citizens I dislike to be accused either of corruption, bias, selfishness or acting upon public questions in which I have a private interest when such accusations are untrue.

Respectfully yours,

GEO. F. EDMUNDS.
To Hon. Wm. Walter Phelps, House of Representatives.

CHICAGO, 30.—The directors of the Mexican Central Railway left here today at noon to be present at the ceremony of the opening of the line and for a tour of inspection.

WINNIPEG, 30.—General Superintendent Egan has received the following telegram from the thirty-third siding: "There are between three and four thousand Chinese here who wish to work on the railway as laborers, they have had experience on the Union Pacific, and Northern Pacific on the Onondok contracts. They are a first class lot of laborers and are certain to give general satisfaction. I can furnish a greater number if necessary; answer immediately."

H. J. SAMMONS,

Agent for Wall Lung and others."

The white population east of the Rockies have long complained of the employment of the Chinese laborer on railway construction, and it is not improbable that the engagement of such a large number of Celestials will lead to serious disturbances.

CINCINNATI, 30.—Allen Ingalls, one of the murderers charged with burking the Taylor family at Avondale last winter, hung himself in the county jail this morning.

CHARLESTON, West Va., 30.—Scott Hill, Brownlow Hill, Chas. Spurlock, the robbers who shot and killed Albert Woods and wounded A. J. Woods on Monday night, near St. Albans, this county, were caught this afternoon in the mountains and brought to St. Albans late this evening. About 200 citizens were in pursuit. The hotel in St. Albans where the prisoners were in confinement, was surrounded by men, women and children clamoring for the blood of the prisoners.

Great excitement prevails here and in St. Albans, and there is every indication that the prisoners will be lynched before daylight.

Detective Burnett and five officers left here to-night to bring the prisoners to the jail in this city. There is no doubt but the right parties have been caught, as one of the prisoners made a confession after the arrest.

The mob at St. Albans took Scott Hill and Brownlow Hill, two of the robbers who shot and killed Albert Woods and mortally wounded A. J. Woods, near St. Albans on Monday last, and hanged them to a tree just west of the town. The officers succeeded in escaping with Chas. Spurlock, the other member of the gang.

Des Moines, 30.—A special to the State Register from Story county, gives the details of a horrible crime near Roland, in that county, last night. Edward Thompson, a young Norwegian, went home intoxicated and tried to shoot his wife, but was prevented by the wife's sister, who succeeded in getting the revolver from him. The wife got out of doors and started for the neighbors, when he pursued her with an ax, and overtaking her, felled her to the ground, and repeated the blow four times, each blow indenting and fracturing her skull. Supposing her dead he ran away. It is thought she has a chance of recovery. The search made for Thompson showed he had plunged headfirst into a deep well, and thus ended his miserable existence.

Rio Janeiro, 30.—A rising of the slaves has taken place in Vargan. They assassinated a rich proprietor, and are committing many crimes.

Toronto, 30.—A profound sensation was caused here through the discovery of two powerful dynamite cartridges with wire and fuse attached, under the Crownland office, Parliament buildings. They were found by the son of the Care-taker this afternoon. A thorough search disclosed two more cartridges under the steps approaching the Speaker's chamber, these having also wire and fuse attached. The dynamite was placed in position to-day, as the cartridges could not have failed to be discovered had they been there before. The excitement around the Parliament buildings reigns supreme. The cartridges are about six inches long by an inch and a half in diameter, and are labeled "Etna Powder Co., Chicago." The two shells appeared to be newly oiled to keep out moisture. One of the cartridges would have been sufficient to blow up the wing of the buildings. The miscreants must have been disturbed, as the attachment was found a short distance from the cartridge.

Kansas City, 30.—The Times' Harper, Ks., special: A courier this evening brings news of a daring attempt to rob the Medicine Valley bank, of Medicine Lodge, 35 miles west of here, in which the cashier was killed and the president fatally wounded. At 10 a.m. four men armed with Winchester repeating rifles and revolvers rode up to the

bank. Two remained with the horses, while the others entered the building and demanded the money. W. Payne, the president, and B. Goppert, the cashier, were in the bank. They refused to comply, with the result above stated. The city marshal just then appeared and opened fire on the men outside. The citizens gathered rapidly and the robbers, seeing the game was up, quickly mounted and galloped away without having secured the booty. In ten minutes 30 men were in hot pursuit, and the chances are the robbers will be captured and summarily dealt with. There is no clue to their identity.

The House committee on postoffices and post roads, to-day, unanimously agreed upon a bill to secure cheaper telegraphic correspondence and directed Representative Rogers to report at the first opportunity. The bill is based on the Senate bill, and consists of a number of provisions of that measure, with amendments to others. The provision creating the office of Fourth Assistant Postmaster General is eliminated, as are all the sections of the Senate bill providing for the construction of a government postal telegraph system, in case no contract is made with any company. The section of the Senate bill relating to rates is considerably amended. It provides that the charges for the transmission of telegrams, excepting service and government telegrams, shall be prepaid by telegram stamps or stamped paper; and the maximum rate for telegrams of 20 words or less, exclusive of date, address and signature, when the distance of transmission is 1,500 miles or under, 25 cents; for every 250 miles or fraction thereof in excess of 1,500 miles, an additional rate of five cents may be charged, and between the cities of New York, Philadelphia, Boston, Baltimore and Washington, and such other points separated by short distances, as may from time to time be designated by the Postmaster General, the rate shall not be over 15 cents, day or night, provided no rate shall exceed 50 cents. For telegrams to be transmitted by night, except as above stated, the charges shall be one-half the day rates. All words shall be counted, except the date, address and signature, and for five additional words, or less, one-fifth additional rate may be charged. The provision relative to penalties is amended to read: "For failure or neglect to promptly and correctly transmit any message, the contracting company, or companies, shall be liable to the parties injured thereby in a penal sum of \$100, together with the actual damages sustained by reason thereof, to be recovered by the party injured in a civil action before any court of competent jurisdiction. The provision is inserted that no contract shall be made with any company which has not 1,000,000 miles of telegraph line in actual operation. The Postmaster General is directed to make all the necessary rules and regulations for carrying out the provisions of the proposed act.

WORCESTER, Mass., 30.—The Democratic State Convention was called to order by Noah A. Plympton, of the State committee, who made an address eulogizing Gen. Butler, and arraigning the republican party. Edward Avery was chosen permanent chairman, and a committee to receive the ballot for the four delegates at large was appointed.

A motion by Wm. M. Simmons that it is the opinion of this convention that General Butler should be nominated for President of the United States at the National Democratic Convention at Chicago, was adopted unanimously amid great enthusiasm.

A motion to instruct the delegates to vote for Butler was tabled. Adjourned.

Concord, N. H., 30.—The Republican State Convention was organized with B. C. Prescott as president. Chas. H. Sawyer was elected a delegate-at-large. He is for Edmunds first and Arthur second. George H. Stowell was elected a delegate-at-large, and he is for Blaine first and Arthur second. Edward H. Rollins was elected a third delegate-at-large. He is for Arthur. J. B. Clark was elected the fourth delegate. He is for Edmunds and opposed to Blaine. Adjourned.

Augusta, Me., 30.—The straight out Greenback convention nominated W. T. Eaton for Governor. Delegates to the National Greenback Convention were chosen. A motion to instruct the delegates for Butler was defeated. The convention refused to recognize the Lewiston convention in any manner, and opposed fusion throughout. Adjourned.

Madison, Wis., 30.—The State Republican convention effected a temporary organization and adjourned till 2 o'clock.

The Republican State Convention selected delegates to the Chicago Convention, uninstructed. Resolutions approving Arthur's administration were adopted. Adjourned. The delegates were all interviewed; nine were for Edmunds, nine for Blaine, three for Arthur and one for Sherman.

Kalamazoo, 30.—The convention of the National Greenback party assembled here this morning. C. S. Hamilton, temporary chairman, made a speech denouncing the Republican party as corrupt, and recreant to its trusts. The Democratic party was played out, and the people were rising and determined to have no more to do with it. He alluded to Butler as the coming man. He received great applause. After the appointment of the usual committees, the convention took a recess. About 200 delegates were present. The feeling is strong for Butler and free trade.

Bangor, Me., 30.—The republican

State convention organized with Orville D. Baker as president.

The resolutions adopted favor a protective policy, demand that our civil service be controlled by stricter business principles, and that it be placed beyond the dangers of party strife; urge a prudent, thorough, firm foreign policy; present the name of James G. Blaine as the choice for President, approve the present Administration, express disapproval of the action of the democratic majority in Congress upon Morrison's tariff bill and the shipping bill, and reaffirm an approval of the policy of protection.

Des Moines, 30.—The republican State convention met this morning, and after effecting a temporary organization adjourned until 2 o'clock.

The district convention named delegates to the National convention without instructions.

Resolutions were adopted as follows: We denounce as unwise and unpatriotic the present effort which the democratic party in Congress declares to be only their first step to further derange trade, and oppress American industry, by an indiscriminate reduction of duty on foreign products and manufactures which compete with our own.

Resolved, That Hon. James G. Blaine is the choice of the republicans of Iowa for President, and while thus expressing our preference, we pledge the State by its old-time majority for the nominees of the Republican National Convention.

Richmond, Va., 30.—The straight out republican State convention was called to order by John F. Desendorf, chairman of the State committee. One hundred and twenty delegates were present, over half colored.

The platform recites that this convention represents the true republican organization of the State, unstained by the foul breath of repudiation, condemns the action of President Arthur in forcing repudiation upon Virginia, a measure which could not be consummated but for his active presidential support. It deprecates an attempt to build up a republican party in the South by abandoning the fundamental principles of the national party, and buying adherence with offices. It approves the act of Congress for the reform of the civil service, condemns Arthur for permitting its ruthless violation in Virginia, proclaims for Lincoln and Blaine, and sending delegates to Chicago uninstructed, recognizing the naming of the candidates should be practically left to the States furnishing the electoral votes.

Louisville, 30.—The State Colored Convention assembled in the afternoon. A committee reported resolutions requesting delegates to the National Convention to support any measure for the amelioration of the race. A resolution was adopted protesting against the unequal school facilities in the State, approving the sentiments expressed by Justice Harlan, regarding civil rights; protesting against the disposition of the republican party to make them hewers of wood and drawers of water. Delegates were appointed to the Richmond convention.

Virginia, 30.—The Republican State Convention organized to-day with T. M. Edwards as chairman. After a fight between the Blaine and anti-Blaine men, the following delegates to Chicago were elected: M. D. Foly, C. C. Stevenson, S. J. Lee, John Dixon, J. H. Kincaid and A. J. Blair. The delegates declared their intention to vote for Blaine as long as there is a possibility of nomination. Resolutions were adopted endorsing President Arthur's administration, demanding supplemental legislation excluding the Chinese, opposing tariff changes, demanding the restoration of the wool tariff, civil service reform, the suppression of polygamy, the creation of a National railroad commission and strongly condemning the agitation against silver.

Martinsburg, West Va., 30.—The republican State convention to-day selected four delegates-at-large and four alternates to the Chicago convention. The convention instructed the delegates to vote for Blaine in the National convention as long as there was a reasonable chance of his being nominated.

Oakland, Cal., 30.—The republican State convention organized this morning, and Ed. Davis, of Yuba, was elected chairman. After the appointment of the committees, a resolution was offered that the delegates be instructed for Blaine. Referred to the committee.

Portland, O., 30.—The republican State convention organized this morning. Henry Failing was chosen chairman. The convention adjourned to enable the committee to report on resolutions.

The platform endorses Arthur's administration, demands protection to wool, civil service reform, and the right of the government to regulate railways.

B. Henman was nominated for Congress.

The delegates to the Chicago convention will not be elected before midnight. There is a marked preference for Blaine, but the delegates will probably be uninstructed.

Buenos Ayres, 30.—A heavy storm is prevailing. Thirteen centimetres of rain have fallen, more than known for 14 years. A number of houses and walls have fallen, and four children were killed. The rivers have overflowed their banks. Many villages are inundated. There has been great loss of cattle.

Havana, 30.—The effects of the explosion were terrible. Up to the present time the dead number 21, and the wounded 79. The latter are scattered all over the town, having been wound-

ed by falling debris. Many are seriously injured. Of the detachment of 28 soldiers in the magazine at the time of the explosion, eight escaped unhurt. The magazine contained one million cartridges, 20,000 kilograms of powder and one barrel of dynamite. The warehouse at San Jose and the Planters' warehouse sustained serious damage, as did several churches and many houses. The second shock was stronger than the first, and was not caused by the explosion of gas, but by the explosion of the magazine. The first shock was less violent, because caused by the powder being in the open air. The gas company will be able, to-morrow, to light the city again.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., 30.—The forest along the Lehigh Valley Railway, from Newport to White Haven, fifteen miles, has been on fire for a few days past, destroying a vast amount of yellow pine, chestnut and oak timber. A similar fire is raging in every direction.

Baltimore, 30.—A son of Mrs. Catharine Friess, of this city has died, and three daughters are in danger of death, from poisoned sauerkraut.

CHICAGO, 1.—Representatives of the Associated Press, this morning, had an interview with the President of the Etna Powder Works, the brand of whose company was on the four dynamite cartridges found in the government buildings of Toronto. He exhibited a facsimile of the cartridges discovered, which are of the size ordinarily used in blasting and for blowing out tree stumps. They are merchantable in every State in the Union, also in the Dominion, and can be found in nearly every hardware store. They require caps or a battery for their explosion and would not have created the damage that might have been supposed even had they exploded. The officials stated that the fact that the name of the company was on the cartridges was sufficient probability to indicate that the officials of the company were not aware of any plot against the Dominion government, as might have been supposed.

NEW YORK, 1.—There was great excitement at Madison Square this morning when Fitzgerald took the lead of the pedestrians at 10.85. Fitzgerald beat all records, completing 387 miles, the highest score ever made.

1 p.m.—Score: Rowell 390, Fitzgerald 396, Noremac 363, Vint 378, Herty 356, Elson 334, Nitaw 136, Panchot 344.

CINCINNATI, 1.—Mayor Stephens telegraphed this morning from Vincennes, Ind., to his secretary, to permit no sparring or slugging matches on the Sabbath. This is intended to prohibit the proposed exhibition of John L. Sullivan.

WASHINGTON, 1.—Judge Wylie sustained the motion to exclude the testimony of Price in the Kellogg case, holding that the offence was barred by the statute of limitations. The jury gave a verdict of not guilty.

RALEIGH, N. C., 1.—Full attendance at the State convention point to the nomination of York, liberal, for governor, and the election of Arthur delegates to Chicago.

St. Paul, Minn., 1.—In the State Republican Convention, which met at noon to-day, General John B. Sanborn was elected temporary chairman, which was a decided Blaine victory, as the lines were drawn on the temporary organization.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., 1.—Last night news reached here that Scott Hill, Brown Hill and Charley Spinlack, who fatally shot A. J. Woods, instantly killed his son, Alvin, a young man 18 years old, near St. Albans, in this county, last Monday night, upon arriving at St. Albans at a late hour last night, found the men had been caught. The Hill boys were hanged on an elm tree on a hill, one mile west of town by a mob of 500 men who were unmasked. The mob captured Hill from the guard at the hotel.

PRESQU' ISLE, M., 1.—Twenty-four buildings including the Presqu' Isle Hotel and postoffice were burned to-day. The contents of the postoffice were saved. Loss \$125,000.

NEW YORK, 1.—The inability of Keene to meet his contracts did not affect the money market to-day. Keene this morning refused to see any person. It is believed that Keene will pay 100 cents on the dollar. He had several offers of assistance to-day, but refused until he finds his exact position. It is said he met two or three small demands this morning.

FOREIGN.

LONDON, 28.—Viscount Torrington is dead.

Italy agrees to the Egyptian conference. Russia is expected to announce its assent. Austro-Hungary it is expected will ask the conference to be limited to the discussion of the financial question. The Porte urges that the conference be held at Constantinople.

Rome, 28.—Prime Minister Depretis and Mancini, the Foreign Minister, favor the proposed conference in regard to Egypt. Signor Mizhetti would prefer co-operating with England, and would offer the Italian contingent of 20,000 men for the Eastern campaign.

Paris, 28.—Rocheport, on the arrest of James J. O'Kelly in Egypt, says: Mr. O'Kelly, before starting for the Sudan as correspondent for the New York Herald, obtained permission to address lines both to the Egyptians and Sudanese, in order to exercise his duties as a newspaper correspondent. My eldest son, who accompanied him as a correspondent of La France

and *Intransigent*, was also furnished with credentials. The English Government at Cairo, however, to prevent the exposure of the disastrous situation on the Nile, forbade the men proceeding. Rocheport then suggests the letters found in O'Kelly's bags, addressed to Mahdi, were only his credentials.

The conference to determine the electrical units met to-day. The proceedings were opened by Jules Ferry, Louis Cochery, Minister of Posts and Telegraphs, was president. Delegates to the number of sixty-four, representing twenty-six States were present.

Patenotre, the French Minister to China has sailed for Hue.

The steamer *Assyrian*, with provisions for the French forces at Madagascar, was wrecked at Providence Island, Indian Ocean, 24 miles north of Madagascar.

MADRID, 28.—The elections for members to the Cortes has begun. Six Government candidates are returned for Madrid, including Cadova del Castello, Romero Y. Reneldo, minister of the interior, and Dearnigo, ex-minister of foreign affairs.

The elections in the provinces were tranquil. The conservatives used the whole force of the government organization to secure the return of their candidates. The opposition sent delegates to watch the procedure in each district, but the delegates were everywhere obstructed by the government officials. In many districts the liberal candidates seeing it was impossible to maintain the fight, withdrew. On the meeting of the Cortes the republicans will present a protest against the scandalous suppression of the electoral rights.

PARIS, 28.—The *Matin* newspaper publishes the announcement that "Number One," Tynan, is in England.

The *Matin* alleges the party from whom its information was obtained, recently interviewed Tynan in London, who stated that behind him was a force before which England would one day tremble. "There are," said Tynan, "men of high position and social and intellectual distinction among the Invincibles. I defy the English Government and its hirelings." I am acting as agent for a new party which aims to unite patriotic Irishmen." He says the party has already considerable funds with which to begin the campaign. Cruisers are provided with torpedoes, revolving guns will protect the crews. These vessels will be employed against British men-of-war in the various harbors.

MADRID, 29.—Another band of insurgents has appeared in Catalonia. Efforts were made to capture it.

Last reports from Cuidad Real regarding the railway disaster of Sunday places the number of persons missing at 110. Government adheres to the belief that the revolutionary party is responsible for the outrage.

GLASGOW, 29.—Anxiety is felt in regard to the steamship *State of Florida*, several days overdue from New York. Detectives are awaiting her arrival to arrest supposed dynamiters.

CAPE TOWN, 30.—In suppressing riotous striking laborers in the diamond fields, the police killed and wounded several.

LONDON, 30.—Scott-free won the 2,000 guineas race at Newmarket, Smid second, Harvester third. Ten ran.

The troop ship *Crocodile* was released from quarantine, and entered Portsmouth Harbor. After leaving Bombay eight soldiers were stricken with cholera; six died. The progress of the epidemic was rapid.

BERLIN, 1.—Prof. Virchow says trichinosis in Germany is caused by eating imported American meat, and is confined to a few isolated cases at Bremen. He points out the dangers connected with rearing pigs, and urges compulsory examination of German and American pork.

LONDON, 1.—Fifty workmen were buried by a falling wall of Whiteley's building to-day.

Earl Granville received the reply of the French Government to the English proposal of conference on Egyptian affairs. It is couched in friendly terms and accepts the conference in principle. It asks for a previous exchange of views between the two governments upon matters connected with the financial question.

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