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CRETAN SITUATION.

Military Authorities Assuming an Aggressive Attitude.

TURKS AND CHRISTIANS FIGHT.

Reports of Massacres and Pillaging from Many Villages—No Prospect of Peace.

NEW YORK, July 16.—A dispatch to the World from Athens says:

A dispatch from Canea states that Tuesday evening, after a consular council, one of the consuls declared the situation to be very grave.

The military authorities are assuming an aggressive attitude. The general sentiment is that Abdullah Pasha is striving in conjunction with the Mussulmans to prevent an outcome from being brought about.

The Turks were repulsed yesterday by the Christians. The affair was a serious one, a large force of troops being engaged.

The military authorities are acting contrary to the wishes of the instructions received from Constantinople. The Mussulman population is working actively with the Turkish army with the usual vexatious results. Seven men and two women who were engaged as servants have been massacred at Kodiani. Reports come in giving an account of fighting and pillaging in five other villages. These have required the consuls and the native Christians pacificatio regarding the possibility of making peace.

Under the pretext of removing the bodies of the sailors who were killed yesterday by insurgents when pursuing a rescue boat containing fugitive Christians Turkish troops are advancing to Apokarona. The consuls are holding a council.

Endorsing Bryan.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., July 16.—The state convention of the American silver party was held here last evening. There were about 100 delegates present. Dr. Frank A. Powell of La Crosse, who was the Populist candidate for governor two years ago, was the chairman of the convention. Resolutions were passed indorsing Bryan and the Chicago platform, and a state central committee was organized. Thirty delegates were chosen to the national silver convention at St. Louis. The delegation was instructed to use all its power to bring about the indorsement of Bryan and Sewall at that convention.

Sherman Has Changed His Mind.

CHICAGO, July 16.—A special to the Times-Herald from Cadiz, Ohio, says: It is generally understood that Governor Bushnell's home for United States senator to succeed John Sherman will be bestowed as a dinner to be given in honor of the Forakar club at Kimberville Friday evening. Recently it has been rumored that Senator Sherman has changed his mind and will again stand as a candidate for the senate. Ex-Secretary of State Ryan and Judge Day will be heard in endorsement from Senator Sherman himself in that vicinity this week.

THE NATIONAL PARTY

Cannot Endorse the Chicago Platform as It Is.

CHICAGO, July 16.—A special to the Times from Auburn, Ohio, says: Conspirators for the United States of the National party are located in this city. Inquiry developed the fact there is a great likelihood of the National candidates being withdrawn in order to strengthen the Democratic free silver ticket. Prominent leaders of the Nationals say that they very earnestly favor free silver as a step in the right direction, but they do not regard it as the ultimate solution of the money question. Their platform goes farther and declares that all money should be issued by the general government, without the intervention of any citizen, corporation or banking institution. It further declares that all paper money should be a full legal tender in all debts, public and private, and should be based upon the wealth and industry of the nation. Reports concerning the withdrawal of their ticket in favor of the free silver Democrats seem a sacrifice of principle, not only on the money question, but also in regard to equal suffrage, land and railroad legislation, the suppression of the liquor traffic, street legislation and several other of their platform declarations, most of the National leaders favor the continuance of their party organization. They claim that a vigorous campaign will be pushed in behalf of their candidates—Bentley of Nebraska for President and Southgate of North Carolina for Vice President.

Call to Stand Democrats.

ST. PAUL, July 16.—H. W. Lawler, chairman of the Democratic state money committee recently created at Chicago has issued a call to gold standard Democrats of Minnesota to meet in this city July 22 for a conference. Six hundred letters of invitation have been sent out and responses indicate are to be heard during the next day or two.

The conference is to consider the course of the Chicago convention, and will determine upon a course of action in the coming campaign.

Storm in Michigan.

DETROIT, Mich., July 16.—A fierce storm of wind, rain and electricity that swept southern Michigan last night did damage to crops and property to the extent of nearly $100,000. In Calhoun county twenty barns were reported struck by electricity and others.

In Lenawee the rainfall was 2.1 inches.

Around Kalamazoo immense damage was done to celery beds.

In Berrien and St. Joseph counties the crescents of apples, peaches and pears were stripped of fruit by the gale.

Proposed Populist Platform.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., July 16.—R. E. Wavsel, chairman of the Populist state central committee of California, and J. Taylor Rodgers, Mayor Sutro's secretary, have prepared a platform which it is proposed to present to the national Populist convention to be held at St. Louis next week. The financial plank is as follows:

We demand a national money, issued directly by the general government only, as a fiat legal tender for all debts and issued without the agency of any private corporation or bank, and in circulation volume subject to law and responsive to our needs and specifically to be increased to $50 per capita of the entire people.

Such money shall consist of gold silver and paper, each dollar thereof endowed with the same function, important only by the stamp thereon and not dependent of its money value upon the price of the material used. Each dollar shall be interchangeable with, but not convertible to the other and shall be demonetized respectively gold, silver and paper, as legal-tender national debts being payable in either at the option of the government.

As the United States is a free and powerful nation and the financial and industrial liberty of its citizens should be independent of the action of any other government, we demand the free and unlimited coinage of gold and silver by the United States at their present legal ratio of 16 to 1, without relation to the course of any foreign nation.

We demand that all national banks be abolished and in lieu of them that the government establish a postal bank in each city, town and village of the United States containing a population of 1,000 or more.

The platform also declares for the recognition of Cuba and against the refunding of the Pacific railroad debts.

Sensational Charges.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 16.—John F. Lewis, who was dismissed from the railway mail service on June 1st after serving six years as stenographer in the superintendent's office, has filed sensational charges against Superintendent Samuel Flint with the postmaster general at Washington. Lewis asserts that he was discharged because he testified against Flint a year ago, when Clerk F. E. Calver of Los Angeles preferred charges of drunkenness and favoritism against his chief. He charges also that A. C. Stetson, E. C. Mott, J. E. Mandeville of Sacramento and E. B. Sisser, all clerks who have been dismissed within the past twelve months, were dismissed for the same reason.

The general charges which Lewis has preferred against Superintendent Flint allege drunkenness, the use of vulgar language, direct and intentional violation of department orders in allowing money lenders to transact business through the mail office of the eighth division, lack of discipline, favoritism, political and religious discrimination and gambling.

VILAS AND BRAGG.

They Advise Another Democratic Convention.

FOND DU LAC, Wis., July 16.—Senator Vilas has prepared an address to Democrats of Wisconsin advising them to denounce the action of the Chicago convention and co-operate for another convention and has submitted it to General Bragg of this city.

Gen. Bragg has also prepared an address which he will submit to the delegates-at-large to that convention. The general declares it his conviction that the preservation of the Democratic party organization demands the calling of another national convention and the nomination of candidates on a Democratic gold standard platform.

Dead in the Asylum.

NEW YORK, July 16.—Juan Carlson Simonds, formerly of Chicago, and a member of the Illinois bar, died at the Wards Island Lunatic asylum. His business interests were largely in the West. He was interested in mining and in railway construction in California, but one much of his business in New York and was well known to Wall Street bankers. His health has given out completely about two weeks ago, due to overwork, and his mind being affected, he was removed to Bellevue hospital and later to Wards Island.

CHICAGO'S TOWER.

Will Be the Highest Structure of Its Kind Ever Built.

CHICAGO, July 16.—Chicago expects to have a tower which will be the highest structure of its kind ever constructed. It is to be called the Bath Tower and will be 1,100 feet high and 300 feet square at the base. The Tower company is an incorporated one, capitalized at $500,000, having for its president D. R. Procter, and will rear this lofty skeleton on the base ball property owned by New York people for which a lease for a term of years has been secured. This enterprise is based on the success of the Eiffel tower in Paris, in point of design, magnitude and appointment, and will contain features novelous novelties as against six in the Eiffel.

Disastrous Cloudburst.

PARKERSBURG, W. Va., July 16.—Reports of great disaster from a cloudburst reach here from the upper waters of the Little Kanawha. Many houses, several mills, thousands of logs, tan, all of the crops, fences, etc., were washed away. There are reports of the loss of several lives, but the wires are down and the reports cannot be verified.

Rain in the Ohio Valley.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, July 16.—Special telegrams from Ohio, eastern Kentucky and West Virginia to the Enquirer report the hardest rain and windstorm yesterday ever known along the Ohio valley. Several lives are reported lost and much property destroyed. The Kanawha and other rivers were raging last night. The Ohio river and tributaries are high. A cloudburst caused a washout at Friendly and Willow islands. A cloudburst near Grantsville, Calhoun county, W. Va., carried away every house and destroyed crops.

At Marietta the lightning destroyed 800 barrels of oil and the surface of the liquor and Hosea company's works. Many buildings were damaged by wind throughout the Ohio valley.

Drowned While Bathing.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., July 16.—While bathing at Lake Minnehaha, a summer resort near this city, Florence Mills and Bertie Mills, daughters of F. B. Mills, and Helen Cooney, daughter of William Cooney, all of this city, were drowned last evening. The accident was due to their walking into a channel dredged some years ago to accommodate steamboat traffic. All the bodies have been recovered.

THE VENEZUELAN CONTROVERSY.

The Correspondence Between America and England to Be Published.

NEW YORK, July 16.—A special to the Herald from Washington says: The United States and Great Britain have agreed upon July 18 as the date for the simultaneous publication of the correspondence in regard to the recent negotiations for an international arbitration treaty, with particular reference to the Venezuelan controversy.

The preparation of this correspondence for publication in the immediate course of Secretary Olney's continued presence here during the hot weather. He is in daily conference with Sir Julian Pauncefote, who has also been consulted to delay his departure for a cooler climate on account of the negotiations on this subject.

The correspondence will be laid before the British Parliament on the date mentioned and your staff will be furnished to the press by Secretary Olney on the same date. While the correspondence will show that there are still important points of difference between the two countries it will also appear that there has been marked progress toward an amicable settlement.

THE PASTOR DISCHARGED.

He Visited Mrs. Meliner More Frequently Than Necessary.

CINCINNATI, July 16.—The Commercial-Tribune's special from Lorain, Ohio, says: Rev. Jacob Young was discharged as pastor of Grace church on account of his frequent visits to Mrs. Meliner, thirteen witnesses were examined by the church board. Mrs. Young stands by her husband and also by Mrs. Meliner. The sensational proceedings that have agitated Lorain for some time will be carried to the annual conference next week.

Debs Is Not a Candidate.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 16.—Eugene V. Debs has written a letter to a friend in this city in which he says he is not a candidate for the presidency on the Populist ticket.

Death's Harvest.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., July 16.—Mrs. Mary Harlan, the venerable mother of Senator Harlan of Iowa is dead at the home of her son-in-law, John Brown, in Parke county. She was 100 years and five months old. Until within less than twelve months ago her mental and physical powers were phenomenal for one so old. Her death was due to exhaustion incident to old age.

CHICAGO, July 16.—John W. Leonard died this morning. He was a member of the state Democratic central committee, formerly the law partner of Governor Altgeld and his brother-in-law.

ORANGE, Iowa, July 16.—General Ariel K. Eaton died, aged 68. He came to Iowa in 1844 and took a leading part in state affairs till 1895. He has lived in retirement since.

VANDERBILT VERY SICK.

His Condition Today Less Favorable Than Yesterday.

NEW YORK, July 16.—Doctors Dawson, Dalton, Malone and Draper, who were in almost constant attendance last night at the bedside of Cornelius Vanderbilt, issued the following bulletin at 9:40 a. m.: Mr. Vanderbilt passed a restless night. His condition this morning is less favorable than it was yesterday.

Among the callers at the Vanderbilt mansion this morning was William C. Whitney. When he left the house he said he had not seen the patient. The doctors are still in attendance and the servants have been cautioned not to make the slightest noise. Vanderbilt's condition is said to be critical.

Dr. Janeway and A. D. Sloane left the Vanderbilt residence at 11:40 o'clock. Dr. Janeway said Vanderbilt's condition was unchanged. A consultation of physicians will be held at 3 o'clock this afternoon and an official bulletin will be posted then.

An official at the Grand Central station is authority for the statement that Vanderbilt's condition is very serious but that a crisis has not yet been reached. Word was received from Clauncey M. Depew this morning that he would sail for New York on Saturday's steamer.

At 1:35 this afternoon Vanderbilt's condition was said to be extremely critical.

H. Walter Webb left the house at 2:20 o'clock. "Whatever change there may be in Vanderbilt's condition since morning," he said, "has been for the better."

The attending physicians gave out the following bulletin after the consultation:

Mr. Vanderbilt has had a comfortable day thus far. He is no worse than he was this morning.

(Signed) A. W. McLEAN,
WM. A. DALRIEL,
FRANCIS DRAPER.

Khalifa Kills the Messengers.

LONDON, July 16.—A dispatch from Wady Halfa reports that the messengers who carried news to the khalifa at Omdurman that his army had been defeated at Fidali were immediately put to death by crucifixion. The khalifa announced that the same fate would be imposed upon any one who spoke of Fidali in his hearing.

Rebels Believe in Gold Standard.

WASHINGTON, July 16.—Mr. Easley, comptroller of the currency, has returned from the Chicago convention. He is an earnest believer in the wisdom of putting a gold standard Democratic national ticket in the field as the means of accomplishing the defeat of the free silver candidates, and believes this will be done.

A WOMAN EXECUTED.

She Killed Her Baby by Throwing It in the Fire

AND ROASTING IT TO DEATH.

The Infuriated Neighbors Who Discovered the Cruel Deed Demanded Her Life.

PIKEVILLE, Ky., July 16.—News reached here from Coeburn, Va., that Mary Snodgrass was hanged there on Friday for the murder of a female child by burning it in a stove. The woman was 26 years old.

The Snodgrass woman was a disreputable character and held to have Pikeville on that account. She went to Coeburn, Va., where her child was seized for by neighbors until 6 months old, when it was turned over to the mother. She tried to get rid of the child in various ways. The county judge told her that she would have to provide for it, and she took it home. On the night the people met her heard the little one screaming. Black smoke was issuing from the chimney. The door was burst open to ascertain the trouble. The child had been placed in the fire and the mother was holding it in the flame with a long iron poker. It was turned to ashes. The inhuman mother was arrested and the infuriated people wanted to lynch her, but promised to speedy justice and turned them to allow the law to take its course. She was convicted of murder in the first degree. The parents of the woman live in this county. She was married to a worthless man when about 16 years old and was soon separated from him.

BRYAN SPEAKS.

He Asks His Hearers to Consider the Issues of the Campaign.

DALEN, Ill., July 16.—It threatened rain in the evening, and the crowd at the night meeting was not as large as it otherwise would have been. The tents were out, however, and there was a display of fireworks. L. M. Keary, who presided, upon calling the meeting to order, announced that Nebraska Populists had endorsed Bryan for President. This caused great applause.

Mr. Bryan, in the course of his remarks, said:

"We have come upon times of great activity and there are some who are quick to condemn the agitator, but my friends, agitation is the only means in a country like ours through which redress can be obtained. They say these were prosperous times when I was discontented. I remind you that discontent lies at the foundation of all progress. Those who are entirely satisfied never desire anything better. If our forefathers had been content we would today be under British rule. (Applause and cheers.) It is only because they were not satisfied at all times that they became free and independent, that we have the government which we have today. And so, when a question is raised we ought not to denounce the man who raises it as an agitator. We should simply inquire, 'Is the proposition which he presents a right one?'

"Let me beg of you to give careful and just consideration to the issues of this campaign. Take our condition as it is, take the remedies proposed, and then apply the remedies to the remedies and if they will improve the condition of the body politic. Every reform that will better the condition of the masses is a reform that should receive the support of every voter of this country. Let no argument come to you that these it was said of Lincoln, or Lincoln is quoted as saying, when a man asked him whether he thought the Lord was on his side, he said he was more anxious to be on the Lord's side. (Applause.)

"That was simply one way of expressing a great truth, and that is that right will prevail. Ah, my friends, if there is one truth taught by 6,000 years of human history, it is that truth is conquering and that right will prevail. You may impede its progress, you may delay its course, but after a while truth will show its irresistible power, and those who stand in its way will be crushed beneath it. You ask me if these reforms we are advocating will be accomplished? I say if they are right they will be accomplished. If they are wrong we ought not to desire their accomplishment. We who believe that they are right can only go forth doing what we can, giving such impetus to them as we are able to give, and then trust to the righteousness of our cause to prevail over those who oppose us. I thank you for your kind attention." (Enthusiastic applause and cheers.)

Several local campaign orators, among whom were Congressman Williams, who was one of Mr. Sewall's rivals for the Vice Presidency, spoke when Mr. Bryan finished, after which the meeting adjourned.

BRYAN ON THE ROAD.

People Everywhere Eager to See Him and Hear Him Speak.

ST. LOUIS, July 16.—It was scarcely sunrise today when William J. Bryan accompanied by his wife and three children left Salem, Ill., for Lincoln, Neb., Bryan's present home. There was a score of people at the depot to bid the distinguished party good bye. At each station where the train stopped Bryan got off and shook hands with citizens. In several places flags were brought out and waved in the breeze. At East St. Louis which he reached at 8 o'clock, about 1200 railway men shouted and crowded for a handshake of the nominee. There were cries for a speech and in response Bryan said: "The people have a capability to judge of the character of the president and shake him by the hand. I have been there myself and crowded about a train to shake hands with the presidential nominee, even if I did not vote for him. I don't know whether here it is advisable or not. You can't tell much about a man by looking at him. I think it is far better to take the platform and study it and decide whether you like it, and I can say to you that Mr. Sewall and myself stand on the platform, and if we are elected we will carry it out to the letter. It presents policies which are important and will be good for the masses of the people. We believe that when prosperity is brought to the producing masses of this country it will find its way to other classes. There is no legislation which is good if it does not benefit the masses. Pitcairn Reasoner in a speech made to farmers a little over a year ago, said the farmers must stand together and protect themselves from the dregs of the city which produce nothing but laws. The producers of the country are just as much entitled to the fruits of the country and a sufficiency as those who consume the fruits produced."

There was loud cheering and waving of hands when he finished and the train pulled out for St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, July 16.—Half an hour before the train arrived at Union Station the city was covered thousand people had gathered to catch a glimpse of Bryan, hence with the Presidential nominee. A most enthusiastic greeting was given the distinguished gentleman as he stepped from the train, and as he and his family moved across to the dining room where a tasty breakfast was to be taken, cheer after cheer was given by the great crowd and repeated cries were made for a speech. Finally Bryan yielded to the voices of the throng and mounting a chair spoke a few words.

He said: "Ladies and Gentlemen, I am not here to make a speech this morning. I am afraid some of you have an idea that I do not do anything but talk, but I want you to understand that unceasingly I am laboring and applying and I am trying now a chance to rest. However, if you keep up this enthusiasm until election day, I have no doubt of the result. (Applause and cries "We will keep it up.")

The party then went to breakfast and thence to the Missouri Pacific train and at 9 o'clock departed for Kansas City.

At Vandevoter station in the western part of the city, Richard P. Bland boarded the train and will accompany the party as far as Jefferson City.

Accident to a Show Band.

CANTON, Ohio, July 16.—The band with Buffalo Bill's Wild West show, while crossing the tracks under the Pennsylvania bridge across Main street in Massillon this morning. All were crushed off. Five or six are reported dead or dying and all injured.

The Bond Investigation.

WASHINGTON, July 16.—Senator Harris, chairman of the Senate committee to investigate the recent bond issue, says he has not yet determined whether the committee shall wait until fall before going on with the investigation or complete the work, frame a report and issue it public this summer. Last meeting adjourned subject to the call of the chairman. Senator Harris says conditions may arise incident to the campaign that would make it desirable to present all facts to the public. Doing this, he added, the only purpose would be to clear up doubts and unfounded charges following the excitement arising from the national contest without reference to whom it would benefit or injure.

Senator Tillman's Daughter Killed.

ABBEVILLE, S. C., July 16.—Miss Adine Tillman and another young girl were killed by lightning yesterday at Reverand, N. C. Miss Tillman was the oldest daughter of Senator Tillman.

It Was a Cyclone.

SARATOGA, N. Y., July 16.—Reports from yesterday afternoon's destructive storm in the Adirondacks shows the storm swept northeast from this place and a cyclone struck the earth between Fort Edward and Argyle, Washington county, destroying farm dwellings and barns. In Dukestown and in Moreau seven dwellings were wrecked. Between Argyle and Griffin Argyle property valued at $10,000 was destroyed. There were many miraculous escapes but no loss of life is reported.

Both Ships Damaged.

LONDON, July 16.—The steamer Mobile of the Atlantic Transportation company bound for New York, collided with the British steamer Storm King, bound for Baltimore, at Gravesend today. Both vessels sustained damage to their bows.

American Vessel Ashore.

LONDON, July 16.—A dispatch from Zanzibar reports that the American bark Joan D. Brewer, Captain Sjogren, went ashore at Pangawani (Pangani). The government sent a vessel to the assistance of the Brewer. The Brewer is owned by Chas. Brewer of Boston. She sailed from New York on April 14th for Zanzibar.

The Colorado Oil Ground.

NEW YORK, July 16.—The steamer Colorado from Brunswick, Georgia, which was reached on Tuesday after colliding with a scow, was floated today.

No News of Masses.

NEW YORK, July 16.—Thomas Estrada Palma, the Cuban delegate, when seen at the Junta headquarters last night regarding Joe Mango's reported death said: "I have no advices whatever regarding the matter, but I do not believe the news to be true. It is absurd to think for one moment that Mango, who is believed by all Cubans could be murdered by his own people.

"As to the alleged race war reported to have broken out in the insurgent ranks, that is all nonsense. The Spaniards have often tried to spread the same report, hoping to injure our cause."

SERIOUS LABOR TROUBLE.

Martial Scenes Round the Brown Hoisting Works, Cleveland O.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, July 16.—The scene around the Brown hoisting and conveying works this morning was decidedly a martial one. Companies F, L and I of the Fifth regiment, were encamped near by and blue-coated sentries paced back and forth.

The strikers and sympathizers jeered the soldiers from a safe distance, but any attempt on the part of the men to approach the works was promptly met by pointed bayonets.

Later a mob of several thousand congregated in Hamilton street, a short distance from the works, and unceremoniously joined the soldiers. It was suspected by the police without one being injured.

The motormen on Cleveland City railway refused to carry non-union men this morning. One motorman left the car when a policeman ordered him to put a non-union man aboard, and told the patrolman to run the car himself. The policeman and motorman walked to the works. The attitude of the strikers is one of extreme bitterness. The authorities express much anxiety and it is conceded there is no telling what a minute may bring forth.

SUDDEN DEATH.

Ex-Governor Wm. E. Russell of Massachusetts.

QUEBEC, July 16.—Ex-Governor Wm. E. Russell of Massachusetts was found dead this morning in R. F. Dobbin's fishing camp at St. Adelaide, near Grand Piles, Quebec. When he passed through Montreal on his way to the salmon grounds in Gaspe, he was in the best of health. Grand Piles, the nearest telegraphic station to St. Adelaide, is a little fishing place of only 300 inhabitants and there are few facilities for getting more explicit information at present. It appears this morning the guides found that he slept longer than usual and when they went to wake him up, it was found that he was dead. It is supposed he died of heart disease.

Republican Silver Men.

TOPEKA, Kas., July 16.—The state silver convention met at 2 o'clock this afternoon. Of those present at least three-fourths have been prominently identified with the Republican party. The delegation to attend the St. Louis silver convention will be overwhelmingly Republican.

SATURDAY'S RATIFICATION.

The Idea of a Parade Abandoned—Tabernacle Rally and Speakers.

The committee having in hand the Bryan ratification to be held in the Theater Saturday night met in Rasmussen & Hoge's office last evening, at which time the idea of a parade was abandoned and it was decided to bring the miners' float into requisition as a conveyance for Hulo's band, which will play through the principal streets immediately prior to the commencement of the meeting.

The railroads have announced a rate of one fare for the round trip, from all stations from Ogden to Payson inclusive. From other points a similar rate will prevail for parties of thirty or more and parties of more than ten will be charged one and one-third while for individuals the rate will be one-and one-half. These rates will be in effect from Saturday to Monday inclusive.

Owing to the impossibility of hearing from the invited speakers until morning, the speaking program for the ratification meeting at the Theater has yet been made up, but it is confidently expected that some twenty of the prominent men of the State will address the audience.

MORE ABOUT HERMANS.

A Letter Received by Mr. Hansen Gives Additional History of the Tragedy.

John M. Hansen who played an important part in the unearthing of the Hermans tragedy at the Scandinavian M. E. Church is the recipient of a letter from Mrs. Anna G. Lundstrom, a Swedish lady at present residing in Chicago, who claims to hail from the scene of Hermans supposed exploits in Sweden, which if true, rank him amongst the foremost unscrupulous criminals of the age.

It appears that Mrs. Lundstrom upon seeing a newspaper cut of the much wanted Hermans, was very much struck with the resemblance between the cut and a photograph included in a group of Swedish ministers that she had in her possession the individual in question being badly wanted in Sweden for the robbing of fourteen people in 1895. Upon having her suspicions aroused she promptly wrote to Mr. Hansen, mentioning the startling resemblance and asking information as to Hermans' antecedents and past career. As a similar picture is amongst Frank Hermans effects that were left behind, the original picture will be forwarded and compared with the one here, which may have the effect of clearing up the character's history prior to 1889 when he first posed in America as a minister of the Gospel.

The crime in question occurred one Sunday afternoon in 1895. After the communicants in the Swedish church had partaken of the Sacrament they (forty in number) were taken violently sick, resulting in the death of fourteen of the number. During the ensuing confusion the officiating minister disappeared as completely as though the earth had swallowed him up. Upon analyzing the wine it was demonstrated that poison had been administered. The motive for the crime was soon found when it leaked out that the reverend gentleman had been carrying on various escapades with the lady members of the flock. The crime created a great stir in Sweden at the time.

In connection with the above it is a noticeable fact that Hermann's past is a sealed book prior to 1889, when he first made his appearance in the United States, and as no body can be traced with the various churches which pupils he has adorned together with his personal friends have been able to volunteer any information as to his history.

Chief Pratt and sons and George D. Alder expect to go on Friday or Saturday on a fishing and hunting expedition.

THE SILVER GRAYS.

The Veterans of Utah Take Their Annual Outing.

THE AGED HOSTS INVADE OGDEN.

The Train Loaded with Old Folks—A Grand Reunion of Old Time Friends at Ogden.

A fixed and established institution of Utah is what the annual Old Folks excursion has come to be. It is looked forward to and back upon by those who have entered or are verging upon second childhood, as children look upon Christmas or the Fourth of July.

Connected with this custom of giving the old folks a treat each summer, is a spirit of such genuine and sweet charity, at such whole-souled and practical benevolence, and of heartfelt filial love, as throws a softening influence over the whole community, regardless of color or creed; for all the aged, without distinction of sex, race or party, are cordially invited to participate in the festivities of Old Folks day, without money and without price.

The preparations made by the Old Folks committee this year were extensive, and contemplated a larger attendance of the aged than usual. In the neighborhood of 1,500 tickets had been given out, and as it was impracticable to carry so large a number of the old people on one train, it was decided to make two sections. These were announced to leave at 8:30 and 8:45 respectively, this morning, over the Rio Grande Western, which this year generously furnishes the transportation.

At about daylight this morning light showers began to fall and there was a prospect that the day might be unfavorable for an outing for aged persons. But notwithstanding the clouds, some time before the hour of starting large numbers of aged excursionists began to gather at the depot, and long before the time set for the first section to start the platforms were thronged with badge-wearers, who, with every appearance of going to the direction of the depot was index with them. The showery weather had not in the least dampened the ardor of the veterans, for had it, apparently, reduced the number of those intending to go.

A choir of about eight voices was on each section. That on the first was led by William H. Foster, the other by T. C. Griggs. On the journey these choirs went from car to car, singing selections and greatly enhancing the pleasure of the excursionists.

Ogden, Utah, July 16.—Among the excursionists in the first section was the typical Utah veteran, President Wilford Woodruff, also President Joseph F. Smith. About the time the first section started, at 8:30, the sun began to shine, and the ride to Ogden was cool, pleasant and delightful. The first section contained thirteen cars, all filled but not overcrowded, and the second section had a like number comfortably filled.

In conformity to the established custom, refreshments in the shape of lemonade (not circus lemonade, but a genuine article), fruit and cake were served and relished. The singing in each car by the chorus was a particularly pleasing feature. On the train and during the whole day a spirit of cordial fraternity prevailed among the excursionists. There was many a hand-shaking and many a greeting between old time friends and many a reminiscence was recounted.

Both trains reached Ogden without a single accident or incident and were met by splendidly organized committees. Elaborate and perfect arrangements had been made for the reception of the guests. The bishops of the five wards of Ogden and Marriott and Lyman formed a central committee of seven, with Robert McQuarrie as chairman. This committee had general charge, while the other committees were as follows: Reception, thirty members; transportation, five; decoration, five; music, five; ice, five; finance, five. Each committee had fully completed its work in a splendid manner. Two hundred vehicles were provided for conveying the excursionists to Lester park, while the street cars bore the legend, "This Car Free for Old Folks."

The rare kindness and solicitude with which the aged were met and assisted into conveyances at the depot was matched and in the highest degree creditable to the good people of Ogden. The exact number of old folks on the second train could not be ascertained, but is closely estimated at 700. On the first train the count discovered 753. There must have been in all just about 1,500—the largest old folks excursion ever given. A number were picked up at the stations of Davis county.

Beautiful Lester Park was gorgeously decorated and admirably arranged for the reception and comfort of the guests. Each Ogden ward had space set apart under trees, and tables of enormous length groaned under weight with good things to which the guests were made cordially welcome.

In the parlors were late arrivals with the committees, invited guests, including President Woodruff and Smith, dined. Near the pavilion was a tent bearing a streamer "Headquarters Harmon Battalion." Here all "Battalion boys" reported and registered their names and addresses. Over twenty sat at the table reserved for them. About twenty-three members of the Battalion and more than that number of veterans's widows mingled during the day. Old folks from Weber county to the estimated number of about 100 were also present making a gathering of about 2,600 old folks over seventy years of age.

Shortly before noon a program of literary exercises was begun. Besides several musical numbers, the program included an address of welcome by Hon. L. W. Shurtliff, a response by George Goddard and addresses by Elder Franklin D. Richards, Rev. C. F. Richardson, a Presbyterian minister of Ogden, and C. E. Savage. The program for the afternoon included