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TRIBUTE TO BRYAN.

Henry Watterson Says He Is Fervid, Sincere, Poor and Honest,

BUT THE PLATFORM IS MONSTROUS

Interview With the Colonel on the Political Situation of the United States.

NEW YORK, July 17.—A dispatch to the Herald from Geneva says: Col. Henry Watterson, who is sojourning with his family at Geneva, was interviewed by a correspondent of the Herald, touching the Democratic crisis in the United States.

Col. Watterson has sought the seclusion of the Swiss mountains not merely for recreation and rest but for the purpose of completing the life of Abraham Lincoln on which he has been engaged for some time.

"For more than a year" said Col. Watterson, "I have been out of active politics, and on that account I have declined to be drawn into the discussion of public matters and into exposing myself to criticisms and responsibilities which could not be met. You see I am not used to taking blows without giving them in controversial combat and I am loath to put myself at a disadvantage in this regard. But the condition of affairs at home is too serious to justify the silence of any man whose opinions may be desired. What is it you particularly wish me to speak of?"

"First, the ticket nominated at Chicago."

"Personally it is an unexceptionable ticket. Mr. Bryan is a most worthy and well educated young man, with a talent for what passes for oratory. He is fervid, sincere, poor and honest. Mr. Sewall is a Democrat of long standing and credit. He is a millionaire from Maine who, having nothing to lose politically, thinks he can afford to gratify caprice and amuse himself by playing with Populism. It is a ticket that may be made to arouse a great deal of enthusiasm, both real and artificial."

"And the platform?"

"Monstrous. It not only means national repudiation and spoliation but is an open door to revolution. If the leaders of this movement could come into power those of them who have any sense of accountability and conception of orderly government, would be quickly set aside by the wild elements behind. In this way civil war, as foreshadowed by the Chicago outbreaks last year, could be precipitated upon the country. Then the strong hand of the Federal power was interposed, but if this were withheld the reign of the mob would be easy enough."

"What of the proposal to put another Democratic ticket in the field?"

"You will observe," said Colonel Watterson, slowly weighing and measuring what he said, "that those who are so quick to urge concentration of all sound money men upon McKinley are either Republicans who naturally seek to swell their party ranks by such an unexpected accession, or those Democrats who from a sense of sheer outrage and disgust, leap at conclusions, not caring to take two bites at a cherry.

"But there are considerations which neither class takes into account. There are from two to four millions of staunch Democrats who may not be so easily transferred from one party to the other, yet whose votes can be made just as effectually in suppressing anarchy as the votes of those Republicans who directly support McKinley. These Democrats must have some abiding place. They cannot find it under a flag of which one half is for sound money and the other half for protection. Mr. McKinley cannot compromise an issue which he has made the cornerstone of his political belief. It is true that the money issue, not the tariff issue, is in the ascendancy now, but there must be logical consistency in all things, and neither Mr. McKinley nor his party can ignore tariff pledges without stultification. Hence a new Democratic convention with another Democratic ticket and directed by wise counsels is the sole hope of the Democratic future and would be the one refuge for those Democrats who have nowhere else to go. Failure to respect the convictions and exigencies of these Democrats will be in the highest degree unsafe. As between Mr. McKinley and Mr. Bryan, in the final outcome Mr. Bryan would probably get as many of these votes as Mr. McKinley while many would refuse to go to the polls, but a sound Democratic ticket would get them all. Thus after the election the opposition may be organized on a sound basis and not relegated to the wild horses of Populism for three years more of ruinous agitation with another life or death struggle at the end of them.

"It is not certain that a ticket headed by Carlisle or Whitney and placed upon a real Democratic platform would get more votes than the ticket headed by Mr. Bryan. Such a ticket would not imperil the result, but would secure it. The complete disintegration of the Democratic party is an event to be contemplated by thoughtful persons only with forebodings of evil."

New Trial Refused.

PHILADELPHIA, July 17.—Judge Yerkes has filed his reasons for refusing to grant a new trial for James B. Gentry, the convicted murderer of Actress Madge York. Counsel for the condemned man will take an appeal to the Supreme Court. The judge says the only question in the case was the degree of murder and the court finds no substantial reason to disturb the verdict.

Rates on Grain Reduced.

WICHITA, Kas., July 17.—Following the action of the Santa Fe the Missouri Pacific and the Frisco roads a making a seven cent cut in the grain rates and a corresponding cut in the wheat rates from Kansas points to Galveston it is stated that Kansas City, Fort Scott and Memphis, the Missouri, Kansas and Texas and other Gulf roads will quickly fall in line. The gauntlet has been thrown down to the Chicago lines and when the crops begin to move the Gulf roads intend to secure their share of the business at any cost.

The Santa Fe also announces a reduction of seven cents per 100 pounds on grain and grain products from Kansas points and Omaha, Neb., to Fort Madison and Chicago. The Santa Fe cut the rates in both directions, it is stated, in order to secure some of the business whether it moves to the Atlantic seaboard or to the Gulf of Mexico.

Oregon Railway Reorganization.

PORTLAND, Ore., July 17.—Another official step toward the reorganization of the Oregon Railway & Navigation company was taken today by the filing in the office of the county clerk of articles of incorporation of the Oregon Railway & Navigation company, with Henry Failing, E. McNeill and W. W. Cotton as incorporators.

The capital stock of the new company is placed at $35,000,000. The company is to operate and conduct the lines of the former Oregon Railway & Navigation company system, both railroad and steamship, and to build all the new lines contemplated by the former company.

CHINESE WAR INDEMNITY.

Japanese Money Kings on Their Way to London to Collect It.

At Present They are in Chicago But Travel Without Ostentation.

CHICAGO, July 17.—Five diminutive, dark-skinned Japanese are at the Auditorium almost unobserved in the crowd of comparatively gigantic Americans.

Although they came without flourish, the diminutive visitors have it in their power to disturb the exchange rate of the world, for they are on their way to London to collect the Chinese war indemnity, amounting to more than $150,000,000. The party includes Sonoda Kokichi, president of the Yokohama Specie bank.

"The money we are to handle," said President Sonoda Kokichi, "is to be delivered to us in gold in London. The amount is $150,000,000 with added interest. One half of this sum has been paid over to the Bank of Japan in London and the remainder is to be paid when we arrive. The bank of Japan is to receive the money for the government. It will then be handed over to me as representative of the Yokohama Specie bank. In addition to the indemnity our government also gets 30,000,000 taels, about $20,000,000 for the cession of the Liao Tung peninsula and 500,000 taels yearly while troops are stationed at Wei-Hai-Wei."

Another Bermuda Expedition.

NEW YORK, July 17.—The Herald this morning says: Much activity has been observed at the Cuban headquarters during the last three days, due to preparations for an expedition which is to sail very soon on board the steamer Bermuda. The steamer's machinery has all been overhauled at Philadelphia and her speed power has been increased. The expedition which has been ordered to leave Philadelphia on the Bermuda will be led by Col. Calatero, an old Cuban of the ten years war. Capt. John O'Brien will have charge of the vessel. Twenty cases of rifles and nearly 200 cases of cartridges have been sent to Philadelphia within the last three days, but there are not one quarter of the war material which will be shipped or has been shipped aboard the steamer.

Ran Into a Patrol Wagon.

CHICAGO, July 17.—A patrol wagon containing three policemen were run into by an electric car at 35th and Wood streets last night. Three police officers were in the wagon, and one of them, Bernard Brady, will die of his injuries. The others, John Nolan and J. Fitzpatrick were seriously hurt but will recover.

Chamberlain as Tory Leader.

LONDON, July 17.—An editorial in the Chronicle (liberal) predicts that Mr. Chamberlain will speedily become the tory leader in the House of Commons.

"Already," says the Chronicle, "he has pushed Sir Michael Hicks Beach and Mr. Goschen out of the way. It is evident that Mr. Arthur Balfour's health and mismanagement will soon lead him to retire to the House of Lords. The iconoclast, Joseph Chamberlain, as leader of the landlords and church party will be one of the dramatic events in history and a wonderful example of the whirligig of time."

California Populists Divided.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 17.—The members of the California Populist delegation started today for St. Louis to attend the national convention of their party. The delegation is divided on the question of endorsing Bryan. It is said a majority of the delegation favors nominating a separate ticket.

In Memory of His Wife.

NEW YORK, July 17.—William A. Clark, who is known as the silver king of Montana, and who is reputed to be worth more than $20,000,000, has accepted an architect's plans for a granite mausoleum to be erected at Woodlawn cemetery, at a cost of $100,000, as a memorial to his wife, who died about two years ago in this city. Estimates are now being made by several builders in the city, and the contract will probably be awarded next week.

YELLOW FEVER RAGING.

Foreigners Among the Bands of Antonio Maceo Attacked.

HAVANA, July 17.—Reports published here from the province of Pinar del Rio assert that yellow fever has attacked the foreigners amongst the bands of Antonio Maceo, and that the disease has even extended amongst the Cubans, especially those who have been absent for a time from Cuba and have recently returned. The insurgent leader Zayas was encamped yesterday only two miles from Guira Melena in Havana province.

Many persons have presented themselves to inscribe their names in the special register book for foreigners according to the decree of Captain General Weyler that foreigners not so inscribed within forty days will forfeit their privileges for foreign citizens.

EX-GOVERNOR RUSSELL.

Tributes to the Memory of the Distinguished Citizen.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., July 17.—The Union publishes the following tributes to the memory of ex-Governor Russell:

"Governor Russell had secured a high place in the estimation of his countrymen by his upright official conduct and especially by his brave resistance of the ways of Populism in his party, and his death is sincerely mourned by a vast number.

WILLIAM F. VILAS, Madison, Wis."

"In Governor Russell's death the country has lost an honest defender, his state an honest citizen, his party a fearless exponent of its right against wrong. ROSWELL P. FLOWER."

"The death of Gov. Russell is a great shock to me and the news will be received throughout the country with profound sorrow. No man of his age has made so prominent a mark or given promise of so much usefulness. Although differing with him in political belief, I have always admired his personal character and his high tone in all political matters, and had hoped from him great usefulness.

HENRY L. DAWES."

The Pacific Cable.

OTTAWA, Ont., July 17.—A report has reached here that the British government will take no further action with regard to the Pacific cable until it is learned what attitude the new Dominion government intends taking in the matter in the way of a Dominion subsidy.

The Cholera in Egypt.

CAIRO, July 17.—There were 435 fresh cases of cholera reported on Tuesday and Wednesday and 415 deaths from that disease.

Convicted and Sentenced.

CINCINNATI, O., July 17.—The Commercial Tribune's special from Brookville, Ky., says:

Robert Laughlin was convicted yesterday of murder and sentenced to death. Laughlin was a farmer near Augusta, Ky. His niece, aged 12 years, lived with him and cared for his invalid wife. They all slept in one room. Laughlin came home drunk last February and attempted to outrage the niece. His invalid wife came to her rescue. Laughlin in the struggle murdered both of them and then set fire to the house.

The Australians' Score.

LONDON, July 17.—In the cricket match between the All English eleven and the Australia Cricket club at Manchester today when the last of the antipodeans was shut out, their score was 412.

The All England eleven had scored 231 runs when their last man was put out.

No German Bank at Pekin.

LONDON, July 17.—According to a dispatch from Pekin the petition of the Deutsch Asiatische bank to the board of revenue for permission to establish a bank at Pekin has been refused. The refusal has been attributed to Russian influence. Negotiations are still in progress for the establishment of an American bank at the Chinese capital.

Bicycles Destroyed.

LONDON, July 17.—The Humber Bicycle manufactory at Coventry was burned today and 4,000 unfinished bicycles in the factory destroyed. The total loss is £80,000.

Attacked the Employer.

MELROSE, Mass., July 17.—The trouble brewing for some time between Contractor Evelyn constructing a sewer here and his Italian employes, culminated in a riot this morning. Evelyn was attacked by Italians and severe injuries inflicted upon him. The trouble was due to the failure of the contractor to pay the full wages due. Evelyn claims the men received all except such part as he was entitled to retain under the law.

Death's Harvest.

PARIS, July 17.—Jules Guichard, an associate of Ferdinand DeLesseps, the Panama canal projector, is dead. Guichard was elected one of the presidents of the Suez canal after the resignation of Count DeLesseps. He was also a member of the French senate.

Won by a Canadian.

LONDON, July 17.—The Kolapore cup has been won by a Canadian rifleman at the tournament at Bisley. The score of various other teams was as follows: Canada, 656 points; England, 644; Germany, 631; Jersey, 593.

Jose Maceo Killed in Battle.

HAVANA, July 17.—Private advices say Jose Maceo, the insurgent leader, was killed in an attack on the Spanish after the insurgent Colonel Cartagena had been killed in an engagement in Gaia hills. Maceo put himself at the head of the forces and led the insurgents. He hoped to surprise the Spanish, but he found himself confronted by a strong force in a superior position. Seeing his error and hoping to escape, Maceo shouted to his followers: "Back, let us retreat; there are too many for us." As he uttered the last word a rifle ball struck him in the back of the neck and passed through his head. The volley that slew Jose Maceo also slew his friend, Dr. Ravarra, and several members of his staff.

In Favor of Bryan.

FAIRBURY, Ills., July 17.—C. W. Wilson, the nominee of the prohibition party for lieutenant governor, has requested the withdrawal of his name that he might come out in favor of W. J. Bryan and the Chicago platform.

The Gold Shipments.

NEW YORK, July 17.—Heidelbach Ickelheimer & Co. engaged $500,000 gold, and Lazard Freres $1,000,000 for shipment to France tomorrow.

L. Von Hoffman & Co. have engaged $500,000 for shipment.

SEATTLE AND TOKIO.

The Great Northern System Connecting This Country With Japan

BY MEANS OF A LINE OF STEAMERS.

Contract Signed—Headquarters at St. Paul—Monthly Service to Begin With.

ST. PAUL, July 17.—S. Iwanaga of Tokio, general manager of the Japanese Mail Steamship company, limited, signed yesterday a contract with the Great Northern Railway company for the establishment of a steamship line between Tokio and Seattle. Thus the Great Northern system extends operations into the far east and its bills of lading are to form from Tokio to Buffalo, N. Y. St. Paul will be headquarters of this great system and one of its principal eastern terminals. The first steamer will probably leave Seattle about August 15. For the present there will be one steamer sent monthly, the service to be increased as requires.

Rothschild's Horse First.

LONDON, July 17.—At Sandowne today the Eclipse stakes were won by Leopold Rothschild's St. Frusquin, the other starters being Labrador, Regret and Troon. The race was witnessed by a large crowd, among whom was the Prince of Wales.

Although the field was the smallest that ever started in a race in this famous stakes, the reputations of the horses gave promise of a splendid contest. Regret came in second, Troon third.

Vanderbilt is Better.

NEW YORK, July 17.—Cornelius Vanderbilt's physicians posted the following bulletin this morning: "Mr. Vanderbilt passed a quiet night and is much refreshed by sleep. He is better than he was yesterday morning."

Dr. McLane is authority for the statement that Vanderbilt, though critically ill, is in no immediate danger of death. H. M. Twombly said he was confident that Vanderbilt would not die today. Another consultation of physicians will be held this evening.

Young Woman Found Unconscious.

CINCINNATI, July 17.—An unknown blonde woman was found this morning by a Fort Thomas soldier lying unconscious on J. B. Block's farm, within a few feet of the spot where the beheaded body of Pearl Bryan was left by the murderers. The girl was taken to Newport. It was found she had either been drugged or taken poison herself. She has not yet been restored to full consciousness. It is said she was seen at a saloon at Fort Thomas last night in company with two young men.

The woman was aroused sufficiently to say that she is Bertha Martin of Janesville, Ohio. Last night she went out to Fort Thomas with a man whose name she refused to give. They went to a saloon. She is positive she was drugged.

TO WELCOME BRYAN.

Lincoln, Neb., Crowded With Visitors—Buildings Decorated.

LINCOLN, Neb., July 17.—The city is crowded with people prepared to welcome W. J. Bryan home. Every residence and building is gayly decorated. The visitors are expected to number 25,000 before the Presidential candidate arrives.

Governor Holcomb, Adjutant General Barry, A. J. Edgerton and other "state house Populists" have returned from the Populist state convention at Grand Island. They express themselves pleased with the enormous majority for fusion in the convention, and boldly say that Chairman Taubeneck of the National Populist convention will do but little in the way of staying the tide for national fusion with the Bryan forces.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., July 17.—William J. Bryan, with wife and family, resumed the journey to Lincoln, Neb., this morning, leaving the city over the Burlington road on the regular 10:40 passenger train. Hard rain was falling and a few people were on hand to see the distinguished guests depart. The train will reach Lincoln about 5 o'clock. The trip promises to be uneventful, as it is raining hard along the route in Missouri and Kansas.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., July 17.—At every station between Kansas City and St. Joseph crowds of citizens cheered Bryan. He shook hands with the enthusiastic people. At 12:30 the train reached St. Joseph where between six and seven thousand people were at the railway station. A. J. Enright, Dr. T. H. Doyle, F. P. Yenowine and C. F. Cochran, editor of the St. Joseph Gazette, escorted Bryan to the platform erected for the candidate. The crowd cheered with boisterous enthusiasm.

Bryan said:

"Ladies and gentlemen: I believe this is a larger crowd than we had when we had our silver meeting here last November. I don't know whether to regard it as an evidence that the curiosity has increased or as an evidence that the silver cause has grown since last November. (Applause.) I have been very much gratified to find the interest people are taking in this campaign. I am not vain enough to assume that these demonstrations are intended as a personal compliment (a voice, "yes, they are,") but rather as an indication of that respect we find in the hearts of American people for our government and those who for the time being stand as the representatives of our government and those who aspire to positions of prominence in the administration of that government. I said, the sign of that respect for our government and, my friends, whenever I think of the government I think of the words that there are no necessary evils in government, that its evils exist only in its abuse. The government is what it ought to be, when it is what the people desire it should be, a blessing without alloy, and it is our duty as citizens in compelling love for our government by every citizen, by making the government so good that people will not only love it, but be willing to lay down their lives that it may be perpetuated to posterity. (Applause.) When we declare against some law as unjust, when we criticise a policy, it must not be considered as an attack upon the government, and yet there are some who would denounce every person who seeks reform and every person who seeks to change a custom."

Taubeneck Criticised.

ST. LOUIS, July 17.—Chairman Taubeneck of the Populist national committee has received much comment on account of his hurried trip to Chicago. It is asserted he went as an envoy extraordinary bearing the terms of capitulation from the "middle of the road" Populist to the national Democracy.

One More Victim.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, July 17.—One more body, that of a man not yet identified, was recovered this morning from the river at the scene of last night's disaster, making the total number of dead removed sixteen. Three men on the boat have not yet been accounted for. Weeping women besieged the morgues throughout the morning.

The following is the corrected list of identified dead: Edward Ryan, Joe K. Hardy, Charles Spoerke, Charles Stephens, Fred Feyel, found; Christ Gerlach, Christ Getman, Charles Bensinger, Julius Entz, August Kaden, William Sanders, Fritz Bartel, Mike Lynch, Mark Peoples, William Barlow, fell off the dock and was drowned.

Nearly all the victims leave large families.

Convention of Bankers.

NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y., July 17.—The third annual convention of the New York State Bankers' association began here today with a hundred bankers in attendance.

President James G. Cannon closed the annual report with the following reference to the currency question:

"The bankers of the country are its largest debtors, and it is to their honor that they stood like a solid wall repelling the free silver attacks that made serious inroads in the ranks of other debtors. We believe in laws, freedom, truth and faith in God, and it behooves us to stand firm in our demands for honesty in commercial affairs, for honest conduct and honest statements, for honest banking and for an honest dollar."

Piano Dealers Fail.

CHICAGO, July 17.—Hallett & Davis Co., dealers in pianos and organs, made an assignment today to George C. Aldrich. A statement was filed showing assets of $285,000, liabilities $140,000.

Young Baptists' Convention.

MILWAUKEE, July 17.—B. Y. P. U. sunrise prayer meetings crowded four churches this morning.

The general topic of the services at 9:30 was Young People's Society as a Working Force.

At Immanuel church, Rev. R. B. Smith of Parkersburg presided and the first paper was by C. O. Millspaugh on, How We Conduct Our Society.

Republicans Declare for Bryan.

MIDDLESBORO, Ky., July 17.—The Booneville Record and Somerset Republican, leading life-long Republican organs, have declared for Bryan and Sewall.

On Account of A Misplaced Switch.

LONDON, Ont., July 17.—The Wabash express which left here at 11:30 today for Detroit on the Grand Trunk collided with a freight train at Thamesville, Ont. Engineer Booth was instantly killed. No passengers were injured. A misplaced switch caused the accident.

RUMORS OF A BOND ISSUE.

The Political Effects Will Wear Off Before Election.

NEW YORK, July 17.—The rally of stocks today was attended by revived rumors of an impending new government bond issue. It is alleged representatives had been in conference with Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Curtis on the subject. It was said the secretary of the treasury and the President believed an issue of bonds soon to be necessary and that the political effect of such a step would have practically worn off by election time. The appearance of Curtis at the sub-treasury yesterday lent color to the report, especially in view of the strong, active market for government bonds this morning. The bankers usually identified with the financial measures of the administration and members of the old government bond syndicates discredit the report.

They Played Baseball.

The University campus was the scene of a very spirited game of baseball last evening, the contestants being the married employes of the Z. C. M. I. against those of single blessedness. Five innings were played, resulting in a score of 8 to 9 in favor of the "lads." Steve Love captained the defeated, while Charles [illegible] led the victors to victory. Quite a crowd of people witnessed the game, which commenced about 6:15.

TERRIBLY BURNED.

A Slag Explosion at the Germania Smelter.

Yesterday afternoon a young man named Moore, recently employed at the Germania smelter, while engaged in wheeling slag, met with injuries which may cause his death. He had wheeled away a pot of slag and dumped it in the usual way and place. On his way back to the furnace he noticed that a quantity of the molten slag still remained in the pot, and instead of returning to the dumping place to empty it out, he poured it on the ground near the slag cart track.

The molten mass alighted in a pool of water and exploded with terrible consequences to the unfortunate workman. The hot stuff flew up into his face and eyes, and ate its way into the flesh, and one of his ears was torn off. The sound of the explosion brought a number of workmen to the spot, and they found Moore lying upon the ground and writhing in agony. They did what they could for his immediate relief, and later he was sent to a hospital. It is feared that he may not survive, and that if he does the sight of both eyes is destroyed. He lately came to this city from the east, and was a green hand about a smelter.

THE OLD FOLKS' OUTING.

Battalion Boys who Reported—The Return Home.

After the close of the NEWS report of the old Folks' excursion to Ogden yesterday, the festivities continued between two and three hours. Each ward in Weber Stake had a dining table under the trees of Lester park, most of them of wonderful length, and any visitor was welcome to any table. A moderate estimate of the number of people who dined in the park during the day would be from 4,000 to 5,000.

Following are the names, ages and addresses of the surviving members of the Mormon battalion who reported at battalion headquarters on the grounds:

Alexander Brown, 70, Lynn.
John C. Thompson, 75, Riverdale.
Clinton D. Bronson, 72, Ogden.
Wm. S. Muir, 74, Bountiful.
Joseph Taylor, 71, Harrisville.
Orrin Hatch, 65, Wood's Cross.
Ralph Douglas, 73, Ogden.
James Owens, —, Harrisville.
Willard G. Smith, 69, Morgan.
Jarvis Johnson, 67, Box Elder.
Lorenzo Clark, 80, St. George.
J. W. Shoup, 73, North Ogden.
John Ritter, 76, Eden.
Jesse S. Brown, 71, Lynn.
Chas. R. Hancock, 72, Harrisville.
John M. Bybee, 69, Uintah.
Oliver G. Workman, 69, South Weber.
Zacheus Cheney, 75, Centreville.
Geo. W. Boyd, 70, Salt Lake City.
R. N. Allred, —, Spring City.
G. W. Hancock, 70, Payson.
Edward Bunker, 74, St. George.
C. Layton, —, Arizona.

It was the 50th anniversary of the enlistment of the battalion, which occurred July 16, 1846. In behalf of the Old Folks' committee, Wm. Naylor presented to each of the above named members of the battalion, a hickory cane. The presentation speech was one of the features of the exercises on the platform.

The two trains which were to bear the old folks home were to start at 5:30 and 5:45 respectively, and from four o'clock until after five an unbroken procession of vehicles moved from the park to the Union depot, laden with the excursionists. All the old people so far as known were safely on board before the time of departure. There was singing in the cars on the return home, and lemonade, cake and confectionery were served.

THE LAW ABOUT FISH.

Justice Harvey Says It Bows in the Pacific Express Case.

Justice Harvey yesterday afternoon rendered a decision in the case of the State vs J. C. Castalaine. The defendant, as agent of the Pacific Express company, was arrested, charged with having in his possession trout during the closed season. The statute under which the case was brought is section 12 of the fish and game law, which reads as follows:

"It shall be unlawful for any person to sell, kill, destroy or have in his possession at any time any fish except carp, chub, sunfish or silverside, less than eight inches long, or any fish whatever that is taken unlawfully; or to take, kill, destroy or have in his possession any trout or bass whatever at any time after the 14th of January and before the 15th day of July following."

The defense was that the trout had in possession were caught in Montana, and that the above section, reasonably and fairly construed, does not prohibit the importation of trout into this State, during any season.

The prosecution insisted that the section was intended to absolutely prohibit all persons in this State from having in possession any trout whatever, no matter where caught, during the closed season, and that to hold that trout might be imported then would enable violators of the law to evade it and destroy trout in the streams of the State, during the closed season, by alleging that the fish have been imported.

Justice Harvey sustained the prosecution and construed the statute to mean literally what it said, and that the language employed in it accurately expressed the deliberate will of the Legislature. As the prosecution announced that its main purpose was to test the law, the nominal fine of $5 and costs was assessed. Of course it is understood that no moral offense is chargeable to the defendant, as he acted merely as the agent of the transportation company shipping the fish into the State.

Mr. P. L. Williams, attorney for the defense, intimated that the case would probably be taken to the State Supreme court.

Fort Douglas Concert.

Concert by the Sixteenth U. S. Infantry band, at Fort Douglas, Utah, at 4:30 p. m., Sunday, July 19th, 1896. John F. Klein, leader:

PROGRAM.

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The public are cordially invited.

Will Jones was fined $10, with twenty days' imprisonment, and John Miller was given ten days, and $5 by Justice Hayes at Mill Creek yesterday for having stolen part of a reaping machine at Sugar House ward.

THE MILITIA CENSUS

It Should Have Been Taken by the County Assessor.

IN AN UNSETTLED CONDITION.

Commissioner Geddes Thinks Three Dollars a Day is Enough for the Enumerators.

The matter of the militia census of this county is in an unsettled condition and the county commissioners will not come to an understanding until the next meeting of the board on Monday.

Assessor Lynch could not be found in his office by a NEWS representative this morning, but the statement is out that he had been advised by County Attorney Whittemore not to take the militia census, which is a duty imposed upon him under the new law, because the law would be repealed at the next sitting of the Legislature. This rumor is undoubtedly without foundation as it would seem strange advice for one versed in the law to give.

There is another given reason for the present unsettled condition of affairs in this line. It is stated that Commissioner Christopherson is in favor of confirmation of the appointees of Mr. Lynch, but wants the compensation made $4 per day, instead of $3 as provided in the resolution introduced by Chairman Geddes at the last meeting. Commissioner Roberts was not present at the last meeting of the board, so his position is not positively understood but it is known that he has two personal friends among the appointees and consequently will favor confirmation. Whether or not, however, his friendship for these candidates would tend to influence him to stand for a higher salary for the enumerators than that stipulated in Mr. Geddes's resolution is not known and it would be unfair to Mr. Roberts to think such were the case without an admission or avowal of the fact by him.

When seen this morning Chairman Geddes said: "I am in favor of getting this work done in the cheapest way and will not vote to make it as expensive for the county as possible. Since the assessor by whom the work could have been done at the same time as his regular assessment duties were performed, has not taken the militia census I have advocated the plan of allowing the county fruit tree inspectors to do the work while making the rounds of the county in the discharge of their regular duties. The cost to the county by this means would simply have been that of stationery. My suggestions on these lines, however, were not considered feasible so I introduced the resolution which you heard read at the last meeting and which you published in your paper that evening. Three dollars a day I consider enough for each man connected with the work; and, besides, I do not believe in having the work 'strung out' for months, as you will see by my resolution, which limited the time to the 31st of July. It is not right to allow this militia census to cost the county $5,000, the amount estimated by the assessor. Neither do I believe we should allow personal or political friendship to influence us against principle and the public welfare. However, I think the law is not a good one. The taking of a militia census every year is unnecessary—once in three years is enough."

OFFICERS AND FIGURES.

Election and Financial Condition of Zion's Benefit Building Society.

On the 14th inst. the annual meeting of Zion's Benefit Building Society was held, at which the following officers were elected:

T. G. Webber, president; Heber J. Grant, vice president; L. S. Hills, treasurer; Edgar Howe, secretary.

Directors—A. W. Carlson, Thomas Hull, O. P. Arnold Jr., Jos. S. Wells, John A. Silver, Arthur Parsons, Wm. J. Bateman, David McKenzie, G. H. Backman, H. S. Beatie, Wm. Longmore.

Auditors—A. G. Giauque, C. A. F. Orlob, Henry T. McEwan.

The secretary's report was read and accepted. Following is a recapitulation:

ASSETS.

[illegible]	[illegible]
Cash on hand	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
	[illegible]

LIABILITIES.

[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]
	[illegible]

There was declared a dividend of 9 per cent for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1896, amounting to $19,-[illegible].

Total dividend now to credit of present members, $64,484.15.

There has been loaned to members since organization $615,027, of which amount $374,700 has been repaid.

Withdrawing members have been paid $424,092 in subscriptions and [illegible] in dividends.

The Nordstrom Case.

The preliminary examination of Carl O. Nordstrom, who is accused by Miss Anna Hedberg of having, by violence, accomplished his foul purpose, was begun before Judge Wenger yesterday. The testimony of the complaining witness was corroborated by her son aged five years, a bright little fellow. The defendant produced several witnesses to prove his good character, but they appeared to know very little of him. On the stand he positively denied the guilt. The case was continued until 2 p.m. today.